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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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Thomas S. Foley Distinguished Professor of Government and Public Policy, Washington
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Professor, Political Science, Washington State University, Fall 2015- present.

Associate Professor, Political Science, Washington State University, Fall 2009 - Summer 2015.

Co-Director, Wesleyan Media Project, Spring 2010 - present.

Assistant Professor, Political Science, Washington State University, Fall 2003-Summer 2009.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of Political Science, 2003.

M.A., University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of Political Science. May 1998.

B.A., Central College, Pella, Iowa. May 1997. Major: Political Science. Minor: Spanish.

BOOKS

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INVITED TALKS

“The Past, Present and Future of Political Advertising in the United States—and Implications for Australia,” Research School of Management Research Seminar Series, Australian National University, June 2023.

“Digital Political Advertising in Australia and the Permanent Campaign,” Department of Politics, Media and Philosophy Research Seminar, LaTrobe University, May 2023.

“A Window into the Future? Digital Political Advertising in Australia,” School of Media, Film and Journalism, Monash University, March 2023.

“Tracking Digital Political Advertising,” Stanford Law School, Stanford University, March 2020.

“Civility and the Upcoming Election Cycle,” Greenlee Summit, Iowa State University, September 2019.

“Trump’s 2016 Victory: Rethinking Theories of Ad Persuasion,” University of Exeter, May 2017.

“Who Leads Campaign Discussion? Understanding the Interaction Between Group and Candidate Issue Agendas,” Glasgow Quantitative Methods Group, University of Glasgow, May 2017.

“The Long-Term and Geographically-Constrained Effects of Political Advertising on Political Polarization and Sorting,” Nottingham Interdisciplinary Centre for Economic and Political Research, University of Nottingham, March 2017.

“Tracking the Airwaves: Change and Continuity in Political Advertising in 2016,” Sagan National Colloquium, Ohio Wesleyan University, November 2016.

“Dark Money and Political Advertising in the 2016 Campaign,” CUNY Graduate College, September 2016.

“Change and Continuity in Political Advertising in 2016,” Fordham University, September 2016.

“Transparency and the Wesleyan Media Project,” National Institute on Money in State Politics Convening, Bigfork, Montana, May 2016.

“Loose Cannons or Loyal Foot Soldiers? Interest Group Advertising Strategies,” Texas A&M University, October 2015.

“Sponsorship, Disclosure and Donors: Limiting the Impact of Outside Group Ads,” Boise State University, February 2015.

“The New Wild West: Political Advertising in the 2012 American Elections,” 10th International Conference on Political Communication, Konrad Adenauer Institute, Berlin, October 2012.

“The Influence of Campaign Advertising in the United States,” Department of Political Science, University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, May 2012.

“Political Advertising in the United States,” Institute for the Study of Politics, University of Bordeaux, France, October 2010.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Ridout, Travis N. 2014. “Issue Frame Ownership and Use in U.S. Senate Campaign Advertising.” Paper presented at the Political Communication pre-conference, George Washington University, August 27.

Salamone, Michael, Orion Yoesle and Travis N. Ridout. 2014. “Campaigning for the Bench: The Content of Political Advertising in Judicial Races.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 28-31.

Franklin Fower, Erika, Michael M. Franz and Travis N. Ridout. 2013. “Which Ads Persuade? Identifying Persuasive Characteristics in Political Advertising.” Paper presented at the Political Communication pre-conference, University of Illinois-Chicago, August 28.

Ridout, Travis N., Michael M. Franz and Erika Franklin Fowler. 2013. "When Are Interest Group Ads More Effective?" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 29-September 1.

Rijkhoff, Sanne and Travis N. Ridout. 2013 "Cynical Appeals in American Political Advertising." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 29-September 1.

Scholl, Rosanne, Melissa R. Gotlieb, Travis N. Ridout, Ken Goldstein and Dhavan V. Shah. 2013. "Cumulative and Long Term Campaign Advertising Effects on Democratically Valuable Outcomes." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, Washington, D.C., August 8-11.

Ridout, Travis N. 2013. "Owning the Argument: How Parties Frame Political Issues in Electoral Campaigns." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 11-14.

Weber, Christopher, Kathleen Searles and Travis N. Ridout. 2013. "Anger and the Partisan: How Source and Viewer Characteristics Moderate the Effects of Anger Appeals." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 14 11-14.

Fowler, Erika Franklin, Michael M. Franz and Travis N. Ridout. 2013. "Explaining Interest Group Advertising Strategies: Loose Cannons or Loyal Foot Soldiers." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 11-14.

Walter, Annemarie and Travis N. Ridout. 2012. "Issue Convergence Across Political Systems." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 12-15.

Fowler, Erika Franklin, Michael M. Franz and Travis N. Ridout. 2012. "Explaining Interest Group Advertising Strategies: Loose Cannons or Loyal Foot Soldiers." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 12-15.

Branstetter, John, Erika Franklin Fowler and Travis N. Ridout. 2012. "Political Advertising in the 21st Century: The Influence of the YouTube Ad." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Portland, March 22-24.

Strach, Patricia, Katherine Zuber, Erika Franklin Fowler, Travis N. Ridout and Kathleen Searles. 2011. "In a Different Voice? Explaining the Use of Men and Women Voiceovers in Political Advertising." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 1-4.

Bode, Leticia, David Lassen, Young Mie Kim, Ben Sayre, Dhavan Shah, Michael M. Franz, Erika Franklin Fowler and Travis N. Ridout. 2011. "Putting New Media in Old Strategies:

Candidate Use of Twitter During the 2010 Midterm Elections” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 1-4.

Fowler, Erika Franklin, Michael M. Franz and Travis N. Ridout. 2011. “Citizens United and Campaign Advertising in 2010.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 5-8.

Ridout, Travis N., Erika Franklin Fowler and John Branstetter. 2010. “Political Advertising in the 21st Century: The Rise of the YouTube Ad.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2-5.

Fowler, Erika Franklin and Travis N. Ridout. 2010. “Message or Messenger? Explaining Variation in the Success of Agenda-Setting.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2-5.

Ridout, Travis N. and Kathleen Searles. 2010. “In Defense of Fox News.” Paper presented at the Political Communication Pre-conference, George Washington University, September 1.

Ridout, Travis N., Michael M. Franz and Kenneth M. Goldstein. 2010. “Microtargeting Through Political Advertising.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, April 1-3, and at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 22-25.

Fowler, Erika Franklin and Travis N. Ridout. 2009. “Explaining Perceptions of Campaign Tone.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, September 3-6.

Ridout, Travis N. and Erika Franklin Fowler. 2009. “Explaining Perceptions of Advertising Tone.” Paper presented at the Political Communication Pre-conference, University of Toronto, September 2.

Ridout, Travis N. 2009. “Political Advertising in Today’s ‘New-Style’ Presidential Primary Campaigns.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, B.C., March 19-21.

Ridout, Travis N. and Kathleen Searles. 2009. “It’s My Campaign I’ll Cry if I Want to: How and When Campaigns Use Emotional Appeals.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, B.C., March 19-21.

Ridout, Travis N. 2008. “Do Local News Media Give ‘Nicer’ Campaign Coverage?” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, Aug. 28-31.

Ridout, Travis N. and Jenny L. Holland. 2008. “Candidate Strategies in the Presidential Nomination Campaign.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, Aug. 28-31.

Ridout, Travis N. and Erika Franklin Fowler. 2008. "Paid and Free Advertising: The Media's Role in Shaping Perceptions of Ad Tone." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 3-6.

Kaplan, Noah and Travis N. Ridout. 2007. "The Campaign Dynamics of Issue Dialogue." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 12-15. Revised version presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Aug. 30-Sept. 2.

Ridout, Travis N. and Glen Smith. 2007. "Free Advertising: How the Media Amplify the Effect of Negative Ads." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 12-15.

Franz, Michael M. and Travis N. Ridout. 2007. "Who's Persuaded? How Voter Characteristics Mediate the Impact of Political Advertising." Paper presented at the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, March 8-10.

Ridout, Travis N. and Brandon Rottinghaus. 2006. "How Much Attention Would the Candidates Pay to a Western States' Primary?" Paper presented at the Western Presidential Primary Symposium, Salt Lake City, Sept. 29.

Ridout, Travis N. 2006. "News Media Use and Perceptions of Global Threat in the U.S. and Japan." Paper presented at the Workshop on Insecurity and Public Attitudes, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 28-July 1.

Ridout, Travis N. 2006. "News Media Use and Perceptions of Global Threat in the U.S. and Japan." Paper presented at the meeting of Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast, Pullman, Washington, June 16-18.

Ridout, Travis N. and R. Brent Mellen Jr. 2006. "Does the Media Agenda Reflect the Candidates' Agenda?" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 20-23.

Ridout, Travis N. and Ashley C. Grosse. 2005. "News Media Use and Perceptions of Global Threat." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 1-4.

Ridout, Travis N. 2004. "How Campaigns Matter: The Relative Impacts of Television Advertising, Candidate Appearances and News Coverage in the 2004 Presidential Nomination Race." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 15-18.

Grosse, Ashley and Travis N. Ridout. 2004. "The Silent Electorate: A Political Profile of Phone Non-Respondents" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 15-18.

Grosse, Ashley and Travis N. Ridout. 2004. "Profiling Survey Non-respondents through Mixed-Mode Methods." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Portland, Oregon, March 11-13.

Kaplan, Noah, David Park and Travis N. Ridout. 2004. "Dialogue in U.S. Senate Campaigns? An Examination of Issue Discussion in Candidate Television Advertising." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 8-10, and at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 3-6, 2003.

Ridout, Travis N. 2003. "Do Undecided Voters Break for the Challenger?" Poster presented at the Political Methodology Summer Meeting, Minneapolis, July 17-19. Under review.

Ridout, Travis N. 2003. "The Effects of a Front-Loaded Presidential Primary Calendar on Voter Learning." Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 3-6.

Ridout, Travis N. 2002. "Modeling the Effects of the Campaign Information Environment on Voter Learning." Poster presented at the Political Methodology Summer Meeting, Seattle, July 18-20.

Ridout, Travis N. 2002. "Which Campaigns Matter? The Influence of Message Intensity, Message Density and Campaign Length on Voter Learning." Paper presented at the annual American Association for Public Opinion Research conference, St. Pete Beach, Florida, May 16-19.

Ridout, Travis N. 2002. "Presidential Primary Front-Loading, Media Coverage, and Campaign Strategies" Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 25-28.

Espino, Rodolfo and Travis N. Ridout. 2001. "Assessing Policy Congruence through Bayesian Small Area Estimation." Poster presented at the Political Methodology Summer Meeting, Atlanta, July 19-21.

Ridout, Travis N. 2001. "Some Myths (and Facts) About Campaign Advertising in the 2000 Presidential Primaries." Paper presented at the conference on "Television Advertising in the 2000 Campaign," Chicago, April 17-18.

Mutz, Diana and Travis N. Ridout. 2000. "Elite Leadership of Mass Opinion in an Era of Waning Confidence." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 1-3.

Ridout, Travis N. and Rodolfo Espino. 2000. "What is it About Joining a Group that Makes People Trust Others More?" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 27-30.

ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Presenter, Short Course on Data Sources for Interest Group Research, American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 29.

Participant, Roundtable on the 2018 Midterm Elections, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, Bend, Oregon, November 8-10, 2018.

Participant, Roundtable on Facts, Fiction and Free Media, Political Communication preconference, Boston, August 29, 2018.

Participant, Roundtable on Institutions and the Trump Presidency, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, Seattle, October 12-14, 2017.

Participant, Roundtable on Handbook of French Politics. American Political Science Association annual meeting, San Francisco, August 31-September 3, 2017.

Participant, Roundtable on U.S. Federal Campaign Finance in a time of Transition. American Political Science Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, September 1-4, 2016.

Participant, Roundtable on Money and Politics, 2016. American Political Science Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, September 1-4, 2016.

Participant, Roundtable on the Making of the Presidential Candidates 2008. American Political Science Association annual meeting, Chicago, Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 2007.

DATASETS

Fowler, Erika Franklin, Michael Franz and Travis N. Ridout. 2015. "Political Advertising in 2012." Version 1.1. Middletown, Conn.: Wesleyan Media Project.

Fowler, Erika Franklin, Michael Franz and Travis N. Ridout. 2014. "Political Advertising in 2010." Version 1.2. Middletown, Conn.: Wesleyan Media Project.

Goldstein, Kenneth, Michael Franz, and Travis Ridout. 2002. "Political Advertising in 2000." Final release. Madison, WI: The Department of Political Science at The University of Wisconsin-Madison and The Brennan Center for Justice at New York University.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Communication, Political Advertising, Media and Politics, Campaign Effects, Campaign Finance, Presidential Nominations, Political Methodology

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

School of Politics, Philosophy and Public Affairs, Washington State University

American National Government
Honors American Government
Media and Politics
Voting and Elections
Introduction to American Government and Processes (graduate)
Political Behavior (graduate)
Political Science Research Methods (graduate)
Quantitative Research Methods (graduate)

STUDENT ADVISING

Ph.D. Students Completed (Primary Advisor)

Glen Smith (2009, Professor, University of North Georgia)
Rob Mellen (2010, Assistant Professor, University of South Florida)
Kathleen Searles (2011, Distinguished Professor, University of South Carolina)
Jenny Holland (2012, Institutional Research, Southwestern College)
Sanne Rijkhoff (2015, Associate Professor, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi)
Taewoo Kang (2017, Associate Professor, Siena College)
Samuel Rhodes (2019, Assistant Professor, Moravian University)
Josh Munroe (2021, Washington State Department of Health)
Timothy Chatburn (2022, Project Manager, SESRC, Washington State University)
Furkan Cakmak (2023, Post-doc, Wesleyan University)
Orion Yoesle (2023, Assistant Professor, Butler Community College)

Current Ph.D. Students (Primary Advisor)

Edward Greer
Ashlynn Main
Ris Swank

EXTERNAL GRANTS

Co-Principal Investigator. “Cross-platform Election Advertising Transparency Initiative.”
National Science Foundation, October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2024, \$300,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. “Political Advertising in 2018.” Knight Foundation, Summer

2018, \$48,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. “Political Advertising in 2016.” Knight Foundation, Spring 2016, \$45,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. “Political Advertising in 2014.” MacArthur Foundation, Spring 2014, \$60,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. “Political Advertising in 2014.” Knight Foundation, Spring 2014, \$75,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. “Political Advertising in 2012.” Knight Foundation, Spring 2012, \$248,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. “Political Advertising in 2012.” Rockefeller Brothers Foundation, Fall 2011, \$80,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. “Political Advertising in 2010.” Knight Foundation, Fall 2010, \$100,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. “Political Advertising in 2010.” Sunlight Foundation, Spring 2010, \$25,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. Canadian Studies Program Enhancement Grant, Government of Canada, Fall 2009, \$4,000.

Co-Principal Investigator. Canadian Studies Program Enhancement Grant, Government of Canada, Fall 2008, \$3,700.

Co-Principal Investigator. Canadian Studies Program Enhancement Grant, Government of Canada, Fall 2007, \$3,600.

Co-Principal Investigator. “Study of Attitudes and Global Engagement,” Japanese Ministry of Education and Thomas S. Foley Institute for Public Policy and Public Service, Fall 2004, \$72,500.

INTERNAL GRANTS

Meyer Project Award, College of Liberal Arts, Washington State University, Spring 2010, \$5,000.

Research Faculty Travel Grant, College of Liberal Arts, Washington State University, Spring 2009, \$1,200.

Meyer Grant Development Award, College of Liberal Arts, Washington State University,

Fall 2008, \$5,000.

Faculty-led Study Abroad Internationalization Award, Washington State University, Spring 2007, \$2,000.

Principal Investigator. “Voter Persuasion in the 2004 Presidential Nomination Campaign,” Washington State University, Fall 2003, \$700.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Elected Member of the Washington State Academy of Sciences, 2025.

Fulbright Senior Scholar, Monash University, Australia. 2023.

Best Paper Award (with Erika Franklin Fowler, Michael M. Franz, Gregory S. Martin and Zachary Peskowitz), Information Technology and Politics Section, American Political Science Association, September 2020.

Jack Walker Best Article Award (with Michael M. Franz and Erika Franklin Fowler), Political Organizations and Parties Section, American Political Science Association, August 2017.
Early Achievement in Scholarship Award, Washington State University, College of Liberal Arts, March 2011.

Graduate Student Faculty Appreciation Award, Washington State University, Department of Political Science, April 2007, April 2008.

Graduate Student Faculty Appreciation Mentoring and Advising Award, Washington State University, Department of Political Science, April 2007, April 2008.

Fellow, International Canadian Studies Institute, British Columbia and Yukon, Summer 2006.

Freshman Seminar Shared-Course Faculty Award, Washington State University, Spring 2004.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Member, Rules and Elections Committee, American Political Science Association, 2025-2027.
President, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, 2025-2026.

Member, Editorial Board, French Politics, 2023-present.

Member, Executive Committee, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, 2017-2024.

Member, Joint Publications Committee, Political Communication Section, American Political

Science Association, 2022-2025.

Chair, Political Communication Section, American Political Science Association, 2014-2016.

Section Chair, Media and Public Opinion, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association annual meeting, 2015, 2016, 2017.

Book Reviews Editor, Public Opinion Quarterly, 2012-2022.

Vice-Chair/Chair-elect, Political Communication Section, American Political Science Association, 2012-2014.

Editorial board member, Political Research Quarterly, 2012-2014.

Section Chair, Electoral Campaigns, Midwest Political Science Association, 2013.

Executive Committee, Political Communication Section, American Political Science Association, 2009-2011.

Section Chair, Political Communication, American Political Science Association annual meeting, Seattle, September 2011.

Section Chair, Media and Public Opinion, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association annual meeting, Victoria, British Columbia, October 2009.

Ad hoc Reviewer for Acta Politica, American Journal of Political Science, American Politics Research, American Political Science Review, Asian Journal of Political Science, British Journal of Political Science, Cognition and Emotion, Communication Research, Comparative Political Studies, Congress and the Presidency, Electoral Studies, European Political Science Review, French Politics, Government and Opposition, Harvard International Journal of Press/Politics, Human Communication Research, International Journal of Communication, International Journal of Press/Politics, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, Journal of Advertising, Journal of Broadcasting and Electronic Media, Journal of Contemporary African Studies, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties, Journal of Information Policy, Journal of Information Technology and Politics, Journal of Legislative Studies, Journal of Political Marketing, Journal of Politics, Journalism and Mass Communication Quarterly, Legislative Studies Quarterly, Mass Communication and Society, Media, War and Conflict, National Science Foundation, New Media and Society, Party Politics, PLOS ONE, Political Behavior, Political Communication, Political Psychology, Political Research Quarterly, Political Studies, Politics and Gender, Politics and Governance, Politics and Policy, Policy Studies Journal, Polity, Public Opinion Quarterly, Research and Politics, Routledge, Social Problems, Social Science Quarterly, University of Pennsylvania Press, Visual Communication, Wadsworth, W.W. Norton.

External Tenure and Promotion Evaluator for University of Michigan, University of Texas-Dallas, Florida International University, Clemson University, University of New Mexico,

Portland State University, Rhodes College.

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Washington State University

Co-chair, Faculty Senate Budget Committee, Fall 2015-Spring 2016.
Member, Faculty Senate Budget Committee, Fall 2013-Spring 2015.
Member, Director Search Committee, WSU Children's Center, Spring 2012.
Member, Parents' Advisory Committee, WSU Children's Center, Fall 2011-Spring 2015.

College of Arts and Sciences

Member, Dean's Executive Advisory Committee, 2019 – 2020
Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2017 - 2019.
Member, Liberal Arts Scholarship Committee, 2015, 2016.
Member, Distinguished Professorship Committee, 2014, 2015.

School of Politics, Philosophy and Public Affairs, Washington State University

Director, Summer 2020-present.
Director, Graduate Studies, Summer 2014-2016.
Chair, Graduate Studies Committee, Summer 2014-2016.
Member, Director Search Committee, Spring 2013-Summer 2015.
Chair, American Politics Search Committee, Spring 2013.
Department of Political Science, Washington State University
Member, Public Law Search Committee, 2011-2012.
Member, Public Policy Search Committee, 2009-2010.
Member, Undergraduate Committee, 2008-2009.
Member, American Politics Search Committee, Spring 2007.
Member, Matriculation Exam Committee, 2007-present.
Member, Graduate Studies Committee, 2005-2006, 2009-2010, 2011-2016.
Member, American Politics Search Committee, Spring 2006.
Member, Chair's Advisory Council, 2005-2007.
Adviser, Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science Honor Society, 2005-2007.
Member, American Politics Search Committee, Fall 2005.
Co-coordinator, Research and Methods Symposium, 2004-2015.
Member, Undergraduate Awards and Scholarships Committee, 2003-2004

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association

Political Communication Division, APSA

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

Speaker, Humanities Washington Speakers' Bureau, 2019-2020. Presented "*Hacking Democracy: What Social Media is Doing to US Politics*," in Clarkston, Kennewick, Spokane, Sumner.

Panelist, Election Post-Mortem, Foley Institute, Washington State University, November 2018.

Presenter, "The Speed of Deceit: The New Era of Online Lies and Misinformation," Humanities Washington forums in Yakima and Spokane, September 2018.

Academic Advisory Board Member, Palgrave MacMillan Series on Political Marketing and Management, 2014 - present.

Member, The Internet Archive Political Advertising Project Board of Advisors, 2014-2016.
Election Night Consultant, CBS News. November 2004, 2006.

Interviewed by National Public Radio (All Things Considered), Washington Post, New York Times, USA Today, Asahi Shimbun (Japan), The Hill, Atlanta Journal Constitution, San Diego Union Tribune, Sacramento Bee, New York Daily News, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, Spokesman-Review (Spokane, Washington), Olympian (Olympia, Washington), Yakima Herald-Republic, Everett (Washington) Herald, Moscow Pullman Daily News, Lewiston (Idaho) Morning Tribune, CBS Radio News, Northwest Public Radio, KQED radio (San Francisco), KMAX radio (Colfax, Washington), KOMO radio (Seattle), KONA radio (Tri-Cities, Washington), KXLY radio (Spokane, Washington)

Presenter, "American Rage: Division and Anger in US Politics," Humanities Washington forums in Spokane, Seattle, Tacoma and Yakima, April -October 2016.

Presenter, "Citizens United and Political Advertising," Pullman League of Women Voters, February 2014.

Presenter, "Sharing Data Through the WSU Dataverse," Research and Methods Symposium, Washington State University, January 2008.

Panelist, Pre-Election Forum, Foley Institute, Washington State University, October 2006.

Presenter, "Doing Cross-National Survey Research: The SAGE Project," Research and Methods Symposium, Washington State University, October 2005.

Panelist, "The 2004 Election: Battlegrounds, Horse Races, and Implications for the Future,"

Foley Institute Policy Forum, Washington State University, October 2004.

Presenter, “It’s Ruining My Christmas! Measuring Exposure to Political Ads on Television,”

Research and Methods Symposium, Washington State University, January 2004.

Presenter, “Electronic Voting,” Pullman League of Women Voters, January 2004.