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ACADEMIC POSITION

Assistant Professor of Political Science, August 2007-present (tenure track)
Department of Public and International Affairs, University of North Carolina, Wilmington

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Government, University of Texas at Austin, August 2007
Dissertation: "Breaking with the Party: Preferences, Procedures, and Party Position Shifts in the United States Congress"
(committee: Peter Trubowitz, chair; Sean M. Theriault; Bruce Buchanan; James Enelow; and Kenneth S. Flamm)

M.A. in Government, University of Texas at Austin, May 2002
Thesis: "Politics of Immigration Reform"

Master's Program in International Relations, 1997-1999, University of California, San Diego
Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies
Fields: Comparative/International Political Economy

B.A. in Political Science, Seoul National University, February 1994

PUBLICATION

"Reforming Korea Inc.: The Politics of Structural Adjustment." *Asian Perspective*, Vol.23, No. 3. 1999.
(with Stephan Haggard and Daniel Pinkston)

WORKS UNDER REVIEW

"From the Party of Lincoln to the Party of Chinese-Must-Go: The Chinese Exclusion Debate and Party Building in the post-Reconstruction America, 1879-1882."

"Joining Moderate Caucuses in a Polarized Congress" (with Sean Theriault)

"Democratic Diversions: Partisan Ambition and Diversionary War" (with Peter Trubowitz)

"Reversing Position on Recurring Policy in the US Congress"

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“The Reagan Military Buildup as a Source of Foreign Policy Polarization”

“From Deficit hawks To Defense hawks during the Reagan Buildup: Conversion or Replacement?”

“The Rise of Guns-or-butter Party: Defense Spending Debates and Party Position Shifts in the Post-Vietnam War Era”

“State Adoptions of State Lotteries: the Species of States” (with Myungjung Kwon)

“Cosponsorship of the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004 in US Congress”

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Travel Grants for attending the SASASAAS annual meeting, Asheville, NC, September 2008

Travel Grants for attending the GIS Workshop, Raleigh, North Carolina, August 2007

Assistant Instructorship, 2006-2007, Department of Government, the University of Texas at Austin

Professional Development Award/Patterson Grants, 2004-2007
Office of Graduate Studies, the University of Texas at Austin, for conference presentation.

Research Assistantship, 2006-2007, Public Policy Institute, the University of Texas at Austin.

Ward Endowed Fellowship, 2005, College of Liberal Arts, the University of Texas at Austin, for Congressional Politics of China Policy project

Joe R. Long Research Award, 2005, Department of Government, the University of Texas at Austin, for dissertation research.

Patterson Grants, 2004

Asian Development Bank (ADB) Research Fellowship, 1999-2000
Korea Development Institute, for corporate governance in East Asia Project.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Democratic Diversions: Partisan Ambition and Diversionary War” (with Peter Trubowitz)
Accepted for presentation at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Toronto, ON, Canada, Sep 3-6, 2009

“Vote Switching in the post-Cold War Congress”
Presented at the 67th Annual Convention of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago, IL, April 2-5, 2009

“Playing the China Card: Foreign Policy and the Politics of Division” (with Peter Trubowitz),
*Presented at the 50th annual Convention of the International Studies Association (ISA),
New York City, New York, February 15-18, 2009*

“Flip Flopping over Foreign Policy in a Polarized Congress: Preferences, Parties, and Vote
Switching Over the China Trade Policy, 1989-2000,”
*Presented at the 50th annual Convention of the International Studies Association (ISA)
New York City, New York, February 15-18, 2009*

“Top down or Bottom up? Party Shifts over Chinese exclusion, 1879-1902”
Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago, IL, April 2008

“Joining Moderate Coalitions in a Polarized Congress: Electoral Connection?”
(with Sean M. Theriault)
Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago, IL, April 2008

“Breaking with the Party: Legislators, Leaders, and Party Position Shifts,”
Presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association (WPSA), San Diego, CA, March 2008

“The China Card and American Politics: The Domestic Sources of US Policy toward China, 1868-
2008” (with Peter Trubowitz)
Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Chicago, IL, Sep 2007

“Moderate Coalitions in a Polarized Congress” (with Sean M. Theriault),
Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago (MPSA), IL, April 2007

“Strategic Position Changes in Congress: The Case of the Chinese Exclusion in the Gilded Age”
Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago (MPSA), IL, April 2007

"To Join or Not To Join? That is the question: the Senate New Democrat Coalition in the 107th
U.S. Congress and a Theory of Dual Representation,"
Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Philadelphia, PA, Sep 2006

“From the Party of Deficit-hawks To the Party of Defense-hawks: Where Does Party
Reputation Come From?”
Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago, IL, April 2006

“Partisan Politics of Free Trade with China, 1990-2000: Party Influence in US-Sino Relations”
Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association Chicago (MPSA), IL, April 2006

“Ideology or Party?: Revisiting Congressional Politics of Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM)
Controversy, 1968-1970”
*Presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association (WPSA)
Albuquerque, NM, March 2006*

“Party Reputation, Party Unity, and Policy Change: The Case of Defense Spending Decisions in the
U.S. Congress during the Nixon Administration”
Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association (SPSA), Atlanta, GA, January 2006

“Party Unity, Party Split, and Party Shift: The Case of Defense Spending Decisions in the U.S. Congress, 1890-1988”

Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Chicago, IL, Sep 2005

“Can Parties Change Their Positions When They Want To?: A Case of Defense Spending Decisions in Congress, from the 1890s to the 1980s”

Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago, IL, April 2005

"How Do Parties Switch Their Positions?: Party Policy Logic on the Evolution of American Defense Spending"

Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Chicago, IL, Sep 2004

"Polarized Parties vs. Centrist Factions: the Case of the Senate New Democrat Coalition in the 107th U.S. Congress (2001-2002)"

Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), Chicago, IL, April 2004

“Party Ideology vs. Party Factionalism”

Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association (SPSA), New Orleans, LA, Jan 2004

COURSES TAUGHT (Fall 2007-present), University of North Carolina, Wilmington

PLS 101 American National Government

PLS 201 Political Science Research Methods

PLS 307 The United States Congress

PLS 422 American Foreign Policy

PLS 495 Departmental Seminar (US Congress and the Making of China Policy)

PLS 429 Congress and the Presidency

SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY, AND DISCIPLINESERVICE TO COMMUNITY

Participating in the SASASAAS annual meeting (Asheville, NC, Sep 2008) representing UNCW Asian Studies

“The 2008 Elections and American Foreign Policy” (Poli-sci Day, Fall 2008)

Media interview (StarNews on Barack Obama Candidacy and Young Voters, Jan 20, 2008)

Faculty Research Showcase, Poli-sci Day, Fall 2007

Committee member for Honor Theses

Manuscript Reviewer for Peer-review Journals

Foreign Policy Analysis, Politics and Policy

Panel Chair and Discussant for the Midwest Political Science Association meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2009

NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Office of Rep. Louis Stokes (D-Ohio), The United States House of Representatives
Congressional internship, Washington D.C. summer 1993

Qualcomm Inc. Marketing Researcher, San Diego, California, summer 1999

Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Full-time Research Assistant, Korea Development Institute, Seoul, Korea, 1999-2000

REFERENCES

Peter Trubowitz
Associate Professor, Department of Government, University of Texas at Austin

Sean M. Theriault
Associate Professor, Department of Government, University of Texas at Austin

Bruce Buchanan
Professor, Department of Government, University of Texas at Austin

James Enelow
Professor, Department of Government, University of Texas at Austin

Kenneth S. Flamm
Professor, Dean Rusk Chair in International Relations, Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs
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