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EDUCATION:

PhD., Politics, 1997

Department of Politics, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts

Major Field: American Politics

Minor Fields: Comparative Politics, Public Policy

Dissertation: Action Equals Life: The Power of Community in AIDS Political

Activism

M.S., Political Science, 1989 Department of Political Science, Utah State University, Logan Utah Thesis: The Washington Public Power Supply System Default: How Micromotives Added Up to Disaster

B.S., Biology, 1987 Utah State University, Logan Utah Minors: Political Science, Chemistry

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Associate Professor, Political Science Department, Summer 2002 - Present (Assistant Professor from Fall 1998 – Spring 2002) Saint Michael's College, Colchester, VT

Teach three courses per semester. Courses include: Introduction to American National Politics; Political Parties, Elections and Pressure Groups; Research Methods; Introduction to Public Policy; Introduction to Comparative Politics; Politics of the Global AIDS Pandemic; U.S. Health Policy; Summer Study Tour: HIV/AIDS in East Africa; Senior Seminar – Current Issues in Africa; and interdisciplinary First Year Seminar – Peace and Justice and Global Studies.

Advising responsibilities include academic advising for approximately 15- 25 undergraduate political science majors per year. Additionally, served as faculty advisor to two SSRC Summer Research Fellows (1999 and 2003) and four Provost Summer Fellows (2004 (2), 2005 and 2006) on HIV/AIDS-related topics. Also served as faculty leader for HIV/AIDS service learning trip to Kenya (May 2003) and Tanzania (December – January 2003 – 2004 and May-June 2007), and faculty advisor or coadvisor to: Student AIDS Awareness House (2000-2001, 2003-2004); Student Disability Awareness House (1999-2000); Project AHEAD (Able Handicaps through Education and

Awareness) (1999-2001); Student Global Health Conference (March, 2001), and Student Global AIDS Campaign (2002-present).

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Political Science and Public Administration, January – July 2002, University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Team-taught graduate course in Public Policy Analysis. Was responsible for leading weekly seminars and grading in multiple sections of Social Science Research Methods; Introduction to Political Science; and Critical Thinking. Also guest lectured in graduate and undergraduate courses in International Relations, North-South Relations and Development Ethics.

Assistant Professor, Political Science Department, Fall 1996-Spring 1998 Wilkes University, Wilkes-Barre, PA

Taught four courses per semester. Courses included: Introduction to American Politics; Concepts and Methods in Political Science; Introduction to Comparative Politics; Political Parties and Political Participation; Comparative Public Policy; Women and Politics; British Politics; Public Policy Analysis; and Introduction to International Relations.

Advising responsibilities included academic advising for 1997 Freshman class of Political Science majors, advising 6-8 senior research projects annually, overseeing student internships, and faculty advising of the student Political Science Club.

Instructor, Political Science Department, Fall 1993 – Spring 1995. Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA

Responsible for teaching two separate upper-division courses, US Health Policy and Congressional Politics each year. Also supervised several undergraduate independent studies, and taught Congressional Politics section of the Department's team-taught graduate course in American Politics.

Instructor, Political Science Department, Spring Semester 1995 Merrimack College, North Andover, MA

Designed and taught Legislative Process class to upper and lower division students.

RESEARCH AND POLICY EXPERIENCE

Fulbright Research Fellow. Tanzania, East Africa. August – December 2005.

Conducted field work for four months as Fulbright Africa Regional Research award recipient. Research included interviewing, needs assessment, and extensive consultation with NGOs providing treatment, support and services to orphans and vulnerable children in various urban and rural settings on the Tanzanian mainland and Zanzibar.

Associate Director, Wilkes University Survey Research Center, Fall 1996- Spring 1998 Wilkes University, Wilkes-Barre, PA

Worked with Co-Directors Tom Baldino and Mike Garr to conduct public opinion polls on areas of local and regional interest. In 1996 helped to write survey instruments, train and coordinate student workers for two surveys (on mayoral performance and local educational quality) for local newspaper.

Public Policy Coordinator, January 1991 – November 1991 AIDS Action Committee, Boston, MA

Served as health policy analyst of a variety of AIDS issues including HIV testing for health care workers, U.S. immigration policy for HIV-positive entrants, and HIV prevention among injection drug users. Coordinated statewide conference for legislators and health care and drug treatment professionals on HIV prevention among injection drug users.

L.B. Johnson Congressional Intern, Summer, 1987 Congressman Richard H. Stallings (D-ID), Washington, D.C.

Selected as L.B. Johnson Fellow to serve Congressional internship in Washington, D.C. and district office. Worked as assistant to legislative assistant covering health care, science, and environmental issues. Covered hearings, wrote position papers, and handled correspondence related to the issues listed above.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

The Global Politics of AIDS (co-editor with Paul Harris). Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner 2007.

Drugs into Bodies: Global AIDS Treatment Activism (co-author with Raymond A. Smith). Westport, CT: Praeger 2006.

AIDS and the Policy Struggle in the United States. Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press 2002.

Journal Publications

"Roadblocks on the Road to Treatment: Lessons from Barbados and Brazil" (co-author with student Jamila Headley). *Perspectives on Politics*. Vol. 4, No. 4 (December 2006), pp. 655-661.

"Towards Nonprofit Organization Reform in the Voluntary Spirit: Lessons from the Internet" (coauthor with Lori Brainard). *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*. Vol. 33, No. 3 (September 2004), pp. 435-457.

"Cyberspace Challenges to Mainstream Non-profit Health Organizations" (co-author with Lori Brainard). *Administration and Society*. Vol. 34, No. 2 (May 2002), pp. 141-175.

"The Internet and NGO-Government Relations: Injecting Chaos into Order?" (co-author with Lori Brainard). *Public Administration and Development*. Vol. 22, No. 1 (February 2002), pp. 63-72.

- "Protection for Whom? Blood Policy Creation and Interest Representation" (co-author with student Brandi Hoag). *Policy Studies Review*. Vol. 18, No. 4 (Winter 2001), pp. 192-224.
- "International Obligation and Human Health: Evolving Policy Responses to HIV/AIDS" (co-author with Paul Harris). *Ethics and International Affairs*. Vol. 15, No. 2 (2001), pp. 29-52.
- "Washington's Response to the AIDS Epidemic: the Ryan White CARE Act." *Policy Studies Journal* Vol. 27, No. 4 (1999), pp. 796-808.
- "Scholar, Witness or Activist? The Lessons and Dilemmas of an AIDS Research Agenda." *PS: Political Science and Politics* Vol. 32, No. 3 (September 1999), pp. 577-581.
- "A Brief History of the Political Science of AIDS Activism." *PS: Political Science and Politics* Vol. 32, No.3 (September 1999), pp. 578-579.

Book Chapters

- "AIDS" in James Morone, Theodor Litman and Leonard Robbins, eds. *Health Care Politics and Policy*, 4th Ed. Delmar Learning 2008.
- "Power and the Politics of HIV/AIDS" in Paul Harris and Patricia Siplon, eds. *The Global Politics of AIDS*, Lynne Rienner Publishers 2007.
- "Overcoming the Contradictions: Women Autonomy and AIDS in Tanzania" (co-author with Kristin Novotny) in Paul Harris and Patricia Siplon, eds. *The Global Politics of AIDS*, Lynne Rienner Publishers 2007.
- "International Relations and Global Ethics of HIV/AIDS" (co-author with Paul Harris) in Paul Harris and Patricia Siplon, eds. *The Global Politics of AIDS*, Lynne Rienner Publishers 2007.
- "AIDS and Patriarchy: Ideological Obstacles to Effective Policy Making" in Amy Patterson, ed. *The African State and the AIDS Crisis*. London: Ashgate 2005.
- "HIV/AIDS and International Distributive Justice" (co-author with Paul Harris) in Hong Kong Council of Social Service, ed., *Hong Kong and AIDS: Toward Greater Community Involvement*. Proceedings of the Hong Kong AIDS Conference 2001. Hong Kong: Hong Kong Council of Social Services, August 2001.

Additional Publications

- "Congressional Inertia: Iron Triangles Old and New" (co-author with William Grover). In William Grover and Joseph Peschak, eds. *Voices of Dissent: Critical Readings in American Politics*, 7th Ed. New York: Pearson Longman 2007, pp. 204-212.
- "Women, Gender and HIV and AIDS, and Sexually Transmitted Diseases; Sub-Saharan Africa" in Suad Joseph, ed. *Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures*. Leiden, The Netherlands: Brill Academic Publishers, 2006.
- "The State and the Politics of Knowledge" (review). *New Political Science* 26, 2 (June 2004), pp. 249-251.

"International Ethics, Environmental Change, and the Global AIDS Crisis: Arguments and Precedents for Action" (co-author with Paul Harris). Oxford University: Oxford Center for the Environment, Ethics and Society, September 2001.

"Evolving Norms of North-South Assistance: Will They Be Applied to HIV/AIDS?" (co-author with Paul Harris). Working paper of the Centre for Public Policy Studies, Lignan University, July 2001.

Current Writing Projects

"Abstinence (Sexual)" and "HIV/AIDS --- International" in Mark Rushefsky, ed. *Encyclopedia of Issues in U.S. Public Policy* Farmington Hills, MI: Thomson Gale.

"Divergent Campaigns towards Global Health Governance: Comparing Canadian and U.S. Approaches to the Global HIV/AIDS Pandemic" (co-author with Jeffrey Ayres). Submitted for consideration to *Canadian-American Public Policy*.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Ensuring Health Care Workers and Health Systems Strengthening for HIV/AIDS Treatment Access in sub-Saharan Africa." Presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., November, 2007.

"Contesting Global Governance: Reshaping Power and Multilateralism in the Campaign Against the HIV/AIDS Pandemic" (co-author with Jeffrey Ayres). Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, March 2007.

"Change Begins at Home: Creating a Receptive Audience for AIDS Activism" (co-presented with students Mercedes Mack and Allison Morse). Presented at the National Global Justice Conference, Washington, DC, February, 2007.

"Divergent State Politics Towards Global HIV/AIDS: A Levels of Analysis Approach" (co-author with Jeffrey Ayres). Presented at the Northeastern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, Massachusetts, November, 2006.

"The Global HIV/AIDS Pandemic In and Out of the Classroom". Presented at the American Political Science Association Conference on Teaching and Learning, Bethesda, Maryland, February, 2005.

"Student Activism. Global HIV/AIDS and the 2004 Election: Lessons for Social Movement Mobilization and Processes" (co-author with student Michael McCarthy). Presented at the Northeast Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, November, 2004.

"HIV/AIDS and Global Governance: A Preliminary Examination of the Interdependence of Scale in the Emergence of Health Policy in the United States and Brazil" (co-author with Richard Kujawa). Paper presented at 2004 Annual Meeting of the New England-Saint Lawrence Valley Division of the Association of American Geographers, Portland, Maine, October, 2004.

"AIDS and Patriarchy: Ideological Obstacles to Effective Policy Making." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Boston, October, 2003.

- "Women, AIDS and Autonomy in sub-Saharan Africa" (co-author with Kristin Novotny). Poster presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, September 2002.
- "Acting (Up) Globally: The Internet, AIDS and Activism." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2001.
- "Cyberspace Challenges to Mainstream Advocacy Groups: The Case of Health Care Activism" (co-author with Lori Brainard). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2000.
- "The Internet, Gender and Health Care Activism" (co-author with Lori Brainard). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia, September 1999.
- "The Do-It-Yourself Approach to British Politics" (co-author with student Aaron Sherburne). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeast Political Science Association, Boston, November 1998.
- "Activism for the Future: Using the Internet to Reshape Grassroots Victims Organizations" (coauthor with Lori Brainard). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, September 1998.
- "Symbolism and Substance in AIDS Legislation." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Worcester, Massachusetts, May 1998.
- "Too Much of a Good Thing: The Failure of Hemophilia Interest Groups in the Age of AIDS." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeast Political Science Association, Philadelphia, November 1997.
- "Federal Funding for the Ryan White CARE Act: Washington's Response to an Urban Epidemic." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeast Political Science Association, Boston, November 1996.
- "The National Commission on AIDS: Long on Photo Ops, Short on Substance?" Poster presentation at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 1996.

INVITED LECTURES

- "Connecting the Dots: Why AIDS in Africa Is an American Issue." Northwest Deanery of the Episcopal Church Series: Moral Values and Public Issues. Swanton, VT. Delivered September 15, 2006.
- "Heartbreak and Hope: The Global AIDS Crisis". Sponsored by the Green Mountain Global Forum in Waitsfield, VT. Delivered July 20, 2006.
- "Combating HIV/AIDS: Successful Models in Tanzania." Sponsored by the Fulbright Reflection Series at the American Embassy in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Delivered November 25, 2005.

- "Ramping Up the Response: Urgent Policy Priorities for the Global AIDS Pandemic." Sponsored by Centre for Asian Pacific Studies and the Centre for Policy Studies, Lignan University, Tuen Mun, Hong Kong. Delivered May 28, 2004.
- "Crisis and Confrontation: the Cross-National Politics of AIDS Activism." Invited lecture cosponsored by the Princeton AIDS Initiative and the Center for Health and Well Being, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ. Delivered October 20, 2003.
- "The Struggles and Successes of HIV-Positive Activists Around the World." Invited address delivered at the National Workshop of TANEPHA (Tanzanian Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS), Dodoma, Tanzania. Delivered May 20, 2002.
- "The Response of the U.S. to HIV/AIDS in the Developing World." Sponsored by the Centre for Public Policy Studies, Lignan University, Tuen Mun, Hong Kong. Delivered June 2, 2001.
- "Scholar, Witness or Activist: The Lessons and Dilemmas of an AIDS Research Agenda." Chosen by the faculty to be delivered at the Fifth Annual Final World Lecture. Wilkes University, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. Delivered May 11, 1998.

SELECTED OTHER PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- "Teaching, Conducting Research and Living in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Panel Discussion with Fulbright Alumni." Invited participant at the Fulbright Pre-Departure Orientation for Scholars Going to Sub-Saharan Africa in Washington, DC, June 21, 2007.
- "Pharmaceutical Companies and Global Health." Panel Discussion at The Global Health Challenge: Awareness and Advocacy", a conference hosted by Saint Michael's College in Colchester, VT, April 26, 2007.
- "Involving Your Students in the World Community." Invited presentation delivered at the Annual Convention of the Vermont Foreign Language Association in Middlebury, Vermont October 22, 2004.
- "Women, AIDS and Autonomy in Africa: A Case Study of Tanzanian Widows." Talk presented at the Saint Michael's College SSRC Seminar Series, February 18, 2003.
- "AIDS in Africa." Invited presentation delivered at the Annual Convention of the Vermont Foreign Language Association in Hinesburg, Vermont, October 25, 2002.
- "Policy Responses to HIV/AIDS in the United States and Tanzania." Talk presented at the Rotary Club of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, April 10, 2002.
- "US and Them: The Response of the United States to AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa." Talk presented at the Saint Michael's College SSRC Seminar Series, March 8, 2001.
- "Cyberspace Activism v. Jerry Lewis Telethons: The Struggle for Control of Health Advocacy Groups." Talk presented at the Saint Michael's College SSRC Seminar Series, March 21, 2000.
- "Activism for the Future: Using the Internet to Reshape Grassroots Political Organizing." Talk presented at the Saint Michael's College SSRC Seminar Series, April 13, 1998.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Senior Class Appreciation Award, Given by the Saint Michael's College class of 2007 to one faculty member for "quality, sincerity and dedication toward the class' academic, social and mental development." May 15, 2007.

Engaged Scholar Award, State Finalist. Selected by the Vermont Campus Compact, May 2007.

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Vermont Professor of the Year. Selected by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education as the 2003 Professor of the Year for the state of Vermont.

Virginia A. Hodgkinson Research Prize. Contributor (with Lori Brainard) to special issue of *Public Administration and Development* that was awarded the prize for "outstanding research that furthers our understanding of philanthropy, voluntary action, nonprofits, and civil society in either the United States or abroad" in 2002.

Gerald E. Dupont Award. Given to one faculty member annually by the Student Association in recognition of outstanding contributions to the Saint Michael's College community. Saint Michael's College, 2001.

Faculty Choice Award. Inaugural award recipient. Established by the Student Government to honor one faculty member annually in recognition of exceptional service to Wilkes University Student Government. Wilkes University, 1998.

ACADEMIC GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Fulbright Fellowship. Award grant from the Fulbright Africa Regional Research Program to support project entitled "Moving Beyond Consequences to Causes: Gender Inequity and AIDS in Tanzania." August – November 2005.

Canadian Studies Research Grant. Award grant from the Canadian government supporting research travel in collaboration with Dr. Jeffrey Ayres for project entitled "Towards Global Governance: Canada's Multilateral Approach to the HIV/AIDS Pandemic." March 2005.

Center for Public Policy Studies Joint International Research Programme. Award grant supporting travel to Lignan University, Hong Kong and collaboration with Dr. Paul Harris in research project entitled "The Global Politics of AIDS: Human Suffering, Health Policy and International Relations." May 2004.

2001-2002 Rotary International Grant for University Teachers. Grant was used January-July 2002 to support visiting lectureship and research at the University of Dar es Salaam in Tanzania.

Centre for Public Policy Studies Joint International Research Programme. Award grant supporting travel to Lignan University, Hong Kong and collaboration with Dr. Paul Harris in research project entitled "International Distributive Justice and the Consequences of HIV/AIDS in the Developing World." May-June 2001.

Faculty Development Summer Junior Faculty Grant. Saint Michael's College. Summer 2000.

Faculty Development Grant. Saint Michael's College. Spring 1999, Spring 2004.

Center for Social Science Research Grant. Saint Michael's College. Spring 1999.

Dissertation Year Fellowship. Brandeis University, 1995-1996.

Ph.D. Fellowship and Graduate School Tuition Scholarship. Brandeis University, 1989-1994.

SELECTED COMMUNITY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Professional Service

Manuscript Reviewer, 1997 – Present.

Review articles and book manuscripts for *Commonwealth: A Journal of Political Science*, *PS: Political Science and Politics, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Urban Affairs*, Ashgate Publishing, Pennsylvania State University Press, Vanderbilt University Press and Houghton Mifflin.

Christian Bay Award Committee Member, Spring 2001.

Appointed to three-person Christian Bay Award Selection Committee to select the best paper of the New Political Science Section of the 2000 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.

AIDS-Related Service Work

Member, Health GAP Board of Directors and National Steering Committee, December 2000 – Present.

Active participant in organization that advocates for global access and affordability of medicines to treat HIV and associated diseases. Also served as part of accredited observer team to the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on HIV/AIDS, June 25-27, 2001. Selected to Board of Directors in 2006 after Health GAP was incorporated as independent nonprofit organization.

Member, Global Justice Board of Directors, August 2007 – present.

Member of the Board of Directors of Global Justice, a national advocacy organization of student activists organized into three campus-based campaigns: the Student Global AIDS Campaign; the Campaign for Childhood Survival; and Student Trade Justice Campaign.

Volunteer Consultant and Organizer, January – July, 2002 and August 2005-June 2006.

Worked with numerous advocacy and service organizations dealing with HIV/AIDS in Tanzania (East Africa). Organizations included: TANEPHA (Tanzania Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS), TAWOLIHA (Tanzanian Women Living with HIV/AIDS), AWITA (Association of AIDS Widows in Tanzania), Loveness Club (organization of HIV+ women who are open about their HIV status), Simba Theatre

Group (group using drumming and performance arts to promote AIDS education),IOP (Ilula Orphan Program), and ZAPHA+ (Zanzibar Association of People Living with HIV/AIDS). Services included helping with organization and goal definition, providing education about other advocacy groups world-wide, helping to develop grant applications and fundraising.

Planning Committee Member and Volunteer Coordinator, AIDS Memorial Quilt and World AIDS Day Celebration, November 29 - December 1, 2000.

Responsible for coordinating and training over 100 volunteers helping with activities involved with hosting the NAMES Project Memorial Quilt and World AIDS Day. Also serving as host and liaison for featured speaker and as planning committee member.

Volunteer Policy Consultant, Committee of Ten Thousand, 1999-2001

Served as policy consultant to nationwide hemophilia/HIV advocacy group to educate members on state and national policy process. Worked on project to provide information and workshops on state-level blood shield laws in 48 states.

Program Content Coordinator, The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt Host Committee, Wilkes University, April 1997.

Gathered information on AIDS-related activities and groups and wrote text of materials distributed during the showing of the NAMES Project Quilt. Also served on Faculty Host Committee that carried out a variety of tasks in preparing for, displaying and taking down the Quilt display.

Volunteer, AIDS Action Committee, Boston, MA, 1988-95.

Served in a variety of volunteer roles over a seven-year period. These included: event planning, research and organizing in the Client Resource (Medical) Library, policy research, expansion of the statewide Citizen's Response Network, work as a switchboard operator, training of other volunteer operators, and direct client assistance.

College and Community Service

Service to Saint Michael's College, Fall 1998 – present

College service responsibilities and activities: Faculty Council (elected 2006-2007); Committee on Undergraduate Research (appointed 2006-present); Member of Campus Search Committees (Physics Tenure Track, present; Student Activities Director 2006-2007; and Political Science Tenure Track 2005-2006); Faculty Development Committee (2004-2005); Faculty Honors Committee (appointed 2002-2004); Faculty Representative for Truman Fellowship Program; Faculty Assessment Committee (appointed 1999-2001); Faculty Welfare Committee (elected 2000-2001); College-wide "Blue Ribbon" Benefits Task Committee (appointed 2000-2001); Women's Caucus Steering Committee (2000-2005); Haiti Task Force (2000-present); Peace and Justice Minor Committee (2000-present), and Vermont Council on World Affairs (Steering Committee 2000-2006).

Planning Committee Member, Sister to Sister Summit, April 1, 2000

Served as one of three faculty members of the Women's Caucus on the Sister to Sister Summit Planning Committee. The Committee was responsible for planning and hosting the first Sister to Sister Summit for Middle School girls in Vermont.

Docent Coordinator, Burlington City Arts and Saint Michael's College, Spring 1999

Responsible for coordinating recruitment, training and management of docent staff (approximately 50 docents) for staffing the traveling exhibit *Anne Frank: A History for Today* hosted by Burlington City Arts.

Service to Wilkes University, Fall 1996-Spring 1998

University service responsibilities and activities: Faculty Women's Caucus (Secretary); Student Life and Media Committee (member); Faculty Advisor to Student Government; Women's Studies Committee (member), and International Studies Committee (member).