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Academic Training

University of Wisconsin, Ph.D., 1982; M.A., 1978

Arizona State University, B.S. 1974 (with high honors)

Academic Appointments

Radoslov Tsanoff Professor of Public Affairs, Professor of Political Science, Rice University, 2006-

Professor of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2001-2006

Professor of Political Science, University of Arizona, 1994-2001

Associate Professor of Political Science (with tenure), University of Arizona, 1987-1994

American Political Science Association Congressional Fellow, Named William A. Steiger Fellow (as best fellow of the year), Washington, D.C., 1990-1991

Honors Professor for Arizona-Iowa Consortium Study Abroad Program, London, England, 1989

Russell Sage Fellow, Russell Sage Foundation, New York, New York, 1984-1985

Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Arizona, 1982-1987

Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Iowa, 1983

Administrative Appointments

Dean, Rice University, School of Social Sciences, 2006-2016

Head, University of Illinois—Chicago, Department of Political Science, 2001-2006

Director, University of Arizona Survey Research Center; 1988-1991

Editorship

Editor, *Political Research Quarterly*, the official journal of the Western Political Science Association, 1996-2000 (with William J. Dixon)

Academic Recognition

President, Western Political Science Association, 1998-1999

President, Presidents and Executive Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2012-2013

Books

The American Nonvoter. New York: Oxford University Press, 2017, (with Jerrold G. Rusk).

Vital Statistics on the American Presidency 4th ed. Los Angeles: Sage Press, 2014. (3rd edition received the Richard A. Neustadt Award for Best Reference Book, American Political Science Association, Presidency Research Group, 2010; First edition, 1996 won the American Library Association's Choice Award for the best reference work of the year.)

Presidential Politics. Boston: Houghton-Mifflin, 1993.

The Elusive Executive: Discovering Statistical Patterns in the Presidency. Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly Press, 1988 (with Gary King).

Articles and Book Chapters

"The Obama Legacy in American Electoral Participation," in *Looking Back on President Barack Obama's Legacy*, ed. Wilbur Rich. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2019.

- "Studying the Presidency: Why Presidents Need Political Scientists," in *The Presidency and the Political System*. 11th ed. ed. Michael Nelson. Los Angeles: Sage Press, 2018, forthcoming.
- "Casting Votes: The National Campaign Context and State Turnout, 1920-2008," *Political Research Quarterly*, 64(December 2011): 840-857.
- "Personal Power and Presidents" in M. Kumar, L. Jacobs, and R. Shapiro, *Presidential Power Revisited*. New York: Columbia University Press, 2003.
- "The Presidency and the Press: Negotiating Newsworthiness at the White House," in *The Presidency and the Political System*. 6th ed. ed. Michael Nelson. Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly Press, 2000, pp. 325-360 (with Timothy E. Cook).
- "Elections and Presidential Policy Making" in *Presidential Policy Making*, ed. Steven A. Shull, New York: M.E. Sharpe, Inc., 1999, 98-116 (with Jerrold G. Rusk).
- "The Institutionalization of the American Presidency, 1924-1992," *American Journal of Political Science* 41 (October, 1997), 121-139 (with John J. Theis, III).
- "Disconnected Politics: Presidents and Public Opinion" in *Understanding Public Opinion*, eds. B. Norrander and C. Wilcox. Washington, D.C.: CQ Press, 1997, 229-251.
- "Politics Not Science: U.S. Space Programs in the Reagan and Bush Years," in *The Myth of Presidential Leadership: False Hopes and the Decline of the U.S. Space Program*, ed. R. Launius and H. McCurdy. Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1997, 131-169.
- "Candidates, Issues, and Participation in Senate Elections," *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 29 (August 1995): 305-320 (with Jerrold G. Rusk).
- "Old Approaches and New Challenges in Legislative Elections Research," *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 28 (November, 1994): 537-582.
- "President and Congress: An Overview," in *The Encyclopedia of the United States Congress*, ed. D. Bacon, R. Davidson, and M. Keller. New York: Simon and Schuster, 1994.
- "Who Are Nonvoters? Profiles from the 1990 Senate Elections," *American Journal of Political Science*, 37 (August, 1993): 721-746 (with Jerrold G. Rusk).

- "Strong Feelings: Emotional Responses to Presidents," *Political Behavior*, 13 (March, 1991): 33-65.
- "Do Voters Matter? Democracy in Congressional Elections," in *Congressional Politics*, ed. Christopher Deering. Homewood, Il: Dorsey Press, 1989, 17-39.
- "Campaigns for Campaigners: A Review Essay," *Western Political Quarterly*, 40 (December, 1987): 735-748.
- "Presidential Speechmaking and the Public Audience: Individual Presidents and Group Attitudes," *Journal of Politics*, 49 (August, 1987): 704-736.
- "Representatives' Actions and Challengers' Reactions: Limits to Candidate Connections in the House," *American Journal of Political Science*, 31 (February, 1987): 45-81 (with Timothy E. Cook).
- "The Politics of Presidential Speechmaking, 1949-1980," *American Political Science Review*, 78 (December, 1984): 971-984.
- "Responsiveness and Legislative Elections: Toward a Comparative Study," *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 8 (August, 1983): 339-378. Reprinted in G. Loewenberg et al., *Handbook of Legislative Research*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1985, 57-96.
- "Incumbent Popularity, Challenger Invisibility, and Congressional Voters," *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 6 (May, 1981): 201-218.
- "The Fiction of Congressional Elections as Presidential Events," *American Politics Quarterly*, 8 (October, 1980): 375-398.

Work in Progress

- Shattered: Donald Trump and the American Presidency*. Book manuscript in progress, 2019
- "Presidents' Tough Choices: Major Decisions since Truman." Article manuscript, 2019.
- "The Public is Still Listening: The Dynamics of Presidential Speechmaking and Public Opinion Revisited." Article manuscript, 2019.

Book Reviews

- Review of Mary Stuckey, *Defining Americans: The Presidency and National*

Identity. Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2004 in *Perspectives on Politics*, 3 (December 2005): 211-212.

Review of George Edwards, John Kessel, and Bert Rockman, eds. *Researching the Presidency*, in *American Political Science Review*, 87 (December, 1993): 1022-1024.

Review of Richard Brody, *Assessing the President*, in *American Political Science Review*, 86 (September, 1992): 793-794.

Review of Jeffrey Tulis, *The Rhetorical Presidency*, in *Congress and the Presidency*, 15 (Autumn, 1988): 202-203.

Review of Edie Goldenberg and Michael Traugott, *Campaigning for Congress*, in *American Political Science Review*, 79 (March, 1985): 205-206.

Review of L. Sandy Maisel, *From Obscurity to Oblivion: Congressional Primary Elections in 1978*, in *American Political Science Review*, 78 (June, 1984): 513-514.

Grants and Awards

Betty Moulds Award for Contribution to the Profession, Western Political Science Association, April 2019

National Science Foundation, 2-year \$159,000 grant, received December 1999 for the period March 2002-May 2004

University of Arizona, Social and Behavioral Science Research Institute, Research Grant, received Spring, 1999

University of Arizona, Social and Behavioral Science Research Institute, Research Professorship, received Fall 1999

University of Arizona, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute, Research Development Grant, Summer, 1993

American Political Science Association William A. Steiger Congressional Fellowship Award, 1990-1991 (for best fellow of the year)

University of Arizona, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute, Summer Grant, Summer, 1990

University of Arizona, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Professorship, Fall, 1988

University of Arizona nominee for National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend Award, 1987

University of Arizona nominee for Five Star Teaching Award, 1987

University of Arizona, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute Small Research grant, 1986. "The President of Which People? Toward a Study of Executive Representation." National Science Foundation proposal, January, 1986

Conference Participation and Talks

"Trump, the First Populist President," Remarks at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Austin, January 2019

"The American Nonvoter," Paper presented at School of Advanced Study Conference at the University of London, London, May 2018

"Who Are Nonvoters," Paper presented at Conference at Venice International University, Venice, April 2017 (with Jerrold Rusk).

"Making American White Again: The Trump Candidacy," Talk at Vietnam National University, Hanoi, Vietnam, April 2016

"Higher Education Administration: Opportunities and Pitfalls," Remarks at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 2015.

"The Obama Presidency in Historical Perspective," Remarks at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 2015.

"New Research on the American Presidency," Remarks at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 2013.

"University Leadership and Administration: The Tale of Two Agendas," Remarks at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago April 2012.

"Obama and the Politics of Depolarization" Remarks at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans January 2012.

"Retrospective on Timothy Cook's Contribution to Political Communication Research," Remarks at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 2011.

"Obama Overload," Remarks presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern

Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 2011.

“Presidents and Congress in Conflict,” Remarks presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2009.

“Presidents, the Constitution, and Major Decisions,” Remarks presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2008.

“Between the Parties: Bush Approval,” Remarks at the American Political Science Association Meeting, Washington, D.C. August, 2005.

“The Bush Presidency in Historical Context,” Remarks at the Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, April 2005.

“Bush, Public Opinion and the War in Iraq” Remarks presented at the Southern Political Science Association Meeting, New Orleans, January 2004.

“Presidential Decision Making,” Remarks presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, April 2003.

“Bush at War,” Remarks presented at the Southern Political Science Association Meeting, Savannah, November 2002.

“Bush and Presidential Power,” Remarks presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, April, 2002.

“Clinton and the Presidency Survive Impeachment,” Remarks presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, September 1998.

“The Unresolvable Dilemmas of Presidential Representation” Paper presented at Conference on American Democracy Entering the Twenty-First Century,” Northeastern University, Boston, October, 1997.

“Men In Congress,” Remarks as an invited moderator at the Northern Arizona University Conference on Women in Congress, Flagstaff, AZ, September, 1997.

“The Personalization of Power in the Presidency?” Remarks as an invited facilitator at the Columbia University Conference on The American Presidency, November 1996.

“Institutional Autonomy and Divided Government,” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting, American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 1996.

- “The Use of Simulations in Teaching the American Presidency,” Remarks presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 1996.
- “The Clinton Presidency and the 1996 Election,” Remarks presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, March 1996.
- “The Clinton Presidency at Midterm” Remarks presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Portland, OR, March 1995.
- "Candidates, Issues, and Participation in Senate Elections," Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, New York, September, 1994 (with Jerrold G. Rusk).
- "The Institutionalization of the American Presidency, 1924-1992." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April, 1994 (with John J. Theis).
- "Politics Not Science: U.S. Space Programs in the Reagan- Bush Years." Paper presented at the NASA Symposium on Presidential Leadership, Congress, and the U.S. Space Program, 1953-1992, Washington, D.C., March, 1993.
- "The Quantitative Study of Presidential Civil Rights Policy." Remarks presented at a Roundtable on Presidents and Civil Rights, at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, March, 1992.
- "The Several Profiles of Nonvoting." Paper with Jerrold G. Rusk, presented at the Stanford University-Hoover Institute Conference on Senate Elections, Stanford, November, 1991.
- "Comparing House and Senate Elections." Remarks presented at the University of Houston-Rice University Conference on Electing the Senate, Houston, December, 1989.
- "Comparative Legislative Elections." Remarks presented at a Roundtable on Legislative Elections at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August, 1988. Reprinted in "Extension of Remarks," APSA Legislative Studies Section Newsletter, 1988.
- "Presidential Policy Responsiveness to Citizen Preferences." Paper with Gary King, presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April, 1987.

"The President of Which People? Toward a Theory of Executive Representation."
Paper with Gary King, presented at the Annual Meeting of the American
Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August, 1986.

"Presidents and Publics: The Dialogue of Presidential Leadership." Paper
presented at the Annual Meeting, American Political Science Association,
New Orleans, August, 1985.

"The Politics of Presidential Speechmaking, 1949-1984: An Update on Reagan."
Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science
Association Washington, D.C., August, 1984.

"The Many Meanings of Incumbency: Great Britain and the United States."
Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science
Association, Chicago, April, 1983.

"Connecting the Styles from Washington to Home: Constituency Perceptions of
their Representatives in Congress." Paper with Timothy E. Cook,
presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science
Association, Milwaukee, April, 1982.

"The Fiction of Congressional Elections as Presidential Events." Paper presented
at the University of Houston-Rice University Conference on
Congressional Elections, Houston, April, 1979.

Professional Service

Editorial Boards

Member, Editorial Board, *Political Research Quarterly*, 1994-1996, 2000-2005

Member, Editorial Board, *American Journal of Political Science*, 1991-1994
(Under Michael Lewis-Beck, Editor)

Member, Editorial Board, *American Journal of Political Science*, 1988-1991
(Under David Rohde, Editor)

Member, Editorial Board, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 1988-1991

Member, Editorial Board, *Political Behavior*, 1984-1990

Other Service

Member, American Political Science Association, Trust and Development
Committee, 2013-2016

President, Presidents and Executive Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2012-2013

Vice President, Presidents and Executive Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2011-2012

Secretary/Treasurer, Presidency Research Group, American Political Science Association, 2010-2011

Section Head, Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, January 2011

Member, American Political Science Association, Committee on Professional Ethics and Responsibility, 2007-2012

Member, Council of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2005-2008

Member, External Review Team for Department of Political Science, Michigan State University, 2004

Section Head, Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, January 2004

Section Head, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 2002

Member, Executive Council for the Center of Presidency and Congressional Studies, American University, Washington, D.C., 1999-present

Program Chair, Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, March, 1998.

Local Chair, Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, March, 1997.

Member, Presidency Research Group Executive Council, American Political Science Association, 1996-1999

Member, Selection Committee for Congressional Fellowship Program, American Political Science Association, 1996-1997

Section Head (Presidents and Other Executives) for the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, August, 1995

Member, Presidency Research Group Steering Committee, American Political Science Association, 1990-1993

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Section Head (Presidents and Other Executives) for the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, March, 1992

Member, Senate Election Study Board, National Election Study, 1990-1992

Member, Pi Sigma Alpha Committee Award for Best Conference Paper, Midwest Political Science Association, 1990

Member, National Review Board, National Science Foundation, 1989-1991

Member, E.E. Schattschneider Dissertation Award Committee, American Political Science Association, 1986-1987

Member, Richard E. Neustadt Book Award Committee, American Political Science Association, 1986-1987

Section Head (Executive-Legislative Politics) for the Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, March, 1985

Member, Committee on the Status of Women, Midwest Political Science Association, 1982-1984

Member, American Political Science Association; Member, Legislative Studies Research Group, Presidency Research Group, American Political Science Association; Midwest Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association, Western Political Science Association

University and Community Service

Chair, Rice University, Department of Political Science, Personnel Committee, 2018-2019; Member 2017-2018

Member, Rice University, Crisis Management Team, 2017-2018

Member, Rice University, Department of Political Science, Diversity Committee, 2017-2018

Member, Rice University, Dean of the Business School Review Committee, 2014

Member, Rice University, Dean's Review Policy Committee, 2013-2014

Member, Rice University, Space Strategy Committee, 2013-2014

Co-Chair, Rice University, Committee on Enrollments, 2010-2011

Member, Rice University-Baylor College of Medicine Committee on Academic

Member, Rice University, President's Committee on Diversity, 2007-2009

Co-Chair, University of Illinois at Chicago, Search Committee for the Head of the Department of Criminal Justice, 2005-2006.

Member, University of Illinois at Chicago, Search Committee for Director of Institute of Government and Public Affairs, 2004-2005

Member, University of Illinois at Chicago Truman, Rhodes, and Marshall Scholarships Advisory Committee, 2001-present

Member, University of Illinois at Chicago Advisory Board for the Office of Social Science Research, 2001-present

Member, University of Illinois at Chicago Advisory Board for Survey Research Methodology, 2003-2004

Co-Chair, University of Illinois at Chicago Search Committee for the Head of Sociology, 2002-2003

Member, University of Arizona, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 1999-2001

Member, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science Recruitment Committee, 1999

Member, University of Arizona, Strategic Planning and Budget Committee, 1997-1999

Member, University of Arizona, Committee on Academic Freedom and Tenure, 1996-1997

Member, University of Arizona, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Dean's Faculty Advisory Committee, 1995-1997

Member, University of Arizona, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Strategic Planning Committee, 1995-1996

Chair, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science Senior Scholar and Headship Recruitment Committee, 1995-1996

Member, University of Arizona, Committee on Academic Freedom and Tenure Panel, 1995

Lecturer, University of Arizona, Extended University Series for Elder Hostel,
1994

Reviewer, University of Arizona, Small Grants Program, 1994

Member, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science, Graduate
Studies Committee, 1993-1996

Member, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science, Headship
Search Committee, 1992-1993

Member, University of Arizona, Honors Program Selection Panel for Truman
Scholars, 1992-1995, 1998

Member, University of Arizona, Instructional Computing Advisory Committee,
1992

Member, University of Arizona, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Dean
Search Committee, 1991-1993

Member, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science, Strategic
Planning Committee, 1991-1992

Member, University of Arizona, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Budget
and Strategic Evaluation Committee, 1991-1992

Member, Board of Directors, Vote Network, Tucson, Arizona, non-profit
organization to involve high school students in the political process, 1992-
1993

Member, University of Arizona, Honors Program Selection Panel for Truman
Scholars, 1991-1992

Member, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science, Merit Review
Committee, 1991-1992

Member, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science, Recruitment
Committee, 1989-1990

Member, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science, Recruitment
Committee, 1986-1987

Member, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science, Graduate
Studies Committee, 1986-1987

Member, University of Arizona Department of Political Science, Administrative
Committee, 1985-1986

Member, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science, Research

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Productivity Committee, 1983

Research Interests

American Presidency, Electoral Behavior

Teaching Interests

Presidency, Congress, American Political Institutions