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**JERROLD G. RUSK**

Place of Birth: Portland, Oregon

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Education: B.S., Brigham Young University, Political Science and History, double major,  
Valedictorian (4.0 GPA), May 1963.

Ph.D., University of Michigan, Political Science, April, 1968 (major adviser: Philip  
Converse).

**Academic Appointments**

Study Director, Survey Research Center. University of Michigan, January, 1968 to August, 1969 (Ph.D. level position; research equivalent to Assistant Professor at the University of Michigan) (In charge of Survey Research Center's 1968 National Election Study).

Assistant Professor of Political Science, Purdue, University, 1969-1971.

Associate Professor of Political Science, Purdue University, 1971-1973 (tenured).

Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Arizona, 1973-1975 (tenured).

Professor of Political Science, University of Arizona, 1975-2001 (tenured).

Head, Department of Political Science, University of Arizona, 1983-1988.

Professor of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2001- 2006 (tenured).

Professor of Political Science, Rice University, 2006- (tenured).

**International Appointments**

Visiting Scholar, Tilburg University, Tilburg, The Netherlands, 1969-1971. (Duties: (1) Conduct the first national survey study of the Dutch electorate; (2) Do research on Dutch electoral and legislative behavior.)

Fulbright-Hays Teaching Fellow, University of Aarhus, Aarhus, Denmark, 1973-1974. (Duties: (1) Teach classes in American politics; (2) Lecture at European universities in addition to the University of Aarhus; (3) Do research on Danish electoral and legislative behavior.)

Faculty Fellow, Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences (European counterpart to the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Palo Alto, California), The Hague, The Netherlands, 1977-1978. (Duties: (1) Engage in seminars and panels on American and European politics; (2) Do research on American politics.)

Administrative Director, Arizona-Iowa Six University Consortium Program for Study Abroad in England (London), 1988-1989. (Duties: (1) Direct British Study Abroad Program; (2) Teach British politics and other courses.)

Administrative Director, University of Arizona Program for Study Abroad in England (London), 2000-2001. (Duties: Same as above.)

### **Fields of Specialization**

American politics, with specialties in public opinion, electoral behavior, political parties, political socialization, political behavior, and the social psychology of political attitudes.

History of political change, legal-institutional analysis, historical voting behavior.

Research design, sample survey polling, scaling techniques.

Comparative politics, especially British politics, Danish politics, Dutch politics.

### **Teaching Nominations and Awards**

Fulbright-Hays Teaching Fellow to Denmark, 1973-1974.

Wakonse Teaching Fellow, University of Arizona, 1994-1995.

Department Nominee for SBS College Best Teaching Award, University of Arizona, 1994-1995.

Department Nominee for SBS College Best Teaching Award, University of Arizona, 1996-1997.

Department Nominee for Distinguished University Professorship, University of Arizona, 1997-1998.

Silver Circle Teaching Award Nominee, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2006.

### **Research Grants and Awards**

"The Effects of Legal-Institutional Properties of the Electoral System on Voting Behavior: 1788-1982"; sole investigator; National Science Foundation: \$40,000 May 15, 1984 to October 14, 1985.

Research Professorship, Social and Behavioral Sciences College, University of Arizona, Spring Semester, 1991 (research award for leave without teaching duties at the University of Arizona).

### **Honorary Societies**

Phi Kappa Phi, 1963. Pi Sigma Alpha, 1967. Phi Beta Kappa, 1967.

### **Other Honors**

Editorial Board Member, *American Political Science Review*, 1982-1985.

### **Publications**

#### *Books*

*Measures of Political Attitudes* (with John P. Robinson and Kendra B. Head). Ann Arbor, Michigan: University of Michigan Institute for Social Research, 1968. 712 pp. Clothbound and paperbound; Eight Printings. Reviewed in *Public Opinion Quarterly* (Fall, 1969), pp. 508-510, the *American Sociological Review* (June, 1970), pp. 566-567, and the *American Political Science Review* (June, 1974), p. 771. The first chapter of this book has been reprinted in two books.

*A Statistical History of the American Electorate*. Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly Press, 2001. 708 pp. Clothbound and paperbound. Voted "Best Reference Source 2001" by the *Library Journal* (April 2002 issue). Designated "Outstanding Academic Book" by *Choice Magazine* (January 2003 issue).

*The American Nonvoter* (with Lyn Ragsdale). New York: Oxford University Press, 2017. 315pp. Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics* (March, 2018), pp. 239-240.

## Articles

"Continuity and Change in American Politics: Parties and Issues in the 1968 Election," (with Philip E. Converse, Warren E. Miller, and Arthur C. Wolfe), *American Political Science Review* (December, 1969), pp. 1083-1105. Reprinted in ten books.

"Dimensions of Candidate Evaluation," (with Herbert F. Weisberg), *American Political Science Review* (December, 1970), pp. 1167-1185. Reprinted in one book.

"The Effect of the Australian Ballot Reform on Split Ticket Voting: 1876-1908," *American Political Science Review* (December, 1970), pp. 1220-1238. Reprinted in three books.

"Perceptions of Presidential Candidates: Implications for Electoral Change," (with Herbert F. Weisberg), *Midwest Journal of Political Science* (August, 1972), pp. 388-410. Reprinted in two books.

"Perceptions of Party in the Dutch Parliament," (with Hans Daalder), published in Samuel C. Patterson and John C. Wahlke (eds.), *Comparative Legislative Behavior: Frontiers of Research* (New York: John Wiley and Sons, 1972), pp. 143-198.

"The American Electoral Universe: Speculation and Evidence," *American Political Science Review* (September, 1974), pp. 1028-1049. (An article invited by Professor Nelson W. Polsby, Editor of the *American Political Science Review*: this article was part of a symposium on differing interpretations of historical voting behavior, in which Professors Walter Dean Burnham and Philip E. Converse also contributed papers.)

"The Changing Party Space in Danish Voter Perceptions, 1971-1973," (with Ole Borre), *European Journal of Political Research* (December, 1974), pp. 329-361. This paper also appears for American audiences in Ian Budge, Ivor Crewe, and Dennis Farlie (eds.), *Party Identification and Beyond: Representations of Voting and Party Competition* (New York: John Wiley and Sons, 1976).

"A Conjugate Gradient Algorithm for the Multidimensional Analysis of Preference Data," (with Peter H. Schonemann and Ming-mei Wang), *Multivariate Behavioral Research* (January 1975), pp. 45-79.

"Cleavage Structures and Representational Linkages: A Longitudinal Analysis of Danish Legislative Behavior," (with Erik Damgaard), *American Journal of Political Science* (May, 1976), pp. 179-205. Lead article in that journal. Reprinted in one book.

"Political Participation in America," *American Political Science Review* (June, 1976), pp. 583-591. (An article invited by Professor Nelson W. Polsby, Editor of the *American Political Science Review*.) Reprinted in one book.

"The Effect of the Southern System of Election Laws on Voting Participation: A Reply to V.O. Key, Jr.," (with John J. Stucker), published in Joel H. Silbey, Allan G. Bogue, and William H. Flanigan (eds.), *The History of American Electoral Behavior* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1978), pp. 198-250.

"The Michigan Election Studies: A Critical Evaluation," *Micropolitics* (Summer, 1982), pp. 87-109.

"Partisan Dealignment in the American Electorate: Itemizing the Deductions Since 1964," (with Helmut Norpoth), *American Political Science Review* (September, 1982), pp. 522-537.

"Measuring Patterns of Electoral Participation in the United States," (with John J. Stucker), *Micropolitics* (Spring, 1984), pp. 465-498.

"Issues and Voting," published in Samuel Long (ed.), *Research in Micropolitics* (Greenwich, Conn.: JAI Press, 1987), pp. 95-141.

"Legal-Institutional Factors and Voting Participation: The Impact of Women's Suffrage on Voter Turnout," (with John J. Stucker), in William J. Crotty (ed.), *Political Participation and American Democracy* (New York: Greenwood Press, 1991), pp. 113-138.

"Who Are Nonvoters? Profiles from the 1990 Senate Elections," (with Lyn Ragsdale), *American Journal of Political Science* (August 1993), pp. 721-746. Reprinted in one book.

"Congressional Elections: Theory and Law," in Donald Bacon, Roger Davidson, and Morton Keller (eds.), *The Encyclopedia of the United States Congress* (New York: Simon and Schuster, 1994), pp. 697-701.

"Candidates, Issues, and Participation in Senate Elections," (with Lyn Ragsdale), *Legislative Studies Quarterly* (August 1995), pp. 305-327. Lead article in that journal.

"Elections and Presidential Policy Making," (with Lyn Ragsdale), in Steven Shull (ed.), *Presidential Policy Making* (New York: M.E. Sharpe, 1999), pp. 98-116.

"Electoral Myth and Reality: Realignment in American Politics," (with Helmut Norpoth), *Electoral Studies* (June 2007), pp. 392-403.

"Casting Votes: The National Campaign Context and State Turnout, 1920-2008," (with Lyn Ragsdale), *Political Research Quarterly* (December 2011), pp. 840-857.

#### *Notes*

See the correspondence concerning differing interpretations of historical political change between Professor Walter Dean Burnham and Professor Jerrold G. Rusk in the December, 1971 issue of the *American Political Science Review*, pp. 1149-1157. (Burnham: pp. 1149-1152; Rusk: pp. 1152-1157).

"Ballot," published in the *Dictionary of American History*, 2nd ed. (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1976), pp.248-249.

See the correspondence concerning differing interpretations of historical political change between Professor Theodore F. Macaluso and Professor Jerrold G. Rusk in the June, 1977 issue of the *American Political Science Review*, pp. 588-592. (Macaluso: pp. 588-590; Rusk: pp. 590-592).

#### *Information Notes*

My name was listed in the article, "The *American Political Science Review* Hall of Fame," in the March 1996 issue of *PS: Political Science and Politics* as one of 72 scholars who have published 5 or more articles in the *APSR* in the past 40 years. I have published 6 articles in the *APSR*, the official journal of the American Political Science Association, although the *PS* article inadvertently listed my publications as 5. I have also published 3 articles in the *American Journal of Political Science*, the official journal of the Midwest Political Science Association.

My primary research preoccupation in the 1997-2001 period was the completion of the manuscript, *A Statistical History of the American Electorate* for Congressional Quarterly Press. This book was voted "Best Reference Source 2001" by the *Library Journal* (April 2002 issue) and designated "Outstanding Academic Book 2003" by *Choice Magazine* (January 2003 issue).

One of my current projects is entitled *Electoral Procedures and Election Reform, 1788-2016*, which is similar in style and purpose to my earlier book, *A Statistical History of the American Electorate*, and covers data recovery and analysis of the election procedures used by the states throughout the history of our Union, including discussions of legislative intent in adoption and change in these election rules, impact of

these rules on the American voter, and consequences of these rule adoptions and changes in American voting behavior across time, including system consequences of these laws on party politics, electoral competition, and changes in political power in governmental office.

### *Reprints*

Chapter one of the book, *Measures of Political Attitudes*, is reprinted in the following sources:

Dan Nimmo and Charles M. Bonjean (eds.) *Political Attitudes and Public Opinion* (New York: David McKay, 1972).

Gary M. Maranell (ed.) *Scaling: A Sourcebook for Behavioral Scientists* (Chicago: Aldine, 1974).

The article, "Continuity and Change in American Politics: Parties and Issues in the 1968 Election," is reprinted in the following sources:

Bernard E. Brown and John C. Wahlke (eds.), *The American Political System*, revised edition (Homewood, Illinois: Dorsey Press, 1971).

William J. Crotty, Donald E. Freeman, and Douglas S. Gatlin (eds.). *Political Parties and Political Behavior*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. (Boston: Allyn and Bacon, 1971).

David W. Abbott and Edward T. Rogowsky (eds.), *Political Parties: Leadership, Organization, Linkage* (Chicago: Rand McNally, 1971).

Joel H. Silbey and Samuel T. McSeveney (eds.), *Voters, Parties and Elections* (Lexington, Mass.: Xerox College Publishing, 1972).

James Morton Smith (ed.), *Politics and Society in American History Vol. II* (Englewood Cliffs: Prentice-Hall, 1973).

Lewis Lipsitz (ed.), *The Confused Eagle: Division and Dilemma in American Politics* (Boston: Allyn and Bacon, 1973).

Lewis Bowman and G. Robert Boynton (eds.), *Political Behavior and Public Opinion: Comparative Analyses* (Englewood Cliffs: Prentice Hall, 1974).

Marvin Weinbaum and Louis Gold, *Presidential Elections: A Simulation with Readings* (Hinsdale, Illinois: Dryden Press, 1974).

*Bobbs-Merrill Reprint Series in Politics and Government* (1973). (Bobbs-Merrill Company, Indianapolis, Indiana).

Richard G. Niemi and Herbert F. Weisberg (eds.), *Controversies in American Voting Behavior* (San Francisco: W.H. Freeman, 1976).

The article, "Dimensions of Candidate Evaluation," is reprinted in the following source:

Samuel Kirkpatrick, *Quantitative Analysis of Political Data* (Columbus, Ohio: Charles E. Merrill Co., 1974).

The article, "The Effect of the Australian Ballot Reform on Split Ticket Voting: 1876-1908," is reprinted in the following sources:

Lee Benson, Allan G. Bogue, J. Rogers Hollingsworth, Thomas J. Pressly, and Joel H. Silbey (eds.), *American Political Behavior: Historical Essays and Readings* (New York: Harper and Row, 1974).

Richard G. Niemi and Herbert F. Weisberg (eds.), *Controversies in American Voting Behavior* (San Francisco: W.H. Freeman, 1976).

Richard G. Niemi and Herbert F. Weisberg (eds.), *Classics in American Voting Behavior* (Washington, D.C: Congressional Quarterly Press, 1993).

The article, "Perceptions of Presidential Candidates: Implications for Electoral Change," is reprinted in the following sources:

Norman R. Luttbeg (ed.), *Public Opinion and Public Policy*, revised edition (Homewood, Illinois: Dorsey Press, 1974).

Richard G. Niemi and Herbert F. Weisberg (eds.), *Controversies in American Voting Behavior* (San Francisco: W.H. Freeman, 1976).

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Ian Budge, Ivor Crewe, and Dennis Farlie (eds.), *Party Identification and Beyond: Representations of Voting and Party Competition* (New York John Wiley and Sons, 1976).

The article, "Political Participation in America," is reprinted in the following source:

David R. Berman, *Readings and Essays on American Government* (Palisades Publishing, 1981).

The article, "Who Are Nonvoters?" is reprinted in the following source:

Marcus Ethridge (ed.), *The Political Research Experience: Readings and Analyses* (Chicago: Dushkin Publishing, 1994).

### **Professional Societies**

American Political Science Association  
Midwest Political Science Association  
Social Science History Association  
Southern Political Science Association  
Western Political Science Association

### **Administrative Service**

*(University of Arizona)*  
*(University and College Service)*

Chair, Black Studies Director Search Committee (two years).

Chair, Provost Committee to Study Faculty Leave Policy (one year).

Member, University Curriculum Committee (three years).

Member, University Teaching Productivity Committee (one year).

Member, University Fulbright Scholarship Selection Committee (two years).

Member, University Promotion and Tenure Committee (1 year).

Member, University Representative to Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (fifteen years).

Member, Committee on Graduate Study, Graduate College (three years).

Member, Institutional Analysis Decision Package Committee (two years).

Member, Public Policy Decision Package Committee (two years).

Member, Communications Decision Package Committee (one year).

Member, Office of International Programs Study Abroad Committee (three years).

Member, Global Studies Review Committee (one year).

Chair, Social and Behavioral Sciences College Committee to Evaluate Russian Area Studies Program (RASS) (one year).

Chair, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Institute Review Committee (one year).

Member, Social and Behavioral Sciences College Strategic Planning and Budget Committee (one year).

Member, Social and Behavioral Sciences College Curriculum Committee (six years).

Member, Social and Behavioral Sciences College Deanship Search Committee (one year).

Member, Social and Behavioral Sciences College Representative to Continuing Education Committee (one year).

### **Administrative Service**

*(University of Arizona)*  
*(Department Service)*

Head, Department of Political Science (five years).

Chair, Recruitment Committee (two years).

Chair, Political Behavior Caucus (five years).

Chair, Computer Users Committee (eight years).

Chair, Curriculum Series (1 year).

Member, Recruitment Committee (ten years).

Member, Graduate Studies Committee (eight years).

Member, Special Committee to Evaluate the Graduate Program (one year).

Member, Research Productivity and Evaluation Committee (one year).

Member, Administrative Committee (five years).

Member, Political Behavior Caucus (nineteen years).

Member, Teaching Committee (five years).

Member, Department Strategic Planning Committee (two years).

**Administrative Service**

*(University of Illinois at Chicago)*  
*(Department Service)*

Member, Undergraduate Committee (3 years).

Member, Graduate Committee (3 years).

**Administrative Service**

*(Rice University)*  
*(Department Service)*

Member, Faculty Evaluation Committee (2006-2007).

Member, Administrative Committee, External Review (2007-2008).

Member, Research Committee, External Review (2007-2008).

Chair, Diversity Committee (2009-2010).

Member, Faculty Evaluation Committee (2009-2010).

Member, Undergraduate Committee (2010-2011).

Member, Diversity Committee (2010-2011).

Member, Undergraduate Committee (2011-2012).

Member, Graduate Appeals Committee (2015-2016).

Member, Undergraduate Committee (2017-2018).

Library Representative (2019-2020).

**Administrative Service**

*(Rice University)*  
*(University and Social Sciences School)*

Member, Editorial Group for Social Sciences Magazine (2008-2010).

Member, University Committee on Evaluations and Standing. (2016-2019).



***Administrative Service***

*(National Discipline)*

Service to the national discipline as a reviewer of manuscripts for the major political science journals.

**Consulting**

Political Advisor and Polling Consultant, KGUN-TV, Channel 9, (ABC Affiliate in Tucson, Arizona), 1982-1985.

**References**

Dr. Nils Hasselmo, former President, University of Minnesota.

Dr. Gary Jacobson, Professor of Political Science, University of California at San Diego.

Dr. Helmut Norpoth, Professor of Political Science, State University of New York at Stony Brook.

Dr. Barry Rundquist, former Professor of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Dr. Herbert Weisberg, former Professor of Political Science, Ohio State University, and former President of the Midwest Political Science Association and former Editor of the *American Journal of Political Science*.