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ACADEMIC POSITION

Weber State University. Ogden, Utah.

College of Social and Behavioral Science Endowed Professor, 2023-present.

Professor, Department of Political Science & Philosophy, 2023-present.

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science & Philosophy, 2018-2023.

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science & Philosophy, 2012-2018.

EDUCATION

Syracuse University. Syracuse, New York.

Ph.D. Political Science, August 2012.

Dissertation: "Lawyers Need Law: A Study of Constitutional Arguments Made to State Supreme Courts."

Committee: Thomas Keck (Chair), Keith Bybee, Grant Reeher, Ralph Ketcham, Sarah Pralle

Exam fields: American Politics, Political Inquiry (theory and methods).

M.A. Political Science, December 2007.

Roger Williams University School of Law. Bristol, Rhode Island.

J.D., *cum laude*, May 2006.

Western Washington University. Bellingham, Washington.

B.A., June 2003. Majors: Political Science, History.

PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming. "Silencing Trans Voices." *Politics, Groups, and Identities*.

2023. "Contesting Obscenity: Book Challengers and Criminalizing Literature." *Journal of Intellectual Freedom and Privacy* 7(4): 34-45.

2021. "Navigating a Doctrinal Grey Area: Free Speech, the Right to Read, and Schools." *First Amendment Studies* 55(2): 79-101.

2020. "On Remand: Legal Strategies After Supreme Court Losses." In *Open Judicial Politics*. Eds. Rorie Spill Solberg, Jennifer Segal Disacro, and Eric Waltenburg. Oregon State University.

2018. "The Judicial Protection of Anti-Judicial Speech." *American University International Law Review* 33(4): 693-769 (with Thomas M. Keck and Brandon T. Metroka).

2017. "Linde's Legacy: The Triumph of Oregon State Constitutional Law, 1970-2000." *Albany Law Review* 80(4): 1541-1602.

2015. "Movement Litigation and Unilateral Disarmament: Abortion and the Right To Die." *Law & Social Inquiry* 40(4): 880-907 (with Thomas M. Keck).

2015. "Lawyers Need Law: Judicial Federalism, State Courts, and Lawyers in Search and Seizure Cases." *Albany Law Review* 78(4): 1393-1458.

2013. "Arguing *Gunwall*: The Effect of the Criteria Test on Constitutional Rights Claims." *Journal of Law and Courts* 1(2): 331-61.

Short Pieces

2022. "Review of *Vice Patrol: Cops, Courts, and the Struggle over Urban Gay Life before Stonewall*." *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 51(5): 399-401.

2022. "Books help students empathize with the experience of others." *Salt Lake Tribune*, 1 March. https://www.sltrib.com/opinion/commentary/2022/03/01/richard-price-books-help/?fbclid=IwAR0nqk2HRyv5V12HMIYCWq0_lyiAHiWfFpFof-aPsSx6Sy1Lnr_wVvtAIGI

2019. "Review of Jeffrey S. Sutton's *51 Imperfect Solutions: States and the Making of American Constitutional Law*." *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*.

2017. "Review of Ruadhán Mac Cormaic's *The Supreme Court: The Judges, the Decisions, the Rifts and the Rivalries that Shaped Ireland*." *Law and Politics Book Review* 27:8 (October): 122-25.

2016. "Review of Emily Zackin's *Looking for Rights in All the Wrong Places: Why State Constitutions Contain America's Positive Rights*." *Law and Politics Book Review* 26:2 (June): 44-46.

2016. "Traynor, Roger." In *American Governance*. Ed. Stephen L. Schechter, Thomas S. Vontz, Thomas A. Birkland, Mark A. Graber, and John J. Patrick. Vol. 5, 205-206. Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan Reference USA.

WORKING PAPERS AND PROJECTS

The Perils of Queer Lit. Book Project

“Constructing the Dangerous Queer Child.” Article draft.

“Centering Schools in LGBTQ Politics.” Chapter for edited book.

“Graphic Storytelling, Book Challengers, and Obscenity.” Chapter for edited book.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Weber State University

POLS 1100 *American National Government*

POLS 2400 *Introduction to Law and Courts*

POLS 3400 *LGBTQ Politics*

POLS 4020 *Constitutional Law I*

POLS 4030 *Constitutional Law II*

POLS 4060 *Law and Society*

POLS 4100 *Free Speech*

POLS 4620 *The U.S. Supreme Court*

POLS 4910 (Special Topics) *The American Founding*

POLS 4940 (Special Topics) *State Constitutions and Courts*

POLS 4990 *Senior Seminar: The Supreme Court and the Long 1960s*

QS 3100 *LGBTQ America Since 1945*

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Annie Shouldn’t be on Your Mind: Making the Invisible Queer Teen Visible.” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, 6-8 April 2023.

“Heather Has Too Many Mommies: Gay Children’s Books and the Christian Right Backlash.” Queer History Conference, San Francisco, CA, 12-15 June 2022.

“Heather Has Too Many Mommies: Gay Children’s Books and the Christian Right Backlash.” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Portland, OR, 10-12 March 2022.

“Silencing Trans Voices.” Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association [online], Chicago, IL, 26-30 May 2021.

“Constructing the Dangerous Queer Child.” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Seattle, WA [online], 1-3 April 2021.

- “Governing When the Public Square is Limitless.” Fourth Utah Symposium on the Digital Humanities, Ogden, UT, 1-2 February 2019 (with Leah Murray).
- “On Remand: Legal Strategies After Supreme Court Losses.” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, 29-31 March 2018.
- “Coup, Criticism, and Contempt: From Patterson to Bridges.” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, B.C., 13-15 April 2017 (with Thomas M. Keck and Brandon T. Metroka).
- “The Judicial Protection of Anti-Judicial Speech.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, September 1-4, 2016 (with Thomas M. Keck [presenter] and Brandon T. Metroka [presenter]).
- “The Judicial Protection of Anti-Judicial Speech.” Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, New Orleans, LA, 2-5 June 2016 (with Thomas M. Keck [presenter] and Brandon T. Metroka).
- “Contempt of Court as a Window onto Judicialization and Democracy.” Maryland Discussion Group on Constitutionalism, University of Maryland School of Law, 4-5 March 2016 (with Thomas M. Keck [presenter] and Brandon T. Metroka).
- “Expanding Regime Politics to State Supreme Courts.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, 3-6 September 2015.
- “To Have or Have Not: Free Speech and Press in the U.S. States, 1880-1925.” Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Seattle, WA, 28-31 May 2015.
- “A Tale of Two Governors: Regime Politics and State Supreme Courts.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., 28-31 August 2014.
- “Resisting Rights Claims: State Attorneys General and Judicial Federalism.” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Seattle, WA, 17-19 April 2014.
- “Movement Litigation and Unilateral Disarmament.” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Hollywood, CA, 28-30 March 2013 (with Thomas M. Keck).
- “Arguing *Gunwall*: Can a State Supreme Court Force Its Lawyers to Argue State Constitutional Claims?” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, WA, 1-4 September 2011.
- “On Remand: Lawyers and Constitutional Arguments After Supreme Court Loses.” Annual Meeting of the New York Political Science Association, Niagara University, Lewiston, NY, 8-9 April 2011.

“Follow the Leader? Lawyers and Judicial Federalism in the New York Court of Appeals.” Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, MA, 11-13 November 2010.

GRANTS

External

National Science Foundation, Law and Social Sciences Division. “Comparative Free Speech Jurisprudence.” Principal Investigator: Thomas M. Keck; Co-PIs: Erik Bleich, Richard S. Price, and Stephen A. Stohler. Award No. SES-1535250. August 15, 2015—June 30, 2019 (Total award: \$419,907; Weber State subaward: \$46,651).

Internal (Weber State University)

Research, Scholarship, and Professional Growth Committee Grant, Weber State University. “Censorship, Student Activism, and Inspirational Rights Claims.” Spring 2023 – Spring 2025 (\$2000).

Research, Scholarship, and Professional Growth Committee Hemingway Excellence Grant, Weber State University. “Queer Educational Activism.” Spring 2022 – Spring 2024 (\$7029).

Roydon O. Julander Faculty Award, Department of Political Science and Philosophy, Weber State University, Fall 2022 – Spring 2023 (\$1100)

Research, Scholarship, and Professional Growth Committee Grant, Weber State University. “The Perils of Queer Literature.” Spring 2020 – Spring 2022 (\$7172).

Research, Scholarship, and Professional Growth Committee Grant, Weber State University. “Contesting the Right to Read.” Spring 2019 – Spring 2021 (\$2794).

Roydon O. Julander Faculty Award, Department of Political Science and Philosophy, Weber State University, Fall 2016 – Spring 2017 (\$1500).

Jennings Olson Award, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Weber State University, Fall 2016 – Spring 2017 (\$1500).

Roydon O. Julander Faculty Award, Department of Political Science and Philosophy, Weber State University, Fall 2014 – Spring 2015 (\$1500).

Hemingway New Faculty Grant, Research, Scholarship and Professional Growth Committee, Weber State University, Fall 2013-Spring 2014 (\$2896).

Internal (Syracuse University)

Summer Research Fellowship, Department of Political Science, Syracuse University, 2011 (\$3500), 2010 (\$1900), 2009 (\$1900), 2008 (\$3200).

Roscoe-Martin Foundation Research Grant, Syracuse University, 2012 (\$500), 2011 (\$1000), 2010 (\$850).

Institute for the Study of the Judiciary, Politics, and the Media, Syracuse University, 2008 (\$750).

HONORS AND AWARDS

Honorable Mention, Best Graduate Student Paper Award, American Political Science Association, Law & Courts Section, 2012.

Ralph R. Papitto Scholarship, Roger Williams School of Law, full tuition scholarship 2003-2006 (approximately \$33,000 per year).

CALI awards for best grade/paper (law school): Civil Procedure II, Evidence, Land Use Planning, Civil Rights, and Regulatory Takings Seminar (paper).

Outstanding Political Science Graduate, Western Washington University, June 2003.

SERVICE

Public

Ethics and Discipline Committee, Utah Supreme Court, August 2017-June 2020

Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network (GLSEN) Northern Utah Chapter, Summer 2019-Fall 2020

Invited Talks/Trainings

“Silencing LGBTQ Voices.” LGTBQ History Month, Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID, 4 October 2023.

“Contesting the Straight School in the 1990s.” Valerie J. Hoffman Lecture in Feminist and Queer Studies, Union College, Schenectady, NY, 19 October 2022.

“Book Banning: A Bit of History and Law.” Library Advocacy and Funding Conference, Book Banning Track. EveryLibrary, 26-28 September 2022.

“History of Book Censorship.” Gateway to Learning: Teaching Challenging Topics, 5-hour training of current K-12 teachers in Utah. University of Utah Tanner Humanities Center. 17 June 2022. [Cancelled due to Covid]

“Current Challenges in Education: Censorship and Book Bans.” For the Warren and Spector/Warren Fellowship for Future Teachers. Holocaust Museum Houston. 27 May 2022.

University & College

Legal Studies Minor Coordinator, Spring 2013-present

Matthew Shepard Scholarship Committee, Spring 2014-18

Wheeler Pre-Law Lecture Series Committee, Spring 2014-present

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Hearing Committee, Spring 2014-Spring 2015, Fall 2017-Spring 2018

University Curriculum Committee, Fall 2014-Spring 2019

Women & Gender Studies Executive Committee, Fall 2014-Spring 2021

Faculty Senate Alternate, Fall 2014-Spring 2016 (Full time sabbatical replacement Fall 2015-Spring 2016)

Engaged Learning Series Planning Committee, Spring 2015, Spring 2018-Fall 2020

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Equity Task Force, Fall 2016-Spring 2018

Jennings-Olsen Award Selection Committee, Spring 2017, Spring 2018

American Democracy Project Advisor, Spring-Fall 2019

Queer Studies Minor co-coordinator, Fall 2020-present

Library Information and Technology Program Review, Internal Reviewer, Fall 2020

University Committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Fall 2021-present

Research, Scholarship, and Professional Growth Committee, Fall 2021-Spring 2022.

Departmental

Pre-Law Advisor, Fall 2012-Fall 2023

International Politics Search Committee, Fall 2012-Spring 2013

Political Science Major/Minor Revision Committee, Fall 2014-Spring 2016

Comparative Politics Search Committee, Fall 2017

Departmental Tenure and Promotion Committee, Fall 2020-Spring 2021

Other

Political Science Senior Thesis Advisor

Randon Kerr: Partisanship of District Courts in Marriage Equality Cases, Fall 2015

Merrick McDonald: Ballot Access Laws: The Threat Against Minor Party Competition in the United States, Summer 2016

Hayden Loftus: Graduation from the Electoral College, Fall 2016

Taylor Covey: Executing the Death Penalty: American Political Discourse and Capital Punishment, Spring 2018

McKynzie Webster: Why Exclusionary Immigration Policies Have Historically Been, and Continue to be Detrimental to American Life and Politics, Spring 2018

Renee Russo Burgon: Student Perceptions of Free Speech at Weber State University and Beyond, Fall 2018

Christofferson Braeden: Judicial Review and Challenging Power, Fall 2018

Estefany Contreras: Gender Wage Gap: Why is the gender wage gap larger in Utah?, Fall 2018

Caroline Zemp: Bilingual Education Policy: The interaction of Power, Pedagogy, and Policy, Fall 2018

Emmalee Buehler: The Free Speech Standard Within False Information, Fall 2020

Daelen McCumber, The Personal Made Political, Spring 2021

Bachelor of Integrated Studies Capstone Committee

Dottie Veal: Economic and Cultural Awareness of Hawaii, Fall 2012

Paul Johnson: Cybercrime: The Rise of ID Theft, Spring 2013

Matthew Glover: The Pirates of Somalia and U.S. Security Policy Options, Fall 2013

Joshua Behn: Voices Amidst Conflict: Gays During the Troubles in Northern Ireland, Summer 2014

Tanner Leatham: The Effect of Legal Restrictions and the Economy on Sales Production, Fall 2014

Dallin Groneman: An Economic History of Brazil and Analysis of Modern Brazil-U.S. Economic Relations, Fall 2014

Franklin Frye: Group Decision-Making During the Legislative Session, Spring 2017

Amerbly Wise: Silly FTC, Tricks are for Kids, Spring 2017

Panelist, "Perspectives on Same-Sex Marriage." Nous (Philosophy Club), Weber State University, February 13, 2014

Panelist, "Super Bowl Culture Wars." Taboo Talks, Weber State University, February 19, 2014

Discussant, "Gore Vidal: The United States of Amnesia." Utah Film Center/Shaw Gallery/Perry's Egyptian Theater, Ogden, UT, March 20, 2014

Panelist, "Is the LGBT Movement a Civil Rights Movement?" Center for Diversity and Unity, Weber State University, April 3, 2014

Panelist, "First Amendment Day." American Democracy Project, Weber State University, September 15, 2014.

Discussant, "Discovering Your Law Career Path." Wheeler Pre-Law Lecture Series, Weber State University, October 9, 2014

Speaker, "Milk and Cookies: Gay Rights Before Harvey Milk." Weber State Amnesty International/Women & Gender Studies, NOUS (Philosophy Club), November 19, 2014

Panelist, "How to Amend the Constitution." American Democracy Project/Weber County League of Women Voters, Weber State University, September 16, 2015

Speaker, "The Law and Politics of Japanese Internment." Weber County Library, February 21, 2017

Speaker, "Coup, Criticism, and Contempt: Free Speech from *Patterson* to *Bridges*." Jennings Olsen Lecture, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Weber State University, March 15, 2017.

Speaker, "Hate Speech: Is It Free?" American Democracy Project, Weber State University, September 13, 2017.

Speaker, "Challenging Books, Silencing Voices." Weber State University, September 25, 2019.

Speaker, "Challenging Books, Silencing Voices." Weber County Library, September 23 and September 25, 2019.

Speaker, "Constructing the Dangerous Queer Child." Weber State University Annual Diversity Conference, October 4, 2019.

Speaker, "The Gay Rights Movement." Liverpool Public Library, Liverpool N.Y., February 11, 2021.

Speaker, "The Struggle for Respect: LGBTQ Students and Schools." Liverpool Public Library, Liverpool N.Y., May 20, 2021.

Speaker, "Books and Beyond." Liverpool Public Library, Liverpool N.Y., September 30, 2021.

Panelist, "Silences in the Library: A discussion of censorship, free speech, power, equity, and justice." Weber State University Annual Diversity Conference, October 1, 2021.

Panelist, "Roots and Ramifications of 21st-Century Challenges to the Freedom to Read." Winthrop University, S.C., March 9, 2022.

Speaker, "The War on Diverse Books." Northern Wasatch Oasis, Layton, UT., March 20, 2022.

Panelist, "Teaching Maus." University of Utah, April 27, 2022.

Speaker, "Censorship, Book Banning, and Democracy." Utah Humanities Community Conversations, April 27, 2022.

Panelist, "Talking about Censorship: A Discussion about Book Banning in a Free and Open Society." University of Utah J. Willard Marriott Library, September 19, 2022.

Panelist, "Reading Dangerously." Utah Humanities Book Festival, Salt Lake City Public Library, September 20, 2022.

Speaker, "The Rainbow Scare: Censoring Queer Voices." Under the Umbrella Bookstore, Salt Lake City, UT, September 24, 2022.

Speaker, "The War on Diverse Books." Food For Thought Honors program, Weber State University, October 27, 2022.

Speaker, "Silencing LGBTQ Voices." LGBTQ History Month Lecture for LGBTQ Center, Weber State University, October 11 2023.

Discipline

Panel discussant for "State Level Judicial Politics." Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Seattle, WA, April 17-19, 2014

Panel chair for "Legislatures, Executives, and the Supreme Court." Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Hollywood, CA, March 28-30, 2013

Referee

Communication and Democracy (2023)

Journal of Law and Courts (2014, 2017)

Journal of Intellectual Freedom and Privacy (2019, 2023)

Publius: The Journal of Federalism (2016, 2019, 2021)

Routledge (2023)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association, 2006-2019, 2023-present

Law and Courts Section

State Politics and Policy Section

Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations Section

Sexuality and Politics Section

Canadian Politics Section

Law and Society Association, 2008-2021

Western Political Science Association, 2012-present

Committee on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender History, 2021-present