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POSITION Lecturer in American Politics Adjunct Professor
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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Political Science, 2018, University of California, Los Angeles
Concentration in American Politics
Dissertation: "Looking for an Electoral Blind Spot: The Effects of Information and Partisanship on Perceptions of Candidates' Ideology and on Electoral Outcomes"
- M.A. Political Science, 2013, University of California, Los Angeles
- M.O.A. Operations Analysis, 2006. USAF Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
- M.S. International Relations, 2001, Troy State University
- Professional Military Education
USAF Air Command and Staff College, 2004, Maxwell AFB, AL
USAF Test Pilot School, 2002, Edwards AFB, CA
USAF Squadron Officer School, 1996, Maxwell AFB, AL
USAF Undergraduate Pilot Training, 1993, Laughlin AFB, TX
- B.S. Astronautical Engineering, 1991, US Air Force Academy

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

- "The Partisan Mirror: The Effects of Information and Partisanship on Voters' Perceptions of Candidates' Ideology." Presented at the 76th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Ill, April 6, 2018.
- "Goldwater's Revenge: Conservative Insurgents from Goldwater to Trump." Presented at the 75th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Ill, April 7, 2017. Collaboration with John Ray.
- "Ensuring Robust Aerospace Power in the Second Conflict: A Look at Potential Allied Contributions of Low-Density/High-Demand Aircraft," RAND Corporation, 2013
- "F-22A Combined Test Force Options to Improve Flight Test Efficiency," Wright Patterson AFB, OH: Air Force Institute of Technology, 2006, Collaboration with Sandy Richardson
- "Collection of Video Images and Navigation Data for Use in a Kalman Filter and Evaluation of Video Images for Post-flight Mission Reconstruction." Edwards Air Force Base, CA: Air Force Flight Test Center Library, 2002, Collaboration with Michael Giebner et al.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Subject Matter Expert, "NASA Aeronautics Flight Research: A Strategic Assessment of Needs, Capabilities, and Management Options," RAND Corporation Study, 2015

Graduation Speaker, US Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Detachment 055, 2018

Adjunct Researcher, and Summer Associate, RAND Corporation, 2013-2015

ACADEMIC COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to American Politics, 2016-17, Spring 2020, UCLA

Political Institutions: Congress, Winter 2020, UCLA

Electoral Politics: Campaigns, Strategy, and Media, Fall 2019, UCLA

A Journey into Aviation History, 2018-19, Robert Fulton College Prep, Van Nuys CA

America in the 1960s, 2016-17, University of California Los Angeles

Political Party Position Change in the 1960s, 2013-18, UCLA

The Evolution of U.S. Air Force Air and Space Power, 2009-12, UCLA

National Security Affairs and Preparation for Active Duty, 2009-12, UCLA

Techniques for Testing F-16 Limit Cycle Oscillation in Flight, 2006-2009, USAF Test Pilot School

F-15C Basic and Tactical Pilot Course, 2001, USAF F-15C Formal Training Unit

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Lecturer, 2019-20, UCLA Department of Political Science

Senior Aerospace Science Instructor, 2018-2019, US Air Force Junior ROTC

Instructor, 2016-17, UCLA Department of Political Science

Lecturer, 2016-17, UCLA College of Letters and Science

Teaching Fellow, 2013-18, UCLA College of Letters and Science

Professor and Chair, 2009-12, UCLA Department of Aerospace Studies
(Non-tenured appointment)

Commander, US Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps, Detachment 055

Faculty Instructor, 2006-09, US Air Force Test Pilot School, Edwards AFB, CA

Staff Instructor, 2001, F-15C Formal Training Unit, Tyndall AFB, FL

MILITARY APPOINTMENTS AND EMPLOYMENT

Director of Operations, 2007-09, 445th Flight Test Squadron, Edwards AFB, CA

Assistant Director of Operations, 2006-07, USAF Test Pilot School, Edwards AFB, CA

Experimental Test Pilot, 2003-05, 416th Flight Test Squadron, Edwards AFB, CA

F-15C Pilot & Flight Commander, 44th Fighter Squadron, Kadena AB, Japan

KC-135 Instructor Pilot & Chief Scheduler, 384th Air Refueling Squadron, McConnell AFB, KS