

Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Appointments

- ◆ Associate Professor, University of Connecticut, 2009 to present.
- ◆ Visiting Scholar, Political Theory Project, Brown University, 2010-2011.
- ◆ Assistant Professor, University of Connecticut, 2003-2009.
- ◆ Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Connecticut, 2002-2003.
- ◆ Assistant Professor, Arkansas State University, 2000-2003 (on leave 2002-03)
- ◆ Assistant Director and Lecturer, Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies Program, Arizona State University, 1999-2000.
- ◆ Academic Associate, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Office for Academic Programs, Arizona State University, 1998-1999.

Education

- ◆ Ph.D. Arizona State University, Political Science (1998)
- ◆ M.A. Arizona State University, Political Science (1993)
- ◆ B.A. cum laude, Point Loma Nazarene College, Political Science (1991)

Ph.D. Students Supervised:

Major advisor: Robert W. Glover; Penelope Foster-Portuguez; Peter Sielman

Associate advisor: Christopher J. Paskewich; Robert Bosco; Adolfo Vargas; Masako Okura; Eli Han; Steven Williamson; Derefe Chevannes

Research

Books:

- Morrell, Michael E. 2010. *Empathy and Democracy: Feeling, Thinking and Deliberation*. University Park, PA: Penn State University Press.

Refereed Publications:

- Johnson, Genevieve Fuji, Michael E. Morrell and Laura W. Black. 2019 "Emotions and Deliberation in the Citizens' Initiative Review Genevieve." *Social Science Quarterly* 100 (6): 2168-2187.
- Morrell, Michael E. 2018. "Listening and Deliberation." In *The Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy*, eds. André Bächtiger, John S. Dryzek, Jane Mansbridge, and Mark E. Warren.
- Morrell, Michael E. 2014. "Participant Bias and Success in Deliberative Mini-Publics." In *Deliberative Mini-Publics: Involving Citizens in the Democratic Process*, eds. Kimmo Grönlund, André Bächtiger and Maija Setälä. Colchester, UK: ECPR Press. 2014.
- Morrell, Michael E. 2007. "Empathy and Democratic Education." *Public Affairs Quarterly*. 21: 381-403.
- Morrell, Michael E. 2005. "Deliberation, Democratic Decision-Making and Internal Political Efficacy." *Political Behavior*. 27: 49-69.
- Morrell, Michael E. 2003. "Survey and Experimental Evidence for a Reliable and Valid Measure of Internal Political Efficacy." *Public Opinion Quarterly*. 67: 589-602.
- Morrell, Michael E. 1999. "Citizens' Evaluations of Participatory Democratic Procedures: Normative Theory Meets Empirical Science." *Political Research Quarterly*. 52: 293-322.

Other Publications:

- Bryan, Frank, William Keith, James Kloppenberg, Jane Mansbridge, Michael Morrell, and Graham Smith. 2019. "Collective Interview on the History of Town Meetings." *Journal of Public Deliberation* 15 (2): Article 8. available at: <https://www.publicdeliberation.net/jpd/vol15/iss2/art8>

- Bryan, Frank W, William W. Keith, James T. Kloppenberg, Jane J. Mansbridge, Michael E. Morrell, Graham Smith. 2016. "Qu'apporte l'étude des town meetings à la quête d'une démocratie plus participative et délibérative?" *Participations: Revue de sciences sociales sur la démocratie et la citoyenneté*. 15 (2): 203-220.
- "Review of *Emotions and Politics* by Martha C. Nussbaum." *Perspectives on Politics*. 13 (3): 856-858. 2015.
- "Review of *Democracy and Moral Conflict* by Robert B. Talisse." *Perspectives on Politics*. 9 (1): 176-177. 2011.
- "Review of *The Eyes of the People: Democracy in an Age of Spectatorship* by Jeffrey Edward Green." *Choice*. 48 (5): 993-994. 2011.
- "Review of *Rage and Time: A Psychopolitical Investigation* by Peter Sloterdijk." *Choice*. 48 (3): 590-591. 2010.
- "Review of *Pragmatism and Social Hope: Deepening Democracy in Global Contexts* by Judith M. Green." *Choice*. 46 (12). 2009.
- "Review of *Bringing the Passions Back In*, ed. by Rebecca Kingston and Leonard Ferry." *Choice*. 46 (7). 2009.
- "Measuring Political Efficacy." In Sam Best and Benjamin Radcliffe (eds.), *Polling America: An Encyclopedia of Public Opinion*. Vol. 2. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press. 2005.

Works in Progress:

- "The Effects of Deliberation and Empathy on Feelings Towards Others"
- "Deliberation and Reciprocity: Participant Perceptions of the Citizens' Initiative Review."
- "The Effects of Empathy on Perceptions of Democratic Deliberation" (co-author Adam Kanter)
- "Making Bacon on the Bridge to Nowhere: Deliberation, the Public Interest and Pork-Barrel Spending" (co-author Robert Glover)
- "The New England Town Meeting in Connecticut"
- "Fatherly Dreams, Supreme Court Justices, and Throwing Grandma under the Bus: President Barack Obama, Empathy and Deliberative Democracy"

Grants and Fellowships:

- "Designing Online News Comments to Promote Intellectual Humility in Public Discourse." (Co-PIs, Grant Smith and Paolo Spada, University of Westminster), \$225,000, The Templeton Foundation and the Humility and Conviction in Public Life Project, University of Connecticut (external RFP). 2017-2019.
- Public Discourse Project Faculty Fellowship, University of Connecticut Humanities Institute, Spring 2016
- University of Connecticut Research Foundation, Large Faculty Grant, "Democracy, Public Opinion, Political Attitudes and the New England Town Meeting in Connecticut," \$14,962
- University of Connecticut Research Foundation, Small Faculty Grant, "Empathy and Democracy," \$876
- University of Connecticut Research Foundation, Small Faculty Grant, "Empathy and Democratic Deliberation," \$975

Conference and Other Presentations:

- "In Defense of Empathy."
 - Presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Political Theory, 2020, Virtual
 - Invited talk at The Ethics of Argumentation Workshop (<https://argumentethics2021.wixsite.com/argumentationethics>)
- "The Potential of Argument Visualization Platforms and Empathy Induction to Promote Humility in Public Discourse." (co-authors Paolo Spada and Graham Smith).
 - Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 2020, Virtual
 - Presented at the General Conference of the European Consortium of Political Research, 2018, Hamburg
- "Emotions and Deliberation in the Citizens' Initiative Review" (co-authors Genevieve Fuji-Johnson and Laura Black) Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, 2017
- "Deliberation and Reciprocity: Participant Perceptions of the Citizens' Initiative Review."

- Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 2016, Warsaw (additional data)
- Presented at the General Conference of the European Consortium of Political Research, 2015, Montreal
- Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 2014, Rome
- “Empathy, Agonism, Deliberation, Democracy.” Presented at the General Conference of the European Consortium of Political Research, 2014, Glasgow
- “Participant Bias and Success in Deliberative Mini-Publics.” Presented at the General Conference of the European Consortium of Political Research, 2013, Bordeaux
- “Deliberation and Voting: The Effects of Winning and Losing and Empathy on Deliberative Reciprocity.”
 - Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2013, Chicago, IL [revision]
 - Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, 2012, New Orleans, LA [meeting cancelled due to hurricane]
- “The Deliberative Mind: Four Characters in Search of Answers.” Invited talk at the Yale Political Theory Workshop, 2011.
- “Empathy, Sympathy, Hume and Smith.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, 2011, Seattle, WA.
- “Deliberation, Empathy and Feelings Toward Others.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 2011, Istanbul, Turkey.
- “Political Psychology and Deliberation.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 2010, San Francisco, CA.
- “Throwing Grandma under the Bus: Obama and the Role of Empathy in Democratic Deliberation.”
 - Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, 2010, Newport, RI [revision].
 - Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Political Theory, 2009, College Station, TX.
- “Why Can’t We All Just Get Along? Agonism, Deliberation, and Empathy.”
 - Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, 2011, Boston, MA [revision].
 - Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, 2009, Toronto, Ontario.
- “The Effects of Empathy Induction and Empathic Predispositions on Perceptions of Deliberation.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 2008, Paris, France.
- “The Effects of Empathy Induction on Attitudes Toward Deliberation.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 2006, Barcelona, Spain.
- “The Role of Empathy in Deliberative Democracy.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, 2005, Washington, DC.
- “The Effects of Empathy on Citizens’ Perceptions of Democratic Deliberation.” Presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 2005, Toronto, Ontario.
- “The Centrality of Empathy to Deliberative Democracy.” Presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 2004, Lund, Sweden.
- “Empathy, Discourse Ethics, and Deliberative Democracy.” Presented at Political Theory and Ethics Faculty Working Group, Wesleyan University, Feb. 2004. (revised version)
- “Education, Empathy and Democratic Deliberation.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, 2003, Philadelphia, PA.
- “Empathy, Discourse Ethics and Deliberative Democracy.” Presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 2003, Boston, MA.
- “Habermas, Affect and the Validation of Norms in Deliberative Democracy and Discourse Ethics.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, 2001, Atlanta, GA.
- “Deliberative Democracy: A Critique of the Force of the Better Argument.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2001, Chicago, IL.
- “Deliberative Democracy, Deliberative Structures and Empathy.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2000, Chicago, IL.
- “The Structures of Deliberative Democracy.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, 1999, Atlanta, GA

- “A Normative and Empirical Discussion of the Prospects of Deliberative Democracy.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, 1999, Seattle, WA.
- “Institutional Structures and Participatory Democracy: Can Participation Improve Citizens?” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, 1997, Washington, D.C.
- “Institutional Structures and Perceptions of Politics: Can a More Participatory Democracy Facilitate Feelings of Efficacy in Citizens?” Presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, 1997, Tucson, AZ.
- “Participatory Democracy and Tolerance: Can Participation Increase Tolerance in Citizens? Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, 1996, Atlanta, GA.
- “Participatory Democracy and Empathy: A Theoretical and Empirical Examination.” Presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, 1996, Vancouver, BC.
- “Measuring Good Representation.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, 1995, Portland, OR.

Awards:

- 2008 Advisor of the Year Finalist, University of Connecticut Academic Affairs Committee of the Undergraduate Student Government, Professional Excellence Awards

Selected Professional Activity:

- Association for Political Theory: Co-President, 2014 to 2017; Communications Secretary & Webmaster/Governing Council Member (*ex officio*), 2012 to 2014; Newsletter Editor/Governing Council Member (*ex officio*), 2010 to 2012
- International Society of Political Psychology: Vice-President, Conferences: 2017-2018; Associate Program Chair: 2005; Erikson Award Committee: 2013, 2015 (Chair); Chair, Markwell Media Award Committee: 2014 (Chair); New Theoretical and Methodological Developments Section Chair: 2015; Civic Engagement and Civic Development Program Section Chair: 2012; Civic Development and Education Program Section Chair: 2011
- New England Political Science Association: Political Theory Program Section Chair 2011
- Referee: *Acta Politica*; *Alternatives*; *American Political Science Review*; *American Journal of Political Science*; *British Journal of Political Science*; *Cambridge University Press*; *Choice*; *Comparative Political Studies*; *Constellations*; *Cross Cultural Research*; *Economic and Social Research Council (UK)*; *European Journal of Social Psychology*; *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*; *Journal of Human Rights*; *Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Communication*; *Journal of Public Deliberation*; *Perspectives on Politics*; *Philosophy & Economics*; *Policy Studies Journal*; *Political Behavior*; *Political Psychology*; *Political Science Reviewer*; *Political Studies*; *Political Theory*; *Politics*; *Politics, Groups and Identities*; *Polity*; *Public Opinion Quarterly*; *Res Publica*; *Review of Politics*; *Scandinavian Political Studies*; *Social Science Quarterly*; *State and Local Government Review*; *SUNY-Press*; *Time-sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (TESS)*; *Wadsworth Press*

Teaching Experience:

Political Theory

Introduction to Political Theory
 Classical and Medieval Political Theory
 Modern Political Theory (also writing intensive)
 American Political Thought
 Democratic Theory
 Political Theory and Popular Music
 The Theory and Behavior of Democracy (grad)
 Public Reason and Deliberation (grad)
 Research Seminar: John Rawls (grad)
 Proseminar in Political Theory (grad)
 Emotions and Political Theory (grad)

Interdisciplinary Courses

Foundations of Interdisciplinary Studies
 Interdisciplinary Seminar: The Economy and the Good Society

Other Political Science Courses

Introduction to Political Science
 Introduction to American Government
 Introduction to American Political Processes (web)
 Making Connections: Political Science (FYE Course)
 American National Government (upper-division)
 Current Issues in National Politics
 Principles of Public Administration
 Ethics and Public Policy (grad)
 Seminar in Quantitative Methods (grad)
 Research Design in Political Science (grad)
 Political Psychology (grad)

Interdisciplinary Approaches to Human Inquiry (Research Methods)
Interdisciplinary Studies Senior Seminar
Honors Seminar—Human Fulfillment: Love, Money, Power and the Afterlife

Professional Memberships:

- Association for Political Theory; American Political Science Association; American Society for Political and Legal Philosophy; International Conference for the Study of Political Thought; International Society of Political Psychology