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Education

Academic degrees

Ph.D. University of Virginia, Government, 1985
M.A.P.A., University of Virginia, 1979
B. A., with High Distinction, University of Virginia, 1977

Executive education

Harvard University Graduate School of Education
Harvard Institutes for Higher Education
Management Development Certificate Program, 2001

Research and Teaching Interests

Nonprofit/Nongovernmental Organizations, Governance, Leadership, Management and
Civil Society
Governance
Higher Education: Policy and Practice
Humanitarian and Refugee Relief and Disaster Risk Mitigation
Public Policy and Policy Theory
Peacebuilding, International Development and Democratization

Professional appointments

Academic appointments

Present

Professor of Public and International Affairs
School of Public and International Affairs, Urban Affairs and Planning, Virginia Tech

July 2006-present
Founding Director
Virginia Tech Institute for Policy and Governance (VTIPG)
College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

August 2024-
Fellow
Virginia Tech Center for Humanities

October 2019-Present
Affiliated Faculty, Virginia Tech
Center for European Union, Transatlantic & Trans-European Space Studies (CEUTTSS) - *A Jean Monnet Center of Excellence*

June 2015-present
Affiliated Faculty
Virginia Tech Center for the Study of Rhetoric in Society

August 2012-present
Affiliated Faculty
Virginia Tech Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention

August 2012-present
Affiliated Faculty
Virginia Tech Master of Public Health Program

October 2007-present
Professor for Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical and Cultural Thought (ASPECT)
Doctoral Program
College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences
Virginia Tech

Past
2018-2021
Visiting *Hai-Tien* (Sea-Sky) Scholar in Governance
Dalian University of Technology, Dalian, China

2019
Visiting Scholar in Governance, Shandong University,
Shandong, China

March-April 1995
Visiting Professor

University of Latvia, Riga, Latvia
(Under the auspices of the United States Baltic Foundation)

Leadership

July 2006-present

Founding Director

Virginia Tech Institute for Policy and Governance (VTIPG)

School of Public and International Affairs, College of Architecture and Urban Studies/College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences

March 2007-July 2018

Coordinator (MURP Program and MPIA Program, 2012-2018)

Master's International Program, United States Peace Corps

School of Public and International Affairs, Virginia Tech

July 2005-December 2015

Coordinator

Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit and Nongovernmental Organization Management (also offered online)

School of Public and International Affairs, Virginia Tech

August 2003-August 2005

Program Chair

Urban Affairs and Planning, School of Public and International Affairs, Virginia Tech

July 2003-July 2006

Co-Director

Institute for Governance and Accountabilities (IGA)

School of Public and International Affairs, Virginia Tech

August 2002-July 2003

Co-Director

Institute for Innovative Governance (IIG)

School of Public and International Affairs, Department of Urban Affairs and Planning, Virginia Tech

May 1997-July 2002

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

College of Architecture and Urban Studies, Virginia Tech

May 1997-July 2002

Director

Doctoral Program in Environmental Design and Planning

College of Architecture and Urban Studies, Virginia Tech

Professional Awards, Organizations and Activities

Selected for inclusion in the Academic Keys Who's Who in Social Sciences Higher Education (WWSSHE): <https://socialsciences.academickeys.com/> January 2022.

Virginia Tech Graduate School/College of Architecture of Urban Studies, Outstanding Mentor Award, 2018.

Virginia Tech College of Architecture and Urban Studies Excellence in Scholarship Award, 2017.

Virginia Tech ASPECT (Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical and Cultural Thought Doctoral program) Outstanding Faculty Award, 2013, for excellence from 2008-2013.

Virginia Tech Institute for Society, Culture and the Environment, Summer Scholar, 2011.

Virginia Tech University Relations Communications Excellence Award Certificate of Appreciation, 2010.

Virginia Tech College of Architecture and Urban Studies Teaching Excellence Award, 1993.

Virginia Tech Minority Academic Opportunities Program Award of Excellence for efforts to forge strong links between that program and the College of Architecture and Urban Studies, 2002.

Society of International Scholars, Virginia Tech Chapter, Member, 1999-Present.

Publications

Books

Critical praxis and the social imaginary for sustainable food systems. Lausanne: Frontiers Media SA. doi: 10.3389/978-2-8325-5480-7, 2024. Editor with Niewolny, K., Erwin, A., Zanotti, L. 467 pp. <https://www.frontiersin.org/research-topics/37417/critical-praxis-and-the-social-imaginary-for-sustainable-food-systems>

Policy and Politics of the Syrian Refugee Crisis in Eastern Mediterranean States: National and Institutional Perspectives, E-International Relations, Bristol, U.K., 2023. 14 chapters, 275 pages. Editor, with Yannis Stivachtis. <https://www.e-ir.info/publication/policy-and-politics-of-the-syrian-refugee-crisis-in-eastern-mediterranean-states/>

Conversations in Community Change: Voices from the Field, Volume 2, Virginia Tech Publishing. 288 pages, 2023. With Introduction, Foreword, Afterword and Index. Editor, with Cathy Grimes. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.21061/communitychange.v2>

RE: Reflections and Explorations, Volume III, Virginia Tech Publishing, Including 26 essays and 296 pages. With Lyusyena Kirakosyan, 2023. With Preface, Introduction, Section Introductions and Index. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.21061/vtipg.re.v3>

Conversations in Community Change: Voices from the Field. Editor with Cathy Grimes. With Introduction, Foreword, Afterword and Index, 250 pages. Blacksburg, VA: Virginia Tech Publishing, 2021. ISBN: EPUB 978-1-949373-40-0; Paperback, 978-1-949373-38-7; PDF 978-949373-39-4.

Maré from the Inside: Arts, Culture and Politics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Editor with Nicholas Barnes and Desiree Poets. Blacksburg, VA: Virginia Tech Publishing, 2021. Paperback 978-1-949373-54-7; PDF 978-1-949373-55-4.

Fragile Foundations and Enduring Challenges: Essays on Democratic Politics and Governance, 124 essays. Blacksburg, VA: Virginia Tech Publishing, 2019. ISBN: 978-1-949373-09-7 (PDF), ISBN: 978-1-949373-08-0 (epub), ISBN: 978-1-949373-07-3 (paperback), 560 pp.

RE: Reflections and Explorations Volume II: A Forum for Deliberative Dialogue. Editor, with Lyusyena Kirakosyan Blacksburg, VA: Virginia Tech Publishing, 2017. ISBN: 978-0-9963838-3-7 (PDF) ISBN: 978-0-9963838-4-4 (ePub) ISBN: 978-0-9963838-5-1 (paperback), 419 pp.

RE: Reflections and Explorations: Essays on Public Policy and Governance. Editor with Lyusyena Kirakosyan, Blacksburg, VA: Virginia Tech Publishing, 2015. ISBN: 978-0-9963838-0-6 (ePub) ISBN: 978-0-9963838-2-0 (paperback), 357 pp.

Arts and Community Change: Exploring Cultural Development Policies, Practices and Dilemmas. Editor with Scott Tate. Oxford, UK: Routledge Publishers, 2015. ISBN: 978-1-13-802434-2. Available in hardcover, paperback and e-book formats, 258 pp.

Building Walls and Dissolving Borders: The Challenges of Alterity, Community and Securitizing Space. Editor with Laura Zanotti. Surrey, UK: Ashgate Publishers, 2013. ISBN 978-1-4094-3835-9. Available in hardcover, paperback and e-book formats, 218 pp.

Peacebuilding through Community-Based NGOs: Paradoxes and Possibilities. With Laura Zanotti. Sterling, VA: Kumarian Press, 2012. ISBN 978-156549-426-8. Available in hardcover and paperback formats, 128 pp.

Monographs

Exploring Low-Income Housing Delivery Systems: Roles of Nonprofit Organizations in the United States. Seoul, Korea: Korea Research Institute for Human Settlements, 2010. With Sang Ok Choi, Hye Seung Kim and Sung Je Jeon.

Conflict Resolution in the Policy Process, two volumes. Washington, DC: National Institute for Dispute Resolution (NIDR), 1987. With Gerald Pops.

Conflict Resolution in the Policy Process, pp. 1-108.

Conflict Resolution in the Policy Process—Instructor’s Manual, pp. 1-34.

Distributed to all National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration member schools and available for purchase thereafter.

Decision Chain Analysis: A Comparative Approach to Understanding Decision-maker Behavior and Choices in the Federal Budget Process. Washington, DC: American Academy of Higher Education monograph series, 1986. ISSN 0885-1494.

Edited Journal Volumes

“Decolonization/Decoloniality: Old Debates and New Directions,” *Community Change Journal*, 6(1) 2, 2024. Three articles and Introductory essay. With Desiree Poets and Laura Zanotti, <https://communitychange.ipg.vt.edu/10/volume/6/issue/1>

Editorial (Cover) Essay for “Critical Praxis and the Social Imaginary for Sustainable Food Systems,” for Special issue of *Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems*. Max Stephenson Jr., Kim Niewolny, Laura Zanotti, Anna Erwin, Eds. September 13, 2024.

https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/sustainable-food-systems/articles/10.3389/fsufs.2024.1487397/full?utm_source=Email_to_authors&utm_medium=Email&utm_content=T1_11.5e1_author&utm_campaign=Email_publication&field&journalName=Frontiers_in_Sustainable_Food_Systems&id=1487397

Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems, “Critical Praxis and the Social Imaginary for Sustainable Food Systems,” Max Stephenson Jr. Editor with Anna Erwin, Kim Niewolny and Laura Zanotti. 2023-2024. 13 articles. <https://www.frontiersin.org/research-topics/37417/critical-praxis-and-the-social-imaginary-for-sustainable-food-systems>

This essay and special issue were featured in the Nonprofit Academic Centers Council December 2024 Newsletter, <https://mailchi.mp/b9486f16e662/nacc-news-december-2024?e=e27879fa41>.

Special issue, *Review of European Studies*, “The European Union and Peacebuilding,” 5(3), August 2013. Editor, 8 articles and introduction/thematic essay. With Laura Zanotti and Yannis Stivachtis.

Theme issue, *Journal of Emergency Management*, “Examining Disaster Dynamics in Networked Environments: Lessons from the Field,” 9(1), 2010. Editor, 8 articles and introductory/thematic essay. With James Martin.

Two volumes, *American Behavioral Scientist*, “Democracy in an Age of Networked Governance: Charting the Currents of Democratic Change” and “Democracy at a Crossroads: Acknowledging Deficiencies, Encouraging Engagement,” 52(6), February 2009; 52(7), March 2009. Editor, 18 articles and introduction. With Joyce Rothschild.

Essay Series Editor

RE: Reflections and Explorations, a weekly commentary series written by Virginia Tech graduate students: Virginia Tech Institute for Policy and Governance, January 2013-May 2021. (Archived at https://ipg.vt.edu/tags.resource.html/ipg_vt_edu:Reflections).

Peer Reviewed Articles Organized by Area of Interest

Policy/Politics, Governance and Civil Society

“Phronetic Planning's Janus Face: Charting Elite Advantage in Tehran's Land Use Decisions,” With Neda Moayerian and Mohammadmehdi Panahi. Max Stephenson Jr.* * Corresponding author. <https://www.mdpi.com/2073-445X/14/1/127> Published January 9, 2025.

“‘Magic Concepts’ and USAID: Framing Food Systems Reform to Support the Status Quo,” *Development Policy Review*, 43, (1), 2025, <https://doi.org/10.1111/dpr.12823> Published December 19, 2024. With Lia Kelinsky Jones* and Kim Niewolny. * Corresponding author.

“The Contributions of Community Newspapers to the Resilience of the Citizenries of Rio’s Maré and Rocinha Favelas During the COVID-19 Pandemic,” the *Journal of Urban Affairs On-Line First* [The contributions of community-led newspapers to the resilience of Rio’s Maré and Rocinha favelas during the COVID-19 pandemic](#). 2024. With Vanessa Guerra,* Desiree Poets and Molly Todd. *Corresponding author. This article was featured in the Nonprofit Academic Centers Council, July 2024, Newsletter, <https://mailchi.mp/e4bfd6464a05/nacc-news-july-2024?e=e27879fa41>

“Plus Ça Change: The Politics of Alterity, and Italian and Maltese Responses to Recent Migration Challenges,” <https://www.athensjournals.gr/politics/2024-5779-AJPIA-Stephenson-03.pdf>, *Athens Journal of Politics and International Affairs*, 1: 1-21
Max Stephenson Jr.* and Neda Moayerian. Corresponding author.

“The Black Radical Imagination in a Rural Forgotten Space,” *MetroPolitics*, <https://metropolitics.org/The-Black-Radical-Imagination-in-a-Rural-Forgotten-Space.html>, 2024. With Brad Stephens* and Chris Stephenson. * Corresponding author.

Qeios, “Reflections on Bordering, Micropolitics and Everyday Life in Peacebuilding Processes: Revisiting the Lingering Legacy of the 1949 Armistice Agreements,” Published October 30, 2023. With Laura Zanotti, <https://www.qeios.com/read/H0XJGO>.

“Storytelling, Performing Arts and Collective Capacity in One Rio Favela,” *The International Journal of Social, Political and Community Agendas in the Arts*, Published January 12, 2024. <https://doi.org/10.18848/2326-9960/CGP/v19i01/75-95> With Neda Moayerian.

“Sustainable agriculture and food sovereignty in Haiti: Sharing knowledge and shaping understanding of food systems at the University of Fondwa,” *Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems*. With Lesly Joseph, Laura Zanotti and Scutt Ricot. https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fsufs.2023.1230763/full?&utm_source=Email_to_authors&utm_medium=Email&utm_content=T1_11.5e1_author&utm_campaign=Email_publication&field=&journalName=Frontiers_in_Sustainable_Food_Systems&id=1230763

“The Arts and Individual and Collective Agency in a Brazilian Favela,” *Journal of Ethnic and Cultural Studies*. 10(4), November 2023, 58-80. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.29333/ejecs/1407>
With Neda Moayerian, Desiree Poets and Cathy Grimes.

“Community Capacity, Agency, and Community Newspapers during the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Case from the Global South,” *World Development Perspectives*, 2023, <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2452292923000243?dgcid=author> With Desiree Poets, Cathy Grimes and Neda Moayerian. This article is also featured by the United States National Institutes of Health, National Library of Medicine, National Center for Biotechnology Information, <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37193198/>.

"Building Agroecological Traction: Engaging Discourse, the Imaginary, and Critical Praxis for Food System Transformation," *Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems*, 2023. With Lia Kelinsky and Kim Niewolny. [https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fsufs.2023.1128430/full?&utm_source=Email_to_authors&utm_medium=Email&utm_content=T1_11.5e1_author&utm_campaign=Email_publication&field=&journalName=Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems&id=1128430](https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fsufs.2023.1128430/full?&utm_source=Email_to_authors&utm_medium=Email&utm_content=T1_11.5e1_author&utm_campaign=Email_publication&field=&journalName=Frontiers%20in%20Sustainable%20Food%20Systems&id=1128430)

“Reflections on a Cross-Border Collaborative Research Effort During COVID-19,” Molly F. Todd *, Cathy Grimes, Neda Moayerian, Desiree Poets, Max Stephenson, Jr., *Community Change*, 4(1): 3. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.21061/cc.v4i1.a.37>

“Conceptualizing Cross-sectoral Partnership Building in Two Small Appalachian Towns,” *Community Development Journal*, 58(3), July 2023, 472-491, <https://doi.org/10.1093/cdj/bsac012> With Neda Moayerian* and Lara Nagle. *Corresponding author.

“Community Agency, Cultural Development and Sustainable Tourism.” *Annals of Tourism Research*, Published On-Line February 5, 2022, <https://authors.elsevier.com/c/1eXb7aZ3EbQZ4>. With Neda Moayerian (primary author) and Nancy McGehee.

“Towards Defining and Advancing ‘Made in Africa Evaluation,’” *African Evaluation Journal*, ISSN: (Online) 2306-5133, (Print) 2310-4988, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4102/aej.v9i1.564>. Dayo Omosa (primary author), Thomas Archibald, Max Stephenson, Jr., Kim Niewolny, James C. Anderson, II.

“Community Social Polarization and Change: Evidence from Three Recent Studies,” *World, I*(1), June 2020, pp. 20-33, <https://www.mdpi.com/2673-4060/1/1/2>. With Beng Abella-Lipsey, Lara Nagle and Neda Moayerian.

“Tacit Knowledge, Vulnerability and Agential Possibility in Rural Haiti,” *Community Development Journal*, 56 (4), October 2021, pp. 663–678, <https://doi.org/10.1093/cdj/bsaa017>. With Laura Zanotti.

“Pondering Grassroots Development Initiatives: Evidence from Haiti and Jamaica,” *Forum for Development Studies*, 47(1), April 2020, pp. 49-66. With Laura Zanotti.

“Farmworker Justice, Faith and Governance: A Critical Realist Analysis of one FBO’s Participatory initiative,” *Journal of Administrative Theory and Praxis*, 41(4), December 2019, pp. 350-367. With Anna Erwin.

“Exploring the Arts as Dialogic Practice: Deriving Lessons for Change from Community-Based Art-Making for International Development,” *Psych*, 1, 2019, pp. 375-390; [doi:10.3390/psych1010027](https://doi.org/10.3390/psych1010027). With Lyusyena Kirakosyan.

“Exploring the Intersection of Theory and Practice of Arts for Peacebuilding,” *Global Society*, 31(3), 2017, pp. 336-352. With Laura Zanotti.

“International Aid, Local Ownership and Survival: Development and Higher Education in Rural Haiti,” *Voluntas: The International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*, 27(1), February 2016, pp. 273-298. With Laura Zanotti and Nancy McGehee.

“Biopolitical and disciplinary Peacebuilding: Sport, reforming bodies and rebuilding societies,” *International Peacekeeping*, 22(2), February 2015, pp. 186-201, <https://doi.org/10.1080/13533312.2015.1017082>. With Laura Zanotti and Marcy Schnitzer.

“Planning Development, and the Media: A Case Study of Mediatization and Mass Audiences,” *Journal of Planning Education and Research*, 36(2), 2016, pp. 239-254. With Lisa Schweitzer.

“When Empathy Withers,” *Spectra*, Vol. 3(2), September 2014, pp. 54-57. <http://spectrajournal.org/article/view/134/145>

“Unforeseen and Unaccounted: The European Union, the Community Foundation for Northern Ireland, Peacebuilding and Accountability,” *European Security*, 22(3), September 2013, pp. 326-337.

“Theorizing the Role of Sport for Development and Peacebuilding,” *Sport in Society: Cultures, Commerce, Media, Politics*, 6(5), June 2013, pp. 595-610. With Marcy Schnitzer, Laura Zanotti and Yannis Stivachtis.

“Exploring Producers’, Staff Members’ and Board Members’ Cognitive Frames on Decision-Making in an Appalachian Organic Farming Venture,” *Journal of Rural Social Sciences*, 27(1), 2012, pp. 52-83. With Curt Gervich and Marc J. Stern.

“Managing Networks as Learning Organizations in the Public Sector,” *International Journal of Management Science and Information Technology*, 1(3), January-March 2012, pp. 1-36. With Tracy Cooper.

“Implementing the Liberal Peace in Post-Conflict Scenarios: The Case of Women in Black-Serbia,” *Global Policy*, 3(1), February 2012, pp. 46-57. With Laura Zanotti.

“Considering the Relationships among Social Conflict, Social Imaginaries, Resilience and Community-based Organization Leadership,” *Ecology and Society*, 16(1): article 34. 2011. (online) <http://www.ecologyandsociety.org/vol16/iss1/art34/>

“Exploring the Connections Among Adaptive Leadership, Facets of Imagination and Social Imaginaries,” *Public Policy and Administration*, 24(4), October 2009, pp. 417-435.

“The Meaning of Democracy in Nonprofit and Community Organizations,” *American Behavioral Scientist, Democracy in an Age of Networked Governance*, 52(6), February 2009, pp. 800-806. With Joyce Rothschild.

“Nonprofit Governance, Management and Organizational Learning: Exploring the Implications of One ‘Mega-Gift,’” *American Review of Public Administration*, 39(1), January 2009, pp. 43-59. With Marcy Schnitzer and Veronica Arroyave.

“Governance Structures Matter and we must Maintain what we Construct: Considering the Role of Nonprofit Organizations in Public Policy Processes,” *Public Administration Review*, 68(3), May-June 2008, pp. 591-594.

“The ‘Permanent Things’ and the Role of the Moral Imagination in Organizational Life: Revisiting the Foundations of Public and Nonprofit Leadership,” *Administrative Theory and Praxis*, 29(2), June 2007, pp. 260-277.

“Aesthetic Imagination, Civic Imagination, and the Role of the Arts in Community Change and Development,” *International Journal of the Arts in Society*, 1(3). February 2007, pp. 83-92. With Katherine Fox Lanham.

“Environmental Justice: Right Answers, Wrong Questions: Environmental Justice as Urban Research,” *Urban Studies*, 44(2), February 2007, pp. 319-337. With Lisa Schweitzer.

“Developing Community Leadership Through the Arts in Southside Virginia: Social Networks, Civic Identity and Civic Change,” *Community Development Journal*, 42(1), January 2007, pp. 79-96.

“The Nature Conservancy, the Press and Accountability,” *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*, 35(3). September 2006, pp. 1-22. With Elisabeth Chaves.

“The Legacy of Frederick C. Mosher,” *Public Administration Review*, 51(2), March-April 1991, pp. 97-113. With Jeremy Plant.

“Whither the Public Private Partnership: A Critical Overview,” *Urban Affairs Quarterly*, 27(1) September 1991, pp. 109-127.

“Conflict Resolution Methods and the Policy Process,” *Public Administration Review*, 49(5), September-October 1989, pp. 463-473.

“Public Administrators and Conflict Resolution: Problems and Prospects,” *Policy Studies Journal*, 16(3), Spring 1989, pp. 615-626. With Gerald M. Pops.

“The Policy and Premises of Urban Development Action Grant Program Implementation: A Comparative Analysis of the Carter and Reagan Presidencies,” *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 9(1), Spring 1987, pp. 19-35.

“The Office of Management and Budget in a Changing Scene,” *Public Budgeting and Finance*, 2(4), Winter 1982, pp. 23-41. With Frederick C. Mosher (second author).

Humanitarian Relief, Disaster Mitigation and Refugee Issues

“Exploring Syrian Refugees' Access to Medical and Social Support Services Using a Trauma Informed Analytic Framework,” At *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, <https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph20032031>. With Neda Moayerian, Renad Abbadi and Muddather Jameel-Abu. Karaki.

“Human Rights, Economic Assumptions, the Jordan Compact and the Syrian Refugee Crisis,” *Academia: Letters*, June 2021. <https://doi.org/10.20935/AL1429>. With Neda Moayerian (primary author).

“Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations as Vehicles for Democratizing the Refugee Regime Complex,” *Voluntas: The International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*, 29, August 2018, pp. 790–800. With Emily Barry-Murphy

“Recognizing and Confronting State Subjectivity in Asylum Adjudications,” *Refuge: Canada's Journal on Refugees*, 31(2), 2015, pp. 3-13. With Emily Barry-Murphy.

“Engaging IDPs in Sri Lanka: A Buddhist Approach,” *Forced Migration Review*, 48, November 2014, pp. 59-60. With Emily Barry-Murphy.

“Introduction: The Maturing Phenomenon of Cross Sector Networks and Disaster Mitigation and Response,” *The Journal of Emergency Management*, November-December 2010, pp. 7-12. With James Martin.

“Positing a Framework for Analyzing Disaster Relief, Reconstruction and Resilience Dynamics,” *The Journal of Emergency Management*, November-December 2010, pp. 33-40.

“Exploring the Challenges and Prospects for Polycentricity in International Humanitarian Relief,” *American Behavioral Scientist, Democracy in an Age of Networked Governance*, 52(6), February 2009, pp. 919-932. With Marcy Schnitzer.

“Bridging the Organizational Divide: A Comparative Institutional Analysis of United States and International Humanitarian Service Delivery Structures,” *Voluntas: The International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*, 18(3), September 2007, pp. 209-224.

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“Toward a Descriptive Model of Humanitarian Assistance Coordination,” *Voluntas: The International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*, 17(1), March 2006, pp. 41-57.

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Higher Education and Pedagogy

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“Land Grant Engagement with Landcare: A Case Study of Building Community Capacity” *Higher Education: The International Journal of Higher Education and Educational Research*, 64(2), 2012, pp. 223-235. With Courtney Kimmel, Bruce Hull, David Robertson and Kim Cowgill.

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“Program Development issues in Nonprofit and Civil Society Studies: Learning from One University’s Experience,” *Journal of Public Affairs Education*. 13(2), Spring/Summer 2007, pp. 301-314.

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2025

January “Reflections on Change”

2024

October “Chronicling Governance at an Existential Moment”

July “Dancing on the Precipice”

April “On Looking at the Many Ways Hatred Serves as Political Impulse (With Apologies to Wallace Stevens)”

January “The ‘Hollow Men’ and United States Democracy”

2023

October “The Presidential Center Directors and Preserving Democracy in America”

July “The Scaffolding is Worth Saving”

April “Two Perspectives on Growing Indifference to Moral Bankruptcy”

January “Confronting the Challenge of Hyper-Partisan Illiberalism”

2022

October “Beggaring Imagination”

July “On the Very Real Consequences of Racist Lies and Illusions”

April “Remarks on the opening of the *Maré from the Inside* exhibit at the University of Virginia”

January “Six Paradoxes on the Theme of Migration”

2021

October “A Democratic Crisis Rooted in Mass Delusion”

July “Reflections on the Institute’s Fifteenth Anniversary”

April “‘Canceling’ Reality and Trust in Policy Discussion”

January “The ‘Contempt’ Virus and Democratic Politics”

2020

October “Public Colleges and Universities and the Nation’s Governance Crisis”

July “Reflections on a Deepening Governance Crisis”

April “On Empathy, Social Imagination and Efforts to Combat the Current Drug Crisis”
January “A Reflection on Equality, Justice and U.S. Governance”

2019

October “The Enduring Power and Danger of the ‘Deep Story’”
July “Democratic Accountability Redux”
April “Selling Books while Salvaging Lives: Civic and Social Entrepreneurship
on the Cliff’s Edge”
January “Attacking Human Rights and Eroding Self-Governance”

2018

October “Thoughts on Community Change and Higher Education”
July “Considering the Critical Roles of Graduate Students”
April “The Dangers of ‘Cotton Candy’ Politics”
January “Learning from Appalachia”

2017

October “Editing *Reflections*: Pedagogical Project and Emblem of Democratic
Possibility”
July “The ‘Beloved Community:’ Aspiring to be a Truly Free and Self-Governing
Society”
April “Liberal Democracy Confronts a Winter of Discontent”
January “Revisiting the Central Challenge of Democratic Self-Governance”

2016

October “The Ethical Ideal of Democratic Governance”
July “Marking a Milestone Amidst Deep Disquietude”
April “Reflections on the Roots of Democratic Leadership”
January “Policy for youth from troubled families: What sort of society do we wish to
be?”

2015

October “On Directions: New and Old”
July “The Vagaries of Changing Popular Perspectives for Politics and Vulnerable
Groups”
April “Illustrating the Critical Importance of Framing Assumptions for Policy Analysis”
January “On Narrative Captivity”

2014

October “The Myth of Leadership as Control”
July “On the Challenge of Studying the Confluence of Policy and Governance”
April “Privatism and its Discontents”
January “Early Childhood Education and the Education Policy Challenge”

2013

October “On Intervention for Change”
July “Individual Frames and Community Imaginaries: Plus ca Change?”
April “Rediscovering the Ph.D. as a Milestone in a Lifetime of Discovery”
January “A Modest Précis on ‘Cliff Diving’”

2012

October “Hard Questions at an Ugly Moment”
July “Aung San Suu Kyi: Lessons in Human Freedom and Democratic Possibility”
April “Health Policy Reform Redux”

January “Moral Claims, the ‘Government’ and Campaign Rhetoric”

2011

October “Pondering America’s Newfound ‘Governance by Brinksmanship’”

July “On Peacebuilding, Patience and the Meaning of Accountability”

April “Once Upon a Time in America”

January “Reflecting on the Cruel Realities of Poverty”

2010

October “The Social Ontology of Fear”

July “Counting the Costs of the Dark Politics of Fear and Loathing”

April “American Democratic Politics and Deliberative Possibility”

January “Pondering Citizenship, Governance and Deliberation”

2009

October “Cultural Values, Policymaking and Deliberation”

July “A Free and Ordered Space”

April “Reflections on Peacebuilding and Radical Hope”

January “Reflections on Idealism, Realism and the Human Condition”

2008

October “Governing Collaboratively”

July “Governance in Conflicted Landscapes of Memory and Action”

Soundings, a periodic (from January 17, 2010 to January 14, 2012), weekly (from January 15, 2012-January 5, 2015) and thereafter bi-weekly series of commentaries (Archived at https://ipg.vt.edu/tags.resource.html/ipg_vt_edu:Soundings).

2024

January 22, 2024 “Refusing to Hate or Fear the Unknown”

2023

October 9, 2023 “Of Racist and Red Baiting Tropes and Misanthropes”

September 25, 2023. “Good Morning, Mr. Indignation”

September 11, 2023 “Hope and Possibility Amidst Human Depravity”

June 19, 2023 “Countering Democratic Usurpation”

April 17, 2023 “On Hope, Reverence and Democratic Possibility”

February 13, 2023 “Tribalism is Not the Nation’s Central Governance Problem”

January 30, 2023 “Shadowboxing with Words”

January 17, 2023 “On Sharing the Facts but Imagining Politics Otherwise”

2022

December 19, 2022 “Reflections on a Continuing Pall”

November 28, 2022 “On Journalism, Empirical Reality and Ethical Claim”

November 7, 2022 “Tearing at the Sinews of Democratic Legitimacy”

October 17, 2022 “Of Damning Facts and Destructive Fantasies”

September 19, 2022 “A Descent into Popular Madness and a Central Truth of Self-Governance”

September 5, 2022 “The Perils of False Equivalence for Human Freedom”

August 22, 2022 “Staying the Course in the Quest for Social Justice”

July 25, 2022 “A Shared Quest for All or a Single Imposed ‘Patrimony’”?

July 11, 2022 “Reaping a Whirlwind of Hate”

June 27, 2022 “Banning Books and Pondering Democratic Possibility”

June 13, 2022 “Synodality and the Crisis of Democratic Politics”
May 30, 2022 “The Danger of ‘Cumulative Radicalization’”
May 16, 2022 “Reflections on Federalism, Democratic Responsibility and a Leaked Supreme Court Decision”
May 2, 2022 “Morality has Left the Building”
April 18, 2022 “‘Abyssal Politics:’ Republican Party Style”
March 14, 2022 “Lessons from Myanmar for Human Rights and Democracy”
February 21, 2022 “An Unaccountable Turn and an Indefensible Twist”
January 24, 2022 “Of Fantasies and Imagined Superheroes”
January 10, 2022 “On ‘Mending Wall’ in Politics and Otherwise”

2021

November 29, 2021 “Journalists Must Understand Nihilism and Democracy are Not Morally Equivalent”
November 15, 2021 “‘Campaign Strategy,’ Lies and the Context for America’s Soul”
November 1, 2021 “Two Writers Illuminate the Nation’s Governance Crisis”
October 18, 2021 “Imagination, Individual Will, Difference and Democratic Politics”
October 4, 2021 “‘A Triumph of Techniques Over Purpose’”
September 20, 2021 “Taking Stock and Giving Thanks After Nearly 12 Years”
September 7, 2021 “Practicing Cruelty in the Quest for Power”
August 23, 2021 “Pondering an Apology for Social and Political Madness”
August 9, 2021 “The Canny and Careful Reconstruction of Barbarism”
July 26, 2021 “A Looming American Choice: Self-Determination as Freedom or Tyranny?”
July 12, 2021 “Charting the Shadows of Feigned Outrage”
June 28, 2021 “The ‘Strange Sap’ of Unreality and Intolerance”
May 31, 2021 “The ‘Banality of Evil’ and the Evanescence of Democratic Governance”
May 17, 2021 “The GOP Descent into Nihilism”
May 3, 2021 “Political Agency, Personal Responsibility and our Nation’s Governance Crisis”
April 19, 2021 “Ramsey Clark and the Challenge of Morally Imaginative Leadership”
March 22, 2021 “Ventriloquism Appalachian Style”
March 8, 2021 “Redeeming Democratic Possibility”
February 22, 2021 “On Incitement to Hatred, Sedition and the Way Forward”
February 8, 2021 “Sliding Toward Post-Truth and Pre-Fascism”
January 25, 2021 “Democratic Governance Rests on a Shared Civil Religion”
January 11, 2021 “Reflections on Sedition, Political Courage and Self-Governance”

2020

December 21, 2020 “‘An Indelible Stain’”
December 7, 2020 “Decency, Democracy and ‘Big Lies’”
November 9, 2020 “Reflections on a Historic National Election”
October 26, 2020 “‘Assumptive Worlds’ and American Democracy’s Greatest Test”
September 28, 2020 “Rhetoric, Justice and the Pursuit of Power”
September 14, 2020 “‘The Enemy Within’”
August 31, 2020 “Mobilization Politics, Democracy and the Human Quest for Order”

August 17, 2020 “Charting a Path from ‘Quasi-Democratic Autocracy’ to Democratic Self-Governance”

August 3, 2020 “On Rhetoric, Posturing and the Politics of Hate”

July 20, 2020 “On Rhetoric, Leadership and Democratic Community”

July 6, 2020 “Contentions that Pass for Conversation”

June 22, 2020 “‘Truth is the Oxygen in the Air of Democracy’”* (with thanks to Bill Moyers)

June 8, 2020 “Harbingers of a Riven Nation”

May 11, 2020 “Governance as Moral and Ethical Bankruptcy”

April 27, 2020 “Pondering Death, Depravity and Decadent Pursuit of Power as Public Policy”

April 13, 2020 “Artistry, Principle and the Paradox of Self-Governance”

March 30, 2020 “Deception, Self-Deception and Self-Governance”

March 16, 2020 “A *Cri de Coeur* Regarding our Present Governance Crisis”

March 2, 2020 “‘There is a Crack in Everything: That’s How the Light Gets In’”*

February 17, 2020 “These Truths are ‘Self-Evident’ No Longer”

February 3, 2020 “The Costs of Reconciling with the Irreconcilable”

January 20, 2020 “Pondering Hate and its Political Abuse”

January 6, 2020 “On the Nexus of Morality, Justice and Civilization”

2019

December 16, 2019 “A Clear and Present Danger”

December 2, 2019 “Counting the Costs of Partyism”

November 18, 2019 “Decolonizing Social Imagination”

October 21, 2019 “Noise, Quiet and Democratic Deliberation”

October 7, 2019 “Evangelicals, Demographic and Economic Change and Injustice”

September 23, 2019 “Pseudotransformational Leadership in Action”

September 9, 2019 “Liberalism and the Challenge of Socially Sanctioned Cruelty”

August 26, 2019 “Trump’s Siren Song of Hate”

August 12, 2019 “Eroding Human Rights and the Nation’s Collective Moral Imagination”

July 29, 2019 “Trump’s Dangerous Game”

July 15, 2019 “The Human Cost of a Politics of Lies”

June 3, 2019 “Constitutional Self-Governance is Not Simply a Partisan Matter”

May 20, 2019 “One Nation or a Country of Clans?”

May 6, 2019 “A Reasoned Politics of Mosaic Possibility,”

April 22, 2019 “The Danger of Allowing the ‘Boughs to Turn Brown’”

April 8, 2019 “Reflections on Human Empathy and Empathetic Leadership”

March 11, 2019 “The Power of Myth and its Role in Past and Present Political and Moral Catastrophe”

February 25, 2019 “Of Freedom and Dark, Cruel Lies”

February 11, 2019 “Facets of a Diamond”

January 28, 2019 “The Perils of False Binaries and Magical Thinking”

January 14, 2019 “‘Borderline Insanity,’ Modernity and Democratic Possibility”

January 7, 2019 “A Presidency of Lies, Fearmongering and Human Degradation”

2018

December 3, 2018 “Recalling the Lessons of the Voyage of the MS St. Louis”

November 5, 2018 “Only Our Nation’s Citizens Can Address the Country’s Deepening Governance Crisis”

October 22, 2018 “The Power of Language in Human Society”

October 8, 2018 “Aboard a ‘Ship of Fools’ Awash with Hate”

September 24, 2018 “Attacking Human Rights and Accountability”

September 10, 2018 “A Mass-Delusion Event”

August 27, 2018 “A Calculated Attack on Human Rights and Dignity”

August 13, 2018 “Rationalizing Trump: A Strained and Strange Mixture of Fantasy and Fear”

July 30, 2018 “Prophetic Imagination and the Current American Governance Crisis”

July 2, 2018 “An ‘Infestation’ of Lies”

June 18, 2018 “The Fearsome Power of Hate”

June 4, 2018 “Pondering Kintsugi and Community Change in Appalachia”

May 7, 2018 (published May 2, 2018) “In Memoriam: Wolfgang Natter, May 22, 1955-April 29, 2018”

April 23, 2018 “Seeking What No Other Man has Found or can Find”

April 9, 2018 “Revisiting the Foundations of Democratic Self-Governance”

March 19, 2018 “Of Democratic Greatness and Infamy”

March 5, 2018 “Mobilizing Rhetoric as Emblem of Enervating Democratic Capacity”

February 19, 2018 “On ‘Changemakers,’ Education and Democratic Self-Governance”

February 5, 2018 “Scraping Off the Essence of Things”

January 22, 2018 “On Human Darkness and Democratic Possibility”

January 8, 2018 “Revisiting a Central Puzzle of Democracy and of Current U.S. Politics”

2017

December 4, 2017 “Fear and the Moral Imagination: The Oil and Water of Democratic Self-Governance”

November 20, 2017 “Reflections on Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address at Thanksgiving”

November 6, 2017 “On Human Cruelty and Alterity”

October 23, 2017 “Reflections on Capacity Building and Community Change”

October 9, 2017 “Chilling Lessons from the Vietnam War Resonate Today”

September 25, 2017 “A Toxic Brew of Media Polarization, Extremism and Untruthful Advocacy”

September 11, 2017 “Rationalizing Away the Imperative of Deliberative Self-Governance”

August 28, 2017 “Freedom for All: Principle on a Precipice”

August 18, 2017 “When a President Embraces, and Celebrates Hate”

August 14, 2017 “Voices from the Appalachian Coalfields”

July 31, 2017 “A Clear and Present Danger”

July 3, 2017 “The Struggle to Control America’s Identity”

June 19, 2017 “A Remediable Choice or Continued Democratic Decline?”

June 5, 2017 “Privatism and Relentless Attacks on Democratic Values and Human Rights”

May 22, 2017 “Human Rationalization, Alterity and the Challenge of Moral Courage”

May 8, 2017 “Heedless Policy Cruelty”

April 24, 2017 “The Wayfaring Stranger” (Reprinting of February 28, 2011 commentary)

April 10, 2017 “Of Ignorance, Expertise, Demagoguery and Democracy”

March 27, 2017 “The White House as Puzzle Palace of Demagoguery and Lies”
 March 13, 2017 “Pondering a Once Shared Covenant, Preaching Limitless Individualism”
 February 27, 2017 “Democratic Deconsolidation, Freedom of the Press and the Primacy of Politics”
 February 13, 2017 “Lies, Legitimacy and Democratic Truths”
 January 30, 2017 “On the Misuse of Rhetoric and its Consequences for Democracy”
 January 16, 2017 “Bullying, Derision and Democracy Make Strange Bedfellows”
 January 2, 2017 “A Tale of Democratic Frailty, Fractiousness and Human Dignity”
2016
 December 5, 2016 “Defining Democratic Legitimacy Down”
 November 16, 2016 (special early date for November 21, 2016 regularly scheduled commentary) “A Nest of Paradoxes”
 November 14, 2016 Special republication of “Leonard Cohen: A Villanelle for our Time”
 November 7, 2016 “Electoral Carnage, American Style”
 October 24, 2016 “A Demagogue Attacks American Governance”
 October 10, 2016 “In Search of Democratic Deliberation”
 September 26, 2016 “‘Post-Truth’ Politics, Trump and Coal Country”
 September 12, 2016 “Pondering Power and Injustice in Democratic Politics”
 August 29, 2016 “Reaping a Whirlwind: Delegitimizing Self-Governance”
 August 15, 2016 “Fear and Bigotry: Democracy Achilles Heel?”
 August 1, 2016 “Moral Imagination and Democracy”
 July 18, 2016 “A Terrible Inevitability?”
 June 20, 2016 “Moral Ambiguity, Moral Courage and Democratic Politics”
 June 6, 2016 “The Danger Within”
 May 23, 2016 “Homo Faber: The Triumph and Perils of Narcissistic Politics”
 May 9, 2016 “Democratic Mobilization, Deliberation and Civic Health”
 April 25, 2016 “On Frame Ambiguity and Democratic Politics”
 April 11, 2016 “On Three Ways of Looking at a Political Phenomenon”
 March 28, 2016 “The Road Not Taken”
 March 14, 2016 “A Descent into Brutish Crudity and Demagoguery”
 February 29, 2016 “The Common Good, Today’s GOP, Morality and Democratic Politics”
 February 15, 2016 “On Anti-‘Political Correctness’ Posturing, Human Dignity and Self-Governance”
 February 1, 2016 “The State of the Union: An Angst-Filled Trajectory for Self-Governance”
 January 18, 2016 “Guns, Ugly Fantasies and Democratic Politics”
 January 4, 2016 “A House Divided: Blaming the Poor”
2015
 December 7, 2015 “A Tipping Point in American Politics”
 November 9, 2015 “Outrageous Rhetoric, Political Alienation and Democratic Deliberation”
 October 26, 2015 “A *Flâneur* Reflects on the Simmering Crisis in American Politics”
 October 12, 2015 “On Imagination, Trust and Democratic Governance”
 September 28, 2015 “On Perfidy, Penury and the Danger of Depravity”

September 14, 2015 “Trumpism: The Politics of Fear and Fecklessness”
 August 31, 2015 “‘Ascription by Assumption’ and Democratic Politics”
 August 17, 2015 “Rediscovering the Democratic and Economic Possibility Inherent in Imagination”
 August 3, 2015 “A Portrait of a Cruel Imaginary and a Sketch of an Alternative”
 July 20, 2015 “The Shared Roots of Genocide and Systematic Persecution”
 July 6, 2015 “A Pope’s Plea for the Commons, Democratic Governance and Social Justice”
 June 22, 2015 “The Once and Future Perils of Popular Rule”
 June 8, 2015 “Liberal Learning meets the Politics of Fear and Neo-Liberalism”
 May 25, 2015 “Of False Analogies, Fabled Claims and Caution Flags”
 May 11, 2015 “Another Turn of the Wheel”
 April 27, 2015 “The Politics of ‘Dispossession’”
 April 13, 2015 “Institutionalizing ‘Doublethink’ and the Challenge of Democratic Deliberation”
 March 30, 2015 “Fantasy, Phantasm and Pursuit of Power”
 March 16, 2015 “The New Absolutism in American Politics”
 March 2, 2015 “Paranoia, Politics and Jeremiads, American Style”
 February 16, 2015 “Hatred, Fear and Human Dignity”
 February 2, 2015 “Anxiety, Willful Blindness and Democracy”
 January 19, 2015 “On Epistemology and Democratic Politics”
 January 5, 2015 “Torture: A Mockery of America’s Regime Principles”
2014
 December 15, 2014 “Acknowledging the Lessons of History”
 December 8, 2014 “Charting the Wellsprings of a Democratic Crisis”
 December 1, 2014 “Anne Frank’s Legacy and the Politics of Fear and Intolerance”
 November 24, 2014 “Emptying the Soul of the Nation One Person at a Time”
 November 17, 2014 “Making Sense of the Recent Election”
 November 10, 2014 “Confronting Critical Choices Concerning Human Rights and Torture”
 November 3, 2014 “Democrats, Plutocrats and Our Nation’s Public Policy Course”
 October 27, 2014 “Democratic Leadership and Popular Exploitation”
 October 20, 2014 “On Moral Courage, Social Norms and Self-Governance”
 October 13, 2014 “On Death and Democratic Imagination”
 October 6, 2014 “Musings on ‘Takers’ and Civic Identity”
 September 29, 2014 “‘Presence’ and Democratic Leadership”
 September 22, 2014 “The President and the Hue and Cry for War”
 September 15, 2014 “Pondering the Links between Culture, Democracy and Freedom”
 September 8, 2014 “Democracy and The Drums of War”
 September 1, 2014 “Considering some Common Assumptions Concerning U.S. Education”
 August 25, 2014 “Of Sea Turtles, Piping Plovers and Freedom”
 August 18, 2014 “Political Versus Economic Sovereignty”
 August 11, 2014 “‘Creative Destruction’ or Neo-Liberal Cost Shifting?”
 August 4, 2014 “‘Tolerance’ and Preserving Democratic Possibility”

June 30, 2014 “On Eric Cantor’s Defeat”
 June 23, 2014 “‘Democracy’ comes to Myanmar: Discrimination, Mass Imprisonment and Death”
 June 16, 2014 “Democratic Truisms”
 June 9, 2014 “On the Nexus of ‘Human Understanding’ and Freedom”
 June 2, 2014 “Hélène Berr and the Dilemma of ‘Human Understanding’”
 May 26, 2014 “On the Impasse Over Active Learning”
 May 19, 2014 “Politics, Imposed Privation and Human Rights”
 May 12, 2014 “A Disquieting Enervation of Democratic Possibility”
 May 5, 2014 “Haiti and Cholera: An Ongoing Failure of Imagination and Responsibility”
 April 28, 2014 “Fighting Poverty and Banning Books”
 April 21, 2014 “Pondering Human Dignity, Democracy and Freedom”
 April 14, 2014 “On Fear, Killing, Torture and Rationalization”
 April 7, 2014 “On the Uses and Misuses of Rhetoric”
 March 31, 2014 “The Puzzle of Malignant Social Fantasies”
 March 24, 2014 “Presence and Absence and Democratic Agency”
 March 17, 2014 “The Fable of ‘The People’ as Unaccountable Innocents”
 March 10, 2014 “When Empathy Withers”
 March 3, 2014 “Democratic Sovereignty is no Guarantor of Freedom”
 February 24, 2014 “The Policy Consequences of Democratic Paranoia and Delusion”
 February 17, 2014 “Democracy, Freedom and Heterogeneity”
 February 10, 2014 “Revisiting the ‘Ivory Tower’ Myth”
 February 3, 2014 “Pete Seeger, Democracy’s Tireless Bard”
 January 27, 2014 “Pondering the Dilemma of Complexity”
 January 20, 2014 “On Human Dignity”
 January 13, 2014 “Embracing Democracy and Reconciliation in Principle”
 January 6, 2014 “On Empathy and Democratic Possibility”
2013
 December 16, 2013 “On Magnanimity, Leadership and Freedom”
 December 9, 2013 “On Three Discomfiting Political Trends”
 December 2, 2013 “The Humanities in Peril”
 November 25, 2013 “Pondering the Minimum Health Standards Debate”
 November 18, 2013 “Governance by Abstract Assumption”
 November 11, 2013 “Defining the University Down”
 November 4, 2013 “Policy Judgments and the Commons”
 October 28, 2013 “Piercing the Veil”
 October 21, 2013 “Descent into Demagoguery”
 October 14, 2013 “A Captivity of Consciousness”
 October 7, 2013 “The GOP Horsemen of the Apocalypse”
 September 23, 2013 “Blaming the Victim II”
 September 16, 2013 “Who can right the Ship of State?”
 September 9, 2013 “The Cruel Potential Always Present in Popular Sovereignty”
 September 2, 2013 “A Long-Lived Political Conversation: Should Democracy or Capitalism Govern?”
 August 26, 2013 “Discounting the Future”

August 19, 2013 “Blaming the Poor”
 August 12, 2013 “Democratic Governance as Fear-filled Dissembling”
 August 5, 2013 “Say it Loud and Blame Government: Today’s Mobilization Politics”
 July 29, 2013 “Senator Rand Paul and the Illusory Politics of the ‘Lost Cause’”
 July 22, 2013 “Pondering an Invidious Legislative Action”
 July 15, 2013 “Egypt and the Enduring Challenge of Democracy’s Pre-conditions”
 July 8, 2013 “Counting the Costs of Policy-making by Ideological Abstraction”
 July 1, 2013 “The Policy Paradox Implicit in Defining Freedom as Agency”
 June 24, 2013 “On Federalism and the Arizona Voter Identification Case”
 June 17, 2013 “Freedom, Security and the Lessons of History”
 June 10, 2013 “On Writing about Democratic Politics”
 June 3, 2013 “When Bad Theory Leads to Poor Policy”
 May 27, 2013 “Reflections on Writing and Writing Well”
 May 20, 2013 “‘Through a Glass Darkly’ or Weighing the Price of Partisan Mobilization at any Cost”
 May 13, 2013 “Gabrielle Giffords: Heralding a ‘Profile in Courage’”
 May 6, 2013 “President Obama Revisits the ‘Gitmo’ Nightmare”
 April 29, 2013 “With Hatred and Malice toward those who Dare Differ with Me”
 April 22, 2013 “Democratic Torpor?”
 April 15, 2013 “On Kindness and Democratic Self-Governance”
 April 8, 2013 “Unleashing the Power of the Empathetic Imagination”
 April 1, 2013 “Alterity, Sensemaking and Innocents II”
 March 25, 2013 “Alterity, Sensemaking and the Death of Innocents”
 March 18, 2013 “Democratic Politics, Dignity and Freedom”
 March 11, 2013 “When Turnabout is not Fair Play”
 March 4, 2013 “Undermining Democratic Self-Governance via Ideological Absolutism”
 February 25, 2013 “On the Fearful Consequences of Human Fear for Human Dignity and Freedom”
 February 18, 2013 “The Continuing Saga of the Chuck Hagel Nomination”
 February 11, 2013 “Mr. McCain, Partnership and Prudential Judgment”
 February 4, 2013 “Ongoing Social and Cultural Marketization and the Myth of Political Control”
 January 28, 2013 “On the “‘Idea of the Nation’”
 January 21, 2013 “Tolerance is a Key Wellspring for Freedom Amidst Diversity”
 January 14, 2013 “Charting the Policy and Democratic Perils of Ideological Extremism”
 January 7, 2013 “Pondering the Travesty of [Mis]Representation”
2012
 December 17, 2012 “In Praise of Critical Reflection”
 December 10, 2012 “Imagined Slightings and Disability Rights”
 December 3, 2012 “The Imperative Need to Rebalance a Political Economy in Crisis”
 November 26, 2012 “A New and Sad Chapter for Torture in the United States?”
 November 19, 2012 “Mr. Romney’s Profound Misapprehension”
 November 12, 2012 “On American Unity and Individualism”
 November 5, 2012 “Portrait of a Statesman: Feeding on Dreams”
 October 29, 2012 “Is there any ‘there,’ there? How would we know?”
 October 22, 2012 “‘Framing’ Democratic Deliberation”

October 15, 2012 “Human Dignity and Simple Acts of Joy”
 October 8, 2012 “Voting Access Restrictions: Democracy in Choppy Waters”
 October 1, 2012 “Policy-makers, Policy-making and the ‘American Dream’”
 September 24, 2012 “Musings on ‘Curating Consciousness’”
 September 17, 2012 “Reflections on Peacebuilding” (with Laura Zanotti)
 September 10, 2012 “The GOP, States’ Rights and Self-Governance”
 September 3, 2012 “Fear Mongering is Always Bad Policy”
 August 27, 2012 “Neo-Liberalism and the Democratic Imperative of Empathetic Imagination”
 August 20, 2012 “Mitt Romney’s Ethical Morass”
 August 13, 2012 “Musings on Art, Artistry and Aesthetic Imagination”
 August 6, 2012 “Debating the ‘Size’ of Government or Attacking Governance Itself?”
 July 30, 2012 “The Implications of the Political Economy of Olympic Ideals”
 July 23, 2012 “‘Abandoning the Poor’ as a Political and Social Strategy?”
 July 2, 2012 “Musings on Fear and Governance”
 June 25, 2012 “Reflections on a Governance Failure”
 June 18, 2012 “What Ails Public Higher Education?”
 June 11, 2012 “The Politics of ‘Back to the Future’ Economics”
 June 4, 2012 “Counting the Costs of Predatory Mobilization Politics”
 May 28, 2012 “Pondering Political Brinkmanship and the Public Trust”
 May 21, 2012 “Learning from G. K. Chesterton: The Importance of Respect and Wonder”
 May 14, 2012 “Senator Lugar meets the ‘new’ GOP: The Nation comes the Cropper”
 May 7, 2012 “Can a Democratic Electorate be held Accountable?”
 April 30, 2012 “Pondering the Nexus of Nature, Politics and Affection”
 April 23, 2012 “Leonard Cohen: A Villanelle for our Time”
 April 16, 2012 “How Shall We Define Freedom?”
 April 9, 2012 “A New Cyclone Comes to Myanmar”
 April 2, 2012 “Argument by ‘Certain Assertion’: Today’s New Public Policy Forum?”
 March 26, 2012 “Captain Fantastic Meets Democratic Politics”
 March 19, 2012 “Rights, Morality and Campaign Politics”
 March 12, 2012 “The ‘Secret Garden’ of Democratic Imagination”
 March 7, 2011 “Observations on a Brief Visit to Nigeria”
 February 27, 2012 “Musing on Service and ‘Practical Idealism’”
 February 20, 2012 “Democracy’s Enduring Tensions”
 February 11, 2012 “Torture and Politics in an *Age of Anxiety*”
 February 4, 2012 “The Idea of the Nation”
 February 2, 2012 “Revisiting ‘Dual Sovereignty’”
 January 30, 2012 “Pondering the Character of Democratic Community and Possibility”
 January 23, 2012 “The ‘Southern Strategy’ Revisited”
 January 14, 2012 “Markets Cannot Serve as Political Arbiters”
2011
 December 31, 2011 “Rhetorical ‘Opportunity’ Meets Reality”
 November 15, 2011 “Principled Anarchy or a Nation Losing its Way?”
 October 10, 2011 “Are We Witnessing the End of Shame in American Political Discourse?”

August 21, 2011 “Myth, Symbol and Political Mobilization”
August 3, 2011 “The Politics of Choosing Between Scylla and Charybdis”
July 24, 2011 “The Debt Crisis and American Governance”
April 11, 2011 “Qaddafi and Academic Freedom”
February 28, 2011 “The Wayfaring Stranger”
February 6, 2011 “American Federalism and the Enduring Myth of a False Sovereign”
January 27, 2011 “Democracy at Work? The Age-old Challenge of ‘Local’ Majoritarianism”
January 23, 2011 “Universities and the Problem of Social Organization”
January 8, 2011 “Rhetoric has Consequences”

2010

December 29 “Higher Education and Graduation Rates and Responsibility”
December 5 “Sarah Palin and Negative and Positive Liberty”
November 4 “Radical with a Cause”
October 26 “A Tale of Two Interpretations”
October 25 “Peacebuilding as Disciplined Imagination and Maturity”
July 19 “Pondering the ‘Problem of the Antecedent Condition’”
June 14 “Reflections on ‘Lectures on Leadership’”
May 22 “Civic Engagement as Soulcraft”
May 19 “Is Democratic Moderation Sustainable?”
May 18 “The Importance and Privilege of a Mentoring Community”
March 20 “Fear on the Border”
March 14 “Evan Bayh had it Right”
February 12 “Mediated Meaning, Public Salience and Fear”
February 7 “Coping with Anguish in America”
January 31 “Of Philanthropy and Individualism”
January 21 “Pondering Democracy, Culture and Development”
January 17 “Democratic Expectations: A Nation of Toddlers?”

Editorial guest opinions and essays (print and radio)

“Reflecting on the Changing Character of American Civil Society and its Effects on Public and Nonprofit/Nongovernmental Organizations’ Management Strategies,” for the Nonprofit Academic Centers Council, Spotlight Column, January 2018.

“Guns, Fears, Fantasies,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. 7, March 16, 2016.

“Trumpism: The Politics of Fear and Fecklessness,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. 9, November 6, 2015.

“The Bishops and the climate change debate,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. 9, October 12, 2014.

“Disenfranchising the Weak as Political Strategy,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. A-17, July 17, 2013.

“Our Nation’s Shameful Immigration Politics,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. A-15, September 13, 2012.

“Partisanship and the Public Trust,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. A-13, June 1, 2012.

“An Opportunity for Romney to Explain,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p.3, January 8, 2012.

“Witness the Emergence of Minority Tyranny,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p.3, August 14, 2011.

“The Giles County Controversy,” WVTF Public Radio, Broadcast January 31, 2010

“The High Cost of Stereotypes,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. 13, December 24, 2010.

“So Many are So Uninformed,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. 11, November 8, 2010.

“America needs Democratic Moderation,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. 19, May 27, 2010.

“The Politics of Contempt,” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. 15, March 23, 2010.

“Fear Flames our Attention.” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. 3, Feb. 28, 2010.

“A Question of Priorities, Not Blame.” *Roanoke Times*, Roanoke, Va., p. 7, Oct. 3, 2005.

“In Memoriam—Recollections of Frederick Camp Mosher,” *Public Budgeting and Finance*, 10(3), Fall 1990, pp. 3-5.

Conference Paper Abstracts under Consideration

Upcoming Conference/ Paper Presentations

“Navigating the Boundaries of Imaginaries and Exploring their Interactions in Urban Development,” for the American Association of Geographers 2025 conference, March 24-28, Detroit, Michigan. With Amin Farzaneh* and Bradley Stephens. * Corresponding author.

“Learning From the Calfee Training School: Exploring One Nonprofit’s Efforts to Reimagine a Historically Black School While Iterating Democratic Norms,” With Neda Moayerian and Brad Stephens for 7th International Conference of Innovations as Sites of Social Resistance and Transformation in Times of Crisis, Montreal, Canada, April 14-16, 2025.

“Learning From the Calfee Training School: Exploring One Nonprofit’s Efforts to Reimagine a Historically Black School While Iterating Democratic Norms,” With Neda Moayerian and Brad Stephens for 5th International Sociological Association Forum of Sociology (6-11 July 2025), Rabat, Morocco.

Conference presentations 2024

“Constructive Community-Led Journalism in Rio's Mare Favela During COVID-19,” With Vanessa Guerra* and Cathy Grimes, for the 53rd Annual Conference of the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action, November 21-23, 2024, Washington, D.C. * Corresponding author.

“Revisiting the Social Role of Radical Imagination Amidst Widespread Democratic Erosion,” for 16th International Conference of the International Society for Third Sector Research, Antwerp, Belgium, July 16-19, 2024. With Neda Moayerian and Brad Stephens.

“From Crisis to Empowerment: The Role of Community-led Solutions Journalism in the Maré and Rocinha Favelas Amidst the Covid-19 Pandemic,” for the International Conference on Urban Affairs, New York, New York, April 24-27, 2024. With Vanessa Guerra* and Cathy Grimes. * Corresponding author.

“Community Food Work as a Social-Ethical Commitment to Trauma-informed Care and Agential Change Space,” for the 2024 Joint Annual Conference of: The Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS), Agriculture, Food & Human Values Society (AFHVS), Canadian Association for Food Studies (CAFS), Society for the Anthropology of Food & Nutrition (SAFN), June 5-8, 2024. With Eric S. Bendfeldt, Kim Niewolny, Tom Archibald and Anne Stewart. Presented by Eric Bendfeldt.

2023

“The Ecotonal Nature of Community Food Work: A Case Study of Trauma-Informed Care and Mutual Aid for Social and Health Equity,” for 2023 Joint Annual Conference of: The Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS), Agriculture, Food & Human Values Society (AFHVS), Canadian Association for Food Studies (CAFS), Society for the Anthropology of Food & Nutrition (SAFN), May 31-June 3, 2023, Boston, Massachusetts. With Eric Bendfeldt, Kim Niewolny, Tom Archibald, and Anne Stewart.

“Countering Persistent Alterity: Fostering Advocacy and Agency,” for 15th annual conference of the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies,” May 29-31, 2023, Toronto, Canada. With Neda Moayerian, Vanessa Guerra and Desiree Poets.

“Storytelling, Performing Arts and Collective Capacity in One Rio Favela” for annual conference of the International Studies Association, March 15-18, 2023, Montreal, Canada. With Neda Moayerian, Desiree Poets and Cathy Grimes.

2022

“Exploring the Continuing Effects of Trauma-Induced Displacement among a Group of Syrian Refugees now Working as Itinerant Farmworkers in Jordan,” for 14th Annual Conference of the Canadian Association for Refugee and Migration Studies,” November 2-4, 2022, Waterloo, Canada. With Neda Moayerian, Renad Abbadi and Muddather Jameel-Abu. Karaki.

“Community Cultural Development and Collective Agency in a Brazilian Favela,” for 2022 International Society for Third Sector Research Conference, July 12-15, 2022, Montreal, Canada. With Neda Moayerian, Desiree Poets, Cathy Grimes.

For panel: *The response of the EU and its eastern Mediterranean member states to the Syrian refugee flow: Implications for the Afghan refugees*, “Plus ça Change: The Politics of Alterity and Italian and Maltese Responses to Recent Migration Challenges,” Biennial European Union Studies Association Conference, May 19-21, 2022, Miami Florida. With Neda Moayerian. I also serve as Discussant for the Panel.

Eric S. Bendfeldt, Kim Niewolny, Max Stephenson Jr., Tom Archibald, Anne Stewart, “A Case Study of the Ecotonal Nature of Community Food Work as Trauma-Informed Care and Agential Change Space” 2022 Joint Annual Conference of: The Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS), Agriculture, Food & Human Values Society (AFHVS), Canadian Association for Food Studies (CAFS), Society for the Anthropology of Food & Nutrition (SAFN), May 18-21, 2022, Athens, Georgia. With Eric S. Bendfeldt, Kim Niewolny, Tom Archibald and Anne Stewart.

“Community Newspapers, Creative Production and Collective Agency Amidst the COVID-19 Pandemic: Exploring Social Resilience in the Maré and Rocinha Favelas of Rio de Janeiro,” for the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, February 25-March 1-2022, New York, New York. With Vanessa Guerra, Molly Todd and Desiree Poets.

2021

“Community Newspapers, Creative Production and Collective Agency Amidst the COVID-19 Pandemic: Exploring Social Resilience in the Maré and Rocinha Favelas of Rio de Janeiro,” Presented at the 14th International Conference of the *International Society for Third Sector Research*, Montreal, Canada, July 12-15, 2021 (Moved online due to Covid 19). Presented July 12, 2021. With Vanessa Guerra, Molly Todd and Desiree Poets.

“Community Foodwork and Extension Education: Applying a Trauma-Informed Framework,” for 2021 Joint Annual Conference of: The Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS), Agriculture, Food & Human Values Society (AFHVS), Canadian Association for Food Studies (CAFS), Society for the Anthropology of Food & Nutrition (SAFN), June 9-15, 2021. Presented June 15, 2021. With Eric Bendfeldt, Kim Niewolny, Tom Archibald and Anne Stewart.

“Tacit Knowledge, Cultural Values and Agential Possibility in Rural Haiti,” Presented at the Research Meeting “Local Synergy: University Research Participating in the Dynamics of Development,” University of Fondwa, Haiti, May 28, 2021. With Laura Zanotti.

“Exploring the Expression and Practice of Collective Agency Among Rio De Janeiro Favela Residents During the Covid-19 Pandemic: Contesting And (Re)Framing The Dominant National Narrative Through Community-Based Newspapers.” Presented at the 78th annual conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2021, Chicago, Illinois, April 14-18, 2021. With Desiree Poets and Cathy Grimes.

2020

Investigating Refugee Agency Amidst Government's Political and Economic Policies," for delivery at "Joint Conference on Refugees: Status, Policies and Prospects," Virginia Tech School of Public and International Affairs and Al-Hussein Bin Talal University, Ma'an, Jordan, Cancelled due to COVID-19. With Renad Abbadi and Muddather Abu Karaki.

Keynote speech/Paper. "Seven Workshops on Democratic Theories and Practices from Classical Athens to Synchronous Polities," Paper/Presentation 1, Workshop 1: Democracy: Theory and Practice, "'Deep Stories,' Democracy and Agency," Athens Institute for Education and Research, Athens, Greece, Canceled due to COVID-19.

2019

"Diplomacy and Everyday Life: Exploring the Complexities of Peace on the Seventieth Anniversary of the 1949 Armistice Agreements" for "Commemorating Violent Conflicts and Building Sustainable Peace Conference," International Studies Association, October 24-26, 2019, Kent, Ohio.

"Tacit Knowledge, Cultural Values and Democratic Mobilization in Rural Haiti," for the 77th Annual Midwest Political Science Association annual conference, April 4-7, 2019, Chicago, Illinois. With Laura Zanotti.

"Conceptualizing Cross Sectoral Partnership Building in Two Small Appalachian Towns," for the Appalachian Studies Association 42nd annual conference, March 14-17, 2019, Asheville, North Carolina. With Lara Nagle and Neda Moayerian.

2018

"Pondering Grassroots Development Initiatives: Evidence from Haiti and Jamaica" for 13th Bi-annual conference, International Society for Third Sector Research, July 10-13, 2018, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. With Laura Zanotti.

"Exploring the Connections between Community Cultural Development and Sustainable Tourism in Appalachia," for the 41st Appalachian Studies Association conference, April 5-8, 2018, Cincinnati, Ohio. With Neda Moayerian.

"Local Development Committee Implications for Governance and Development: Evidence from Haiti and Jamaica," for the International Studies Association 59th annual meeting, April 4-7, 2018. San Francisco, California. With Laura Zanotti.

"Policy Recommendations for 'Democratizing the Refugee Regime Complex,' International Refugee Research: Evidence for Smart Policy," at Akademie für Politische Bildung, March 20-25, 2018. Tutzing, Germany. With Emily Barry-Murphy.

2017

"A Critical Ethnographic Case Study of On-Farm Apprentices: Social Movement Participation and Farmworker Identities," research poster for Advancing the Human Condition Symposium, Virginia Tech, November 29-December 1, 2017. Blacksburg, Virginia. With Lorien MacAuley, Kim Niewolny, Kwame Harrison, Thomas Archibald.

“Community Voices: Shared Governance and Dialogue to Challenge Hidden Assumptions and Disrupt Power Structures in Appalachia,” discussant/panel convener for Appalachian Studies Association, March 9-12, 2017, Blacksburg, Virginia. Presenters: Lorien MacAuley, Anna Erwin, Jeremy Elliott-Engel, Lydeana Martin.

2016

“International aid, Development and Higher Education: An analysis of one initiative in rural Haiti,” for European Group for Organization Studies (EGOS), 32nd EGOS Colloquium, July 7-9, 2016. Naples, Italy. With Laura Zanotti.

“Mutual Learning: Agency, Accountability and Development in Two Cases.” for the International Society for Third Sector Research 12th International Conference, June 28-July 1, 2016. Stockholm, Sweden. With Laura Zanotti, Cristina Zennaro and Alberto Grando.

“Developing the Building Blocks for a Theory of the Arts for Peacebuilding,” for the International Studies Association 57th annual conference, March 16-19, 2016. Atlanta, Georgia. With Laura Zanotti.

“Exploring the Nexus of Aesthetics, Agency and Peacebuilding,” for the College of Architecture and Urban Studies Bi-annual Research Conference, February 25, 2016. With Laura Zanotti.

2014-2015

“Planning, Development and Mediatization: A Case Study of Mega Project Management,” for the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning 55th annual conference, October 22-25, 2015. Houston, Texas. With Lisa Schweitzer as lead author.

“Arts and Community Change: Exploring Cultural Development Policies, Practices and Dilemmas,” panel for Imagining America Conference, October 1-3, 2015. Baltimore, Maryland. With A. Scott Tate.

“Theorizing Agency, Peacebuilding and Aesthetics” for the 10th International Conference of the Arts in Society, July 22-24, 2015. London, England. With Laura Zanotti.

“Exploring the Nexus of Aesthetics, Agency and Peacebuilding,” for the International Studies Association 56th annual convention, February 18-21, 2015. New Orleans, La. With Laura Zanotti.

“A Comparative Analysis of Efforts to Encourage Participatory Possibility and Accountability in Three Fields of Development Action,” for the 11th International Society for Third Sector Research conference, July 22-25, 2014. Muenster, Germany.

“Arts-Based approaches and their implications for researchers in other fields,” for the 10th International Congress on Qualitative Inquiry, May 21-May 24, 2014. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. With Lyusyena Kirakosyan as lead author.

“International Development Aid and Humanitarianism,” for the Virginia Tech Development and Humanitarianism Conference, April 11, 2014. Blacksburg, Va.

“The Illusion of Oversight: How Nonprofit Practitioners Respond to Accountability Pressures in the Contracting Regime,” for International Research Society for Public Management Conference, April 9-11, 2014. Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada. With Rachel Christensen as first author.

“Exploring Theatre as a Tool for Building Social Peace and Justice,” for the Virginia Tech College of Architecture and Urban Studies 50th Anniversary Research Conference, April 2, 2014. Blacksburg, Va. With Lyusyena Kirakosyan.

“International Aid meets Local Power: Exploring local Ownership in the Context of Extreme Poverty in a Rural Community in Haiti,” for the Virginia Tech College of Architecture and Urban Studies 50th Anniversary Research Conference, April 2, 2014. Blacksburg, Va. With Laura Zanotti.

“Biopolitical and disciplinary peacebuilding: sport, reforming bodies and rebuilding societies in the new millennium,” for annual conference of the International Studies Association, March 26-29, 2014. Toronto, Canada. With Laura Zanotti and Marcy Schnitzer.

“Adjudicating the Refugee Story: Assessing Pitfalls and Charting Possibilities,” for Refugee Voices: Refugee Studies Centre International Conference, March 24-25, 2014, Oxford University, Oxford, England. With Emily Barry-Murphy as first author.

2012-2013

Invited Colloquy Panel discussion speaker: “The Occupy Movement: Two Years On: The Prospects for Movements without Structures,” ARNOVA annual conference, November 21-23, 2013. Hartford, Connecticut.

“Exploring Theater as a Tool for Building Peace and Justice: The Case of Serbia’s DAH Teatar,” paper for Maneuvering the Maze: Understanding Justice in Conflicts conference, Monterey Institute of International Studies, November 14-16, 2013, Monterey, California. With Lyusyena Kirakosyan.

“The Role of Land Tenure, Property Rights and Social Discrimination in the Informal Community Housing Crisis in Sana’a, Yemen,” for Housing Education and Research Association Annual Conference, October 27-30, 2013. Tulsa, Oklahoma. With Wafa Al-Daily and Kathleen Parrott.

“An Analytical Case Study of Mahwa Aser, An Informal Settlement in Sana’a, Yemen,” for Research Committee 43, International Sociological Association Conference, July 10-12, 2013. Amsterdam, The Netherlands. With Wafa Al-Daily and Kathleen Parrott. Presented by Kathleen Parrott.

“Peacebuilding in an Era of Risk,” co-chair, the ECPR-Standing Group on International Relations workshop for the 1st European International Studies Joint Session of Workshops, 5-8 June 2013. Tartu, Estonia. With Laura Zanotti.

“Building Social Capital through Higher Education in Rural Haiti: International Aid, Local Ownership and Survival” for International Studies Association Annual Conference, April 3-6, 2013, San Francisco, Ca. With Laura Zanotti and Nancy McGehee.

“Theorizing Sport and Peacebuilding in Post-Conflict Societies: Challenges and Possibilities for Governance,” for Political Studies Association, 7th Sport Policy and Politics Conference, February 2, 2013, Bath, England. With Laura Zanotti, Marcy Schnitzer and Yannis Stivachtis. Presented by Laura Zanotti.

“Endogenous NGOs: Vehicles for Mobilizing protection strategies for IDPs,” for 30th anniversary conference, Refugee Studies Centre, University of Oxford, Oxford, England, December 6-7, 2012. With Emily Barry. Presented by Emily Barry.

“Collecting Data in a Time of Crisis: The Case of Mahwa Aser in Sana’a City, Yemen,” for Housing Education and Research Association Conference, October 28-31, 2012. Roanoke, Virginia. With Wafa Al-Daily and Kathleen Parrott.

“Theorizing the Roles of NGOs in peace and development: liberal myth or route to emancipation?” for International Society for Third Sector Research, July 10-13, 2012. Siena, Italy. With Laura Zanotti.

2010-2011

“Planning and the Environmental Media,” for the World Planning Schools Congress, July 4-7, 2011. Perth, Australia. With Lisa Schweitzer. Presented by Lisa Schweitzer.

“Exploring the Roles of NGOs as Promoters of Peace: The Case of the Community Foundation for Northern Ireland,” for the 9th annual International Conference on Politics and International Affairs, Athens Institute for Education and Research, June 20-23, 2011. Athens, Greece. With Laura Zanotti.

“Promoting Peace and Development through NGOs: Liberal Myth or Route to Emancipation,” for the 52nd International Studies Association Annual Convention, March 16-19, 2011. Montreal, Canada. With Laura Zanotti.

2009-2010

“Pondering NGO Roles in Transnational Politics: The Case of Women in Black-Serbia,” for the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organization and Voluntary Action, National Conference, November 18-20, 2010. Alexandria, Virginia. With Laura Zanotti.

“Celebrating and Recovering Community Identity via a Community-Based Organization-University Partnership: The Case of Christiansburg Institute,” for the Imagining America National conference, September 23-25, 2010. Seattle, Washington. With Robert Leonard and Ann Kilkelly.

“Advocating the liberal peace between nationalism and the de-territorialization of politics: the case of WIB Serbia,” for the International Sociological Studies Association, XVII World Congress of Sociology, July 11-17, 2010. Gothenburg, Sweden. With Laura Zanotti.

“Framing Sustainable Development in The Blue Ridge Mountains: How Stakeholders In One Sustainable Development Organization Cope With Frame-Based Conflicts Related To Decision-Making And Sustainability,” for the 16th International Symposium on Society and Natural Resource Management, June 6-10, 2010. Corpus, Christi, Texas. With Curt Gervich and Marc Stern.

2008-2009

“Nature, Place and Imagination: Exploring the Imaginaries of Environmental and Ecological Justice,” for the 15th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management, July 5-8, 2009. Vienna, Austria. With Lisa Schweitzer and Marcy Schnitzer.

“Exploring the Role of Community-Based Philanthropies in Peace building Strategies,” for the International Studies Association National Conference. February 15-18, 2009. New York, N.Y. Panel Organized with Laura Zanotti.

“Joining the ‘Top and Bottom’: The Many Faces of Community-based Philanthropy’s Roles in Peacebuilding,” for the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) national conference. November 19-22, 2008. Philadelphia, Pa. With Laura Zanotti.

“Considering the Relationships among Social Conflict and Leadership and Community Imaginaries and Resilience,” for the Virginia Tech Institute for Policy and Governance International Symposium on Enhancing Resilience to Catastrophic Events Through Communicative Planning, November 16-18, 2008. Blacksburg, Va.

“Reconsidering the Challenge of Theorizing Relief, Reconstruction and Resilience.” For the Considering the Challenge of Intersectoral Cooperation in Disaster Relief, Mitigation and Recovery International symposium, August 29-30, 2008. Davos, Switzerland.

“Revisiting the Conditions Necessary for Effective Intersectoral Collaboration in Disaster Mitigation, Relief and Reconstruction,” for the International Disaster Risk Reduction Conference, August 27, 2008. Davos, Switzerland.

“Network Accountability through Netweaving: The U.S. Fire Learning Network,” for Resilience 2008: Resilience, Adaptation and Transformation in Turbulent Times International Science and Policy Conference, April 14-17, 2008. Stockholm, Sweden. With Bruce Goldstein. Presented by Bruce Goldstein.

2007

“Theorizing Network Learning and Humanitarian Relief: Can a Punctuated Equilibrium Approach Help,” for the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) 2007 national conference, November 15-17, 2007. Atlanta, Ga. With Marcy Schnitzer and Tracy Cooper.

“Community and the Habits of Democratic Citizenship: An Investigation into Civic Engagement, Social Capital and Democratic Capacity-Building in U.S. Cohousing Neighborhoods,” for the

American Political Science Association annual meeting, August 30-September 2, 2007. Chicago, Ill. With Lisa Poley.

“Cities and Regions as Justice Spaces: Exploring the Tensions between Sustainability and Justice in the City,” for the Urban Justice and Sustainability conference. Sponsored by the International Sociological Association Research Committee on Sociology of Urban and Regional Research (ISA-RC21), August 22-25, 2007. Vancouver, B.C., Canada. With Lisa Schweitzer.

“Leadership as Imagination: The ‘Permanent Things’ and the Role of the Moral Imagination in Organizational Life: Revisiting the Foundations of Public and Nonprofit Leadership” for the Ways of Knowing National Workshop, May 17-19, 2007. Alexandria, Va.

“Exploring the Rhetorical Foundations of Board Governance: Market-Based Strategies versus Common Good Claims in Five Nonprofit Organizations,” for the Networks, Stakeholders and Nonprofit Organization Governance: Whither (Wither?) Boards, April 26-27, 2007. Kansas City, Mo. With Courtney Jensen and Jessie Reckart.

“Exploring the Challenges and Prospects for Polycentricity in International Humanitarian Relief,” for the American Society for Public Administration National Conference, March 25-27, 2007. Washington, D.C. With Marcy Schnitzer.

2006

“Curriculum Design issues in Nonprofit and Civil Society Studies: Learning from one University’s Experience,” for the ARNOVA 2006 national conference, November 16-18, 2006. Chicago, Ill. With David Moore.

“Crisis Governance, Management and Organizational Learning: Exploring the Dynamics of One Super Gift,” for the ARNOVA 2006 national conference, November 16-18, 2006. Chicago, Ill. With Marcy Schnitzer and Veronica Arroyave.

“Aesthetic Imagination, Civic Imagination, and the Role of the Arts in Community Change and Development,” for the International Conference on the Arts in Society, Aug. 15-18, 2006. Edinburgh, Scotland. With Katherine Fox Lanham.

“Bridging the Organizational Divide: A Comparative Institutional Analysis of United States and International Humanitarian Service Delivery Structures,” for the Seventh International Society for Third Sector Research Conference, July 9-12, 2006. Bangkok, Thailand.

“Right Answers, Wrong Questions: Environmental Justice as Urban Research,” for the Urban Affairs Association conference, April 19-21, 2006. Montreal, Quebec, Canada. With Lisa Schweitzer. Presented by Lisa Schweitzer.

“The Role of Trust and Boundary Spanning Behavior in Humanitarian Assistance Coordination,” for the American Society for Public Administration national conference, March 31-April 4, 2006. Denver, Colo. With Marcy Schnitzer.

“Mentoring for Doctoral Student Praxis-Centered Learning: Creating a Shared Culture of Intellectual Aspiration,” for Benchmark 3: State of Nonprofit Sector Studies conference, March 16-19, 2006. Tempe, Ariz. With Rachel Christensen.

2005

“Adaptive Leadership, Social Networks, and Civic Change,” for G05 Global Democracy: Civil Society Visions and Strategies, May 29-31, 2005. Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Presented by Marcy Schnitzer.

“The Nature Conservancy, the Press and the Social Construction of Accountability,” for Boards and Beyond: Understanding the Changing Realities of Nonprofit Organizational Governance Conference, March 31-April 1, 2005. Kansas City, Mo.

2004

“Making Humanitarian Relief Networks More Effective: Exploring the Relationships Among Coordination, Trust and Sense Making,” for ARNOVA 2004 national conference, November 18-21, 2004. Los Angeles, Calif.

“Developing Community Leadership Through the Arts in Southside Virginia: Social Networks, Civic Identity and Civic Change,” for the American Collegiate Schools of Planning, October 18-21, 2004. Portland, Ore.

“Rethinking Humanitarian Assistance Coordination,” for the International Society for Third Sector Research conference, July 11-14, 2004. Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

2003

“Of Land Grants, Leadership, Non-Profits and Social Change: A Model for Catalyzing Sustained Community-Based Learning and Change,” for ARNOVA 2003 national conference, November 20-23, 2003. Denver, Colo.

International/national/regional symposia and conferences sponsored/organized

International Symposium, March 4-5, 2021, “Conversations on Entangled Ontologies, Decoloniality and Decolonization,” 7 international scholars presented papers. Organizer, with Laura Zanotti and Desiree Poets. (Virtual).

National symposium, “Enhancing Resilience through Communicative Planning,” November 16-18, 2008. Virginia Tech Institute for Policy and Governance, sponsor and organizer.

Resulted in an edited volume for MIT Press (2011), Bruce Goldstein (ed.), and a special refereed theme issue of *Ecology and Society*, 2011.

Regional Symposium, “Public Scholarship and Promotion and Tenure.” For Imagining America. Virginia Tech, February 27, 2009. Co-organizer with Ann Kilkelly and Bob Leonard.

International symposium, “Considering the challenge of intersectoral cooperation in disaster relief, mitigation and recovery,” Davos, Switzerland, August 29-30, 2008. Virginia Tech Institute for Policy and Governance and Virginia Tech Institute for Disaster Risk Reduction, sponsors and organizers.

Fifteen Invited presenters from Europe and the United States. Resulted in theme issue of the *Journal of Emergency Management*, Max Stephenson and James Martin, (eds.).

National conference, “Your Money or your Mission: Decision-making for Nonprofit Sustainability,” September 26-28, 2007. Arlington, Va. Virginia Tech Institute for Policy and Governance in partnership with the National Center on Nonprofit Enterprise, sponsors and organizers.

International symposium, “Democracy in an Age of Networked Governance,” Blacksburg, Va., March 1-3, 2007. Institute for Policy and Governance, sponsor.

Seventeen invited scholars presented research linked to the symposium theme covering the disciplines of political science, geography, civil engineering, economics, sociology, urban studies and public administration. Resulted in two-volume issue of *The American Behavioral Scientist* in February 2009. Max Stephenson and Joyce Rothschild, (Eds).

International workshop, Transatlantic Community Foundation Network Peer Exchange on “Governance,” Pembroke, Va., April 13-16, 2007. Institute for Policy and Governance and New River Valley Community Foundation, joint sponsors.

Twenty-seven participants, including 15 from five European nations. Underwritten by Bertelsmann Stiftung and Charles Stewart Mott Foundation. With Andrew Morikawa, (New River Valley Community Foundation).

Sponsored Research **Under consideration**

Ongoing or Completed Research

Floyd, Va, Summer 2024-Summer 2025, Conceptual Plan for Mixed Housing Development/ Reuse of former industrial site, With Elizabeth Gilboy and Harry Gleason, Virginia Tech Community Design Assistance Center and Lara Nagle, Virginia Tech Institute for Policy and Governance. Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, \$75,000 (IPG portion).

Virginia Tech College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Field Research grant, \$5,000, Spring 2024 for research for *The Politics of Alterity and the Syrian Displacement Crisis: The Cases of Malta and Cyprus*, With Yannis Stivachtis and Neda Moayerian, For Berghahn Books, Oxford, England. 2025.

Virginia Tech College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, International Initiative Small Grant, \$750.00 for “Violent Infrastructure Ecologies of Decay and Displacement and the Georgian Civil War” exhibit at Newman Library and accompanying visit by Dr. Ariel Otruba, October 3-6, 2023. Project partners: Center for European Union, Trans-Atlantic and Trans-European Space Studies and Center for Refugee, Migrant, and Displacement Studies.

Virginia Tech College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, Faculty Research Grant, Co-Investigator with Desiree Poets, “Investigating Community-Based Approaches to Violence in Mare, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.” Awarded, April 14, 2023, \$6,000.

VT University Libraries Collaborative Research grant, “Knowledge Dissemination Diversification: Social Science for Public Good Podcast,” Principal Investigator with Peter Potter as Co-Principal Investigator, Awarded January 27, 2023. \$5,000.

Virginia Tech Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, Co-Principal Investigator with Desiree Poets, Community-Led Community Capacity Building and Violence Prevention in a Rio de Janeiro Favela,” Awarded December 5, 2022. \$15,000.

With Reynolds Homestead and Community Design Assistance Center, Reynolds Homestead Critz, VA Community Enhancement 2021, Appalachian Regional Commission, Julie Walters Steele, Principal Investigator, \$51, 592.

The Institute for Policy & Governance (IPG) is focusing on the community participation component of the project and the Community design Assistance Center (CDAC) focused on the redevelopment of the house(s) and the design for the site.

Virginia Tech Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, “Curating for De-Militarization: Memory, Arts and Community Change in Maré,” Rio de Janeiro, Principal Investigator with Desiree Poets. October 27, 2020. \$10,000.

Maré from the Inside: Art, Culture and Politics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Virginia Tech College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, (Complete: 01/01/2021 - 01/01/2022), Principal Investigators: Stephenson M; Barnes N., Poets, D. \$9,000

Virginia Tech Women and Minority Artist and Scholars Lecture Series grant for Community Change Collaborative sponsored speaker, Sage Crump. October 15, 2020. \$750.00

Virginia Tech Center for Humanities, program grant, for Community Change Collaborative research in June 2020 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil with Catalytic Communities. November 2019. \$750.

Virginia Tech Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, “The Community Change Collaborative,” Awarded March 6, 2019. \$30,000.

Virginia Tech Women and Minority Artist and Scholars Lecture Series grant for Community Change Collaborative sponsored speaker, Theresa Williamson, September 28, 2018. \$750.

Virginia Tech Vice President for Outreach and International Affairs, Vibrant Virginia grant, “The Community Change Collaborative.” Awarded April 2018. \$17,000.

Virginia Tech Institute for Society, Culture and the Environment, for Policy Strategic Growth Area Implementation Grant, 2018-2019, “Policy for Active Aging: WHO’s Global Age Friendly Initiative.” With Eunju Hwang, Nancy Brossole and Susan Chen. April 2018. \$18,700.

Virginia Tech Institute for Society, Culture and the Environment, for Policy Strategic Growth Area Planning Grant, 2017-2018, With Eunju Hwang, Nancy Brossole and Susan Chen, “Policy for Active Aging: WHO’s Global Age Friendly Initiative.” \$2,500.

Virginia Tech and Bridgestone, WVA Technical and Community College, “Small Communities and the Challenge of Social and Economic Change,” 2017. \$17,000.

United States Department of State, Young African Leaders Initiative, Washington Mandela Fellowship Program, to provide 25 2016 Mandela Fellows program in civic leadership in summer 2016 for 6 weeks. In partnership with the Virginia Tech Language and Culture Institute, 2015-2016. \$250,000.

Virginia Tech Institute for Society, Culture and the Environment, Summer Scholar. For research for articles/book on Haitian governance. With Laura Zanotti. 2011. \$15,000.

Virginia Tech Office of International Research, Education and Development, Research Grant. With Laura Zanotti. 2011. \$2,500.

Virginia Tech Women in Leadership Philanthropy Fund and Women and Minority Artists and Scholars Lecture Series. With Laura Zanotti. 2010. \$3,500.

Virginia Tech, Vice President for Research and Vice President for Outreach and International Affairs, "Global Dialogue for Responsibility." With James Dubinsky. 2010. \$55,000.
Korea Research Institute for Human Settlements, "Comparing Low-Income Housing Policy in South Korea and the United States." With Sang Choi and Hye-Seung Kim. 2010. \$10,000.

Olympic Truce Centre, Athens, Greece. "The Role of Sport in Peacebuilding: A Handbook for Action." With Yannis Stivachtis and Laura Zanotti. 2009-2011. \$60,000.

Virginia Tech College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences Niles Research Grant to support research for a book on the role of Community-based Philanthropies in Peacebuilding. With Laura Zanotti. 2008-2011. \$8,000.

Institute for Distance and Distributed Learning, Virginia Tech, to design an online graduate nonprofit studies curriculum. 2009. \$20,000.

Ford Foundation, "Accountability and Representation in Negotiated Contexts." Co-Principal Investigator, 2006-2008, Principal Investigator, 2008-2009. With Alnoor Ebrahim. 2006-2009. \$102,152.

Bernard and Patricia Goldstein Family Foundation, for "Enhancing Resilience through Communicative Planning" Principal Investigator, 2008. \$71,784.

Virginia Tech Institute for Society, Culture and the Environment, for "The Role of Community-Based Foundations in Peace building in High Conflict Societies." Research Seed Grant, 2008. \$3,500.

World Disaster Risk Management Institute. Exploring Innovative and Sustainable Approaches to Global Disaster Risk Reduction. Principal Investigator. With James Martin. 2008. \$49,600.

Bertelsmann Foundation (Bertelsmann Stiftung) with Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, Transatlantic Community Foundation Peer Exchange, "Governance" Pembroke, Va. Principal Investigator. With Andrew Morikawa. 2007. \$40,000.

Virginia Tech Office of International Affairs, Mini-grant for International Program Development. 2007. \$4,000.

Office of Economic Development, Arlington County, Va. for capacity building program for county nonprofits. Co-Principal Investigator. With Russell Cargo. 2007-2008. \$90,000.

Thomas Jefferson Center Foundation, Roanoke, Va. Governing Board Assessment and Capacity Building. Principal Investigator, 2007. \$8,000.

Roanoke Times: “Building the Capacity of Nonprofit Organizations in the Roanoke Region through Improved Governance.” Principal Investigator. 2006-2008. \$45,000.

United States Forest Service: Improving Collaborative Decision Making and Community Capacity Through Fire Learning Networks. Co-Principal Investigator. With Bruce Goldstein and Bruce Hull. 2005-2010. \$161,000.

Virginia Tech Center for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching. “Distance Learning Assessment” grant for Department of Urban Affairs and Planning, With Rachel Christensen. 2004-2005. \$5,000.

City of Roanoke, Virginia “Development Review and Zoning Enforcement: Evaluation and Recommendations.” Co-Principal Investigator. With James Bohland and Timothy Fluck. 1990. \$15,000.

“Documentation Analysis: Issues and Recommendations—A Report to the Commissioner, Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services.” Co-Principal Investigator (sole author). With Richard Zody. 1990. \$30,000.

“Organizational Recommendations: A Report to the Commissioner of the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services,” Co-Principal Investigator. With Richard Zody, 1990. \$25,000.

Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services Professional Entry Project. Co-Principal Program Investigator. With Richard Zody. 1993-1996. \$300,000.

Strategic Plan for Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services. Co-Principal Investigator. With Richard Zody. 1992-1993. \$25,000.

Interactivity Foundation for “An Experimental Classroom-based Exploration of Policy Decision-Making Models.” Principal Investigator. 1985-87. \$35,000.

Applied research reports

Critz, VA: Critz Community Center Conceptual Design and Master Plan. September 2022. Hayley Harrington, Elizabeth Gilboy, Lara Nagle, Max Stephenson Jr.

A Community Development Update. Pennington Gap, Va. December 2017. With Andrew Morikawa, A. Scott Tate, Lara Nagle, Neda Moayerian and Elizabeth Olberding.

Strategically Positioning Montgomery, WVA for the Future. July 2017. With Andrew Morikawa, A. Scott Tate, Lara Nagle, Neda Moayerian and Elizabeth Olberding.

Examining the Processes, Necessary Conditions and Possibilities of Sport as Strategy for Peacebuilding. For the Olympic Truce Centre, Athens, Greece. June 1, 2011. With Marcy Schnitzer, Laura Zanotti and Ioannis Stivachtis.

Selling the Community: How Economic Developers View their Role. Published by Economic Development Assistance Center—Southwest Virginia, August 1991. With John M. Levy.
Executive Development: The Department of Justice. Final report for the President’s Personnel Management Task Force on Executive Management and Development (Preston Task Force). 1978. With Chong M. Pak.

Service to the Profession

Editorial Boards

Frontiers in Built Environment-Indoor Environments, Board member and Review Editor, 2023-
Sustainability, Board of Reviewers, 2020-
Athens Journal of Politics and International Affairs, 2024-
Athens Journal of Social Sciences, 2014-
International Journal of Population Studies, 2024-
Virginia Issues and Answers: A Public Policy Forum. 2011-2017.
International Journal of Conflict Management, 1991-1997.
Public Administration Review, 1986-1989.

Reviewer/editorial consultant

Invited Reviewer for proposal for Swiss National Science Foundation-Multilateral Academic Projects, “International Politics Beyond Text,” October 2024.

Invited Reviewer for two articles for special issue of the journal *Social Inclusion*, "Impact Evaluation of Community Sport Programmes and 'Sport Social Work Practices,'" edited by Kirsten Verkooijen and Pascal Delheye, September 2024.

Invited Reviewer, National Science Center of Poland, Funding Scheme PRELUDIUM, “Cultural Diplomacy in Polish-Ukrainian Relations: An Analysis of Contemporary Theatrical Dialogue,” mgr Andriy Sendetsky, OSF: 619684. September 2024.

Invited Editor, *Frontiers in Public Health* for Briana E Rockler, Stephanie Grutzmacher, Jonathan Garcia, Ellen Smit, Marc Braverman, “Psychosocial Factors Play a Central Role in Determining SNAP Utilization for Farm Workforce,” Published July 31, 2024, http://journal.frontiersin.org/article/10.3389/fpubh.2024.1402142/full?&utm_source=Email_to_a_e_&utm_medium=Email&utm_content=T1_11.5e2_editor&utm_campaign=Email_publication&journalName=Frontiers_in_Public_Health&id=1402142

Selected Reviewer, American Educational Research Association, 2025 Annual Meeting submissions, Division J: Post-Secondary Education: Society, Culture and Change, 8 submissions, Special Interest Group, International Studies, 13 submissions.

Invited Discussant, International Society for Third Sector Research, May 15, 2024, for Nicole Bolleyer, *Civil Society’s Potential: Organizational Tradeoffs Between Participation and Representation*, New York Oxford University Press, 2023. Global audience.

Selected Reviewer, American Educational Research Association, 2024 Annual Meeting submissions, April 11-14, 2024, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Division J: Post-Secondary Education: Society, Culture and Change, 3 submissions, Special Interest Group, International Studies, 2 submissions.

Selected Reviewer, for the 2023 Academy of Management Annual Meeting, August 4-8, 2023, Boston, Massachusetts, Public and Nonprofit Division, 3 papers; Conflict Management Division, 3 papers.

Selected Reviewer for the 2023 Annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, April 13-17, 2023, Chicago, Illinois. Division G-Social Context of Education: Section 1-Education and Place, Space, Time, 10 Submissions; Special Interest Group-Caribbean and African Studies in Education, 10 submissions; Special Interest Group: Post-Colonial and Anti-Colonial Studies in Education and International Education, 10 submissions.

Selected Reviewer, Academy of Management International (3) and Public and Nonprofit Division (3) Interest groups, 6 papers, for Annual meeting of the Academy of Management, August 5-9, 2022, Seattle, Washington

Selected Reviewer 8 submissions, International Studies Special Interest Group and 9 paper submissions and 2 session proposals for the Democratic Citizenship in Education Special Interest Group for the 2022 Annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Diego, CA, April 22-25, 2022.

Invited reviewer for Routledge Publishers, *Taking the City: New Art Strategies*, Hadas Ophrat. Book manuscript, June 2021.

Invited reviewer, Taylor and Francis Publishers, *An Introduction to Community Development* edited by Rhonda Phillips and Robert Pittman (3rd ed.). Book manuscript. April 2021.

Selected Reviewer, 8 submissions for Social Context of Education/Division G - Section 5: Inquiry, Transformation, and Communities and 8 submissions for Special Interest Group, International Studies, for the 2021 Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association (AERA) held in Orlando, Florida, April 9-April 12, 2021.

Invited Reviewer for Academy of Management (papers for two symposia proposals), August 7-11, 2020, Vancouver, Canada.

Invited Reviewer, European Academy of Management, (two papers), June 10-12, 2020, Dublin, Ireland.

Invited reviewer for special issue of the journal *Social Inclusion*, January 2020.

Invited reviewer for Commonwealth of Virginia, GO VA grant proposal (\$32,000), December 2019, "Mitigating Bias for Interpretable Human Activity Understanding."

Invited reviewer for Commonwealth of Virginia, GO VA grant proposal (\$25,000), November 2019, “Politics After Friendship: The Cultural Legacy of PT-era Policy at the Dawn of Brazil’s New Right.”

Invited external reviewer for promotion and tenure case review for other United States universities: 1 individual, 2020, 2 individuals (at different universities), 2019, 1 individual 2016, 1 individual 2012.

Invited reviewer for University of Cyprus, Postdoctoral research support program grant proposal, “Is the Other dead? Have we killed her? The Self-Other Relationship in the light (or shadow) of constructionist perspectives,” September 2019.

Invited reviewer for Edward Elgar Publishing, book proposal, Stewart Clegg et al. *Infrastructure Development: A Critical International Perspective on Value in Public-Private Partnerships*, August 2019.

Invited reviewer for paper selections, European Academy of Management Conference, 2019, Lisbon Portugal, June 26-28, 2019.

Invited Paper Reviewer and Program Committee Member, 6th International Conference on Educational Technologies, Hong Kong, China. February 8-10, 2019.

Invited reviewer for paper selections, International Studies, American Educational Research Association Conference, Toronto, Canada. April 5-9, 2019.

Invited reviewer for paper selections, European Academy of Management Conference, 2018, Reykjavik, Iceland, June 20-23, 2018.

Invited reviewer, National Science Center of Poland, Funding scheme PRELUDIUM, Refugeism in the cultural space. Theories. Representations. Practices, mgr. Michał Piotr Bomastyk, No. 356754, Panel HS1, April 2017.

Invited reviewer, Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnerships, 4 major grant applications, January 2017.

Invited reviewer, January 2017, articles for special issue of *Social Inclusion*, “Sport for Social Inclusion,” Vol. 5(2), April 2017.

Invited reviewer for Routledge Publishers, book proposal, Herrington Bryce, *Creating and Using Highly Sustainable Nonprofits in the Public Interest*, 2016.

Program Committee Member/Paper invited reviewer, International Conference on Educational Technologies, Florianópolis, Santa Catarina, Brazil, November 30-December 2, 2015.

<http://www.icedutech-conf.org/>

Invited reviewer for CQ Press/Sage Publications, book proposal, *The Nonprofit Workplace at a Time of Change: Co-location, Co-working, & Shared Services* by Diane Kaplan Vinokur (University of Michigan), China Brotsky, and Sarah M. Eisinger, 2016.

Invited reviewer for Routledge Publishers, book proposal, Norman Walzer, Liz Weaver and Catherine McGuire, Eds. *Community Development Applications of Collective Impact*, 2016.

Reviewer for paper selections, for European Academy of Management conference, Kozminski, Poland. June 17-20, 2015.

Invited reviewer, for paper selections, for International Society for Third Sector Research, 11th conference, Münster, Germany, July 22-25, 2014.

Invited reviewer, for paper selection for track concerning walls, borders and barriers, Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, 102nd Annual meeting, “Globalizing Architecture: Flows and Disruptions,” Miami Beach, Fla. April 10-12, 2014.

Invited to write publication cover comments for *Nonprofit Management in a Policy World*, 2013, Shannon K. Vaughn and Shelley Arseneault, 2012.

Invited reviewer, papers for 2013 Academy of Management Africa Conference, Johannesburg, South Africa. May-June 2012.

Invited reviewer, Congressional Quarterly Press, book manuscript, *Nonprofit Management in a Policy World*, 2012, Shannon K. Vaughn and Shelley Arseneault, October 5, 2011.

Reviewer by invitation, Jones and Bartlett Publishers, book proposal, *Financial and Legal Aspects of Nonprofit Administration*, August 2010.

Member, advisory and review board for *The New Faces of Organizations in the 21st Century*, a three-volume reference work, M. A. Sarlak (Ed.), NAISIT Press, Canada. Published in 2010, 2011, 2012.

Invited reviewer, The Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership, grant application, “Collaborative Natural Disaster Planning and Agreements in the Asia-Pacific: International Impact of Local Level Preparedness.” February 2010.

Reviewer, Academy of Management 2010 national conference papers, Nonprofit Division, Winter 2010.

Reviewer, Jones and Bartlett Publishers, Book Manuscript, *Performance Analysis for Public and Nonprofit Organizations*. May 2008.

Invited reviewer, National Academies of Science, National Research Council report, *Populations at Risk*, prepared by a committee under the auspices of the Geographical Science Committee, part of the Board on Earth Science and Resources, National Academies of Science. October 2006. Report published April 2007.

Reviewer, International Society for Third Sector Research, 2006 Conference Proceedings Volume. Fall 2006.

Reviewer, book manuscript proposal, Sage Publications, 2006.

Editorial consultant, Sage Publication, for four-volume international reference series on finest articles and book chapters in the evolution of federalism literature, 2007.

Reviewer, book manuscript proposal, Congressional Quarterly Press, 2006.

Reviewer, book manuscript SUNY Press, 1996.

Reviewer, Blackwell Publishers book proposals, 1998, 1999, 2001.

Reviewer, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Community Development Work Study Grants Program, 1997, 1999, and 2000.

Reviewer, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Doctoral Research Fellowship Program, 1999-2012.

Reviewer, United States Department of State: Regional Scholars Exchange Program: 1998-2010.

Editor

Quarterly international newsletter for Association of Budgeting and Financial Management, 1990-1992.

Manuscript referee

Academia-Letters

Administration and Society

Administrative Sciences

Adolescents

Africa Journal of Management

African Journal of History and Culture

African Journal of Political Science and International Relations

American Review of Public Administration

Annals of the American Association of Geographers

Athens Journal of Social Science

Buildings

Cancers

Community Development: Journal of the Community Development Society

Creative Education

Disabilities

Disasters: The Journal of Disaster Studies, Policy and Management

Eastern Economic Review

Energies

Environmental Conservation

Environment, Development and Sustainability

European Journal of Investigation in Health, Psychology and Education
Frontiers in Built Environment-Indoor Environments
Frontiers in Public Health
Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems
Global Studies Quarterly
Glocality.eu
Healthcare
Higher Education
Human Organization
International Journal of Agricultural Sustainability
International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health
International Journal of Geographic Information
International Journal of Knowledge Management Studies
International Journal of Peace and Development Studies
International Journal of Population Studies
International Journal of Production Economics
International Journal of Self-Help and Mutual Aid
International Studies Review
Journal of African Political Science and International Relations
Journal of Civil Society
Journal of Development and Agricultural Economics
Journal of International Humanitarian Action
Journal of Philosophy and Culture
Journal of Planning, Education and Research
Journal of Planning History
Journal of Planning, Practice and Research
Journal of Trust Research
Land
Leadership and Organization Development Journal
Nonprofit Management and Leadership
Nonprofit Policy Forum
Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly
Nutrients
Qeios
Pediatric Reports
Philosophical Papers and Reviews
Politics and Policy
Public Administration Review
Revue Interventions Économiques/Papers in Political Economy
Scientific Research and Essays
Social Inclusion
Societies
Social Sciences
State and Local Government Review
Sustainability
Tropical Medicine and Infectious Disease

Urban Affairs Review

Urban Science

Voluntas: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations

World Development

National/International Conference Track, panel, committee chairmanships

Chair, Panel, “Gender and Sexuality in Forced Migration,” November 3, 2022, for the Annual Conference of the Canadian Association for Refugee and Migration Studies, November 2-4, 2022, Waterloo, Canada.

Midwest Political Science Association, Committee Chair, “Populism in Latin America,” April 6, 2019, for the 77th Annual Midwest Political Science Association annual conference, Chicago, Illinois. April 4-7, 2019.

International Society for Third Sector Research, Board of Directors, Nominating Committee Chair, 2018-2019.

University Network for Collaborative Governance (UNCG), Program Planning Steering Committee, for national conference, Portland State University, Portland, Oregon, June 3-5, 2018.

Chair, Panel, “Utilizing and Managing Volunteers,” for the 11th International Conference of the International Society for Third-Sector Research, Münster, Germany, July 22-25, 2014.

Chair, Panel A, “Collaborative Landscape Planning: Tools, Frameworks or the Ballot Box,” the 15th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management, Vienna, Austria. July 5-8, 2009.

National Track chair, Strategy, Management and Operations, ARNOVA 2008 National Conference, “Leading in Building Civil Society: Obligations and Privileges,” Philadelphia, Pa. November 20-22, 2008.

Chair, Civil Societies in Transition panel, ARNOVA 2007 National Conference, Atlanta, Ga. November 16, 2007.

Chair, Hot Topics in Nonprofit Financial Management panel, ARNOVA 2007 National conference, Atlanta, Ga. November 16, 2007.

National Track Co-chair, Strategy, Management and Operations, ARNOVA 2007 National Conference, “The Global Pursuit of Social Justice: Challenges to Nonprofits and Civil Society.” Atlanta, Ga. November 16, 2007.

Membership

Invited/appointed member by the Board of Directors to be a member of a three-person ad hoc committee to draft a Freedom of Expression policy for the International Society for Third Sector Research, Fall 2024.

Appointed faculty mentor, International Society for Third Sector Research, 2022-2023, (Danijel Baturina, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia)

Invited mentor for Ella Dover, Senior, Stafford High School in Fredericksburg, VA (Governor's School) for her "Culminating" project addressing Humanitarian Aid, 2022-2023.

Invited/Appointed Chair, Virginia Tech Policy Destination Area Steering Committee, Research Committee, 2022-.

Invited reviewer for Virginia Tech Presidential Postdoctoral Fellowship Program, (2 applications each year), 2021, 2022, 2023.

Invited external faculty member for Post-Tenure/Pre-promotion review for Department of Science, Technology and Society, April 2022.

Invited Peer Teaching Reviewer for Urban Affairs and Planning faculty member, April 2022.

Invited Teaching Reviewer for ASPECT PhD graduate teaching assistant, April 2022.

Invited/Appointed Distinguished Faculty Mentor for the 7th International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR) International PhD Seminar in Montréal, Canada on July 10-12, 2022. The PhD Seminar occurred immediately prior to the [15th ISTR International Conference](#) in Montréal July 12-15, 2022 (July 9-12). Fifty students are accepted for the Program. I also served as a judge for the "Three Minute" Dissertation presentation competition for his group.

Appointed faculty mentor, National mentorship program, Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action, 2021-2022, (Nara Yoon, James Madison University).

Member by Invitation, Advisory Committee, Grayson Landcare (nonprofit sustainable agriculture organization), Grayson County, VA, 2021-present.

Member by Invitation, Advisory Committee, Science, Technology and Engineering in Policy Program, Virginia Tech, Institute for Society, Culture and the Environment, Policy Destination Area (+Policy Network), 2021-present.

Member by invitation, Advisory Committee, the Center for European Union, Transatlantic and Trans-European Space Studies—A Jean Monnet Center of Excellence, 2020-present.

Also: program area leader for the Center on issues related to "US-EU Collaboration in Strengthening International Human Security Regimes." 2020-present.

Member by invitation, Virginia Tech College of Architecture and Urban Studies, "Rhizome" Living and Learning Community Advisory Board, 2020-present.

Member by invitation, Advisory Board, Virginia Tech College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, Center for Refugee, Migrant and Displacement Studies, 2020-present.

Member by invitation, Advisory Board, Virginia Tech College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Center for Food Systems and Community Transformation, January 2019-present.

Appointed Member to serve as institutional representative for Virginia Tech on national Nonprofit Academic Centers Council, 2007-present.

Past memberships

Mentor and Academic Director for U.S. State Department Mandela Fellowship Program-Fellow in Civic Leadership, Summer 2016.

Mentor for International Society for Third Sector Research Mentorship program for David Falk, Center for Civil Society Studies, Stockholm, Sweden, June 20, 2016-July 1, 2017.

Member (appointed by Board of Directors), Independent Sector Ethics and Accountability Advisory Committee, 2013-2015.

Member by invitation, Scientific Committee, International Association for Development of the Information Society International Conference, International Higher Education, November 28-30, 2012, Perth, Australia.

Member (appointed by Board of Directors), Independent Sector Principles for Good Governance Advisory Group, 2006-2007.

Virginia Tech Consortial Representative to *Imagining America*, a national university and college membership organization advancing public scholarship in the arts, humanities and social sciences, 2008-2011

Member (by invitation), November 5 Coalition, 2008.

A group of scholars and nonprofit civic organization leaders from across the nation convened to prepare civic culture and civic engagement policy transition briefs for two major party candidates in 2008 election as well as for the president-elect.

Member (appointed by Board of Directors), Independent Sector, National Advisory Committee on Ethics and Accountability, 2007-2009.

Elected member, National Executive Committee of the Nonprofit Education Section of NASPAA, November 2006-2009.

Member, National NASPAA committee to review NASPAA Guidelines for Professional Education in Nonprofit Organizations, Management, and Leadership. 2005-2006.

Report issued in October 2006 and presented at the annual NASPAA conference in Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 19-21, 2006.

Institutional Representative, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Virginia Tech School of Public and International Affairs, 2006-2009.

Conference participation

By invitation

Invited Speaker, Virginia Public Sector Leaders Program, Richmond, VA, “Leading with Purpose An Exploration of Leadership and Governance in State Agencies,” April 16, 2024.

Invited Speaker, Spring 2024 Symposium, Virginia Tech Center for European Union, and Transatlantic Studies, “Remarks on the European Union and Immigration, March 11, 2024.

Invited speaker, Fall 2023 Educators’ Conference, November 3-5, 2024, Virginia Tech Center for European Union, Transatlantic, and Trans-European Space Studies, *Europe and the U.S. Unity Through Diversity*, “Democracy and its Challenges: Norms, Narratives and, and the Democratic Challenge in the United States and Europe.”

Speaker, School of Public and International Affairs/Urban Affairs and Planning Program- Research Seminar series September 29, 2023. With Professor Neda Moayerian, University of Tehran and Cathy Grimes, Graduate School, Virginia Tech, “The Arts and Individual and Collective Agency: A Brazilian Favela Case Study.”

Invited Moderator, Governance and New Technologies symposium: Implications for Health Care Panel, April 6, 2023, Virginia Tech Institute for Society, Culture and the Environment.

Invited speaker, United States Department of State Iraqi University Capacity Building Initiative, University of Tikrit, Lecture and Discussion with faculty program participants, “Reflections on the Process of Publication in Academic Journals and Human Research Program Principles and Organization,” June 15, 2022.

Appointed Distinguished Faculty Mentor, for the 7th International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR) International PhD Seminar in Montréal on July 10-12, 2022. The PhD Seminar is scheduled immediately prior to the [15th ISTR International Conference](#) in Montréal July 12-15, 2022 (July 9-11). Fifty students are accepted for the Program.

Invited speaker, University of Virginia School of Architecture, “Remarks on the opening of the *Maré from the Inside* exhibit,” March 25, 2022, Charlottesville, VA as part of a panel of 3 invited speakers.

Invited Speaker, Virginia Tech ASPECT PhD program Book Event to present/discuss *Maré from the Inside: Arts, Culture and Politics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*, Editor with Nicholas Barnes and Desiree Poets. Blacksburg, VA: Virginia Tech Publishing, 2021. With Desiree Poets, Molly Todd and Andreza Jorge.

Invited Speaker, Foreign Policy Association 2022 Great Decisions series, “Myanmar, Human Rights and Democracy,” March 9, 2022. Sponsored by the Virginia Tech Life- Long Learning Institute and the Montgomery County, VA Chapter of the League of Women Voters. 54 participants.

Invited Speaker, Argentinian Fulbright Program, VT Language and Culture Institute, “Race and Democratic Political Agency,” September 15, 2021.

Invited Workshop Facilitator, “The Academic Publication Process,” for University of Mosul (Iraq) faculty, May 6, 2021, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and administered by the Virginia Tech Language and Culture Institute.

Invited speaker and workshop facilitator, “Teaching Teamwork: Helping Students Collaborate Effectively,” for Virginia Tech Language and Culture Institute Faculty Leadership and Management Professional Development Program for 21 visiting Saudi Electronic University Deans, Vice Deans, Department Chairs and Faculty Members, June 26, 2019.

Speaker, panel moderator and participant, “Conference on Innovative and Transformational Ideas to Improve the Development and Policy Response to Forced Displacement,” Virginia Tech Language and Culture Institute, Office of Outreach and International Affairs, Center for International Research, Education and Development and School of Public and International Affairs, June 4-7, 2019, Blacksburg and Arlington, Va.

Speaker, Information, Trust and Society Workshop, Integrated Security Destination Area, Virginia Tech, October 3, 2018.

Invited/Sponsored participant, “Exploring Civic, Social and Business Entrepreneurship,” Tom Tom Forum, Charlottesville, Va., September 22, 2017.

Invited participant, “Impacts of Refugees and IDP’s on Host Communities,” World Bank Conference and Policy Forum, Global Knowledge Partnership on Migration and Development (KNOWMAD), Washington, D.C., June 1-2, 2017.

Invited panelist/speaker, “Restoring Trust in Government in a Time of Complex Governing Challenges,” Virginia Tech School of Public and International Affairs Ridenour Symposium, March 24, 2017.

“Philanthropic Leadership: Exploring Opportunities in Uncertain Times,” The Center on Philanthropy and Public Policy, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California. January 27-28, 2010.

Invited speaker, “Best Practices for Sport for Peace-Preliminary Research Results,” International Olympic Committee International Forum on Sport for Peace and Development, Lausanne, Switzerland. May 7-8, 2009.

Speaker, “Building a more Effective United Nations: Opportunities for the Obama Administration,” Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C. April 23, 2009.

Invited participant, National Summit on the Creation of a United States Peace Academy, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. All invited participants engaged in the design process through a process of appreciative inquiry. March 1-4, 2009.

Speaker, “Passing the Baton: Foreign Policy Challenges and Opportunities Facing the New Administration” Washington, D.C., January 8, 2009.

Monitoring and Evaluation of Disaster Risk Management workshop. ProVention Consortium, World Bank, Council of Europe Development Bank. Davos, Switzerland. August 26-27, 2008.

World Economic Forum Humanitarian Relief Initiative Forum. Franklin Lakes, N. J. An international planning forum to develop a specific strategy for World Forum activity and research for humanitarian relief. June 23, 2008.

Foundations for Peace Network. Victim Empowerment and the Contribution to Peacebuilding conference. Belfast, Northern Ireland. May 22, 2008.

Ways of Knowing Workshop, Alexandria, Va. Presenter. A national workshop to probe the theoretical possibilities around the topic of ways of knowing. May 18-19, 2007

Disaster Risk Management: Taking Lessons from Evaluation conference, Council of Europe Development Bank, World Bank and Inter-American Development Bank, Paris, France. November 20-21, 2006.

Humanitarian Impact annual conference, “Evidence of Impact: Challenges and New Directions,” The Fritz Institute, Sebastopol Calif. Discussion leader. May 19-20, 2006

Disasters: Prevention and Mitigation, A Global Conference. Harvard University School of Public Health. Cambridge, Mass. April 26-28, 2006.

Panel Organizer/Discussant

Invited Judge, Virginia Tech 2023 Dennis Dean Undergraduate Research Conference, For 3 Policy-related papers, April 28, 2023.

Invited Judge, Virginia Tech 2022 Dennis Dean Undergraduate Research Conference, For 5 Policy-related papers, April 29, 2022.

Invited panelist, Virginia Tech Graduate School Faculty Panel Discussion on Graduate Student Expectations (4 faculty members) open to all Virginia Tech graduate students, September 1, 2021.

Moderator, for panel, “SDGs in Practice: Experiences that Contribute to their Achievement,” 4 papers, *International Society for Third Sector Research*, 14th international conference, July 12-15, 2021, July 12, 2021.

Invited panelist, “Exploring the Ethical Politics of Storytelling in Communities of Struggle for social Change,” With Professors Kim Niewolny and Robert Leonard and Shannon Turner of Story Muse, April 7, 2021.

Invited Judge, Graduate Student Association Annual Research conference, for Virginia Tech Policy Destination area + Policy potential award papers, March 23-24, 2021. Three papers.

Discussant and Panel member, “Politics of Food Security and Nutrition,” with Roger Thurow, Senior Fellow, Chicago Council on Global Affairs, Global Food and Agriculture, Blacksburg, Virginia. September 16, 2019.

Moderator, “Gun Powder: Campus Voices when the Dust Settles,” panel discussion organized by Virginia Tech Ph.D. Student Diversity Scholar Lehi Dowell, Virginia Tech Graduate School. April 2, 2019.

Discussant, “Mobilization in Latin America and the Caribbean,” for the 77th Annual Midwest Political Science Association annual conference, April 4-7, 2019, Chicago, Illinois. April 6, 2019.

Invited panelist and facilitator for Virginia Tech Language and Culture Institute Faculty Leadership and Management Professional Development Program for 24 visiting Saudi Electronic University Deans, Vice Deans and Department Chairs. July 23, 2018.

Invited member for Virginia Tech Graduate School panel on mentoring for visiting faculty and leaders from the Universidad San Francisco de Quito in Quito, Ecuador. June 27, 2018.

Invited discussant for panel, “Haiti: Development Prospects and Perils,” for Mozaiko: A Global Living Learning Community, March 30, 2018. With Laura Zanotti and Junior Beauvais.

Invited judge for College of Architecture and Urban Studies Annual Research Symposium, Graduate student research poster competition, March 16, 2018.

Invited discussant, Aging in Place in the New River Valley (a panel sponsored by the Virginia Tech Policy Strategic Growth initiative), March 14, 2018.

Invited judge for College of Architecture and Urban Studies, Selection committee for King Architecture medal for Graduate Student Project Excellence, 2016, 2017.

Invited judge for College of Architecture and Urban Studies Annual Research Symposium, Graduate student research poster competition, March 14, 2017.

Panel moderator/discussant, “NGOs and Globalization,” 12th International Conference, International Society for Third Sector Research, June 28-July 1, 2016. June 30, 2016.

Invited judge for College of Architecture and Urban Studies Bi-Annual Research Symposium, Graduate student research poster competition, February 25, 2016.

Invited panel speaker, “Ethics, Values and Justice,” Virginia Tech Institute for Society Culture and the Environment, Applied Ethics Initiative, April 22, 2015.

Discussant for four papers, “Critical Ecologies: Digital Habitats, Material Governance and Global Inequalities,” Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical and Cultural Thought Annual Conference. Blacksburg, Va. “Geopolitics from the Colonial to the Contemporary Era.” March 21-22, 2014.

Invited judge for College of Architecture and Urban Studies 50th Anniversary Research Symposium, Graduate student research poster competition, March 18, 2014.

Faculty Commentator, “Trauma in Translation: The Case of Haiti for Global Mental Health,” for the South Atlantic Humanities Workshop, Virginia Tech-University of Virginia (College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences and College/Graduate School of Arts and Sciences), January 31, 2014.

Moderator and commentator, “Hannah Arendt in Jerusalem: The Banality of Evil and the Politics of Responsibility,” sponsored by the Virginia Tech Ph.D. Program: Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical and Cultural Thought. November 19, 2013.

Invited panel commentator, “What are the Most pressing Social Justice Issues Facing people in the South Atlantic?” South Atlantic Humanities Colloquium, Virginia Tech-University of Virginia. May 3, 2013.

Invited panel moderator, “Displacement, Citizenship and Alterity,” South Atlantic Humanities Colloquium, Virginia Tech-University of Virginia. May 3, 2013.

Panel Organizer: “Assessing the Prospects for Democratization in Context.” Virginia Tech School of Public and International Affairs Ridenour Symposium: Governing Possibilities, Possibilities of Governance, April 26, 2013.

Also provided a presentation aimed at framing the field and challenges confronting democratization efforts.

Panel discussant, Virginia Tech School of Public and International Affairs Ridenour Symposium, Character and Possibilities for Resilience. With Laura Zanotti. April 22, 2012.

Invited panelist, “Democratic Accountability in Nonprofit/Nongovernmental Organizations,” at the American Society for Public Administration national conference, Denver, Co. March 31-April 4, 2006.

Outreach, Service and Community Work

Keynote and other addresses

Virginia Tech +Policy Network Policy Camp Faculty/Presenter/Co-Organizer, August 19, 2024.

Virginia Tech +Policy Network Policy Camp Faculty/Presenter/Co-Organizer, August 14, 2023.

Invited Lecture, “Lessons from Myanmar for Human Rights and Democracy,” for the Foreign Policy Association Great Decisions Series sponsored by the Virginia Tech Life-Long Learning Institute and Montgomery County, VA Chapter of the League of Women Voters. March 9, 2022.

Invited speaker, Rhizome Living Learning Community, College of Architecture and Urban Studies, “Considering Political Agency and Community Change,” September 8, 2021.

Invited lecture, “Deep Stories, Democracy and Agency,” for Symposium on Democracy, Athens Institute for Education and Research, July 13-17, 2020, Athens, Greece. Canceled due to COVID-19.

Keynote speaker, “Reflections on Human Empathy and Empathetic Leadership,” for James D. McComas Staff Leadership seminar, Virginia Tech. Blacksburg, Va. March 27, 2019.

Invited speech, “Nuclear Negotiations,” for the Great Issues Discussion series of the United States Foreign Policy Association, sponsored by Blacksburg, Virginia Chapter of the League of Women Voters and Virginia Tech Lifelong Learning Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia. February 27, 2019.

Keynote speaker, “Exploring Leadership as Ethical Practice: The Role of Imagination and Wonder,” for VALIDATE: Health Researchers 2nd Annual Conference, November 5-7, 2018 (sponsored by the Jenner Institute, Oxford University). York, England. November 5, 2018.

Discussant/leader, “Methodologies of the Human Condition: Story Making as Cultural work: Exploring Ontological Politics and Social Change in Communities of Struggle,” for Virginia Tech Advancing the Human Condition Symposium, Roundtable. Blacksburg, Va. November 28, 2017.

Panelist/speaker, “Sustainable Economics: Binary Economics and the Beloved Community,” for Virginia Tech Advancing the Human Condition Symposium, November 30, 2017.

Keynote speaker, “Reflections on Capacity Building and Community Change,” For the Global Leadership, Empowerment and Diversity Summit, October 18-19, 2017, Arlington, Va. October 18, 2017.

Keynote speaker, “Nonprofit Board Governance, Context, Challenges and Possibilities,” for the Nonprofit Roundtable/Make a Mark, Roanoke, Va. January 9, 2017.

Featured program speaker, “Blacksburg and the Arts,” Blacksburg Economic Development Partnership. October 9, 2014

Featured Speaker, “Building Communities Through the Arts,” Southern Virginia Higher Education Center Leadership through the Arts regional conference, South Boston, Va. June 4, 2008.

Speaker, “Community Development and Information Technology,” the Redwood Technology Consortium symposium, Virginia Tech. October 24, 2005. With Anne Moore.

Commentator, by invitation, Virginia Tech Department of Theater Arts experimental theater production, April 15, 2005.

Keynote Speaker, Virginia Community Social Service Directors Annual Conference,

Carroll County, Va. June 6, 2004.

Keynote Speaker, Virginia Tech Honors Community Annual Banquet, April 2004

Member/representative

Boards

Member, National advisory group for planning the future of the Community Arts Network and Art in the Public Interest, 2009-2010.

Appointed member (by the University Senior Vice President and Provost) to the Advisory Board of the Virginia Tech Center for Peace Studies and Violence and Prevention. August 2008-October 2010

Member, Board of Directors, Virginia Network of Nonprofit Organizations, July 2006-October 2009.

Chair, Board Development Committee-April 2008-October 2009.

Member, Public Policy Committee, July 2006-2009

Chair, Public Policy Committee, 2009

Member, Institute for Advanced Learning and Research, Danville, Va.: Community Development and Outreach Advisory Board, 2005-2008.

Member, Board of Trustees, Visiting Homemakers Service of Monongalia County, West Virginia 1987-1989.

Member, Board of Trustees, Monongalia County Easter Seals Society of West Virginia, 1987-1989.

Member, West Virginia Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration Governing Board, 1984-1989.

Member, Charlottesville Housing Foundation Governing Board, 1980-1984.

Committees/Studios

Appointed member of Virginia Tech (University) Promotion and Tenure Committee by Executive Vice President and Provost as representative of College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, 2024-2027.

Appointed member of College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences administrative review committee for Yannis Stivachtis, Director, Center for European Union, Transatlantic, and Trans-European Space Studies, 2023-2024.

Invited/Appointed Chair, Virginia Tech +Policy Network, Research Committee, 2022-.

Appointed member, College of Architecture and Urban Studies, Virginia Tech Graduate Student Mentoring Training Workshop, January 10-11, 2022.

Appointed member of Virginia Tech (University) Promotion and Tenure Committee by Provost as representative of College of Architecture and Urban Studies, 2020-2022.

Invited member of Fulbright Scholars Selection Committee, Virginia Tech Honors College, 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025.

Appointed member of College of Architecture and Urban Studies Leadership Advisory Group, 2018-2022.

Appointed member of School of Public and International Affairs Executive Committee, 2018-present.

Appointed member of VT School of Public and International Affairs Planning, Governance and Globalization Doctoral program admissions committee, 2017-

Invited member of Fulbright Scholars Selection Committee, Virginia Tech, Office of the Vice President for Outreach and International Affairs, 2019-2020.

Invited/appointed member University Committee on Diversity and Inclusion. 2019-present.

Invited/Appointed Co-Chair, Virginia Tech Policy Strategic Growth Area Steering Committee, Subcommittee on Outreach, 2019.

Invited/Appointed Member School of Public and International Affairs Ad hoc Committee for Promotion and Tenure Guidelines Revision, Fall 2018.

Invited/appointed member, Virginia Tech Policy Destination Area Steering Committee, 2018-present.

Member and Chairperson, School of Public and International Affairs Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2017-2019.

Appointed member of Virginia Tech Institute for Society, Culture and Environment 7-year review committee for Virginia Tech Center for Public Health Practice and Research, 2017.

Invited Member of Virginia Tech Fulbright Scholars Selection Committee, Ph.D. Fellowship, 2015, 2016, 2017.

Invited Member of Fulbright Scholars Selection Committee, 2014-2015, Virginia Tech Honors program.

Member/Evaluator, Virginia Tech School of Public and International Affairs Selection committee for Ridenour Fellowship Research Grants Competition, March 2014.

Member/Evaluator, Virginia Tech College of Architecture and Urban Studies and Graduate School Research Conference Posters, March 18, 2014.

Member, School of Public and International Affairs Select Committee on the Creation of a Nonprofit Management Master's Degree, February 2014-2016
Member of Virginia Tech Pamplin Scholars Selection Committee, 2013.

Member of Virginia Tech Honors Program Finalist Selection Committee 1956 Sophomore Scholarship, 2013, February 2013.

Judge, Virginia Tech Office of Diversity and Inclusion annual poster and essay contest, for New River Valley and Roanoke Valley public schools, Grades K-12, January 2013.

Co-Chair, Virginia Tech Institute for Creativity, Arts and Technology, Interact Studio, 2012-2013

Member by appointment, Steering committee to prepare the Long-Range Plan for the Office of Outreach and International Affairs, 2012-2016, "The Globally Engaged University." October 2011-March 2012.

Member by appointment, ASPECT doctoral program executive committee, 2011-2014.

Member, by appointment, Virginia Tech Presidential Task Force to develop the university's long-range plan, February 2011-March 2012.

Subcommittee co-chair, by appointment, "Tomorrow's Scholars," Virginia Tech presidential task force to develop long-range plan, July 2011-March 2012.

Member, Vice President for Outreach and International Affairs Advisory Group to assist the Christiansburg Institute (CI) (VT-CI Partnership), 2009-present.

Member, Urban Affairs and Planning Program Diversity Committee, 2009-2012.

Member, Selection Committee, University Honors Program, for Class of 1956 Fellowship, 2012-2013.

Subcommittee co-chair, "Building on Strengths and Fostering Innovation" by appointment, Virginia Tech presidential task force to develop long-range plan, February-July 2011.

Member, Selection Committee, University Honors Program, for Class of 1954 Fellowship (for travel/study), 2009-2010.

Member, Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical and Cultural Thought (ASPECT) Doctoral Program Outreach Committee, Virginia Tech, 2008-2010.

Member, by appointment, National Urban Policy Advisory committee to Senator Barack Obama, July-November 2008.

Member, by appointment, National Civic Engagement Policy Advisory Committee to Senator Barack Obama, July-November 2008.

Member, elected, School of Public and International Affairs, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2007-2009.

Member, appointed, Virginia Tech President's Committee for Virginia Bioinformatics Institute, Five-year Review Evaluation: Next Steps, 2007-2008.

Representative, College of Architecture and Urban Studies, Virginia Tech Transportation Institute stakeholders committee, 2006-2007.

Member, Selection committee, Virginia Tech C.T. Tate Award for Distinguished Student in the Cooperative Studies Program, 2006.

Member, elected, and chairperson, School of Public and International Affairs Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2005-2006.

Member, College committee to review five-year performance of Landscape Architecture Chair, 2004-2005.

Member, School of Public and International Affairs Executive Committee, 2003-2005, 2006-2007, 2009-2015.

Member, Virginia Tech Truman Scholarship selection committee, 2000, 2003, 2005.

Member, Center for Public Administration and Policy search committees, 2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2005-2006.

Member, Virginia Tech University committee on Academic Policies, 2002-2007. Chairman, Urban Affairs and Planning faculty search committee, 2002-2003.

University Commissions/Governing Bodies

Member, elected, Virginia Tech Commission on Outreach and International Affairs, for College of Architecture and Urban Studies, 2007-2010.

Virginia Tech Distance Learning Program Council. 2009-2014.

Advisory boards/groups

Advisory Board member, College of Architecture, Arts and Design Rhizome Living Learning Community, 2019-present.

Faculty advisor, for Community Change Collaborative interdisciplinary graduate student organization addressing community change processes, 2010-present.

Faculty advisor, *Community Change Journal*, a graduate student-managed academic journal, 2016-present.

Member, advisory/visioning group for Virginia Tech Institute for Society, Culture and the Environment, 2007-2008.

Outreach Advisory Council Member, Institute for Advanced Learning and Research, Danville, Va. 2005-2008.

Other organizations

Member, Blacksburg Community Post-April 16 Community Group: Honoring Experiences, Reflections and Expressions (HERE), June 2007-June 2008.

Member, Virginia Network of Nonprofit Organizations Research and Advocacy Task Force, 2005-2006.

Leadership

Faculty Leader, Virginia Graduate Scholars Society seminar, “Violence and Peacebuilding.” Spring 2008.

Panel participation, presentations

Invited presentation of the *Inside Maré* exhibit in Newman Library to 26 College of Architecture and Urban Studies Rhizome Living Learning Community students, August 25, 2021. With Desiree Poets and Henrique Gomes.

Invited panelist for “Exploring the Ethical Politics of Storytelling in Communities of Struggle for Social Change,” April 7, 2021. With Kim Niewolny, Robert Leonard and Shannon Turner.

Research Presentation, International Refugee Research Workshop, “Democratizing the Refugee Regime Complex,” October 26-27, 2017. With Emily-Barry Murphy.

Two 3-hour presentations to the U.S. Department of State Mandela (African) Civic Leadership Fellows. June 23, July 28, 2016. By invitation.

Workshop on writing for public audiences and using social media for School of Public and International Affairs and Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical, and Cultural Thought (ASPECT) graduate students, February 12, 2016. With Catherine Grimes and James Dubinsky.

Presentation on leadership and mentoring to 6 visiting members of the Iraqi Kurdistan Rural Partnership Program. Virginia Tech Language and Culture Institute. August 1, 2014.

Presenter, Professional Ethics, Education and Pedagogy, College of Natural Resources and the Environment graduate seminar, “Writing for Scholarly and Diverse Audiences,” April 30, 2014.

Invited book presentation of *Building Walls and Dissolving Borders: The Challenges of Alterity, Community and Securitizing Space* (Surrey, UK: Ashgate Publishers, 2013) at the Virginia Tech Visible Scholarship Initiative. March 4, 2014. With Laura Zanotti.

Interviewer for public radio program, *Talk at the Table* (WUVT FM). Interviewee: Dudley Cocke, Artistic Director, Roadside Theater. Broadcast January 26, 2014.

Interviewer for public radio program, *Talk at the Table* (WUVT FM). Interviewee: Robert Ashford, Professor, College of Law, Syracuse University, concerning “Binary Economics” Broadcast November 7, 2013.

Lecture presenter, “American Civil Society in Governance,” to Visiting Turkish Governors, Language and Culture Institute, Virginia Tech. September 26, 2013.

Facilitator, discussion for South Atlantic Humanities Fellowship Colloquium, on the film *Planet of Snail*. April 26, 2013.

Facilitator, discussion for South Atlantic Humanities Fellowship Colloquium, on the film, *For My Father*. March 22, 2013.

Facilitator, discussion for South Atlantic Humanities Fellowship Colloquium, on the film, *Sin Nombre*. February 15, 2013.

Presenter, “Forms of Resilience,” School of Public and International Affairs, Distressed Cities: Ridenour Faculty Fellowship Conference 2012. April 12, 2012. With Laura Zanotti, Laura Jensen, Yang Zhang and Kevin De Souza.

Invited presenter, “Promoting Peace and Development through NGOs: Liberal Myth or Route to Emancipation?” for Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical, and Cultural Thought program Working Papers Series 2011. October 18, 2011. With Laura Zanotti.

Research presentation, “Building Inter-sectoral Partnerships: What does it take?” University of Fondwa, Fondwa, Haiti. May 18, 2011.

Presentation, “Promoting the Liberal Peace in Post-Conflict Scenarios: The Case of Women in Black-Serbia,” for the College of Architecture and Urban Studies Research Symposium, March 14, 2011. With Laura Zanotti.

Moderator/facilitator, by invitation, for participants’ panel for International Summit on Transdisciplinary Approaches to Violence Prevention, Virginia Tech Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention, November 12, 2010.

Research presentation, “Building Cross Sector Partnerships: Process and Possibility” to Nigerian Governing Board of National Commission for Colleges of Education, Abuja. November 10, 2010.

Research presentation, “Accountability and Higher Education Administration,” to Nigerian Governing Board of National Commission for Colleges of Education, Abuja, and executive officers of University of Abuja. August 5, 2010.

Research presentation, “Accountability and Public Administration,” to visiting group (to Virginia Tech) of Nigerian government officials, December 4, 2009.

Research paper presentation, “Nature, Place and Imagination: Exploring the Imaginaries of Environmental and Ecological Justice,” Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical, and Cultural Thought program Working Papers Series 2009. October 27, 2009.

Featured guest, community leadership, on public radio program *Talk at the Table* (WUVT FM), hosted by Andrew Morikawa. June 14, 2009.

Featured speaker, “Environmental Justice and Community,” School of Public and International Affairs graduate student colloquium, October 17, 2008.

Panelist, “Leadership, the Arts and Social Imaginaries.” For Imagining America National Conference, Layers of Place, Movements of People: Public Engagement in a Diverse America, hosted by the Center for Diversity and Democracy, University of Southern California. Los Angeles, Ca. October 5, 2008. With Ann Kilkelly and others.

Invited poster competition judge, Virginia Tech Outreach NOW annual conference, September 8, 2008

Research paper presentation, “Exploring the Challenges and Prospects for Polycentricity in International Humanitarian Relief,” for the Virginia Tech College of Architecture and Urban Studies Biennial Research Symposium, March 12, 2008. With Marcy Schnitzer.

Invited commentator, Virginia Tech ASPECT Doctoral Program Papers Series, for Scott Nelson (Department of Political Science), “Any Given We,” January 30, 2008.

Invited panelist, “Thinking through University-Community Relationships: Partnerships that have Worked and Why,” for the Virginia Tech Outreach NOW annual conference. September 24, 2007.

Panelist, Research Forum, “Freedom versus Security in America,” Roanoke Higher Education Center, May 4, 2007.

Poster presentation, “Improving Collaborative Decision-making and Community Capacity through Fire Learning Networks,” Virginia Tech Deans’ Symposium on the Environment. February 2007. With Bruce Goldstein, Bruce Hull, Curt Gervich and William Butler.

Roundtable presenter, Center for Public Administration and Policy,

“Acculturation to Faculty Life: Your First Appointment,” April 6, 2007. With Lisa Schweitzer.

“Development of Future Faculty,” January 28, 2006.

“Major Trends affecting the Nonprofit Sector,” November 4, 2005.

Invited principal presenter, Carilion Foundation: Conference for Regional Nonprofits and Foundation Grantees. Roanoke, Va. Fall 2006.

Invited presenter, “A Capsule Portrait of Significant Trends in Virginia Higher Education: Past and Present,” for the Community Roundtable Series, Institute for Advanced Learning and Research. March 23, 2006.

Invited presenter, EDP Student Earth Day Symposium on Disaster Relief and Planning. April 1, 2005.

Invited presenter, “Social Networks and Community Change: a Contagion Model of Community Change,” Institute for Advanced Learning and Research. February 3, 2005.

Presenter, “The Role of Trust and Boundary Spanning Behavior in Humanitarian Assistance Coordination,” for the Virginia Tech College of Architecture and Urban Studies Research Symposium, February 1, 2005. With Marcy Schnitzer.

Organizer/facilitator

October 2-6, 2022, *Capacity Building Workshops* for University of Fondwa, Haiti Dean of Agronomy and Provost at Virginia Tech in leadership/university governance, financial management and food systems. Arranged with Professor Laura Zanotti, Department of Political Science. Led workshop on leadership and governance with Professor Zanotti and Andy Morikawa on October 3, 2022.

September 29-October 2, 2022. The Frontera Project workshops and play production organized with Tijuana Hace Teatro and Jessica Bauman. The Frontera Project is an interactive, bilingual theater experience, created and performed by a company of Mexican and US artists who use theater, music, movement and play to engage audiences actively in a compassionate, often joyous conversation about life at the US/Mexico Border. I organized fundraising and coordinated logistics for the company’s visit and partnered with Professor Robert Leonard to organize the performance of the play on October 1, 2022 at Virginia Tech.

Co-organizer with Nicholas Barnes and Desiree Poets, *Maré from the Inside* multimedia exhibition for Newman Library at Virginia Tech, April 19, 2021-September 30, 2021.

Facilitator/Co-organizer, National Nonprofit Congress and Virginia Network of Nonprofit Organizations (VANNO), “Regional Town Hall meeting for Nonprofit Organizations,” April 7, 2008. Cosponsored by Virginia Tech Institute for Policy and Governance, VANNO, Community Foundation of the New River Valley and Town of Blacksburg, Va.

Facilitator, Nonprofit Congress, Town Hall meeting, 2006. Roanoke, Va. September 21, 2006.

Moderator, Nonprofit Congress Town Hall meeting, 2006, Emory, Va. September 28, 2006.

Professional Organizations

Academic Council of the United Nations System

Academy of Management

American Education Research Association

American Planning Association
American Political Science Association
American Society for Public Administration
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management
Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action
Athens Institute for Education and Research
European Union Studies Association
International Society for Third Sector Research
International Sociological Association (ISA) ISA-RC 07
International Studies Association
Midwest Political Science Association
Sustainable Agricultural Education Association

Academic courses developed

Graduate

Philosophy of the Social Sciences PhD seminar, Charity, Philanthropy and Society, Africa and Development (with Brett Shadle, History, ASPECT PhD seminar); NGOs and International Development, Arts, Culture and Society (in collaboration with Robert Leonard of Theater Arts); Nonprofit Organization Management; Nonprofit Organization Leadership and Governance; Context of Public Administration; Capstone in Public Management; United States Policy Process, Network Governance; Learning, Teaching and the Role of Higher Education in Democratic Society; Policy and Democratic Theory; Epistemological Foundations for Social Inquiry; Planning Theory and History, Policy-making in the Federal System; Policy Development, Nonprofit Law and Ethics, Development, Security and the Politics of International Intervention (with Laura Zanotti, Political Science, ASPECT PhD seminar); Decolonization/Decoloniality/Entangled Ontologies (with Desiree Poets and Laura Zanotti, Political Science, ASPECT PhD seminar)

Undergraduate

Leadership and Public Service, Policy Implementation, Public Policy Process, Policy-making in the Federal System, Theories of Organization, Democracy and Civic Virtue (Honors Seminar), Democracy and the Public Service (Honors Seminar), Capstone in Public and Urban Affairs, The Washington Semester: Four integrated courses: Politics, Policy and Administration in a Democracy; Seminar in American Politics and Public Policy; Seminar in Political Institutions; Field Study; International Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding (with Laura Zanotti, Political Science)

Post-Doctoral Fellows Mentored

Lyusyena Kirakosyan 2013-2014
Neda Moayerian 2020-2022
Andrea Briceno-Mosquera 2023-2024 (With Sharon Mastracci)
Huang Yingxuan 2015-2016
Yun Yun Chen 2015-2016

Co-Doctoral Mentor

Aziz Ardic (Philosophy, University of Istanbul), 2023-2024

Graduate students mentored

Ph.D.

Committee chair, current

Alhadyan, Shahed, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Dowell, Lehi, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Farzaneh, Amin, Planning Governance and Globalization

Firouzi, Armin, ASPECT

Ginn, Jon Catherwood, Planning, Governance and

Globalization

Grove, Benjamin, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Montgomery, Cheryl, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Naghbizadeh, Sara, ASPECT

Pambo, Marcel, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Sehat, Helya, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Stephens, Brad, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Committee chair, past

2023

Todd, Molly, ASPECT

2021

David Moore, Public Administration and Public Affairs, Co-Chair with Robin Lemaire

Carmen Boggs-Parker, Planning, Governance and Globalization

2020

Berrada, Nada ASPECT

Cranwell, Lindy, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Neda Moayerian, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Danny White, Planning, Governance and Globalization

2019

Sarah Lyon-Hill, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Jared (Jake) Keyel, Planning, Governance and Globalization

2018

Kristin Kirk, Planning, Governance and Globalization

2017

Anna Erwin, Planning, Governance and Globalization, Edward A. Bouchet Graduate Honor
Society Awardee

2016

Aleyao, Maurice Binioube, Planning Governance and Globalization

Back, Donald, Planning, Governance and Globalization

2015

Barry-Murphy, Emily, Winner: Boren Fellowship, 2010-2011. Winner: Founding GIA Faculty
Award for Outstanding Graduating Student, Governance and Globalization Track, 2014-
2015, Winner: School of Public and International Affairs Richard Zody Outstanding
Dissertation award, 2016.

Thomas, Marc, (Chair with Craig Brians-deceased), Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical and Cultural Thought (ASPECT)

2014

Hodges, Eric, Planning, Governance and Globalization, Winner: Founding GIA Faculty Award for Outstanding Graduating Ph.D. Student, Governance and Globalization Track, 2013-2014.

Yavarovsky, Bart, Planning, Governance and Globalization

2013

Arroyave, Veronica, Planning, Governance and Globalization, Winner: Think Swiss Fellowship, 2007, Winner: School of Public and International Affairs, Richard E. Zody Outstanding Dissertation Award, 2013-2014.

Al-Daily, Wafa (co-chair), Planning, Governance and Globalization, Winner: AAUW Fellowship, 2009-2010

Brink-Halloran, Brendan, Planning, Governance and Globalization, Winner: Virginia Tech Graduate School, Graduate Student Service Excellence Award, 2011

Christensen, Rachel. Planning, Governance and Globalization, Winner: Founding GIA Faculty Award for Outstanding Graduating Ph.D. Student, Governance and Globalization Track, 2013, ARNOVA Emerging Scholar award, 2014

Kirakosyan, Lyusyena, ASPECT, Winner, 2013 ASPECT program Outstanding Dissertation Award; named "Future Leader in the Field," ARNOVA, 2011.

2012

Blake, Damion (co-chair) ASPECT, Winner: Social Science Research Council Dissertation Fellowship (Latin American Security, Drugs and Democracy Fellowship Program) 2011-2012

Sanderlin, Nicole, Planning, Governance and Globalization

Tate, Scott, ASPECT, Winner: Best Dissertation, ASPECT Program, 2012

2010

Boshoff, Brian, EDP Planning

Cooper, Tracy L., Planning, Governance and Globalization

Gervich, Curt (co-chair), Environmental Design and Planning (EDP), 2010, Winner: Toyota-Audubon Dissertation Fellowship

Rosbach, Derren, Planning, Governance and Globalization, Co-winner: Richard E. Zody Outstanding Dissertation Award, VT-SPIA, 2010-2011

Schnitzer, Marcy, Planning, Governance and Globalization, Co-winner: Richard E. Zody Outstanding Dissertation Award, VT-SPIA, 2010-2011

2008

Reany, Candace, Environmental Design and Planning

2007

Poley, Lisa, Environmental Design and Planning, Winner: VT-SPIA Richard E. Zody Outstanding Dissertation Award, 2007-2008

2004

Kirk, Gary, Environmental Design and Planning

Ph.D.

Committee Chair: 44

Current, 11

Completed, 33

Committee member, 38

Current, 2 students

Completed, 36 students

Total Doctoral Chair and Member, 82

Master's

Committee chair, current

Budzevski, Leeann, MURP

Committee chair, past

2020

Mahdu, Samantha, MURP

2018

Ayakwah, Henry, MURP

Corso, Nathan, MPIA-MIP, Government and International Affairs, Founding Faculty Award

Huarhua, Jenny MURP

Olberding, Beth, MURP-MIP, Outstanding Master's Thesis award, Master of Urban and Regional Planning

2017

Haas, Kristin MPIA

Patterson, Natalie MURP

2016

Berrada, Nada MPIA

Halvorson-Fried, Sarah MURP

Jonson, Sarah A. MPIA-MIP

2015

Burke, Patrick, MURP-MIP

2014

Pontius, Jackie, MURP

2012

Erickson, Julie, MURP-MIP

Hill-Lyon, Sarah, MURP-MIP, Outstanding Second Year MURP Student, 2012

Shroyer, Michael, MURP

2011

Barry-Murphy, Emily, MPIA Outstanding Ethic of Service, Second Year Students, MPIA Program, 2012, Boren Fellow, 2010-2011

Blummer, Tracie, MURP, Selected for Teach for America

Owens, Josh, MURP-MIP

Prater, Devon, MURP

2010

Chop, Julie, MURP

2009

Frane, Alexander, MURP

Grohs, Courtney, MURP

Hallberg, Basil, MURP

Wickham, Leah, MURP

2007

Fisher, Ryan, MPA

Lanham, Kate, MURP, Outstanding Second Year MURP Student 2007

Palmore, Amanda, MPA

Parajuli, Krishna, MURP

2006

Moore, David, MPA

2005

Bachman, Robin, MPA

Barrett, Diane, MPA

Bickel-Carton, Jody, MPIA

Fu, Catherine MPIA

Kehler, Nicole, MPIA

Manilla, Marko, MPIA

Materna, Jane, MPIA

Moore, Kirsten, MURP

Plotnikova, Maria, MURP

2004

Hart, Natalie, MPIA

Smith, William, MUA

Trilling, Andree, MPIA

2003

Grunden, James, MPIA

1999

Riley, Beryl, MUA

1998

Basham, Bernadette, MURP

1997

McLeod, Michael, MUA

1995

DiBiase, Brian, MUA

1994

Garvin, Theresa, MUA

Meeson, Deborah, MUA

Romano, Gary, MUA

1993

Chew, Tracy, MUA

Pierce, Jeffrey, MUA

Woods, Tara Conklin, MURP

Committee Chair, 58

Current, 1 student
Past, 57 students
Committee member, 67
Current, 2 students
Past, 67 students
Total Master's Chair and Member, 126
Total Master's and Doctoral Committee Chair: 102
Total Master's and Doctoral Committee Member: 105
Total, all graduate committees: 208

Professional Organizations

Academic Council of the United Nations System
American Education Research Association
American Planning Association
American Political Science Association
American Society for Public Administration/ also
Elected positions, West Virginia State Chapter
Secretary/Treasurer: 1984-1985
Vice President: 1985-1986
President: 1986-1987
Governing Board: 1984-1989
Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management
Athens Institute for Education and Research
European Union Studies Association
International Society for Third Sector Research
International Sociological Association (ISA) ISA-RC 07
International Studies Association
Midwest Political Science Association
Sustainable Agricultural Education Association

Fellowships

United States General Accounting Office, Doctoral Research Fellow, 1983-1984.
E.I. DuPont De Nemours Fellow in Politics, University of Virginia, 1982-1983.
Thomas Jefferson Foundation Fellow in Politics, University of Virginia, 1982-1983.
William Wiley Morton Fellow in Politics, 1982-1983.