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**Education:**

**Ph.D. Miami University**, Oxford, Ohio. 1999.

**M.A. Miami University**, Oxford, Ohio. 1994.

**B.A. The University of Texas at Dallas**. 1992. Summa Cum Laude.

**Research Agenda and Major Works:**

*Ethnic Lobbies and US Foreign Policy*. This project examines the power of ethnic interest groups to influence U.S. foreign policy. Our analysis includes a description of the resource and organizational base of more than 30 ethnic interest groups, an analysis of the geographic concentration and dispersion of ethnic groups, and the rhetorical use of historical events to mobilize ethnic constituencies. Fifty-four political elites were interviewed for this project including members of Congress, their staffers, State Department staffers, and interest group directors. This co-authored book was published by Lynne-Rienner in 2008.

*Mobilizing Diasporas: A Comparative Study of the Political Mobilization of Ethnic Interest Groups in the United States*. This project analyzed the use of historic, religious, and nationalist symbolism in the efforts of Serbian, Armenian, and Kurdish ethnic groups in the United States. In-depth interviews and archival analysis were used to examine the use of group historical memories of genocide, history of a nation-state, and religious symbolism by ethnic elites. Case studies from this project have been published in *Ethnic Identity Groups and U.S. Foreign Policy* and the refereed journal *Nationalism and Ethnic Politics*.

**Teaching Fields:**

**Comparative Politics**

Introduction to Comparative Politics Post-Soviet European Politics

Ethnic Studies and Nationalism Comparative Political Geography

Comparative Political Parties and Party Systems

**International Relations**

World Politics & International Relations Genocide and Global Politics

U.S. Foreign Policy Comparative Foreign Policy

Ethnicity and Nationalism in Global Politics Model United Nations

Political Geography Women in International Relations

**American Politics**

Introduction to American Politics Interest Group Politics

Gender and Politics U.S. Political Parties and Political Behavior

**Interdisciplinary/Cognate Courses**

Introduction to Geography Women’s Studies

International Studies/Global Issues History/Memory Studies in Politics

**Teaching Experience:**

**Senior Instructor/Visiting Assistant Professor.** Western Washington University. Fall 2008 to present. Prepared and instructed Introductory and Honors courses as well as “Women in Politics,” “The Politics of Genocide,” “Comparative Foreign Policy,” and Political Geography.

**Instructor.** Skagit Valley College. Prepared and instructed courses in geography, American politics and international relations and developed and instructed on-line courses in international relations. 2009, 2011, 2014 -2016.

**Visiting Assistant Professor.** Ohio State University, Newark. September 2002 to May 2007. Prepared and instructed courses including “Introduction to Comparative Politics,” “Introduction to American Politics,” “Interdependence and Nationalism in World Politics,” “United States in World Politics,” “Women and Politics,” and “Political Geography.” Advised a student organization for students with children. Also taught “American Foreign Policy” as an adjunct for the Columbus campus of the Ohio State University.

**Adjunct/Faculty Advisor.** Fort Hays State University. August 2001 to July 2002. Prepared and instructed courses in the United Nations and Model UN. Developed and taught a distance-learning course in International Relations through the University’s Virtual College.

**Visiting Assistant Professor**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, August 1999 to May 2001. Prepared and instructed courses entitled “Introduction to International Relations,” “Women and Politics,**”** and **“**Introduction to American Politics.”

**Visiting Lecturer**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, August. 1997 to May 1999.

Prepared and instructed five sections of composition-based introductory courses in international relations.

**Visiting Adjunct,** Millikin University, Decatur, Illinois. January 1999 to December 1999.

Prepared and instructed an upper-division course entitled "Women and Politics" and two general education/international studies courses entitled "The World Today."

**Teaching Doctoral Associate**, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, 1996-1997.

Prepared and instructed two sections of a comparative political analysis course entitled "Modern World Governments."

**Research Interests:**

Ethnicity, Nationalism and Identity Politics

Foreign Policy

Comparative Political Mobilization and Interest Group Politics

Politics of Genocide and Commemoration

American and Comparative Foreign Policy

Feminism, Maternalism and Cross-National Political Mobilization

**Publications:**

*Ethnic Lobbies and US Foreign Policy*. By David M. Paul and Rachel Anderson Paul. 2008. Lynne Rienner Publishers.

“No Place for a Woman: Evidence for Gender Bias in Evaluations of Presidential Candidates.” 2007. *Basic and Applied Social Psychology* 29: 225-233. By Jessi L. Smith, David M. Paul, and Rachel Anderson Paul. (Refereed).

“Forward.” 2006. In *Beyond the Wealth of Nations*. By Emeka Aniagolu. Cleveland: Griot Press.

“Serbian-American Mobilization and Lobbying: The Relevance of Jasenovac and Kosovo to Contemporary Grassroots Efforts in the United States.” 2002*.* In *Ethnic Identity Groups and U.S. Foreign Policy*, Thomas Ambrosio, ed. Westport, Connecticut: Praeger Press.

"Grassroots Mobilization and Diaspora Politics: Armenian Interest Groups and the Role of Collective Memory." *Nationalism & Ethnic Politics* (vol. 6, no. 1, Spring 2000): 24-47.

**Professional Presentations, Activities, Awards and Service:**

Backward By Design. Faculty Instruction Retreat. North Cascades Institute. September 2018.

Kleinknecht Excellence in Teaching Nominee. 2017.

World Issues Forum. Faculty Presentation. Post film discussion (“Sweet Dreams”) on the role of women in reforming economic and political institutions in post genocide Rwanda. May 2016.

Reviewer/Reader. Spring 2010. Departmental Honors Committee : Radical Right Populist Parties in Scandanavia.

Public Lecture: “Women and Human Rights.” Skagit Valley College. January 2009

Distinguished Teaching Award Nominee. The Ohio State University. 2007.

“Geopolitics and Ethnic Mobilization: A Study of Kurdish-American Interest Groups.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago. April 2006.

“An Examination of Political Contributions by Ethnic Political Action Committees.” Presented at the 2005

International Conference on Social Science Research. Orlando. December 2005.

“Explaining the Disappearing Gender Gap in Voter Turnout,” presented with David M. Paul at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago. April 2003.

Faculty Advisor. 2002. Newark Campus Students As Parents Support Group.

"Issue Networks and the Mobilization of Ethnic Interest Groups in the U.S.," presented with David M. Paul at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Atlanta. September, 1999.

"Stateless Nations and Ethnic Mobilization: A Study of the American Kurdish Information Network." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association. Seattle. March, 1999.

"Grassroots Mobilization and Diaspora Politics: Armenian Interest Groups and the Role of Collective Memory." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago. April, 1998.

Attracting Students with Innovative Introductory Political Science Courses. Stipend awarded for roundtable participation at 93rd annual meeting of the American Political Science Association. Washington, D.C. August 1997.

"Women in Eastern Europe: A Comparative Study of the Czech Republic and Romania." Paper presented with Tiffany Petros at the Seventh Biennial Conference on Central and Eastern Europe, The New College of the University of South Florida. Sarasota. April, 1995.

"Australian Foreign Policy in the New World Order: Policy In The Gulf War and Bosnian Crisis." Paper presented at the International Studies Association Midwest Political Science Conference, The Ohio State University. Columbus. October, 1994.

**Manuscript Referee:**

Peer Review Article. *Politics and Religion*. June 2016 and January 2017.

Peer Review Article. *Women, Politics and Policy.* January 2011 and September 2016

Peer Review Article. *International Interactions.*  April 2010.

*Understanding the Political World.* 9th ed. (Longman Press. 2009)

*Beyond the Wealth of Nations. (Griot, 2006)2017*

*The Pursuit of Equality: Women’s Enduring Political Challenge* (Houghton-Mifflin 2000).

*Global Politics In A Changing World* (Houghton-Mifflin 2001).

**NON-ACADEMIC SERVICE**

Soroptimist International/Live Your Dream Scholarship Committee, Oak Harbor

Island County Elections Team

Oak Harbor Schools. Classroom volunteer.

“Mine Plus Nine” Coordinator (GOTV), 2006 Newark City Schools Levy

Clem Reads Literacy Volunteer

Board Member, City of Newark Parks and Recreation Citizens’ Advisory Board

Mothers Aligned for Medical Advocacy

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