

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Personal: Born August 9, 1959 at Dallas, Texas.

TEACHING FIELDS:

American Institutions

- Political Parties and Interest Groups
- The U.S. Presidency
- State Government
- U.S. and Texas Government

Public Policy

- American Public Policy
- Victims' Rights Policy

Public Administration

- Nonprofit Organizations

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

- Domestic Violence Policy for Immigrant Communities
- Coalitional Behavior among Nonprofit and Civic Organizations
- Public-Private Partnerships in Social Service Delivery

EDUCATION:

Ph.D., 1987, Political Science, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky.
Dissertation: The Determinants of and Consequences of Decision Making in State
Legislative Rule Review Committees.

B.A., 1982, Political Science, Pan American University, Edinburg, Texas.

EMPLOYMENT:

Assistant Professor, Political Science Department, Sam Houston State University,
Huntsville, Texas, September 1988 to present.

Tenured in 1992

Visiting Assistant Professor, Political Science Department, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, August 1986-1988.

Instructor, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, 1983-1986.

PUBLICATIONS:

Peer Reviewed Scholarly Journal Articles:

Tamara Waggener and Mitzi Mahoney. "Women's Political Leadership in the Middle East." *ADVANCING WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP*. Forthcoming in Summer 2007.

"Staking Out Territory: An Analysis of Coalition Building Over the Act for Better Child Care," with Stephanie Bellar, *TEXAS JOURNAL OF POLITICAL STUDIES*, Spring/Summer, 1996.

Book Chapters:

"When Powers Collide: School Voucher Politics in Texas." in Maxwell and Crain's *TEXAS GOVERNMENT*, forthcoming in Fall 2007.

"The Texas Pro-Voucher Lobby and their 'Influence Production' Machine" in Maxwell and Crain's *TEXAS GOVERNMENT*, 2005.

"Interest Groups and the CHIP Policy in Texas" in Maxwell and Crain's *TEXAS GOVERNMENT*, 2003.

"The Scientific Method, Collaboration, and Social Science Research" in Dowdey, et. al., *TO RESEARCH, TO READ, TO REASON, TO WRITE, TO REPORT: AN INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH WRITING*. Needham Heights, Massachusetts: Simon and Schuster, 1997.

PAPERS PRESENTED:

"The Impact of Theo Van Gogh's Murder on Family Violence Politics and Policies." Presented at the Southwestern Political Science Association Meeting, April, 2006.

"Local Governments as Innovators in Domestic Violence Policy in The Netherlands." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, April 2006.

"The Texas CHIP Coalition: Monitoring a Reluctant Legislature." The Southern Political Science Association Meeting, January 10, 2004.

“Coalitions of the Willing: The Role of Coalitions in Implementing the Children’s Health Insurance Program in Texas.” The Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April 6, 2003.

“Civic Organizations and their Influence in Stadium Politics.” The Southwest Political Science Association Conference, San Antonio, Texas, April 18, 2003.

“Preparing Students for Advocacy in the Nonprofit Sector.” The Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April, 2002.

“Social Policy and Nonprofit Organizations.” The Southwest Social Science Association Conference. New Orleans, Louisiana, March, 2002.

“Social Capital and Small Communities.” Southeastern Conference of Public Administrators, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, October, 2001.

“Coalition Formation Among Victims’ Rights Organizations.” The Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April, 2000.

“Developing a Research Agenda in Victims’ Rights Policy.” The Southwestern Social Science Association Conference, Galveston, Texas, March, 2000.

“The Implementation of ‘Charitable Choice’ in Texas.” The Southeast Conference of Public Administrators, Pensacola, Florida, January 1999.

“Children’s Health Insurance: A Policy Whose Time Has Come.” The Southwestern Social Science Association Conference, Corpus Christi, Texas, March 1998.

“Knowing My Voice: An Analysis of Minority Status on Women Leaders.” With Stephanie Bellar and Kathie Golden. The Southern Political Science Association Conference, Norfolk, Virginia, November 1997.

“Making Sense of Nonsense: Federal Efforts at Child Care Policy Making.” Tennessee Association for the Education of Young Children, Chattanooga, Tennessee, October 1994.

“Change in the Rural Southwest: The Politics of Health Care.” The Western Social Science Association Conference. Portland, Oregon, April 1990.

“Women’s Groups in Child Care Politics.” with Stephanie Bellar. The Southern Political Association Conference, Memphis, Tennessee, November 1989.

“Child Care Politics: The Dynamics of Agenda Setting.” With Stephanie Bellar. The Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 1989.

“Corporate Interests in Child Care Politics. The Southern Political Science Association Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, November, 1989.

“Interest Group Use of the Legislative Rule Review Process in Three States.” The Southern Political Science Association Conference, Charlotte, North Carolina, November 1987.

“Agency Demands on the Supreme Court.” With Lauren Bowen. The Southwestern Political Science Association Meeting. March, 1987.

“Towards an Empirical Assessment of Judicial Activism in Administrative Agency Cases: A Reconceptualization of Judicial Activism.” With Lauren Bowen. The Southern Political Science Association Conference. Atlanta, Georgia, November, 1986.

“Partisan Support, Variance of Support, Turnout Rates, and the Votes/Seats Ratio.” With Donald Gross. The Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April, 1986.

“Legislative Oversight of Administrative Policy Making: A Case Study of the Kentucky Administrative Regulation Review Subcommittee.” American Political Science Association Conference. New Orleans, Louisiana, September 1985.

“Unresolved Tensions-Unrecognized Alliances: An Analysis of Policy Agenda Orientations among Black and White Women.” With Stephanie Bellar and Kathie Golden. The Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April, 1984.

PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOPS PRESENTED:

“Victims in the Courtroom.” Workshop presented for The Compassionate Friends (a bereavement organization). Southeast Regional Conference, September 30, 2006.

“The Role of Court Appointed Special Advocates in Restorative Justice Programs.” Texas Episcopalian Restorative Justice Conference, Spring 2004.

“For the Children’s Sake: Forging Coalitions among Unlikely Allies.” The Neighborhood USA Conference, Chattanooga, Tennessee, May 23, 2003.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY:

Reviewer/Referee: JOURNAL OF POLITICS, LEGISLATIVE STUDIES QUARTERLY, SOUTHEASTERN POLITICAL REVIEW, TEXAS JOURNAL OF POLITICAL STUDIES.

Reviewer of Book Manuscripts: Brooks/Cole, Houghton-Mifflin, Wadsworth, Prentice/Hall, Atomic Dog Publishing, Sage Publications.

RESEARCH GRANTS:

Sam Houston State University Faculty Research Grant (\$5000), 1991. “Change in Rural Texas Communities.” Co-investigator with Professors James Carter and John Domino. I was responsible for one third of the grant expenditures.

Sam Houston State University Faculty Research Grant (\$2500), 1990. “Rural Politics in the Southwest.” Co-investigator with Professors James Carter and John Domino. I was responsible for one third of the grant expenditures.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Grant Writing 101. Grant Writing Workshop presented by The Grant Institute. August, 2006.

Paradox or Paradigm: Social Policy in The Netherlands. Council of Education Exchange Program. June, 2004.

Seminars in Children’s Policy: Mediation in Family Law Courts, The Culture of Poverty, Children’s Assessment Centers, Drug Policy, Victims’ Rights Policies

National Science Foundation Short Course on Health Care Economics, Philadelphia, March 1994.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Planned Parenthood. Board of Advocacy, member, 2006-2007.

Child Advocates, Inc. Court Appointed Special Advocate and Guardian Ad Litem, 1997-2005.

Chairperson, Community Child Care Association of Huntsville, 1991-1992.