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Education

Ph.D/M.A. (1990, Committee on Social Thought, University of Chicago)

Dissertation: "Xenophon's *Anabasis* and the Classical View of Ruling."

B.A. with Honors (1980, Political Science, University of Toronto).

Professional Experience

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| June 1999-present | Associate Professor | University of North Texas |
| July 2010-Aug. 2014 | Department Chair | University of North Texas |
| Aug.2021-present | Interim Director | Jewish Studies Program; UNT |
| June 2008-present | Fellow | Schusterman Center, Brandeis University |
| Aug.1993-June 1999 | Assistant Professor | University of North Texas |
| Aug. 1992-July 1993 | Olin Faculty Fellow | University of Chicago |
| Aug. 1989-July 1992 | Visiting Assistant Professor | Colgate University |

Publications

Book:

Reorientation: Leo Strauss in the 1930s. Eds. Martin D. Yaffe and Richard S. Ruderman. (Palgrave) 2014.

Articles (all in refereed journals):

"A Sacred Effort': Lincoln's Second Inaugural and the Problem of Justice." *American Journal of Political Science* [online 7/27/2022](#).

"Statesmanship Reconsidered." *Perspectives on Political Science* 41:2 (Apr/Jun 2012): 86-89.

"Liberalism and Parental Control of Education" (co-authored with R. Kenneth Godwin). *Review of Politics* 62:3 (Summer 2000): 503-529.

"Odysseus and the Possibility of Enlightenment." *American Journal of Political Science* 43:1 (January 1999): 138-161.

"Aristotle and the Recovery of Political Judgment." *American Political Science Review* 91:2 (June 1997): 409-420.

as co-author with R. Kenneth Godwin, Frank Kemerer, and Valerie Martinez: "Liberal Equity in Education: A Comparison of Choice Options," along with a response to critics: "Equity, Diversity, and Tolerance in Education." ***Social Science Quarterly*** 79: 3 (Fall 1998): 502-522, 548-553.

"Democracy and the Problem of Statesmanship." ***Review of Politics*** 59:4 (Fall, 1997): 759-787. (This appeared as the issue's lead article, selected to provide a "reflective overview of a significant dimension of politics and/or the study of politics.")

*An excerpt of this article appeared in ***The Wilson Quarterly*** [Jan. 1998]: 117.

Book Chapters (all invited and non-refereed):

"Plato and the Tyrannical Temptation." In *Liberty, Democracy, and the Temptations to Tyranny*. Ed. Charlotte C.S. Thomas (Mercer University Press, 2021).

"Proclaim Liberty Throughout the Land: William Lloyd Garrison, Frederick Douglass, and the Abolition of Slavery." In *History of American Political Thought, 2nd Ed.* Eds. Bryan-Paul Frost and Jeffrey Sikkenga (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2019).

"Practice and Principle in Ancient Statesmanship" in *Prudence and Principle: Essays in Honor of Nathan Tarcov*, eds. Jonathan Marks and Christopher Lynch (Lexington, 2016)

"On Leo Strauss' Presentation of Xenophon's Political Philosophy in 'The Problem of Socrates.'" In *Brill's Companion to Leo Strauss's Writings on Classical Political Thought*. Ed. Timothy W. Burns. (Leiden: Brill, 2015).

"Through the Keyhole': Leo Strauss' Rediscovery of Classical Political Philosophy in Xenophon's *Constitution of the Lacedaemonians*." In *Brill's Companion to Leo Strauss's Writings on Classical Political Thought*. Ed. Timothy W. Burns. (Brill, 2015).

(with R. Kenneth Godwin) "State versus Parental Control of Education." In Melissa Deckman and Joseph Prud'homme, editors. *Curriculum and the Culture Wars: When and Where is Religion Appropriate in the Public Schools?* (Peter Lang, 2014).

"A Slingshot Recoils: The Critique of Philosophy in Halevi's *Kuzari*." In *The Recovery of Classical Political Rationalism: Essays in Honor of Thomas L. Pangle* (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2012).

"Love and Friendship in Homer's *Odyssey*." In *Political Philosophy and the Human Soul: Essays in Honor of Allan Bloom*. Edited by Michael Palmer and Thomas L. Pangle (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 1995).

"Leadership." In *The Encyclopedia of Democracy*. Edited by Seymour Martin Lipset (Washington: Congressional Quarterly Books, 1995).

"The Rule of a Philosopher-King: Xenophon's *Anabasis*." In *Politikos II: Educating the Ambitious*. Edited by Leslie G. Rubin (Pittsburgh: Duquesne University Press, 1992).