**Curriculum Vita**

Kyle Scott, PhD, MBA

Lamar University

Executive Director of Entrepreneurship

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**Education:**

Rice University, Jones Graduate School of Business, Executive MBA (Entrepreneurship and

Finance)

2015-2017

University of Houston, Ph.D. (Political Science: American Politics, Political Theory,

Public Law; Dissertation Committee: Ross Lence, Don Lutz, Paul Brace)

2002-2005

University of Texas at Austin, B.A. (Major: Government, Minor: History)

1997-2000

**Academic Positions:**

Executive Director of Entrepreneurship and Lecturer, Lamar University, Venture Center and

College of Business

Summer 2025-Current

Assistant Professor of Entrepreneurship (tenure track), Sam Houston State University

Fall 2023-Summer 2025

Courses: Entrepreneurship I: Start Up, Entrepreneurship II: Scale, Entrepreneurship III:

Growth and Exit

Vice Chancellor, Strategic Priorities, Lone Star College, 2020-2022

Departments: Small Business Development Center, Marketing and Communications,

Web Services, LSC-Foundation, Government Relations.

Adjunct Instructor, University of Houston (Political Science and Honors College)

Fall 2009-Spring 2011; Fall 2012-2016

Courses: Introduction to Political Theory, Introduction to U.S. and Texas Politics, and Human Situation

Visiting Assistant Professor, Duke University

Fall 2011-Spring 2012

Courses: Political Parties, Campaigns and Elections, Constitutional Law

Assistant Professor, University of North Florida (tenure-track)

Fall 2007-Spring 2008

Courses Taught: Political Thought and Action, Congress and Legislative Processes,

Democratic Theory, Introduction to American Politics

Visiting Assistant Professor, Miami University

Fall 2005-Summer 2007

Courses Taught: Administrative Law, American Political System, Criminal

Justice, Constitutional Law & Politics, and Civil Rights & Liberties

Editorial Associate, *Social Science Quarterly*

Spring 2003-Spring 2004

Editor: Robert L. Lineberry

Teacher, Hyde Park Baptist Schools, Grades 9-12

Fall 2001-Spring 2002

Courses Taught: World History Pre-AP, World Geography, Government

Teacher, Mountain Shadows Academy, Grades 8-12

Fall 2000-Spring 2001

Courses Taught: World History, World Geography, U.S. History, Government

**Private Enterprise:**

Principal, 3BK, Shepherd Investments, LLC. (2008-Current)

Holding company has founded or invested in businesses in industrial manufacturing, commercial real estate, marketing analytics, and residential property maintenance businesses. Current companies include Titan Analytics, Campaign Partners, DRC Pools, and Spring Lawn Care.

Vice President of International Sales, Filtration Technology Corporation (2017-2020)

Took a minority stake in an industrial filtration business. I led business development efforts globally by bringing innovative solutions to customers and working to develop new products and designs to match company strengths with market opportunities.

**Elected Positions:**

Director, Harris Central Appraisal District

2024-Current

Trustee, Lone Star College

2013-2018 (Vice Chair 2014-2018)

**Non-Profit/Volunteer Activities:**

Advisor, African Business Institute

2024-Current

Trustee, Concordia Lutheran High School

2019-2022

SEED Consultant, Stanford Graduate School of Business,

2017-2021

Board Member, Gluten Intolerance Group

National organization based in Seattle, WA that provides certification and training for food producers and service providers.

2016-2017

Board of Trustees, Lone Star College

2013-2018

Advisor, GoodWorks Houston

Local incubator for social enterprises.

2016-2018

Entrepreneur-in-Residence, University of Pennsylvania

Served as an advisor for aspiring entrepreneurs at the Wharton School of Business

2016-2020

Affiliated Faculty Member, Baylor College of Medicine, Center for Medical Ethics and Health

Policy, Fall 2014-Present.

**Publications:**

*Peer-Reviewed Books:*

2016 *The Limits of Politics: Making the Case for Literature in Political Analysis*

Lexington Books (simultaneous hardback and paperback release)

2013 *Federalist Papers: A Reader’s Guide*

Bloomsbury (simultaneous hardback and paperback release)

2011 *Federalism: Theory and Practice*

Continuum Publishers (simultaneous hardback and paperback release)

Reviewed in Political Studies 2013, Australian Journal of Political Science 2012, Swiss

Political Science Review 2012, Reviewed and

Recommended in *Choice* December 2011.

2009 *The Price of Politics: Lessons from* Kelo v. City of New London

Lexington Books (simultaneous hardback and paperback release)

Reviewed and Recommended in *Choice* August 2010.

2007 *Dismantling American Common Law: Liberty and Justice in Our Transformed Courts*.

Lexington Books. (Paperback July 2008, Hardback reviewed in *Choice* and

*Law & Politics Book Review* Vol 18:8)

*Peer-Reviewed Articles:*

Forthcoming, “Stoic Virtue Ethics,” *International Journal of Applied Philosophy.*

Forthcoming, “The Need for Virtue in Entrepreneurship Ecosystems: Mitigating the Destructive

Side of Entrepreneurship,” *Humanistic Management Journal*.

2024 “Humility and reverence: mitigating the dark side of entrepreneurship education,”

*Entrepreneurship Education*. Vol. 7.1.

2021 “A Theoretical Justification and Framework for Scenario Planning in SMEs,” *Journal of*

*The International Council for Small Business*. Vol. 2.4.

2014 (with Thomas Schultz), “Puerto Rico: The Evolution of America’s Corporate Tax

Haven,” *Journal of Legal Tax Research.* Vol. 12.1.

2014 “The Political Value of Humility,” *Acta Politica* Vol. 49: 217-233.

2014 “Locke, Girard, and Money,” *Journal of Markets and Morality.* Vol. 16.2.

2012 “Macrolevel Consent: A Defense of Federalism,” *Publius*. Vol. 42:4.

2011 “Magna Carta: A Theory and History of Unified Rights,” *The Original Law*

*Review* Vol. 7:1.

2009 “Lessons from the *Crito*” *Polis: The Journal of the Society for Greek Political Thought*

Vol. 26:1.

2009 “Montesquieu and the English Common Law”

*Review Journal of Political Philosophy* Vol. 7:1.

2009 “Mandeville as a Satirist” *Politics and Policy.* Vol. 37:2.

2009 “A Girardian Critique of the Liberal Democratic Peace Theory”

*Contagion: Journal of Violence, Mimesis, and Culture* Vol. 15/16.

2008 “Explaining Judicial Reform: An Analysis of State Adoption Patterns of

Intermediate Appellate Courts”

*American Review of Politics* Vol. 29:1.

2007 “Does the Law Matter? An Examination of How a State’s Legal Environment

Impacts Judicial Decision-Making”

*American Review of Politics* Vol. 28:3.

2007 “The Impact of Common Law on Judicial Decision-Making”

*International Journal of Punishment and Sentencing* Vol. 3:4.

*Law Reviews and Book Chapters:*

2018 “Willie Jones,” *North Carolina Founders: A Reexamination*, University of North

Carolina Press.

2009 “The Impact of Judicial Independence on Administrative Staffing:

A Reappraisal” *Journal of Law and Politics.* Vol. 25.

2009 “A Platonic Critique of Codification” *The Journal Jurisprudence*. Vol. 3.

2008 “Judicial Selection Method,” *Florida A&M Law Review*.

Vol. 3:2.

2008 (with undergraduate Matt Kern) “We Hear You Knockin’ but You Can’t Come In: The

Case of No-Knock Entry” *Connecticut Public Interest Law Journal*. Vol. 7:2.

*Encyclopedia Entries, Op-Eds, Trade Journals and other General Audience Outlets:*

2025 “Why Houston shouldn’t use Beryl aid to help individuals,” *Houston Chronicle*.

2024 “Seven Crashes: The Economic Crises that Shaped Globalization—A Review,” *London*

*School of Economics Review of Books*.

2023 “The Power and Limitations of Venture Capitalists: A Review of Sebastian Mallaby’s

The Power Law,” *The European Business Review*.

2021 “Meddling at the Ballot Box: The Causes and Effects of Partisan Electoral Interventions,”

*London School of Economics Review of Books*.

2021 “Making the case that everyone is a disrupter: A Book Review of ALIEN Thinking,”

*The European Business Review*.

2021 “Using data to help students in higher education,” with Link Alander and Rebecca

Riley. *Community College Daily*.

2020 Review of *Why do we still have the Electoral College?*, Alexander Keyssar. Harvard

University Press, 2020. *London School of Economics Book Review.*

2020 “Scenario Planning in higher education,” *Community College Daily*.

2019 “Literature and its Role in the Cultivation of Ethics in the Business Environment,”

*The European Business Review*.

2019 Review of *The Great Broadening: How Vast Expansion of the Policymaking Agenda*

*Transformed American Politics*, Bryan D. Jones, Sean M. Theriault and Michelle Whyman, University of Chicago Press, 2019. *London School of Economics*

*Book Review*.

2019 Op-Ed “Licking ice cream lids and rampant individualism,” *Austin-American Statesman*.

2019 “Literature and its Role in the Cultivation of Ethics in the Business Environment,”

*European Business Review.* January/February.

2018 Op-Ed “No one to blame but ourselves,” *Richmond Times-Dispatch*. Reprinted in *Houston*

*Chronicle* and *San Antonio Express-News*.

2018 Op-Ed “Individualism is Damaging to Society’s Bonds,” *Deseret News*.

2017 “Aiming at Ethics in Technical Sales,” *Journal of Petroleum Technology.*

2016 Op-Ed “Let local referenda decide about guns,” *Orlando Sentinel.*

2016 Op-Ed “Texas ballots violate the 12th Amendment,” *Houston Chronicle*.

2016 Op-Ed “Trump and the Hoodie,” *Austin-American Statesman* and *Deseret News*.

2016 Op-Ed “Constitution would hog-tie Trump or Clinton,” with Ron Trowbridge,

*Austin-American Statesman*.

2015 Op-Ed “Assimilation is an issue of scale,” *Global Policy*.

2015 Op-Ed “Complete assimilation does not aid democracy,” *Austin-American Statesman.*

2014 Op-Ed “Reaction without reason: Protests in Ferguson,” *Political Prospect.*

2014 Op-Ed “In defense of partisan elections,” *Political Prospect* and *Beaumont Enterprise*.

2014 Op-Ed “The used car bubble,” *Los Angeles Register* and *Deseret News*.

2014 Op-Ed “All that glitters is not gold: Why books are better than screens,” *Deseret News*.

Reprinted in *The Oklahoman*.

2014 Op-Ed “Flat screens in the classroom produce students with flat minds,” *Providence*

*Journal.*

2014 Op-Ed “Keep technology out of the classrooms,” *Austin-American Statesman*.

2014 Op-Ed “Tea Party Lessons,” *Baltimore Sun*.

2014 Op-Ed “Exposing the minimum wage fallacy,” *Deseret News*.

2014 Op-Ed “South Sudan and Secession: How to do better next time,” *South Sudan News*

*Agency* and *South Sudan Nation*.

2013 “Federalism” and “Voltaire,” in *Encyclopedia of Modern Political Theory*, CQ

Press.

2013 Op-Ed (with John J. Theis) “Power starts at the local level,” *Houston Chronicle*.

2013 Op-Ed, “Thanksgiving becomes just another shopping day,” *Providence Journal* and

*Beaumont Enterprise*.

2013 Op-Ed, “College system plays on racial stereotypes,” *Houston Chronicle.*

2013 Op-Ed “Foundation for learning starts with liberal arts,” *Houston Chronicle.*

2013 Op-Ed “One way to address the immigration debate,” *Desert News*.

2013 Op-Ed “Government subsidies drive up the cost of education,” *Houston Chronicle.*

2013 “There’s no such thing as a free education,” *Liberty.*

2013 Op-Ed “Saving Money is costing students,” *New Jersey Star-Ledger*.

2013 Op-Ed “Rather than add debt, LSCS should better utilize facilities,” *Houston Chronicle.*

2013 Op-Ed “Community colleges need to return to their mission,” *Cleveland Advocate*, *Dayton*

*News*, and *Eastex Advocate*.

2013 Op-Ed “Blocking the majority’s will is a constitutional fundamental,” *History News*

*Network* and *Bakersfield Californian*.

2013 Op-Ed “A little fear is a dangerous thing,” *The Washington Times.*

2013 Op-Ed “Women in combat is more than a gender issue,” *Orlando Sentinel.*

2013 Op-Ed “Gridlock is a good thing,” *Providence Journal*.

2013 Op-Ed “Gun Rights, Constitutional Interpretation and Plato,” *UK Progressive*.

2013 “What football can teach us about a centrally planned economy,” *Liberty*.

2012 Op-Ed “Will John Boehner, President Obama master the art of humility before ‘fiscal

cliff’?” *Christian Science Monitor*.

2012 Op-Ed “We’ve been here before,” *UK Progressive*.

2012 Op-Ed “No new taxes without spending limits,” *Washington Times*.

2012 Op-Ed “Do nation’s have the right to exist?” *Birmingham News* and *UK Progressive.*

2012 Op-Ed “The Politics of Yes,” *Houston Chronicle* and *Liberty*.

2012 “Distorting the energy market,” *Liberty*.

2012 Op-Ed “Voters only care about themselves,” *Detroit News* and *Tampa Tribune*.

2012 Op-Ed “Gun crimes don’t happen because of weak laws,” *Washington Times.*

2012 Op-Ed “Religious Freedom and the DNC,” *UK Progressive*.

2012 “Non-Governmental Reform,” *Liberty.*

2012 Op-Ed “Low interest rates are messing up stocks,” *The Province* (Vancouver) and *The*

*Daily Progress*. Reprinted as “Facebook stock looked sexy, but it’s dropping fast,”

*Kearney Hub*.

2012 Op-Ed “Why a mandate for individuals but not for states,” *Durham Herald Sun*.

2012 Op-Ed “Whither the Occupy Movement,” *Oakland Tribune*, *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*,

*Durham Herald Sun*, *UK Progressive*.

2012 Op-Ed “Assessing stand-your-ground,” *Houston Chronicle*. reprinted in *Des Moines*

*Register* and *UK Progressive*.

2012 “A Lesson in Politics from Mark Twain,” *Arator*, vol. 3.1.

2012 Op-Ed “Drones Threaten Privacy,” *Washington Times*.

2012 “Schools: What kind of reform?” *Liberty*.

2012 Op-Ed “Web of anonymity breeds bad behavior,” *Calgary Sun*.

2012 “Should the Bank’s Loss be the Law’s Gain?” *Liberty*.

2012 Op-Ed “Self-funding an ominous sign,” *Connecticut Post*.

2012 Op-Ed “With ‘God on their side,’Romney and the Republicans may very well prevail,”

*Christian Science Monitor*.

2012 Letter to the Editor, “Obama’s Energy Policy may give Republicans Advantage,”

*Washington Examiner*.

2012 Op-Ed “Gay Marriage opposition could backfire on GOP,” *Houston Chronicle.*

2012 Op-Ed “Adam Yauch’s work in Tibet more important than ever,” *Huffington Post.*

2012 Op-Ed “Is the Tea Party finally over,” *Calgary Sun*.

2012 Op-Ed “North Korea Missile Test Exposes Inconsistencies in American Foreign Policy,”

*Victoria Advocate*, *Montgomery Advertiser* and *The Reporter* (CA)/Bay Area News

Group.

2012 Op-Ed “Outcry Appropriate, Judgment Isn’t,” *Orlando Sentinel.*

2012 Op-Ed “Why Zimmerman should not be crucified (yet),” *Christian Science Monitor*.

2012 Op-Ed “A sad Bye-Bye to Moderate Mitt,” *The Providence Journal*.

2012 Op-Ed “Why it should be Obama vs. Santorum,” *Raleigh News and Observer* and “An

Obama-Santorum Match Up would be Good for the Country,” *Baltimore Sun* and

reprinted in *Sacramento Bee*, *Lima News*, *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*, *Oregonian* (selected as the #4 must read opinion piece by New Statesman)*, McClatchy DC, Bellingham Herald, Savannah Morning News, Kerrville Daily Times, Tacoma News Tribune, St. Augustine Record, Bradenton Herald*, *Youngstown Vindicator, The Providence Journal*.

2012 Op-Ed “Reduce Campaign Contribution Incentives,” *Fayetteville Observer*.

2012 Op-Ed “Paul the only one who can Challenge Romney over the Long Haul,” *Charlotte*

*Observer*.

2012 Op-Ed “Iowa’s Won and Done; on to New Hampshire,” *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, “This

Race is Romney’s to Lose,” *Philadelphia Inquirer*, “What Iowa Means for the Republicans,” *Oakland Tribune*, *Fremont Argus*, and *Hayward Review*, “Iowa Knows They need a More Centrist Nominee,” *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*, “Iowa opts for Romney and Realism,” *Raleigh News and Observer*.

2011 Op-Ed “Why aren’t Mitt Romney and Andrew Luck in the Lead,” *Des Moines Register*

FoxSports.net, and *Durham Herald-Sun*.

2011 Op-Ed “*Moneyball* is an unintentional allegory for the economy,” *Forbes*.

2011 Op-Ed “Want Government Assistance? Roll Up Sleeves for Interference,” *Palm Beach*

*Post.*

2011 Op-Ed “Day 1 of the Libyan Experiment,” Reuters.com. Reposted by *Dallas Morning News*

2011 Op-Ed “Why Democrats Can’t Hold a Permanent Advantage,” FoxNews.com.

2011 Op-Ed “Federalism: Much Discussed, Badly Understood,” with Troy Kickler in *Durham*

*Herald-Sun*.

2011 Op-Ed “Why wait for Washington Politics to Change? Go Local,” *Christian Science*

*Monitor*. Reprinted in *Alaska Dispatch* and Yahoo! News.

2011 Op-Ed “As Debt Deadline Looms we need Leadership,” *Orlando Advocate*, *The Daily*

*Messenger, Brighton –Pittsford Post*.

2011 Op-Ed “Magic Thinking Won’t Solve Energy Woes,” *Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

2011 “Acting Ethically is the only Option,” *EHS Today*, *Military Matters, Latin Biz*, *Eastern*

*Pennsylvania Business Journal* and *Personal Excellence.*

2011 Op-Ed “Imminent Flooding should bring Eminent Domain,” *Dubuque Telegraph-Herald*,

“Flooding Farms without paying the Price,” *Cedar Rapids Gazette*, and “Eminent Domain Protections Lost in Numbers Game,” *Columbia Missourian*.

2011 Op-Ed “The Government Should Lead in Austerity,” *Cincinnati Enquirer*.

2011 “Business Ethics: Do What’s Right, or What’s Right Now?” *Industrial Distribution*,

*Tech Journal*, *Virginia Pilot* and *Ledger Star*, *Personal Excellence, Business Partner, Virginia Engineer.*

2011 Op-Ed “Resisting the Urge to Intervene in Libya,” *Washington Times*.

2011 Op-Eds on Wisconsin Standoff in *Duluth News Tribune* and *Lampasas Dispatch Record*.

2011 “Delegation of Duties,” *OTC Magazine*.

2011 Op-Eds on Tea Party and realignment in *Henrietta Post* and *Daily News Journal*

2011 “Managing Ethnic Tension in the Work Place*,” Exchange: Magazine for*

*Business/Economic Development/Entrepreneurs*, *AnswerStat: The Medical Call Center*

*Magazine*, and *Inside Business*

2011 Op-Eds on the shooting in Tucson, AZ in *Ludington Daily News, Shreveport*

*Times, The Buffalo News, Orlando Advocate, Victor Post*

2011 Op-Eds on secession referendum in Sudan in *Cedar Rapids Gazette* and *Erie*

*Times-News*

2008 “Administrative Law,” “State Supreme Courts,” and “Jurisdiction” *Encyclopedia of*

*American Government and Civics*. Facts-on-File.

2008 “Common Law,” “Charles S. Hyneman,” and “Johannes Althusius” *International*

*Encyclopedia of Political Science*. CQ Press.

2007 “Testing Schattschneider: The Impact of Party Competition on State Welfare Policy” *ESRS*

Vol. 43.2.

2007 “*Buckley v. Valeo*” (with undergraduate Matthew Kern) *Encyclopedia of the First*

*Amendment*. CQ Press.

2006 “Secession” (with Matthew K. DeSantis), “Nullification” (solo author)

*Federalism in America: An Encyclopedia*. Greenwood Press.

**Work in Progress:**

*Books:*

*Scenario Planning: How start ups and established firms can prepare for ambiguity*

*Place and Prosperity: Building businesses to build communities*

Proposed Volume for Lexington Books

*Virtue and Vice in a Commercial Republic: From Mandeville to Madoff*

(Proposal under review with a university press)

*Articles and Chapter:*

“Do the right thing, the right way: Challenging current definitions and pedagogy of social

enterprises”

“Planning for Ambiguity: A Case Study of Entrepreneurship”

“In Addition to Reason: Lessons on Politics from Dostoevsky,” in Edited Volume under contract

with Lexington Books

“Revisiting what we know about the tenure of presidential cabinet appointments: A Research

Note” (with graduate student David Zellers)

*The Leadership Quarterly*

**Conference Presentations, Media Appearances, Guest Lectures, Shorter Writings:**

Presenter, “Commercialization in rural communities,” USASBE Rural Entrepreneurship

Conference, Burlington, VT, June 2024.

Presenter, “Mitigating the Darkside of Entrepreneurship,” USASBE Annual Conference,

Birmingham, AL, January 2024.

Presenter, “The right and responsibility of free speech,” Midwest Political Science Association,

Chicago, IL, April 2015.

Presenter, “Action and Inaction,” Association of Law, Culture and the Humanities, Washington,

DC, March 2015.

Presenter, “Is democracy worth it,” Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA,

January 2015.

Presenter, “Humility as a roadblock to war,” Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston,

MA, November 2014.

Presenter, “Ethical Leadership,” Normative Business Ethics Workshop, Wharton School of

Business, University of Pennsylvania, May 2014.

Presenter, “Locke, Girard, and Money,” American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL,

September, 2013.

Presenter, “The Political Value of Humility,” Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL,

April 2013.

Presenter (Accepted), “Humility and Deliberation,” American Political Science Association, New

Orleans, LA, Aug.-Sep. 2012.

Presenter, “Deliberative Democracy’s Missing Virtue: Why Humility is Required for Productive

Discourse,” Southwestern Social Science Association, San Diego, CA, April 2012.

Interviewed on Newt Gingrich, “Gingrich Turns on the Charm,” March 29, 2012, *US News and*

*World Report*.

Interviewed on Super Tuesday by DW Broadcasts (Germany), March 7, 2012

Interviewed on Occupy Wall Street by *The Times and Democrat*, November 16, 2011, *Christian*

*Science Monitor*, December 5, 2011, and *Philadelphia Tribune*, December 7, 2011.

Interviewed on Herman Cain by *Philadelphia Tribune*, October 23, 2011.

Interviewed on 970 AM Tampa on Democratic Party, October 12, 2011.

Interviewed on Electoral College reform by *Philadelphia Tribune*, article appeared September 25,

2011.

Interviewed on Education Reform by “Abdul in the Morning,” WXNT 1430 AM, Indianapolis,

IN, May 2011.

Interviewed for *Federalism* on WFAN-AM New York, NY; KXYL AM-FM Brownwood, TX;

WICH-AM Norwich, CT; WNTJ-AM Johnstown, PA; WLTP-AM Vienna, WV; WAMV-AM Amherst, VA; WSAT-AM Salisbury, NC; WATD-FM Boston, MA; WOCA-FM Ocala, FL; KWYK-FM Farmington, NM; WSIU-FM Carbondale, IL; KLBM-AM La Grande, OR; KCMN-AM Colorado Springs, CO; WESB-AB Bradford PA/Oclean, NY; KBEM-FM Minneapolis, MN; WBEX-AM Chilicothe, OH. April 2011, 90.1 FM WUSB Stony Brook, NY August 2011.

Interviewed on business ethics by *The Magazine for Environment, Health, and Safety*, March 11, 2011.

Interviewed on judicial elections by *Diverse: Issues in Higher Education*, February 14, 2011.

Interviewed on separatist movements by *Sacramento News and Review*, February 4, 2011.

Interviewed on the U.S. Economy, 90.1 FM, WUSB, Stony Brook, NY, January 11, 2011.

Invited Lecture, “Face it, You could be wrong,” Shaftesbury Lecture, John Locke Foundation,

Raleigh, NC, September 2011.

Presenter, “A Virtue Ethics Defense of Federalism,” Felician Ethics Conference, Rutherford, NJ,

April 2011.

Presenter, “(Un)Locke(ing) the Desire to Acquire: Using Girard to Understand Locke’s Theory of

Money,” COV&R Conference, Notre Dame, IN, June 2010.

Presenter, “Veto: It’s Not Only for the Senate,” Midwest Political Science Association,

Chicago, IL, April 2010.

Presenter, “Enhancing Federalism and Deliberative Democracy Through Nullification,”

Northeastern Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, November 2009.

Invited Speaker, “Reuniting Life, Liberty, and Property: Using *Kelo* to Expose the Consequences

of Politicizing Rights.” Campbell University School of Law, Sponsored by the John

Locke Foundation and North Carolina History Project, November 2009.

Guest Lecturer, “Explaining how Federalism can Replace Judicial Review.” Campbell Univesrity

School of Law, 3L class on North Carolina’s Constitution, November 2009.

Invited Speaker, “Reuniting Life, Liberty, and Property: Using *Kelo* to Expose the Consequences

of Politicizing Rights.” North Carolina State University, The Society of Politics,

Economics and Law, November 2009.

Guest Lecturer, “Uniting the NAACP and the Cato Institute: How Property Makes Strange

Bedfellows.” Duke University, Department of Political Science, November 2009.

Presenter, “Puerto Rico: Tax Haven or 51st State” (with Tom Shultz) The American Taxation

Association Mid-Year Conference, Orlando, FL, February 2009.

Presenter, “Saving Federalism from Relativism.” Northeastern Political Science Association,

Boston, MA, November 2008

Presenter, “The Socratic Critique of Positivism.” Law, Culture and Humanities Conference,

Berkeley, CA, March 2008.

Presenter, “The Socratic Critique of Codification.” Southern Political Science Association

Conference in New Orleans, LA, January 2008.

Presenter, “State Reactions to *Kelo v. City of New London*.” Southern Political

Science Association Conference in New Orleans, LA, January 2008.

Presenter, “A Girardian Critique of the Liberal Democratic Peace Theory.” International Studies

Association-Northeast Region Conference (Joint with NPSA) in Philadelphia, PA,

November 2007.

Presenter, “Lessons from the *Crito*.” Northeast American Political Science Association

Conference (Joint with ISA-NE) in Philadelphia, PA, November 2007.

Invited Speaker, “Who Holds the Power in American Democracy?” American Democracy

Project, Jacksonville, FL, March 2008.

Invited Speaker, “A Justification and Qualification of Civil Disobedience” The Other Club,

Jacksonville, FL, October 2007.

Presenter, (with undergraduate Matthew Kern and graduate student Jeremy Martin)

“We Hear You Knockin’ But You Can’t Come In: The Case of No-Knock Entry” Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago, IL, April 2007.

Presenter, “Mandeville’s View of Virtue and the Role it Serves in a Republic.”

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Conference in Bend, OR, October 2006, Northeastern Political Science Association Conference in Boston, MA, November 2006, Southern Political Science Association Conference in New Orleans, LA, January 2007, and the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago, IL, April 2007.

Presenter, “The Impact of Judicial Independence on Administrative Staffing”

Northeastern Political Science Association Conference in Boston, MA, November 2006 and Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago, IL, April 2007.

Presenter, “The Common Law as a Casualty: How the Conflict between the

Jeffersonians and the Federalists led to the Destruction of American Common Law.” Conference of Policy History, Charlottesville, VA, June 2006.

Presenter, “Why States Modify their Judicial Structures: An Analysis of the Decision to

Reform the Method of Judicial Selection and Adoption of Intermediate Appellate

Courts.” Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2006.

Presenter (with graduate student David Zellers), “What Influences Tenure in the

President’s Cabinet? A Longitudinal Study.” Midwest Political Science

Association, Chicago, IL, April 2006.

Presenter, “Why States Adopt Intermediate Appellate Courts” Southwestern Political

Science Association Conference, San Antonio, TX April 2006.

Presenter, “Reforming the Method of Judicial Selection: A State-Level Analysis of the

Political Factors that Impact the Decision to Reform” Western Political Science

Association Conference, Albuquerque, NM, March 2006.

Presenter, “What Influences Tenure in the President’s Cabinet? A Longitudinal Study.”

Western Political Science Association Conference, Albuquerque, NM,

March 2006.

Presenter, “To What Degree Does a State’s Commitment to Common Law Impact

Judges’ Decisions? An Analysis of State Supreme Court Decisions”

Southern Political Science Association Conference, Atlanta, GA, January

2006.

Presenter, “Montesquieu and the British Common Law” Georgia Political Science Association

Conference, Savannah, GA, November 2005.

Presenter, “A Comparative Analysis of Party Competition Across the States”

Georgia Political Science Association Conference, Savannah, GA, November

2004.

Presenter (with Ross Lence and Justin Jenson), “Reconsidering *Brown v Board of*

*Education*” Southern Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans,

LA, January 2004.

**Other Conference Participation:**

Discussant, “Political Theory and Public Policy,” Southern Political Science Association, New

Orleans, LA, January 2015.

Chair and Discussant, “Alienation, Fear, Degeneration, and Rhetoric,” Midwest Political Science

Association, Chicago, IL, April 2013.

Chair and Discussant, “Reading Plato,” Southwestern Social Science Association,

San Diego, CA, April 2012.

Discussant, “Democracy and the Working Class,” Midwest Political Science Association,

Chicago, IL, April 2010.

Respondent, “The Unwritten Teachings in Plato’s Symposium: Socrates’ Initiation into the

Arithmos of Eros.” Ancient Philosophy Society Conference, Baltimore, MD, April

2009.

Chair and Discussant, “Theorizing Justice/Injustice.” Law, Culture and Humanities Conference,

San Francisco, CA, March 2008.

Chair, “Rethinking Sovereignty: Hobbes, Carlyle, and the Politics of Recognition.” Southern

Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, LA, January 2008.

Chair and Discussant, “Trial Judge Decision Making and Public Policy.” Southern Political

Science Association Conference, New Orleans, LA, January 2008.

Discussant, “State and Local Entrepreneurship and Agenda-Setting” Midwest Political

Science Association Conference Chicago, IL, April 2007.

Discussant, “Mill” Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2007.

Chair, “Criminal Procedure and Constitutional Doctrine” Midwest Political Science Association

Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2007.

Discussant, “Liberalism, Property and Deliberation: Contemporary Reflections” Southern

Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, LA, January 2007.

Discussant, “State Courts” Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, April

2006.

Chair and Discussant, “Getting Local: Exploring Sub-State Level Politics and Policy

Outcomes.” Southwestern Political Science Association Conference, San

Antonio, TX, April 2006.

**Fellowships, Grants and Awards:**

Department of Energy, subcontractor for Encino Environmental Services, ($120,000), Spring 2025

CEEP Fellowship ($1,500), Fall 2024

VentureWell E&I Ecosystem Grant ($20,000), Spring 2024

Recognition for Teaching Evaluations in the Top-5% university wide, Duke University, Fall 2011

Manuscript Preparation Award, Miami University, Summer 2007 ($500)

Earhart Graduate Fellowship Fall 2004-Spring 2005

McBrayer Award Nomination for Best Paper Presented at 2004 Georgia Political Science

Association Meeting

**Additional Training:**

Digital Execution, IMD Business School, Lausanne, Switzerland,

September 2019

Financial Planning and Analysis, Rice University, Glasscock School of Continuing Studies

Spring 2018

Financial and Accounting Management, University of Houston, Bauer College of Business

December 2017

Coalescence, Filtration and Separations Technical Training for Oil and Gas Chemical Industries,

Nexo Solutions, Houston, TX

October 2017

Produced Water Short Course, Global Petroleum Research Institute, Texas A&M University,

May 2017

Inter-University Consortium for Social and Political Research, University of Michigan,

Summer 2006

The Teaching of Writing in Content Courses, Miami University Center for Writing

Excellence, November 2005

Texas Teaching Certification: Secondary Social Studies Composite (Grades 6-12)

**Student Advising and University Service:**

Faculty Advisor, Bearkat Entrepreneurship Club, SHSU, 2023-Current

Coordinator, Diamond Challenge, SHSU, 2023-Current

Hiring Committee, SHSU, 2023-Current

Journals Committee, SHSU, 2023-Current

Program Review and Accreditation Committee, SHSU, 2023-Current

Faculty Advisor for Fencing Club and Swing Dancing Club, UH, 2010-2017

Outstanding Faculty Service Award Selection Committee, UNF, Spring 2008

Brett Waite, Senior Honors Thesis, Fall 2007

Faculty Advisor for Mock Trial, UNF, Fall 2007-Spring 2008

Ryan N. Schmidt, Senior Honors Thesis, Spring 2007

Stephanie Patton, Independent Study, Fall 2006 and Undergraduate Original Research Seminar,

Spring 2007

Matthew Kern, Undergraduate Original Research Seminar, Spring 2006

Kelly Norman, Internship Advisor, Spring 2007

Pre-Law Advisor, Miami University, Fall 2005-Spring 2007

Faculty Advisor for Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, Fall 2006-Spring 2007

Faculty Advisor, and Founder, for the Philosophy Reading Group, Fall 2006-Spring 2007

**Professional Service:**

USASBE, Rural SIG Panel Coordinator, 2025

Reviewer for *Journal of Politics*, *Publius*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Polis*, *Anamnesis*,

*American Review of Politics,* *J. of Research in Int’l Business and Management*, and *Int’l J. of Peace and Devp. Studies*, University of Alabama Press, Rowman and Littlefield

External Tenure Reviewer, SUNY-Oneonta