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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles - Department of Political Science
Primary Field of Study: *Political Theory*; Secondary Field of Study: *American Politics*
Doctoral Degree March 2006
Dissertation Title: *Identity/Politics: Strategy and Structure*
Master of Arts Degree March 1995

Connecticut College
Bachelor of Arts Degree
Urban Affairs

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

- **Political Theory:** Classical Political Theory, Modern Political Thought, American Political Theory, Pragmatism, Contemporary Ideologies, Postmodern Theory and Politics
- **American Politics and Law:** American Government, Constitutional Law, Jurisprudence
- **Identity Theory and Politics:** Feminist Theory, Queer Theory, Social Constructivist Politics
- **Critical Thinking:** Forms of Arguments, Ambiguities and Fallacies, Personal and Social Obstacles to Critical Thought

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

LECTURER

California State University, Long Beach, 2006-present

Courses

- **Introduction to American Government** – a critical analysis of the structure and processes of American government
- **Issues in Political Theory** – introductory theory course examining the intertwining of knowledge and power in modern and postmodern thought
- **Politics Through Culture** – utilizes discussion and media to examine the construction of the political realm, the workings of identity (gender, sexuality, race), and the viability of subversive forms of politics
- **American Political Theory** – issues and ideas central to the founding of America and contemporary American socio-politics
- **Contemporary Political Ideology** – the functioning of ideologies within recent contexts, transformations and critiques
- **Classical Political Theory** – examines Greek and Roman political thought and the Machiavellian critique
- **Introduction to Critical Thinking** – emphasizes the construction and analysis of arguments

Voted one of the "Most Inspirational Professors of California State University, Long Beach"

University of La Verne, Fall 2015

Course

- **Classical Political Theory** – political philosophy from the Stoics to Machiavelli

California State University, Fullerton, Spring 2013

Course

- **Introduction to Political Philosophy** – examined the tensions between modern reason and postmodern perspectivism

California State University, Channel Islands, Fall 2006

Course

- **Introduction to Political Theory** – introduced students to concepts, ideas and controversies within political thought

California State University, Northridge, Spring 2006

Course

- **Great Questions in Politics** – utilized political theory texts and current controversies to consider the ways in which reason and knowledge function within contemporary politics

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (cont.)

LECTURER (cont.)

Loyola Marymount University, Spring 2004

Courses

- **Politics of Feminism** – an analysis of the differences between modern and postmodern conceptions of identity. Analyzed the strategic constructions of what constitutes the “political” and the effects of such constructions on feminist politics.
- **Power, Knowledge and Truth** – Senior Seminar which utilized some of the canonical texts of political theory to examine the ways in which theories of “truth” and “knowledge” function to structure social relations and determine the distribution of political power

TEACHING ASSISTANT

University of California, Los Angeles

Department of Political Science, 1993-2003

Introduction to Political Theory (multiple quarters), Introduction to American Politics (multiple quarters),
Constitutional Law: Civil Liberties, Constitutional Law: Equal Protection

Women’s Studies Department, Spring 1994

Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Studies

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLE

“Robert Talisse's Epistemic Democracy: A Deconstruction” *Contemporary Pragmatism* (Vol 11, No. 2)

BOOK REVIEW

Review of *Democracy and Moral Conflict*, by Robert B. Talisse. *Southwest Philosophy Review* 27(2) (July 2012).

WEB ARTICLES

The Loss of Critical Thinking

Posted on Unbiased America on 2/7/16, <http://www.unbiasedamerica.com/the-loss-of-critical-thinking/>

The Economic Inequality in Academia

Published in CounterPunch <http://www.counterpunch.org/2015/08/13/progressives-and-the-economic-inequality-in-academia/>

The Constructions of Economic Inequality

Published in CounterPunch <http://www.counterpunch.org/2014/04/11/the-constructions-of-economic-inequality/>

Class War is a Bad Strategy for Progressive Politics

Published in Common Dreams <http://www.commondreams.org/view/2013/11/07-0>

'Facts' and 'Truth' Aren't Enough: Democratic Politics and the Constructions of Inequality

Published in Common Dreams <http://www.commondreams.org/view/2013/10/09-4>

CONFERENCE PAPERS

Pragmatism and the Epistemology of Deliberation

Presented at the 2013 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association: Hollywood, CA

Deweyan Inquiry in Foucauldian Context

Presented at the 2012 meeting of the Summer Institute in American Philosophy: Eugene, OR

CONFERENCE PAPERS (cont.)

Deliberation as Will to Power

Presented at the 2010 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association: Washington, D.C.

A Nietzschean Critique of Deliberation

Presented at the 2010 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association: San Francisco, CA.

Constructing Democracy: Deliberation as a Mask of Power

Presented at the 2008 annual meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association: Las Vegas, NV.

The Unfreedom of Liberal Thought

Presented at the 2007 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association: Chicago, IL.

Strategy, Structure and Subversion

Presented at the 2006 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: Chicago, IL.

Constructing a Politics of Subversion

Presented at the 2006 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association: Albuquerque, NM

Sexual Identity and Foucault: The Dialectic of Strategy and Structure

Presented at the 2003 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association: Philadelphia, PA.

(Dis)Placing Sex: Essence, Metaphor and the Strategies of Sexual Identity

Presented at the 1998 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association: Los Angeles, CA.

Fragmentation, Transgression and the Subject of Discourse

Presented at the 1996 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association: San Francisco, CA.

REFERENCES

Teresa Wright, Chair, Department of Political Science, California State University, Long Beach,

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