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**TEACHING AREAS**

U.S. constitutional law, federal judiciary, race/ethnicity and law, U.S. immigration and citizenship policy history.

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

## The interaction of U.S. politics, law, and history; American political development.

**EDUCATION**

University of Texas at Austin, Austin, 2003

Ph.D., Government

Exam Fields: American Institutions and Processes and Public Law.

Dissertation: “Cracks in the National Consensus—Institutional Norms, the American Judiciary, and Immigration, 1883-1893 and 1990-2000.” Dissertation Advisor: Sanford Levinson

Brown University, Providence, RI, 1993

M.A., American Civilization

Brandeis University, Waltham, MA, 1992

B.A., Politics, *Cum Laude*

**ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

Associate Professor and Herbert Kurz Chair in Constitutional Rights

CUNY Brooklyn College 2012-present

-POLS 3122: Con Law II: Civil Liberties and Rights

-POLS 1005 Guns, Money, and Politics (Intro. to American Government)

-POLS 3210 Law and the Political Process (Intro. to the federal courts)

-POLS 4000W Constitutional Interpretation

-POLS 3214 The American Jury System

Annual Collegewide Programing for the Herbert Kurz Chair in Constitutional Rights

The Kurz Chair has no staff except me. Conceived of, executed, and performed budgeting, accounting, and all administrative functions of the Chair’s 3 program areas:

Kurz Chair Constitutional Law series

-“How Do I Survive In an Era of Fake News?”, Guest: Amanda Marcotte, Brooklyn College, October 29, 2019

-“The USA and Trump: Democratic, Authoritarian, or Other?”, Guests: Jeff Colgan and Rob Blair, Brooklyn College, March 21, 2018 (event cancelled because of a snowstorm)

-“A Historical and Constitutional Assessment of Trump’s Immigration Executive Orders”, Guest: Maria Cristina Garcia and Shane Khadidal, Brooklyn College, March 28, 2017

-“Mr. Trump versus the U.S. Constitution”, Guest: Scott Lemieux, Brooklyn College, October 31, 2016

-“LGBTQ Equality versus Religious Rights”, Guest: Steve Sanders and Paisley Currah, Brooklyn College, October 26, 2015

-“Are We More Equal? The 60th Anniversary of *Brown v Board of Education*”, Panel: Karolyn Tyson, Chris Bonastia, David Bloomfield, Brooklyn College, April 7, 2014.

-“Immigration Policy, Still the Third Rail of American Politics” Panel: Rogers Smith, Cybelle Fox, Daniel Tichenor, Rebecca Hamlin, CUNY Graduate Center, 2014

-“Are We Safer? Stop and Frisk and 20 Years of Aggressive Policing”, Panel: Frank Zimmering, John DeCarlo, Alex Vitale, Michael Powell, Brooklyn College, April 18, 2013

Kurz Paid Undergraduate Research Assistantship Program

-To date, approximately 40 undergraduates have participated with their faculty mentors from the departments of Political Science, History, Sociology, and Classics to research and gain valuable skills such archival and ethnography methods, transcription, translation/interpretation, and constructing an annotated bibliography.

Kurz Chair professional development workshops

-“Overcoming Challenges of the Second Book Panel”, Brooklyn College, November 10, 2023. Guests: Susan Burgess, Karen Stern, Bridget Flannery-McCoy.

CUNY Graduate Center 2016

-GC 82001: The Politics of U.S. Immigration and Citizenship

Associate Professor of Political Science, DePaul University, Chicago, IL 2010-2012

Assistant Professor of Political Science, DePaul University 2003-2010

-PSC 120: American Political System (Intro to American Govt.)

-PSC 260: Law in the Political System (Intro to the Federal Judiciary)

-PSC 367: U.S. Immigration Law and Policy

-LSP 200: Equal Protection Under the Law? Women, LGBTQ, African-Americans, and the 14th Amendment

-PSC 399: Studying U.S. Immigration Policy Through Film

-PSC 369: The American Jury System

-PSC 393: Constitutional Interpretation

-PSC 263: Equal Protection of the Laws

Supervision of Senior Theses, Honors Theses, and PH.D. students

-Yasmin Asad, “Voter Suppression from Reconstruction to the Present”, Brooklyn College Scholars Honors Program Senior Thesis, 2022.

-Ivanka Bergova, “The Role of Domestic Courts in Climate Asylum Policy” (PH.D.candidate in Political Science, Georgia State) dissertation committee. 2019-present.

-Ean Osterle, “The Role of Voluntary Community Organizations in Implementation of the Immigration Reform and Control Act” (Ph.D. Candidate in History, CUNY Grad Center), dissertation proposal defense committee. 2016.

-Brendan O’Malley “Protecting the Stranger: Origins of US Immigration Regulation in the Nineteenth Century New York” (PH.D. in History, CUNY Grad Center), dissertation committee member, 2015.

- Getzel Berger “Peremptory Challenges in the American Jury System” Brooklyn College Scholars Honors Program Senior Thesis, 2013-2014.

-Dustin Williams, “The Legitimacy of the Supreme Court”, Senior Thesis, DePaul University, 2012.

-Thomas Peabody, “John Marshall: Definer of a Nation”, Senior Thesis, DePaul University, 2010.

Supervision of Paid Undergraduate Research Assistants

**-**National Science Foundation Grant: Huisan Zhu and Jacob Smith, (2016-2017)

-CUNY Brooklyn College: Kinga Szlachcic (2020), Joseph Baez (2017), Iordan Mentore (2016), Joseph Valerio and Ruben Perez (2015), Joseph Valerio (2013-2014) Daniel Margolis (2013)

-DePaul University--Supervised 5 students (Victoria Dohnal, Trisha Chokshi, Tyler Norkus, Ryan Vanderbilt, and Nina Yabes) for a total of 11 quarters.

**PUBLICATIONS**

Books

*The Immigration Battle in American Courts*, Cambridge University Press (Hardcover 2010, Paper 2014)

The book examines the role of the Supreme Court and U.S. Courts of Appeals in immigration policy, while also advancing scholarly understanding about the distinct institutional settings of the two-highest federal appellate courts over time. The major premise of the study is that because the Supreme Court and the U.S. Courts of Appeals operate in decidedly different institutional environments, the two appellate courts decide immigration cases in distinct ways and that their varying approaches have implications for the legal outcomes of immigrant litigants. Institutional context shapes its occupants’ perceptions about how they should be doing their jobs. I find that immigrants have a better chance of winning their legal challenges at the U.S. Courts of Appeals than the Supreme Court not primarily due to SCOTUS xenophobia, but because that Court is inclined to treat individual cases as representative of a larger class of similarly situated cases. By contrast, the U.S. Courts of Appeals orients those judges toward error correction and individualized review, which increases the likelihood a higher probability of success for immigrants’ claims. The study, which used multi-method analysis, explores the ways in which law, policy, and legal institutions interact.

•Subject of “Author-meets-readers” panel at the 2010 Midwest Political Science Association annual convention.

•Reviewed in *Harvard Law Review* (Vol. 124: 1343, Spring 2011), *Law and Society**Review* (Summer 2011), *American Review of Politics* (Summer 2011), *Perspectives on Politics* (Fall 2011), *Tulsa Law Review* (2011) and the *Law and Politics Book Review* (2012)

Articles and Chapters

With Daniel J. Tichenor. “[Race and Ethnicity and American Immigration Policy](https://academic.oup.com/edited-volume/34719/chapter-abstract/296460546?redirectedFrom=fulltext)” in *The Oxford Handbook of Racial and Ethnic Politics in the United States* (eds. David Leal, Taeku Lee, and Mark Sawyer). Oxford University Press. (January 2019)

“[The Historical Amnesia of American Immigration Federalism](https://www.journals.uchicago.edu/doi/abs/10.1057/pol.2015.13)”, *Polity*, 47 (2): 302-19 (July 2015)

“[Lunatics, Idiots, Paupers, and Negro Seamen: Immigration Federalism and the Early American State](https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/studies-in-american-political-development/article/abs/lunatics-idiots-paupers-and-negro-seamenimmigration-federalism-and-the-early-american-state/9F82F0A8B00F407DE20ADE4D315917CA)” *Studies in American Political Development* 28(2): 107-128 (October 2014)

With Margaret Williams. “[Understanding Judicial Decision Making in Immigration at the U.S. Courts of Appeals](https://www.jstor.org/stable/23268731).” *The Justice System Journal* Vol. 33 (1): 97-119 (2012)

“Federal Policy Coordination Over Decentralized Policy” in [*Debates on Immigration*](https://us.sagepub.com/en-us/nam/debates-on-us-immigration/book235906)(eds. Judith Gans, Elaine Replogle, Daniel Tichenor), SAGE publications, Thousand Oaks, CA. (October 2012)

“[How the Internal Adjudicative Procedures of the Ninth Circuit Can Disadvantage *Pro Se* and Political Asylum Claimants](https://articleworks.cadmus.com/geolaw/zs900311.html)” 25 *Georgetown Immigration Law Journal* 647-679 (Spring 2011) (Excerpt included in the official hearing record for the Senate Judiciary Hearing on “Improving the Efficiency and Ensuring Justice in the Immigration Court System”, May 18, 2011, Washington, DC.)

“From Dissertation to Academic Publication: So Close, Yet So Far” in [*Handbook of Research Methods in Migration*](https://www.e-elgar.com/shop/usd/handbook-of-research-methods-in-migration-9781781005422.html)(ed. Carlos Vargas-Silva), United Kingdom: Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd., 2011.

“In Search of a Methodology and Other Tales from the Academic Crypt” in *Researching Migration: Stories from the Field (*Sherrie Kossoudji, Louis DeSipio, and Manuel Garcia y Griego, eds.) (New York: Social Science Research Council, 2007)

“[The Diversity Immigration Lottery—A Cycle of Unintended Consequences.](https://www.jstor.org/stable/27501196)” *Journal of American Ethnic History*,Vol 21(4): 3-29, Summer 2002. (Reprinted in *Bender’s Immigration Bulletin*, Winter 2017.)

“[Race, Ethnicity, and National Origins in Public Policy⎯When Should it Matter?](https://heinonline.org/hol-cgi-bin/get_pdf.cgi?handle=hein.journals/geoimlj10&section=14)” 10 *Georgetown Immigration Law Journal*, 71-76 (1996)

Book Reviews

[Review](http://www.lpbr.net/2023/02/you-are-not-american-citizenship.html) of Amanda Frost’s *You are Not American: Citizenship Stripping From Dred Scot to the DREAMERS* (Beacon Press 2022) and Carol Nackenoff and Julie Novkov’s *Wong Kim Ark: and the Battle for American Citizenship* (University of Kansas Press, 2021) for the Law and Politics Book Review. February 2023.

[Review](http://www.lpbr.net/2017/06/let-me-be-refugee.html) of Rebecca Hamlin’s *Let Me Be a Refugee* (Oxford University Press 2014) for the Law and Politics Book Review. June 2017.

[Review](http://www.lpbr.net/2016/05/making-foreigners-immigration-and.html) of Kunal Parker’s *Making Foreigners: Immigration and Citizenship Law in America, 1600-2000* (Cambridge University Press 2015) for the Law and Politics Book Review. May 2016.

[Review](http://www.lpbr.net/2013/12/the-sovereign-citizen-denaturalization.html) of Patrick Weil’s *The Sovereign Citizen-Denaturalization and the Origins of the American Republic* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2012) for the Law and Politics Book Review. 2013.

**CURRENT PROJECTS**

“Who is a Citizen?” in *The U.S. Constitution in 5 Minutes*, Equinox Books. (1000 words) In press.

*U.S. Immigration Federalism Before National Control* (working title). Under contract with Oxford University Press, with simultaneous hardback/paperback release. Which level of government, national or subnational, has control over a group’s freedom of movement and remain, and why? The book begins in the colonial period, and ends in 1882, when control over migration policy shifted decisively to the national government. Rather than finding the right to movement and remain in equal protection or alieanage jurisprudence, I examine how the federal system affected the ability of Europeans, free and enslaved Black people to travel into and across the nation and for Native people to remain in a place. Only by studying these groups side by side does one uncover the effect of slavery on the federal system. Studying the groups together also exposes the relational nature of the freedom of movement and remain for those who whites, and political unpopular groups such as the poor, disabled, sickly, free and enslaved Black people, and Indigenous people. The book process traces how the line dividing national and subnational authority over migration was determined by politics of each era that shaped the trajectory and content of migration policies. The freedom of movement and remain was included in the package of citizenship rights for whites but not for Blacks or Indigenous people because of the politics of the early republic and antebellum periods.

-Versions of 2 other chapters are in print in *Polity*, and *Studies in American Political Development*.

With Co-PI Karen Musalo, UC Hastings Law School and Co-Author Katherine Donato, Georgetown.National Science Foundation Collaborative Research: **“**How Do U.S. Immigration Courts Decide Gender-based Asylum Cases?**”** Grant #1556551/$79,497 to Brooklyn College; Grant #1556131/$185,989 to UC Hastings Law. (2016-2020) The project investigates gender-based asylum claims before two levels of administrative courts that are rarely studied even though they adjudicate the largest number of gender-based asylum decisions. We have created an original data set of 278 Immigration Judge decisions and 168 Board of Immigration Appeals cases. In addition to tracking characteristics of the adjudicators and applicants, our innovation is we have coded legal fact patterns across decisions and undertaking qualitative and quantitatively analysis.

**FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

CUNY Advanced Research Collective, Fall 2022 Fellow.

National Science Foundation grant #1556551/$79,497 a 3-year collaborative project with Co-PI Karen Musalo of UC Hastings School of Law: “How Do U.S. Immigration Courts Decide Gender-Based Asylum Claims?” 2016-2020.

Ethyl Wolfe Institute for the Humanities Faculty Fellowship, “Does the Constitution Guarantee Freedom from Government Tyranny and Despotism?" Fall 2014

PSC-CUNY Faculty research grant (with Namita Manohar) “Framing Comprehensive Immigration Reform”, Spring 2014

ENGAGE teaching award for fostering civic engagement. DePaul University, 2012

Center for Latino Research, DePaul University, Faculty Fellowship, "Latin American Immigration in the U.S. Courts of Appeals", DePaul University (Academic year 2007-2008)

University Research Council, Competitive Research Leave, (DePaul has no sabbatical system, but we are eligible to apply for competitive research leave at reduced pay)

-Winter and Spring quarters, 2012-2013 (declined because of move to CUNY)

-Fall and Winter quarters, 2006-2007

University Research Council, Faculty Research Fellowships, DePaul University

-Summer 2008 (to support professional copyediting services for book manuscript submission)

-Summer 2007 (to support conducting interviews with judges at the Courts of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in California)

-Summer 2005 (to support data collection at Immigration and Naturalization Service Archives in Washington DC)

Center for Comparative Immigration Studies, University of California, San Diego

-Visiting Pre-doctoral Fellowship (2002-2003)

Social Science Research Council, Committee on International Migration

-Dissertation Fellowship (2002)

-Minority Pre-Dissertation Fellowship (Summer 1997)

**PAPERS PRESENTED**

“Republican Ideology and the Freedom of Movement and Remain”, The Constitutional Schmooze, University of Maryland Francis Carey School of Law, Baltimore, Maryland, March 10-11, 2023.

Panel organizer and participant. “Slavery and the Origins of Antebellum Migration and Citizenship Law,” Law and Society Annual Convention, Lisbon, Portugal, July 13-16, 2022.

Roundtable participant. “New Directions in Antebellum Federalism Research,” Purdue Political History Conference, West Lafayette, IN, June 10-11, 2022. The roundtable was also recorded for CSPAN to air later.

“Citizenship in the Revolutionary War Period”, Oxford Early American Republic Seminar (via Zoom), January 25, 2022.

“Constructing American Citizenship in the Revolutionary War Period”, American Historical Association Annual Convention, (Panel was to be held in Seattle, January 7-10, 2021, but due to covid, the in-person component was cancelled, and out panel was not picked up for a broadcast session because AHA had limited staff.)

“The Migration and Importation Clause's Scope--Defining the Freedom of Movement at the Founding", Washington Early American Republic Seminar Conference, (via Zoom), October 2020.

“Migration Policy in the Colonial Period”, Society for Historians of the Early American Republic. Marriott Cambridge, Boston, MA, July 18-21, 2019.

“Colonial Era Migration Policies” Presented at the CUNY Early American Republic Seminar. CUNY Grad Center, February 22, 2019.

“Challenges of Interdisciplinary Legal Research” The annual conference of the Southern Political Science Association. Austin, TX: January 16-19, 2019.

“American Freedom—Movement, Membership, Slavery, and Immigration”The Constitutional Schmooze conference, University of Maryland Law School, Baltimore, MD: March 2-3, 2018.

“How should the Nation of Immigrants reconcile slavery with immigration?” Law and Politics Under Stress conference, University of Oregon School of Law, Portland, OR: April 12-13, 2018.

“Is Slavery Immigration?”, [Emancipations, Reconstructions, and Revolutions: African American Politics and U.S. History in the Long 19th Century](https://mercury.brooklyn.cuny.edu/owa/redir.aspx?SURL=yqfmNFzueXILyjzuxfwYfxsh-u9SkZparetyK4cOGub744E7-O3TCGgAdAB0AHAAcwA6AC8ALwBoAGkAcwB0AG8AcgB5AHAAcgBvAGcAcgBhAG0ALgBjAG8AbQBtAG8AbgBzAC4AZwBjAC4AYwB1AG4AeQAuAGUAZAB1AC8AYQBwAHIAaQBsAC0AMwAwAC0AYwBhAGwAbAAtAGYAbwByAC0AcABhAHAAZQByAHMALQBlAG0AYQBuAGMAaQBwAGEAdABpAG8AbgBzAC0AcgBlAGMAbwBuAHMAdAByAHUAYwB0AGkAbwBuAHMALQBhAG4AZAAtAHIAZQB2AG8AbAB1AHQAaQBvAG4AcwAtAGEAZgByAGkAYwBhAG4ALQBhAG0AZQByAGkAYwBhAG4ALQBwAG8AbABpAHQAaQBjAHMALQBhAG4AZAAtAHUALQBzAC0AaABpAHMAdABvAHIAeQAtAGkAbgAtAHQAaABlAC0AbABvAG4AZwAtADEAOQB0AGgALQBjAGUAbgB0AHUAcgB5AC8A&URL=https%3a%2f%2fhistoryprogram.commons.gc.cuny.edu%2fapril-30-call-for-papers-emancipations-reconstructions-and-revolutions-african-american-politics-and-u-s-history-in-the-long-19th-century%2f) Conference. CUNY Grad Center and the McNeil Center, New York City and Philadelphia, February 10-11, 2017.

“The Archetype of the American Immigrant”, American Political Science Association, Philadelphia Convention Center, Philadelphia, PA: August 31-September 4, 2016.

“The Alien and Sedition Laws of 1798 as a Window to 19th Century Immigration Federalism”, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. April 16-19, 2015.

“The federalization of naturalization policy,” American Political Science Association, Washington, DC Aug. 28-31, 2014.

“What did the original Constitution say about immigration?,” Social Science History Association, Chicago, IL November 21-23, 2013.

“What’s the Constitution Got to Do With It?: Federal Antebellum Immigration Policy”, American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. August 28- September 1, 2013.

“State Antebellum Immigration Policy: The Myth of the Weak American State” American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. August 28- September 1, 2013.

“An Assessment of Recent State Immigration Policymaking”, Law and Society Association. Honolulu, HI. June 5-8, 2012.

“Pre-Civil Immigration Policy Making by the Colonies and States” American Political Science Association annual convention. Seattle, WA, August 31-September 4, 2011.

“Author Meets Critics Roundtable on Anna Law’s *The Immigration Battle in American Courts”,* Midwest Political Science Association annual convention. Chicago, IL March 31-April 3, 2011.

“How the Internal Adjudicative Procedures of the Ninth Circuit Can Disadvantage Pro Se and Political Asylum Claimants” Midwest Political Science Association annual convention. Chicago, IL March 31-April 3, 2011.

“Immigration Policy Making in the Federal Courts” Social Science History Association annual convention. Chicago, IL. November 22-25, 2010.

“Judicial Triage: The Ninth Circuit and immigration appeals.” Immigration Law Professors Conference, DePaul University, Chicago, IL May 24-25, 2010.

“Back to the Future: Reassessing Immigration and Federalism through *Mayor of New York v Miln* (1837)”, The Constitutional Schmooze, University of Wisconsin School of Law, Madison, WI. October 2 and 3, 2009.

“Interstitial Policy Making in the U.S. Courts of Appeals”. American Political Science Association, Toronto, Canada. September 2-6, 2009.

“Understanding Judicial Decision Making in Immigration Cases at the U.S. Courts of Appeals”. With Margaret Williams. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, I. April 1-4, 2009.

"Institutional Growth and Innovation: The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and Immigration". Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. April 3-6, 2008.

"Due Process as a Point of 'Deep Equilibrium' in Institutional Development". American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. August 29-Sept. 1, 2007

"The Immigration Battle in American Courts". Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. April 11-15, 2007

“Marching to Different Drummers, the Supreme Court, U.S Courts of Appeals, and Immigration”. Southern Political Science Association. Atlanta, GA: January 5-8, 2006.

“The Supreme Court, U.S. Courts of Appeals, and Immigration Cases: A Case Study of Segmented Institutional Development”. American Political Science Association, Washington, DC. August 31-Sept. 4, 2005.

“The Least Dangerous Branch? But Which Branch?—Institutional Norms and Judicial Behavior in American Immigration Law". American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. September 2-5, 2004.

“Determining Legal Outcomes in U.S. Immigration Cases—Choosing Themes of Legal Reasoning and their Consequences.” Law and Society Association, Chicago, IL, May 27-30, 2004.

“Cracks in the National Consensus—the Effect of Institutional Norms on Judicial Behavior”. Social Science Research Council, International Migration Fellows Conference, Pacific Grove, CA, January 7-11, 2004.

“The Effect of Rules, Norms, and Arrangements on Judicial Behavior in Immigration Law”. American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, August 27-31, 2003.

“Interdisciplinary Approaches to Studying Immigration”. Social Science Research Council Summer Migration Institute, San Diego, CA, June 18-24, 2003.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

Congressional staff briefing. “An Assessment of the Effect of Caseload Pressures on the U.S. Courts of Appeals”, United States Senate Judiciary Committee, Washington, DC: Sept. 1, 2010. (A research presentation based on my first book’s findings to the senior legislative counsels of the Senate Judiciary Committee who draft immigration and federal court legislation.)

Expert Commentator. (April 2004 to January 2007) *The Supreme Court* is a four-part documentary produced by the PBS and WNET that examines chronologically the history of the U.S. Supreme Court through the eyes of famous justices and cases.  Along with other academics, Chief Justice Roberts, and retired Justice Sandra Day O’Connor, I appeared as one of the four “core narrators” in on camera interviews in episodes 1, 2, and 3. Provided in depth interviews on Chief Justice John Marshall and Justice Hugo Black in addition to commentary on landmark decisions like *Marbury v Madison* (1803) and *Dred Scott v Sanford* (1857).

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Roundtable participant. “Navigating the Academy as a Woman of Color”, annual conference of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Palmer House Hilton, Chicago, IL. April 13-16, 2023.

Co-Chair. “Lightning Round: New Directions in Immigration History,” annual conference of The Organization of American Historians, Westin Bonaventure Hotel, Los Angeles, CA. March 29-April 2.

Invited Lecture. “Antebellum Migration and Citizenship,” Center for Race, Citizenship, Equality Symposium, University of California Law, San Francisco, San Francisco, CA, January 19, 2023.

Invited Lecture. Constitution Day Lecture, “Challenging the Official Story of U.S. Immigration Policy,” Tufts University, Medford, MA, September 13, 2022.

Discussant. Immigration Ethnic History Society’s Online New Book Series. Discussed Professors Moon-Ho Jung’s *Menace to Empire: Anticolonial Solidarities and the Transpacific Origins of the U.S. Security State* (University of California Press, 2022),and Maria Quintana’s *Contracting Freedom: Race, Empire, and U.S. Worker Importation Programs, 1942-1964* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2022). Via Zoom, August 11, 2022.

Book prospectus review for University of California Press, 2022.

Scholars Advisory Board, New York City Tenement Museum, April 2022-present.

Invited lecture. “Intersections of Slavery and U.S. Immigration Policy History”, The Tenement Museum, New York, April 19, 2022. The presentation was to the educators and leadership of the museum to help them create a new exhibit comparing an Irish immigrant family and an African American family.

Discussant. “Settler and Colonial Legacies on Immigration Restriction and U.S. Citizenship”, Organization of American Historians, Boston, MA: March 31-April 3, 2022.

Panelist. “The Roberts Court and Legitimacy”, University of Oregon, Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics (via Zoom), February 2, 2022.

Guest lecture. “Networking in the Profession”, University of Texas, Public Policy Institute (via Zoom), May 12, 2021.

Panelist. “Asylum Protection in the US”, Carrol University (via Zoom), April 19, 2021.

Discussant. Book Panel for Adam Cox and Cristina Rodriguez’s *The President and Immigration Law* book, CUNY Graduate Center, (via Zoom) March 15, 2021.

Panelist. “Immigration in 2021 and Beyond,” Institute for Immigration Research, George Mason University (via Zoom), February 10, 2021.

Discussant. “Centering War in the Study of Immigration History”, Organization of American Historians Annual Convention, via Zoom, April 2021.

Panelist. “Reassessing the political landscape post-election,” Wayne Morse Center, University of Oregon, via Zoom, November 10, 2020.

Discussant. Book panel for Deborah Kang’s book *INS On the Line: Making Immigration Law on the US Mexico Border, 1917-1954* MacMillan Center, Yale University, via Zoom, October 2020.

Invited Constitution Day Lecture, “Trump’s Immigration Policies: Are They Constitutional?”, Bingham Young University, (via Zoom), September 17, 2020.

Invited lecture. “Who is an immigrant? Challenging the official story of US migration policy history” Russell Sage Foundation. New York, NY. February 12, 2020.

Invited lecture for Constitution Day. “Immigration, Trump, the Constitution” Manhattan College, Bronx, NY, September 26, 2019.

Invited lecture for Constitution Day. “President Trump, the Constitution, and Immigration” Hamilton College, Clinton, NY, September 17, 2019.

Discussant. “Resistance and Mobilization in Constitutional Development: Potential and Pitfalls” American Political Science Association. Washington, DC. August 29- September 1, 2019.

Discussant. “The Contested Politics of Birthright Citizenship in America, 1898-2019” American Political Science Association. Washington, DC. August 29- September 1, 2019.

Discussant. “Citizenship in the US: New Historical Approaches”, discussed 3 new books by Lucy Salyer, Sam Erman, and Martha Jones. Law and Society Association, Washington, DC, May 31-June 1, 2019.

Discussant. “American Political Development and Immigration”, Southern Political Science Association, Austin, TX, January 17-19, 2019.

Discussant. “Judicial Politics Approaches to Crime and Punishment”, annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Austin, TX, January 17-19, 2019.

Panelist. “Nationalism and Citizenship”, Center for Migration Studies, Policy & Academic Symposium. New York, NY. October 4, 2018.

Invited lecture. Putterman Lecture for Constitution Day, “A Nation of Immigrants No More? Trump’s Immigration Policy, and The Constitution”, Bucknell University, Lewistown, PA, September 12-13, 2018.

Panelist. “Making research relevant: Doing public facing scholarship” Immigration Law Scholars and Teachers Workshop, Drexel University School of Law. Philadelphia, PA, May 24-26, 2018.

Professional development panelist. “Public engagement: Blogging, Tweeting, and Social Media in Higher Education” Midwest Political Science Association, annual conference, Chicago: April 5-8, 2018.

Invited lecture: Constitution Day Speaker: “Are Trump’s Actions Constitutional? Immigration, Judicial Independence, and Democratic Institutions.” SUNY Fredonia, Fredonia, NY, Sept. 18, 2017.

Roundtable organizer and participant. “Professional Development: Networking and Salary/Benefits Negotiation”, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6-9, 2017.

Discussant. “Gender, Sex, and Law”, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6-9, 2017

Invited lecturer. Constitution Day Speaker. “Does the Constitution Trump a Wall and Mass Deportation” Clark University, Worcester, MA, September 14, 2016.

Discussant. “Subnational Immigration Policymaking” American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA: August 31-September 4, 2016.

Guest instructor. “Immigration and Citizenship in Post War America.” National Humanities Center Forum on Immigration and Citizenship. Raleigh, NC, June 29-30, 2016.

Invited lecture. SUNY Binghamton, Department of Political Science “How slave policy dictated immigration policy,” Binghamton, NY, April 22, 2016.

Invited lecture. “The 19th Century in U.S. History: When Slavery Determined Immigration Policy” Wolfe Institute for the Humanities, Fellows’ Conference, Brooklyn College, April 14, 2016.

Chair. “Shaping the National with the Local: New Perspectives on State-Federal Relations in American Immigration History,” Organization of American Historians, Providence, RI. April 7-10, 2016.

Panelist. “How Did We Get Here? The Historical Roots of the American Immigration Debate.” New School for Social Research, Zolberg Migration Institute, New York, NY, March 4, 2016.

Invited presentation. “When Slavery Determined Immigration Policy - The Politics of 19th Century Immigration Federalism,” Political Science Department/CUNY Grad Center, New York, NY, March 19, 2015.

Discussant. “Panel on immigration and race”, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC. Aug.28-31, 2014.

Invited Lecture. “Antebellum Immigration Federalism: A Division of Labor as Clear as Mud”, University of Texas School of Law, Constitutional Law Faculty Symposium, Austin, TX, February 25, 2014.

Invited Lecture. “Debating Immigration Reform” New York University Law School, Joint event of The Federalist Society and the American Constitution Society, New York, NY, October 290, 2013.

Paper presenter. “Immigration Federalism in the Antebellum Era” NYC area immigration law professors reading group. Brooklyn Law School, Brooklyn, NY, December 7, 2012.

Leader of Faculty Reading Group. Wolfe Institute, CUNY Brooklyn College. Over four meetings in the Fall of 2012, the group read and discussed Sanford Levinson’s *Our Undemocratic Constitution* (Oxford 2008)

Discussant. CUNY Graduate Center, Migration Speaker Series. Commented on Professors Lina Newton and Monica Varsanyi’s papers on immigration federalism. New York, NY, October 7, 2012.

Panelist. “Roundtable on the Teaching of American Constitutionalism” Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL, April 12-15, 2012.

Discussant/Chair. “Immigration and Constitutionalism” Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL April 12-15, 2012.

Invited lecture for Constitution Day. “The Federal Courts’ Roles in Immigration Policy” (In the Political Science dept.) and panelist on immigration and the U.S. Constitution (at the law school). Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX, September 11 and 12, 2011.

Chair. “Immigration Politics in States and Cities” American Political Science Association annual convention. Seattle, WA, August 31-Sept. 4, 2011.

Invited lectures. “The Federal Courts’ Roles in Immigration Policy”: University of North Texas, Immigrant Research and Policy Center (Denton, TX: March 23, 2011), Southern Methodist University, John G. Tower Center (Dallas, TX: March 24, 2011), University of Texas at Austin, Public Policy Institute and Population Research Center (Austin, TX: March 25, 2011).

Discussant. “Issues, Actors, and Rules in the U.S. Courts of Appeals” Midwest Political Science Association annual convention. Chicago, IL March 31-April 3, 2011.

Invited Lecture. “Foreign Policy Implications in U.S. Asylum Policy”, Heartland International, First Tuesday Lecture Series, Loyola University Law School, Chicago, IL. November 2, 2010.

Discussant**. “Border Crossings: Immigration and Emigration Politics in Comparative Perspective” American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: Sept. 1-5, 2010.**

**Invited Lecture. “Policymaking at the Margins: The U.S. Courts of Appeals and Immigration” Juniata College, Huntingdon, PA, June 2010.**

Panel Organizer and Chair. “Author Meets Critics: Barry Friedman’s *The Will of the People: How Public Opinion Has Influenced the Court and Shaped the Meaning of the Constitution* book.” Midwest Political Science Association, April 21-25, 2010.

Invited Lecture. "Rationing Justice? The Federal Courts and Immigration Appeals", in fulfillment of requirements for the Center for Latino Research Faculty Fellowship, Chicago, IL. June 3, 2008.

Roundtable participant. "Teaching Immigration", Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 3-6, 2008.

Chair. "The Constitution in Time of War", Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago,

IL, April 7-10, 2005.

Invited lecture. “Legal Inequality in U.S. Immigration Policy and Law”,Northwestern University Undergraduate Lecture Series on Race, Poverty, and Inequality.Evanston, IL, May 19, 2004**.**

Panelist. “Author meets critics roundtable on Desmond King’s *Making Americans: Immigration, Race, and the Origins of the Diverse Democracy*. (Harvard University Press, 2000) American Political Science Association, Washington D.C., August 30- September 2, 2000.

United States Commission on Immigration Reform, Program Analyst

Washington, DC, 1994 - 1996

Researched and analyzed policy issues in support of the work of the blue ribbon, bipartisan, congressional commission. Constructed roundtables on refugee resettlement and high-tech sector in Washington state for one of the Commission’s field visits to Seattle. Liaised with congressional Hill staff, interest group, community groups, government, and non-government organization representatives. Prepared background briefing materials for the Commissioners. Drafted portions of the Commission’s reports to Congress. The "Jordan Commission" (named after Chair, former congresswoman Barbara Jordan) that was charged with making policy recommendations to Congress and the White House on all aspects of immigration.

Spanish Catholic Center and Washington Lawyers’ Committee for Human Rights, Naturalization Project Volunteer, Washington, DC, 1995-1996

United States Senate, Office of Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Summer Legislative Intern

Washington, DC, Summer 1991

Assisted with constituent casework involving immigration issues and responded to constituent correspondence.

**MEDIA AND PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP**

Interviews: *Volkscrant* (Dutch national newspaper), *Christian Science Monitor*, Slate, South Africa Broadcast Corporation, Business Insider, *Philadelphia Inquirer*, The 19th News, *The Boston Globe*, *Law Vegas Review-Journal,* NBC, Vox, Philadelphia Inquirer, Inside Higher Education, KHOU TV Houston, TX, WORT radio Madison, WI, *New York Times*, NBC, NV Magazine (Ukraine), *Philadelphia Inquirer*, CQ Roll Call, HowStuffWorks, PIX11, NowThis, AP, NPR: Morning Edition, *The Atlantic*, Politifact, Reuters, *Financial Times*, The Daily Show (for fact checking), The History Channel, *The New York Times*, Craig Melvin show (MSNBC), Politico, National Public Radio/All Things Considered, BillMoyers.org, Brian Leher TV Show, No Jargon Podcast, Patch, VICE News, *Daily Journal* (CA), QZ.com, *Worcester Telegram*, NY1 News, *USA Today*, *Huffington Post*, Scripps News, *Tampa Bay Times*, Brooklyn12 News, *Brooklyn Eagle*, Abu Dhabi News, *Chicago Reporter*, Chicago Tonight/PBS, *The Washington Post*, *The Chicago Tribune*, MSNBC, *Fort Worth Star Telegram*

[Short essay](https://www.politico.com/news/magazine/2022/03/22/senate-confirmation-questions-ketanji-brown-jackson-00018982). “12 Questions That Might Actually Tell Us Something About Ketanji Brown Jackson”, Politico Magazine, March 22, 2022,

[Short essay](https://www.politico.com/news/magazine/2022/01/27/breyer-supreme-court-nominee-successor-00000019). “13 Legal Experts on How Breyer Replacement Will Change the Court”, Politico Magazine, January 27, 2022,

[Essay](https://www.washingtonpost.com/outlook/2021/09/21/myth-open-borders/): “The Myth of Open Borders” Made by History in the *Washington Post*, September 21, 2021,

[Short essay](https://www.politico.com/news/magazine/2020/09/26/amy-barrett-scotus-legal-experts-422028). “How Amy Coney Barrett Would Reshape the Court and the Country” Politico Magazine, September 26, 2020,

[Essay](https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2020/01/28/is-trump-admitting-defeat-with-his-new-us-visa-rules/). “Is Trump Admitting Defeat with His New Visa Rules?” *The Washington Post* Monkey Cage blog, January 28, 2020,

[Essay](https://www.politico.com/magazine/story/2017/11/01/diversity-visa-irish-history-215776). “The Irish Roots of the Diversity Visa Lottery”, Politico Magazine, November 1, 2017.

[Essay](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2017/05/03/this-is-how-trumps-deportations-differ-from-obamas/?utm_term=.84f26f5d2147). “This is How Trump’s Deportation Statistics Differ from Obama’s”, *The Washington Post*, Monkey Cage Blog, May 3, 2017

[Essay](https://theconversation.com/want-to-challenge-trump-on-immigration-try-a-strategy-from-the-antebellum-south-70469). “Want to Challenge Trump on Immigration? Try a Strategy from the Antebellum South.” The Conversation, January 5, 2017.

[Podcast Guest](http://newbooksnetwork.com/anna-law-the-immigration-battle-in-american-courts-cambridge-up-2014/). “The Immigration Battle in American Courts” New Books in Political Science podcast. February 13, 2017.

[TV show guest](http://www.cuny.tv/show/potus2016/PR2005763). November 30, 2016, Brian Lehrer POTUS2016 show on comparing Obama and Trump’s deportation policies.

[Podcast Guest](http://www.scholarsstrategynetwork.org/podcast/immigration-beyond-border). “Immigration Beyond the Border” No Jargon podcast series, Scholars Strategy Network, June 14, 2016.

[Commissioned essay](http://firstyear2017.org/essay/cooler-heads). “Cooler Heads” Advice to the new President of the United States taking office in 2017 on immigration policy. For the Miller Center at the University of Virginia as part of their FirstYear2017 briefing book for POTUS. May 2016,

[Oped](http://talkingpointsmemo.com/cafe/immigration-nationality-act-reagan-johnson-trump). “The Crucial Question Reagan and LBJ Got Right—And Trump Gets Wrong” Talking Points Memo, October 5, 2015.

[Essay](https://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/monkey-cage/wp/2015/08/21/trump-thinks-that-being-born-in-the-u-s-shouldnt-make-you-a-citizen-changing-that-would-be-very-hard/). “Trump thinks being born in the U.S. shouldn’t make you a citizen. Changing that would be very hard.” *The Washington Post*, The Monkey Cage Blog, April 21, 2015.

[Essay](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2014/04/21/lies-damned-lies-and-obamas-deportation-statistics/). “Lies, Damned Lies, and Obama’s Deportation Statistics” *The Washington Post*, The Monkey Cage Blog, April 21, 2014.

Live Radio Guest. (July 28, 2011) NPR/Chicago Public Radio*: Eight Forty Eight*--"Local law enforcement struggles with unclear reach of federal immigration policies.”

Live Radio Guest. (March 5, 2007) NPR/Chicago Public Radio: *Eight Forty Eight*--"Chicago Matters--Beyond Borders." Appeared as a panelist about national immigration policy. The second part of the show consisted of Q&A with audience members.

Live Radio Guest. (March 16, 2006) *Extensions 720: The Milt Rosenberg Show*. Appeared on this popular Chicago area live radio show with the host and two other immigration academics to discuss the state of U.S. immigration policy and prospects for reform. The second hour of the show consisted of the panelists taking questions from callers.

**SERVICE**

Brooklyn College, Department of Political Science

-De-colonizing the curriculum (2022)

-Coordinator of Undergrad Assessment (2019-present)

-Appointments/Personnel Committee (2014-2018, 2019-2021)

-Undergraduate advisor (2016-2017)

-Faculty Council political science department representative (2013-2016)

-Events Committee, Chair (2013-2014)

-Curriculum Committee (2012-1013)

-Pre-Law Advisor (2012-2013)

-American Institutions Job Search Committee (2012-2013)

-Belle Zeller Visiting Professorship Search Committee (2012-2013)

Brooklyn College, School of Social Sciences and Humanities

-Search Committee, Zicklin Chair (2017-2018)

-Ad hoc Dean’s committee on undergraduate research (2014)

CUNY CENTRAL

-Reviewer for PSC-CUNY Economics and Political Science Review Board for faculty research grants (grant cycles 2013-2014, 2022, 2023)

DePaul University, Department of Political Science Committees

-Mass Media/American Politics job search committee (2012)

-Co-Prelaw advisor (2003-2012)

**-**Chair, Dept. representative for IRB Review (2009-2012)

-Personnel (Summer 2010)

-Assessment (2009-2010)

-Member, Local Review Board for IRB Review (2007-2008)

**-**Bylaws revision (2007-2008)

**-**Subcommittee on possible M.A. program (2007)

-Teaching Evaluations (2005-2006)

-Personnel (2005-2006)

DePaul University, College of Arts and Social Sciences Committees

**-**Peer mentor of junior faculty, especially on issues of minority faculty and publishing/researching, (2012)

**-**Invited presenter, New Faculty Seminar, “Strategies for research and publishing at a

teaching institution”, (2012)

**-**Proposal reviewer, Center for Latino Research, Faculty Fellowship (2010-2011)

-Chair, Social Science Editorial Board for the *Students Creating Knowledge* Undergraduate Research Journal (2009)

-Member, Editorial Board for *Students Creating Knowledge* (2008)

-Students Creating Knowledge Taskforce (2007-2008)

-Subcommittee on the creation of an Undergraduate Research Office (2007)

-"Constitution Day" Programming Committee (2005-2007)

DePaul University, University Level Committees

-Elected by Faculty Council to a 7-member Presidential taskforce to revise the University Faculty Handbook. The task force is composed of 5 faculty representatives and the President’s 2 representatives. (2011-2012)

-Elected by Faculty Council to a 5-member negotiation team to negotiate with the university President’s representatives to craft an appeals system to address the 2010 controversial tenure denial cases. The process resulted in a grant of tenure (on appeal) to one of our colleagues. (2011)

Service to the profession and broader community

Contributor. Gilder Lehrman Institute for American History’s “Topics in American Governance.” Created an essay and video about the American jury system. (February 10, 2023)

Editorial Advisory Board. *Journal of American Constitutional History*, (This new peer-reviewed journal has an interdisciplinary Board comprised of law professors, political scientists, and historians.) (2022- )

Scholars Advisory Board, Tenement Museum: Immigration Museum NYC. Invited to the board to help the museum integrate the Black migration history into broader U.S. immigration history in redesigning its exhibits and tours. (2022-present)

Trained report intake/investigator. Status of Professional Environment Committee, Immigration and Ethnic History Society, (2021-2023) IEHS has committed to having two trained committee members at conferences and events (including online) to enforce their Code of Conduct.

Editorial Board, Law and Politics Book Review, (2021-present)

Chair 2022, Member 2023. Outstanding Dissertation Prize, Immigration and Ethnic History Society.

External tenure review and report for Drew University, Department of Political Science, 2021.

Member. Prize committee: APSA Law and Courts Section, best conference paper (2020)

Elected to the Executive Board of the Immigration and Ethnic History Society, an organized section of the Organization of American Historians. At IEHS, I serve on the webpage redesign committee. (2020-2022)

Ad hoc reviewer. National Science Foundation. Law and Social Sciences Division. (2019)

Editorial Advisory Board of the *Justice System Journal*. (Spring 2019-2022, the journal lost its funding in 2022)

Member. Mary Parker Follett Prize for best article in American Political Development, American Political Science Association, (2018)

External tenure review and report for UMASS Amherst, Department of Political Science. (2017)

Co-Section Chair. American Political Science Association, Citizenship and Migration Section, (2016)

External tenure review and report for the University of Nevada Las Vegas School of Law. (2015)

Member. American Political Science Association, Citizenship and Migration Section, best book chapter published in calendar year 2014. (2015)

Member. American Political Science Association, Franklin Burdette/Pi Sigma Alpha award for best conference paper in 2014. (2015)

Elected to 3-year term on Executive Council of the Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association (2013-2015)

Section Chair, Constitutional Law and Jurisprudence, American Political Science Association, 2014 annual conference program committee (2013-2014)

Chair. American Political Science Association, Law and Courts Section, Best Conference Paper Presented in calendar year 2012. (2012-2013)

Member. American Political Science Association, Federalism Section, Martha Derthick Book Prize Committee. The prize awarded for the best book on federalism published in the last 10 years, 2012. (2012)

Section Chair, Law and Jurisprudence, Midwest Political Science Association, 2011.

Panel reviewer. National Science Foundation, Law and Social Science Division. Washington, DC. 2010.

Faculty Instructor. Law and Society Association pre-conference programming for graduate students preceding the annual convention. Workshops taught: “Arizona as a microcosm of national immigration debates”, “Dissertation feedback for students writing migration dissertations”, and “The social science job market”. Renaissance Hotel: Chicago, IL. May 24-26, 2010.

Panelist. "Topics in Federal Immigration Policy" Annual convention of Alpha Gamma Ro, an Agricultural Professional Fraternity. Chicago, IL. August 9, 2008.

External Reviewer for Refereed Journals: *Polity*, *Journal of Policy History*, *Journal of American History*, *American Political Science Review*, *Publius*, *Justice System Journal*, *Journal of Law and Politics*; *Politics, Groups, Identities*; *Polity*’ *Studies in American Political Development*, *Journal of Law and Courts*, *Justice System Journal*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *International Migration Review*, *Sociological Forum*, *Journal of Politics*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *American Politics Review*.

External Reviewer. U.S. Department of Homeland Security: Science and Technology Directorate, (2007) White Paper Review for Border Studies Center Project. Reviewed seven "white paper" proposals from university teams that proposed designs and components for a Border Studies Center. The proposals were competing for a $3 million-dollar renewable grant for such a center that would combine the study of new technologies to address national security concerns with the furthering of scholars' and policy makers' understanding of migration patterns and incentives.

Prize committee, “Best graduate student paper”, Law and Society Association, (2005)