**Education**

Ph.D., 2002 Claremont Graduate University

*Tracks:* Political Philosophy and American Government

*Dissertation*: “Jonathan Edwards as Lockean Puritan? Epistemology and Natural Law in Jonathan Edwards.”

M.A., 1999 Claremont Graduate University

B.A., 1997 Hillsdale College

*Majors*: Political Science and Economics

**Academic Positions**

* Professor of Political Science, Franciscan University of Steubenville (2023-present).
* Assistant/Associate Professor of Political Science, Seattle Pacific University (2007/2011-2023).
* Assistant Professor of Political Science, Clayton State University (2005-2007).
* Instructor for Junior Statesmen Foundation (2005, 2006).
* Visiting Professor of Political Science, Seattle Pacific University (2003, 2004).
* Adjunct Professor of Political Science California State University at San Bernardino (2003).
* Half-time Professor and Adjunct Professor of Political Science, Azusa Pacific University (2000, 2001).
* Adjunct Professor of Political Science, Columbia College at Los Alamitos (2000).

**Courses Taught:**

*At Franciscan University*

* **POL 335/HIS 335** American Foreign Policy
* **POL 301/LST 301 Natural Law**
* **POL 291 Political Philosophy I (Ancient Political Philosophy)**
* **POL 292 Political Philosophy II (Modern Political Philosophy)**
* **POL 320 Comparative Politics**
* **POL 336 American Political Thought**

*At Seattle Pacific University*

* **POL 1120** American Government and Politics
* **POL 2464** State and Local Politics
* **UCOR 2000** The West and the World
* **University Colloquium** Modern American Conservatism
* **POL 2000** Vocations in Political Science
* **POL 2642** Christianity and World Politics
* **POL 2641 Christianity and American Politics**
* **POL 3410** Moral Foundations of Democracy
* **POL 3430** The Presidency and Congress
* **POL 3450** Political Parties & Interest Groups
* **POL 3677 The Nature of Cities/Urban Politics**
* **POL 3780** Law and Society
* **POL 4000** Public Policy and Administration
* **POL 4450** Constitutional Law: Powers
* **POL 4451** Constitutional Law: Liberties
* **POL 4641 Theories of the Political System: Ancient**
* **POL 4642 Theories of the Political System: Ancient**
* **POL 4899/4911** Capstone/Seminar: Film and Politics
* **POL 4899/4911 Capstone/Seminar: Federalism, Liberty and Equality**

**Publications**

*Current Projects*

* “On Catholic Education,” a monograph which has been committed for the Society of Catholic Social Scientists.
* “Tocqueville on artificial intelligence and the democratic mind,” a preliminarily accepted chapter for a book to be published by PLOS ONE.
* Book review on *Selective Breeding and the Birth of Philosophy*, for *Catholic Social Science Review*

*Peer Reviewed Publications*

* “Reflections: Conservatives, Courage, and Health Care,” *The Independent Review: A Journal of Political Economy* 28:1, 143-153. This was published in 2023.
* “Benedict XVI on Education and Solidarity,” *religions* 14:76 (2023). <https://www.mdpi.com/2077-1444/14/1/76>.
* Daniels, Henry, Murg, “The Future of Christian Higher Education: A Political Economy Analysis,” *Journal of Markets & Morality* 22:2, 317-37. This was published in 2019.
* “Francis and the Great Society,” *Journal of Church and State* (60:1), 68-90. This was published in 2018.
* Henry, Daniels, Murg, “Whither Higher Education? Past and Present Challenges,” *The University at a Crossroads: Assessing the Purpose, State and Future of Christian Higher Education.* Castle, Tyler, ed., (Washington DC: American Enterprise Institute: 2017),14-25.
* Henry, Daniels, Murg, “Whither Higher Education? Future Trajectories,” *The University at a Crossroads: Assessing the Purpose, State and Future of Christian Higher Education.* Castle, Tyler, ed., (Washington DC: American Enterprise Institute: 2017), 26-37.
* Entries on “John Locke,” “Robert Breck,” and “Political Thought” for Stout, Minkema, Neele, eds, *Jonathan Edwards Encyclopedia* (William Eerdmans Publishing Company, 2017), 75, 76, 353, 354, 449-51.
* “Obergefell, Locke, and the Changing Definition of Marriage,” *Catholic Social Science Review* (21), 55-70. This was published in the fall of 2016.
* “Pride, Property and Providence: Jonathan Edwards on Property Rights,” *The Journal of Church and State* (53: 401-420). This was published in the summer of 2011.

*Non-Peer Reviewed Journal Publications*

* “Joab: A Biblical Critique of Machiavellian Tactics,” *Westminster Theological Journal* (69: 327-43). This was published in the fall of 2007.

*Editorial*

* “The Assault on Parental Moral Authority,” *Crisis Magazine* (November 10, 2015).
* “Word Play: Impeach,” *Response* (Spring, 2015), 13.
* “Fix Medicare and health care will follow,” *The Daily News*, August 23, 2009.

Book Review

* *Catholic Social Science Review,* review of *America’s Philosopher: John Locke in American Intellectual Life*, by Claire Rydell Arcenas, (28).
* *American Political Thought*, review of *Radical Conversion: Theorizing Catholic Citizenship in the American Liberal Tradition*, by Christopher Duncan, 12:1 (winter, 2023)
* *Journal of Markets & Morality*, review of *The Pursuit of Happiness in the Founding Era: An Intellectual History*, by Carli Conklin, (23:1).
* *Journal of Markets and Morality*, review of *The Political Theory of the American Founding: Natural Rights, Public Policy and the Moral Conditions of Freedom,* Tom West (2017), 360-2.
* *Journal of Markets and Morality*, review of *Rationalism, Pluralism & Freedom*, Jacob Levy (Spring, 2016), 499-502.
* *Journal of Markets and Morality*, review of *Hayek’s Modern Family: Classical Liberalism and the Evolution of Social Institutions*, Steven Horwitz (19: 144-9). This was published in Spring, 2016.
* *Journal of Church and State*, review of *Capitalism and Christianity, American Style*, William E. Connolly (50: 713-715). This was published in Autumn, 2008.

**Conferences**

*Facilitated Conferences*

* 2021/22: Lincoln Lectures series included Doug Bandow on foreign policy, Carl Trueman on contemporary gender theory, Bill McClay on American constitutionalism, and Paul Miller on just war theory. These speakers were funded by the Jack Miller Center, American Enterprise Institute, and the Intercollegiate Studies Institute.
* 2019/20: Founded SPU’s Lincoln Lecture series, which is funded by the Jack Miller Center. Lucas Morel discussed Lincoln and the Founding and Asma Udin discussed America’s Muslim experience of religious liberty. Unfortunately, Covid 19’s lockdown forced the cancellation of the rest of the lecture series.
* October, 2018: Obtained funding from the Jack Miller Center to bring Nick Buccola to campus. He gave a lecture titled “To Form a More Perfect Union: Frederick Douglass’s Aspirational Constitution” He also led the first meeting of the quarter-long faculty/student book club dedicated to Frederick Douglass.
* 2017: Phillip Munoz gave a presentation on “Did the Founders Intend to Separate Church from State?
* October, 2012: “The Free Market, Environmental Stewardship, and Rule of Law: Development of a Curricular Unit for Political Science Classes.” Presentations were given by Professors Steve Bretsen, Janel Curry, and Jim Huffman. See below for the grants which funded this conference.

*Conferences/Panels/Seminars*

* April, 2022: Bradley Foundation Conference: Patriotism v. Nationalism
* January, 2022: American Enterprise Institute’s Faith and Public Life Faculty Retreat.
* July, 2021: American Enterprise Institute’s Initiative on Faith and Public Life: Summer Faculty Retreat.
* October, 2018: Jack Miller Center’s Jeffersonian Seminar on “Religious Liberty at the Founding.”
* October, 2018: Oases of Excellence Conference, sponsored by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni and the Fund for Academic Renewal.
* October, 2018: American Enterprise Institute’s “Values & C Fall Summit.”
* April, 2018: Linfield College’s “Why Frederick Douglass Matters: A Bicentennial Symposium,” sponsored by the Jack Miller Center.
* 2018: Federalist Society’s San Francisco symposium on “The Federalists, the Anti-Federalists and the Constitution they Created.”
* 2017: Presented “Catholic Social Teaching and Economics in a Global Environment” for Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church’s Sunday Forum.
* 2017: Participant in the American Enterprise Institute’s seminar on Defenses and Critiques of Markets.
* 2015: Presented “*Obergefell*, Locke, and the Changing Definition of Marriage” at the Society of Catholic Social Scientists’ annual conference.
* 2015: Attended the Federalist Society’s “Federalism at the Crossroads” colloquium.
* 2015: Attended the Jack Miller Center’s Jeffersonian Seminar.
* 2012, 2013: Attended the Free Market Forum.
* 2013, 2016: Attended Acton University in Grand Rapids, MI.
* November, 2012: Northwest Political Science Association annual meeting: presented “Free Market Environmentalism: A Hayekian Solution with Hayekian Limitations.”
* 2010: Panelist for the Heritage Foundation’s conference on “Seek the Welfare of the City.”
* 2007: Presented “Edwards on Pride and Politics” for the American Political Science Association’s annual meeting.
* 2006: Presented “Political Theology of Jonathan Edwards” for the Georgia Political Science Association’s annual meeting.
* 2006: Attended the American Democracy Project’s South Conference.
* 2004: Discussant for the *Calvinism and Modern Culture Workshop* at Centre College.
* 2004: Presented “Jonathan Edwards on Property Rights” for the Henry Institute’s Symposium on Religion and Politics at Calvin College.
* 1997, 2004: Participant in the Acton Institute’s “Toward a Free and Virtuous Society” Conference.

**Professional Activities**

*Professional Memberships/Activities*

* 2019: Served as a consultant for faculty at a Christian university who were concerned about institutional mission drift.
* 2014-present: Society of Catholic Social Scientists
* 2008-present: Federalist Society
* 2001-2014: American Political Science Association
* 2009-2010: The Academy of Political Science
* 2006-2007: Georgia Political Science Association

*Awards/Grants*

* 2018/2019: SPU’s School of Business, Government and Economics’ Scholar of the Year.
* 2012: “The Free Market, Environmental Stewardship, and Rule of Law: Development of a Curricular Unit for Political Science Classes” was funded by several grants.
  + Christian Colleges and Universities Faculty Mini-grant Program on Free Market Economics.
  + Seattle Pacific University’s College of Arts and Science’s Academic Renewal Grant.
  + Grant from the Intercollegiate Studies Institute.
* 1998-2000: Bradley Foundation Grant
* 1999-2000: Haynes Foundation Grant
* 1997-2000: Olin Foundation Grant

*Personal Development*

* 2020: Melani Platt and I led a FLAGG discussion group on “Understanding Republican and Democratic Voters in the Upcoming Presidential Election.”
* 2018: Completed the Faculty Professional Development Certificate Program. Steve Perisho and I led a faculty book club on J. T. Burtchael’s *The Dying of the Light.*
* 2017: Led a faculty book club on J.H. Newman’s *Idea of a University.*
* 2017: Attended U.S. Global Leadership Coalition “Foreign Policy Lunch with Representative Smith.”
* 2015: Discussed “The Coming Conflict for Catholic Social Services” for the University of Washington Newman Center’s Drinks with Dominicans.
* 2014: [Interviewed](http://www.king5.com/news/politics/Inside-Politics--254105091.html) on King5 TV’s *Inside Politics* regarding the Supreme Court’s decision in *McCutcheon v. Federal Election Commission.*
* 2014: Presented a survey of American abortion law for the University of Washington’s Students for Life.
* 2014-present: member of the advisory board for the Chapman Center for Citizen Leadership, a nonprofit dedicated to empowering young civic leaders.
* 2010-2012: I was a member of the board of directors for “Public Eye Northwest” (<http://publiceyenorthwest.org/>). This nonprofit encourages the creation of alternate news sources for local news coverage, publishes summaries of politically relevant government documents, and trains young people to research local government issues.
* 2010: Helped Countrywide Community Forums run a forum with SPU students on the King County budget.
* August 12, 2008: Attended the Federalist Society’s panel on the Washington State Supreme Court.
* 2007: Attended Seattle Pacific University’s Instructional Technology Services’ workshops on “Blackboard: SafeAssign Plagiarism Detection Tool” and “Wikis.”
* 2006: Studied “Facilitating Learning Online” via Georgia Southern University.
* 2006: Participated in the National Issue’s Forum’s “Democracy’s Challenge: Reclaiming the Public Square.”

**University Service**

*Institutional Service*

* 2023-24: Member of the D.C. Encounter Taskforce
* 2024: Obtained ISI funding to bring Kevin Vallier to speak for the Friday Academic Lecture Series
* 2020: Participated in the “News & Nachos” panel on “Can Democracy Survive?”
* 2020: Participated in SPU’s Table Talk panel on post-election life.
* 2019: Participated in the “News & Nachos” panel on the 2nd Amendment and gun violence.
* 2019: Obtained a $20,000 grant to fund a speaker series at SPU.
* 2015-17: Co-created the new Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE) major.
* 2015-16: Served on the Business School’s dean search committee.
* 2015: Served as faculty representative on the Executive Advisory Board’s Student & Faculty Relations Team.
* 2008-present: Thrice elected to be member of the Intercollegiate Athletic Committee. Served on a subcommittee which reworked the exit questions for student athletes, analyzed the resulting data, and collaborated regarding how to protect student-athletes’ study time.
* 2007-present: New student advising at least once a year.
* 2012, 2016: Set up and participated in a faculty panel on the presidential debate.
* 2012: Co-taught a breakout session of the Day of Common Learning with Dr. Bruce Baker on the correlations among civil society, business corporations, and government.
* 2012: Co-led a Camp Casey Faculty Retreat discussion with Theology Librarian Steve Perisho. We discussed Miroslav Volf’s *A Public Faith: How Followers of Christ Should Serve the Public Good.*
* 2012: Discussed contemporary politics at a university roundtable with Dr. Ruth Ediger and Dr. Sean Casey.
* 2012: Presented “Government’s Role in Society” for the SPU Business Department’s annual retreat.
* 2009: Co-taught a breakout session of the Day of Common Learning. Dr. Bo Lim and I discussed “Lincoln and the Possibilities of Prudential Politics.”
* 2008: Panelist on an interdepartmental committee discussing a proposal to change education requirements to allow for more math credit.
* 2008-2012: Reader for 7 Senior Honors Projects (one of whom won the Wesley E. Lingren award for best senior Honors Project).

*Department Service*

* 2023-24: Began taking over political science department chair duties.
* 2024: Renamed the two political philosophy classes and created a third class on contemporary political philosophy, with all three classes now co-listed as philosophy classes.
* 2018-present: Helped establish the assessment procedure for the political science department.
* 2018-present: Helped write the department mission statement and department learning outcomes. This process also required an overview of all syllabi.
* 2015-present: Served on the Business School’s Undergraduate Committee.
* Spring, 2017: Chaired the SBGE Undergraduate Committee.
* 2015-2016: Served on the Business School’s dean search committee.
* 20105-16: Adapted and guided the political science tenure and promotion standards through the department and school.
* 2014-2015: Served on the search committee for the new Global Development Studies professor.
* 2014-present: Serve on the Executive Advisory Board’s subcommittee discussing how the EAB could better work with SBGE faculty.
* 2012: Substituted for Dr. Kathleen Braden, while she took her sabbatical. I took over her responsibilities as head of the Global Development Studies major.
* 2009: department liaison at the librarian interview for Adrienne Meier
* 2008-present: Brought in speakers and taped them for iTunes University and youtube. These speakers included Stefan Coonrod (partner at K & L Gates) , Marty Brown (Governor Gregoire’s Legislative Director), Victor Brown (Director of the Office of Financial Management), and Jim Gash (Pepperdine Law School’s Dean of Students).
* 2007-present: department secretary
* 2008-present: student advisor
* 2007-present: department advisor on library acquisitions
* 2008-present: pre-law advisor
* 2008-present: graduate school advisor
* 2007-present: internship advisor

*Student Body Service*

* 2023-24: Obtained free copies of the *Claremont Review of Books* for Young Americans for Freedom students.
* 2024: Spoke for a panel jointly sponsored by the philosophy and political science departments. The series was called “Exploring Political Philosophy?”
* 2024: Instituted the Franciscan University chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honorary society.
* 2007-present: Faculty advisor for a weekly Intercollegiate Studies Institute SPU student book club and American Enterprise Institute student council.
* 2017-2019: Faculty advisor for SPU’s Catholic Cadre.
* 2017: Gave presentation for the Catholic Cadre.
* 2015-present: Faculty advisor for the Political Union and SPU Students for Life.
* 2015-present: Faculty advisor for Pi Sigma Alpha.
* 2015-16: Reader for 4 senior honors projects.
* 2015, 2016: Working with the Political Union, I set up presidential primary and general debates roundtable.
* 2010-present: Contact person for the University of Washington’s School of Law’s Mock Trial Program. Interested SPU students can participate in this program.
* 2013, 2014, 2017: Presented survey of American abortion law for SPU Students for Life.
* 2009-2014: Faculty advisor for SPU’s Law Society. This prelaw organization organized mock trials and LSAT study groups. The group also informed prelaw students about relevant speakers and internship possibilities.
* 2012: Set up both a presidential debate roundtable and a political issues roundtable for SPU students.
* 2008-2012: Wrote more than 13 law school recommendation forms.
* 2009: Spoke for the Senior Breakfast Club
* 2008: panelist for Seattle Pacific University’s FilmFest (panel on film and politics).
* 2008: panelist for SPU’s student viewing of the presidential debate
* 2008: panelist for SPU’s student debate of McCain v. Obama
* Faculty sponsor and advisor for Seattle Pacific University’s Law Club.
* Faculty advisor for student council’s research of judicial branch of student government.