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Education

Ph.D. (1989) and M.A. (1986), Catholic University of America, Political Philosophy. Minor field: American Politics. Dissertation: A theoretical study of the life and writings of Orestes Brownson. The work analyzes various interpretations of American transcendent representation, as this term is used by the contemporary political philosopher Eric Voegelin. The study applies an analysis of Brownson to contemporary problems in American political philosophy.
B.A. (1983), Furman University, Greenville, SC, Political Science.

Academic Appointments

Present Position: Department of Government, New Mexico State University (Since Fall 1990). Rank: Associate Professor (continuous contract).
Interim Department Head, Spring 1998 and Spring 2004.
Member, Graduate Faculty, NMSU. Since Spring 1992.
Member, Honors Faculty, NMSU. Since Fall 1992.
Assistant Professor, Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. (1989-90).

Honors

Pi Sigma Alpha (local chapter) Government Professor of the Year, 2003 and 2005.
Nominee, Outstanding Young Americans® (McLean, VA), 1996.
Nominee, Sterling *Who's Who Directory* (New York, NY), 1995-96.
Henry D. Salvatori Fellowship (2 year award, June 1992-May 1994).
Nominee, NASPAA Award for Excellence in Teaching, 1993.
Included in *Contemporary Authors* (Gale Research, Inc., Detroit, MI).

Teaching

Lower Division courses: Introduction to Political Philosophy, American National Government, Introduction to Political Science, American Politics in a Changing World, The Citizen and the State: Great Political Issues.
Upper Division Courses: Classical Political Thought (Ancient and Medieval), American Political Thought, Political Economy, Modern Political Thought, Contemporary Political Thought, Religion and Politics, Parties and Interest Groups, Political Ideologies, Campaigns and Elections.
Graduate Courses: Ethics in Government, Survey of Electoral Politics, Survey of American Political Thought, Survey of the Modern Age, Survey of Great Thinkers of the Western Tradition.

Published Research

"Brownson, Orestes A. (1803-1876)," in Jeremy Beer, Bruce Frohnen, and Jeffrey Nelson, eds., *American Conservatism: An Encyclopedia* (Wilmington, DE: Intercollegiate Studies Institute Press, forthcoming August 2005).

"Brownson, Orestes Augustus (1803-1876)," in John Shook, ed., *The Dictionary of Modern American Philosophers* (Bristol, UK: Thoemmes Press, forthcoming, July 2005).

Review of Ted Jelen and Clyde Wilcox's *Religion and Politics in Comparative Perspective: The One, the Few, and the Many* (Cambridge UP, 2002) in *The Review of Politics* 66:4 (2004).

"Sources of Order in History: Voegelin and His Critics" (review essay of Michael P. Federici's *Eric Voegelin: The Restoration of Order*), in *Humanitas* XVI (2003).

Orestes Brownson: Works in Political Philosophy, editor, 5 volume series (Wilmington, DE: Intercollegiate Studies Institute Books, 2003-2006). Published series editor's preface to volume 1, Orestes Brownson, *The American Republic: Its Constitution, Tendencies, and Destiny*, ed. Peter Augustine Lawler (2003).

∆The Strange Ride of Orestes Brownson∆ (review essay of R. A. Herrera=s *Orestes Brownson: Sign of Contradiction*), *The Weekly Standard* (June 12, 2000): 31-34.

Review of David Walsh=s *The Growth of the Liberal Soul*, ∆Notes and Commentaries∆ section of *The Review of Metaphysics* (March 1998): 724-726.

"Orestes Brownson," in *The Encyclopedia of Religion in American Politics*, ed. Jeffrey D. Schultz, John G. West, Jr., and Iain McClean (Phoenix, AZ: Oryx Press, 1998; distributed through Greenwood Publishing Group).

"The Second Great Awakening," in *The Encyclopedia of Religion in American Politics*.

"Woodrow Wilson," in *The Encyclopedia of Religion in American Politics*.

∆The Philosopher as Religious Seeker∆ (review essay, William Christian=s *George Grant: A Biography*), *Modern Age* (Summer 1997):285-87.

∆Visions of a Nation Transformed: Modernity and Ideology in Wilson's Political Thought,∆ *Journal of Church and State* (Winter 1997).

∆Orestes Brownson and American Nativism,∆ *Crisis* (April 1996): 31-33.

∆Reluctant Warrior∆ (review essay, Edward J. Power=s *Religion and the Public Schools in 19th Century America: The Contribution of Orestes A. Brownson*), *Crisis* (Nov. 1996): 50.

∆Leo Strauss, George Grant, and Historicism,∆ *The Intercollegiate Review* (Fall 1995): 15-27.

U. S. Educational Policy Interest Groups: Institutional Profiles, co-authored with James D. Slack (Greenwood Press, 1994).

∆Freedom,∆ in *Political Concepts: An Introduction*, ed. David A. Freeman (Dubuque, IA: Kendall-Hunt Press, 1994): 137-53.

∆The Political Moralism of Jacques Ellul,∆ *Humanitas* VII (No. 2, Fall 1994): 42-55.

In Search of the American Spirit: The Political Thought of Orestes Brownson (Carbondale, Ill.: Southern Illinois UP, 1992).

∆Orestes Brownson's Legacy,∆ *Crisis* (March 1992): 35-41.

∆George Grant and Modern Justice,∆ *Humanitas* (Spring 1990): 1-8.

∆Conservatism and Natural Law: Two Approaches,∆ *Hillsdale Review* (Winter 1985-86): 33-41.

Research In Progress

Book-length manuscript: *The Americanization of the Modern: Liberalism and Revolution in the United States*. Currently under publisher review.

Textbook editor and contributor: *Political Economy in Philosophic Perspective* (collection of essays in the history of political thought).

Conference Participation

August 2004 – American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. Panel title: “The Humanitarian Imagination in 19th Century American Literature.” Research presented: “Humanitarianism in Brownson’s Early Works.”

June 11-13, 2004 – Intercollegiate Studies Institute Graduate Conference, The Russell Kirk Center, Mecosta, MI. Invited faculty participant for themed conference: “Resistance Against Modernity: Eric Voegelin and *The New Science of Politics*.”

August 2003—American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia. Panel title: “Abstraction and Universality in Political Theory.” Paper presented: “Universalism and the Decline of the American Constitutional Order.”

August 2003 - Liberty Fund academic colloquium, Washington, DC. Conference title: “Locke’s Theological Foundation of Liberty.” Participated as a discussant.

August 2002 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA. Panel title: “Topics in Political Thought: Varieties of Historicism.” Served as panel discussant.

April 2002 - Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. Panel title: “The Spiritual Roots of the American Political Order.” Research presented: “Protestant Reformism and the American Constitutional Order.”

August 2001 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA. “Irving Babbitt and Modern Political Thought.” Served as panel discussant.

February 2001 - Association of College Honor Societies Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM. Panelist: “ACHS - Connecting with Honors Programs.” Delivered a plenary-session presentation on the intersection and divergence of interests between a university honors program and Pi Sigma Alpha (local chapter of the national political science honor society).

August 2000 – American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC. Panel title: “Roundtable on Early American Constitutionalism: From Prefounding to Reconstruction.” Served as panel chair.

November 1999 - Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Savannah, GA. Panel title: “Liberty and Liberalism: A Roundtable on David Walsh’s *The Growth of the Liberal Soul*.” One of three roundtable participants.

August 1999 – American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA. Panel title: “Topics in Political Thought: Varieties of Historicism.” Served as panel chair.

May 1999 - Liberty Fund academic colloquium, Savannah, GA. Conference title: “Technology and Liberty: The Thought of George Grant.” Participated as a discussant.

May 1999 - Liberty Fund academic colloquium, Jackson Hole, WY. Conference title: “Liberty and the Discovery of Human Nature.” Participated as a discussant.

April 1999 - Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX. Panel title: “Political Communities: Construction and Governance.” Served as discussant.

April 1999 - Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX. Panel title: “Religion in American Liberalism.” Research presented: “The Social Gospel Movement and American Self-Identity.”

September 1998 – American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA. Panel title: “Pragmatism and Idealism in American Politics.” Research presented: “Modernity and Ideology in Antebellum America.”

August 1998 - Intercollegiate Studies Institute Honors Program Conference, Ashland, OR. Conference title: “Leadership and Political Legitimacy in the Western Tradition.” Delivered a lecture entitled “Machiavelli and the Rise of the Modern State.”

August 1997 - Liberty Fund academic colloquium, Alexandria, VA. Conference Title: “The Impact of War on Free Institutions.” Participated as a discussant.

August 1997 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC. Panel title: “Political Imagination and the Historical Sense.” Served as discussant.

August 1997 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC. Panel title: “Roundtable on the Role of Chapter Advisors (Pi Sigma Alpha related group).” Roundtable discussion participant.

March 1997 - Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA. Panel title: “The American

Founding, Judicial Review, and the Power of the Court.” Research presented: “The Relationship Between the American Revolution and the Founding.”

August 1996 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA. Panel title: “Religion and Politics in Nineteenth-Century America.” Research presented: “Orestes Brownson, Catholicism, and the Sectional Conflict.”

March 1996 - Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Houston, TX. Served as Political Theory section program chair.

August 1995 – American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. Panel title: “Humanism and the Progressive Era.” Research presented: “Visions of a Nation Transformed: Modernity and Ideology in Wilson's Political Thought.”

March 1995 – Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX. Panel title: “Religion and the American Founding.” Research presented: “Revolutionary Millennialism and the American Puritans.”

August 1994 – American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New York. Panel title: “History and Liberty.” Served as panel organizer.

September 1994 - Intercollegiate Studies Institute Summer Program, Mecosta, MI. Conference title: “In Search of the American Spirit: The Enduring Significance of Orestes Brownson.” Delivered a series of lectures on Brownson.

February 1994 - Liberty Fund academic colloquium, Charleston, SC. Conference title: “Richard Hooker: Dissent, Tradition, and Liberty.” Participated as a discussant.

August 1993 – American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC. Panel title: “Political Morality: Real and Ideal.” Research presented: “Positivism and Morality.”

August 1992 – American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. Panel title: “The Politics of Escape.” Research presented: “Grant, Ellul, and the Response to Technology.”

August 1991 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC. Panel title: “Historicism and Political Thought.” Research presented: “Historicism in the Thought of George Grant.”

April 1990 - Conference in honor of retiring Professor Ernest J. Walters, Furman University, Greenville, SC. Panel title: “Questions of Justice in Modern Times: Theoretical Perspectives.” Research presented: “George Grant and Modern Justice.”

August 1989 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA. Panel title: “The Contribution of Eric Voegelin” (Eric Voegelin Society). Research presented: “Orestes Brownson and the American Polity.”

April 1987 - Pennsylvania Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Albright College. Panel title: “Political Thought and the American Constitution.” Research presented: “The Revolutionary Element in American Culture: An Historical Diagnosis.”

April 1986 - Pennsylvania Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Pennsylvania State University. Panel title: “Topics in Political Theory.” Research presented: “Conservatism and Natural Law: Two Approaches.”

Professional Service

Member, American Political Science Association

Member, Eric Voegelin Society

Member, Fellowship of Catholic Scholars

Member, National Association of Scholars (New Mexico affiliate Board of Directors member)

Faculty Associate, Intercollegiate Studies Institute

Member, Pi Sigma Alpha National Honor Society (Executive Council member 2000-2002)

Guest Speaker, Mercyhurst College Pi Sigma Alpha Chapter annual banquet, April 2002

Faculty liaison, Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars

Editorial Board Member and manuscript reviewer, *Humanitas*

Text reviewer, McGraw Hill, Inc.

Text reviewer, Houghton Mifflin, Inc.

University Service

Chair, Department of Government Undergraduate Degree Program Committee

Member, Department of Government Master of Arts Degree Program Committee

Member, Bachelor of Individualized Studies Committee

Interim Department Head, January-June 2004 and January-June 1998).

College Representative, Faculty Senate (Fall 2001- Spring 2004)
Member, University Research Council (Fall 1995-Spring 1999; served as chair 1997-98).
College Representative, Robert E. Roberts Memorial Student Awards Committee (1996-97).
Faculty Board Member, NMSU Publications and Communications Board (1991-92).

Community Service

Panelist, "9-11? Looking Back, Thinking Forward" panel discussion, NMSU William Conroy Honors Center (Sept. 2003).
Interview, Las Cruces Sun-News front-page feature on local government ethics (Oct. 2002).
Interview, Las Cruces Sun-News front-page feature on the operation of the Electoral College (Nov. 2002).
Guest Lecturer, League of Women Voters, Las Cruces, NM. "American Electoral and Voting Behavior" (August 2001).
Guest Lecturer, Elderhostel Adult Education Program, Las Cruces, N.M. "They're All Called Democracies" (November 1995).
Panel Participant, "Republicans and Democrats: Policy Issues", sponsored by NMSU College Republicans, Young Democrats, and the local chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha (November 1995).
Panel Participant, "Is God Dead on Campus?", sponsored by NMSU student government and campus religious organizations (October 1994).
Guest lecturer, Mayfield High School, Las Cruces, NM. Topic: AJohn C. Calhoun and the Rights of the Minority,@ AP American History class (December 1993).
Trainer, Central American Peace Scholarship Program, NMSU Center for Latin American Studies (Fall 1993). Workshop Facilitator, "Ethics in the Age of AIDS", national issue conference sponsored by Southwest AIDS Commission and Protection and Advocacy System, Las Cruces, NM (September 1993).
Panel Participant, "President Clinton's First 100 Days", sponsored by the local chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha (January 1993).
Southern Region Coordinator and State Steering Committee Member, New Mexico Citizen Bee Program (1992-93).

Grant Activity

Summer 2000 - \$2000.00 NMSU College of Arts and Sciences minigrant for assembling multivolume collection of Orestes Brownson=s writings on political thought.
Summer 1995 - \$3000.00 grant from the Wilbur Foundation to conduct research for manuscript on the history of American political thought.
Fall 1991 - Submitted \$30,000 research grant proposal to Notre Dame University Evangelical Scholarship Initiative. Title: AReligion and Technology in the Liberal State.@ Grant not funded.