

## CURRICULUM VITA

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### **Education**

M.P., Politics, University of Dallas, Irving TX                      December 1994

Emphasis—Political philosophy

M.A., American Studies, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO                      August 1993

Emphases—Politics, history, and literature

B.A., Political Science, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA                      May 1990

Emphasis—Liberal arts

a.b.d., American Studies, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO

Dissertation—"A Pure and Impure Founding: Political Philosophy and the American Political Tradition in Robert Penn Warren's Fiction and Poetry"

### **Teaching Experience**

O'Connell High School, Galveston, TX—Instructor  
World History, English, and Theology (1990-1991)

Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO—Teaching Assistant  
Women and Political Thought (1994)

Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO—Adjunct Instructor  
Political Theory and American Literature (1995)  
American Political Thought (1996)

Ball High School, Galveston, TX—Instructor  
English (2000-2001)

San Jacinto Community College, Pasadena, TX—Adjunct Instructor  
US History II (2000)

College of the Mainland, Texas City, TX—Adjunct Instructor of Government and History  
US and TX Government I and II (2001-2005)  
US History I and II (2004)

College of the Mainland, Texas City, TX—Assistant Professor of Government  
US and TX Government I and II (2005-2012t)  
Online US and TX Government I and II (2009-2012)

College of the Mainland, Texas City, TX—Professor of Government  
Federal and Texas Government (2012-present)

### **Professional Affiliation**

American Political Science Association  
Southwestern Social Science Association  
Texas Community College Teachers Association

### **Professional Services**

COM Curriculum Committee (2012-present).

COM Planning Council Subcommittee on Human and Organizational Development and Diversity (2010-2012).

COM Faculty Senate (2008-2010).

COM Diversity Council (2007-2009).

### **Conference Papers, Invited Participation**

Participant—"Liberty and Literature: Spinoza, Sophocles, Shakespeare, and Achebe," Liberty Fund Conference, Charleston, SC (June 11-16, 1997).

Paper—"Theory in the Classroom: The Case of Abraham Lincoln," South Central MLA, San Antonio, TX (2000).

Paper—"Work and Play and the Politics of Appearance in Brian De Palma's Body Double," South Central MLA, San Antonio, TX (2008).

Wye Faculty Fellow—Aspen Institute Wye Faculty Seminar, "Citizenship in the American and Global Community," July 2013.

### **Contributor**

"Postmodern Conservative" at First Things magazine (2011-2014), moved to National Review (2014-present).

