

Curriculum Vitae 2021

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EDUCATION:

1995 Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

- Fieldwork: Buenos Aires, Argentina, 1992 and 1993
- Dissertation title: Pathways to Political Mobilization: A Psychological Study of Argentine Opposition to State Repression.

1980 B.A. in Political Science, College of St. Catherine, St. Paul, Minnesota.

1980 B.A. in Journalism, College of St. Catherine, St. Paul, Minnesota.

MAJOR FIELDS:

Comparative Politics

- Human Rights
- Latin America
- Democratization

Political Psychology

- Resistance to repression
- Grassroots responses to globalization
- Political tolerance/intolerance

EMPLOYMENT:

Professor of Political Science

September 2009 – present

Director of Latin American Studies

June 2017-2018

Department Chair:

June 2004-2009

Associate Professor and Coordinator of Peace Studies and the Kloeck-Jenson

Endowment:

September 2002- 2009, St. Olaf College, Department of Political Science

Assistant Professor:

September 1995-August 2002, St. Olaf College, Department of Political Science.

Instructor:

February 1994-May 1995, St. Olaf College, Department of Political Science.
September 1993-December 1993, University of Minnesota, Department of
Political Science.

February 1991-December 1991, St. Olaf College, Department of Political Science.
February 1991-March 1991, Carleton College, Department of Political Science.

COURSES TAUGHT AT ST. OLAF COLLEGE:

- Intermediate level: Global Citizenship and Identity (Taught in Egypt, India, Tanzania, China and Argentina)
- Introductory level: Political Analysis, Introduction to Comparative Politics, Politics of Human Rights
- Intermediate level: Latin American Politics, Politics of Development, US-Latin American Relations, Foreign Relations in the Western Hemisphere, World Politics, Citizenship and Nationalism
- Advanced level: Seminar: Problems in Political Development, Seminar: Topics in Latin American Politics, Seminar: Courageous Resistance to Injustice
- Independent Studies: African Politics (Intermediate level), Advanced Topics in Human Rights, Courageous Resistance (Advanced level tutorials), Latin American Mobilization, and others. Supervised an array of internships
- Middle Eastern Politics (team taught with Prof. Jamie Schillinger)
- FLAC (Foreign Languages Across the Curriculum) Latin American Politics with Maggie Broner, Foreign Relations in the Western Hemisphere with Kristina Medina

COURSES TAUGHT ELSEWHERE:

- Political Psychology (University of Minnesota-Twin Cities Campus)
- Introduction to Comparative Politics (Carleton College)

PUBLICATIONS:

“Interviews. What Are the Pathways to Human Rights Activism?” in Akan Malici and Elizabeth Smith, eds. Political Science Research in Practice (Routledge Press, 2012). Revised for second edition with updated chapter (Routledge Press, 2018).

“Fighting State Terror and Becoming the State,” coauthored with Claire Branigan, *Revista de Paz y Conflictos*, (University of Granada, Spain) Vol. 10, No. 1, (2017) 9-34.

“Review Symposium: Genocide and Psychology of Perpetrators, Bystanders and Victims, A Discussion of *Ethics in An Age of Terror and Genocide* by Kristen Renwick Monroe.” Perspectives on Politics, Vol. 10, No. 2, (June, 2012) 415-424 with contributions by Lee Ann Fuji and Joan C. Tronto.

Courageous Resistance: The Power of Ordinary People (Palgrave Macmillan, 2007), co-authored book with Professors Paula O’Loughlin, Myron Glazer, Penina Glazer, Sam McFarland, Sharon Shepela and Nathan Stoltzfus.

“Overcoming Intolerance in South Africa (Review) in Perspectives on Politics, Vol. 2, No. 2, (June, 2004) 403-404 .

“I’ll Take the High Road: Pathways to Human Rights Activism in Authoritarian Argentina”
Political Psychology Vol 22, No. 3, (September, 2001) 493-520.

"Political Tolerance and Private Schooling" with Wolf, Patrick J., Jay P. Greene, Brett Kleitz. In Charter Schools, Vouchers, and Public Education, edited by Paul E. Peterson and David E. Campbell, Washington: The Brookings Institution (2001).

“Against Forgetting: The Power of Memory,” Connection to the Americas, Vol. 13, no. 8, October 1996.

"Adolescents and Political Tolerance: Lip-Synching to the Tune of Democracy;" Kristina Thalhammer, Sandra Wood, Karen Bird, Patricia Avery and John L. Sullivan in The Review of Education, Pedagogy and Cultural Studies Vol. 16, Nos. 3-4, pp. 325-347, 1994.

"Education and Political Tolerance in the United States: the Mediating Role of Cognitive Sophistication, Personality and Democratic Norms," John L. Sullivan, Patricia G. Avery, Kristina Thalhammer, Sandra Wood and Karen Bird in The Review of Education, Pedagogy and Cultural Studies Vol. 16, Nos. 3-4, pp. 315-324, 1994.

"Tolerance for Diversity of Beliefs: Learning About Tolerance and Liking It Too;" Sandra Wood, Kristina Thalhammer, John L. Sullivan, Karen Bird, Patricia Avery and Kate Klein in The Review of Education, Pedagogy and Cultural Studies Vol. 16, Nos. 3-4, pp. 349-372, 1994.

"Not Just Lip-Synching Anymore: Education and Tolerance Revisited," Karen Bird, John L. Sullivan, Patricia G. Avery, Kristina Thalhammer and Sandra Wood in The Review of Education, Pedagogy and Cultural Studies Vol. 16, Nos. 3-4, pp. 373-386, 1994.

Tolerance for Diversity of Beliefs: A Social Studies Curriculum with Patricia Avery, Dorothy Hoffman, Karen Bird, Sandra Johnstone and John Sullivan, Boulder, Colorado: the Social Science Education Consortium, Inc., March 1993.

"Exploring Political Tolerance with Adolescents," with Patricia G. Avery, Karen Bird, John L. Sullivan and Sandra Johnstone, Theory and Research in Social Education, Vol. XX, No.4, Fall 1992, 386-420. *This peer-reviewed publication is the journal of the National Council for the Social Studies.*

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS AND PARTICIPATION:

“Fighting State Terror, Human Rights Mobilization in Argentina,” IES Abroad Faculty Development Seminar, Buenos Aires, Argentina, May 15, 2017.

“Teaching Human Rights,” Roundtable with Paula O’Loughlin, Jonneke Koomen, Moira Lynch, Meghana Nayak, and Carrie Walling, International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Hilton Riverside, New Orleans, Feb. 18-21, 2015.

“Fighting State Terror and Becoming the State: Argentina’s human rights movement from mass mobilization to institutionalization,” with Claire Branigan, presented at the Annual Meeting of the North Central Council of Latin Americanists, St. Olaf College, Sept. 26-7, 2014.

“Courageous Resistance,” invited presentation with Paula O’Loughlin for honors seminar, University of Minnesota, Dept. of Political Science, Nov. 5, 2012.

“Colombia’s Raizal People: the Complexity of Created Identity,” with Kristell Caballero Saucedo and Carmen Stubblefield (St. Olaf, class of 2013) presented at the International Society for Political Psychology annual conference, Mart Plaza Hotel, Chicago, July 6-9, 2012.

“Mobilizing for Human Rights in Argentina: Lessons Learned from the Madres de Plaza de Mayo,” invited lecture, Grinnell College, March 16, 2011.

Best Dissertation Competition Committee, chair, International Society for Political Psychology Annual Meeting, 2010 . Awards presented at the International Society for Political Psychology annual conference, San Francisco, California, July 9, 2010.

Peace Research Graduate Program, Oslo International Summer School, University of Oslo, June 27-Aug. 10, 2008, participant.

“Latin America’s New Left-Right Polarization,” invited speaker for the University of St. Thomas Center for Senior Citizen Education, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Sept. 26, 2008.

“Effective Persuasion to Prevent Genocidal Policies: Denmark and Bulgaria's Debates Over the Fate of National Jews,” with Erica Jaastad (St. Olaf, class of 2008) presented at the International Society for Political Psychology annual conference, Sciences Po, Paris, France, July 9-12, 2008.

"Courageous Resistance to Injustice," invited speaker for the International Youth Leaders Forum attending the Global Conference on the Prevention of Genocide, McGill University, Montreal, October 10, 2007.

Freeman Institute for Infusing Japan Studies into the Undergraduate Curriculum, participant (supported by the Freeman Foundation) Tokei University, Honolulu, Hawaii, May 17 - June 5, 2007.

“Teaching Human Rights with Hope,” presented at ACM Conference on Teaching Human Rights, Beloit College, Beloit Wisconsin, January 26, 2007.

“Courageous Resisters Seeking a Better World: Mothers of the Plaza Confronting the Argentine Military ,” invited speaker for Ordinary People: Extraordinary Courage and Hope, 14th Annual Kathleen Ridder Conference, Smith College, March 31, 2006.

Discussant for panel on transitional justice, North Central Council of Latin Americanists, Minnesota State University Mankato, October 2006.

“Communal and Collective Courageous Resistance,” presented at Justice Studies Association Annual Meeting, University of Hartford, Hartford CT, May 2005.

"Creating Networks of Courageous Resistance" presented at the International Society of Political Psychology Annual Meeting, Boston Park Plaza Hotel, Boston, July 6, 2003

Chair, Roundtable "Teaching to Understand Cultures of Violence and Create Cultures of Justice," International Society of Political Psychology Annual Meeting, Cuernavaca, Mexico, July 2001.

"Evolving Women's Voices in Latin America," invited speaker for Foreign Languages Week, Monmouth College, February 22, 2001.

"Free Trade and Economic Justice: Take My Standards...Please” with Rodney Cunningham, Dave Hage, Rosemarie Kelly and Patrick Lunemann, presented at the Humphrey Institute Policy Forum, May 20, 1998, Humphrey Institute, Minneapolis, May 20, 1998.

"Pathways to Resistance: Decision Making and the Impact of Unequal Internal and External Resources on Individual Political Mobilization Against State Repression in Authoritarian Argentina" presented at the 1996 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, The San Francisco Hilton and Towers, August 29 - September 1, 1996

"Pathways to Political Mobilization under Repression: Why Would Anyone Risk Her Life for Human Rights?" presented at the Nineteenth Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Vancouver, Canada, June 30-July 3, 1996. *This paper has been translated into Spanish for use in the introductory course in Political Psychology at the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina.*

"Minority Influence on Authoritarian Argentina: How the Human Rights Community Turned the Tide Against Military Dictatorship" presented at the Nineteenth Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Vancouver, Canada, June 30-July 3, 1996.

"Do All of the People Have All of the Rights All of the Time? Exploring Political Tolerance with Adolescents" with Patricia G. Avery, Karen Bird, Sandra Johnstone, and John L. Sullivan, delivered at the Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, San Francisco, California, April 24, 1992.

"Political Tolerance Among Adolescents: The Potential Role of Curricular Socialization," with Patricia G. Avery, Karen Bird, John L. Sullivan and Sandra Healy, delivered at the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 27, 1991.

MEMBERSHIP:

American Political Science Association
International Society of Political Psychology
Minnesota Political Science Association

HONORS AND GRANTS:

Cretin-Derham Hall Alumni Association Hourglass Award, 2008.
College of St. Catherine, Alumna Award, 2008.
Freeman Institute for Infusing Japan Studies into the Undergraduate Curriculum, Freeman Foundation sponsored participant, Tokei University, Honolulu, Hawaii, May 17-June 5, 2007.
Humphrey Policy Fellow, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, 1997-1998.
MacArthur Interdisciplinary Program on Peace and International Cooperation
Predissertation Grant, 1992.
Best Paper of Conference, American Educational Research Association, April 24, 1992.
Phi Beta Kappa, 1980.

CAMPUS COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Committee Work and Program Work
Faculty Life Committee, chair (2019-present)
Phi Beta Kappa, president (2019-20)
Latin American Studies, program director (2017-18)
Political Science Tenure-Track Search Committee, chair (2017)
Faculty Governance Committee (2015-16)
Political Science Tenure-Track Search Committee, chair (2013)
Tenure and Promotion Committee (2010-2013)
Sociology/Anthropology Tenure-Track Search Committee (2011)
Coordinator of Peace Studies and Kloeck-Jenson Endowment (Sept. 2003-Aug. 2009)
Planning Committee, 2008-09 for 21st annual Nobel Peace Prize Forum held at St. Olaf on March 7-9, 2009.
Honor Ombudsperson (2004-2009)
Social Work Tenure-Track Search Committee (2008)
Regents-Faculty Conference Committee (2006-8)
Student Publications Committee (elected to three-year term 2003-2006)

Library Committee (2003-2006)

Planning Committee, 2003-04 for 16th annual Nobel Peace Prize Forum held at St.Olaf on Feb. 20 and 21, 2004.

International, Domestic and Off-Campus Studies (elected to three-year term, 1997-1999)

ACM Costa Rica Program on-campus adviser (2000-2001)

Hispanic Studies Co-Chair (1997-98) and LAS member (1994-present)

Diversity Task Force (spring and summer, 1998)

ARFAC (1995-6; elected to one-year term)

Research on Human Subjects Committee (1994-until establishment of IRB)

Phi Beta Kappa (ongoing)

Advising of Student Groups

SOLAS (St. Olaf Leaders Abolishing Slavery) (2012-present)

Amnesty International Chapter (1997-present)

St. Olaf Sailing Club (2012-2015)

Great Decisions (2008-2011)

NORML (2008-2010)

Presente! (1996-7)

Film Club (1997-2002)

Examples of Leadership for Off Campus Study, Coordination of Expert Visitors and Relevant Off-campus Visits

- Will be leading Washington, DC Practicum (Political Science 297), January 2022.
- Brought to campus (or during COVID virtually) Holocaust rescuers and/or survivors (Nelly Trocme-Hewett, Francelyn Lurie and Louise Dillery and/or Francelyn Lurie (annually through 2021).
- Virtual visits of Clare Bransky (Nisgua) and Julia Valero (RAIS) to talk about immigration policy and US foreign policy in Nicaragua (Spring and Fall 2021)
- Led Global Semester Fall 2018 (New York, Cairo and Luxor (Egypt), Arusha and Zanzibar (Tanzania), New Delhi and Agra (India), Beijing (China), Buenos Aires (Argentina).
- Global Semester Working Group 2016-17 (reimagined itinerary for this 50-year-old program to go below the equator for the first time).
- Co-Chair with Prof. Susie Smalling of 2014 Social Sciences Globalization Conference on Human Rights and Hope (featuring speakers Kathryn Sikkink and Douglas Johnson, Harvard's Kennedy School).
- Coordinated visit of Brad Parker, an international advocacy officer and staff attorney at Defense for Children International-- Palestine, 2013.
- Coordinated visit of Iyed Barnat and screening of film *Five Broken Camera*, 2012.
- Arranged visit of Mothers of Plaza de Mayo (Argentine human rights group) to St. Olaf Campus (1996 and 2012).
- Faculty leader for 10-student peace scholar delegation from Nobel Peace Prize Forum sister colleges, study in Guatemala (2008).
- With Prof. Rika Ito coordinated the visit of Eddie Daniels, anti-apartheid activist, to St. Olaf College.

- With Prof. Sharon Powell, brought to campus experts (Scholars, government officials and NGO members) for a discussion of homelessness and then facilitated interpersonal discussions with homeless and formerly homeless individuals and members of our campus community. (February 2006).
- Brought to campus Professors Myron and Penina Glazer (sociology, Smith College and history, Hampshire College), keynote speakers on "Whistleblowing and the Courage of Ordinary People) for the SAS conference on globalization. Other featured speakers I brought to campus for this event included Prof. Paula O'Loughlin (Political Science, University of Minnesota- Morris) who led a panel on grassroots mobilization, Prof. Nathan Stoltzfus (History, Florida State University), who presented his research on courageous resistance within Hitler's Germany, and Prof. Sam McFarland (Psychology, Western Kentucky University), who presented his research on "Who Cares about Human Rights." (2003)
- Brought to campus Professor Sharon Tofte Shepela (Psychology, University of Hartford) to lead a half-day workshop on raising moral children (2003)
- Brought to campus Brazilian AIDS policy expert Dr. Thomas Schierholz, Columbia University, (2001).
- Brought to campus Colombia Expert and Fulbright scholar Jasen Hagen (April 2001).
- Brought to campus Ole Returned Peace Corps Volunteers for panel discussion; coordinated celebration of 40th Anniversary of Peace Corps and associated reunion as part of the day long celebration of the Kloeck-Jenson endowment (November 2001)
- Participated with three St. Olaf students in a one-day visit to the renowned site of US Army training for members of Latin American militaries and police units, the US Army School of the Americas in Fort Benning, Georgia (April 1999).
- Brought to campus Auschwitz survivor Henry Ortel, January six times between 1998 and championed his honorary doctorate by St.Olaf College; Holocaust human rights defender Nellie Trocme Hewett of Le Chambon, Sur d'Lignon France (more than twenty times between January 1995 and present) ; Franclyn Lurie, one of the Jewish children spared in the Holocaust because of the Le Chambon community's rescue activities (a sixteen times times between Jan. 1995 and the present); Representatives of the Center for Victims of Torture and Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights, photojournalist and indigenous rights advocate Dick Bancroft.
- Brought Chilean Cultural Attaché Rodrigo Salcedo to St. Olaf campus.
- Coordinated visit of Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow Ambassador Robert White 1998).
- The Amnesty International chapter I advise also brought to campus a series of speakers including surviving "Lost Boy" of the Sudan and author of *They Poured Fire on Us from the Sky*, Benjamin Ajak; Rolando Cruz, a former IL death row inmate, later found innocent and Michael Radelet, Chair of the Sociology Department at the University of Florida, speaking on the death penalty; Robert F. Kennedy Peace Prize winner Maria Teresa Tula of El Salvador, speaking on refugee rights in the US; Arvonne Fraser , internationally renowned advocate for women's rights.
- Arranged for attendance of St. Olaf students at a lecture of Nobel Peace Prize winner Rigoberta Menchu at the College of St. Catherine and numerous Nobel Peace Prize Forum events in the Twin Cities.

Off-Campus Community Service:

- Community Action Center of Northfield, Board of Directors, Sept. 2012-2018.
- Center for Victims of Torture Speakers Bureau.
- Selection committee for ACM Costa Rica programs: Tropical Field Research and Latin American Culture and Politics, 2000-2001/ ACM evaluator of ACM Costa Rica Program 1999-2000.
- Volunteer for Resource Center of the Americas.
- Meals on Wheels volunteer (1997-present).