

Curriculum Vitae

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School of Applied Professional Studies
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EDUCATION

- 2008 – 2012 Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech)
Ph.D., Social, Political, Ethical and Cultural Thought (ASPECT)
Primary Concentration: Political Thought
Secondary Concentration: Cultural Thought
Dissertation: Market Challenges to Democracy: The Political Economy of
Hyman P. Minsky
- 2006 – 2008 Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech)
M.A., Political Science
- 2000 – 2004 St. John’s University (Minnesota)
B.A., Political Science

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2025 – Arizona State University
Associate Professor (with tenure), School of Applied Professional Studies
- 2019 – Program Lead, M.S. Organizational Leadership
2019 – Senior Global Futures Scholar, Julie Ann Wrigley
Global Futures Laboratory
2022 – 2023 Fellow in Residence, Käte Hamburger Centre for
Apocalyptic and Post-Apocalyptic Studies,
Universität Heidelberg
2023 – Associate Editor, *New Political Science*
- 2017 – 2025 Arizona State University
Assistant Professor, School of Applied Professional Studies (Leadership
and Integrative Studies until 2023)
- 2015 – 2017 Arizona State University
Lecturer, Faculty of Leadership and Integrative Studies

2013 – 2015 Salisbury University (Maryland)
Lecturer, Philosophy / Political Science / Environmental Studies

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Courses:	Critical Persp. in Leadership Theory Herbert Marcuse & Crit Theory	Adv. Theories of Org. Leadership Leading Organizational Change
Upper Level Courses:	Religion and Politics Democracy at Work Diversity in Organizations Ancient Political Theory International Political Economy Comparative Govt of Dev. Nations Heterodox Economic Philosophies Ecological Limits to Growth	Apocalyptic Tradition Theory and Practice of Leadership Interdisciplinary Inquiry Contemporary Political Theory Comparative Political Economy American Political Theory Aesthetics and Rebellion Philosophies of Food
Introductory Courses:	Introduction to Philosophy Introduction to Political Theory Introduction to US Govt and Politics	Knowledge and Reality Introduction to Politics

RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERTISE

Critical leadership theory
Diversity, equity, and inclusion in academia
Faculty leadership development
Contemporary political theory
Apocalypticism and doomsday politics
Political economy of advanced industrial democracies
American government and American political thought

PUBLICATIONS

Manuscripts

Kirsch, R. E. & Ray, E. (2024). *Be Prepared: Doomsday Prepping in the United States*. New York, NY: Columbia University Press. [50% effort]

Kirsch, R. (under contract for late 2026). *Modern Monetary Theory & Marxism*. London, UK: Routledge.

Chandler, Jennifer L.S., and **Kirsch, R.** (2018). *Critical leadership theory: Integrating transdisciplinary perspectives*. New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan. [50% effort]

Edited Volumes

Hines, T., Jansen, P.E., **Kirsch, R.E.**, & Maley, T. (Eds). (2023). *The Dialectics of Liberation in Dark Times*. Palgrave Series in Critical Political Theory and Radical Practice. New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan. [30% effort]

Kirsch, R. (Ed.). (2020). *Limits to Terrestrial Extraction*. Routledge Focus Series on Environment and Sustainability. New York, NY: Routledge.

Kirsch, R. and Surak, S. (Eds.). (2017). *Marcuse in the twenty-first century: Radical politics, critical theory, and revolutionary praxis*. New York, NY: Routledge. [80% effort]

Refereed Articles

Kirsch, R.E., and Ray, E. (2025). “Bunkerization as a fantasy of consumer sovereignty: The politics of American disaster preparation.” *Thesis Eleven*, (189)1, 54-69. (Special Issue on Annihilation Aesthetics, guest eds. Brad Evans and Caroline Holmqvist). [50% effort] doi/10.1177/07255136251353237

Kirsch, R.E. (2024). Domsday prepping as prophecy, predestination, and media spectacle. *Apocalyptica* 2(2), 217-228. doi.org/10.17885/heiup.apoc.2023.2.25040

Trinh, M.P., **Kirsch, R.**, Castillo, E.A., & Bates, D.E. (2022). Forging paths to interdisciplinary research for early career academics. *Academy of Management Learning & Education*, 21(2), 318-335. https://doi.org/10.5465/amle.2019.0386 [25% effort]

Kirsch, R. (2020). Manufacturing alienation in the Bakken: Toward a political economy of extraction. *Theory & Event* 23(1), 231-247. https://www.muse.jhu.edu/article/747104.

Posselt, J., Chen, J., Dixon, G., Jackson, J. F.L., **Kirsch, R.**, Nuñez A., & Teppen, B. (2019). Research and theory advancing inclusion in the geosciences: An overview of the NSF-GOLD program. *Journal of Geoscience Education*, (67)4, 313-319. doi: 10.1080/10899995.2019.1647007. [20% effort]

Kirsch, R. (2019). You can’t handicraft the apocalypse: The invidious consequences of “opting out.” *New Political Science*, 41(4), 529-543. https://doi.org/10.1080/07393148.2019.1686740.

Kirsch, R. (2018). Focusing on leadership to improve the geosciences. *Eos*, 99. https://doi.org/10.1029/2018EO097357.

Kirsch, R. (2017). Toward a theory of economic development as a mode of flash capitalism. *Fast Capitalism*, 14(1). https://doi.org/10.32855/fcapital.201701.011

Kirsch, R. (2016). The “Digital Revolution” reconsidered. *New Political Science*, 38(1), 100-115. http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/07393148.2015.1125635.

Work Submitted, Under Review, or in Revision

[Submitted] Peterson, A. & Kirsch, R.E. “The sacred lens: Reframing leadership and followership in faith-based organizations.” *Journal of Leadership and Organizational Studies*.

[In preparation] Kirsch, R.E. “The Ministry of Earthly Miracles: Political Theology and Financial Reason.”

[In preparation] Ray, E., and Kirsch, R.E. “The Ultimate Climate Control: Climate Denial in the United States.”

[In preparation] Kirsch, R.E., Batchelor, R., Crockett, J., King, B., and Habtes, S. “Sparks for Change: Leadership Development as a Leading Indicator in Changing Departmental Culture in the Geosciences.”

[In preparation] Kirsch, R.E. “Removing the spleen: Adorno’s Veblen.”

[In preparation] Kirsch, R.E. “Solidarity leadership: Vision, collective action, and translating organizational change into broader social change.”

[In preparation] Kirsch, R.E. “Finding the fugitive: Wolin’s critical democratic theory.”

Guest Editing

Kirsch, R. & Surak, S. (2016). Special issue: Marcuse in the twenty-first century: Radical politics, critical theory, and revolutionary praxis. *New Political Science*, 38(4), 455-606. [80% effort].

Book Chapters

Kirsch, R.E. (2024). Marcuse the American. In E. Altheman, J. Fast, N. Mayberry, and S. Simpson (Eds.), *The Marcusean Mind*. London, UK: Routledge.

Kirsch, R.E. (2023). Is transformational leadership one-dimensional? In C.L. Lowery, M. Hess, C. Gautam, & R. White (Eds.), *Educational leadership and the critical theorists: Toward a critical theory of school administration*. London, UK: Bloomsbury Academic Press.

Kirsch, R.E. (2023). Reigniting racket theory: Horkheimer’s unfinished project and Marcuse’s engagement with American institutionalism. In T. Hines, P-E. Jansen, R.E. Kirsch & T. Maley (Eds.), *The dialectics of liberation in dark times: Marcuse’s thought in the neoliberal era*. New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan.

Kirsch, R.E. (2020). Mumford and Bataille: Toward a political economy of energy consumption. In R.E. Kirsch (Ed.), *Limits to Terrestrial Extraction*. Routledge Focus Series on Environment and Sustainability. New York, NY: Routledge.

Chandler, Jennifer L.S., and **Kirsch, R.** (2017). Addressing race and culture within a critical leadership approach. In J.L. Chin, J.E. Trimble, & J.E. Garcia (Eds.), *Global and culturally diverse leaders and leadership: New dimensions and challenges for business, education and society* (307-322). Bingley, UK: Emerald Publishing Limited. [50% effort]

Book Reviews and Encyclopedia Entries

Kirsch, R. E. (2023). Herbert Marcuse. In *The Encyclopedia of Critical Political Science*. Barrow, C. (Ed.). Edward Elgar Publishing.

Kirsch, R. E. (2023). Student Debt. In *The Encyclopedia of Critical Political Science*. Barrow, C. (Ed.). Edward Elgar Publishing.

Kirsch, R. (2019). Fugitive democracy: And other essays [Review of the book *Fugitive democracy: And other essays* by S. Wolin]. *New Political Science* 41(2), 372-374. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07393148.2018.1528676>.

Kirsch, R. (2017). Austro-Marxism. In *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Social Theory*. Turner, B.S. (Ed.). <https://doi.org/10.1002/9781118430873.est0568>.

Kirsch, R. (2015). Capital in the twenty-first century [Review of the book *Capital in the twenty-first century* by T. Piketty]. *New Political Science* 37(1), 147-149. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07393148.2014.949442>.

Kirsch, R. (2015). Forging capitalism: Rogues, swindlers, frauds, and the rise of modern finance [Review of the book *Forging capitalism: Rogues, swindlers, frauds, and the rise of modern finance* by I. Klaus]. *H-Socialisms, H-Net Reviews*. <https://www.hnet.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=43082>.

Other Publications and Non-author Contributions

Kirsch, R.E. (2025). America is a Country of Doomsday Preppers: The “American institution” of prepping, explained. *Vox*. <https://www.vox.com/today-explained-podcast/411722/today-explained-disaster-preppers-apocalypse-why>

Kirsch, R.E., & Ray, E. (2024). Eine Apokalypse muss nicht das Ende allen Lebens bedeuten. *Neues Deutschland*. <https://www.nd-aktuell.de/artikel/1188029.prepping-kultur-eine-apokalypse-muss-nicht-das-ende-allen-lebens-bedeuten.html?sstr=kirsch>

Kirsch, R.E., & Ray, E. (2024). Bunkerised Society: Why Prepping for End Times is so American. *Psyche*. <https://psyche.co/ideas/bunkerised-society-why-prepping-for-end-times-is-so-american>

Kirsch, R.E., & Ray, E. (2024). Always Prepared: Why Prepping for Doomsday is a Logical Choice for Many Americans. *The Guardian*.
<https://www.theguardian.com/society/2024/dec/10/doomsday-prepping-america>

Kirsch, R.E. (2025). Introduction to “The influence of German emigration on American intellectual life: Philosophy and sociology” by Herbert Marcuse. Trans. M.P. Dunn. *Contemporary Political Theory* 24, 362-371. <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41296-024-00720-1>

American Society for Engineering Education. (2020). Cultivating Diversity Champions: Practices and Lessons from Two NSF Geoscience Opportunities for Leadership in Diversity (GOLD) Projects. Washington, DC. ISBN: 978-0-87823-250-5.
<https://www.asee.org/documents/publications/reports/2019-Cultivating-Diversity-Champions-GOLD.pdf>

Huntington, K.W., & Klepsis, K.A. (2018). *Challenges and opportunities for research in tectonics: Understanding deformation and the processes that link Earth systems, from geologic time to human time. A community vision document submitted to the U.S. National Science Foundation*. Seattle, WA: University of Washington. ResearchWorks Archive: <http://hdl.handle.net/1773/40754>.

Derra, S. (2017). Project aims to broaden participation in the geosciences. *ASU Now: Access, Excellence, Impact*. <https://asunow.asu.edu/20170329-project-aims-broaden-participation-geosciences>

Kirsch, R., & Surak, S. (2016). Introduction to the special issue. *New Political Science*, 38(4), 1-10. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07393148.2016.1228589>. [80% effort]

Kirsch, R. (2016). Introduction to “The rationality of philosophy” by Herbert Marcuse. *New Political Science*, 38(4), 476-477. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07393148.2016.1228576>.

INVITED LECTURES AND OTHER MEDIA

2025 (Interview as subject matter expert) Nguyen, Janet. “Would gold be useful in the event of an apocalypse?” *Marketplace: I’ve Always Wondered*, Aug. 1.
<https://www.marketplace.org/story/2025/08/01/would-gold-be-useful-in-the-event-of-an-apocalypse>

2025 (Interview as subject matter expert) Winter, Deena. “Preppers distance themselves from Boelter, say their movement is about defense, not violence.” *The Minnesota Star Tribune*.
<https://www.startribune.com/vance-boelter-doomsday-preppers-what-are-preppers/601378719>

2025 “Prepping for Doomsday” Podcast guest on *Today, Explained*. May 2.

- 2025 “Doom and Doomers: Should You be Preparing for the End of the World?” Podcast guest on *The Bunker*. April 10.
- 2024 “Apocalyptic Thinking, Class Structures, and New Futures with Robert Kirsch.” Film produced by the Centre for Apocalyptic and Post-Apocalyptic Studies as part of the film “Imagining End Times – Mexican Apocalypses.”
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VKr3Esmf9I&ab_channel=CentreforApocalyptic%26Post-ApocalypticStudies
- 2023 “Doomsday Prepping as Prophecy, Predestination, and Media Spectacle.” Invited talk at the exposition, “Imaginar el Fin de los Tiempos.” Sponsored by the Museo Nacional de Antropología, the Ministry of Culture of Mexico, and the Centre for Apocalyptic and Post-apocalyptic Studies. Mexico City, Dec. 15.
- 2023 Guest Lecture for the class “Death, Decay, Destruction.” Prof. Marisa Frankl. New York University, Nov. 16.
- 2023 “Hunker in Your Bunker: Doomsday Prepping in the United States.” Invited talk at the Queen Mary University London TheoryLAB. May 24.
- 2023 “Worst-Case Scenario: The Politics of Prepping in America.” Podcast guest on *Quo Vadis USA?* Heidelberg Center for American Studies. University of Heidelberg. Feb. 28.
- 2023 “Bunkerization in America: Preparing for the Worst-Case Scenario.” Invited lecture at the Heidelberg Center for American Studies. University of Heidelberg. Feb. 9.
- 2023 “A Political History of Bunker Planet: Doomsday Prepping as Consumer Culture.” Public lecture at the Käte Hamburger Centre for Apocalyptic and Post-Apocalyptic Studies. University of Heidelberg. Jan. 31.
- 2022 “Five theses on the bunkerization of the United States.” *CAPAS*.
<https://doi.org/10.21428/75bc60de.3488d681>
- 2022 “The perils of populism: The lasting impacts of Trumpism on democracy in America.” Invited seminar given at the department of Social Work, University of Applied Sciences, Hochschule Koblenz, Germany.
- 2022 “The big impacts of small groups.” Invited talk to the Global Leadership Academy Lecture Series, International Student and Scholar Center, Arizona State University.
- 2019 “Confronting imbecile institutions: Populism in the United States.” Invited talk to the Center for the Study of Economic Liberty. Tempe, AZ.
- 2019 “One-dimensional algorithms: The positive irrationality of technological rationality.” Invited seminar given at the department of Social Work, University of Applied Sciences, Hochschule Koblenz, Germany.

- 2019 “Small groups, big change for diversity in the geosciences.” Faculty presentation to the School of Earth and Space Exploration. Tempe, AZ.
- 2018 “Broader impacts: The urgent need for critical social scientists in sponsored research.” Plenary talk given at the ASPECT annual conference. Blacksburg, VA.
- 2017 Kanban academia: Toward a post-Taylorist theory of ‘just in time’ production. *Interdisciplinary Studies Works* 2(2), 37-48.
- 2015 “Veblen and the Frankfurt School.” Plenary talk given at the Society of Socio-Economists annual conference. Washington, DC.

INVITED WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS, AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 (Organizing Committee) “Apocalyptic Thinking in the Anthropocene.” 1-day workshop with Dipesh Chakrabarty, sponsored by the Centre for Apocalyptic and Post-Apocalyptic Studies. Heidelberg, Germany, Nov. 14.
- 2023 “Doing Theory at the End of the World.” 1-day workshop on affect theory sponsored by the Centre for Apocalyptic and Post-Apocalyptic Studies. Heidelberg, Germany, June 29.
- 2022 “Sparks for Change Leadership in Diversity Writing Workshop.” 3-day NSF-funded workshop at the University of Colorado Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences (CIRES). Boulder, CO. May 11-13.
- 2021 “Where to find sponsored research opportunities.” Interpretive Methods Group, American Political Science Association. Virtual.
- 2020 Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering (Congressionally mandated advisory panel on NSF broadening participation policies, programs, and other related diversity activities). “Sparks for Change: Leading Diversity in the Geosciences.” Virtual.
- 2020 “Grant funding for qualitative research.” Interpretive Methods Group, American Political Science Association. Virtual.
- 2020 “Grant seeking in the social sciences.” Environmental Political Theory Group, Western Political Science Association. Virtual.
- 2019 Participant, The Dissemination of Undergraduate Research Initiatives that Supports Diversity and Inclusion in the Geosciences. Sponsored by NSF No. ICER #1946891. Brooklyn, NY.

- 2019 “Sparks for Change: Advancing Leadership for Broadening Participation of Underrepresented Faculty.” Half-day workshop at the Association of American Colleges and Universities *Transforming STEM Higher Education* annual conference. Chicago, IL.
- 2017 “Sparks for Change.” 3-day NSF-funded workshop at the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research (UCAR). Boulder, CO.

CONFERENCE PAPERS:

- 2025 “Leadership as Katechon: Beyond Crisis and Exception.” Panel at the International Leadership Association annual conference. Prague, Czech Republic.
- 2025 “Double Movement or Squeezing Vice? The Shrinking World of Apocalyptic Politics.” Panel at the American Political Science Association annual conference. Vancouver, BC.
- 2025 “Be Prepared: Doomsday Prepping in the United States - Author Meets Critics.” Panel at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Seattle, WA.
- 2025 (with Emily Ray) “Happiness for Everybody, Free of Charge, and May No One be Left Behind: Dromocracy, Zones, and the Spaces of a Shrinking Earth.” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Seattle, WA.
- 2025 (with Emily Ray and Laura Mendoza) “Sustainable Degradation.” Panel at the CAPAS Alumni Conference. Heidelberg, DE.
- 2024 “Designing Leadership Processes for More Just Organizations, Communities, & Fields of Practice.” Roundtable participant at the International Leadership Association annual conference. Chicago, IL.
- 2024 “Dueling Leisure Classes? Reading Veblen and Bukharin Together.” Given at the Radical Philosophy Association annual conference. Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2024 “Bunkers, Biodomes, and Borders: ‘Fortress America’ at Home” Given at the American Political Science Association annual conference. Philadelphia, PA.
- 2024 “Marcuse’s Political Economy: Lessons from the Early Marx.” Given at the Society for Socialist Studies Conference (a subsection of the Congress for Humanities and Social Sciences). Montreal, QC.
- 2024 “Fortress Futures: Spatializing Doomsday Politics.” Given at the Society for Socialist Studies Conference (a subsection of the Congress for Humanities and Social Sciences). Montreal, QC.
- 2024 (with Emily Ray) “The Ultimate Climate Control: Climate Denial and Bunkerization in the United States.” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Vancouver, BC.

- 2024 (With M.P. Trinh and Elif Kiran) “Developing Champions of Diversity with Appreciative Inquiry.” Given at the Western Academy of Management annual conference. Long Beach, CA.
- 2023 “Racket Theory and the Problems of Critiquing Contemporary Capitalism.” Given at the International Herbert Marcuse Society biennial conference. Frankfurt, Germany.
- 2023 “The Ministry of Earthly Miracles: Political Theology and Financial Reason.” Given at the annual Critical Finance Studies conference. Rethymnon, Crete.
- 2023 (with Florian Mussgnug) “Marcuse and Prefigurative Politics: Political Failure as a Genre.” Given at the Annual Critical Theory Conference in Rome. John Felice Rome Center of Loyola University Chicago. Rome, IT.
- 2022 (with Emily Ray) “Solar-punker or Solo-bunker: Alternative Ecological Political Futures.” Given at the American Political Science Association annual conference. Montreal, CA.
- 2022 “Reigniting Racket Theory: Horkheimer’s Unfinished Project and Marcuse’s Affinity for American Institutionalism.” Given at the 14th annual International Critical Theory Conference of Rome. Rome, Italy.
- 2022 (with Emily Ray) “From Spaceship Earth to Bunker Planet: Preparing for Climate Change Alone, Together.” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Portland, OR.
- 2021 “Graduate Leadership in a Pandemic: Building Communities of Inquiry.” Roundtable at the International Leadership Association annual conference. Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2021 “From Tinkering to Hacking and the Rise of Neoliberalism.” Given at the American Political Science Association annual conference. Virtual.
- 2021 “(Mis)adventures in Misarchism: Hatred of Rule or Hatred of Life Itself?” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Virtual.
- 2021 “Tinker, Hacker, Neoliberal Spy: The Machine Process in Late Neoliberalism.” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Virtual.
- 2020 “Non-Manichean Politics of Leadership.” Given at the International Leadership Association annual conference. Virtual.
- 2020 “From Political Theology to Theological Politics: Sovereignty in the Evangelical End Times.” Given at the American Political Science Association annual conference. Virtual.

- 2020 “‘Be prepared’ for what? The BSA imaginary and the roots of neoliberal disaster readiness.” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Virtual.
- 2019 “A new army of the commonweal? Job guarantees, universal basic incomes, and other populist promises.” Given at the International Political Science Association Section Meeting (Political Theory). Riverside, CA.
- 2019 “North American critical theory: Veblen and Marcuse.” Given at the biennial International Herbert Marcuse Society conference. Santa Barbara, CA.
- 2019 “Confronting ‘imbecile institutions:’ Reactionary populism in the United States’ spatial imaginary.” Given at the American Political Science Association annual conference. Washington, DC.
- 2019 “Solidarity in the public realm: Non-constituted leadership for social change.” Given at the Public Administration Theory Network annual conference. Denver, CO.
- 2019 “Mumford and sun: The megamachine in space.” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. San Diego, CA.
- 2019 “You can’t handicraft the apocalypse: The invidious consequence of ‘opting out.’” Given at the Caucus for a New Political Science biennial conference. South Padre Island, TX.
- 2018 “Finding the fugitive: Wolin’s critical democratic theory.” Given at the American Political Science Association annual conference. Boston, MA.
- 2018 “Removing the spleen: Veblen and the Frankfurt School.” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. San Francisco, CA.
- 2018 “Modern money Marxism? Or: A left-critique of state centered political economy.” Given at the International Confederation for the Application of Pluralism in Economics annual conference. Philadelphia, PA.
- 2017 “Small groups, big change: Preliminary findings from the Sparks for Change Institute.” Given at the American Geophysics Union annual conference. New Orleans, LA.
- 2017 “Activist, teacher, scholar: Transformative practices in the age of Trump – faculty unionization.” Given at the American Political Science Association annual conference. San Francisco, CA.
- 2017 “Extracting alienation: Land, labor and capital in Bataille’s Bakken.” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Vancouver, BC.
- 2016 “Normative considerations of critical leadership theory.” Given at the International Leadership Association annual conference. Atlanta, GA.

- 2015 “Euthanasia or enshrinement of the *rentier*? Re-reading Keynes through *Capital, Vol. III*.” Given at the Marxist Literary Group annual conference. Washington, DC.
- 2015 “Aesthetic one-dimensionality: Rescuing Marcuse’s aesthetics from ‘artificial negativity.’” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Las Vegas, NV.
- 2014 “Tweets, retweets, and tweeting retreats: Assessing the ‘digital revolution’ as Veblenian machine process.” Given at the American Political Science Association annual conference. Washington, DC.
- 2014 “Kanban academia: Toward a post-Taylorist political theory of ‘just in time’ knowledge production.” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Portland, OR.
- 2013 “Toward a political economy of liberation? A critical assessment of neo-chartalism” Given at the International Herbert Marcuse Society biennial conference. Lexington, KY.
- 2012 “Economic policy: Monetary sovereignty or sado-monetarism?” Given at the ASPECT annual conference. Blacksburg, VA.
- 2012 “Junk bondage: The material consequences of wasteful finance” Given at the Western Political Science Association annual conference. Portland, OR.
- 2011 “Hyman Minsky’s contributions to political economy: Toward a political response to financial instability.” Given at the International Consortium for the Application of Pluralism in Economics annual conference. Amherst, MA.
- 2011 “Spaces of critique toward a positive political economy” Given at the International Herbert Marcuse Society biennial conference. Philadelphia, PA.
- 2011 “Mad money or money madness? The precariousness of financialized everyday life.” Given at the Midwest Political Science Association annual conference. Chicago, IL.
- 2010 “What if all the swans are black? Formulating political responses to financial instability.” Given at the American Political Science Association annual conference. Washington, DC.
- 2010 “Responding to the burdens of democracy: Stability, revolt, and political friendship” (coauthor). Given at the Southern Political Science Association annual conference. Atlanta, GA.
- 2009 “A defense of utopian literature” Given at the International Social Theory Consortium biennial conference. Knoxville, TN.

2007 “Aesthetic liberation” Given at the International Herbert Marcuse Society biennial conference. Philadelphia, PA.

GRANT APPLICATIONS, AWARDS, AND OTHER HONORARIA:

Running total of all funding attempts as PI, Co-PI, or Key Investigator: \$1,661,241

Running total of successful attempts: \$961,834

2025	[NOT FUNDED] Co-PI, Repositioning the CHAMPIONS Project for Long-Term Impact. \$14,243. Spencer Foundation (Rapid Response Bridge Funding Program).
2024	[NOT FUNDED] Co-PI, Bunker Culture in the US and UK. \$52,000 (Subaward) Arts and Humanities Research Council (UK).
2024	College of Integrative Sciences and Arts summer research award. \$7500
2023 – 2026	Co-PI, Developing Champions of Diversity with Appreciative Inquiry and Computational Simulation. National Science Foundation 7/1/23 – 4/15/25. \$324,297 [GRANT CANCELLED IN 2025]
2022 – 2023	10-month scholarship to the Käte Hamburger Centre for Apocalyptic and Post-Apocalyptic Studies. 10/01/2022 – 07/31/2023. €79,450
2022	College of Integrative Sciences and Arts summer research award. \$5000
2022	[NOT FUNDED] Co-PI, Undergraduate Student Views on the Nature of Disciplines. Spencer Foundation. \$152,116.
2021	[NOT FUNDED] Beyond the Bunker: Post-apocalyptic politics in America. “Seize the Moment” Seed Grant, ASU Humanities Lab. \$7000
2021	College of Integrative Sciences and Arts summer research award: \$5000
2020 – 2021	Inaugural fellow, Global Futures Laboratory, College of Global Futures.
2020	Supplement, GEO Opportunities for Leadership in Diversity (GOLD): Sparks for Change. National Science Foundation, Award No. 1645453. \$97,583.
2020	[NOT FUNDED] Co-PI, Undergraduate Student Views on the Nature of Disciplines. Spencer Foundation. \$474,048.
2020	College of Integrative Sciences and Arts summer research award: \$5000

- 2019 ASU Center for the Study of Economic Liberty summer research grant program: \$5000
- 2019 College of Integrative Sciences and Arts summer research award: \$5000
- 2018 Plenary Speaker Honorarium at the ASPECT annual conference: \$1000
- 2019 – 2020 Key Investigator (Non-PI), Collaborative Research: NRT-INFEWS: Systems Training for Research ON Geography-based Coastal Food Energy Water Systems (STRONG-CFEWS). National Science Foundation, Award No. 1735320. \$2,500,000 (subaward: \$21,667).
- 2016 – 2021 Principal Investigator of GEO Opportunities for Leadership in Diversity (GOLD): Sparks for Change. National Science Foundation, Award No. 1645453. \$397,587
- 2018 College of Integrative Sciences and Arts summer research award: \$5000
- 2016 Participant in National Science Foundation “Ideas Lab” to broaden diversity in the geosciences
- 2015 Christian Bay Award for best paper on a New Political Science Panel at the 2014 American Political Science Association Annual Conference: \$500
- 2015 Salisbury University Faculty Development Grant: \$500
- 2014 Salisbury University Foundation Travel Grant: \$500
- 2014 Seagull Century Grant: \$1000
- 2012 Outstanding Dissertation Award: \$250

ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

American Political Science Association
 Critical Political Science
 Foundations of Political Theory
 Environmental Political Theory
 Interpretive Methods
 American Political Thought
 International Leadership Association
 International Confederation of Associations for Pluralism in Economics
 International Herbert Marcuse Society
 World Economics Association

METHODOLOGICAL TRAINING & EXPERIENCE:

Interdisciplinary Methods for Social Science Research
Discourse Analysis

UNIVERSITY | COLLEGE | FACULTY UNIT SERVICE:

2024 - 2025	OGL 2028 Task Force (Chair)
2023 - 2026	Hiring Committee, Organizational Leadership and Project Management (Chair 2023-2025)
2024 - 2026	Faculty Annual Review Committee, APS
2023 -	Academic Integrity Committee, College of Integrative Sciences and Arts
2019 – 2022	Faculty of Leadership and Integrative Studies Senate Representative, ASU Faculty Senate
2019 – 2022	College of Integrative Sciences and Arts Academic Council
2019 – 2022	Faculty of Leadership and Integrative Studies Faculty Annual Review Committee
2019 – 2022	Admissions Committee, Master of Science in Organizational Leadership
2018	Certification in project management from ASU’s Continuing and Professional Education
2016	Certification in ASU’s Master Class for Teaching Online
2015 - 2022	Faculty Search Committee, Faculty of Leadership and Interdisciplinary Studies
2015 - 2022	College Council Co-Advisor, College of Integrative Sciences and Arts
2015 - 2022	Curriculum Committee, Faculty of Leadership and Interdisciplinary Studies
2015	Faculty Search Certification for diversity and inclusion

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION:

2022 – 2024	Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) Reviewer, NSF. Virtual.
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- 2023 Reverse Site Visit Reviewer, NSF. SEAS Island Alliance (INCLUDES Initiative). Virtual.
- 2021 – 2024 Advisory board member, Multi-Campus Transformation and Equity Network (MCTEN). National Science Foundation, Award No. 2017570
- 2021 Conference co-host, International Herbert Marcuse Society biennial conference. Tempe, AZ.
- 2019 – 2020 Interim reviews editor, *New Political Science*
- 2019 National Science Foundation, Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering Biennial Report to Congress – “Sparks for Change” – one of ten featured projects.
- 2019 Program co-coordinator, International Herbert Marcuse Society biennial conference. Santa Barbara, CA.
- 2017 - 2018 Contributor and Reviewer, Tectonics Community Vision Document for NSF. <https://doi.org/10.6069/H52R3PQ5>
- 2016 - present Panel reviewer, National Science Foundation
- 2017 - present Witness and Advocates Committee, Caucus for a Critical Political Science
- 2015 - present Membership Director, Caucus for a Critical Political Science
- 2015 - 2016 Christian Bay Award for Best Paper (Chair), Caucus for a Critical Political Science
- 2015 Treasurer, Green Politics and Theory
- 2015 - 2016 Guest Co-Editor, *New Political Science*. “Marcuse in the Twenty-First Century: Radical Politics, Critical Theory, and Revolutionary Praxis.” Vol. 38, No. 4 (December 2016).
- 2015 Conference co-organizer – “Praxis and Critique: Liberation, Pedagogy, and the University.” The Sixth Biennial Conference of the international Herbert Marcuse Society. Salisbury University. Salisbury, MD.
- 2015 “Teaching Economic Inequality Across the Curriculum.” Presentation given at the Salisbury University Annual Teaching and Learning Conference.
- 2015 Special Issue Reviewer, *Radical Philosophy Review*

- 2014-2015 Faculty Development Coordinator, The American Democracy Project/The Democracy Committee's Economic Inequality Initiative
- 2014 "Writing Across the Curriculum" faculty development seminar
- 2013-2014 Faculty Advisor, Salisbury University Philosophical Society
- 2013-2014 Civic Engagement Consultant, Points of Light Citizen Academy

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, WORKSHOPS, AND SEMINARS

- 2024-2025 ASU Leadership Academy, Cohort XII
- 2023 "Nuclear Ghosts." Workshop hosted by the Käte Hamburger Centre for Apocalyptic and Post-Apocalyptic Studies. University of Heidelberg.
- 2023 "Navigating Interdisciplinarity." Conference and Workshop hosted by the Marsilius Kolleg for Interdisciplinarity. University of Heidelberg.
- 2020 "AccessINCLUDES: Universal Design and Accessibility in Broadening Participation Efforts." (NSF #HRD-1834924). Virtual seminar hosted by the University of Washington
- 2019 "Excellence: A critical examination of accountability." Virtual seminar hosted by the Association of American Colleges & Universities.
- 2018 NSF idea machine factory workshop. Workshop hosted by ASU Office of Knowledge and Enterprise Development. Tempe, AZ.
- 2018 "The value of GOLD." Virtual master class by the Kardia Group on diversity, equity and inclusion.
- 2018 "GOLD community of practice" Virtual master class by the Kardia Group on diversity, equity and inclusion.
- 2018 "Evaluating department diversity, equity, & inclusion (DEI) change: Tips from TECAID evaluators." Virtual seminar hosted by the University of Washington's Center for Evaluation & Research for STEM Equity.
- 2018 "Evaluation strategies for measuring the broader impacts of NSF INCLUDES projects." Virtual seminar hosted by the National Science Foundation.
- 2017 "GOLDEN clinicing sessions: Sparks for Change." Virtual seminar hosted by the Kardia Group on diversity, equity and inclusion.

2017 “The interdisciplinary road to promotion & tenure.” Workshop hosted by the Center for Critical Inquiry and Cultural Studies. ASU West Campus.

ADVISING

Graduate Committees Chaired or Co-chaired

2025 Caylen Cole-Hazel, MS in Organizational Leadership. “Take Me to Your Leader: A Pleasure Cruise Through the Forbidden Dimensions of Organizational Leadership.”

2025 Avanlee Kristine Peterson, MS in Organizational Leadership. “A Mouthpiece for God: A Grounded Theory and Critical Performative Approach to Sacred Leadership and Followership.”

2025 Kendra Asmus, MS in Organizational Leadership. “Leveraging Leadership Through Purposeful Parenting: Understanding the Perceived Relationship Between Parenting Style and Transformational Leadership Development in Girls During Their Formative Years.”

2024 Jennifer Kirkland, MS in Organizational Leadership. “Components of Morale in Emergency Communication Centers.”

2024 Kelly Helming, MS in Organizational Leadership. “The Leader Object: A Critical Inquiry into the Intersectionality of Virtue, Power, and Meaning in Leadership Discourse.”

2023 Eric Fassbender, MS in Organizational Leadership. “Exit and Organization Studies: Escaping the Epistemic Trap.”

2022 Asmaa Khalifa, MS in Organizational Leadership. “Everyday Leadership In Self-Organized Groups: Rising to the Occasion of Leadership in Libya.”

Leslie Wasem, MS in Organizational Leadership. “Evaluating the Upward Bound Program through the Opportunity Gap Explanatory Framework.”

Benjamin Smith, MS in Organizational Leadership. “Close and Effective Supervision: Conceptualizing the Role of Police First-Line Supervisors in Preventing Officer Misconduct.”

Undergraduate Directed Studies, Research Fellows, and Senior Theses

2019 Cameron Abbott, Editorial Intern, Holum Press.

- 2017 Mads Kristiansen, “Sustainable governments: An assessment of government policy in the United States.”
- 2016 Rajan Joshi, “Demographics and organizational structure of an employee stock ownership program and their effects on employee satisfaction and enterprise productivity.”
- 2016 Michael Iosue, “The present and future of community-owned sports clubs.”

Honors College Thesis Advising

- 2019 Daniel Loonam, “Macron’s economy: Analyzing labor reform in France.”
(Chair: Henry Thomson)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Article Reviewer

New Political Science
PS: Political Science & Politics
Administrative Theory and Praxis
Fast Capitalism
Radical Philosophy Review
Journal of Geoscience Education
Apocalyptica
Finance and Society
Constelaciones: Revisita de Teoría Crítica
Journal of Leadership and Organizational Studies

Continuing and professional education quality assessment and video introductions

Introduction to Psychology: Thinking and Intelligence
Business Communication Skills for Managers: Visual Media
Business Communication Skills for Managers: Communicating through Technology
Business Communication Skills for Managers: Social Media
Business Communication Skills for Managers: Collaboration in and across Teams
Critical Thinking
Understanding Office Protocols and Politics

Independent Publishing in Phoenix

Managing Editor, *Oasis*. Phoenix, AZ: Holum Press. ISSN: 2578-5427

Authored Pieces in Literary Magazines

Kirsch, R. (2018). Be realistic: Demand the impossible. *Oasis*, 2, 13-22.

Kirsch, R. (2018). Against the DIY-industrial complex. *Oasis* 3, 33-46.

Preußler, O. [pseudonym]. (2018). A pale little piece of nothingness. *Oasis* 4, 90-99.

Magnussen, O. [pseudonym]. (2018). Everything's a screen. *Oasis* Special Issue 1, 7-8.

Preußler, O. & Bun, P. [pseudonyms]. (2019). Tomorrow never comes. *Damage*.
<https://damagemag.com/2019/02/25/tomorrow-never-comes/>