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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Assistant Professor, School of Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership at
Arizona State University 2017-present

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	Political Science, University of Notre Dame Fields: Constitutional Studies and Political Theory	2017
M.A.	Political Science, University of Notre Dame	2014
B.A.	Political Science, Lee University, <i>Summa cum Laude</i>	2012

RESEARCH INTERESTS

American Political and Constitutional Thought; Constitutional Interpretation; Statesmanship;
Politics and Culture; Politics and Religion; Civic Education; Christian Political Thought;
Montesquieu; Tocqueville

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

“Constitutional Humility: The Contested Meaning of a Judicial Virtue.” With Robert J. Burton.
American Political Thought: A Journal of Ideas, Institutions, and Culture 10, no. 2 (2021): 238-70.

“What Prudence is Allowed to Produce: Montesquieu on the Knowledge of Statesmanship.” *The
Political Science Reviewer* 44, no. 2 (2020): 449-77.

Book Chapters

“Reverence, Hope, and Charity: The Democratic Virtues of Lincoln’s Political Religion.” In *Lincoln
and Democratic Statesmanship*, 20-57. Ed. Michael P. Zuckert (University Press of Kansas,
2020).

“The Aim of Every Political Constitution: The American Founders and the Election of Trump.”
With Robert J. Burton and Michael P. Zuckert. In *Trump and Political Philosophy: Patriotism,
Cosmopolitanism, and Civic Virtue*, 215-36. Ed. Marc Benjamin Sable and Angel Jaramillo
Torres (Palgrave Macmillan, 2018).

Peer-Reviewed Conference Proceedings

“‘We Are Not Enemies, but Friends’: Teaching Civil Discourse and American Political Thought.” In the Association for Core Texts and Courses 2018-2019 Conference Volume (forthcoming).

Book Review

An Anti-Federalist Constitution: The Development of Dissent in the Ratification Debates, by Michael J. Faber. *Political Science Quarterly* 135, no. 3 (Fall 2020): 545-47.

Other Publications

“Humility, Hubris, and the Next Supreme Court Justice,” *Starting Points: A Journal of American Principles and American Practices*, March 20, 2017. With Robert Burton. [Article link](#)

“What Lincoln Still Teaches Us 150 Years Later,” *The Irish Rover*, April 16, 2015. [Article link](#)

DISSERTATION

Spirit, Statesmanship, and the New Sciences of Politics: Montesquieu, the Federalists, and the Anti-Federalists
Winner of the 2019 Best Dissertation Award from the American Political Thought Section of the American Political Science Association, for the best dissertation on American political thought in 2017 and 2018.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Montesquieu, Statesmanship, and the American Founding (book project)

“Beyond Mandate Talk: Madisonian Constitutionalism and Democratic Discourse”

“The Civic Education of *Hamilton: An American Musical*”

EXTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

James Buchanan Fellowship – Mercatus Center	Upcoming 2022
Manuscript Workshop Funding – Institute for Humane Studies	2020
Best Dissertation Award – American Political Thought Section of the American Political Science Association	2019
Marcia Whitney Fellowship – Institute for Humane Studies	2016-17
Calihan Travel Grant (three times) – Acton Institute	2014, 2015, 2016
H.B. Earhart Fellowship (twice) – Earhart Foundation	2012-13, 2013-14
Dan Searle Fellowship – Institute for Humane Studies	2012-13
Robert W. Sledge Fellowship – Alpha Chi National College Honor Society	2012-13

UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

University of Notre Dame

Graduate Student Union Conference Presentation Grant (twice)	2015, 2016
Notebaert Professional Development Fund (four times, declined award twice)	2014, 2016 (2x), 2017

Graduate School/ISLA Professional Development Award	2014
Greggo Graduate Summer Fellowship (twice)	2014, 2015

Lee University

Political Science Scholarship Award	2012
Philosophy Scholarship Award	2012

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“The Civic Education of Lin-Manuel Miranda’s <i>Hamilton: An American Musical</i> ” New England Political Science Association Virtual Meeting	2021
Midwest Political Science Association Virtual Meeting	2021
“Constitutional Humility: The Contested Meaning of a Judicial Virtue” American Political Science Association Virtual Meeting	2020
Roundtable: “What Kind of Education Best Equips Citizens to Understand and Follow Natural Law – and How Can Americans Secure This Education?” American Political Science Association Conference; Washington, DC	2019
“The Confines of Prudence: Montesquieu on Statesmanship” American Political Science Association Conference; Washington, DC	2019
“The Temperature of Politics: Trump and American Political Thought” Roundtable: “Trump and American Political Thought”; New England Political Science Association Conference; Portland, ME	2019
“Beyond Mandate Talk: Madisonian Constitutionalism and Democratic Discourse” New England Political Science Association Conference; Portland, ME	2019
“We Are Not Enemies, But Friends: Teaching Civil Discourse and American Political Thought” Association for Core Texts and Courses Conference; Santa Fe, NM	2019
“The Great Question of Constitutionalism: Montesquieu and the Anti-Federalists” American Political Science Association Conference; Boston, MA	2018
“The Genius of the People: Montesquieu, Publius, and Statesmanship” Madison Scholars Roundtable; Montpelier, VA	2018
“Centrifugal Force and Centripetal Counterforce: Montesquieu on the Challenges of Federalism” Midwest Political Science Association Conference; Chicago, IL	2018
“The Aim of Every Political Constitution: The Founders and the Election of Trump” American Political Science Association Conference;	2017

San Francisco, CA

“Humility and Hubris in Constitutional Jurisprudence” Henry Symposium on Religion and Public Life; Grand Rapids, MI	2017
“The Spirit of Liberty’s Laws: Montesquieu on the Possibilities and Prerequisites of Liberty” Northeastern Political Science Association Conference; Boston, MA	2016
“The Confines of Prudence: Montesquieu’s ‘Spirit’ and the Science of Politics” American Political Science Association Conference; Philadelphia, PA Midwest Political Science Association Conference; Chicago, IL	2016 2016
“River of Fortune, River of Providence: Machiavelli and Tocqueville on the Limits and Possibilities of Statesmanship” Northeastern Political Science Association Conference; Philadelphia, PA Indiana Political Science Association Conference; South Bend, IN	2015 2015
“Hope and History: Rousseau, Kant, and Tocqueville’s Engagement with the Biblical Narrative” Henry Symposium on Religion and Public Life; Grand Rapids, MI	2015
“The Promise, Problem, and Preservation of the Family in Tocqueville’s <i>Democracy in America</i> ” Northeastern Political Science Association Conference; Boston, MA	2014
“More than Tire Swings: Toward a Tocquevillean Case for Dual Federalism” Institute for Humane Studies Summer Research Colloquium; Chapman University; Orange, CA	2014
“‘Preached from the Pulpit’: The Role of Biblical Religion in Lincoln’s Political Religion and Statesmanship” Midwest Political Science Association Conference; Chicago, IL	2014

COURSES TAUGHT

Classic Texts in Political Philosophy and Justice (Graduate Course)
Debating American Constitutionalism
Great Debates in American Politics and Economics
Hamilton and the Founders
Liberalism and Conservatism in America
Lincoln: Rhetoric, Thought, Statesmanship
Tocqueville on Liberty, Equality, and Democracy / Democracy in America

TEACHER TRAINING

Effective Teaching Practices	2017-18
Association of College and University Educators faculty development course	
How to Teach Effectively and Prepare for an Academic Career in the Humanities and Social Sciences	2015
Summer course – Kaneb Center at the University of Notre Dame	
Teaching (with) Writing	2015
Summer course – Kaneb Center	
Striving for Excellence in College and University Teaching Certificate	2015
Certificate granted by the Kaneb Center	

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Assistant, <i>American Political Thought</i>	2014-15
Editor: Michael Zuckert, University of Notre Dame	
Manuscript Reviewer: <i>The Review of Politics</i> ; <i>American Political Thought</i> ; <i>Publius</i>	

UNIVERSITY ACTIVITIES

Civic Leadership Institute <i>Virtual: The Struggle over the Constitution</i>	2021
Faculty co-director; weeklong remote learning experience for high-school students	
<i>Democracy in America</i> – Political Theory	2021
Faculty director; undergraduate discussion colloquium; sponsored by the Institute for Humane Studies	
Civic Leadership Institute <i>Virtual: The American Constitution in Action</i>	2020
Faculty co-director; weeklong remote learning experience for high-school students	
The Political Thought of Frederick Douglass	2020
Faculty director; undergraduate discussion colloquium; sponsored by the Institute for Humane Studies	
The <i>Pacificus-Helvidius</i> Debates	2019
Guest speaker; Alexander Hamilton Society at ASU	
Bridge the Gap	2018; 2019; Upcoming 2021
Discussion leader; Bridge ASU	
Civic Leadership Institute: Abraham Lincoln and American Principles	2019
Faculty co-director; weeklong summer seminar for high-school students	
The Political Thought of Abraham Lincoln	2019

Faculty director; undergraduate discussion colloquium; sponsored by the Institute for Humane Studies	
What's Ailing Liberal Democracy? What Tocqueville Can Still Teach Us Event co-organizer; School of Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership	2018
Civic Leadership Institute: Constitutional Rights and Liberties Faculty co-director; weeklong summer seminar for high-school students	2018
Faculty Reading Group Director and discussion leader; School of Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership	2017-2018
IHS Book Club Director and discussion leader; grant from the Institute for Humane Studies	2018
Political Theory Workshop Participant; School of Politics and Global Studies	2017-2019
SCETL Diplomats Faculty advisor of student organization; School of Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership	2018

OTHER CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Civic Education and the American Republic Jack Miller Center Summer Institute; Douglasville, GA	Upcoming 2021
Discussant, "Art of Belonging: Nation, City, Soul" Midwest Political Science Association Virtual Conference	2021
Discussant, "Federalism and Administrative Challenges" New England Political Science Association Conference; Portland, ME	2019
Adam Smith on Ethics and Economics Acton Institute and Liberty Fund colloquium; Grand Rapids, MI	2018
Discussant, "A Centennial Celebration of Russell Kirk" American Political Science Association Conference; Boston, MA	2018
Discussant, "Presidents, Power, and American Political Thought" American Political Science Association Conference; Boston, MA	2018
Abraham Lincoln and the Problem of Democratic Sovereignty John Marshall International Center for the Study of Statesmanship Annual Faculty Seminar; University of Richmond; Richmond, VA	2018
Chair, "Honor, Virtue, Citizenship: Shifting Norms in Politics and Popular Culture" Midwest Political Science Association; Chicago, IL	2018
Liberty, Conservation, and Reform in the Thought of Edmund Burke Liberty Fund conference; St. Petersburg, Florida	2018
Ancients, Moderns, and Postmoderns: Honoring Catherine Zuckert Conference Graduate Student Assistant; University of Notre Dame,	2017

South Bend, IN	
Liberty, the Welfare State, and the New Deal	2017
Institute for Humane Studies/Liberty Fund Advanced Topics in Liberty conference; Arlington, VA	
Beyond <i>The Federalist</i> : The Debate over the Constitution Considered in Historical Depth	2016
Liberty Fund weeklong conference; Quebec City, Quebec, Canada	
Basis and Boundaries of Majority Rule	2015
Liberty Fund conference; Tucson, AZ	
Liberty and the Declaration of Independence	2015
Acton Institute/Liberty Fund Liberty & Markets conference; Holland, MI	
The Libertas Project Workshop on Religious Freedom	2015
The Libertas Project; Villanova University School of Law, Villanova, PA	
C.S. Lewis and Liberty	2014
Acton Institute/Liberty Fund Liberty & Markets conference; Grand Rapids, MI	
Liberty, Progressivism, and the Administrative State	2014
Institute for Humane Studies/Liberty Fund Advanced Topics in Liberty conference; Arlington, VA	
Hayek's Social and Political Thought	2013
Institute for Humane Studies/Liberty Fund Advanced Topics in Liberty conference; Arlington, VA	
Acton University	2012
Acton Institute; Grand Rapids, MI	
Liberty and Society	2012
Institute for Humane Studies summer seminar; Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC	