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**DEGREES**

Ph.D. in Political Science, University of California at Davis, 2002. Dissertation: “*Extreme Democracy: Electoral Rules and the Development of Party Systems in the former Soviet Union.*” Fields: Comparative Politics, American Politics, Political Theory.

M.A. in Political Science, University of California at Davis, 1995.

B.A. in Government, St. Mary’s College of California, 1992.

**OTHER EDUCATION**

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI. Subjects included Matrix Algebra, Multivariate Regression, and Maximum Likelihood Estimation. Summer Program, 1995.

Summer Institute in Russian Language, Indiana University. Bloomington, IN. Summer 1991.

**PUBLICATIONS**

Cynthia Boaz and Jack DuVall, “Defying Violence with Democracy: why grassroots civil society – and not 'nation-building' from on high – is key to the future of Iraq,” *Sojourners Magazine*, September-October 2006.

Cynthia Boaz and Michael Nagler, “Beyond Impeachment: Rebuilding a Political Culture” in *Impeach the President: the Case Against Bush and Cheney*, September 2006 from Seven Stories Press.

Kiera Slye and Cynthia Boaz, “Rehabilitating the Criminal Culture,” in *Proceedings of the National Conference on Undergraduate Research*, forthcoming Summer 2006.

“War and Peace in the Media” (Editor’s introduction to special issue.) 2005. *Peace Review: A Journal of Social Justice*, 17:4, 335-340.

“War and Foreign Policy Framing in International Media.” 2005. *Peace Review: A Journal of Social Justice* 17:4, 349- 357.

Bernadette Barker-Plummer and Cynthia Boaz, “War News as Masculinist Discourse” 2005. *Feminist Media Studies* 5:3.

“Hobbes versus Kant and the new Global Order” (Review: “Of Paradise and Power: Europe and America in the New World Order” by Robert Kagan). 2004. *Peace Review: A Journal of Social Justice* 16:1.

Cynthia Boaz and Cheryl Schoenberg, “Refugees, War Criminals, and the Development of International Law.” 2002. *Peace Review: A Journal of Social Justice*, 14:2, 199-206.

“Time for a New Paradigm” (Review: “Crimes Against Humanity: The Struggle for Global Human Rights” by Geoffrey Robertson.) 2002. *Peace Review: A Journal of Social Justice*, 14:2.

Donna Bahry, Cynthia Boaz, and Stacy Burnett Gordon, “Tolerance, Transition, and Support for Civil Liberties in Russia.” 1997. *Comparative Political Studies* 30,4: 484-510.

### **RECENT OP/EDS**

"People power is best vehicle for making changes in government" October 2006, *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*.

“An Open Letter to the Pro-Lifers,” June 2006, *Rochester City Newspaper*.

“Iraq war tramples Christian principles” April 2006, *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*.

“Whatever Happened to Civil Discussion?” October 2005. *Oregon Peace Works*.

“Iraq Constitution Does Not Create Democracy,” October 2005, *The Brockport Stylus*.

“Imperialism by Any Other Name,” April 2005, *The Brockport Stylus*.

### **PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“War, Geopolitics, and Foreign Policy Advocacy in International Media: A Comparative Perspective,” presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, March 16-18, 2006, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Scholars Day 2006, SUNY Brockport, “European Union Simulation- Presentation by faculty advisor and students attending EuroSim 2006 in Prague, Czech Republic.” April 12, 2006.

People Power and Pedagogy, workshop on teaching Nonviolent Conflict in the classroom. Sponsored by the International Center on Nonviolent Conflict. June 5-8, 2006. Colorado Springs, CO.

“Media War: A Comparative Analysis of Foreign Policy Framing and UN Displacement in International Media,” presented at War, Peace, and the Media Conference, July 8-9, 2005, Portland State University, Portland, OR.

“A Comparative Analysis of Foreign Policy Advocacy and Casualty Reporting in the Iraq War,” presented (with Nicole Giancursio) at Scholars Day 2005, SUNY Brockport, April 13, 2005.

“Pedagogy, Political Theory, and World Politics,” Panel Discussant, Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, March 17-19, 2005, Oakland, CA.

“Foreign Policy Advocacy and Enemy Construction in International Media,” presented at the Communication and Cultural Diversity Section, Forum Barcelona, May 24-28, 2004, Barcelona, Spain.

“Media War: A Comparative Analysis of Foreign Policy Advocacy in International Media,” Panel: News and the Normalization of War, presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Communication Association, May 29-31, 2004, New Orleans, LA.

“Electoral Systems and Party Development in New Democracies,” presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, March 15-18, 2001, Fort Worth, Texas.

“Parties and Democratic Consolidation.” Presented at the Philosophy and War Seminar Series, Philosophy Department, University of San Francisco. December 5, 1999.

“Party Placement in Estonia and Lithuania.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Palmer House Hilton, April 15-17, 1999, Chicago, Illinois.

“Electoral Rules and Party Dispersion: A Look at New Institutions in the FSU.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Boston Sheraton and Boston Marriot, September 3-6, 1998, Boston, Massachusetts.

“A Comparative Analysis of Electoral Systems and Party Dispersion in the former Soviet Union.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of International Studies Association- West. University of California at Davis, October 18, 1997.

“Playing by the Rules: Electoral Systems and Party Dispersion in the FSU.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Washington Sheraton and Omni Shoreham, August 28-31, 1997, Washington D.C.

“Emancipation? Workers and Reform in the former Soviet Union.” Presented at the Conference on Minorities and Representation. Humanities Institute, University of California at Davis, June 4, 1996.

“Rehabilitating Frankenstein’s Monster: Labor Reform in Russia.” Presented at the Eastern Bloc Scholars Conference, University of California at Davis, May 20, 1995.

“Examining the Social Effects of Labor Reform in Russia and the former Soviet Union.” Presented at the East-West Conference on Reform at St. Mary’s College of California, April 18, 1995.

“Gender and the Transition: Social Impacts of Economic Reform in Russia.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, March 15-18, 1995, Portland, Oregon.

## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and International Studies, State University of New York at Brockport, 2004-present. Courses: Comparative Politics, Research Methods, Russia in Transition, Politics of European Integration, Press and Politics, Latin American Politics, Nonviolent Struggle, Gender Politics.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Politics, University of San Francisco, 1999-2004. Courses: Introduction to Comparative Politics, Introduction to International Politics, The World Since 1945, Race and Ethnicity in American Politics, Human Rights and Global Change, Politics and the Media, Revolutions and Democracy in Latin America, Politics and Society in Russia, Politics and Society in Western Europe, European Integration, Women in American Politics.

Visiting Scholar, “Political Development and Democratization”, MA Program in Peace and Development Studies, Centro Internacional Bancaja Para La Paz y El Desorrollo, Universitat Jaume I, Castellon de la Plana, Spain. Spring 2003.

Visiting Scholar, “Violence and Human Rights”, MA Program in Peace and Development Studies, Centro Internacional Bancaja Para La Paz y El Desorrollo, Universitat Jaume I, Castellon de la Plana, Spain. Spring 2001.

Lecturer, Research Methods (POL 100). Department of Politics, Saint Mary’s College of California, Spring Semester 2000.

Lecturer, Essentials of Government (GOV 001). Department of Government, California State University, Sacramento. Fall 1998 and Spring Semester 1999.

Lecturer, Political Parties and Pressure Groups (POL 102). Department of Politics, Saint Mary’s College of California, Spring Semester 1998.

Associate-In Residence, Russian Politics and Society (POL 144). Department of Political Science, University of California at Davis. Winter Quarter 1999.

Associate- In Residence, Modern Political Thought: Rousseau (POL 119). Department of Political Science, University of California at Davis. Summer Session I, 1998.

Instructor, Summer Institute on Technology in Teaching, University of California at Davis. HTML and Web Page Design. Sponsored by the Teaching Resources Center. June 22-26, 1996.

## **SELECT AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS**

DSI for Service to SUNY Brockport, Fall 2006.

Scholarly Incentive Grant, State University of New York at Brockport, Spring 2006.

DSI for Service to SUNY Brockport, Fall 2005.

Scholarly Incentive Grant, State University of New York at Brockport, Spring 2005.

Faculty Development Grant to attend the Annual Meeting of the International Communication Association, New Orleans, LA. School of Arts and Sciences, University of San Francisco, Spring 2004.

Faculty Development Grant to attend the International Forum of Cultures, Barcelona, Spain. School of Arts and Sciences, University of San Francisco, Spring 2004.

Faculty Development Grant to attend Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, Fort Worth, TX. School of Arts and Sciences, University of San Francisco, Spring 2001.

Marvin Zetterbaum Award for Excellence in Teaching. Department of Political Science, University of California at Davis, 1999.

Grant to attend Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. School of Letters and Sciences, University of California at Davis. Spring 1999.

Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award. Division of Graduate Studies, University of California at Davis, 1997.

University Graduate Student Fellowship. University of California at Davis. Spring 1999, Winter 1998, Fall 1997, Fall 1995.

Awarded grade of "Superior" on Political Theory Comprehensive Exam, Fall 1995.

Institute of Governmental Affairs Grant to attend ICPSR at University of Michigan. University of California at Davis. Summer 1995.

Humanities Institute Grant, University of California at Davis. Winter 1995.

## **OTHER MEDIA APPEARANCES**

Guest, "Mother's Day CODEPINK Demonstration," WROC Television, Rochester, NY.

Guest, *Women's Spaces* with Elaine Holtz, Television Cable Channel 72, Santa Rosa, CA.

Guest, "International Women's Day," WHLD 1270 (Air America affiliate in Buffalo). March 8, 2006.

Guest, "Constitution Day," WROC 950 (Air America affiliate in Rochester.) September 12, 2005.

Guest, "Need to Know: Latino Americans and Political Participation" with Michael Caputo, WXXI Television, Rochester, New York. April 22, 2005.

Golden Pen Award: Best Letter to the Editor. *Democrat and Chronicle*. Rochester, New York. April 30, 2005.

Commentator, "Presidential Election 2004", WBSU Radio (89.1 FM) SUNY Brockport, November 4, 2004.

Commentator, "San Francisco's Mayoral Election", KUSF Radio (90.4 FM), December 9, 2003.

Participant, "A Nation Mourns", KNTV Television (NBC Affiliate) Panel Discussion, October 20, 2001.

## **PANELS, COMMITTEES, AND OTHER SERVICE**

Project Coordinator, American Democracy Project, SUNY Brockport, 2005- present

American Democracy Project Annual Conference, sponsored by AASCU. Snowbird, Utah from June 15-17, 2006.

Honors Advisor, Kiera Slye and Voytek Wojciech.

Workshop on "A Force More Powerful" DVD Simulation Game, hosted by the International Center on Nonviolent Conflict, February 3-4, 2006, Boston, MA.

Guest Editor, *Peace Review*, Special Issue called "War and Peace in the Media." Volume 17: Issue 4. Winter 2006.

Academic Advisory Committee, International Center for Nonviolent Conflict, Washington, D.C.

Coordinator, Rochester-area CODEPINK: Women for Peace.

Treasurer, Trans-Atlantic Consortium for European Studies and Simulations.

Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Political Behavior*, 2005.

Presenter, "Traveling in Europe," Mornings with the Professors, SUNY Brockport. October 25, 2005.

Coordinator and Panelist, "The Constitution and the Supreme Court," Constitution Day, SUNY Brockport. September 19, 2005.

Instructor, Academic Planning Seminar. College of Arts and Science, SUNY Brockport. Fall 2005.

Panelist, "The Bush Doctrine, Liberal Bias in the Classroom, and Social Security Reform," College Republicans State Convention, Rochester, NY. April 1-2, 2005.

Faculty Advisor, EUROSIM (European Union Simulation), SUNY Brockport. 2004-

Faculty Advisor, College Democrats, SUNY Brockport. 2004-

Cultural Studies Committee, School of Letters and Sciences, SUNY Brockport. 2005- 2006.

University Convocation Committee, SUNY Brockport. 2005- 2006.

Chair, Curriculum Committee, Department of Political Science and International Studies, SUNY Brockport. 2005-

Department Representative, New York State Union of Teachers, SUNY Brockport. 2004-

Library Coordinator, Department of Political Science and International Studies, SUNY Brockport. 2004-

Presenter, "The Electoral College and Election 2004," for the American Association of University Women, Rochester, NY. November 2004.

Participant, various debates and panels related to the presidential election of 2004, American Democracy Project, SUNY Brockport, Fall 2004.

Member, Scholars Day Committee, SUNY Brockport, 2004-2006.

Advisor, MA Theses: Cheryl Schoenberg, Hjalmar Joffre-Eichorn, Dick Kyselov, and Tim Berryman. Centro Internacional Bancaja Para La Paz y El Desorrollo, Universitat Jaume I. Castellon de la Plana, Espana. 2001-2005.

University of San Francisco Media Research Group (with Bernadette Barker-Plummer, Chris Paterson, and Vamsee Juluri from the University of San Francisco).

Coordinator, "History in the Making: The California Recall Election" Teach-In/Forum with students, public, and local media, October 6, 2003.

Panelist, "The U.S. War with Iraq" Faculty Debate, University of San Francisco, October 1, 2002

Panelist, "Is the War in Afghanistan a Just War?" Faculty Debate, University of San Francisco, November 11, 2001.

Founding Committee, African-American Studies Minor, University of San Francisco. 2003-2004.

Faculty Advisor, European Studies Program, University of San Francisco. 2002-2004.

Faculty Advisor, USF Democrats, University of San Francisco. 2001-2004.

Faculty Advisor, Muslim Student Association, University of San Francisco. 2001-2004.

Faculty Advisor, Amnesty International Club. University of San Francisco. 2001-2003.

Coordinator, "The Role of Media in a Democratic Society", roundtable discussion with Gene Burns of KGO radio (810 AM/ABC affiliate). University of San Francisco, February 7, 2001.

Coordinator, "NATO and the New World Order", roundtable with members of NATO Supreme Allied Commander's Briefing Team. University of San Francisco, December 1, 2000.

Participant, Forum on Elections and Electoral Systems, sponsored by the League of Women Voters, Davis, CA. November 28, 2000.

Moderator, Forum on Israeli-Palestinian Relations, University of San Francisco, November 27, 2000.

Participant, Forum on the 2000 Presidential Election, sponsored by the Department of Politics, University of San Francisco. November 16, 2000.

Presenter, "The Use of Technology in Teaching", Faculty Development Luncheons, University of San Francisco, October 13-14, 2000.

Coordinator and Moderator, "People's History: An Evening With Howard Zinn and Ben Affleck," University of San Francisco, March 21, 2000.

Volunteer, London House Convalescent Hospital, Santa Rosa, CA. 1999-2003.

Instructor, Faculty Workshops on Class Web Page Design, University of San Francisco. September 1999 and October-November, 2000.

Reviewer for Bedford St. Martin's Press: Textbooks on Comparative and American Politics, 2000.

Teaching Assistant Coordinator, Department of Political Science, University of California at Davis, 1998-1999.

Graduate Student Representative, Graduate Admissions, Awards, and Affairs Committee. Department of Political Science, University of California at Davis, 1998-1999 and 1994-1995.

Subcommittee on Teaching (to select Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Assistant), Academic Senate, University of California at Davis, 1997-1998.

Teaching Resources Advisory Committee, Department of Political Science, University of California at Davis. 1994-1997.

Graduate Student Mentor, Department of Political Science, University of California at Davis. 1994-1995.

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

International Communication Association (2004-present)

American Political Science Association (1994-present)

Western Political Science Association (1995-present)

Midwestern Political Science Association (1998-2003)

Southwestern Political Science Association (2001-2002)

American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (1995-1998)

### **TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Political Development, Democratization, and Quality of Democracy

Media and Politics/War Coverage

Nonviolent Conflict

### **REFERENCES (contact information available upon request)**

Dr. Bernadette Barker-Plummer, *Dept of Media Studies, University of San Francisco*

Jack DuVall, *Director, International Center for Nonviolent Conflict, Producer "A Force More Powerful"*

Dr. Robert Elias, *Dept of Politics, University of San Francisco*

Dr. Michael Nagler, *Department of Peace and Conflict Studies, UC Berkeley*

Medea Benjamin, *founder of Global Exchange and Codepink: Women for Peace*

Dr. Stephen Zunes, *Dept of Politics at USF and Middle East Editor of Foreign Policy in Focus*

Col. Douglas Macgregor (Ret), *independent military and defense consultant*

Tom Hastings, *chair, Dept of Conflict Resolution at Portland State University*

### **LANGUAGES**

French (proficiency)

Russian (proficiency)

Spanish (conversational)

### **OTHER**

Extensive travel throughout Russia, Ukraine, Spain, Italy, Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, France, Mexico, and the UK

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