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Curriculum Vitae  
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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor. University of South Carolina, Department of Political Science, 2007 to present

Assistant Professor. University at Buffalo, SUNY, Department of Political Science, 2003-2007

## EDUCATION

Ph.D. Michigan State University, Political Science, 2003

M.A. Michigan State University, Political Science, 1999

B.A. Grove City College, Political Science, 1997

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

**American Politics** (Congress, Political Parties, Institutions and Institutional Development, Elections)

**Research Methods** (Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Time Series Analysis, Positive Theory)

## PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Benjamin J. Kassow and Charles J. Finocchiaro. 2011. "Responsiveness and Electoral Accountability in the U.S. Senate." *American Politics Research* 39: 1019-1044.

Jamie L. Carson, Charles J. Finocchiaro, and David W. Rohde. 2010. "Consensus, Conflict, and Partisanship in House Decision Making: A Bill-Level Examination of Committee and Floor Behavior." *Congress & the Presidency* 37: 231-253.

Charles J. Finocchiaro and Gregg B. Johnson. 2010. "Committee Property Rights, Executive Dominance, and Political Parties in Latin American Legislatures." *Journal of Legislative Studies* 16: 151-175.

Michael H. Crespin, Charles J. Finocchiaro, and Emily Wanless. 2009. "Perception and Reality in Congressional Earmarks." *The Forum: A Journal of Applied Research in Contemporary Politics* 7 (2): Article 1.

Charles J. Finocchiaro and Jeffery A. Jenkins. 2008. "In Search of Killer Amendments in the Modern U.S. House." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 33: 263-294.

Charles J. Finocchiaro and David W. Rohde. 2008. "War for the Floor: Partisan Theory and Agenda Control in the U.S. House of Representatives." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 33: 35-61.

Jamie L. Carson, Michael H. Crespin, Charles J. Finocchiaro, and David W. Rohde. 2007. "Redistricting and Party Polarization in the U.S. House of Representatives." *American Politics Research* 35: 878-904.

Charles J. Finocchiaro and Bryan W. Marshall. 2004. "Committee Power and Amendment Rights in the U.S. House." *American Review of Politics* 25: 265-284.

Charles J. Finocchiaro. 2003. "An Institutional View of Congressional Elections: The Impact of Congressional Image on Seat Change in the House." *Political Research Quarterly* 56: 59-65.

Jamie L. Carson, Charles J. Finocchiaro, and David W. Rohde. 2002. "Partisanship, Consensus, and Committee-Floor Divergence: A Comparison of Member Behavior in the 96th and 104th Congresses." *American Politics Research* 30: 3-33.

#### EDITOR-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Michael H. Crespin and Charles J. Finocchiaro. 2011. "Congressional Spending: The Special Case of Earmarks." In *New Directions in Congressional Politics*, ed. Jamie L. Carson. New York: Routledge, 237-256.

Michael H. Crespin and Charles J. Finocchiaro. 2008. "Distributive and Partisan Politics in the U.S. Senate: An Exploration of Earmarks." In *Why Not Parties? Party Effects in the United States Senate*, ed. Nathan W. Monroe, Jason M. Roberts, and David W. Rohde. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press, 229-251.

Charles J. Finocchiaro and David W. Rohde. 2007. "Speaker David Henderson and the Partisan Era of the U.S. House." In *Party, Process, and Political Change, Volume 2: Further New Perspectives on the History of Congress*, ed. David W. Brady and Mathew D. McCubbins. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press, 259-270.

#### WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Distributive Politics, the Electoral Connection, and the Antebellum U.S. Congress: The Case of Military Service Pensions" (with Jeffery A. Jenkins).

"Elections and the Politics of Pork in the U.S. Senate" (with Michael H. Crespin).

“Constituent Service, Agency Decision Making, and Legislative Influence on the Bureaucracy in the Post-Civil War Era.”

“The Hazards of Incumbency: An Event History Analysis of Congressional Careers” (with Tse-min Lin).

“The Political Geography of Distributive Politics” (with Michael H. Crespin and Austin Clemens).

“Parties and Committee Context in the U.S. Congress.”

“Spatial Proximity and Roll-Call Voting Behavior in the U.S. Senate” (with David Darmofal).

“Credit Claiming, Party Politics, and the Rise of Legislative Entrepreneurship in Congress.”

“Earmarks and Subcommittee Government in the U.S. Congress” (with Michael H. Crespin and Austin Clemens).

“Congressional Deference to Executive Interests During Times of War” (with Susanne Schorpp).

“Bicameralism and Personal Vote Seeking in the Modernizing U.S. Congress.”

#### AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

*Magellan Scholar Award*, Office of Undergraduate Research, University of South Carolina, faculty mentor to Bryan McDonald and Hillary Vedvig (2011)

*Magellan Scholar Award*, Office of Undergraduate Research, University of South Carolina, faculty mentor to Zachary Turek (2010)

*Artinian Award*, Southern Political Science Association (2007)

*Lisa Hertel Teaching Award*, Department of Political Science, University at Buffalo, SUNY (2006)

*Small Research Grant*, Baldy Center, University at Buffalo, SUNY, “Legislative Politics and Institutional Organization in the Partisan Era of the U.S. House” (2005-2006)

Research Subgrant, Center for Population Economics, The University of Chicago, Graduate School of Business, and National Institutes of Health grant number P01 AG10120, Robert Fogel, Principal Investigator, “Party Politics, Civil War Pensions, and the Development of American Political Institutions: An Exploration of Citizen Linkages with Government” (2005-2006)

*Baldy Research Grant*, Baldy Center, University at Buffalo, SUNY, “Legislative Organization and the Lawmaking Process in the Partisan Era of the U.S. Congress” (2004-2005)

Dirksen Congressional Center *Congressional Research Award*, “The Role of Party and Committee Leaders in Pre-Floor Decisionmaking” (2001)

*Malcolm Jewell Award* for the best paper presented by a graduate student at the 1999 Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2000)

American Political Science Association Advanced Graduate Student Travel Grant (2001, 2002)

Political Institutions and Public Choice (PIPC) Fellow, Michigan State University (1997 to 2003)

## PRESENTATIONS

### *Invited Seminars*

- Duke University, Political Institutions and Public Choice Workshop, Department of Political Science, October 2010.
- University of Georgia, American Political Development Working Group, Department of Political Science, March 2008.
- University of Chicago, Center for Population Economics, Graduate School of Business, March 2007.

### *Invitational Conferences*

- Brown University, Congress and History Conference, June 2011: discussant
- University of California - Berkeley, Congress and History Conference, June 2010: participant
- University of California - Merced, Politics of Federal Spending Conference, May 2010: presenter and discussant
- University of Virginia, History of Congress Conference, May 2009: presenter
- Duke University, Conference on Bicameralism, March 2009: presenter and discussant
- George Washington University, History of Congress Conference, May 2008: presenter
- University of Minnesota, Conference on Party Effects in the U.S. Senate II, September 2006: presenter
- Duke University, Conference on Party Effects in the U.S. Senate, April 2006: presenter and discussant
- University of California - San Diego, History of Congress Conference, December 2003: presenter and discussant

### *Association Meetings*

- *American Political Science Association*: presenter (1999-2008), discussant (2006), panel chair (2001, 2006)
- *Midwest Political Science Association*: presenter (1999, 2000-2001[2], 2002, 2003[2], 2005[3], 2006, 2008, 2010), discussant (2010-2011), panel chair (2011)
- *Southern Political Science Association*: presenter (1999-2000, 2001[2], 2002, 2004, 2006-2007, 2010[2]), discussant (2004, 2010)

## RECENT AND SELECTED CONFERENCE PAPERS

“Spatial Proximity and Roll-Call Voting Behavior in the U.S. Senate” (with David Darmofal). 2011. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, WA.

“Parties and Committee Context in the U.S. Congress.” 2011. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

“Earmarks and Subcommittee Government in the U.S. Congress” (with Austin Clemens and Michael H. Crespin). 2010. Paper presented at the Politics of Federal Spending Conference, University of California – Merced.

“Congressional Deference to Executive Interests During Times of War” (with Susanne Schorpp). 2010. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA.

“Earmarks and Party Loyalty in the U.S. Congress” (with Austin Clemens and Michael H. Crespin). 2010. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA.

“Bicameralism and Personal Vote Seeking in the Modernizing U.S. Congress.” 2009. Paper presented at the 8th Annual Congress & History Conference, Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia.

“Constituent Service, Agency Decision Making, and Legislative Influence on the Bureaucracy in the Post-Civil War Era.” 2008. Paper presented at the History of Congress Conference, George Washington University, Washington, DC.

“Different Votes for Different Folks: Procedure, Passage, and Electoral Accountability” (with Michael H. Crespin and Eric Wilk). 2005. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA.

“Congressional Redistricting, Candidate Entry Decisions and Electoral Fortunes in the U.S. House of Representatives, 1964-2002” (with Jamie L. Carson, Michael H. Crespin, and David W. Rohde). 2004. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

“Why Do It on the Floor When We Can Do It in the Rules Committee?: The Role of House Floor Waivers in Affecting Committee Turf” (with Bryan W. Marshall). 2004. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### *Undergraduate:*

- Introduction to American Politics
- Legislative Politics
- The American Presidency
- Political Parties and Interest Groups

- Congress and the Presidency
- Roosevelt Institution Seminar (Public Policy)

*Graduate:*

- Basic Statistics for Social Science
- American Government and Politics
- Legislative Politics
- Social Choice Theory

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ASSOCIATIONS

*Professional Activity:*

- **Reviewer**, National Science Foundation, *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *American Politics Research*, *Political Behavior*, *Congress & the Presidency*, *Public Choice*, *Academic Press*, *Allyn & Bacon/Longman Publishers*, *Atomic Dog Publishers*, *CQ Press*, *W.W. Norton and Company*, *Wadsworth Publishers*, *Pearson Education*, *McGraw-Hill*, *Routledge*
- **Discussant**, Various invitational and association conferences (see above)
- **Panel Chair**, Various association conferences (see above)
- **Discussant**, Conference on Electoral Politics in Taiwan, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC (2009)
- **Discussant**, Institutional Analysis of Law, Politics, and Society, Faculty Series sponsored by the Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy, University at Buffalo, SUNY (2004)
- **Discussant**, Political Institutions and Public Choice Program Spring Seminar, Department of Political Science, Michigan State University (2000, 2002)
- **Member**, LexisNexis U.S. Serial Set Digital Collection Academic Advisory Board (2005-2009)
- **Moderator**, "American Divided: Political Polarization in America," Symposium sponsored by the Brookings Institution, University at Buffalo, SUNY (2007)
- **Memberships**: American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association, Western Political Science Association, Comparative Legislative Research Center, APSA Legislative Studies Section, Society for Political Methodology.

*Departmental Service:*

- **Member**, Committee on Undergraduate Studies, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina (2007-)
- **Member**, Computer/Website Committee, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina (2010-)
- **Elected Member**, Advisory Committee, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina (2008-2010)
- **Member**, Public Administration Search Committee (two positions), Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina (2009)
- **Member**, International Relations Search Committee, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina (2008)

- **Elected Member**, Chair Search Committee, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina (2008)
- **Member**, Committee on Undergraduate Studies, Department of Political Science, University at Buffalo, SUNY (2006-2007)
- **Elected Member**, Advisory Committee, Department of Political Science, University at Buffalo, SUNY (2005-2007)
- **Member**, American Politics Search Committee, Department of Political Science, University at Buffalo, SUNY (2005-2007)
- **Co-organizer**, Faculty Paper Workshop, Department of Political Science, University at Buffalo, SUNY (2005-2007)
- **Advisor**, Rho Tau Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha (national political science honor society), University at Buffalo, SUNY (2004-2007)
- **Member**, Committee on Graduate Studies, Department of Political Science, University at Buffalo, SUNY (2004-2006)
- **Member**, Academic Standards Committee, Department of Political Science, Michigan State University (1998-2001)

*College Service:*

- **Member**, College Scholarship Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Carolina (2008-)
- **Dean's Advisor**, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Carolina (2011-)
- **Member**, Faculty of Social Science Committee on Educational Technology, University at Buffalo, SUNY (2003-2004)

*University Service:*

- **Advisor**, Gamma Chi chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha (national political science honor society), University of South Carolina (2010-)
- **Member**, Carolina Student Judicial Council, University of South Carolina (2008-)
- **Advisor**, College Democrats, University of South Carolina (2008-2009)
- **Member**, Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education Standing Committee, University at Buffalo, SUNY (2006)

*Theses/Dissertations & Student Supervision*

- Bryan McDonald (B.A., honors thesis, principal advisor) 2012
- Jonathan Williams (B.A., honors thesis, principal advisor) 2011
- Genevieve Kehoe (Ph.D., reader) 2011
- Zachary Turek (B.A., honors thesis, principal advisor) 2010
- Lauren Wilson (B.A., honors thesis, principal advisor) 2010
- Kyle Mallinak (B.A., honors thesis, reader) 2010
- Benjamin Bullock (B.A., honors thesis, reader) 2009
- Hannah Davis (B.A., honors thesis, reader) 2009
- Eric Wilk (Ph.D., reader) 2008
- Annika Hagley (M.A., principal advisor) 2007
- Samuel Sheehy (M.A., reader) 2007
- Walter Koch (Ph.D., reader) 2007
- Ka Ho Tong (B.A., honors thesis, principal advisor) 2007

- Thom Hierl (M.A., reader) 2006
- Tom Gilbert (M.A., principal advisor) 2006
- Joseph Byrne (M.A., principal advisor) 2005
- Diane Oylar (Ph.D., reader) 2005

## REFERENCES

Available upon request.