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## EDUCATION

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Ph.D., 1997  
Department of Political Science, University of Rochester  
Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Economy, Quantitative methods

M.A., 1994  
Department of Political Science, University of Rochester

B.S., 1991  
Department of Political Science, University of Houston  
*summa cum laude with honors*

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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Associate Professor, August 2005-present  
Department of Political Science, University of Kansas

Director of Undergraduate Studies, July 2007-present

Director of International Studies Co-major, July 2007-June 2009.

Interim Director of Graduate Studies, Spring 2006

Assistant Professor, Aug. 1998-July 2005  
Department of Political Science, University of Kansas

Visiting Assistant Professor, Sept. 1997-Aug. 1998  
Department of Political Science, Gettysburg College

Visiting Assistant Professor, Sept. 1996-Aug. 1997  
Department of Political Science, University of Cincinnati

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## PUBLICATIONS

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### Books

Editor. Annual Editions: Comparative Politics. Dubuque: McGraw-Hill Publishers  
[2010 (forthcoming); 2009]

2005. *Citizen Power, Politics, and the "Asian Miracle": Reassessing the Dynamics*.  
Boulder: Lynne Rienner Publishers

- Reviewed in *Asian-Pacific Economic Literature* (2005) vol 19 no 2: 75-92  
<http://www.blackwell-synergy.com/doi/full/10.1111/j.1467-8411.2005.00164.x>
- Reviewed in *ASEAN Economic Bulletin* (2006) vol 23 no 2: 268-270  
[http://muse.jhu.edu/journals/asean\\_economic\\_bulletin/v023/23.2curry.html](http://muse.jhu.edu/journals/asean_economic_bulletin/v023/23.2curry.html)
- Reviewed in *Journal of East Asian Studies* (2007) vol 7 no 1: 172-174  
<http://www.eai.or.kr/english/publicing/jeas/jeasIssueList.asp>

## Journal Articles

2010. "Strategic Government Spending in South Korea and Taiwan: Lessons for Emergent Democracies." Forthcoming. *Social Science Quarterly*.
2010. "Government Spending and Party Fragmentation in South Korea and Taiwan." *Korea Observer* vol 40 no 4: 639-670.
2008. "Pathologies or Progress? Evaluating the effects of Divided Government and Party Volatility." *Japanese Journal of Political Science* vol 9 no 3: 261-268 (lead article). With Youngmi Kim
2008. "Executive-Legislature Divide and Party Volatility in Emergent Democracies: Lessons for Democratic Performance from Taiwan." *Japanese Journal of Political Science* vol 9 no 3: 261-268.
2006. "Politics and Government Spending in Asia: Evidence from South Korea and Taiwan." *Journal of East Asian Studies* vol 6 no 1: 69-104.
2005. "Bargaining in the Less-Democratic NICs: Model and Evidence from South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, and Malaysia." *Journal of Theoretical Politics* vol 17 no 3: 283-309 (lead article)
2005. "A New Social Contract of Accountability? Lessons from Citizens' Response to the Asian Financial Crisis in Taiwan, South Korea, Singapore, and Malaysia." *Whitehead Journal of Diplomacy and International Relations* vol 6 no 2: 129-147.
2004. "Theory and Testing of Government's Credible Apologies: A Reply to Lowry's 'What Explains Credible Apologies'" *British Journal of Political Science* vol 34 no 2: 371-5.
2003. "Non-Electoral Responsiveness Mechanisms: Evidence from the Asian Less-Democratic Newly Industrialized Countries." *British Journal of Political Science* vol 33 no 3: 491-514.
2003. "Government's credible commitment in economic policy-making: Evidence from Singapore." *Policy Sciences* vol 36 no 3-4: 237-255.
1993. Co-authored with Kent Tedin. "The Gender Factor in Soviet Mass Politics: Survey Evidence from Greater Moscow." *Political Research Quarterly* vol. 46, no. 1:179-211.

## Book Chapters

2001. "Malaysia into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century." In *Southeast Asia Handbook of Economic Development*. Patrick Heenan and Monique Lamontagne, ed. Chicago: Fitzroy Dearborn Publishers, p 56-66.

2001. Co-authored with Erik Herron and Ronald Francisco. "Election Rules and Social Stability." In Choosing a President: The Electoral College and Beyond, ed. Paul Schumaker and Burdett Loomis. New York: Chatham publishers, p 143-160.

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

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### **Revise**

#### **and**

#### **Resubmit**

2009. Revise and Resubmit. "Strategic Model of Economic Performance and Democratization in South Korea and Taiwan." British Journal of Political Science

2009. Revise and Resubmit. "To Bargain or Not to Bargain: Parties' Votes and Strategies under Taiwan's New Electoral System." Journal of East Asian Studies. With Hans Stockton

### **Under**

#### **review**

2009. Under review. "The Military's Restraint in Asian Newly Industrialized Countries: Model and Evidence from South Korea and Taiwan." World Politics

2009. Under review. "Informal Accountability, Credible Actions, and Democratization in Taiwan." Constitutional Political Economy

### **In**

#### **progress**

"How Resource-investments and Information Restrain the Military: Model and Evidence from Open Newly-Industrialized Economies." Journal manuscript

*Military's Role and Restraint in Asia*. Book project

"The Government's Credible Commitment and Industry Growth: Evidence from South Korea." With Jaekwon Cha (Donguei University). Journal manuscript

## **AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

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Delegation of American Young Scholars and Experts to the Republic of China (Taiwan), Summer 2007

Institute of Policy and Social Studies, University of Kansas, NSF grant-preparation faculty award, Summer 2007

University of Kansas sabbatical leave, Fall 2006

University of Kansas General Research Fund Award, 2006-7.

University of Kansas Center for Teaching Excellence Teaching Innovation and Portfolio Award, University of Kansas, 2006.

Policy Research Institute Summer Fellow, University of Kansas, Summer 2005.

Kaufmann Foundation-KU Center for Entrepreneurial Research Faculty Development Award, 2005.

Chiang-Ching Kuo Foundation Faculty Development Award, 2004-5, \$11,706.00.

University of Kansas Office of International Programs International Conference Award, 2004

Freeman Foundation-University of Kansas CEAS Faculty Development Grant, 2003.

George Bush Presidential Library Foundation-Korea Program, 2002-3.

US Dept of Education-University of Kansas CEAS Faculty Curriculum Award, 2002.

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University of Kansas General Research Fund Award, 2001-2002.

Chiang-Ching Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange, 2000-2002, \$20,000.00.

University of Kansas KUCR Faculty Research Development Award, 2001.

University of Kansas Office of International Programs Curriculum Internationalization Award, 2000.

US Dept of Education-University of Kansas CEAS Faculty Development Fund Award, 1999-2000.

University of Kansas New Faculty General Research Fund Award, 1998-1999.

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

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Political economy of Asia  
Formal and informal institutions on political behavior  
Institutional development and democratization in Asia  
The military in politics in Asia  
Government spending patterns in Asia  
Game-theory bargaining models in East and Southeast Asia  
Corruption in Asia

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

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Introduction to Comparative Politics  
Politics and Government of East Asia  
Politics of Developing Countries  
Politics of China  
Politics of Japan  
Politics of South Korea  
Comparative Political Economy (Graduate and undergraduate)  
Political Economy of Growth (Graduate and undergraduate)  
Political Economy of East Asia  
Political Change in Asia

## **SELECTED CONFERENCE PAPERS**

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“Economic voting in Asia’s Emergent Democracies: Evidence from Taiwan, Thailand, Indonesia, South Korea, and the Philippines.” Paper to be presented at the Midwest Political Science Association annual convention in Chicago, April 22-25, 2010.

“Government Spending and Legislative Fragmentation: Evidence and Lessons from pre- and post-Democratization South Korea and Taiwan.” Paper presented at the American Political Science Association annual convention in Toronto, Canada, September 3-6, 2009.

“Strategic Government Spending and Government Party in the Legislature.” Paper presented at the Western Political Science Association annual convention in Vancouver, Canada, March 18-21, 2009.

“The Consequences of Pre- and Post-Election Cooperation under Taiwan’s New Electoral System.” with Hans Stockton. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Convention in Boston, MA, August 28-31, 2008.

“Executive Agenda Control, Government Spending, and Party Development in Democratizing Nations: Evidence from Asia.” Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Convention in Chicago, IL, August 29-September 2, 2007.

“The Military’s Role and Behavior in Newly Industrialized Countries.” Paper presented at the Western Political Science Association Conference in Las Vegas, NV, March 8-11, 2007.

“The Political Economy of Citizen Support: Evidence from South Korea and Taiwan.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Conference in Philadelphia, August 30-September 3, 2006

“The Military’s Role and Political Restraint: Model and Evidence from South Korea and Taiwan.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Convention in Chicago, April 2006.

“Intraparty politics, Democratization, and Government Spending: Evidence from South Korea and Taiwan.” Presented at the Western Political Science Association Conference in Albuquerque, NM, March 16-18, 2006.

“Military Restraint in South Korea and Taiwan.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Convention in Chicago, April 2005.

“Bargaining with the Military: Model and Lessons from South Korea and Taiwan.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Convention in Chicago, September 2004.

“Agenda Control, Budgetary Politics and Democracy: Effects on Government Spending in South Korea and Taiwan.” Presented at the International Studies Association Convention in Montreal, March 17-21, 2004.

“Bargaining between Government and Investors in the Less-Democratic NICs: Model and Evidence from South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, and Malaysia.” Presented at the 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, April 2003.

“A Model of Government Punishment in the Newly-Industrialized Countries.” Presented at the 98<sup>th</sup> Annual Political Science Association Conference in San Francisco, August 29-September 2, 2002.

“The Dynamic Effect of Political Contention on Economic Growth” Co-presented with Ronald Francisco at the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, April 25-28, 2002

“Politics of Government Spending in Less-Democratic and Democratizing Countries: Evidence from Taiwan, South Korea, and Singapore.” Presented at the 97<sup>th</sup> Annual Political

Science Association Conference in San Francisco, August 29-September 2, 2001.

“Government Responses to Economic Performance in the East Asian Newly Industrialized Countries.” Presented at the Hong Kong Convention of International Studies Association, July 27-29, 2001.

### **SELECTED CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES AND PARTICIPATION**

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Proposed roundtable, “Citizen Power and Government Accountability in Asia,” at the Annual American Political Science Association convention, Washington D.C., 2005

Proposed roundtable, “Political Reform in Asia,” at the Midwest Political Science Association conference, 2005

Proposed roundtable, “Methodological Issues In the Analysis of Comparative Politics Data,” at the Midwest Political Science Association conference, 2003.

Chair, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, 2003

Chair, American Political Science Association Convention, 2001

Chair, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, 2001

Chair, International Studies Association, 2001 Hong Kong Convention

Chair, International Studies Association, Los Angeles, 2000

Chair, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, 1997

Chair, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, 1996

Discussant, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, 2006

Discussant, American Political Science Association Convention, 2001

Discussant, International Studies Association, 2001 Hong Kong Convention

Discussant, International Studies Association, Los Angeles, 2000

Discussant, American Political Science Association Conference, 1997

Discussant, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, 1997

Discussant, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, 1996

### **SELECTED COLLOQUIA**

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“Strategic Model of Economic Performance and Democratization in South Korea and Taiwan.” Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia, 2009.

“The Military’s Restraint in Resource-poor Newly Industrialized Countries: Model and Evidence From South Korea and Taiwan.” University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2008.

“Intraparty Conflict and governability in Taiwan,” School of Social and Political Studies, University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom, 2007.

“Taiwan’s Democratization as a Test of Growth Theories,” Taiwan, China and Democratization in East Asia International Symposium, Missouri State University, 2007.

“Made in China.” Faculty colloquium on manufacturing, photography, and art on China.

“What is Globalization? Interdisciplinary Answers” Globalization Seminar Series, University of Kansas, 2006.

“The Military and Culture in Indonesia.” Fort Leavenworth FA officers qualification course, 2005.

“Politics and Government Spending in New Democracies: Evidence from South Korea and Taiwan.” Department of Political Science, University of North Texas, 2005.

“Democratization and Government Spending: Evidence from South Korea, Taiwan, and Singapore.” Department of Government, University of Sydney, 2004.

“Democratization and Government Spending: Evidence from South Korea and Taiwan.” Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh, 2004.

“Viewpoint Japan: East Asian Economic (R)evolution,” Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) and University of Kansas School of Business, 2004

“Understanding Contemporary China,” University of Kansas Continuing Education Center, 2000

“China and The World Trade Organization,” Johnson Community Center College, Missouri, 2000.

“Government’s Credibility and Policymaking: Evidence from Singapore.” Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore, 2000.

“East Asia: From Crisis to Opportunity,” Invited participant, Asian Development Forum, cosponsored by the World Bank and the Institute for Southeast Asian Studies (Singapore), 2000.

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## **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

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Editor, *Annual Editions: Comparative Politics* (2010; 2009).

Editorial Board, *Annual Editions: Comparative Politics* (2008-2009)

Reviewer for:

*American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, British Journal of Political Science, International Studies Quarterly, International Studies Perspective, Governance, Comparative Politics, Political Research Quarterly, Social Science Quarterly, Asian Survey, Oxford University Press, Longman Publishers, Lynne Rienner Publishers, State University of New York Publishers*

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## **DISSERTATIONS AND THESES COMMITTEES**

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Chair, Ph.D. Dissertation

2007-Feb 2009. Alana Querze. “Corruption and Development: A Reverse Causality?”

2004. Jaekwon Cha, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Dongeui University, Busan, South Korea. “Government’s Credible Commitment in Korean Industrial Development: Agriculture, Textile, Shipbuilding, Finance, and Information-technology.”

Co-Chair, Ph.D. orals and prospectus

2003. Omur Yilmaz. “Political Institutions and Consolidation of Peace After Civil Wars.”

Member, Ph.D. Committee

- 2007. Omur Yilmaz
- 2006. Justin Tucker, Asst. Professor, California State University- Fullerton.
- 2003. Chadin Rochananonda (Economics Department)
- 2002. Cuneyt Koyuncu (Economics Department)
- 2002. Taehyun Nam (Political Science, Orals)
- 1999. Hsiu-Hua Shen (Sociology Department)

Chair, Master's Thesis

- 2002. Tomomi Hosono, Recruitor, Adecco, Human Resource Services. "Liberal Democratic Party's Responsiveness to Interest Groups: The Case of Rice-Market Deregulation in Japan."

Chair, Master's Examination

- 2007-present. Rajesh Gojeni
- 2006. Alana Querze

Member, Master's Thesis

- 2003. Justin Tucker
- 2001. Omur Yilmaz

Director, Honor's Thesis

- 2007. Lindsey Lathrop
- 2006. Joshua Goetting
- 2003. Geoffrey Atkeisson (East Asian Studies)
- 2002. Jessica Lowrey

Member, Honor's Thesis

- 2007. Jonathan Evenson (East Asian Studies)
- 2006. Matthew Cornack
- 2006. Aaron Levine
- 2002. Robert Chamberlain
- 2001. Michael Hevel
- 2001. James Lloyd

**SELECTED DEPARTMENT/ COLLEGE SERVICE**

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- Recruitment committee for Political Science (Middle-East), 2009-present
- Global and International Studies Advisory Committee, 2009-present
- Global and International Studies Curriculum Committee, 2008-2009
- Recruitment committee for Political Science (Sir Robert Worcester Distinguished Professorship), 2005-8
- Promotion and Tenure committee, Political Science Department, 2006-7
- Recruitment committee for Political Science (Quantitative Methods), 2005-6
- Recruitment committee for Center for East Asian Studies (Political Science/Sociology of Contemporary China), 2003-4
- Recruitment committee for History Department (Contemporary history of China), 2002-3
- Recruitment committee for Economics Department (Macroeconomics Search), 2001-2
- Chair, comparative politics Ph.D. qualifying examination(Fall 2008, Fall 2003, Fall 1998)

## **SELECTED UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

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University Scholar Mentor, Meredith Joy Vanatta, 2007-10  
University Scholar Mentor, Oluwafemi Morohunfola, 2005-2008  
Center for Teaching Excellence, Co-director for International Faculty Mentorship, 2006-7  
Center for Teaching Excellence Scholars' Committee, 2006-7  
Co-instructor, Service Learning Program, Center for Teaching Excellence (Fall 2005)  
Service Learning Project: Aid for the Asian Tsunami (Spring 2005, raised \$4800).  
Research affiliation with the Institute for Policy and Social Research (2003-present)  
Research and teaching affiliation with the Center for East Asian Studies (1998-present)  
Foreign Languages and Area Studies Scholarship Committee (1999-2003)  
Faculty advisor, Singapore Students Association at University of Kansas (2003-2004)

## **LANGUAGES**

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Chinese (Mandarin, Cantonese)  
English

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