# Dr. Richard L. Vining, Jr. Curriculum Vitae February 10, 2020

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#### **Education**

- Ph.D. in political science, Emory University, 2008.
  - Dissertation: Pensions, Perks, and Politics: Departures from the U.S. Courts of Appeals
  - o Dissertation Committee: Thomas Walker (chair), Micheal Giles, Randall Strahan
- M.A. in political science, Emory University, 2005.
- B.A., summa cum laude, Southeast Missouri State University, 2001.
  - o Major: political science [Minor: philosophy]

## **Additional Training**

- ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 2002.
  - o Mathematics for Social Scientists II, MLE for Generalized Linear Models
- Teaching Assistant Training and Teaching Opportunity (TATTO) Program, Emory University, Summer 2003; Departmental supplement Fall 2003-Spring 2004.

#### **Research and Teaching Interests**

- Judicial politics
- Public law
- American political development
- State politics

- American political institutions
- Research methods/measurement
- Legislative politics
- Media

## **Research and Publications**

#### **Peer-Reviewed Publications**

- "Judicial Reform in the American States: The Chief Justice as Political Advocate." With Teena Wilhelm, Ethan D. Boldt, and Bryan M. Black. *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*. Forthcoming.
- "Succession, Opportunism, and Rebellion on State Supreme Courts: Decisions to Run for Chief Justice." With Teena Wilhelm and Emily Wanless. 2019. *Justice System Journal*. 40: 286-301.
- "Examining State of the Judiciary Addresses: A Research Note." With Teena Wilhelm, Ethan Boldt, and Allison Trochesset. 2019. *Justice System Journal*. 40: 158-69
- "The Chief Justice as Effective Administrative Leader: The Impact of Policy Scope and Interbranch Relations." With David A. Hughes and Teena Wilhelm. 2019. *Social Science Quarterly*. 100: 1358-68.
- "The Politics of the U.S. Federal Judiciary's Requests for Institutional Reform." With David A. Hughes and Teena Wilhelm. 2017. *Social Science Quarterly*. 98: 1277-95.
- "Confirmation Wars, Legislative Time, and Collateral Damage: The Impact of Supreme Court Nominations on Presidential Success in the U.S. Senate." With

- Anthony J. Madonna and James E. Monogan. 2016. *Political Research Quarterly*. 69: 746-59.
- "A Market-Based Model of State Supreme Court News: Lessons from Capital Cases." With Teena Wilhelm and Jack Collens. 2015. State Politics & Policy Quarterly. 15: 3-23.
- "Deliberation Rules and Opinion Assignment Procedures in State Supreme Courts: A Replication." With David Hughes and Teena Wilhelm. 2015. *Justice System Journal*. 36: 395-410.
- "Where One Sits Affects Where Others Stand: Bias, the Bar, and District Court Nominations." 2014. With Amy Steigerwalt and Susan Navarro Smelcer. *Judicature*. 98: 35-45
- "An Economic Theory of Supreme Court News." 2014. With Phil Marcin. *Political Communication*. 31: 94-111.
- "Minority Representation, the Electoral Connection, and the Confirmation Vote of Sonia Sotomayor." With Amy Steigerwalt and Tara W. Stricko. 2013. *Justice System Journal*. 34: 189-207.
- "Bias and the Bar: Evaluating the ABA Ratings of Federal Judicial Nominees." With Amy Steigerwalt and Susan Navarro Smelcer. 2012. *Political Research Quarterly*. 65: 827-840.
- "The Chief Justice as Advocate-in-Chief: Examining the Year-End Report on the Federal Judiciary." With Teena Wilhelm. 2012. *Judicature*. 95: 267-274.
- "The Causes and Consequences of Gubernatorial Endorsements: Evidence from State Supreme Court Elections." With Teena Wilhelm. 2011. *American Politics Research*. 39: 1072-1096.
- "Grassroots Mobilization in the Digital Age: Interest Group Response to Supreme Court Nominees." 2011. *Political Research Quarterly*. 64: 790-802.
- "Measuring Case Salience in State Courts of Last Resort." With Teena Wilhelm. 2011. *Political Research Quarterly*. 64: 559-572.
- "Patterns of High-Profile Newspaper Reporting on State Supreme Courts." With Teena Wilhelm, Sara Hiers, and Phil Marcin. 2010. Justice System Journal. 31: 125-141.
- "Explaining High-Profile Coverage of State Supreme Court Decisions." With Teena Wilhelm. 2010. *Social Science Quarterly*. 91: 704-723.
- "Judicial Departures and the Introduction of Qualified Retirement, 1892-1953." 2009. *Justice System Journal*. 30: 139-157.
- "Politics, Pragmatism, and Departures from the U.S. Courts of Appeals, 1954-2004." 2009. *Social Science Quarterly*. 90: 834-853.
- "The Supreme Court in American Democracy: Unraveling the Linkages between Public Opinion and Judicial Decision-making." With Micheal W. Giles and Bethany Blackstone. 2008. *Journal of Politics* 70: 293-306.
- "Judicial Tenure on the U.S. Supreme Court, 1790-1868: Frustration, Resignation, and Expiration on the Bench." With Susan Navarro Smelcer and Christopher Zorn. 2006. *Studies in American Political Development.* 20: 1-13.
- "From Moderators to Leaders: Floor Participation by U.S. House Speakers 1789-1841." With Randall W. Strahan and Matthew L. Gunning. 2006. *Social Science History*. 30: 51-74.

### Other publications

- "A Case Study in Collaborative Research: Development of "Confirmation Wars, Legislative Time, and Collateral Damage." 2019. With James E. Monogan and Anthony J. Madonna. In SAGE Research Methods Cases: Political Science & International Relations. doi:10.4135/9781526466020
- "The Chief Justice as Administrative Leader: Explaining Agenda Size." 2016. With Teena Wilhelm. In Danelski, David J. and Artemus Ward, eds. *The Chief Justice: Appointment and Influence*. University of Michigan Press.
- "Explaining Intermedia Coverage of Supreme Court Decisions." 2014. With Phil Marcin. In *Covering the United States Supreme Court in the Digital Age*, Richard Davis, ed. Cambridge University Press.

#### **Reviews and Short Articles**

- "A Nomination Battle over Neil Gorsuch Could Slow Down Trump's Agenda." With Anthony J. Madonna and James E. Monogan III. February 1, 2017. *The Conversation* Available online at http://theconversation.com/a-nomination-battle-over-neil-gorsuch-could-slow-down-trumps-agenda-72031.
- "If the Next President Wants to Put an Ideologue on the Supreme Court, They Will Have to Sacrifice Their Initial Domestic Policy Goals." With Anthony J. Madonna and James E. Monogan. October 25, 2016. LSE US Centre Available online at http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2016/10/25/if-the-next-president-wants-to-put-an-ideologue-on-the-supreme-court-they-will-have-to-sacrifice-their-initial-domestic-policy-goals/.
- "Market Forces Determine Media Coverage of Death Penalty Decisions by State
  High Courts." With Teena Wilhelm and Jack D. Collens. February 20, 2015. LSE US
  Centre Available online at http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2015/02/20/marketforces-determine-media-coverage-of-death-penalty-decisions-by-state-high-courts/
- "Measurements of Salience in State Courts." With Teena Wilhelm. 2014. *Law & Courts* 24: 16-18.
- "Judicial Selection and Pre-confirmation Politics." With Martha Ginn. 2011. *Law & Courts* 21: 22-25.
- Review of Amy L. Steigerwalt, *Battle Over the Bench: Senators, Interest Groups, and Lower Court Confirmations*. 2011. Law and Politics Book Review 21: 22-25.
- Review of James L. Gibson and Gregory A. Caldeira, *Citizens, Courts, and Confirmations: Positivity Theory and the Judgments of the American People*. 2009. *Law and Politics Book Review* 19: 759-62.
- "Discussing 'Bias and the Bar'." With Amy Steigerwalt. April 27, 2009. *Empirical Legal Studies* Available online at http://www.elsblog.org/the\_empirical\_legal\_studi/2009/04/discussing-bias-and-the-bar.html.
- "Analyzing the A.B.A.'s Ratings of Judicial Nominees." With Amy Steigerwalt and Susan Navarro Smelcer. April 21, 2009. *The New York Times*, p. A24.
- Review of Mitchell A. Sollenberger, *The President Shall Nominate: How Congress Trumps Executive Power.* 2008. Law and Politics Book Review 18: 668-72.
- "Ellsworth Court," "Jay Court," in *The Encyclopedia of American Civil Liberties*. Paul Finkelman, ed. New York: Routledge, 2006.
- "New York v. Ferber" in *The Encyclopedia of the Supreme Court*. David Schultz, ed. New York: Facts on File, 2005.
- "EMILY's List," "Judicial Elections," "League of Conservation Voters," "Young Democrats of America," and "Young Republican Club," in *The Encyclopedia of*

American Parties and Elections. Larry J. Sabato and Howard R. Ernst, eds., New York: Facts on File, 2005.

#### **Conference Presentations**

- "Revisiting Case Salience in State Courts of Last Resort." With Teena Wilhelm.
   Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association,
   Washington, D.C., August 2019.
- "Polarization and Citizen Evaluation of the Gorsuch Nomination." With Rachel Bitecofer and Quentin Kidd. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, Massachusetts, September 2018.
- "Polarized Politics and Evaluation Criteria for Supreme Court Nominees: Lessons from the Gorsuch Nomination." With Rachel Bitecofer and Quentin Kidd. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, California, March 2018.
- "The Roles of Ideology and Campaign Donations in Interim Judicial Appointments." With Charles S. Bullock III and Ethan Boldt. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 2017.
- "The Chief Justice in State Politics: Success of the Judicial Agenda." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, British Columbia, April 2017.
- "Women in State Judiciaries: The 'Chief Justice Jill Robinson' Effect." With Teena Wilhelm. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2017.
- "The 2016 Election and the Federal Courts." Presented at the Effects of the 2016 Election Conference, January 2017.
- "Confirmation Wars, Legislative Time, and Collateral Damage: The Impact of Supreme Court Nominations on Presidential Success in the U.S. Senate." With Anthony J. Madonna and James E. Monogan. Presented at the Separation of Powers Conference, University of Georgia, February 2016.
- "Interbranch Politics and Federal Court Reform." With Teena Wilhelm and David A. Hughes. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, January 2016.
- "Candidate Emergence and State Supreme Courts: Decisions to Run for Chief Justice." With Emily Wanless and Teena Wilhelm. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwest Political Science Association, Denver, Colorado, April 2015.
- "Placing the Chief Justice in State Politics: Creating the Judicial Agenda." With Teena Wilhelm, Allison Trochesset, and Ethan Boldt. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2015.
- "A Market-Based Model of State Supreme Court News: Lessons from Capital Cases." With Teena Wilhelm and Jack D. Collens. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Seattle, Washington, May 2014.
- "Strategic Timing in the Appointments Process: Position Taking on Supreme Court Nominees." With Amy Steigerwalt and Allison Trochesset. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 2014.
- "An Economic Theory of Supreme Court News." With Phil Marcin. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2013.
- "The Chief Justice as Advocate-in-Chief." With Teena Wilhelm. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Orlando, Florida, January 3-5, 2013.

- "The 2012 Election and the Federal Courts." Presented at the Effects of the 2012 Election Conference, November 30-December 1, 2012.
- "The U.S. Supreme Court and the Media Agenda." With Philip J. Marcin. Accepted for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. August 30-September 2, 2012. (meeting canceled due to hurricane)
- "Assessing the Impact of Supreme Court Nominations on Presidential Success in the U.S. Senate." With Anthony J. Madonna and Jamie Monogan. Accepted for presenation at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. August 30-September 2, 2012. (meeting canceled due to hurricane)
- "Bias, the Bar, and Nominees to Federal District Courts." With Amy L. Steigerwalt and Susan Navarro Smelcer. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. April 12-15, 2012.
- "Strategic Timing in the Appointments Process: Position Taking on Supreme Court Nominees." With Amy L. Steigerwalt and Allison Trochesset. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 12-14, 2012.
- "Assessing the Impact of Supreme Court Nominations on Presidential Success in the U.S. Senate." With Anthony J. Madonna. Presented at the New Directions in the Study of Congress & the Presidency Conference, May 24-26, 2011. Charlottesville, Virginia.
- "Assessing the Impact of Supreme Court Nominations on Presidential Success in the U.S. Senate." With Anthony J. Madonna. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, March 30-April 3, 2011.
- "Interest Groups, Competing Frames, and Public Opinion of Supreme Court Nominees." With K. Elizabeth Coggins. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, March 30-April 3, 2011.
- "The Politics of Judicial Administration: The Chief Justice as Policy Leader." With Teena Wilhelm. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 5-8, 2011. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- "The Supreme Court and the Mass Media Agenda." With Phil Marcin. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 5-8, 2011. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- "Competing Constituencies and the Senate Confirmation Vote of Sonia Sotomayor." With Amy Steigerwalt and Tara Stricko. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2010. Chicago, Illinois.
- "Newspaper Coverage of State Supreme Court Death Penalty Decisions." With Teena Wilhelm and Jack Collens. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2010. Chicago, Illinois.
- "Bias and the Bar Redux: District versus Circuit Nominations." With Amy Steigerwalt and Susan Navarro Smelcer. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 2010. Atlanta, Georgia.
- "Case Salience in State Supreme Courts: Elite versus Public Visibility." With Teena Wilhelm, Sara Hiers, and Phil Marcin. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 2010. Atlanta, Georgia.
- "Judicial Ambition and State Supreme Courts." With Emily Wanless and Teena Wilhelm. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 2010. Atlanta, Georgia.
- "Executive Strategy and Judicial Candidates: Endorsements in State Supreme Court Elections." With Teena Wilhelm. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2-5, 2009. Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

- "Institutional Legitimacy versus Individual Goals: Concurring Behavior on State Supreme Courts." With Teena Wilhelm and Tara Stricko. Presented at the Ninth Annual State Politics and Policy Conference, May 22-23, 2009. Chapel Hill, North Carolina.
- "Explaining Interest Group Positions on the Bush II Supreme Court Nominees:
   Evidence from Group Communications." With K. Elizabeth Coggins. Presented at
   the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2009.
   Chicago, Illinois.
- "Bias and the Bar: The ABA and Federal Judicial Nominations." With Amy Steigerwalt and Susan Navarro Smelcer. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2009. Chicago, Illinois.
- "The Politics of Issue Saliency: A Predictive Model of Media Coverage in State Supreme Courts." With Teena Wilhelm. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2009. Chicago, Illinois.
- "Salience in State Courts of Last Resort." With Teena Wilhelm. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 2009. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- "Into the Breach: Interest Group Response to the Bush Supreme Court Nominees." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2008. Chicago, Illinois.
- "Departures from the U.S. Supreme Court, 1790-2006: Politics, Pragmatism, and Response to Institutional Reform." With Susan Navarro Smelcer and Christopher Zorn. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2007. Chicago, Illinois.
- "A Competing Risks Model of Exists from the U.S. Courts of Appeals, 1954-2004." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2007. Chicago, Illinois.
- "Leaving to Stay: Judicial Departures and the Introduction of Qualified Retirement." To be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 3-7, 2007. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- "Supreme Court Justice Tenure and Response to Institutional Reform, 1801-1936." With Susan K. Navarro and Christopher Zorn. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 5-7, 2006. Atlanta, Georgia.
- "Judicial Tenure on the U.S. Supreme Court, 1790-1868: Frustration, Resignation, and Expiration on the Bench." With Susan K. Navarro and Christopher Zorn. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association, November 3-6, 2005. Portland, Oregon.
- "Judicial Tenure on the U.S. Supreme Court, 1789-1868: Frustration, Resignation, and Expiration on the Bench." With Susan K. Navarro and Christopher Zorn. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, June 2-5, 2005. Las Vegas, Nevada.
- "The Supreme Court in American Democracy: Unraveling the Linkages between Public Opinion and Judicial Decision-making." With Micheal W. Giles and Bethany R. Blackstone. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7-10, 2005. Chicago, Illinois.
- "The Preferred Government of Jean-Jacques Rousseau." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Social Science Association, November 10-14, 1999. St. Louis, Missouri.

#### **Other Conference Participation**

- Discussant, panel "Courts and the (New) Media," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 29-31, 2019.
- Chair and discussant, panel "Politics and Policy in State and Local Courts," Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 7-9, 2016.
- Chair and discussant, panel "Judicial Elections," 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting on Georgia Legal Ethics and Professionalism, February 21, 2014.
- Discussant, panel "Rules and Norms on the U.S. Supreme Court," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 30-September 2, 2012.
- Discussant, panel "The Politics of Vacancies, Appointments, and the Confirmation of Judicial Branch Actors," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 12-15, 2012, Chicago, Illinois.
- Discussant, panel "External Influences in State Supreme Court Decision Making," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, March 30-April 2, 2011, Chicago, Illinois.
- Chair and discussant, panel "Corporate Speech and Citizen's United," Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 5-8, 2011, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Chair and discussant, panel "Judicial Careers," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2010. Chicago, Illinois.
- Chair and discussant, panel "Selection, Tenure, and Independence," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2-5, 2009. Chicago, Illinois.
- Discussant, panel "Opinions and Coalitions," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 3-6, 2008. Chicago, Illinois.
- Discussant, panel "Institutionalization of Courts from a Comparative Perspective: Legitimacy, Independence, and Authority," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 12-15, 2007. Chicago, Illinois.
- Discussant, panel "Opinions and Opinion Writing on the Courts," Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 3-7, 2007. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Discussant, panel "Appointing and Retaining Judges," Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, June 2-5, 2005. Las Vegas, Nevada.

#### **Invited talks**

- Georgia Symposium on Legal Ethics and Professionalism, Athens, Georgia, February 2014
- Georgia Association of Law and Politics, Athens, Georgia, October 2013.
- American Constitution Society and Gate City Bar Association, Atlanta, Georgia, June 2013.
- University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, April 2013.
- American Bar Association, Chicago, Illinois, August 2012.
- Federalist Society, Atlanta, Georgia. May 2009.

### Manuscript/Proposal Reviewer

- American Journal of Political Science Justice System Journal
- American Political Science Review
- American Politics Research
- American Review of Politics
- Howard Journal of Communication
- International Journal of Press/Politics Polity
- Journal of Empirical Legal Studies
- Journal of Law and Courts
- Journal of Legal Studies
- Journal of Politics
- Judicature

- Law and Society Review
- National Science Foundation
- Political Behavior
- Political Research Quarterly
- Rowman & Littlefield
- Social Science Quarterly
- State Politics & Policy Quarterly
- World Politics

## **Professional Memberships**

- American Political Science Association
   Midwest Political Science Association
  - Law and Courts Section
- Southern Political Science Association

# **Courses Taught**

- The Supreme Court: Cases and Controversies, Fall 2018.
- Judicial Politics in the United States (First Year Odyssey), Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019.
- Judicial Selection, Confirmation, and Retention (First Year Odyssey), Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015.
- Pre-Seminar in American Politics, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019.
- Law, Politics, and the Supreme Court, Spring 2012, Spring 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017.
- American Government, Spring 2009.
- Pre-Seminar in Law and Courts (graduate seminar), Fall 2008, Fall 2009, Fall 2011.
- Lobbying Internship, Summer 2009.
- Criminal Justice Internship, Summer 2008, Summer 2009, Summer 2010, Spring 2011, Summer 2011, Summer 2012, Summer 2013, Fall 2013, Summer 2014, Fall 2014, Summer 2015, Spring 2016, Summer 2017, Summer 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019.
- Judicial Politics (graduate seminar), Spring 2008, Fall 2010, Spring 2013, Spring 2015.
- Judicial Politics II (graduate seminar), Fall 2019.
- Criminal Justice Administration, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Spring 2009, Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019.
- American Legal Systems, Spring 2007.
- The Supreme Court and Conflict, Spring 2006, Fall 2007, Spring 2010.
- Teaching associate, Congressional Politics, Spring 2004.
  - o Co-taught advanced undergraduate course with Professor Randall W. Strahan
- Teaching assistant, National Politics in the United States, Fall 2003.
  - o Assistant to Professor Alan Abramowitz; instructed weekly discussion sections
- Dean's Teaching Fellowship, Emory University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 2005-2006.

### **Professional Service and Experience**

#### **Professional Service**

- Member, 2012 Best Conference Paper Committee, Law & Courts section of APSA.
- Executive Advisory Board, Contemporary Readings in Law and Social Justice.

## **University Service**

- University Council, 2017-present.
- Faculty Affairs Committee, 2019-present.
- University Facilities Committee, 2015-present.
- Criminal Justice Studies Executive Committee, 2008-present.

# **Departmental Service**

- New Voices in Political Science Speaker Series, Fall 2019.
- Co-organizer, Separation of Powers Conference, UGA, February 2016.
- Undergraduate Coordinator, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015.
- Recruitment Committee, tenure-track Public Law search, 2012-2013.
- Speaker Committee, 2011-2012 and 2012-2013.
- Faculty Executive Committee, 2009-2010 and 2012-2013.
- Instructor, graduate student Directed Reading in Judicial Politics, Summer 2013 (Dan Hoppe).
- Instructor, graduate student Directed Reading in Supreme Court and American Political Development, Spring 2012 (David Hughes and Anthony Kreis).
- Instructor, graduate student Directed Reading in Judicial Selection and Confirmations, Summer 2011 (Justin Norris, Rachel Snyder, Allison Trochesset).
- Instructor, graduate student Directed Reading in Criminal Justice and Judicial Behavior, Summer 2010 (Philip Marcin).
- Instructor, graduate student Directed Reading in Judicial Politics, Summer 2009 (Elizabeth Jabaley, Sara Hiers, Phil Marcin)
- Instructor, graduate student Directed Reading in Constitutional Law, Spring 2009 (Emily Wanless)
- Instructor, graduate student Directed Reading in State Courts and Law, Fall 2008 (Sara Hiers, Erin Krinsky, Sabrina Riles).
- Criminal Justice intern supervisor, Summer 2008-19.
- Political Science intern supervisor, Spring 2008, Summer 2009.
- President, Emory Graduate Political Science Organization, 2005-2006.
- Graduate student representative to graduate admissions committee, 2005.
- Graduate student representative to faculty search committee, American politics, race politics, 2004.