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### **Education**

August 2006	Ph.D., Binghamton University, New York, Political Science
May 1997	M.A., Binghamton University, New York, Political Science
May 1992	B.A., University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth, Political Science (Magna Cum Laude)

### **Honors and Awards**

*Who's Who in America, 2008 & 2009 Editions*

*Who's Who in American Women, 2007 & 2008-2009 Editions*

*Who's Who in the World, 2009 Edition*

Recipient, *National Science Foundation* Dissertation Improvement Grant, Division of Social, Behavioral & Economic Research, 2003 - 2005.

Graduate Teaching and Research Assistantships, 1993 to 1998, Binghamton University

### **Fields of Interest**

- International Human Rights
- International Political Economy
- Gender and Politics
- Comparative Politics
- Globalization Theory
- Institutional Theory

### **Teaching Experience**

#### Instructor of Record

*Public Institutions and the Policy Process*, University of Massachusetts

Dartmouth, Graduate level course, Fall 2008  
*The Environmental Impacts of Globalization* (Online course), University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Fall 2008  
*Introduction to Policy Studies*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Spring 2008  
*Global Policy Issues: Women's Human Rights*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Spring 2008  
*Introduction to Policy Studies*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Fall 2007  
*Public Policy Problems*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Fall 2007  
*Special Topics in Policy Studies: Public Policy Problems*, Graduate level course, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Fall 2007  
*Special Topics in Policy Studies: The Environmental Consequences of Globalization*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Spring 2007  
*Introduction to Policy Studies*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Spring 2007  
*Special Topics in Policy Studies: Globalization and Its Consequences*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Fall 2006  
*Introduction to Policy Studies*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Fall 2006  
*Special Topics in Policy Studies: Women's Human Rights*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Spring 2006  
*Introduction to Policy Studies*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Spring 2006  
*Introduction to Policy Studies*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Fall 2005  
*Comparative Women's Issues*, Binghamton University, Spring 2005  
*Globalization and Its Consequences*, Binghamton University, Fall 2004  
*Women and Citizenship*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Spring 1999  
*Women and Citizenship*, Independent Study, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Summer 1998  
*Women and Politics*, Binghamton University, Fall 1996  
*Supreme Court Decision Making*, Binghamton University, Spring 1996

#### Teaching Assistant

*Pluralism and Public Law*, Binghamton University, Spring 1997  
*Civil Rights and Liberties*, Binghamton University, Fall 1995  
*Constitutional Law*, Binghamton University, Fall 1995  
*The Judicial Process*, Binghamton University, Spring 1995  
*Civil Rights and Liberties*, Binghamton University, Spring 1995  
*Introduction to American Politics*, Binghamton University, Fall 1994  
*Introduction to Ideas in Politics*, Binghamton University, Spring 1994  
*Introduction to International Relations*, Binghamton University, Fall 1993  
*Introduction to American Politics*, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Fall 1990

## Relevant Research Experience

Sept. 2005  
To Present

**Senior Research Associate**, Center for Policy Analysis and Department of Policy Studies, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Provide research support on grant-funded projects that deal with state, local, regional, and global policy and governance issues. Serve as the official coordinator for Department-sponsored events including an April 7, 2006 symposium on women's human rights, the 2006 Policy Studies Lecture Series, and the 2007 Symposium entitled "The Oil Complex: U.S. Foreign Policy as a Failure of the Power Elite's Domestic Policy".

August 2004  
July 2005

**Human Rights Consultant**, The World Bank

Retained by the World Bank to serve as an independent human rights coding expert for the Cingranelli and Richards Human Rights Database (CIRI), an original human rights time series data set.

Sept. 2003  
To 2006

**Research Assistant**, National Science Foundation Human Rights Project, Department of Political Science, Binghamton University

Assisting in coding, collection, construction, and data entry and cleaning of the Cingranelli and Richards Human Rights Database (CIRI), an original human rights time series data set. Instructing undergraduate students in coding human rights variables.

Feb. 1998  
To 2004

**Senior Research Associate**, Center for Policy Analysis University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Principal or co-principal investigator of over 35 policy studies and monographs that deal with a wide variety of topics including state and national arts programs, regional tourism and economic development, municipal governance and management, survey research, affordable housing and fair housing issues, international environmental policy, international trade policy, and others.

Co-author of *Portuguese-Americans and Contemporary Civic Culture in Massachusetts*. 2002. (with Clyde W. Barrow and David R. Borges). Washington, DC and Lisbon, Portugal: Luso American Foundation.

(Copies of studies are available upon request or can be retrieved at:  
<http://www.umassd.edu/cfpa/>).

May 1997  
To Feb. 1998

**Research Assistant**, McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement  
Program, Binghamton University

Helped generate annual reports and program evaluations; maintained databases; counseled students; assisted in teaching Social Science Research Methods; conducted graduate workshops on writing resumes and personal statements; researched graduate schools and fellowship opportunities.

March 1993  
To Sept. 1993

**Legislative Aide**, Massachusetts State House

Researched legislative bills, prepared reports and press releases, attended legislative functions and hearings, provided administrative and technical office support.

Summer 1992

**Research Aide and Environmental Consultant**, The Urban  
Institute, Washington, D.C.

Analyzed and generated data on municipal water quality, prepared reports, researched environmental issues in the Buzzards Bay region, developed surveys, attended meetings on environmental planning.

### **Professional Activities:**

#### ***Scholarly Publications and Works in Progress***

“Government Respect for Women’s Economic Rights: A Cross-National Analysis, 1981 – 2003” (initially presented at the UCONN Human Rights Institute Conference entitled “Economic Rights: Conceptual, Measurement, and Policy Issues”) In Alanson Minkler and Shareen Hertel, eds. *Economic Rights: Conceptual, Measurement, and Policy Issues*. Cambridge University Press (2007).

“Political and Civic Participation of Portuguese-Americans in Taunton, Massachusetts,” in *Portuguese-Americans and Contemporary Civic Culture in Massachusetts*. 2002. (Co-author with Clyde W. Barrow and David R. Borges). Washington, DC and Lisbon, Portugal: Luso American Foundation.

“Portuguese Americans in Southeastern Massachusetts: Views on the Economy and Rates of Economic Satisfaction,” in *Portuguese-*

*Americans and Contemporary Civic Culture in Massachusetts*. 2002. (Co-author with Clyde W. Barrow and David R. Borges). Washington, DC and Lisbon, Portugal: Luso American Foundation.

“Portuguese Americans in Southeastern Massachusetts: Opinions on Social and Cultural Issues,” in *Portuguese-Americans and Contemporary Civic Culture in Massachusetts*. 2002. (Co-author with Clyde W. Barrow and David R. Borges). Washington, DC and Lisbon, Portugal: Luso American Foundation.

“Portuguese Language Instruction in Massachusetts Schools, Colleges, and Universities,” in *Portuguese-Americans and Contemporary Civic Culture in Massachusetts*. 2002. Washington, DC and Lisbon, Portugal: Luso American Foundation.

“Preface,” *Spill Science and Technology Bulletin (SSTB)*, vols. 7, nos 1-2. (Co-author with Clyde W. Barrow).

“Tourism and Regional Cooperation.” *The SouthCoast Insider* April 2002 (with Clyde W. Barrow).

“Globalization and the Internationalization of Women’s Rights” (work in progress)

“Political Secularism and Women’s Rights Attainment: A Cross-National Analysis, 1981 – 2003” (work in progress)

“On the Indivisibility and Interdependence of Basic Rights: An Empirical Investigation” (with Dr. Lanse Minkler, University of Connecticut, Storrs) (work in progress).

“HIV/AIDs and Women’s Rights in Africa” (with Dr. Robert Ostergard, Political Science Department, University of Nevada at Reno) (work in progress)

“HIV/AIDs and Human Rights Violations in Africa” (with Dr. Robert Ostergard, Political Science Department, University of Nevada at Reno)

### ***Conference Presentations***

“The Internationalization of State Policy and Women's Rights”. Paper to be presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August 2008.

“On the Indivisibility and Interdependence of Basic Rights: An Empirical Investigation” (with Lanse Minkler). Paper presented at the University of Connecticut Human Rights Institute’s Economic Rights Working Group Annual Meeting, April 12 – 13, 2008.

Inaugural Affiliate Participant at the University of Connecticut Human Rights Institute’s Economic Rights Working Group Annual Meeting, April 12 – 13, 2008.

Inaugural Affiliate Participant at the University of Connecticut Human Rights Institute’s Economic Rights Working Group Annual Meeting, April 20-22, 2007.

“Globalization and the Internationalization of Women’s Rights.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, September 2006.

“Women’s Economic Rights: Measurement and Analysis.” Paper presented at the University of Connecticut Human Rights Conference Entitled Economic Rights, Conceptual, Measurement, and Policy Issues, October 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

“Global Economic Transformations, National Institutions, and Women's Rights: A Cross-national Comparative Analysis.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, September 2004.

“Economic Globalization and Women's Rights: Oppression or Opportunity?” Co-author (with Dr. David L. Richards and Dr. Ronald Gelleny). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, September 2001.

“Portuguese Language Instruction in Massachusetts Public Schools, Colleges, and Universities: A Survey.” Paper delivered at a Special Conference, *Who are the Portuguese?: The New Evidence*. Sponsored by the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Center for Portuguese Studies & Culture. Held at UMass Dartmouth, North Dartmouth, Massachusetts, October 28, 2000.

“Socio-economic Modernization and Women’s Equality.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, November 1996.

## ***Board of Editors***

May 2001  
To August 2003

**Guest Editorial Assistant**, *1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Marine Environmental Challenges*, Special Issue of Conference Proceedings in Spill Science and Technology Bulletin

Research themes related to marine oil spills; review and edit manuscript submissions; coordinate manuscript development and themes with Guest Editors; serve as communications liaison between prospective authors and Editor, Guest Editors, and Steering Committee members; and identify prospective peer reviewers.

**Manuscript Referee** *Politics and Gender* (2006); *International Studies Quarterly* (2006 - 2008)

## ***Activities***

Inaugural Affiliate, University of Connecticut Human Rights Institute, Economic Rights Working Group, August 2006 – Present.

Member, Town of Fairhaven Sustainability Committee, September 2007 to Present

Departmental Representative, Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, September 2006 to Present

Member, Executive Board, Center for Policy Analysis, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, 2001 – September 2003 & September 2005 to Present

Chair, Policy Studies Lecture Series Committee, Center for Policy Analysis, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, September 2005 - Present

Member, Policy Studies Speaker Series Committee, Center for Policy Analysis, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, 2001 – 2003

Political Science Research Award Committee Member, Binghamton University, 1996

Senator, Political Science Graduate Student Association, Binghamton University, 1993- 1994

### *Invited Talks and Newspaper/Radio Commentary*

Delivered presentation on “Women’s Economic Rights: Measurement and Analysis” at a December 1, 2006 Economic Rights Group (ERG) Workshop, University of Connecticut Human Rights Institute, Storrs, CT.

Delivered presentation on “The Cross-National Determinants of Women’s Human Rights” at a December 1, 2006 Brownbag Luncheon sponsored by the Women’s Studies Department, University of Connecticut at Storrs.

Delivered presentation on “The Internationalization of Human Rights Norms and Women’s Rights Attainment” at the April 7, 2006 UMass Dartmouth Symposium Entitled *Women’s Rights as a Human Rights Issue*.

Delivered Presentation on “Women’s Economic Rights: Measurement and Analysis” at the University of Connecticut Human Rights Conference Entitled *Economic Rights, Conceptual, Measurement, and Policy Issues*, October 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

Delivered Lecture on “Global Transformations, National Institutions and Women’s Rights: A Cross-National, Comparative Analysis” to the Department of Political Science, Binghamton University, October 2004.

Speaker on “Alternative Explanations for Cross-National Differences in Women’s Equality.” Brown Bag Presentation, Binghamton University, Spring 1997

Commentator on the UMass Dartmouth Symposium Entitled *Women’s Rights as a Human Rights Issue*, WBSM Radio, April 5, 2006.

Commentator on the School for Marine Science and Technology's (SMAST) Marine Environmental Forum, The Providence Phoenix, February 16, 2001.

Commentator on the School for Marine Science and Technology's (SMAST) Marine Environmental Forum, The Patriot Ledger, February 9, 2001.

Political commentator on support for President Clinton among Southcoast women, The Standard Times, April 1998.

Commentator on the effectiveness of the STAR Services Batterer Intervention Program, The Chronicle, July 7, 1999.

Commentator on the STAR Services Batterer Intervention Program, WBSM Radio, June 30, 1999.

### **Administrative Experience & Event Organization and Planning**

Mar. 2006 – 2007

**Official Coordinator**, *University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Annual Policy Studies Lecture Series & Symposium Entitled U.S. Foreign and the Oil Complex.*

Responsibilities include researching and developing speaker themes on oil policy; publicizing the Symposium in a variety of media venues; assisting in the layout, content and development of a Policy Studies Lecture Series web page; organizing program logistics; and overall coordination of the program.

Oct. 2005 – April 2006

**Official Coordinator and Speaker**, *University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Women's Rights Symposium*, Center for Policy Analysis, Department of Policy Studies, and Women's Studies Program

Responsibilities include researching and developing speaker themes on women's rights issues; publicizing the Symposium in a variety of media venues; assisting in the layout, content and development of a web page for the event; developing flyers and other publicity materials; organizing event logistics; budgeting and reimbursement; and overall coordination of the program.

Sept. 2002 – May 2003

**Official Coordinator**, *University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Annual Policy Studies Lecture Series & Symposium on Science and Technology Policy*, Center for Policy Analysis.

Responsibilities included researching and developing speaker themes on Science and Technology Policy; publicizing the Symposium in a variety of media venues; assisting in the layout, content and development of a Policy Studies Lecture Series web page; organizing program

logistics; budgeting and reimbursement; and overall coordination of the program.

February 2000 – May 2001 **Official Conference Coordinator**, *1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Marine Environmental Challenges*, University of Massachusetts, Center for Policy Analysis, The School for Marine Science & Technology (SMAST), and InterCampus Graduate School of Marine Sciences and Technology (IGMAST).

Over 100 oil spill experts, environmentalists, lawyers, shipping industry representatives, journalists, policy makers, academics, and other interested persons from around the country and the world attended this conference.

Responsibilities included developing and organizing roundtable discussions, panel sessions and conference-related events; serving as the official communications liaison between the conference co-conveners and the press, university officials, panelists, and audience members; development of press releases and conference summaries for online and hard copy publication; assisting in the layout, content and long-term development of a conference web page; designing official conference program; responsible for publicizing conference in a wide variety of regional, national, and international venues.

Fall 1998 **Official Coordinator**, Convention and Public Assembly Facilities Market & Feasibility Study for Cape Cod and Southeastern Massachusetts Region, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Summer 1997 **Conference Assistant**, *1st Annual Binghamton University National Student Research Conference*, McNair Scholars Program, Binghamton University

Responsibilities included organizing and scheduling student panel sessions, the keynote dinner, and conference-related events; developing conference registration materials; organizing logistics including the layout and appearance of the room for the keynote dinner; and overall program coordination.

## ***Memberships***

American Political Science Association (APSA)

Comparative Politics Section  
Women and Politics Section  
Human Rights Section  
Political Economy Section

International Studies Association  
Pi Sigma Alpha, 1992 – Present

## ***References***

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