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### EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Houston, 2016

M.A., Political Theory and Methods, University of Houston, 2013

B.A., Political Science, Bridgewater State University, 2010

### EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and Philosophy, Angelo State University, 2016-present

Adjunct, Department of Political Science, University of Houston, Summer 2016

### PUBLICATIONS

"Limits of Modern Liberalism during the American Founding: The 'Anti-Democratic Thought' of Jefferson and Adams," *History of Political Thought*, Vol. 40, No. 2: 302-326. With Robert Ross, 2019

"Locke on Equality," *Political Research Quarterly*, Vol. 69, No. 3: 546-556, 2016

### CURRENT PROJECTS

*Constructing a Regime of Liberty: Plato, Locke, and the American Founders*, with Robert Ross, under review.

"Tocqueville on Religion, Politics, and Democratic Burnout," under review.

### INVITED TALK

"Limits of Modern Liberalism during the American Founding," invited Constitution Day talk at the University of Houston (delivered remotely), September 2020

### CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Cancelled due to COVID-19: Conference Paper, "Tocqueville on Religion, Politics, and Democratic Burnout," accepted for MPSA 2020

Attendee, Lilly Teaching Conference, at Austin meeting January 2020

Conference Paper, "The Challenging Need for Political Partiality," at SPSA 2019

Conference Paper, "Jefferson, Adams, and the Debate over Censorship," at SPSA 2019 with Robert Ross

Conference Paper, "Review Essay: Keeping a Republic? Assessing the Defenses of Natural Aristocracy, Censorship, and Civil Religion in American Founding Thought," at GPPSA 2018

Conference Paper, "What Does Plato have to Offer? A Disagreement between Locke, Jefferson, and Adams," at MPSA 2017 with Robert Ross

Discussant on Panel, "Democratic Domination and Coercion," at MPSA 2017

Conference Paper, "Locke and the Desire for Immortality," at SPSA 2017

Conference Paper, "Dewey and the Desire for Immortality," at MPSA 2016

Conference Paper, "Happiness, Meaningfulness, and Liberal Perfectionism," at MPSA 2016 with Jeffrey Church

Conference Paper, "Tocqueville and the Desire for Immortality: What Should Liberal Citizens Long For?," at MPSA 2015

Conference Paper, "Political Theodicy and the Problem of Evil," at MPSA 2015 with Jeffrey Church

Conference Paper, "Taming the Public: Locke's Call for Rights via a Philosophical Refinement of the Desire for Immortality," at SPSA 2015

Discussant on Panel, "Envisioning a New Republicanism," at SPSA 2015

Conference Paper, "The Desire for Immortality in Lockean Liberalism," at MPSA 2014

Conference Paper, "The Basis for Human Equality in Locke's *Second Treatise*: A Rethinking of Faculties and Freedom," at MPSA 2013

Conference Paper, "Locke and the Basis of Human Equality," at SWPSA 2011

Discussant on Panel, "Ancient Political Thought," at SWPSA 2011

### HONORS AND AWARDS

Graduate Assistant Tuition Fellowship, University of Houston, 2010-2015

Presidential Graduate Fellowship, University of Houston, 2010-2012

Dr. Robert N. Larson Memorial Political Science Award, Bridgewater State University, 2010

### COURSES TAUGHT

American Political Thought II (post-Civil War)

Scope and Methods of Political Science (capstone course)

Religion and Politics

American Federal Government

Introduction to Political Theory

Texas Government

Introduction to Political Science (in development for fall 2021)

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Manuscript reviewer, *APSR*, *PRQ*, *EJPT*, *Utopian Studies*

Committees:

Department Liaison for 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Retention Committee, 2019-present

Student Handbook Review Committee, 2019-present

Code of Student Conduct Review Committee, 2018-19

College of Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee, 2017-present

Chair of Assistant Professor in Political Science Search Committee (2021) – Hired Jeremy Schmuck

Political Science Instructor Search Committee (2017) – Hired Brenda Norton

Co-presenter, "Boundaries in Culture and Democracy," part of ASU's Humanities Months event, 2019

Co-discussion leader, Constitution Day student gathering, "Should we have an Article V convention?", 2019

Chair, Constitution Day Panel Discussion, "Challenges for the U.S. Constitution in the Internet Age," 2018

Faculty Advisor, Texas Sigma Chapter of Pi Gamma Mu, 2021-present

Honors research advisor, Teresa Winegeart, 2019

Faculty Advisor, Phi Mu Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, 2017-present

Faculty Advisor, Angelo State University Political Science Association (student organization), 2017-present

***Other***

Revised the supplemental teaching materials for the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of *Inside Texas Politics* by Brandon Rottinghaus (OUP), post-November elections 2020