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Curriculum Vitae

Department of Civic Engagement & Public Service
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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA Associate Professor, Department of Civic Engagement & Public Service	Carrollton, GA 2021-present
UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA Assistant Professor, Department of Civic Engagement & Public Service	Carrollton, GA 2019-2021
UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA Instructor, Department of Political Science	Carrollton, GA 2015-2019
UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK Instructor (adjunct, part-time), Department of Political Science	Buffalo, NY 2013-2015

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK Ph.D., Political Science Subfields: Comparative Politics; International Relations (field exams passed <i>with distinction</i>) Dissertation: “Gun Test: Evaluating Theoretical Explanations for Canada-U.S. Political Difference through the Lens of the Politics of Gun Control” – Committee: Munroe Eagles (chair), Charles Lamb, Harvey Palmer *Winner of the Distinguished Dissertation Award by the Association for Canadian Studies in the U.S. for the best dissertation in Canadian Studies, 2017	Buffalo, NY Sept. 2015
UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK Advanced Graduate Certificate in Canadian Studies	Buffalo, NY June 2013
UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK M.A., Political Science M.A. Project: “Do Democracies Make Superior Counter-Terrorists? Revisited” M.A. Committee: Vesna Danilovic (chair), Phil Arena	Buffalo, NY June 2009
UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK B.A., Political Science and Sociology (summa cum laude)	Buffalo, NY June 2007

PEER-REVIEWED RESEARCH

Book:

Dylan S. McLean and Anthony K. Fleming. 2023. *Guns and Values: Individualism in the American Gun Debate*. Palgrave Macmillan.

Journal Publications:

- Nicolas Baxter-Moore, Munroe Eagles, Dylan S. McLean, and Katryne Villeneuve-Siconnelly. 2023. "Two Nations or Four Regions? A Test of Alternative Explanations of Value Differences between Canada and the United States." *American Review of Canadian Studies*. 53.2: 239-254.
- Dylan S. McLean and Jason P. Sorens. 2019. "The Changing Ideological Politics of U.S. State Firearms Regulation." *Politics & Policy*. 47.4: 638-672.
- Anthony Fleming, Dylan S. McLean, and Raymond Tatalovich. 2018. "Debating Gun Control in Canada and the United States: Divergent Policy Frames and Political Cultures." *World Affairs*. 181.4: 348-371.
- Dylan S. McLean. 2018. "Gun Talk Online: Canadian Tools, American Values." *Social Science Quarterly*. 99.3: 977-992.
- Dylan S. McLean. 2015. "Guns in the Anglo-American Democracies: Explaining an American Exception." *Commonwealth & Comparative Politics*. 53.3: 233-252.
- Dylan S. McLean and Munroe Eagles. 2014. "Governance Regimes for Cross-Border Infrastructure: A Comparative Study of Facilities on the Canada—United States Border." *International Journal of Canadian Studies*. 49: 285-314.

OTHER SCHOLARSHIP

Conference Presentations:

- "Two Nations or Four? An Empirical Test of the Lipset and Grabb/Curtis Explanations." (with Nick Baxter-Moore, Erick Duchesne, Munroe Eagles) roundtable presentation at the 25th biennial meeting of the Association for Canadian Studies in the U.S., 2019, Montreal, QC.
- "The Changing Ideological Politics of Firearms Regulation." (with Jason Sorens) presented at the 2018 annual meeting of the New England Political Science Association, April 20, 2018, Portsmouth, NH.
- "Debating Guns in Canada and the United States: Divergent Framing Strategies or Different Political Cultures?" (with Anthony Fleming and Raymond Tatalovich) presented at the 2018 annual meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7, 2018, Chicago, IL.
- "Mobilizing Against Free Riders: Why Anti-Gun Advocacy in Canada but not the United States?" (with Anthony Fleming and Raymond Tatalovich) presented at the 89th Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, January, 6, 2018, New Orleans, LA.
- "A Distinction without a Difference? Canadian versus American media coverage of gun control and mass shootings." presented at the 24th biennial meeting of the Association for Canadian Studies in the U.S., 2017, Las Vegas, NV.
- "A View from Different Planets: Gun Related Activists in Western New York." presented at the 88th Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, January, 14, 2017, New Orleans, LA.
- "Inside the Minds of American Gun Rights Advocates: What do Guns Represent?" presented at the 31st Annual Interdisciplinary Conference in the Humanities, Sept. 23, 2016, Carrollton, GA.
- "The Last Two Feet of Public Policy: Gun Control from the Perspective of Police Officers in Southern Ontario and Western New York." presented at the 23rd biennial meeting of the Association for Canadian Studies in the U.S., 2015, Las Vegas, NV.
- "Firearms and Political Meaning: Evidence from Internet Discussion Forums." presented at the Middle Atlantic and New England Council for Canadian Studies 2014 Biennial Conference on Canadian Studies, Niagara Falls, Ontario.
- "Guns and Freedom Discourse? Framing a National Debate Consistent with the Origins of National Political Culture." presented at the 2014 annual meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- "Gun Politics and Culture in the Anglo-American Democracies: Exceptional Revolutionary America?" presented at the 2013 annual meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- "Un-American Rhetoric: Debate over the 1995 Firearms Act in Canada." presented at Crossing Borders 2013, Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario.

Conference Presentations (continued):

- “Governance Regimes for Cross-Border Infrastructure: A Comparative Study of Facilities on the Canada-US Border.” (with Munroe Eagles) presented at Metrolux 2012 Conference on “Unpacking Cross-Border Governance,” Luxembourg City, Luxembourg.
- “The Political-Culture of Guns and Gun Control: A Means to Evaluate Theories on the Nature of Canadian-American Political Differences.” accepted for presentation at the 2012 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA. (conference canceled due to hurricane)
- “Terrorism Related Fear in Canada: Does it Exist and if so What’s the Source?” presented at Crossing Borders 2012, Niagara Falls, NY.
- “Do Democracies Make Superior Counter-Terrorists? Revisited.” presented at the 2009 annual meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- “The Incidence of Domestic Terrorism in the United States and Canada, 1998 through 2008.” presented at Crossing Borders 2009, Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario.

Other Presentations and Publications:

- “NATO in the Context of American Foreign Policy,” invited presentation to the Rotary Club and League of Women Voters, Carrollton, GA, February 22, 2024.
- “Private Rights versus Public Goods,” invited presentation to the League of Women Voters, Carrollton, GA, January 23, 2023.
- “Veterans Day 2022,” invited keynote presentation to the Rotary Club of Newnan, GA, November 11, 2022.
- “Shooting for Freedom: What Guns Teach Us about US Political Culture,” published on Democratic Audit UK, a London School of Economics based blog, January 4, 2017.
- “Gun Politics in America: Meet the Researchers,” joint presentation with Anthony Fleming to the University of West Georgia community, April 7, 2016.
- “Another Voice: Despite stress, Peace Bridge’s governing structure is among the best,” Op-Ed, *The Buffalo News*, May 30, 2013.
- “American Gun Politics and the NY SAFE Act,” invited presentation delivered to the Buffalo chapter of *America’s Future Foundation*, March 7, 2013.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

I have experience as the instructor of record for the following courses:

American Foreign Policy (West Georgia)
American Government (West Georgia)
International Organizations (West Georgia)
International Relations Theory (West Georgia & Buffalo)
Interorganizational Behavior (USG eMajor)
Introduction to Comparative Politics (Buffalo)
Introduction to International Relations (West Georgia & Buffalo)
Organizational Leadership Capstone Seminar (USG eMajor)
Profiles in Leadership (USG eMajor)
Project Management in the Public Sector (USG eMajor)
The Political Culture of Guns (West Georgia)

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS AND HONORS

eHero Award for Outstanding Performance, eCampus, University System of Georgia	2020
Top Downloaded Paper for “Gun Talk Online: Canadian Tools, American Values,” <i>Social Science Quarterly</i>	2020
Research Award, Dept. of Political Science, University of West Georgia	2020
Junior Faculty Award, (nominated), College of Social Sciences, University of West Georgia	2020
Outstanding Mentor Award, (nominated), College of Social Sciences, University of West Georgia	2020
Outstanding Mentor Award, (nominated), College of Social Sciences, University of West Georgia	2019
Best of the West, Values Recognition, University of West Georgia	2019
Faculty Advisor of the Year, University of West Georgia	2018
Adult Learner and Military Friendly Faculty, Center for Adult Learners and Veterans, University of West Georgia	2018
Distinguished Dissertation Award, Association for Canadian Studies in the U.S., 2017	2017
Best of the West, Strategic Imperative Recognition, University of West Georgia	2016
Outstanding Service Award (nominated), College of Social Sciences, University of West Georgia	2016
Graduate Student Excellence in Teaching Award, University at Buffalo	2014
Dissertation Fellowship, College of Arts and Sciences, University at Buffalo	2014
Dan Searle Fellow, Searle Freedom Trust	2014
Dean’s Fellowship, College of Arts and Sciences, University at Buffalo	2007

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & DEVELOPMENT

Administration:

B.S. in Organizational Leadership, USG eMajor, Institutional Program Lead May. 2017 –

Service:

Chair of Student Affairs & Intercollegiate Activities Committee, University of West Georgia	Aug. 2023 –
Internship Coordinator, Political Science Program, University of West Georgia	Aug. 2022 –
Student Support Com., Dept. of Civic Engagement & Public Service, University of West Georgia	Aug. 2022 –
Senator, Faculty Senate, University of West Georgia	Aug. 2019 –
Student Professionalization Trip to Washington, DC, Leader/Organizer	June 2017 –
Dean’s Advisory Team, University College, University of West Georgia	Aug. 2020 – May 2022
Personnel Committee, Dept. of Civic Engagement & Public Service, University of West Georgia	Aug. 2020 – May 2022
Curriculum Committee, Dept. of Political Science, Member	Aug. 2019 – Aug. 2020
Student Veterans Association of the University of West Georgia, Faculty Advisor	Feb. 2016 – Dec. 2019
Search Committee Member, Assistant Director of Adult Recruitment	Sept. 2017
Green Zone, Student Veteran Awareness Training, Facilitator	Aug. 2017 – 2018
Student Support Committee, Dept. of Political Science, Member	Aug. 2016 – 2019
Quality Enhancement Plan Implementation Committee, Chair (2016 -18), Member (2015-16)	Aug. 2015 – 2018
“Breaking Up: The Ethics and Economics of Secession,” Jason Sorens, Guest Lecture Organizer	Oct. 2016
Professional Development Seminar for Graduate Students, Co-Leader (Buffalo)	April 2015
Graduate Student Excellence in Teaching Award Selection Committee, Member (Buffalo)	2014 – 2015

Master’s Thesis Committees:

Huggins, Christopher. M.P.A.: Title 42: A Policy Analysis of Migration Policies in the Era of COVID-19, April, 2023

Grzesik, Denim. M.P.A.: America’s Mental Health Problem, April, 2022.

Foley, Elizabeth. M.P.A.: Reforming Public Service for Those Who Served, July 2021.

Master's Thesis Committees (continued):

- Doston, Keyondra. M.P.A.: The Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Control Act of 1994, Nov. 2020.
- Mitchell, Kayla. M.P.A.: America's War on Drugs: An Analysis on Anti-Drug Abuse Legislation and Its Role in The Mass Incarceration of Black People, April 2020.
- Davis, Shoshona. M.P.A.: Decreasing Unethical Behavior in Public Organizations, Nov. 2017.
- Sailors, Jamison E. M.A. Criminology: Micro-Ecology and Spatial Analysis of Police use of Force in Carrollton, Georgia, Oct. 2016.

Other Professional Activities:

- Interview for YouTube channel *Light Over Heat with Professor David Yamane*, [Conversation with Dylan McLean, Co-Author of the Book "Guns and Values" \(Light Over Heat #84\)](#), February 2024.
- Invited Book Review: *Intro to IR*, Eric Leonard, SAGE, November, 2023.
- External reviewer for Ibrahim Berrada's Ph.D. dissertation, "Canadian and American Populism: A Comparative Hybrid Political-Strategic Analysis of Speeches from the 2015 Canadian Federal Election and the 2016 American Presidential Election." Laurentian University, Sudbury, Ontario, Canada, August 2023.
- Peer reviewer, *World Affairs*, February, 2022
- Peer reviewer, *Journal of Criminological Research, Policy and Practice*, February, 2022
- "Biden's First Steps Toward Gun Control," *The West Georgian*, media availability for article by Brittany Shadix, April 23, 2021.
- Peer reviewer, *Politics and Policy*, April 2021
- "UWG professor: James' gun bill effectively DOA," *Douglas County Sentinel*, media availability for article by Krystal Horne, January 11, 2020.
- Chair for the panel "Canada and the United States," at the 25th biennial meeting of the Association for Canadian Studies in the U.S., 2019, Montreal, QC.
- Peer reviewer, *Politics and Policy*, October 2019
- Peer reviewer, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, July 2019
- Invited Book Review: *American Politics Today*, 6th ed., William T. Bianco and David T. Canon, Norton, March, 2019
- "Torstar Owns Company Running Dozens of American Gun Forums," CANADALAND, media availability for article by Robert Hiltz, March 20, 2018.
- Chair for the panel "Politics and Policy, Institutions," at the 24th biennial meeting of the Association for Canadian Studies in the U.S., 2017, Las Vegas, NV.
- Discussant for the panel "Whose Interests? Campaigns, Elections, and Behavior," at the 88th Annual Conference of the Southern Political Science Association, January, 14, 2017, New Orleans, LA.

Development:

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| Advanced Online Course Development, University of West Georgia | June 2018 |
| Council on Adult and Experiential Learning Faculty Assessor Training | April 2018 |
| UWG Online Course Developer Certified | April 2017 |
| Quality Matters Training: | |
| Peer Reviewer Course (PRC) | April 2017 |
| Design Your Online Course (DYOC) | April 2017 |
| Applying the QM Rubric (APPQMR) | Dec. 2016 |
| WordStat Text Mining & Content Analysis, Training Workshop, Montreal, QC | May 3, 2015 |
| Research Colloquium, Chapman University, Orange, California | July 10 – 13, 2014 |
| Art of Teaching Workshop, Towson University, Towson, Maryland | June 26 – 29, 2014 |

Teaching Assistant: University at Buffalo, State University of New York

Advanced Civil Liberties	FA 2007
American Foreign Policy	SP 2012; FA 2012
Cases in Civil Liberties	SP 2008
International Relations Problems	FA 2012
Judicial Politics	SP 2008
Pre-Law Honors Seminar	FA 2007
Protecting Civil Liberties	FA 2007; FA 2008
War and International Security	FA 2011; SP 2012

Research Assistant: University at Buffalo, State University of New York

Charles Lamb: Fair Housing and Administrative Law Judges	FA 2007 – SP 2009
Jason Sorens: State and Local Firearm Regulation	SU 2008; FA 2012
Michelle Benson: UN Resolutions and Civil War	SP 2012
Stephen Halpern: US Supreme Court Briefs	FA 2007 – SP 2008