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Education:

Vanderbilt University.

Ph.D. (1994) in American Intellectual and Cultural History (20th century).

- Paul K. Conkin, dissertation director
- *Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship*, sponsored by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (1992 - 1993)
- *Leland Sage Fellowship*, Vanderbilt University History Department Fellowship (1991 - 1992)
- Dissertation Enhancement Grant, the Graduate School of Vanderbilt University (1991 - 1992)
- Vanderbilt University History Department Fellowships (1988 - 1991)
- Fellowships, Christian Scholarship Foundation (1989 - 1991)

Claremont Graduate School.

M.A. (1987) in American Intellectual History

- Robert Dawidoff, thesis director
- Departmental Fellowships, Claremont Graduate School (1983 - 1985)

Oklahoma Christian College.

B.A. (1983) in History, Magna Cum Laude
minors in Political Science and English

Scholarship:

Editing:

Editor of American Intellectual Culture, a book series by Rowman and Littlefield

This series, co-edited with Jean Bethke Elshtain and Wilfred McClay, focuses on the role of intellectuals in an American democratic culture. Books published:

- When All the Gods Trembled: Darwinism, Scopes, and American Intellectuals by Paul K. Conkin
- Heterophobia: Sexual Harassment and the Future of Feminism by Daphne Patai
- Postmodernism Rightly Understood: The Return to Realism in American Thought by Peter Augustine Lawler
- A Requiem for the American Village

- by Paul K. Conkin
- A Pragmatist's Progress? Richard Rorty and American Intellectual History
by John Pettegrew
 - The Next Religious Establishment
by Eldon J. Eisenach
 - A World Made Safe for Differences: cold War Intellectuals and the Politics of Identity
by Christopher Shannon
 - Ralph Waldo Emerson: The Making of a Democratic Intellectual
by Peter S. Field
 - Intellectuals and the American Presidency: Philosophers, Jesters, or Technicians?
by Tevi Troy
 - American Feminism and the Birth of new Age Spirituality: Searching for the Higher Self, 1875-1915
by Catherine Tumber
 - The Lost Soul of American Protestantism
by D. G. Hart
 - Transnational America: Cultural Pluralist Thought in the Twentieth Century
by Everett Helmut Akam
 - Creating the American Mind: Intellect and Politics in the Colonial Colleges
by J. David Hoeveler
 - Species of Origins: America's Search for a Creation Story
by Karl W. Giberson and Donald A. Yerxa
 - Apostle of Human Progress: Lester Frank Ward and American Political Thought, 1841-1913
by Edward C. Rafferty
 - Brahmin Prophet: Phillips Brooks and the Path of Liberal Protestantism
by Gillis J. Harp
 - Culture's Vanities: The Paradox of Cultural Diversity in a Globalized World
by David Steigerwald
 - Woodrow Wilson and the Roots of Modern Liberalism
by Ronald J. Pestritto
 - From Nature to Experience: The American Search for Cultural Authority
by Roger Lundin
 - The Constant Dialogue: Reinhold Niebuhr and American Intellectual Culture
by Martin Halliwell
 - Alexis de Tocqueville and American Intellectuals: From His Times to Ours
by Matthew Mancini

Books:

A Great and Dreadful Emancipation: Walter Lippmann and Modern America, a work in progress, the book will be an intellectual biography of Walter Lippmann

Paradox of Freedom: The Making of Modern America. A manuscript coauthored with Peter Field, that traces the history of America from Lincoln to Obama. This manuscript is scheduled to be completed by August 2012.

Revolt Against Modernity: Leo Strauss, Eric Voegelin, and the Search for a Post-Liberal Order, University Press of Kansas, 1996, as part of their "American Political Thought" series edited by Lance Banning and Wilson Carey McWilliams. (Originally a dissertation, Paul K. Conkin, director.) This work examines the philosophical critique of modernity--and especially modern liberalism--offered by Leo Strauss and Eric Voegelin and how conservative political and social critics incorporated their work into a conservative alternative to American liberalism.

Essays and Chapters:

"What Does Burke Have to Do With America? Europe and an American Conservatism," Political Science Reviewer (forthcoming)

"The Tocqueville Problem and the Nature of American Conservatism," Anamnesis: A Journal for the Study of Tradition, Place, and Things Divine, Volume 1, Number 1, 2011

"Cars, Individualism, and the Paradox of Freedom in a Mass Society" published in Front Porch Republic, October 14, 2011

"Rocky and the New Populism" published in Front Porch Republic, September 9, 2011

"Iris Chang and the Delicate Art of Remembering" published in Front Porch Republic, August 5, 2011

"A Product of Speed" published in Front Porch Republic, June 21, 2010

"The Romance of Conservatism" published in Front Porch Republic, November 7, 2009

"Progressive Liberalism Or: How to Stop Worrying and Learn to Love Big Government" published in Front Porch Republic, October 23, 2009

"Who Was Richard Blaine? Myth, History, and the Great American Conversation" published in Front Porch Republic, September 29, 2009

"The Reluctant Southerner: Reflections on Home and History" published in Front Porch Republic, August 31, 2009

"America's Vital Interests" (Part II) published in First Principles Journal, August 12, 2009

"America's Vital Interests" (Part I) published in First Principles Journal, August 10, 2009

"The Strange Lament of a Bohemian Conservative" published in Front Porch Republic, July 31, 2009

"Re-Visioning Conservative History" published in Arguing Conservatism: Four Decades of Intercollegiate Review, Mark Henrie, ed. (ISI Books, 2008) Originally published in 2004

“The Particular and the Universal: Kirk’s Second Canon of Conservative Thought” published in The Political Science Reviewer, Fall 2006

“Reagan and the Transformation of American Conservatism,” Published in The Reagan Presidency (University Press of Kansas, 2003), edited by W. Elliot Brownlee and Hugh Davis Graham.

Introduction to Paul Conkin’s A Requiem for the American Village (Rowman & Littlefield, 2000) entitled “Cosmopolitan Provincial”

Contributions to Reader's Guide to American History, Peter J. Parish, ed., published by Fitzroy Dearborn (1997). Wrote the entries on "Conservatism" and "Walter Lippmann."

Book Reviews:

“Don’t Print the Legend” A review of Rehabilitating Lochner by David Bernstein (University of Chicago Press, May 2011) appearing in Libertylawsite.org, March 1, 2012

“Can the Left Govern?” A review essay of The Left at War by Michael Berube (New York University Press, 2009)

“Of Ideas and Politics: The Rich Promise of History De-Centered,” A review essay of three books published in Modern Age, Winter 2009:

- The Conservative Ascendancy: How the GOP Right Made Political History by Donald T. Critchlow (Harvard University Press, 2007)
- Rightward Bound: Making America Conservative in the 1970s, ed., Bruce J. Schulman and Julian E. Zelizer (Harvard University Press, 2008)
- Upstream: The Ascendance of American Conservatism by Alfred S. Regnery (Threshold Editions, 2008)

“Progressive Liberalism Or: How to Stop Worrying and Learn to Love Big Government” a review of American Liberalism: An Interpretation for Our Time by John McGowan (University of North Carolina Press, 2007) published in Front Porch Republic, October 23, 2009

“Pale Liberalism” a review of The Future of Liberalism by Alan Wolfe (Alfred A. Knopf, 2009) published in First Principles journal, July 20, 2009

“The Neoconservative Way of Thinking” a review essay of Robert Kaufman’s In Defense of the Bush Doctrine published in Modern Age, Winter 2008

“The Theologico-Political Problem Revisited: How to Think About the Modern Project” a review of Daniel Tanguay’s Leo Strauss: An Intellectual Biography (Yale University Press, 2007) published in First Principles May 12, 2008

“Re-Visioning Conservative History” a review of Lee Edwards’ Educating for Liberty: The First Half-Century of Intercollegiate Studies Institute (Regnery, 2004) published in Intercollegiate Review, Fall/Winter 2004

Review of Ellis Sandoz's Republicanism, Religion, and The Soul of America published in the July 2007 issue of The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society.

Review of The Ronald Reagan Library and Museum in The Public Historian, August 2006.

"The Ideologue and the Pragmatist" a review of Smant, Kevin, Principles and Heresies: Frank S. Meyer and the Shaping of the American Conservative Movement and Kelly, Daniel, James Burnham and the Struggle for the World, published in The Claremont Review of Books, Fall, 2003

Menand, Louis. The Metaphysical Club: A Story of Ideas in America, published in Modern Age, Fall, 2002

Carey, George W., Bruce Frohnen, eds. Community and Tradition: Conservative Perspectives on the American Experience, published in Journal of Religion, Fall, 2000

"Voegelin's Neglect: Who's Responsible?" review of Barry Cooper: Eric Voegelin and the Foundations of Modern Political Science, published in Review of Politics, Fall, 2000

Review of Everett, William Johnson's Religion, Federalism, and the Struggle for Public Life: Cases from Germany, India, and America published in the Journal of Religion, October 2000

Op-Eds:

"Saying 'I don't Know'"

Provocations: A Journal from the Trinity Forum

Co-authored with Pete Peterson

<http://www.ttf.org/index/journal/detain/saying-i-dont-know/>

October 27, 2008

"Commentary: Plenty of Blame to Go Around for Political Polarization"

Appeared on Noozhawk.com

Co-authored with Pete Peterson

http://www.noozhawk.com/point_of_view/article/

July 26, 2008

Lectures:

Theme: "Tocqueville and the Conservative Foundations of the Liberal Order"

Lecture: "America and the Savage Instincts of Democracy"

Intercollegiate Studies Institute Regional Conference

Pepperdine University School of Public Policy

Malibu, California

March 24, 2012

Conference Co-director and Presenter
Theme: "Why Place Matters: Moving from Theory to Practice"
Presentation: "Modernity and the Problem of Place for Civic Engagement"
The Pepperdine University School of Public Policy and Davenport Institute for Public
Engagement and Civic Leadership
Pepperdine University Drescher Graduate Campus, Malibu, California
March 22, 2012

"The Virtues of an Educated Amateur: A Response to Jean Elshtain" delivered at the
"Stuck With Virtue" conference
Berry College
Rome, Georgia
November 16, 2011

Theme: "Law, Liberty, and Virtue"
Lecture: "Walter Lippmann and the Problem of Democratic Virtue"
James Madison Program in American Ideals and Institutions
Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey
May 16-17, 2011

Conference Co-director and Presenter
"A Place in the World: Geography, Identity, and Civic Engagement in Modern America"
The School of Public Policy and Davenport Institute for Public Engagement and Civic
Leadership
Pepperdine University Drescher Graduate Campus, Malibu, California
March 11 and 12, 2011

"History and the Constructions of American Identity"
Lecture presented for the National Constitution Center
Pepperdine University, Malibu, California
July 1, 2010

"A Dreadful Emancipation: Walter Lippmann's Critique of the Modern Project"
Paper presented at The Historical Society meeting "Historical Inquiry in the New
Century"
George Washington University, Washington, D.C.
June 5, 2010

"The Contingency of American Exceptionalism"
Lecture presented at The Philadelphia Society 2010 National Meeting entitled "America
at the Crossroads: Liberty and Limited Government Endangered"
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
April 20, 2010

“The Tocqueville Problem and the Nature of American Conservatism”
Paper presented at the James Madison Program
Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey
April 9, 2010

“Liberty and Democratic Authority in the Works of Alexis de Tocqueville, Bertrand de Jouvenel, and Robert Nisbet”
Discussion leader of an honors seminar sponsored by The Liberty Fund and The Intercollegiate Studies Institute
Savannah, Georgia
January 14-17, 2010

“History and American Identity”
ISI Honors Program Summer Conference
Conference theme: Meaning in History—Learning from the Past
Williamsburg, Virginia
July 23, 2009

“The Education of a Policy Leader”
Hillsdale College
Hillsdale, Michigan
March 6, 2009

“Reagan as Leader”
Lecture for the Christian Library Association
November 29, 2008

“The Acids of Modernity: Can the West Defend Itself?”
ISI Conference
Stanford University, Stanford, California
November 6, 2008

“Civilization and Civilizations: The West in Context”
ISI Honors Program summer conference
Quebec, Canada
June 23-29, 2008

“The Romance of Conservatism: Russell Kirk and a Conservative Aesthetic”
ISI Spring Leadership Conference
Indianapolis, Indiana
April 14, 2007

“Roots of American Order”
2006-2007 ISI Honors Program summer conference
Big Sky, Montana
July 24-30, 2006

“The Stories We Tell, The People Become,”
Keynote speaker at the Annual Academic Symposium
Rochester College
Rochester Hills, Michigan
April 26, 2006

“What’s Wrong With the Right? A Conservative Vision for the Twenty-first Century”
Lecture at the Universitat Erlangen-Nuremberg
Nuremberg, Germany
November 2004

“Resistance Against Modernity: Eric Voeglin and ‘The New Science of Politics’”
Keynote lecture, The Piety Hill Honors Conference, sponsored by Intercollegiate
Studies Institute for graduate honor students
June 11, 2004

“Reagan’s America”
Lecture for Pepperdine University Alumni Association
Ronald Reagan Library
Simi Valley, California
March 2004

“The Particular and the Universal in Kirk’s Conservative Mind,”
Lecture delivered at Oxford University as part of a conference held by the Intercollegiate
Studies Institute
Oxford, England
August, 2003

“Reagan and the Transformation of American Conservatism,”
Lecture delivered at the Ronald Reagan Conference
University of California at Santa Barbara
March 29, 2002

“Reagan and the Conservative Movement,”
Lecture delivered as part of the Rothmere American Institute Seminar,
Oxford University
Oxford, England
June 2001

“Ronald Reagan as a Leader,”
Keynote speech at the “Roots at the Ranch” conference sponsored by The Young
Americans Foundation
Santa Barbara, California
March 24, 2001

“Does American Conservatism Have a Tradition?”
Lecture given at an Intercollegiate Studies Institute graduate honors seminar in
Mecosta, Michigan
October, 2001

“Virtue or Freedom”
Lecture delivered at David Lipscomb University
November 1999

“Eric Voegelin and American Conservatism,”
Lecture delivered an Intercollegiate Studies Institute honors seminar
Mecosta, Michigan
August 1999

“Christian Perspectives on Shaping Public Policy,”
Lecture delivered at Abilene Christian University and Oklahoma Christian University,
Fall, 1999

"Historical Consciousness and Christian Faith"
Lecture delivered as part of the "Graduate Lecture Series"
Pepperdine University, Malibu, California
October 5, 1995

"Barton Stone and the Origins of American Restorationism: A Revisionist Approach,"
Paper presented at the Christian Scholars Conference
Pepperdine University, Malibu, California
July 1987

Professional Experience:

Pepperdine University (1998 - Present)

Edward L. Gaylord Professor

Associate Professor of Public Policy and History

Courses of Instruction:

Ethical Dimensions of Public Policy: Great Books and Great Ideas

Public Policy and the Family

Public Policy and Education in America

American Democratic Culture

Public Policy in Modern America

American Power and the Just War Tradition

Phronesis: Moral Theory and Political Action

Modernity and Its Critics

Comparative Federalism: Globalism and Local Rule

Contemporary American Ideologies

Public Policy and Public Opinion

Comparative Democracy

American Intellectual History (Seaver College)

History of American Conservative Movement (Seaver College)

Committee Work:

- University Faculty Council
- University Grievance Committee
- University Assessment Committee
- University Faculty Committee in the Presidential Search
- University Faculty Committee in the Provost Search

Other Professional Work

- Faculty Advisor: Pi Alpha Alpha
- ISI (Intercollegiate Studies Institute) mentor.
- Thesis director for Adam Gannaway (History Department).
- Numerous Independent Studies

Hillsdale College (1996 - 1998)

Assistant Professor, Department of History

Courses of Instruction:

- Western Heritage
- American Heritage
- U.S. Intellectual History
- U.S. Since 1945
- U.S. Constitutional History

Vanderbilt University (1994 - 1996)

Lecturer, Department of History

Courses of Instruction:

- U.S. History surveys.
- U.S. History 1916 - 1945.
- U.S. History 1945 - Present.
- The American Conservative Movement Since 1945 (seminar).
- The Jazz Age (freshman seminar).

Pepperdine University (Summer 1996)

Visiting Assistant Professor

- U.S. Social and Intellectual History (graduate & undergraduate students)

University of the South (Spring 1996)

Visiting Assistant Professor

- Liberalism in the Anglo-American Tradition

Tennessee Technological University (1993 - 1994).

Assistant Professor, Department of History.

Courses of Instruction:

- U.S. History surveys.

Vanderbilt University (1988 - 1991).

Teaching Fellow, Department of History.

Courses of Instruction:

- U.S. History Surveys and Western Civilization.

Columbia Christian College (1985 - 1988).

Instructor in Humanities.

Courses of Instruction:

American Political Thought

Western Political Tradition

U.S. History surveys.

American Thought and Culture.

Age of Jackson.

Twentieth Century America.