

Curriculum Vitae
Todd A. Curry

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Texas at El Paso, Department of Political Science
Assistant Professor, July 2013-present

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, Western Michigan University, 2012
Field Exams: American (High Pass), Comparative (Pass)
Committee: Mark S. Hurwitz (Chair), J. Kevin Corder, Ashlyn Kuersten, Chris Bonneau
Dissertation Entitled, "The Contours of Judicial Tenure in State Courts of Last Resort: Accountability v. Independence."

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), 2008
University of Michigan
Maximum Likelihood Estimation for Generalized Linear Models
Introduction to Applied Bayesian Modeling for the Social Sciences
Advanced Topics in Maximum Likelihood Estimation

M.A., Political Science, University of Central Florida, 2006
Thesis Entitled, "The Adjudication of Presidential Power in the U.S. Supreme Court: A Predictive Model for Individual Justice Voting."
Nominated for Best M.A. Thesis in the College of Sciences, University of Central Florida

B.A., Political Science, University of Central Florida, 2003

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

"Ideological Congruity on State Supreme Courts" with Michael K. Romano. *Justice System Journal*, forthcoming.

"Strategic Retirements of Elected and Appointed Justices: A Hazard Model Approach." with Mark S. Hurwitz. *The Journal of Politics*, (2016, 78: 1061-1075)

"Institutional Effects on the Careers of State Supreme Court Justices." with Mark S. Hurwitz. *American Review of Politics*, (2016, 35: 44-64)

"A Look at the Bureaucratic Nature of the Office of the Solicitor General." *Justice System Journal*, (2015, 36: 180-191)

ADDITIONAL PUBLICATIONS

"Trump is being sued to stop him from shrinking Bears Ears national monument by 85 percent. Who will win?" The Monkey Cage Blog @ *The Washington Post*.
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2017/12/11/trump-is-being->

sued-to-stop-him-from-shrinking-bears-ears-national-monument-by-85-percent-who-will-win/

“Guantanamo Bay Detention Facility.” With Ricardo A. Romero. In *Encyclopedia of American Civil Rights and Liberties*, edited by Kara E. Stooksbury, John M. Scheb II, and Otis H. Stephens Jr. Santa Barbra: ABC-Clio (2017).

“The 2016 Law and Courts Demographic Survey.” With Rebecca A. Reid and Erica Rodarte. *Law and Courts Newsletter* (2017, 27: 10-12)

Review of *Voters’ Verdicts: Citizens, Campaigns, and Institutions in State Supreme Court Elections*, by Chris W. Bonneau and Damon M. Cann, *Law and Politics Book Review*, (2016, 26: 4)

"Michigan: Republican Domination During a Population Exodus." with John A. Clark and Michael Romano. In *The Political Battle Over Congressional Redistricting*, edited by William J. Miller and Jeremy D. Walling, Lanham, Maryland: Lexington Books, (2013, 187-204)

"South Carolina’s Difficult Road to Pre-Clearance under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act: The D.C. District’s South Carolina v. United States Decision." *Justice System Journal*, (2012, 33: 363-366)

Review of *The Solicitor General and the United States Supreme Court: Executive Branch Influence and Judicial Decisions*, by Ryan C. Black and Ryan J. Owens, *Law and Politics Book Review*, (2012, 22:9)

Review of *Oral Arguments and Amicus Curiae*, by Matthew M.C. Roberts, *Law & Politics Book Review* (2012, 22:7)

"A Quantitative Analysis of Public Law Programs Revisited." *Law & Courts Newsletter* (2009, 19: 2, 15-18), see also "Author’s Response: Ranking the Journals." *Law & Courts Newsletter* (2009, 19:3, 14)

"Judicial Legitimacy Overcomes the First Amendment: *Kraham v. Lippman*." *Justice System Journal* (2008, 29: 219-221)

RECENT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Maintaining Collegiality and Accommodating for Dissent on State Supreme Courts. (with Michael K. Romano) American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, 2017.

“Indigenous Law in the U.S. Supreme Court, 1969-2010. (with Rebecca A. Reid) American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, 2017

“Indigenous Law in the U.S. State Courts, 1995-2010. (with Rebecca A. Reid) American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, 2017

“Writing for the Audience: Judicial Framing in Death Penalty Decisions.” (with Michael K. Romano) Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, 2017

“State Court Enforcement of International Law: The Roles of Political and Economic Factors.” (with Rebecca A. Reid and Gaspare Genna) Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, 2017.

“The Sentence of Death: Communications Choices and Retention Consequences in State Supreme Courts.” (With Michael K. Romano) American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, 2016.

“Influence of International and Foreign Law in U.S. Supreme Court Opinions, 1969-2010.” (With Rebecca A. Reid and James Keller) American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, 2016.

“Influence or Necessity: Language Borrowing on State High Courts.” (With Michael K. Romano and Ricardo A. Romero) Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, 2016.

“Communication, Insulation, and Influence on State Supreme Courts: The Impact of Lower Court Opinions on Higher Court Decisions.” (With Michael K. Romano and Ricardo A. Romero) Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, PR, 2016.

“Armed Conflict, Presidential Power and the Supreme Court: The Mitigating and Magnifying Effect of Public Opinion.” Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, NV, 2015.

"Changing Judicial Audiences, Changing Opinions? Leveraging Institutional Change in State Supreme Courts" (with Michael K. Romano) American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., 2014.

"Changing Judicial Audiences, Changing Opinions? Leveraging Institutional Change in State Supreme Courts" (with Michael K. Romano) Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, 2014.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

"2010 Supreme Court Preview: Will Membership Change have an Effect on Outcomes?" Constitution & Citizenship Day Roundtable, Western Michigan University, Fall 2010.

“The Supreme Court and the Constitution: Change and Continuity with the Appointment of Justice Sotomayor” Constitution & Citizenship Day Roundtable. Western Michigan University, Fall 2009.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & HONORS

Center for Law and Human Behavior Seed Grant. (\$2395, with Rebecca Reid). University of Texas, El Paso (2016)

Grant Proposal Preparation Program, College of Arts & Sciences, University of Texas, El Paso (2015)

All-University Graduate Teaching Effectiveness Award, Western Michigan University

(2011)

Dept. of Political Science Graduate Teaching Effectiveness Award, Western Michigan University (2011)

Dept. of Political Science Research Award, Western Michigan University (2010)

Clifford C. Clogg Scholarship Award, Inter-University Consortium for Political Science and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan (2008)

Southern Political Science Association Prestage-Cook Travel Award (2008)

John R. Borsos Endowed Scholarship, Western Michigan University (2007, 2010)

Western Michigan University Graduate Student Travel Grant (2006)

Dept. of Political Science Travel Grant, Western Michigan University (2006, 2007, 2008, 2010)

Western Michigan University Graduate Fellowship (2006 – 2011)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE, DEVELOPMENT, AND SERVICE

REVIEWER:

American Political Science Review
The Journal of Politics
National Science Foundation
Political Research Quarterly
American Politics Research
State Politics and Policy Quarterly
Justice Systems Journal
Law & Society Review
Politics & Policy
Review of Policy Research

MEMBER: Editorial Board, *Justice Systems Journal*

CHAIR: Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting 2013, 2014, 2016

CHAIR: Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting 2013, 2014, 2016

DISCUSANT: State Politics and Policy Conference 2013.

HEAD COACH: Western Michigan University Mock Trial Team 2012-2013.

CONFERENCE STAFF: Southwest Social Science Association Annual Meeting 2008.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT: Incorporation of Program for International Student Assessment data with the Comparative Politics Data Set and Comparative Welfare States Data Set. Summer 2007. Under the direction of Dr. Gunther M. Hege.

RESEARCH ASSISTANT: Data collection for diversity in the U.S. judiciary. 2005 - 2006.
Under the direction of Dr. Drew Noble Lanier.

ASSISTANT: Personal Aid to the Director of the Lou Frey Institution of Politics and
Government. 2005 – 2006. Under the direction of Dr. Drew Noble Lanier.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR: University of Texas at El Paso
Seminar in Quantitative Research Methods I (Graduate)
Seminar in Quantitative Research Methods II (Graduate)
Seminar in Public Law (Graduate)
Seminar in American Institutions (Graduate)
American Government and Politics
Research Methods in Political Science
Civil Rights & Liberties
Constitutional Law
Law & Society

INSTRUCTOR: Western Michigan University
American Constitutional Law
American Judicial Process
Quantitative Methods in Political Science
American National Government
American National Government, Online
Critical Thinking in Politics, Online

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP

American Political Science Association
Law and Courts Section
Political Methodology Section
State Politics and Policy Section
Midwest Political Science Association
Southern Political Science Association
Western Political Science Association

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