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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, 2000

M.A., Political Science, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, 1997

B.A., Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Honors, 1993

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Administrative Appointments

Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, College of Charleston, Charleston, South Carolina, November 2020-present

Interim Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, College of Charleston, Charleston, South Carolina, June 2019-October 2020

As Dean, I lead an office that includes an associate dean, budget officer, assistant to the dean/director of marketing and communications, and senior development officer. The school has a budget of approximately \$14 million and includes 150 full-time faculty, 8 academic departments, 2 interdisciplinary programs, 11 undergraduate majors, 28 minors, and 7 master's degree programs. In fall 2020, there were 2,080 undergraduate majors and 142 graduate students. In addition, the Riley Center for Livable Communities, focused on supporting the economic and cultural vibrancy of communities, is also located in the school.

I worked with colleagues to accomplish the following:

- Over \$5 million in gifts for key HSS priorities including the Dean's Discretionary Fund and student scholarships
- Creation of pilot program to provide support for students from underrepresented groups majoring in HSS disciplines
- Establishment of executive-in-residence program to provide career coaching and advice for HSS students
- Creation of HSS Podcast, "The Teacher-Scholar," raising HSS profile and promoting HSS faculty
- Strategic marketing of HSS programs using updated promotional materials and enhanced social media presence
- Creation of HSS Ambassadors initiative to enhance the school's profile and provide an opportunity for student involvement in school-wide initiatives

- Transparent and collaborative process for prioritizing replacement faculty positions in HSS
- Financial support for faculty professional development through Dean's Discretionary Fund
- High profile Bully Pulpit events with 2020 presidential candidates creating unique learning opportunities for HSS students

Interim Dean, the Graduate School, University of Charleston, SC, January 2021-May 2021

As Interim Dean, I oversee two dozen graduate programs and lead an office of four professional staff and an associate dean. The Graduate School manages recruitment, admissions, curriculum, scholarships, and assistantships. The Dean also serves as chair of the Graduate Council.

Chair, Department of Political Science, College of Charleston, Charleston, South Carolina, July 2012-May 2019

As Department Chair, I led a department with 26 full-time and part-time faculty, an administrative coordinator, and a budget of approximately \$2.3 million. The department had about 400 undergraduate majors and offered a minor in political science, a minor in geography, a concentration in public policy, and a concentration in politics, philosophy, and law. The department also made contributions to interdisciplinary programs including international studies; Latin American and Caribbean studies; African studies; Asian studies; Middle Eastern and Islamic world studies; environmental and sustainability studies; crime, law, and society; public health; public administration; urban studies; and women's and gender studies.

I worked with colleagues to accomplish the following:

- Over \$50,000 in gifts to support scholarships, faculty development, and engaged learning initiatives
- Creation of Intellectual Life Committee to coordinate department's guest speakers and Convocation of Majors event
- Adoption of department's Tenure and Promotion Guidelines
- Creation and adoption of departmental by-laws
- Enhanced social media presence with department Facebook and LinkedIn pages
- Creation of faculty mentoring program to provide support to newly hired tenure-track faculty
- Formation of ad hoc Student Recruitment and Retention Committee to develop a more systematic approach to increasing enrollments and ensuring student success
- Visits from 2016 presidential candidates, 2018 gubernatorial primary debates, and a 2015 Charleston mayoral debate along with Bully Pulpit team
- Creation of revised learning outcomes and updated mission statement
- Established Alumni mentorship program for students
- Facilitated strong study abroad programming in countries including Spain, Morocco, Cambodia, Vietnam, Germany, France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Rwanda, and Uganda
- Support for department's engaged learning initiatives including mock trial, model United Nations, and model African Union
- Established public policy concentration for political science majors

Interim Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina, June 2011-June 2012

As Interim Dean, I led an office staff that included two associate deans, an executive assistant, business officer, and administrative support specialist. I also managed a budget of approximately \$15 million and

oversaw 11 academic departments spanning the humanities, social sciences, and sciences and mathematics. The college included approximately 2,000 undergraduate majors and graduate students and 180 fulltime faculty. The college also had numerous interdisciplinary programs including international studies, Cherokee studies, and culturally based native health as well as 5 graduate degree programs.

I worked with colleagues to accomplish the following:

- Redesign of enrollment management approach in collaboration with College's leadership team
- Restructuring of dean's office staffing, moving from two associate deans to one associate dean in response to university budget cuts
- New Arts and Sciences promotional materials used for student recruitment and university Open House events
- Enhanced procedures to increase transfer students in Arts and Sciences disciplines
- Increased focus on faculty advising to increase retention rate and student success
- A distinguished professorship in public policy
- Increased administrative support in Department of Philosophy and Religion, upgrading existing position from part-time to fulltime administrative support associate

Head, Department of Political Science and Public Affairs. Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina, January 2008-June 2011

As Department Head, I led a department of 15 full-time and part-time faculty and an administrative support specialist. The department had approximately 100 undergraduate majors and 50 graduate Master of Public Affairs students. The department included a MPA degree, BA and BS in political science, a minor in political science, and a minor in international studies. The department also included the Public Policy Institute and the Local Government Training Program, key units that interacted with the community.

I worked with colleagues to accomplish the following:

- Over \$50,000 in gifts to support scholarships, faculty development, and engaged learning initiatives
- Creation of Political Science Club to increase student involvement in major and grow enrollment
- Served as a pilot department for the university's Quality Enhancement Plan to help students better connect in-class and out-of-class experiences
- Creation of Collegial Review Document clarifying expectations for teaching, research, and service
- Started departmental newsletter to build relationships with alumni and raise money for students and faculty
- Established Teaching Committee to formalize peer review process for faculty
- Creation of Recruitment Committee to increase the quality and quantity of students in our undergraduate and graduate programs
- Redesigned curriculum, including the creation of a portfolio course and an engage experience requirement for all students
- Enhanced study abroad programing, utilizing university's partnership with the Middelburg Center for Transatlantic Studies in The Netherlands
- Increased support and participation in high impact learning initiatives including the Model United Nations program and student trips to Washington, D.C.

Associate Dean, Graduate School and Research. Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina, July 2005-December 2007

As Associate Dean, I served as the chief operations officer for the Graduate School, supervised six employees, and reported to the Graduate School and Research Dean. The Graduate School oversaw doctoral programs and 26 master's degree programs.

I worked with colleagues to accomplish the following:

- Creation of online graduate student orientation
- Selection and implementation of comprehensive prospect management and online application software
- New admission categories for Graduate School
- Updated marketing plan and allocation of recruitment dollars to programs
- Creation of consistent marketing materials for graduate programs used to help grow enrollment
- Coordination of Annual Graduate Research Symposium
- Successful Banner implementation for unit, serving as functional lead
- Creation of a Technology Applications Analyst position in the Graduate School
- Coordination of Graduate School's successful SACS reaccreditation

Director, Master of Public Affairs, Political Science and Public Affairs, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina, January 2003-June 2005

As the Program Director, I managed the graduate program and served as the advisor and primary contact person for over 50 graduate students. Courses for the graduate program were offered in Cullowhee and Asheville.

I worked with colleagues to accomplish the following:

- Successful external review during the 2004-2005 academic year
- Improved enrollment management functions for program
- Updated recruitment strategies for program
- Curriculum changes including the development of new courses
- Enhanced partnerships with community partners including an initiative with the City of Asheville to provide financial support to graduate students

Faculty Positions

Professor (with tenure), Political Science, College of Charleston, 2012-present

Professor (with tenure), Political Science and Public Affairs, Western Carolina University, 2011-2012

Associate Professor (with tenure), Political Science and Public Affairs, Western Carolina University, 2006-2011

Assistant Professor (tenure-track), Political Science and Public Affairs, Western Carolina University, 2000-2006

HONORS AND AWARDS

Distinguished Research Award, College of Charleston, 2017.

Political Science Club “Faculty of the Year Award,” Department of Political Science, College of Charleston, 2016-2017.

Board of Governor’s Teaching Award, Western Carolina University, 2009-2010.

University Scholar, Western Carolina University, 2009-2010.

Chancellor’s Distinguished Teaching Award, Western Carolina University, 2003-2004.

Teaching-Research Award, Research and Graduate Studies, Western Carolina University, 2003-2004.

Olympic Torchbearer, Asheville, NC, December 2001.

Dean’s Teaching Fellowship, Emory University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, 1997-1998.

James H. Weaver Post Graduate Scholarship, presented by the Atlantic Coast Conference, 1993.

Phi Beta Kappa University of North Carolina, 1993

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Seminar for New Deans, Council of College of Arts & Sciences (CSAS), December 7-10, 2020. Seminar topics included planning and resource management, equity and inclusion, development, legal issues, and leadership.

Faculty Distance Education (DE) Readiness Course, College of Charleston, Spring 2014. Distance education training course required for faculty teaching online at the College of Charleston.

Faculty Technology Institute, College of Charleston, Summer 2013. One-week course focused on using technology in the classroom.

Management Development Program, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, summer 2007. Two-week training program for mid-level higher education managers. Topics included perspectives on diversity, financial management, and managing external relationships.

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, Ann Arbor, Michigan, summer 1994 and summer 1995. Courses in advanced statistical techniques including time series analysis and measurement, scaling, and dimensional analysis.

SCHOLARSHIP

Books

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Cooper, Christopher A., M.V. Hood III, Scott H. Huffmon, Quentin Kidd, H. Gibbs Knotts, and Seth C. McKee. "Switching Sides but Still Fighting the Civil War." *Politics, Groups, and Identities*, forthcoming.

Wofford, Claire B., and H. Gibbs Knotts. "What's in a Name? An Experimental Test of Marital Name Change on Perceptions of Female Political Candidates." *Social Science Journal*, forthcoming.

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Bourne, Henry James, Christopher A. Cooper, and H. Gibbs Knotts. 2018. "When the Personal Vote Isn't Enough: Voter Mobilization and the Failed Effort to Change the Form of Government in Columbia, South Carolina." *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs* 4: 251-264.

Knotts, H. Gibbs, Claire B. Wofford, and Catherine G. Griesedieck. 2018. "The Politics of Marital Name Change." *Social Science Journal* 55: 510-516.

Amira, Karyn, Christopher A. Cooper, H. Gibbs Knotts, and Claire B. Wofford. 2018. "The Southern Accent as a Heuristic in American Campaigns and Elections." *American Politics Research* 46: 1065-1093.

Chaffin, LaTasha Y., Christopher A. Cooper, and H. Gibbs Knotts. 2017. "Furling the Flag: Explaining the 2015 Vote to Remove the Confederate Flag in South Carolina." *Politics and Policy* 45: 944-963.

Knotts, H. Gibbs, and Claire Wofford. 2017. "Explaining Perceptions of Effectiveness and Job Satisfaction Among Pre-Law Advisors." *NACADA Journal* 37: 76-86.

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Book Chapters

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Political Analysis (undergraduate)
Active Citizenship: Making a Difference in Your Community (undergraduate)
State and Local Government (undergraduate)
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Revitalizing Urban Neighborhoods (undergraduate)
Portfolio (undergraduate)
Campaigns and Elections (undergraduate)
Doing Research in Politics (undergraduate)
Public Administration (undergraduate/online)
Regional Identity and Politics (undergraduate/graduate, study abroad course in The Netherlands)
Southern Politics (undergraduate/graduate)
American Political Parties (undergraduate/graduate)
Research Methods for Public Affairs (graduate)
Budgetary Processes (graduate)
Managing Financial Resources (graduate)
Research and Quantitative Methods for Public Administration (graduate)

COMMITTEE SERVICE

College of Charleston

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Academic Enrollment and Planning Team, (2020-present)
Honors Dean Search Committee, Chair (2019-2020)
250th Anniversary Fundraising Team (2019-2020)
Distance Education Steering Committee (2015-2019)
Faculty Curriculum Committee (2015-2017), Chair (2015-2016)
Master of Public Administration Admissions Committee (2012-2015)
Geography Committee (2013-2015)
Department of History Tenure and Promotion Panel (2013-2014)
Faculty Research and Development Committee (2012-2013)

Western Carolina University

Athletics Committee (2003-2012)
University Tenure and Promotion Committee (2008-2011)
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College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee (2008-2009)
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Institutional Research and Planning Director Search Committee, Chair (2008)
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Distance Learning Advisory Committee (2007)
Center for Entrepreneurship Director Search Committee (2007)
Graduate Council (2005-2007)
University Banner Implementation Committee (2005-2007)
SACS Compliance Committee (2005-2007)
Educational Outreach Associate Dean Search Committee (2006)
Strategic Planning Committee (2003-2006)

Director of Military Education Search Committee (2006)
Director of Institutional Research and Effectiveness Search Committee (2005)
College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Advisory Committee (2002-2005)
College of Arts and Sciences Strategic Planning Committee (2002-2005)
Microgrant Committee (2002-2005), Chair (2004-2005)
Director of Athletics Search Committee, Chair (2004)
Service Learning Advisory Committee (2002-2003)
American Politics Search Committee (2002-2003)
College of Arts and Sciences General Education Committee (2001-2002)
College of Arts and Sciences Student Recruitment Committee (2001-2002)
Constitutional Law Search Committee (2001-2002)
Polling and Public Administration Search Committee (2001-2002)
Director of Local Government Relations Search Committee (2001-2002)
University Scholarship Committee (2000-2001)
Political Science and Public Affairs Department Head Search Committee (2000-2001)

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Southern Conference Executive Committee (2003-2012), President (2011-2012)
Southern Conference Finance Committee (2009-2012)
Southern Conference Investment Committee (2009-2012)
Southern Conference Nominations and Bylaws Revision Committee (2005-2012)
Southern Conference Cross Country Committee (2003-2012)
North Carolina Internship Council (2009-2011)
North Carolina Political Science Association Executive Committee (2009-2011)
NCAA Honors Committee (2005-2009), Chair (2009)
Southern Conference Graduate Scholarship Committee (2003-2008), Chair (2004-2008)
Southern Conference Television Committee (2006-2007)
Southern Conference Ad-hoc Committee on Sportsmanship and Service, Chair (2005-2006)
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SERVICE TO THE POLITICAL SCIENCE DISCIPLINE

I have served as an external reviewer for political science departments at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and Auburn University at Montgomery. I am currently a member of the editorial boards for Social Science Quarterly and the Journal of Political Science. I have been a reviewer for journals and book publishers including American Politics Research, American Review of Politics, Political Behavior, Public Performance and Management Review, Journal of Policy History, Journal of Political Science Education, Community Development: Journal of the Community Development Society, Journal of Politics, Longman Publishers, Oxford University Press, Politics & Policy, State Politics & Policy Quarterly, Publius: The Journal of Federalism, Urban Affairs Review.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

I have given invited presentations to groups including the South Carolina Association of Counties, Charleston Chamber of Commerce, League of Women Voters, Lowcountry Republican Club, Unitarian Church in Charleston, Leadership Charleston, West Forum at Winthrop University, Friends of the Library, Charleston Exchange Club, Center for Creative Retirement, Red Triangle, North Carolina Chamber of Commerce, North Carolina Local Government Budget Association, Second Home Symposium, North Carolina Retired School Personnel, WCU Alumni in Albermarle, Sylva Rotary,

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MEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS

I talk with reporters regularly and have been quoted in media outlets including the New York Times, the Los Angeles Times, the Boston Globe, the Boston Herald, Newsweek, USA Today, the Washington Post, the National Journal, U.S. News & World Report, the Christian Science Monitor, McClatchy, Reuters, the Associated Press, the Washington Examiner, the BBC, France24, Global TV News (Canada), Al Jazeera American, Agence France-Presse, National Public Radio, FOX News, FOX Business, MSNBC, KUT News, CNN.com, the News & Observer (Raleigh), the Asheville Citizen-Times, the Smoky Mountain News, The Post and Courier, Charleston City Paper, The State, the Weekly Surge, the Augusta Chronicle, WLOS-Asheville, WCSC-Charleston, WTAT-Charleston, WCIV-Charleston, WCBD-Charleston, and SCETV.