

## **Curriculum Vitae**

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### **APPOINTMENTS AND EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

Steering Committee Member, Houston in Action, 2018-  
Professor, Rice University, Department of Political Science, 2013-  
Director, Social Policy Analysis Major, School of Social Sciences, 2017-  
Director, Center for Local Elections in American Politics, 2015-  
Faculty Scholar, Baker Institute Center for the Middle East, 2014-  
Visiting Scholar, Russell Sage Foundation, New York, 2009-2010.  
Associate Professor, Rice University, Department of Political Science, 2005-2013  
Assistant Professor, Rice University, Department of Political Science, 2003-05  
Assistant Professor, University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Political Science, 2000-2003  
Assistant Professor, University of South Carolina, Dept. of Govt and International Studies, 1997-2000  
Ph.D., Political Science, SUNY at Stony Brook, 1998.  
M.A., International Relations and Political Science, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey, 1993.  
B.A., International Affairs and German, The Florida State University, 1990.

### **TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Education Policy, Public Policy, Representation, Turkish Politics, Urban and Local Politics, Racial and Ethnic Politics

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

2000 *Choosing Schools: Consumer Choice and the Quality of American Schools* (with Mark Schneider and Paul Teske). Princeton University Press. Paperback edition published in 2002. Recipient of the Policy Studies Association, *Aaron Wildavsky Award for Best Policy Book in 2000-2001*.

#### **Articles**

Marschall, Melissa and John Lappie. 2018. "Turnout in Local Elections: Is Timing Really Everything?" *Election Law Journal* 17 (3): 221-33

Lappie, John and Melissa Marschall. 2018. "Place and Participation in Local Elections." *Political Geography*. 64: 33-42.

Tanash, Rima, Zhouhan Chen, Dan Wallach, and Melissa Marschall. 2017. "[The Decline of Social Media Censorship and the Rise of Self-Censorship after the 2016 Failed Turkish Coup](#)." Conference Proceeding, *7th USENIX Workshop on Free and Open Communications on the Internet*.

Marschall, Melissa and Paru Shah. 2016. "Linking the Process and Outcomes of Parent Involvement Policy to the Parent Involvement Gap." *Urban Education*. doi:10.1177/0042085916661386.

Marschall, Melissa, Abdullah Aydogan and Alper Bulut. 2016. "Does Housing Create Votes? Explaining the Electoral Success of the AKP in Turkey." *Electoral Studies* 42:200-12.

Marschall, Melissa and Amanda Rutherford. 2016. "Voting Rights for Whom?: Examining the Effects of the Voting Rights Act on Latino Political Incorporation." *American Journal of Political Science* 60 (3): 590-606.

- Marschall, Melissa and Paru Shah. 2015. "Dialogue: Local Elections in American Politics." *Politics Groups and Identities* 3(2): 274-77.
- Shah, Paru, Melissa Marschall, and Anirudh Ruhil. 2013. "Are We There Yet? The Voting Rights Act and Black Representation on City Councils, 1981-2006." *Journal of Politics* 75 (4): 998-1003.
- Marschall, Melissa, Paru Shah and Katharine Donato. 2012. "Parent Involvement Policy in Established and New Immigrant Destinations." *Social Science Quarterly* 93 (1): 130-51.
- Marschall, Melissa, Elizabeth Rigby and Jasmine Jenkins. 2011. "Do State Policies Constrain Local Actors? The Impact of English Only Laws on Language Instruction in Public Schools," *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 41(4): 586-609.
- Marschall, Melissa, Paru Shah and Anirudh Ruhil. 2010. "The New Racial Calculus: Electoral Institutions and Black Representation in Local Legislatures." *American Journal of Political Science* 54 (1): 107-24.
- Marschall, Melissa and Paru Shah. 2007. "The Attitudinal Effects of Minority Incorporation: Examining the Racial Dimensions of Trust in Urban America." *Urban Affairs Review* 42 (May): 629-658.
- Marschall, Melissa and Anirudh Ruhil. 2007. "Substantive Symbols: The Attitudinal Dimension of Black Political Incorporation in Local Government." *American Journal of Political Science* 51 (1): 17-33.
- Marschall, Melissa and Anirudh Ruhil. 2006. "The Pomp of Power: Black Mayoralties in Urban America." *Social Science Quarterly* 87 (4): 828-50.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2006. "Parent Involvement and Educational Outcomes for Latino Students." *Review of Policy Research* 23 (5):1053-76.
- Marschall, Melissa and Anirudh Ruhil. 2005. "Fiscal Effects of the Voter Initiative Reconsidered: Addressing Endogeneity." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 5(4): 327-55; 364-72.
- Marschall, Melissa and Paru Shah. 2005. "Keeping Policy Churn off the Agenda: Urban Education and Civic Capacity." *Policy Studies Journal* 33 (2): 161-180.
- Marschall, Melissa and Dietlind Stolle. 2004. "Race and the City: Neighborhood Context and the Development of Generalized Trust." *Political Behavior* 26 (June, No. 2): 125-53.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2004. "Citizen Participation and the Neighborhood Context: A New Look at the Coproduction of Local Public Goods." *Political Research Quarterly* 57 (June, No. 2): 231-44.
- Marschall, Melissa and Robert J. McKee. 2002. "From Campaign Promises to Presidential Policy: Education Reform in the 2000 Election." *Educational Policy* 16 (January/March): 96-117.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2001. "Does the Shoe Fit? Testing Models of Participation for African-American and Latino Involvement in Local Politics." *Urban Affairs Review* 37 (November): 227-248.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2000. "The Role of Information and Institutional Arrangements in Stemming the Stratifying Effects of Schools Choice." *Journal of Urban Affairs* 22 (3): 333-350.
- Schneider, Mark, Melissa Marschall, Paul Teske and Christine Roch. 1999. "Heuristics, Low Information Rationality, and Choosing Public Goods: Are Broken Windows Shortcuts to Information About School Performance?" *Urban Affairs Review*, 34 (May): 729-741.
- Schneider, Mark, Paul Teske, Melissa Marschall, and Christine Roch. 1998. "Shopping for Schools: In the Land of the Blind, the One-Eyed Parent May Be Enough." *American Journal of Political Science* 42 (July): 769-793.
- Schneider, Mark, Melissa Marschall, Paul Teske and Christine Roch. 1998. "School Choice and Culture Wars in the Classroom: Differences in the Values Parents Seek in Education." *Social Science Quarterly* 79 (September): 489-502.
- Schneider, Mark, Paul Teske, Melissa Marschall, Michael Mintrom, and Christine Roch. 1997. "Institutional Arrangements and the Creation of Social Capital: The Effects of Public School Choice." *American Political Science Review*, 91 (March): 82-93.
- Schneider, Mark, Paul Teske, Christine Roch, and Melissa Marschall. 1997. "Networks to Nowhere: Segregation and Stratification in Networks of Information about Schools." *American Journal of Political Science*, 41 (October): 1201-1223.

### **Chapters in Books**

- Marschall, Melissa. 2017. "Immigrant Incorporation in Local Schools: School Policy and Practices in New vs. Established Destinations." In *Transatlantic Perspectives on New Immigrant Destinations* edited by Stefanie Chambers, Diana Evans, Anthony Messina and Abigail Fisher Williamson. Temple University Press.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2015. "Robert Putnam's Bowling Alone: Empirical Foundations, Policy Implications and Future Directions." *Oxford Handbook of the Classics of Public Policy and Administration*, ed. by Steve Balla, Martin Lodge & Edward Page. Oxford University Press.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2014. "A Descriptive Analysis of Female Mayors: The U.S. and Texas in Comparative Perspective." In *Local Politics and Mayoral Elections in 21st Century America: The Keys to City Hall*, eds. Sean D. Foreman and Marcia L. Godwin. NY: Routledge.
- Shah, Paru and Melissa Marschall. 2012. "The Centrality of Racial and Ethnic Politics in American Cities, Towns and Suburbs." Chapter 16 in *Oxford Handbook of Urban Politics*, ed. by Karen Mossberger, Susan E. Clarke, Peter John. Oxford University Press.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2010. "The Study of Local Election in American Politics." Chapter 25 in *Oxford Handbook of American Elections and Political Behavior*, ed. by Jan Leighley. Oxford University Press.
- Shah, Paru and Melissa Marschall. 2010. "The Latino Student-Teacher Gap in Immigrant Gateways: Structural Constraints and Policy Solutions." Chapter 5 in *Politics of Latino Education*, ed. by David Leal. New York: Teachers College Press.
- Donato, Katharine and Melissa Marschall. 2010. "The Challenges of Educating Latino Students: Engaging Parents as Partners." In *Development of Hispanic Children in Immigrant Families*, ed. Alan Booth and Nancy Landale. Washington, DC: Urban Institute Press.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2005. "Minority Incorporation and Local School Boards." Chpt 8 In *Besieged: School Boards and the Future of Education Politics*, ed. by William Howell. Brookings Institution.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2001. "Social Capital and Civic Capacity." In *Constituency Building and Advocacy for Education Reform*, ed Marilyn Gittell. Howard Samuels State Management and Policy Center, NY.
- Paul Teske, Mark Schneider, Melissa Marschall, and Christine Roch. 2000. "Analyzing Public School Choice: A Status Report." In *City Schools: Lessons from New York*, eds., Diane Ravitch and Joseph Viteritti. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins Press.
- Christine Roch, Mark Schneider, Paul Teske, and Melissa Marschall. 2000. "School Choice in the Inner City: The Case of New York's District 4." In *Restructuring Education in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, eds., Simon Hakim, Daniel J. Ryan and Judith C. Stull. Westport, CT: Praeger.
- Non-refereed Articles, Essays, OpEds, and Published Reports**
- Marschall, Melissa, Marwa Shalaby and Saadat Konak Unal. 2017. "[Municipal Service Delivery, Identity Politics and Islamist Parties in Turkey](#)." In *Local Politics and Islamist Movements*. POMEPS Studies 27. Washington, DC: Project on Middle East Political Science.
- Marschall, Melissa and John Lappie. 2017. [Who Runs for Mayor in America?](#) Center for Local Elections in American Politics. Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University. Houston, TX. Avail
- Marschall, Melissa and John Lappie. 2016. "[OpEd: Is Indiana the reddest Midwest state?](#)" *Indianapolis Business Journal*. September 10.
- Marschall, Melissa and John Lappie. 2016. "[Uncontested races pose accountability issues](#)." *Louisville Courier-Journal*. June 9.
- Marschall, Melissa and John Lappie. 2016. "[OpEd: Here's how to rescue local elections from obscurity with one simple change](#)." *Los Angeles Times*. March 28.
- Aydogan, Abdullah, Melissa Marschall, and Marwa Shalaby. 2016. "[Women's representation across national and local office in Turkey](#)." Project on Middle East Political Science.
- Marschall, Melissa and John Lappie. 2016. [Mayoral Elections in Kentucky, 2010-2014](#). Center for Local Elections in American Politics. Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University. Houston.
- Marschall, Melissa and John Lappie. 2016. [Mayoral Elections in California, 1995-2014](#). Center for Local Elections in American Politics. Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University, Houston.

- Marschall, Melissa and John Lappie. 2016. [Mayoral Elections in Indiana, 2003–2015](#). Center for Local Elections in American Politics. Kinder Institute for Urban Research, Rice University, Houston.
- Marschall, Melissa and Abdullah Aydogan. 2015. [“Mega Projects and the Limits of Urban Planning in Megacities: The Case of Istanbul in the AKP Era.”](#) In the *MENA and Asia*, essay series for the Middle East Institute. December 1.
- Marschall, Melissa, Paru Shah, and Anirudh Ruhil. 2011. “The Study of Local Elections: A Looking Glass into the Future” Symposium (essay and editors) *PS: Political Science and Politics* 44 (1): 97-100.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2008. [“Local School Councils and Parent Involvement in Chicago.”](#) *The Evaluation Exchange* 14 (Spring): 9.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2006. [“Some Thoughts on Immigrants, Schools, and Exclusionary Politics in the U.S.”](#) *Politics of Education Association Bulletin* 30 (3): 1-5.
- Marschall, Melissa. 2000. *The Impact of Electronic Communications on the U.S. House of Representatives*. Prepared for the Price Waterhouse Endowment for the Business of Government.
- Marschall, Melissa and Anirudh Ruhil. 1999. *Aging in South Carolina: Seniors Speak Out*. Prepared for Senior Matters Consulting, Inc. and the Ad Hoc Committee on Seniors, Families, and Social Services, South Carolina State Legislature.
- Schneider, Mark, Paul Teske, Melissa Marschall, Michael Mintrom, and Christine Roch. 1997. “School Choice in the Community.” *The Public Interest* 129 (Fall): 86-90.
- Paul Teske, Mark Schneider, Melissa Marschall and Christine Roch. 1997. *Evaluating the Effects of Public School Choice in District 4*. Prepared for The Center for Educational Innovation, The Manhattan Institute.

## GRANTS

- ❖ Houston Endowment Inc., “Harris County Civic Audit.” (Co-PIs Suzanne Pritzker and Dinae King). \$53,024 May 15-December 31, 2018.
- ❖ Houston Endowment Inc., “Assessing the Civic Health of Houston.” \$71,500. August 1, 2017-July 31, 2018.
- ❖ Knight Foundation, “Local Elections in America.” \$200,000, May 1, 2015-April 30, 2016.
- ❖ National Science Foundation, “Local Elections in America Project Supplement” (Co-PI Paru Shah). 10/01/12 - 09/30/13. \$48,000.
- ❖ K2I Innovation Grant: Enriching Rice through Information Technology (ERIT), (Co-PI Paru Shah) \$25,000. “Local Elections in American Project (LEAP). Aug. 2010-Aug. 2011.
- ❖ National Science Foundation (Co-PI Paru Shah), \$640,410. “Local Elections in American Project (LEAP). Aug. 2010-Aug. 2013 (SES-0962175).
- ❖ National Science Foundation (Co-PI Paru Shah and Anirudh Ruhil), \$50,000. “Local Elections in America Project Workshop.” June 2009-December 2009.
- ❖ Social Science Research Institute. \$1,500. “Underrepresented Groups in Subnational Politics Conference,” Rice University, May 14-16, 2009.
- ❖ Russell Sage Foundation (Co-PI Katharine Donato), \$28,000. “Immigrant Civic Engagement and Political Participation-Supplement.” Feb 2008-Aug. 2009.
- ❖ National Science Foundation (Co-PI Katharine Donato), \$300,893. “Immigrant Parent Involvement in Schools, Communities and Politics.” July 2006-June 2009 (SES-0617644)
- ❖ Russell Sage Foundation (Co-PIs Katharine Donato and Audrey Singer), \$151,763. “Proxy for the Future? Immigrant Civic Engagement and Political Participation.” Jan. 2006-Aug 2009.
- ❖ James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy. “Immigration and its Implications for Education Policy and Schooling Outcomes among Latinos in the U.S.” \$3,000. Summer 2004.
- ❖ Campus Research Board Grant, (Co-PI Anirudh V. Ruhil) \$13,573. “Towards a Theory and Methodology for Studying Power Sharing Relations.” Jan. 2002- Jan. 2003.

- ❖ Office of Social Science Research Seed Grant, \$3,475. “Minority Incorporation in Local Politics: The Role of Institutions and Context in the Study of Black Elected Officials.” Oct. 2001-June 2002.
- ❖ PwC Endowment for the Business of Government, \$15,000. “The Impact of Electronic Communication on the U.S. House of Representatives.” February 1999-November 1999.
- ❖ College of Liberal Arts Scholarship Support (CLASS) Award, University of South Carolina, \$9,972. “Micro-Foundations of Urban Revitalization Reform.” January 2000-September 2000.

## CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

- 2014 Turkey at Crossroads?: The 2014 Presidential Elections, July 24<sup>th</sup>. Rice University
- 2013 AALIMS (Association for Analytical Learning about Islam and Muslim Societies) conference (with Mahmoud El-Gamal), Baker Institute, Rice University April 5-6, 2013.
- 2009 Underrepresented Groups in Subnational Politics (with Ken Meier & Elizabeth Rigby). Rice University, May 14-15.
- 2009 Local Elections in America Project (with Paru Shah & Anirudh Ruhil). Macalester College, St. Paul, MN. July 13-14.

## REVIEWS

- 2009 Zoltan Hajnal. 2006. Changing White Attitudes Toward Black Political Leadership. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. In *Urban Affairs Review*, vol. 44 (3): 446-49.
- 2002 Terry M. Moe. 2001. Schools, Vouchers, and the American Public. Washington, DC: The Brookings Institution. In *Journal of Politics*, vol. 64 (May): 695-6.
- 2001 Douglas S. Reed. 2001. On Equal Terms: The Constitutional Politics of Equal Opportunity. Princeton: Princeton University Press. In *American Journal of Education*, vol. 109 (4): 157-64.
- 2000 Frederick M. Hess. 1999. Spinning Wheels: The Politics of Urban School Reform. Washington, DC: The Brookings Institution. In *American Political Science Review*, vol. 94 (March): 190.
- 1999 Paul T. Hill, Lawrence C. Pierce, and James W. Guthrie. 1997. Reinventing Public Education. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. In *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory*, vol. 9 (April): 351-356.
- 1999 Clarence N. Stone (ed.). 1998. Changing Urban Education. Lawrence, KS: University Press of Kansas. In *Urban Affairs Review*, vol. 35 (November): 304-306.
- 1992 Stepan Haggard. 1990. Pathways from the Periphery. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press. *Journal of Economics and Administrative Studies*, vol. 6 (1-2): 226-30.

## AWARDS

- ❖ APSA Urban Politics Section best paper award in 2008 for Schools and Parental Involvement Policy: A Macro-Level Analysis of Immigrant Gateway Districts” (with Paru Shah and Katharine Donato).
- ❖ Southwest Political Science Association Allen Saxe Best Paper Award in 2005 for “The Attitudinal Effects of Minority Incorporation: Examining the Racial Dimensions of Trust in Urban America.”
- ❖ Southwest Political Science Association Allen Saxe Best Paper Award in 2004 for “Minority Incorporation in Local School Boards.”
- ❖ Policy Studies Organization Aaron Wildavsky Award for Best Policy Book in 2000-2001, *Choosing Schools: Consumer Choice and the Quality of American School*.
- ❖ Congressional Quarterly Press Award, Law and Courts Section of APSA, Best Graduate Student Paper during 1995-1996, “A Neo-Markist Model of Supreme Court-Congress-Presidential Interaction: The Civil Rights Cases, 1953-92” (with Andreas Broscheid).

## PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION AND APPOINTMENTS

Editorial Boards

- ❖ *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, 2015-2017
- ❖ *Urban Affairs Review*, 2007-2009
- ❖ *Journal of Politics*, 2009-2013

American Political Science Association

- ❖ William Anderson Award Committee Chair, 2015
- ❖ *Urban Politics Section*, President 2013-14
- ❖ Ralph J. Bunche Award Committee Chair, 2011-12.
- ❖ *Urban Politics Section* Best Book Award Committee Chair 2010-11.
- ❖ Program Chair, *Urban Politics Section*, 2008
- ❖ *Public Policy Section* Best Paper Award Committee, 2004
- ❖ *Urban Politics Section* Newsletter Co-Editor, 2000-2004.
- ❖ *Urban Politics Section* Executive Council Member, 2000-02.
- ❖ *Public Policy Section* Nominations Committee, 2001

Midwest Political Science Association

- ❖ *Harrell Rogers Scholarship Committee*, 2008, 2014.
- ❖ *Urban and Local Politics* Section Head for the 2001 Annual Meeting.

Southwestern Political Science Association

- ❖ Allen Saxe Best Paper Award Committee 2012-13
- ❖ Vice President and Program Chair, 2010-11
- ❖ Executive Council Member, 2007-09.
- ❖ Ted Robinson Award Committee Member, 2007.

Southern Political Science Association

- ❖ *Urban Politics* Section Head, 2012 Annual Meeting
- ❖ *Journal of Politics*, Best Paper Award Committee, 2010.
- ❖ *Public Policy Section* Head, 2007 Annual Meeting.
- ❖ *Urban Politics* Section Head, 2001 Annual Meeting.

Urban Affairs Review (UAR)

- ❖ *Best Paper Award* 2017-18.

Other Appointments

- ❖ Scientific Evaluation Council Member, Center for Studies in Public Administration and Public Policy University of Minho, Braga, Portugal, 2002.
- ❖ Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowship Review Committee, 2010-present.

## INVITED TALKS, PRESENTATIONS, AND CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### *Invited Talks*

- 2018 “The Voting Rights Act & Minority Representation in Local Government.” Nottingham Interdisciplinary Centre for Economic and Political Research (NICEP). University of Nottingham. June 18-19.
- 2017 “Local Elections in America.” Global Election Technology Summit. San Francisco, May 18.
- 2016 “Building Modern Data Infrastructure for the Social Sciences.” Presented at the Social Science Big Data Workshop, February 9. Rice University.
- 2015 “The Study of Local Elections in America.” Dept. of Political Science, Ohio State University, November 12.
- 2015 “The Voting Rights Act & Minority Representation in Local Government.” Center for American Political Studies, Harvard University, March 27, 2015.
- 2015 “The Voting Rights Act & Minority Representation in Local Government.” University of Notre Dame. January 20, 2015.
- 2014 “The Parental Involvement Gap.” Colloquium on the Law, Economics and Politics of Urban Affairs, New York University. April 2.
- 2013 “Minority Representation in Local Politics.” University of Maryland. December 6.

- 2013 “Immigrant Incorporation in Local Schools: School Policy and Practices in New vs. Established Destinations.” *The Challenges and Opportunities of Diversity in New Immigrant Destinations* Conference, Trinity University. October 11-12
- 2013 “The Process of Minority Incorporation in Local Politics and Government.” Project for Equity, Representation and Governance, Texas A&M University. April 16,
- 2012 “Either We Depend on God or on Power: The Case of the Arab Spring.” Crossroads, Cultural Center, St. Thomas University, Houston, April 30.
- 2011 “What Happens to Election Returns and Records After the Contest is Over?” Ephemera and Archive Conference, Dec. 2-4, Houston, TX.
- 2011 “Immigrants and Schooling in the U.S.: Trends and Challenges in the New Millennium,” Center for North American Studies, University of Tampere, Finland, June 6-12.
- 2010 “Participation & Schooling For Immigrants and Minorities in 21st Century America,” presented:
- The Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University, May 18.
  - The National Center for Children and Families, Teachers College, Columbia University, April 26.
  - The Russell Sage Foundation, New York, March 17.
  - The American Society and Politics Workshop, Columbia University, Jan.25.
- 2010 “State Policy and Immigrant Incorporation in Local Education” (with Elizabeth Rigby). States as Facilitators or Obstructionists of Local Governments Conference. FSU, Feb. 25-27.
- 2010 “Immigrant Families and Schools in Three New York City Communities.” The Education Collaborative, New York City, Feb. 10.
- 2009 “Immigrant Parent Involvement in Schools.” Columbia Population Research Center, Columbia University. Oct. 15.
- 2009 “Black Political Incorporation in Local Politics.” ALMA (African Americans and Latinos Merging for Action) Conference, Rice University, March.
- 2009 “The Impact of Policies and Representation on Minority Parent Involvement.” Underrepresented Groups in Subnational Politics Conference, Rice University, May.
- 2008 “Representation, Governance and Participation: Immigrants and Minorities in American Schools.” Department of Leadership, Policy & Education, Vanderbilt University, January.
- 2007 “Schools and Parental Involvement Policies in U.S. Immigrant Gateway Cities.” Social Science Research Council, Second International Workshop: Immigrant Communities, Education, Civic and Cultural Inclusion, New York. Dec 2-4.
- 2006 “Operationalizing Social Capital.” Conference on Race and Social Capital, Texas A&M, Feb. 11.
- 2004 “School Governance and Latino Representation: Do Local School Councils Promote Effective Schooling?” (with Paru Shah). Politics of Latino Education Conference, University of Texas-Austin, Dec. 10-11
- 2004 “Substantive Symbols: The Attitudinal Dimension of Black Political Incorporation in Local Government.” Dept. of Political Science, Arizona State University, Oct. 29, 2004.
- 2004 “The Attitudinal Dimension of Political Incorporation: Service Delivery and Citizen Satisfaction under Black Electoral Representation.” Dept. of Political Science, Texas Tech University, April 23, 2004.
- 2004 “Minority Incorporation and Local School Boards.” Peabody Center for Educational Policy, Vanderbilt University, February 6.
- 2003 “Minority Representation and Local School Boards.” Presented at the School Board Politics Conference, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Oct. 15-17.
- 2002 “The Attitudinal Dimension of Political Incorporation: Service Delivery and Citizen Satisfaction under Black Electoral Representation.” Rice University, November.
- 2002 “The Attitudinal Dimension of Political Incorporation: Service Delivery and Citizen Satisfaction under Black Electoral Representation.” University of California-Riverside, November.

- 2002 “Civic Engagement and Local Politics: Comparing the Effects of Neighborhood Context.” Presented at the *American Politics Workshop*, University of Chicago, January.
- 1999 “Coproduction in Schools: Building Social and Human Capital in Urban Communities.” *Multidisciplinary Pathways to Children’s Learning, Development, and Transitions to Adulthood* Conference sponsored by the National Science Foundation, Indiana University, August.
- 1999 “Social Capital and Civic Capacity.” *Seminar on Constituency Building and Advocacy in Schools*, hosted by the Ford Foundation, the Open Society Institute, and the Howard Samuels State Management Policy Center, New York, June.
- 1998 “Institutional Reform, Citizen Involvement and Social Capital: The Effects of Coproduction on Inner-City Schools and Communities.” NSF Workshop on *Revitalizing Urban Democracy*, New York, April.

### **Papers Presented**

- 2017 “Municipal Service Delivery, Identity Politics and Islamist Parties in Turkey,” (with Marwa Shalaby and Saadet Konak Unal). Paper presented at the Workshop on Islamists and Local Politics, June 14, Brastad, Sweden.
- 2017 “Takes Two to Tango: Local Candidates and the Health of American Democracy,” (with John Lappie and R. Lucas Williams). Paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April
- 2017 “The Rise of Female Mayors in the American South,” (with Carly Mayes, Avesh Krishna, Saadet Konak Unal and Jessica Huang). Paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April
- 2016 “The Voting Rights Act and Latino Participation and Turnout in Local Legislative Elections,” (with Amanda Rutherford and John Lappie). Paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September.
- 2016 “Detecting influential users and communities in censored tweets using data-flow graphs,” (with R. S. Tanash, A. Aydogan, Z. Chen, D. S. Wallach, D. Subramanian, and C. Bronk). Paper presented at the 33rd Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (POLMETH), Houston, TX, 2016
- 2016 “From Town Councils to the Grand National Assembly: Women's Electoral Representation in Turkey” (with Marwa Shalaby and Abdullah Aydogan). Paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
- 2016 “From Town Councils to the Grand National Assembly: Women's Electoral Representation in Turkey” (with Marwa Shalaby and Abdullah Aydogan). Paper prepared for presentation at The International Conference on Women’s Political Participation and Leadership in the Developing World, New York University Abu Dhabi. March 7-8, 2016.
- 2015 “Multiracial Places and Faces: The Supply and Electoral Prospects of Latino Candidates in Local Elections.” (with Paru Shah). Conference on the Politics of Latino Identity, University of Houston, Dec 3-5.
- 2015 “Distributive Politics, Housing, and the Electoral Success of Turkey’s Justice and Development (AKP) Party. (with Abdullah Aydogan and Alper Bulut). American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco. Sept 2-5.
- 2015 “Distributive Politics, Housing, and the Electoral Success of Turkey’s Justice and Development (AKP) Party. (with Abdullah Aydogan and Alper Bulut). Presented at the Networks of Dependency International Workshop, Center for Near and Middle Eastern Studies, Phillips-University Marburg, Germany. July 21-22.
- 2015 “The Voting Rights Act and Latino Participation in School Board Elections: How Efficacious are the Language Assistance Provisions?” (with Amanda Rutherford). Midwest Political Science Association, April 16, Chicago.



- 2015 “Clientelistic Sources of AKP Governance in Turkey: Does Housing Create Votes?” (with Abdullah Aydogan and Alper Bulut). Midwest Political Science Association, April 16, Chicago.
- 2015 “Party Voting in Turkey: Explaining the Durability of AKP Support,” (with Abdullah Aydogan and Alper Bulut). International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) Workshop on Political Psychology Perspectives on Participation and Protest in the Middle East. March 6, 2015 Yasar University, Izmir, Turkey.
- 2014 “Do Voting Rights Matter for the Classroom? Exploring the Link between Voting Rights, Representation, and Educational Equity” (with Amanda Rutherford). Penn State Conference on Civil Rights and Education. State College, PA. June 6–7.
- 2014 “Multiracial Places and Faces: Minority Representation in Changing Racial Contexts” (with Paru Shah and Jaehoo Park). Midwest Political Science Association, April, Chicago.
- 2013 “Immigrant Incorporation in Local Schools: School Policy and Practices in New vs. Established Destinations.” American Political Science Association, Chicago, Aug. 28-Sept. 1.
- 2013 “Voting Rights for Whom?: Examining the Effects of the Voting Rights Acts on Latino Political Incorporation” (with Amanda Rutherford). American Political Science Association, Chicago, Aug. 28-Sept. 1.
- 2013 “The Process of Minority Incorporation in Local Politics and Government” (with Anna Mikulska), Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 11-14.
- 2013 “The Process of Minority Incorporation in Local Politics and Government.” (with Anna Mikulska). Southern Political Science Association, Orlando, Jan. 4, 2013.
- 2012 “The Supply Side of Minority Representation: When and Where do Minority Candidates Run?” (with Paru Shah & Nicholas Davis). Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Jan.
- 2011 “The Supply Side of Minority Representation: When and Where do Minority Candidates Run?” (with Paru Shah). American Political Science Association, Seattle, WA. Sept.
- 2011 “Immigrant Parents and Schools,” Annual Meeting of the Southwest Political Science Association, Las Vegas, March 16-18.
- 2011 “The Racial and Ethnic Complexion of Elected Officials in American Local Government: Trends, Implications, and Research Trajectories,” (with Paru Shah). Annual Meeting of the Southwest Political Science Association, Las Vegas, March 16-18.
- 2010 “State Language Policy and Immigrant Incorporation in Local Schools,” (with Elizabeth Rigby and Jasmine Jenkins). Annual Meeting of the Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management, Boston, Nov. 4-6.
- 2009 “Minority Council Representation: New Directions in Models and Data” (with Paru Shah and Anirudh Ruhil). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2-5.
- 2009 “Minority Council Representation: New Directions in Models and Data” (with Paru Shah and Anirudh Ruhil). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwest Political Science Association, Denver, April 7-9.
- 2008 “Schools and Parental Involvement Policy: A Macro-Level Analysis of Immigrant Gateway Districts” (with Paru Shah and Katharine Donato), Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwest Political Science Association, Los Vegas, March.
- 2007 “Schools and Parental Involvement Policy: A Macro-Level Analysis of Immigrant Gateway Districts” (with Paru Shah and Katharine Donato). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Political Science Association, Chicago, Aug. 29-Sept. 2.
- 2007 “I Got Here First: Black Representation On City Councils and Boards” (with Paru Shah and Anirudh Ruhil). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 12-14.
- 2007 “Mayoral Takeovers in Urban Education: When, Where and Why?” (with Carlos Cuellar and Praveena Lakshmanan). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Jan 4-6.

- 2006 “Parental Involvement and Educational Outcomes for Minority Students” (with Renita Miller and Paru Shah). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Jan 4-6.
- 2006 “Birds of a Political Feather: Does Tiebout Sorting Lead to Partisan Polarization in American Metropolitan Areas?” (with Wendy Rahn). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Political Science Association, Philadelphia, Aug. 31-Sept. 3.
- 2006 “Parental Involvement and Educational Outcomes for Minority Students” (with Renita Miller and Paru Shah). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Political Science Association, Philadelphia, Aug. 31-Sept. 3.
- 2006 “Birds of a Political Feather: Ideology, Partisanship, and Geographic Sorting in the American Electorate” (with Wendy Rahn). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 21.
- 2005 “Seeing or Living Diversity—Contact with Diverse Others and the Development of Generalized Trust” (with Dietlind Stolle). Presented at the Comparative Industrialized Workshop at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, London, Ontario, June 2.
- 2005 “Waiting for Godot? Black Mayors and Public Finance” (with Anirudh Ruhil). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7-9, Chicago.
- 2005 “Representation and Educational Opportunities for Latinos” (with Paru Shah). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7-9, Chicago.
- 2005 “The Attitudinal Effects of Minority Incorporation: Examining the Racial Dimensions of Trust in Urban America” (with Paru Shah). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, New Orleans, March 24-26.
- 2004 “The Attitudinal Effects of Minority Incorporation: Examining the Racial Dimensions of Trust in Urban America.” Presented at the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Lund, Sweden, July 15-18, 2004.
- 2004 “The New Racial Calculus: Electoral Institutions and Black Gains in City Hall” (with Anirudh Ruhil). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 15-18, Chicago.
- 2004 “Minority Representation and Local School Boards.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwest Social Science Association, Corpus Christi, March 18-20.
- 2003 “Hues in the House: A Panel Analysis of Black Electoral Gains in City Halls” (with Anirudh Ruhil). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia.
- 2003 “Revisiting the Question of Civic Capacity and Urban School Reform” (with Paru Shah). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia.
- 2003 “The Institutional and Social Context of Urban School Reform” (with Paru Shah). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association, Halifax, Nova Scotia April.
- 2002 “Minority Incorporation in Local Politics: The Role of Institutions and Social Context in Urban Service Delivery” (with Anirudh Ruhil). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August.
- 2002 “Why Put the Horse Before the Cart? Endogenous Institutions in Urban Politics” (with Anirudh Ruhil and Mihriye Mete). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
- 2001 “Collective Action, Social Capital and Neighborhood Social Context.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, November.
- 2001 “Urban Villagers or Urban Legend? Investigating the Effects of Neighborhood Context on Social Capital” (with Dietlind Stolle). Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August.
- 2000 “Civic Engagement and Local Institutions: Comparing the Effects of Neighborhood Context.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August.

- 2000 “The Institutional and Social Contexts of Participation: American Inner Cities” Presented at the 28<sup>th</sup> Joint Sessions of Workshops, European Consortium for Political Research, Copenhagen, Denmark, April.
- 1999 “Political Attitudes and Participation in Non-political Institutions.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Atlanta, September.
- 1999 “Institutional Involvement and Political Efficacy Among Inner-City Residents.” Presented at the 1999 Midwest Political Science Association Meetings, Chicago, April.
- 1998 “The Institutional Link in Community Development: Coproduction, Schools and Social Organization in the Inner City.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, September.
- 1998 “Tiebout, School Choice, Allocative and Productive Efficiency.” (with Mark Schneider, Paul Teske, and Christine Roch). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, September.
- 1998 “Limited Dependent Variable Models: Robust Estimation in Political Science Research.”(with Anirudh Ruhil). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Los Angeles, March.
- 1998 Public Policy for Inner-City Schools: Institutional Arrangements and Coproduction.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
- 1997 “Examining the Influence of Institutions on Supreme Court Civil Rights Decisions, 1953-1992.” (with Andreas Broscheid). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
- 1996 “Shopping for Local Public Goods: Networks and the Flow of Information.” (with Mark Schneider, Paul Teske and Christine Roch). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September.
- 1996 “Skimming vs. Sorting: Evaluating Evidence and Implications of Public School Choice.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
- 1995 “Shopping for Public Goods: Institutional Structure, Social Interactions, and the Search for Information about Local Schools.” (with Schneider, Mark, Paul Teske, Michael Mintrom and Christine Roch). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September.
- 1994 “Policy Entrepreneurs and the Dynamics of Reform: A Game Theoretic Analysis.” (with Joel Kaji). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, New York, September.

### **Roundtables & Panel Discussant**

- 2013 Race and Public Policy—Southern Political Science Association, Orlando, Jan. 3-5.
- 2012 *Minority Politics, Leadership & Governance in Cities and The Urban Economy*—Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Jan. 12-14.
- 2011 *Education Policy at Home and Abroad*—Southwest Political Science Association, Las Vegas, March 16-18.
- 2008 *Understanding Elections and Turnout*—Southwest Political Science Association, Las Vegas, March.
- 2008 *Education Policy*—Urban Politics and Public Policy Section. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, Sept.
- 2008 *Urban Elections and the Urban Electorate*—Urban Politics Section. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, Sept.
- 2006 *New Perspectives on Power, Federalism, and Policy Change in Education*—Federalism and Public Policy Sections. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, Sept.
- 2002 *Social Capital and Organizations*—Comparative Politics-Industrialized Countries. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.

- 2001 *Models of Urban Political Behavior: The Influence of Individual Characteristics and Social Context*—Urban Politics Section. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August.
- 2001 *Midwest Public Administration Caucus President's Roundtable: "The Quasi-Market State: Hollow or Energized?"*—Public Administration Section. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
- 2000 *Street Level Consequences of Policy Change*—Public Policy Section. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
- 1999 *Roundtable: The Political Dimensions of Urban Poverty*—Urban Politics Section. Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Savannah, GA, November.
- 1999 *Studies of Social Capital*—Public Opinion and Participation Section. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Atlanta, September.
- 1999 *Trust and Social Capital*—Political Culture Section. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
- 1998 *Social Capital and Democratic Politics*—Elections, Voting Behavior and Participation Section. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.
- 1996 *Perspectives in Grassroots Politics Panel*—Urban Politics Section. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September.
- 1995 *Comparative Privatization Policy Panel*—Public Policy Section. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April.

## MEDIA APPEARANCES

- [Unopposed Local Elections on the Rise](#). Top of the Mind with Julie Rose, BYU Radio. June 26, 2017
- "LEAP California Mayoral Election Report & US Local Elections." Michael Smerconish Program, SiriusXM - POTUS Channel 124. April 4, 2016.
- "Schools Raid Sports Budget to Stay Afloat." Fox 26 News, Houston 1/23/2012. [http://www.myfoxboston.com/dpp/news/local/120123-schools-raid-sports-budget-to-stay-afloat?CMP=201201\\_emailshare](http://www.myfoxboston.com/dpp/news/local/120123-schools-raid-sports-budget-to-stay-afloat?CMP=201201_emailshare)
- "The Thomas B. Fordham Institute, a conservative think tank, graded Texas a D for the way it's teaching American history." Fox 26 News, Houston 11/22/2011. <http://tinyurl.com/4n6cfmz>
- "FEYW proposed all girls school in Houston." Fox 26 News, Houston. 11/8/2010. <http://tinyurl.com/2an9ogy>
- "Waiting for Superman," Fox26 News, Houston. 10/11/2010 <http://tinyurl.com/2fjc6sn>
- "How to Improve Public Schools," guest on Smart City Radio, hosted by Carol Coletta – 10/29/2005. Podcast at: <http://www.podcastdirectory.com/podshows/index.php?sid=133891>

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

### *Journal and Proposal Referee*

American Educational Research Journal  
 American Journal of Political Science  
 American Politics Quarterly  
 Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis  
 European Political Science Review  
 Journal of Politics  
 Journal of Policy Analysis and Management  
 National Science Foundation (NSF)

American Journal of Education  
 American Political Science Review  
 Contemporary Economic Policy  
 Educational Policy  
 Israeli Science Foundation (ISF)  
 Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory  
 National Center for Educational Statistics  
 Perspectives on Politics

Political Behavior  
Political Psychology  
Political Research Quarterly  
Policy Studies Journal  
Review of Policy Research  
Social Forces  
SSRC/Canada  
State Politics and Policy Quarterly  
Urban Affairs Review  
Urban Studies

Political Communication  
Politics & Policy  
Political Studies  
Publius: The Journal of Federalism  
Russell Sage Foundation  
Social Science Quarterly  
State and Local Government Review  
Teachers College Record  
Urban Education

### **Manuscript Reviewer**

Longman Publishers  
Georgetown University Press  
University Press of Colorado  
New York University Press

SUNY University Press  
Houghton Mifflin Company  
Palgrave-Macmillan

### **Professional Affiliations**

American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association

## **UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

Center for the Middle East Faculty Scholar, Baker Institute (2014-present)  
Social Science Personnel, Priorities and Policies Committee (2016-2018)  
Divisional Advisor, Sid Richardson College (2010-present)  
Director, Political Science Urban Lab Program (2012-present)  
Chair, Commencement Speaker Committee (2014-present)  
Undergraduate Studies Committee, Dept. of Political Science (2013-2018)  
Dean of Humanities Search Committee (2016-17)  
Political Science Faculty Search Committee-Representation (2016-17)  
Director of Undergraduate Studies, Political Science Dept. (2016-17)  
University Promotion & Tenure Committee (2014-15)  
University Committee on Research (2012-2013)  
Political Science Faculty Search Committee-Intrastate Conflict (2013)  
Political Science Faculty Search Committee-Latin American (2012)  
Mellon Mays Mentor (2011-2015)  
Social Science Advisory Board (2011-2013)  
Methods Search Committee (2011)  
Political Science Open Search Committee (2011)  
Gragg Professor Search Committee (2011)  
Dean of Social Science Advisory Committee (2011-2013)  
Poverty Justice and Human Capabilities Postdoc Search Committee (2011)  
Century Scholar Mentor (2008-09)  
Chair, Committee of College Masters (2007)  
Greene Prize Selection Committee (2007)  
Search Committee, Social Science Dean (2006)  
Master, Sid Richardson College (2005-2009)  
Center for the Study of Environment and Society Advisory Committee, Rice (2005-2009)  
Graduate Committee, Rice (2003-08)  
By-Laws Committee, Rice (2004)

Will Rice Faculty Associate (2003-04)  
Political Data Program Faculty Advisor, UIC, 2000-2003  
Political Science Department Advisory Committee, UIC, 2001-02  
Office of Social Science Executive Committee, UIC, 2001-02  
Political Science Head Search Committee, UIC, 2000-01  
Graduate Studies Committee, USC, 1999-2000  
International Political Economy Search Committee, USC, 1999  
American Politics Search Committee, USC, 1998  
Women's Mentoring Network, USC, 1998-2000  
Affiliate Faculty Member, Women's Studies Program, USC, 1999-2000  
Faculty Advisor, Political Science Undergraduate Majors, USC, 1997-2000  
Computer Committee, USC 1999-2000

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

*Introduction to Social Policy* (Undergraduate), Rice University  
*Advocating for Change* (Undergraduate), Rice University  
*Minority Politics* (undergraduate), Rice University  
*Race, Policy and Racial Change* (First year writing intensive), Rice University  
*Comparative Urban Politics and Policy* (undergraduate research seminar), Rice University  
*Istanbul Lab* (undergraduate), Rice University  
*Subnational Politics* (graduate), Rice University  
*Social Scientific Thinking I and II* (graduate), Rice University  
*Public Policy Analysis* (undergraduate), Rice University  
*Education Policy* (undergraduate), Rice University  
*Urban Politics* (undergraduate), Rice University  
*Political Economy of Policy Change* (graduate), Rice University  
*Profession of Political Science* (graduate), University of Illinois at Chicago  
*Freshman Seminar: Civic Engagement in America* (undergraduate), University of Illinois at Chicago  
*Data Analysis for Political Science II* (graduate), University of Illinois at Chicago  
*Methods of Political Science* (undergraduate), University of Illinois at Chicago  
*Research Design and Methods* (graduate), University of Illinois at Chicago  
*American Local Government* (undergraduate), University of South Carolina  
*Public Policy* (undergraduate), University of South Carolina  
*Public Data Analysis* (graduate), University of South Carolina  
*Decision Making Practicum* (graduate), University of South Carolina  
*Contemporary Administrative Organization* (graduate), College of Charleston  
*Capstone Seminar* (graduate), University of South Carolina  
*Urban Politics* (undergraduate), SUNY Stony Brook, Rice University  
*Human Behavior as Rational Action* (graduate), SUNY Stony Brook

## **PH.D. DISSERTATION COMMITTEES**

- ❖ Saadet Konak Unal (PhD, 2018). Dept. of Political Science, University of Houston. *The Substantive Representation of Women in Turkey: Examining the Impact of Gender and Intersecting Identities in the Legislative Arena.*
- ❖ Markie McBrayer (PhD, 2017). Dept. of Political Science, University of Houston. *The Institutional Foundations of Local Decision Making & Representation*
- ❖ Rima Tanesh (PhD, 2017). Dept. of Computer Science, Rice University. *Social Network Censorship: Topics, Techniques, and Impacts*

- ❖ Junia Howell (PhD, 2017). Dept. of Sociology, Rice University. *Fostering Opportunities: The Role of Policy, City Characteristics, and Urban Spatial Segmentation on the Intergenerational Transmission of Socioeconomic Status*
- ❖ Jasmine Jenkins (PhD, 2014). Dept. of Political Science, University of Houston.
- ❖ Carlos Cuellar, Chair (PhD, 2012). *The Latino empowerment process: An examination of the causes and consequences of Latino representation in local politics*. Dept. of Political Science, Rice University.
- ❖ Renita Miller (PhD, 2012). *Minority Voices: Representational Roles of African Americans and Latinos during State Legislative Deliberations*. Dept. of Political Science, Rice University.
- ❖ Gavin Dillingham. (Ph.D. 2008). *Urban Sprawl and Economic Competition: Explaining Governments' Adoption and Effectiveness of Urban Growth Management Policy*. Dept. of Political Science, Rice University.
- ❖ Paru R. Shah, Chair (Ph.D. 2006). *Examining Minority Representation: Empirically Linking Descriptive and Substantive Latino Representation*. Dept. of Political Science, Rice University.
- ❖ Brent D. Boyea. (Ph.D. 2005). *State Methods of Judicial Selection: An Evaluation of Career Ambition*. Dept. of Political Science, Rice University.
- ❖ Patricia A. Habtemichael (Ph.D. 2006). *Good Starts Matter: An Examination of Entrepreneurial Activity Involved in Starting a Charter School*. College of Education-Public Policy Analysis, University of Illinois at Chicago.
- ❖ James F. Pastor (Ph.D. Fall 2001). *Assessing the Functional and Constitutional Implications of Private Security Patrols on Public Streets*. Dept. of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago.
- ❖ Denis Urias Levy (Ph.D. 2000). *Child Care Policies in America: Inter State Differences and the Progress of Devolution*. Dept. of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago.
- ❖ Graham Lee Adams. (Ph.D. 2000). *Retention Characteristics of Female Primary Care Physicians in Rural South Carolina*. Dept. of Health Administration, School of Public Health, University of South Carolina.

## **SENIOR THESIS CHAIRED**

- ❖ Clinton Wilbanks (2014). “The Price of Education: An Analysis of School Board Elections in the United States.” Rice University.
- ❖ Renuke Rege (2012). “The Effects of Children’s Access to State Pre-K Programs on Academic Performance.” Rice University.
- ❖ Melissa Arnold (2010). “Crucial Communication: How Direct and Indirect Contact with Hispanic Parents Affects their Involvement in the Education of the Children.” Rice University.
- ❖ Bernadette Turegano (2007). “Understanding the Realities of Supplemental Educational Services in HISD.” Rice University.
- ❖ Phillip Stegner (2006). “The Minority Achievement Gap in Texas: Causes and Implications.” Rice University.
- ❖ Caitlin Rosenthal (2005). “Beyond the Bake Sale: Assessing the Social and Economic Capital of Parent-Teacher Organizations” (Co-Chair Chandler Davidson). Rice University.