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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Northern Iowa. August, 2003-present.

EDUCATION:

Ph.D. in Government and Politics, University of Maryland (December, 2002)

Dissertation: *Deepening Democracy: The Politics of Place in a Globalizing Age*

Dissertation Committee: Ronald Terchek (chair), C. Fred Alford, Stephen Elkin, Ken Conca, and J. Peter Euben (Duke University)

M.A. in Government and Politics, University of Maryland (December, 2000)

B.A. in Politics, with Honors, University of California at Santa Cruz (June, 1994)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS:

Book:

Strange Places: The Political Perils and Potentials of Everyday Spaces. In press at Lexington Press; expected in print in December, 2007.

Articles:

“Neighborhood Attachment, Social Capital Building, and Political Participation: A Case Study of Low- and Moderate-Income Residents of Waterloo, Iowa,” *Journal of Urban Affairs* 29 (2007) 181-205. Co-Author: Allen Hays.

“Putting the Oikos Back in Homo Economicus: Households as Sites of Resistance.” Accepted for publication by *POROI* (the journal of the Project on Rhetoric of Inquiry) as of January, 2007.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS:

“Equality: Overview,” entry in the *New Dictionary of the History of Ideas*, Maryanne Cline, ed. Charles Scribner’s Sons, 2004. Co-Author: David K. Moore.

“Steps Toward a Democratic Theory of Place,” in *The Good Society* (Spring, 2002).

Review of *Democracy Beyond the State? The European Dilemma and the Emerging Global Order* (Michael Th. Greven and Louis W. Pauly, editors) in the *Canadian Journal of Political Science*.

Editor, Special Issue of *The Good Society* on “The Politics of Place,” with contributions from political theorists and urbanists (Spring, 2002).

WORKS IN PROGRESS:

“A Hundred Ways of Beginning: The Politics of Everyday Life.” Currently undergoing revision. This article argues that everyday life is political in that it takes place within the context of human-made conditions that are shaped by collective normative judgments. However, everyday life often seems apolitical since its characteristic activities tend to be performed routinely and aim in part at meeting physical needs, generating feelings of naturalness. This tendency is exacerbated by a late modern, capitalist pattern of the persons, practices, products, and spaces of everyday life appearing in isolation from one another, as if they had lives of their own and occurred spontaneously. Such fragmentation or alienation exacerbates thoughtlessness and autonomism or nonresponsiveness to events in everyday life. This article shares the concern with thoughtlessness and autonomism with Hannah Arendt, but applies that concern in ways Arendt herself did not do.

“Dislocating Politics, Embedding Economics: An Aristotelian Critique of Arendt’s Depoliticized Economics.” Accepted for presentation at the annual conference of the American Political Science Association, 2007. This article critiques Hannah Arendt’s economic blindspots by building on Aristotle’s claims that the economic ought to be normatively and institutionally embedded in the political, and that the danger to politics lies not in economic concerns bleeding out of their putatively prepolitical or “social” realm and into the political, as Arendt argues, but in economic concerns appearing to be independent of politics, ends in themselves beyond normative considerations.

COURSES TAUGHT:

Freedom, Justice, and Power: Introduction to Political Theory
 Ancient Political Philosophy
 Modern Political Thought
 American Political Thought
 Contemporary Political Problems: Wealth and Poverty in American Political Life

Capstone: Democracies (an interdisciplinary senior seminar on democracy)
Introduction to American Politics (University of Maryland)
Political Morality and Political Action (University of Maryland)

OTHER TEACHING INTERESTS:

Contemporary Political Theory
Feminist Theory
Globalization and Democracy
Introduction to Political Economy
Urban Politics & Political Economy

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

May 2007-present: member, Multicultural Coordinating Council

April 20, 2007: facilitator, brown bag discussion with members of Actors' Gang on George Orwell's *1984* (concurrent with their performance of the play version of *1984*)

Spring, 2004-present: advisor to V-Week organizers

Fall, 2004-present: co-advisor to Gender Equity Association

Fall, 2004 and winter, 2005: member, Making Place Matter Committee, and facilitator of subcommittee on urban redevelopment

Fall, 2004 and winter, 2005: member, American Democracy Project Committee

November, 2004: organizer and participant, panel discussion on "Morality and Politics"

CONFERENCE PAPERS:

"Dislocating Politics, Embedding Economics: An Aristotelian Critique of Arendt's Depoliticized Economics"
American Political Science Association, 2007 (accepted for presentation)

"Putting the Oikos Back in Homo Economicus: Households as Sites of Resistance"
Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2006

"Neighborhood Attachments: Building Social and Political Capital" (with Allen Hays)
Annual Meeting of the Urban Affairs Association, 2006

“Enclosure and Exclusion: The Invention of Private Property”
Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2005

“The Dreams of Poor Men’s Sons: Democracy and Ideologies of Class in the United States”
Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2004

“The Place of Place in Late Capitalism; or, Toward a Democratic Theory of Place”
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2002

“Toward a Democratic Theory of Place: Place and the Public Realm”
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2001

“There’s No Place Like Home: Strategic Essentialism in Democratic Politics”
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2000

“Spatial Order, Social Disorder, and Democratic Power”
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2000

“Colonizing Rhizomes and the Politics of Place”
Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2000

“Harmony and Plurality: Lessons for Democrats from Urban Political Economy”
Annual Meeting of the Northeast Political Science Association, 1999

“The Role of Place in Democratic Practice: Power and Cosmopolitanism”
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 1999

AWARDS:

Calvert Fellow, University of Maryland, Department of Government and Politics (1996-2001). This fellowship guaranteed four years of full funding, with no duties to the department for two of those years, and also included summer stipends for two years and research funds for two years.

INVITED LECTURES:

Phi Alpha Theta lecture, “Can *Homo Economicus* Come Home Again? Households as Sites of Resistance.” April 12, 2006, UNI.

REVIEWER:

SUNY Press
Journal of East European Politics and Society

Canadian Journal of Political Science

ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE:

Adjunct Instructor, University of Maryland. Spring, 2000; spring, 2003.

Teaching Assistant, University of Maryland. Fall, 1997; fall, 2000-fall, 2002.

Associate Editor, *The Good Society*, the academic journal of the Committee on the Political Economy of the Good Society, edited by Stephen Elkin. I participate in planning and editorial decision-making for the journal. January, 2000-August, 2003.

Managing Editor, *The Good Society*. I managed the total production process of the journal, including working with contributing scholars and overseeing editing, printing, and administrative tasks. I also participated in the creative planning for upcoming issues. January, 1999-January, 2000.

Research Assistant to Gar Alperovitz, Professor of Government and Politics, University of Maryland, and Director of the National Center for Economic and Security Alternatives. January-December 1998.