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Curriculum Vitae

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Department of Political Science
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Education

Ph.D., Rutgers University: 1988, Political Science.
B.A., Kenyon College: 1983, Political Science and English. High honors in Political Science.

Employment

University of Michigan, Professor, Departments of Political Science and Women's Studies (by courtesy) 2008-present

University of Minnesota, Department of Political Science

Professor, September 2004 – May 2008

Associate Professor, May 1996 – May 2004

Assistant Professor, September 1990 - May 1996

Other Teaching Units at Minnesota:

Department of Women's Studies (Adjunct faculty)

American Studies Program (Associated faculty)

MacArthur Interdisciplinary Program for Peace and International Cooperation.

Institut d'études politiques de Paris (Sciences Po)

Professeur des Universités invité, September –Dec 2014

Professeur des Universités invité, February –May 2007

University of Chicago, Collegiate Division of the Social Sciences, University of Chicago,

Mellon Instructor, September 1988 - June 1990

Rutgers University, Department of Political Science

Instructor, September 1987 - May 1988

Grants and Awards

Dec 2017	Michigan Humanities Award (for W2019)
Feb 2014	ACLS Fellowship, finalist (in the end, did not receive award).
Mar 2013	Tronstein Award for Pedagogic Excellence, Department of Political Science
Oct 2012	Excellence in Education Award, LS&A
2010-2011	Michigan Faculty Fellowship, Institute for the Humanities, University of Michigan
May 2006	McKnight Research Grant. University of Minnesota.
Feb 2003	Horace T. Morse-University of Minnesota Alumni Association Award for Outstanding Contributions to Undergraduate Education.
March 2002	Red Motley Exemplary Teaching Award, College of Liberal Arts.
April 2000	Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Writing, University of Minnesota Center for Interdisciplinary Studies of Writing.
June 1998	Minnesota Humanities Commission “Works in Progress” Grant for <i>The Tyranny of the Two-Party System</i> .
Sept 1997	Bush Supplementary Sabbatical Grant for 1997-98 academic year, University of Minnesota.
June 1995	Faculty Summer Research Fellowship & McKnight Grant, University of MN.
Oct 1994	Young Scholars Award. Program on Ethics and Public Life. Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.
June 1993	National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Stipend.
June 1991	Faculty Summer Research Fellowship, University of Minnesota.
1983-1987	Marion Johnson Fellowship, Rutgers University.

Administrative Positions (at UM)

2022-2025	Director of Admissions, Department of Political Science
2017	Co-organizer (with Arlene Saxonhouse) the Annual Meetings of the Association for Political Theory (APT) in Ann Arbor, MI.
2015-2018	Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Political Science, University of Michigan
2011-2014	Associate Chair, Department of Political Science, University of Michigan.

Peer Reviewed Published Works

Books (single-authored):

Making Constituencies: Representation as Mobilization in Mass Democracy (Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press, Nov 2021).

Critical Dialogue: “Lisa Disch on Robert B. Talisse, Sustaining Democracy: What we owe to the other side. Robert B. Talisse on Lisa Disch, Making Constituencies: Representation as Mobilization in Mass Democracy.” In Perspectives on Politics 20:3 (Sept 2022), pp. 1071-1075

The Tyranny of the Two Party System (New York, NY: Columbia University, April 2002).

Hannah Arendt and the Limits of Philosophy (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 1994).

Released in paperback with a new preface, November 1996.

Edited Books and Journal Special Issues:

The Constructivist Turn in Political Representation. Ed. Lisa Disch, Mathijs van de Sande, Nadia Urbinati. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2019.

The Oxford Handbook of Feminist Theory. Co-edited by Lisa Disch and Mary Hawkesworth (New York, NY: Oxford University Press, 2016).

1970s Feminisms. Special issue of South Atlantic Quarterly, edited by Lisa Disch. 114:4 (October 2015).

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles and Book Chapters:

“The Council Chamber and the Politics of Encounter” in Bodies, Spaces, Claims: Performing Political Theory, ed. Paula Diehl and Michael Saward. Oxford University Press (2024), pp. 114-136.

“Performative political representation, the ‘constructivist turn’ in political theory,” [„Performative politische Repräsentation, die ‘konstruktivistische Wende’ in der politischen Theorie”] in Die Fabrikation von Demokratie, ed. Jan-Peter Voss and Hagen Schözel. Verlag press (2024), pp. 29-48.

“Introduction: The End of Representative Politics?” in *The Constructivist Turn in Political Representation*. Ed. Lisa Disch, Mathijs van de Sande, Nadia Urbinati. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2019, 1-18.

“Radical Democracy: The Silent Partner in Political Representation’s ‘Constructivist Turn,’” in *Making Present*, ed. Johannes Pollak and Dario Castiglione. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2019, 162-185.

“Beyond Congruence.” In *Political Representation: Roles, representatives and the represented*. Ed. Marc Bühlmann and Jan Fivaz. NY: Routledge, 2016, 85-98.

“The ‘Constructivist Turn’ in Democratic Representation: A Normative Dead-End?” *Constellations* 22:4 (Dec 2015), 487-499.

“La Représentation Politique et les “Effets de Subjectivation,” trans. Rostom Mesli. *Raisons Politiques* 56:4 (Jan 2015), 25-47.

“Democratic Representation and the Constituency Paradox.” *Perspectives on Politics* 10:3 (Sept 2012), 599-616.

“How could Hannah Arendt Glorify the American Revolution and Revile the French? Placing *On Revolution* in the Historiography of the American and French Revolutions.” *European Journal of Political Thought* 10:3 (July 2011), 350-371.

“Tea Party Movement: The American ‘Precariat’?” *Representation*, 47:2 (July 2011), 123-135

“Toward a Mobilization Conception of Democratic Representation.” *American Political Science Review* 105:1 (February 2011), 100-14.

Republished in: *Reclaiming Representation: Contemporary Advances in the Theory of Political Representation* (2017) Monica Brito Vieira, ed. NY: Routledge, pp. 132-164.

“Representation as ‘Spokespersonship’: Bruno Latour’s Political Theory.” *Parallax*, 14:3 (July-September 2008), 88-100.

“Impartiality, Storytelling, and the Seductions of Narrative: An Essay at an Impasse,”

Alternatives 28 (2003), 253-266.

“When a Looker is Really a Bitch: Lisa Olson, Sport, and the Heterosexual Matrix,” (co-authored with Mary Jo Kane as second author). Signs, Journal of Women in Culture and Society 21:1 (Winter 1996), 278-308.

Republished in The Second Signs Reader: Feminist Scholarship, 1983-1996. Ed. Ruth-Ellen Joeres and B. Laslett. (Chicago: Univ of Chicago Press, 1996).

Republished in Reading Sport: Critical Essays on Power and Representation. Ed. Mary McDonald and Susan Birrell. (Boston: Northeastern University Press, 2000).

“Publicity-Stunt Participation and Sound Bite Polemics: The Health Care Debate 1993-94,” Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law 21:1 (Spring 1996), 3-33.

“Claire Loves Julie: Reading the Story of Women’s Friendship in La Nouvelle Héloïse,” Hypatia Vol. 9, No. 3 (Summer 1994), pp. 19-45.

“More Truth than Fact: Storytelling as Critical Understanding in the Political Writings of Hannah Arendt,” Political Theory Vol. 21, No. 4 (November 1993): 665-694.

Abridged, translated, and republished in Jokyo (The Situation, a Japanese journal). Summer 2000.

“Sexual Violence and the Reproduction of Male Power in the Locker Room: The ‘Lisa Olson Incident’,” (co-authored with Mary Jo Kane as first author). Sociology of Sport Journal 10 (1993): 331-352.

“Structural Constraints and Pluralist Contradictions in Hazardous Waste Regulation,” (co-authored with Robert W. Lake as first author). Environment and Planning-A (1992) 24: 663-681.

Work in Progress and Forthcoming

“Is Constructing a People the Main Task of Radical Democracy?” in The Cambridge History of Democracy, ed. Christopher Meckstroth and Samuel Moyn. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (forthcoming 2025).

“Third-Party Politics, Political ‘Fusion,’ and Radical Democracy in the 19th-Century US,” (forthcoming in *New Political Science* 2025).

“Democratic Innovation in City Government,” co-authored with Dr. Missy Stults, for a volume coedited by Simone Chambers, Archon Fung, and Mark Warren, *Democratic Innovation*. Publisher TBA.

Publications (Non-Peer Reviewed)

Book Chapters and Invited Journal Articles

“Introduction” to “The power of political representation,” a Critical Exchange on Making Constituencies: Representation as Mobilization in Mass Democracy, with contributions from Lawrence Hamilton, Monica Brito Vieira, Lasse Thomassen, Nadia Urbinati, Contemporary Political Theory v. 23 (Dec 2023), pp. 456 – 460.

“Re-Thinking ‘French’ feminism with Christine Delphy,” Nouvelles Questions Féministes v. 41: 2 (Fall 2022), pp. 129-134.

“Political theory: Intellectual decline or de-institutionalisation?” *Raisons Politiques: 20 Years:*

- Anniversary Issue* 84:4 (Oct 2021), 63-67.
- “Rethinking ‘equivalence.’” Contribution to a Critical Exchange on Mark Devenney’s *Towards an Improper Politics*. *Contemporary Political Theory* (April 2021).
<https://doi.org/10.1057/s41296-021-00473-1>
- “Christine Delphy.” *Fifty-one Key Feminist Thinkers*. Ed. Lori Marso. NY: Routledge, 2016, 57-61.
- “Representation.” *The Oxford Handbook of Feminist Theory*, Lisa Disch and Mary Hawkesworth (eds). New York, NY: Oxford University Press, 2016, 781-802.
- “Ecological Democracy and the Co-participation of Things.” *The Oxford Handbook of Environmental Political Theory*, Teena Gabrielson, Cheryl Hall, John Meyer and David Schlosberg (eds). New York, NY: Oxford University Press, 2015, 624-640.
- “Ernesto Laclau and the Democratic ‘Rediscovery’ of Representation” (3,000 words).
 Translated into Spanish and published in *Debates y Combates*, vol. 9 (October 2015).
- “Christine Delphy’s Constructivist Materialism: An Overlooked ‘French Feminism’,” *South Atlantic Quarterly* 114:4 (October 2015), 827-850.
- Lisa Disch and Rostom Mesli, trans. “Preface: Critique of Naturalizing Reason.” By Christine Delphy. *South Atlantic Quarterly* 114:4 (October 2015), 851-860.
- “Introduction” to *70’s Feminisms*, Special Issue of *South Atlantic Quarterly*, ed. Lisa Disch 114:4 (October 2015), 697-698.
- “The Tea Party: A ‘White Citizenship’ Movement?” In *Steep: The Precipitous Rise of the Tea Party*, ed. Rosenthal and Trost. Berkeley: University of California Press (2012), 133-151.
- “The Impurity of Representation and the Vitality of Democracy.” *Cultural Studies* (March 2012) 26: 2-3, 207-222.
- “‘Faitiche’-izing the People: What Can Radical Democratic Theory Learn about Political Representation from Science Studies?” In *The Stuff of Politics*. Ed. Bruce Braun and Sara Whatmore. MPLS: U of MN Press (2010), pp. 267-296.
- “The People as ‘Presupposition’ of Representative Democracy—an essay on the political theory of Pierre Rosanvallon.” *Redescriptions* vol. 12 (2008), pp. 47-71.
- “‘French Theory’ Goes to France.” In *Judith Butler’s Precarious Politics: Critical Encounters*. Ed. Samuel Chambers and Terrell Carver. NY: Routledge (2008), 47-61.
- “Innovation Is Overtime: An Ethical Analysis of ‘Politically Committed’ Academic Labor” (co-authored with Jeani O’Brien). In *Feminist Waves/Feminist Generations: Life Stories from the Academy*. Ed. Aikau, Erickson and Pierce. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press (2007), 140-67.
- “Departures: New Feminist Perspectives on the Holocaust” (co-authored with Leslie Morris), introduction to a special cluster (co-edited with Leslie Morris), *Women in German Yearbook* 19 (2004), 9-19.
- “Radical Democracy’s ‘Modern Constitution’” (co-authored with Bruce Braun), *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*, 20:5 (October 2002), 505-511.
- “Judith Butler and the Politics of the Performative,” *Political Theory*, 27:4 (August 1999), 545-559.
- “Minnesota and the ‘Populism’ of Political Opposition,” *Theory & Event*, 3:2 (July 1999).
- “Please Sit Down but Don’t Make Yourself at Home: ‘Visiting’ and the Prefigurative Politics of Consciousness-Raising.” In *Hannah Arendt and the Meaning of Politics*. Ed. Craig Calhoun and John McGowan (Minneapolis: U of MN Press, 1997), 132-165.
- “On Friendship in Dark Times.” In *Feminist Interpretations of Hannah Arendt*. Ed.

Bonnie Honig (Philadelphia: Penn State Press, 1995), pp. 285-311.

Popular Media Essays:

“The Tea Party: The American ‘Precariat’?” Open Democracy. 14 December 2011.

<http://www.opendemocracy.net/5050/lisa-disch/tea-party-american-%E2%80%9Cprecariat%E2%80%9D>

“Forget About Obituaries for State’s Third Parties.” Minneapolis Star Tribune, November 10, 2002.

“Maybe Nader Can’t Win, But He Can Change Political Landscape.” Minneapolis Star Tribune, July 2, 2000, A 19.

“If Minnesotans Break from Reform Party, Can They Do Any Better?” Minneapolis Star Tribune, February 17, 2000, A 31.

“What Reform Party Needs, Buchanan Can’t Provide.” Minneapolis Star Tribune, October 31, 1999, A 25.

“Why Jesse Happened to Minnesota.” Minnesota Law and Politics, February 1999, 22-23.

Book Reviews, Review Essays and Review Symposia:

Affluence and Freedom: An Environmental History of Political Ideas, by Pierre Charbonnier (Cambridge, UK and Medford, MA: Polity Press, 2021). Perspectives on Politics (Dec 2022) 20:4, pp. 1425-1426.

Sustaining Democracy: What we owe to the other side, by Robert B. Talisse (Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2021). Perspectives on Politics 20:3 (Sept 2022), pp. 1072-1073.

“Worlding the Earth: Ephraim’s ‘Who Speaks for Nature.’” Book review of Laura Ephraim, Who Speaks for Nature? On the Politics of Science. In Theory&Event 22:2 (June 2019), pp. ??

“Reclaiming Populism”. Review essay of Laura Grattan, Populism’s Power: Radical Grassroots Democracy in America, and Benjamin Moffitt, The Global Rise of Populism: Performance, Political Style, and Representation. In Contemporary Political Theory (2019). <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41296-019-00310-6>.

A Democratic Theory of Judgment by Linda M.G. Zerilli (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2016). The Review of Politics 80:4 (Fall 2018), pp. 712-714.

“Not Quite the End of Representative Politics” Contribution to a Review Symposium, “The End of Representative Politics?” on Simon Tormey’s The End of Representative Politics, European Political Science 16(3), 441-445.

“Democracy’s “Diarchy” and the Partnership of Legitimacy and Hegemony,” contribution to a Critical Exchange on Nadia Urbinati’s Democracy Disfigured. In Contemporary Political Theory, AOP 15 December 2015 (2,000 words).

Tolerance: A Sensorial Orientation to Politics, by Lars Tønder (Oxford: University of Oxford Press, 2013), Theory&Event 18:2 (2015).

Contribution to “Critical Exchange on Michael Saward’s The Representative Claim,” Contemporary Political Theory 11 (Feb 2012): 109-127 (my contribution is 5 pages).

Adding Insult to Injury: Nancy Fraser Debates her Critics, ed. Kevin Olson (London: Verso, 2008), Contemporary Sociology, 39 (May 2010): 332-333.

La légitimité démocratique: Impartialité, réflexivité, proximité, by Pierre Rosanvallon (Paris: Seuil, 2008), Redescriptions 13 (Fall 2009): 225-34.

“Parties, Partisanship and Democratic Politics,” Review Symposium on On the Side of the Angels: An Appreciation of Parties and Partisanship, by Nancy Rosenblum (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2008), Perspectives on Politics 7.3 (Sept 2009): 621-24.

On the Side of the Angels: An Appreciation of Parties and Partisanship, by Nancy Rosenblum (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2008), Ethics 119 (July 2009): 787-791.

Radical Democracy: Politics Between Abundance and Lack, edited by Lars Tønder and Lasse Thomassen (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2005), Theory&Event 12:2 (2009).

“Who Represents What?” A review of Representative Democracy: Principles and Genealogy, by Nadia Urbinati (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2006), The Political Quarterly 78.4 (2007)

Representative Democracy: Principles and Genealogy, by Nadia Urbinati (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2006), Redescriptions (2007), pp. 225-229.

Desolation and Enlightenment: Political Knowledge after Total War, Totalitarianism, and the Holocaust, by Ira Katznelson (New York: Columbia University Press, 2003), Perspectives on Politics, 3.1 (2005), pp 156-157.

Being Political: Genealogies of Citizenship, by Engin Isin (Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2002), Environment and Planning D: Society and Space, 31.3 (2003), pp. 373-382.

Speaking Through the Mask: Hannah Arendt and the Politics of Social Identity, by Norma Claire Moruzzi (Ithaca: Cornell U Press, 2000), Journal of Politics, 64.2 (May 2002), pp. 676-78.

Talk of Power, Power of Talk: The 1994 Health Care Reform Debate and Beyond, by Michael W. Shelton (Westport, CT: Praeger, 2000), Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law, 27.3 (June 2002), pp. 516-19.

Moral Textures: Feminist Narratives in the Public Sphere, by Maria Pia Lara (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1998), Constellations 9.1, (March 2002), pp. 157-159.

The Will to Empower: Democratic Citizens and Other Subjects, by Barbara Cruikshank (Ithaca: Cornell U Press, 1999), National Women’s Studies Association Journal, 13.3 (2001), pp. 20-209.

The Attack of the Blob, by Hanna Pitkin (Chicago: U of Chicago Press, 1998), American Political Science Review 93.3 (1999), pp. 706-707.

The End of Capitalism (as we knew it): A Feminist Critique of Political Economy, by J. K. Gibson-Graham (Cambridge, MA: Blackwell), Theory & Event 3.1 (1999).

The Reluctant Modernism of Hannah Arendt, by Seyla Benhabib (Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage, 1996). Constellations 5.3 (1998), pp. 424-26.

The Political Consequences of Thinking: Gender and Judaism in the Work of Hannah Arendt, by Jennifer Ring. (Albany, NY: State University of New York Press, 1997). American Political Science Review 92.3 (1998), pp. 694-95.

The Responsibility of the Pariah, by Tuija Parvikko (Jyväskylä, Finland: Publications of Social and Political Sciences and Philosophy, University of Jyväskylä, 1996). Finnish Yearbook of Political Thought: Political Judgement, vol. 2 (1998), pp. 267-272.

Democracy, Dialogue and Environmental Disputes, by Bruce A. Williams and Albert R.

Matheny (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1995) and The Environmental Promise of Democratic Deliberation, by Adolph G. Gundersen (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 1995). Journal of Politics 58. 4 (Winter 1997), 1228-31.

Political Theory, Modernity and Postmodernity, by N. J. Rengger (Oxford, UK: Blackwell, 1995). American Journal of Sociology, 102.3 (November 1996), pp. 867-68.

The Political Thought of Hannah Arendt, by Michael G. Gottsegen. American Political Science Review 89.4 (Dec 1995), 1007-1008.

Hannah Arendt: A Reinterpretation of her Political Thought, by Margaret Canovan. History of Political Thought. XV.3 (1994), pp. 462-64.

Political Theory and the Displacement of Politics, by Bonnie Honig. Political Theory 22 (Feb 1994): 176-79.

Women in Public: Between Banners and Ballots, 1825-1880, by Mary P. Ryan; Women and the Work of Benevolence: Morality, Politics and Class in Nineteenth-Century United States, by Lori D. Ginzberg; Women, Politics, and Change eds. Louise A. Tilly and Patricia Gurin; Sex, Gender, and the Politics of ERA, by Donald Mathews and Jane Sherron De Hart. Signs 17.1 (Autumn 1991): 214-219.

Editorial Positions

2024- *American Political Science Review*, Member, editorial board.
 2015-2020 *Contemporary Political Theory*, Editor
 2013- *Raisons Politiques*, Editorial Board Member, Sciences Po, Paris
 2010-2014 *Contemporary Political Theory*; Book Review and Critical Forums Editor
 2004-2009 *Rediscriptions* (Finland), Editorial Board Member.
 2000-2005 *Theory&Event*; Book Review Editor (2001-2005)
 1998-2002 University of Minnesota Press, Committee on the Press.
 1991-1994 *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*, Associate Editor

Broadcast Media

Interviewed for Minnesota Public Radio's "Morning Edition," December 18, 2002; February 11, 2000.

Guest on National Public Radio's "On Point," Monday, November 11, 2002.

Interviewed for Minnesota Public Radio's "All Things Considered, November 4, 2002; November 6, 2002; November 5, 1998.

Guest on Minnesota Public Radio's "Midday with Gary Eichton," May 17, 2002; October 25, 1999.

Featured Panelist on "Mental Engineering," a public television show hosted by John Forde that deconstructs television commercials for fun but not much profit. (Featured in *The New York Times*, April 16, 2000, AR 30; featured in the *Minneapolis Star and Tribune*, March 9, 1999).

Guest on Minnesota Public Radio's "Midmorning," Katherine Lanpher, September 18, 2000; June 27, 2000; February 14, 2000; November 11, 1998.

International Conferences and Workshops

All by invitation.

- Nov 2024 Keynote Address: “Rethinking Representation in Times of Democracy and Discontent,” Charles University, Prague.
- June 2022. Presented “Who’s Scripting this Performance?” at the “Performing Political Representation” Workshop, Paula Diehl and Michael Saward (hosts), Villa Vigoni, Italy.
- Dec 2021 Presented “Who’s Scripting this Performance?” at the “Performing Political Representation” Workshop, Paula Diehl and Michael Saward (hosts), Warwick and Kiel Universities (virtual).
- Dec 2021 “‘Faitiche’-izing the People,” a talk for the “Governance as Practice and Culture” Colloquium, Jan-Peter Voss (host), Technische Universität, Berlin (virtual).
- July 2021 Presented “Representation and Feminism,” for the workshop, “Global Contestations of Women’s and Gender Rights,” Karsten Schubert and Livia de Souza Lima (hosts), Center for Interdisciplinary Research, Bielefeld (hybrid).
- July 2021 Discussion of Making Constituencies for the “Rethinking Political Competition” project, Alfred Moore (host), Andy Sabl (discussant). York University (virtual).
- May 2021 Keynote Panel Discussion of Making Constituencies at the Conference for the Study of Political Thought, theme “Democratic Representation: Acts, Aesthetics, Institutions.” Discussants: Suzanne Mettler and Douglas Thompson. Cornell University (virtual).
- Feb 2019 Presented “Public Trust Populism” at “Politics in the Anthropocene,” international conference organized by Jonathan Pickering and John Dryzek, University of Canberra, Canberra, ACT, Australia.
- June 2018 Participant in “Envisioning Everyday Environmentalism and Climate Populism,” where I presented “Public Trust Populism” at the Center for Climate and Justice, University of Reading.
- Mar 2017 Participant in “Democratic Equality: The Broken Promise,” at Villa Vigoni, Italy.
- Mar 2016 Keynote Address: “Can Democratic Agency Survive the ‘Constructivist Turn’?” Annual meeting of the British Political Studies Association, University of Brighton, Brighton, UK.
- Aug 2015 Organized a panel and gave discussant comments on “Is Democracy Unthinkable without Parties?” at the annual meetings of the European Consortium for Political Research, in Montreal, CA.
- Nov 2014 Presented three chapters of Democratic Representation and the Constituency Paradox. Workshop in Political Theory, University of Brighton, Brighton, UK.
- Nov 2014 “Can Constructivists Speak Coherently of Democratic Legitimacy?” Workshop in Political Theory, Trier University, Trier, Germany.
- Nov 2014 “Can Constructivists Speak Coherently of Democratic Legitimacy?” Workshop in Political Theory, University of Exeter, Exeter, UK.
- Oct 2014 “La Représentation Politique et les ‘effets de subjectivation’.” Political Theory Workshop, Sciences Po, Paris, France.
- Sept 2014 « Can Democracy Survive the ‘Constructivist Turn’ in Empirical Scholarship ? »

- Paper presented at the annual meeting of the European Consortium for Political Research, Glasgow, Scotland.
- June 2014 Keynote address « Can Democratic Representation Survive the ‘Constructivist Turn’ in Empirical Scholarship ?» and participant on a roundtable, « Nadia Urbinati’s *Disfiguring Democracy*, » Catholic University, Leuven, Leuven, Belgium.
- June 2014 « Can Democratic Representation Survive the ‘Constructivist Turn’ in Empirical Scholarship ?» Essex University, London.
- Jan 2014 Bruno Latour’s « Modes of Existence » project. Participant. Goldsmith’s, University of London.
- June 2013 “Strategic Uses of Language: Politicizing Deliberative Democracy.” Participant, presented “On the Benefits of ‘Strategic Speech’ for Deliberative Democracy.” Centre for the Study of Democracy and Department of Political Science, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC.
- June 2011 “Scientific Authority and Democratic Societies.” Participant. Peter Wall Institute for Advanced Studies, University of British Columbia. Vancouver, BC.
- Nov 2009 Political Representation: New Forms of Measuring and Old Challenges.” Presented “Beyond Mandate Democracy.” National Center of Competence in Research (NCCR). Berne, Switzerland.
- Mar 2009 “Conference on Cultural, Economic and Political Forms of Social Injustice.” Presented “‘Militant’ Democratic Representation: The ‘lost treasure’ of the French Revolution that got Buried by Arendt’s Marxist Historiography.” Center for Political and Constitutional Studies. Madrid, Spain.
- Dec 2007 “Le malaise dans la démocratie.” Presented “Neither Organicism nor Constructivism: The People as ‘Presupposition’ of Representative Democracy.” Institut Finlandais, Paris, France.
- Dec 2006 “The Stuff of Politics: Technoscience, Democracy and Public Life.” Presented “‘Faitiche’-izing the People: What Can Radical Democratic Theory Learn about Political Representation from Science Studies?” Worcester College, University of Oxford. Oxford, England.
- Nov 2006 Keynote Address: “How Can Hannah Arendt Worship the American Revolution but Repudiate Political Representation?” For a conference on Hannah Arendt in Lisbon, Portugal.
- May 2006 “Political Representation.” Presented “Responsiveness in Reverse.” University of British Columbia, Vancouver, CA.
- May 2006 “The Political Theory of Judith Butler.” Presented “‘French Theory’ Goes to France.” University of Wales, Swansea.
- Mar 2006 “Responsiveness in Reverse: Rethinking Political Representation for the Age of ‘Audience Democracy.’” University of Regina, Regina, CA.
- Dec 2005 Study Day: “Michel Foucault, Subject and Power.” Presented “Foucault Chez les Féministes Américaines: Mesentente ou Traduction Féconde?”. Organized by RING (Inter-university, Inter-disciplinary Network for the Study of Gender). University of Paris, 8. Paris, France.
- July 2002 “The Legacy of Hannah Arendt: Beyond Totalitarianism and Terror.” Presenter. Belgrade, Yugoslavia.
- Feb 2001 Research Meeting on “Comfort Women.” Gave commentary on “Identity,

	Movement and Nationalism,” by Yamashita, Yeong-Ae. Ritsumaikan University, Kyoto, Japan.
Feb 2001	Symposium: “Second Hannah Arendt Symposium.” Presented: “‘Please Sit Down But Don’t Make Yourself at Home’: Arendtian Visiting and the Politics of Storytelling.” Keio University, Tokyo, Japan.
Dec 2000	Symposium: “Politics Revisited.” Presented “Impartiality, Storytelling, and the Seductions of Narrative.” University of Jyväskylä, Finland.
July 1997	“Feminist Perspectives on Sexual Violence in Sport.” Delivered to the Social Science Commission, Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey.
Oct 1996	Conference: “Hannah Arendt in Our Times.” Presented “Eichmann and the Politics of Jerusalem.” University of Westminster, London, England.

Invited Lectures

Feb 2024	“The Vitality and Vulnerability of American Democracy,” a conversation with Professor Larry Jacobs, University of Minnesota, Center for the Study of Politics and Government, Humphrey Institute Forum. February 15, 2024.
Nov 2015	“The Perfect (Political) Storm: Economic Inequality, Democratic Oligarchy, and the Free Market in Speech,” the Annual Hartigan Lecture at Loyola University Chicago.
Oct 2015	“Christine Delphy’s Constructivist Materialism,” Presented at the workshop of the Program for the Study of Women, Gender, and Sexuality at Johns Hopkins University.
Mar 2015	“Can Representative Democracy Survive the ‘Constructivist Turn’?” Workshop in Political Theory, Columbia University, New York.
Feb 2014	“When is Representation Democratic? Analyzing the ‘Constituent Effects’ of Public Policy.” PSAC Speakers Series, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY.
April 2013	“When is Representation Democratic? Analyzing the ‘Constituent Effects’ of Public Policy.” Political Theory Workshop, UCSD, San Diego, CA.
Sept 2011	“‘Constituency Effects’”: A Constructivist Approach to Norms of Democratic Representation.” Social and Political Thought Workshop, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN.
Sept 2010	Participant: “Fractures, Alliances and Mobilizations in the Age of Obama: Emerging Analyses of the ‘Tea Party Movement,’” Center for the Comparative Study of Right-Wing Movements, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA.
April 2010	Symposium, “The Future of Political Parties,” Center for the Study of American Democracy, Kenyon College, Gambier, OH.
April 2010	“Whose Tea Party?” Friends of the College of Arts and Sciences (FOCAS) Lecture Series, University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma.
Jan 2007	“How can Hannah Arendt Praise the American Revolution and Revile the French? Placing <i>On Revolution</i> in Revolutionary Historiography.” Political Theory Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.
Sept 2006	“Responsiveness in Reverse: Rethinking Political Representation for the Age of

	‘Audience Democracy.’” Political Theory Workshop, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC.
Feb 2002	“The Tyranny of the Two-Party System,” Harry R. Davis lecture, Beloit College, Beloit, WI.
Mar 2001	“How is a Story True? The Personal, the Political, and the Contemporary Significance of Hannah Arendt’s Thought.” Inaugural Lecture for the Whipple Chair in History, Willamette University, Portland, OR.
Oct 2000	“The Tyranny of the Two-Party System and the Politics of Electoral Fusion,” and “Oppositional Democracy and the Lost Promise of Electoral Fusion.” Political Theory Colloquium, Notre Dame University, South Bend, IN.
Apr 2000	“The Tyranny of the Two-Party System and the Politics of Electoral Fusion.” Rosenfeld Program in Public Affairs, Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA.
Mar 2000	“The Lost Promise of Electoral Fusion.” Duke - UNC American Politics Seminar. Duke University, Durham, NC.
Mar 1999	“Party Discipline: American Political Science Constructs the ‘Two-Party System’–1942-1964.” Duke - UNC American Politics Seminar. University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC.
Feb 1998	“The Politics of the Two-Party System.” Political Science Colloquium. Indiana University, Bloomington, IN.
Oct 1996	Inaugural Lecture: “Eichmann in Jerusalem.” Alfred W. Chase and Mary Jane Crow Lectures in History, Culture and Politics. Northwestern University, Evanston, IL.
Oct 1995	“Sport, Gender, and the Politics of ‘Looking’” Gender and Politics Colloquium. Harvard University, Boston, MA.
Nov 1994	“‘Visiting’ and the Prefigurative Politics of Consciousness-Raising.” Critical Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science. Northwestern University, Evanston, IL.

Scholarly and Professional Meetings

Invited Conferences and Workshops:

June 2024	Presented “Democratic Innovation in City Government” (co-author Dr. Missy Stults) at the first working meeting of the APSA Presidential Task Force: Democratic Innovation, Ash Center, Harvard University, June 7-8.
Sept 2023	Presented “Is Constructing a People the Main Task of Radical Democracy?” at the Columbia University Political Theory Workshop.
June 2023	Participated in a manuscript workshop for Nazli Konya at Colby College.
Apr 2023	Presented “What Fusion Politics Could Mean for Third Political Parties Today” at “More Parties, Better Parties,” The New America Foundation, Palo Alto, CA.
Feb 2023	Presented “Making Constituencies” at the Political Theory Workshop at UCLA.
Dec 2022	Participated in a manuscript workshop for Hugo Drochon at Princeton University.
Nov 2021	Presented “Is Constructing the People the Main Task of Radical Democracy?” at the Political Science Speaker Series at University of IL-Urbana/Champaign.
June 2019	Discussant at the annual meeting of the Conference for the Study of Political

Thought (CSPT), Yale University.

May 2019 Presented "Realism for Democrats" at the CCNY working group in political theory, CCNY, New York, NY.

Mar 2019 Presented "Realism for Democrats" at the MIT Political Theory Workshop, MIT.

Nov 2018 Presented "Realism for Democrats" at the Yale Political Theory Workshop, Yale University.

May 2017 At "Rethinking Democracy," presented "Realism for Democrats," sponsored by the Department of Political Science, Princeton University.

Oct 2016 At the Stanford Political Theory Workshop, presented "Radical Democracy: The Silent Partner in Political Representation's 'Constructivist Turn,'" in Palo Alto, CA.

Nov 2015 At "The Two Faces of Representation," presented "Political Representation and Radical Democracy," sponsored by The Institute for Advanced Studies, Vienna and The Harvard Ash Center for Democratic Governance. Held at Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.

Mar 2014 At "A Revolutionary Moment: Women's Liberation in the Late 1960s and Early 1970s," presented "Christine Delphy's Constructivist Materialism: An Overlooked 'French Feminism.'" Boston University, Boston, MA.

Mar 2013 At "Responsiveness, Representation, Democracy," presented "When is Representation Democratic? Analyzing the 'Constituent Effects' of Public Policy." Columbia University Department of Political Science, New York, NY.

June 2011 Participant in "Scientific Authority in Democratic Societies." Peter Wall Institute of Advanced Study, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC.

April 2010 Participant in "The Future of Political Parties." The Center for the Study of Democracy. Kenyon College, Gambier, OH.

April 2010 At "New Materialisms," presented "The Efficacy of Things and the Efficacy of Voters." Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD.

Nov 2007 Participant in "Hannah Arendt and the Political." Liberty Fund. San Diego, CA.

Oct 2007 Participant in "Symposium on Third Political Parties." The Robert Dole Institute of Politics, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KA.

May 2006 At "Rethinking Democratic Representation," presented "Re-thinking 'Representation'." Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, CA.

Feb 2006 At "Return of the People: A Conference on Ernesto Laclau's *On Populist Reason*," presented "The Impurity of Representation and the Vitality of Democracy." Northwestern University Center for Global Culture and Communication, Evanston, IL.

Nov 2001 At Conference for the Study of Political Thought, "Constructions of the Past in Modern Political Philosophy," Presented "Feminists Past and Feminists' Pasts." The Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO.

Oct 2001 Participant in "Liberty in Vincent Ostrom's The Meaning of Democracy and the Vulnerability of Democracies." Liberty Fund. St. Paul, MN.

Dec 1999 Conference for the Study of Political Thought, "The Enlightenment: Ethical Legacies for the 21st Century." Yale University, New Haven, CT.

March 1997 Feminist Theory Conference at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association. One-day session devoted to Hannah

- Arendt and the Limits of Philosophy. Tucson, AZ.
- Feb 1995 University of North Carolina, conference: “Hannah Arendt and the Meaning of Politics.” Presented “Please Sit Down, But Don’t Make Yourself at Home: ‘Visiting’ and the Prefigurative Politics of Consciousness-Raising.” Chapel Hill, NC.
- May 1993 Annual meeting of the Association for Women in Sports Media. Presented “Sexual Violence and the Reproduction of Male Power in the Locker Room: A Critical Analysis of the Lisa Olson ‘Incident’” (co-authored with Mary Jo Kane). Minneapolis, MN.

Other Convention Papers/Commentary:

- Sept 2024 Presented “The Bulldozer in the City and the Bulldozer in the Countryside: Left “Anti-Institutionalism” in US Environmental Politics,” on a panel titled “Instituent Politics”; organized and chaired a roundtable for Samuel Hayat, *Revolutionary Republicanism: Participation and Representation in 1848* (Routledge 2023); delivered commentary on a roundtable for Sandipto Dasgupta, *Legalizing the Revolution* (Cambridge 2024).
- Nov 2023 Delivered commentary two roundtables: for Emilee Booth Chapman, *Election Day* (Princeton 2022) and Emma Saunders-Hastings, *Private Virtues, Public Vices* (Chicago 2022), at a meeting of political theorists who abstained from participating in the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association due to a labor strike.
- Sept 2022 Participated in a roundtable on the political thought of Sheldon Wolin; a roundtable on my book Making Constituencies; and provided commentary on a panel on coloniality at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Montreal, CA.
- May 2022 Keynote Panel Commentator at the annual meeting of the Conference for the Study of Political Thought (CSPT), Columbia University.
- Sept 2020 Presented “Can the Realist Remain a Democrat?” At the virtual Annual Meeting of MANCEPT.
- Sept 2020 Presented “In Defense of Mobilization.” At the virtual Annual Meeting of the APSA.
- Sept 2019 Presented “Constituency-Making: A Democratic Realist Critique.” Organized a Mini-Conference “Exploring Democratic Mobilizations against Right-Wing Populism.” Served as a discussant for “Becoming Representative.” At the Annual Meeting of the APSA, Washington, DC.
- Sept 2018 Participated on two author roundtables: Alfred Moore, *Critical Elitism* (Cambridge U Press); Andrew Norris, *Becoming Who We Are* (Oxford University Press). And served as a discussant for “The Political Theory of Voting,” at the annual meeting of the APSA, Boston, MA.
- Mar 2018 Presented “Realism for Democrats”; served as a discussant for “Experience and Expertise,” at the annual meeting of the WPSA, San Francisco, CA.
- Sept 2017 Served as discussant for “Representative Legitimacy Under Strain,” at the annual meeting of the APSA, San Francisco, CA.
- Sept 2016 Presented “Is ‘Democratic Constructivism’ Possible?”; served as a discussant for

- “Action and Skepticism: The Political Theory of Hannah Arendt and Stanley Cavell,” and for “Public Posthumanism: Strategies Toward the Next Great Transformation,” at the annual meeting of the APSA, Philadelphia, PA.
- Apr 2016 Participant on two “author meets critics” roundtables, for James Druckman and Larry Jacobs’ *Who Governs?* and Judith Grant’s *Fundamental Feminism*, at the annual meeting of the MPSA, Chicago, IL.
- Oct 2015 Plenary Speaker for the Association for Political Theory Annual Conference and discussant for “The Culture of Neoliberalism and Post-Modernism.” Boulder, Co.
- Sept 2015 Discussant, “Constructing Representative Democracy: Theory, History, and Practice,” at the annual meeting of the APSA, San Francisco, CA.
- April 2015 Discussant, “Brown Girl with a Gun: Susana Martinez and Intersectionality on the Right,” by Cristina Beltran, Feminist Theory Pre-Conference. Participated on a Roundtable: “Representation and the Anthropocene,” at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Apr 2014 Organizer and participant on a Roundtable: Mike Neblo’s *Common Voices: Between the Theory & Practice of Deliberative Democracy*, at the annual meeting of the WPSA, Seattle, WA.
- Sept 2013 Presented “Can Democratic Representation Survive the “Constructivist Turn” in Empirical Scholarship?”; acted as a discussant for a politics and literature panel at the annual meeting of the APSA, Chicago, IL.
- July 2013 Presented “The Gap Between Normative Theory and Empirical Research: Political Representation,” at the annual meeting of the AFSP (French Association of Political Science), Paris, France.
- March 2013 Presented “Christine Delphy’s Constructivist Materialism: An Overlooked ‘French Feminism’”; participated on a Roundtable: “*Accountability and Democracy*, by Craig T. Borowiak,” at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Los Angeles, CA.
- April 2012 Organizer and participant on a Roundtable: “*Disciplining the Poor*, by Joe Soss, Sanford Schram and Richard Fording,” at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- March 2012 Presented “When is Representation Democratic? Analyzing the ‘Constituent Effects’ of Public Policy”; Organized and participated on a roundtable: “*Emma Goldman: Political Thinking in the Streets*, by Kathy Ferguson”; Organized and participated on a roundtable: *Political Worlds of Women*, by Mary Hawkesworth”; Served as a discussant for “Sites of Democracy: Insurgency, Institutionalization,” at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Portland, OR.
- Sept 2011 Participant on a Roundtable: “Democracy & Representation: Friends or Enemies in Theory & Politics,” at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, WA; Also participated on a panel, “Teaching Feminist Theory,” at the Feminist Workshop “preconference” to APSA.
- April 2010 Presented “Re-Thinking Representation,” at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Sept 2009 Presented ‘Faitiche’-izing the People: What Representative Democracy might learn from Science Studies,” at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, Ontario.

- Oct 2008 Presented "How Could Hannah Arendt Glorify the American Revolution and Revile the French? Placing On Revolution in the Historiography of the French and American Revolutions," at the Fall meeting of the Association for Political Theory (APT), Wesleyan, CT.
- Sept 2007 Participant on a Roundtable: "Joshua Dienstag's *On Pessimism*," at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Sept 2006 Presented "Re-thinking 'Re-presentation'," at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- April 2006 Presented "Re-thinking 'Re-presentation'," at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Sept 2005 Presented "Rethinking Representation: Is it time to "faitische"-ize Democracy?" at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.
- Sept 2004 Presented "Representation without Democracy," at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Sept 2003 Chair for a panel "Ontologies of Radical Democracy," at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- April 2002 Served as discussant for a panel "Unruly Democracy," at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL and as participant on a roundtable: "On Justice/On Violence/On Law: Political Theory and 11 September."
- Sept 2001 Presented "Beyond the Tyranny of the Two-Party System: Fusion Politics in a Twentieth-Century Context," at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Mar 2001 Panelist on "Teaching Feminist Political Theory: A Roundtable," and Presented "Storytelling, Narrativity, and Travel: An Impasse in Feminist Theories of the Public Sphere," at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- Sept 2000 Organized a panel: "New Problems of Liberal and Pluralist Democracy," and served as a discussant. Participated in a roundtable discussion of William Connolly's *Why I am Not a Secularist* (Minnesota, 1999), at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.
- April 2000 Presented "The 'Two-Party System': Genealogy of a Catchphrase," and served as discussant for a panel "The Politics of Self-Making," at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Nov 1999. Presented "Rupture and Reconciliation: Postmodern Possibilities of Storytelling in Paul Ricoeur," at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Savannah, GA.
- March 1999. Organized a panel: "Against Virtue," and presented "Civic Virtue and the Uncertain Promise of Electoral Fusion," at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Seattle, WA.
- Sept 1998. Organized a panel: "Ties that Bind: Community and the Practices of Discipline," and presented "Party Discipline: Political Science Constructs the Two-Party System--1942-1965," at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.
- March 1998. Organized and served as a discussant for a panel: "Democracy, Identity, and

- Whiteness,” at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Los Angeles, CA.
- April 1997. Organized and served as a discussant for a panel: “Citizenship as Project, Projection, and Projectile,” at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- March 1997. Organized a panel: “Dissident Citizenship,” and presented “Fusion Politics in the 1990s: Beyond Wishful Democracy,” at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Tucson, AZ.
- Sept 1996. Presented “Exploring the ‘Territory Between History and Ethics’: Judith Shklar on Narrative and Political Theory,” at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA.
- March 1996. Organized and served as a discussant for a panel: “Contests over Place,” at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Sept 1995. Presented two papers, “Engendered Spaces: Feminist Enterprises at the Final Frontier,” and “Please Sit Down, But Don’t Make Yourself at Home: ‘Visiting’ and the Prefigurative Politics of Consciousness-Raising,” at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- April 1995. Presented “Narrative and the Common World,” at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Nov 1994. Presented “Jazzing it Up: Connecting Narrative, Feminism and Radical Theories of Democracy,” at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA.
- March 1994. Presented “Narrative and Reconciliation,” at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Albuquerque, NM.
- Oct 1993. Presented “Stripped of Power: Lisa Olson, Looking, and the Patriarchal Reversal” (co-authored with Mary Jo Kane), at the annual meeting of the Society for Women in Philosophy, Cincinnati, OH.
- Sept 1993. Discussant for a panel, “Feminist Appropriations of Hannah Arendt,” at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C.
- Sept 1992. Presented “Situated Impartiality: Exploring the Intersection of Feminism, Post-Structuralism, and Political Philosophy,” at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- April 1992. Presented “Claire Loves Julie: Reading *La Nouvelle Héloïse* as a Story of Women’s Friendship and Resistance,” at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- April 1991. Presented “More Truth than Fact: Storytelling as Feminist Political Epistemology,” at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Sept 1989. Presented “The Human Condition: Political Theory in a Different Voice?” at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA.
- Sept 1987. Presented “The Silence of Women in the Conversation of Mankind,” at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Nov 1986. Discussant for “The Modern Era: Citizenship, Virtue, and Education,” panel at the annual meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, MA.

