

Dr. Martha Kropf

Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Appointments

University of North Carolina-Charlotte, Department of Political Science & Public Administration

2026-2029: Bonnie Cone Professor of Civic Engagement

2023-present: Honors Faculty Member

2014-present: Full Professor

2006-present: Core Faculty Public Policy Ph.D. Program

2015-2018: Director, Public Policy Ph.D. Program

2009-2014: Associate Professor (tenured)

2006-2009: Assistant Professor

University of Missouri-Kansas City, Department of Political Science

2005-2006: Associate Professor (tenured)

1999-2005: Assistant Professor

University of Maryland, Survey Research Center

Project Coordinator (1997-1999)

- Worked with all aspects of survey research, specializing in questionnaire design
- Embedded survey methodology experiments within projects
- Ensured that surveys were completed on schedule and within budget
- Coordinated projects for clients such as the Harvard School of Public Health, the Maryland Department of Public Health, and the Prince George's County, MD Public Schools

Education

Ph.D., Political Science, 1998, American University

Fields: American Politics, Public Policy Analysis, and Public Economics

Dissertation: "Viewers Like You: Community Norms and Contributions to Public Broadcasting"

Advisor: Dr. Laura I. Langbein

B.A. in Journalism and Political Science, 1991, Kansas State University

Graduated in May 1991, Summa Cum Laude, *Phi Beta Kappa*

ICPSR Summer Training in Quantitative Methods for Social Science, 2000. University of Michigan (Maximum Likelihood Estimation and Measurement & Dimensional Analysis.); Introduction to R Short Course, May 2022.

Books

Mohr, Zachary, **Martha Kropf**, Mary Jo McGowan, and JoEllen Pope. 2024. *A Republic If You Can Afford It: How Much Does It Cost to Administer Elections?* Cambridge University Press Elements.

Kropf, Martha. 2016. *Institutions and the Right to Vote in America*. Palgrave/Macmillan.

Kropf, Martha and David C. Kimball. 2012. *Helping America Vote: The Limits of Election Reform*. New York: Routledge.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

37. Branton, Gina and **Martha Kropf**. Forthcoming. "Mail Voting as a Tool to Avoid Voter Intimidation and Hate Crimes." *American Politics Research*.
36. McGowan, Mary Jo, Robert Hines, Zachary Mohr, and **Martha Kropf**. Forthcoming. "Does Leslie Knope Make More Than Election Directors? An Analysis of Election and Other County Directors in North Carolina Counties." *Journal of Election Administration Research and Practice*.
35. McGowan, Mary Jo, Zachary Mohr, and **Martha Kropf**. Forthcoming. "Examining Partisan Preferences for Election Directors Salaries in North Carolina from 2006-2021." *Election Law Journal*
34. Anthony, Joseph, Anita Manion, David Kimball and **Martha Kropf**. 2026. "The Information Landscape and Voters' Understanding of Ranked Choice Voting in Alaska." *Election Law Journal* 25(1): 92-104. 25(1): 92-104. <https://doi.org/10.1177/15331296251366700>.
33. Noelle, Katelyn, Mary Jo McGowan, and **Martha Kropf**. 2025. "Deterring Threats or Deterring Voters? Identifying Trends in Electoral Disruptions." *Journal of Election Administration Research and Practice*. 4(1).
32. Canalas, Kristine, **Martha Kropf**, Suzanne Leland, and Cherie Maestas. 2023. "Revisiting the Micro-foundations of the Tiebout Theory of Local Expenditures: Are Private Community Amenities Substitutes for Local Public Services in Residential Choices?" *Urban Affairs Review* 59(5): 1441-1469. DOI: 10.1177/10780874221103765.
31. **Kropf, Martha**. 2021. "Using Campaign Communications to Analyze Civility in Ranked Choice Voting Elections." *Politics & Governance* 9(2): 280-292. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.17645/pag.v9i2.4293>.
30. McGowan, Mary Jo, JoEllen Pope, **Martha Kropf** and Zachary T. Mohr. 2021. "Guns or Butter... or Elections? Understanding intertemporal and distributive dimensions of policy choice through the examination of budgetary tradeoffs at the local level" *Public Budgeting & Finance* 41(4): 3-19. <https://doi.org/10.1111/pbaf.12289>
29. Hammond, F. M., Davis, C. S., Hirsch, M., Snow, J., **Kropf, M.**, Schur, L., Kruse, D., Ball, A. 2021, "Qualitative examination of voting empowerment and participation among people living with Traumatic Brain Injury." *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation* 102(6): 1091-1101. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apmr.2020.12.016>.
28. Mohr, Zachary, JoEllen V. Pope, **Martha Kropf**, Mary Jo Shepherd, and Ahmad Hill. 2020. "Evaluating the Recessionary Impact on Election Administration Budgeting and Spending." Symposium on Election Science, *American Politics Research*. 48(6): 709-713.
27. **Kropf, Martha**, JoEllen V. Pope, Mary Jo Shepherd, and Zachary Mohr. 2020. "Making Every Vote Count: The Important Role of Managerial Capacity in Achieving Better Election Administration Outcomes." *Public Administration Review*. 80(5): 733-742.
26. Mohr, Zachary, JoEllen Pope, **Martha E. Kropf** and Mary Jo Shepherd. 2019. "Strategic Spending: Does Politics Affect Election Administration Expenditure?" *American Journal of Political Science* 63(2): 427-438.
25. Giersh, Jason, **Martha Kropf**, and Elizabeth Stearns. 2020. "Unequal Returns to Education: How Women Teachers Narrow the Gender Gap in Political Knowledge among Students." *Journal of Politics*

82(2): 781-785.

24. Hirsch Mark A., **Martha Kropf**, Flora M. Hammond, Jason Karlawish, Lisa Schur, and Andrew Ball. 2019. "Voting Characteristics of Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury." *World Medical & Health Policy*. 11(1): 24-42.

23. **Kropf, Martha**, Samuel Grubbs, John Szmer, and Beth Whitaker. 2019. "American Politics Course Redesigns: The Effect of Propensity Score Matching on Predicting Learning Outcomes." *Journal of Political Science Education* 15(4): 459-473. DOI: 10.1080/15512169.2018.1515633.

22. Kimball, David C. and **Martha Kropf**. 2016. "Cumulative Voting: The Case of Port Chester, New York." *Social Science Quarterly* 97(3): 619-635. DOI: 10.1111/ssqu.12277.

21. **Kropf, Martha**. 2013. "North Carolina Election Reform Ten Years After the Help America Vote Act." *Election Law Journal* 12(2): 179-189.

20. Wemlinger, Elizabeth and **Martha Kropf**. 2013. "Not A Suburban Soccer Mom? Political Engagement Among Lower SES Women." *Poverty & Public Policy* 5(1): 48-66.

19. **Kropf, Martha**, Timothy Vercellotti and David. C. Kimball. 2013. "Representative Bureaucracy and Partisanship: The Implementation of Election Law." *Public Administration Review* 73(2): 242-252.

18. **Kropf, Martha**. 2012. "Does Early Voting Change the Socio-Economic Composition of the Electorate?" *Poverty & Public Policy* 4(1): 1-19.

17. Jessica N. Link, **Martha Kropf**, Mark Alexander Hirsch, Flora M. Hammond, Jason Karlawish, Lisa Schur, Douglas Kruse and Christine S. Davis. 2012. "Assessing Voting Competence and Political Knowledge: Comparing Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injuries and "Average" College Students." *Election Law Journal* 11(1): 52-69. *This paper was originally Link's undergraduate senior thesis.

16. **Kropf, Martha**. 2009. "Won't You Be My Neighbor? Norms of Cooperation, Public Broadcasting and the Collective Action Problem." *Social Science Quarterly* 90(3): 538-552.

15. Kimball, David C. and **Martha Kropf**. 2008. "Voting Technology, Ballot Measures and Residual Votes." *American Politics Research* 36(4): 479-509.

14. **Kropf, Martha**, Janine Parry, Jay Barth and E. Terrence Jones. 2008. "Pursuing the Early Voter: Does the Early Bird Get the Worm?" *Journal of Political Marketing* 7(2): 131-150.

13. Parry, Janine, Jay Barth, **Martha Kropf** and E. Terrence Jones. 2008. "Mobilizing the Seldom Voter: Campaign Contacts and Effects in High-Profile Elections." *Political Behavior* 30(1): 97-113. 11.

12. Kimball, David C. and **Martha Kropf**. 2006. "The Street-Level Bureaucrats of Elections: Selection Methods for Local Election Officials." *Review of Policy Research* 23: 1257-1268.

11. Kimball, David C., **Martha Kropf** and Lindsay Battles. 2006. "Helping America Vote? Election Administration, Partisanship and Provisional Votes in the 2004 Presidential Election." *Election Law Journal*, 5: 447-461.

10. Kimball, David C. and **Martha Kropf**. 2005. "Ballot Design and Unrecorded Votes on Paper-Based Ballots" *Public Opinion Quarterly* 69(4): 508-529.

9. **Kropf, Martha** and Johnny Blair. 2005. "Testing Theories of Survey Cooperation: Incentives, Self-Interest and Norms of Cooperation." *Evaluation Review* 29(6): 559-575.
8. Knack, Stephen and **Martha Kropf**. 2003. "Roll Off at the Top of the Ballot: Intentional Undervoting in American Presidential Elections." *Politics & Policy* 31(4): 575-594.
7. **Kropf, Martha** and Stephen Knack. 2003. "Viewers Like You: Community Norms and Contributions to Public Broadcasting." *Political Research Quarterly* 56(2): 187-195.
6. Knack, Stephen and **Martha Kropf**. 2003. "Invalidated Ballots in the 1996 Presidential Election: A County-Level Analysis." *Journal of Politics*. 65(3): 881-897.
5. Knack, Stephen and **Martha Kropf**. 2002. "Who Uses Inferior Voting Technology?" *PS: Political Science and Politics*. September: 541-548.
4. **Kropf, Martha E.** and John A. Boiney. 2001. "The Electoral Glass Ceiling: Gender, Viability and the News in U.S. Senate Campaigns." *Women & Politics*, Vol. 23(1/2): 81-105; reprinted in *Women and Congress: Running, Winning and Ruling*, edited by Karen O'Connor, 2001, New York: The Haworth Press, pp. 79-103.
3. Knack, Stephen and **Martha Kropf**. 1998. "For Shame! The Effect of the Community Cooperation Context on the Probability of Voting." *Political Psychology* 19: 585-599.
2. Blendon, Robert J., John T. Young, Marie C. McCormick, **Martha Kropf** and Johnny Blair. 1998. "Americans' Views on Children's Health." *Journal of the American Medical Association*, December 23/December 30, 1998, pp. 2122-2127.
1. Dolan, Julie, Marni Ezra, **Martha Kropf** and Karen O'Connor. 1997. "The Future of Our Discipline: The Status of Doctoral Students in Political Science." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 1997(XXX): 751-756.

Other Scholarly Articles (not peer reviewed)

Bitzer, Michael, Christopher Cooper, **Martha Kropf**, Robert Orr, and Jennifer Roberts. 2023. "The North Carolina Network for Fair, Safe, and Secure Elections: Implications for Practice." *Journal of Election Administration Research & Practice* 2(1): 4-11.

Kropf, Martha. 2023. "Academic Scholarship and Election Official Perspectives at the Election Science, Reform and Administration Conference." *Election Law Journal* 22(2): 101-104 (Introduction to Special Issue of *ELJ* featuring articles from the 2022 Election Science, Reform, and Administration Conference).

Kropf, Martha. 2022. "Lessons From *The Politics of Ballot Design*: A Review Article." *Political Science Quarterly* 137(3): 589-598.

Kropf, Martha. 2020. "A Republic If You Can Keep Its Elections Secure, Accurate, and Fair: An Introduction to a Symposium on Election Science." *American Politics Research* 48(6): 667-669.

Hammond, Flora M., Mark A. Hirsch, Christine S. Davis, Julia Nelson Snow, **Martha Kropf**, and Jason Karlawish. 2020. "VOTING IS MY SUPER POWER! VOTING TIPS FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITY." *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation* 101(6): 1101-1103.

[https://www.archives-pmr.org/article/S0003-9993\(20\)30168-4/pdf](https://www.archives-pmr.org/article/S0003-9993(20)30168-4/pdf).

Kimball, David C., **Martha Kropf**, Donald Moynihan, Carol L. Silva, and Brady Baybeck. 2013. "The Policy Views of Partisan Election Officials." *University of California-Irvine Law Review* 3(3): 551-574.

Kropf, Martha and David C. Kimball. 2009. "The View From Here: Ballot Forms." *User Experience: The Magazine of User Experience Professional Association*. 8(2). https://uxpamagazine.org/ballot_forms/

Kropf, Martha and Johnny Blair. "There's No Place Like Home: Using Time Diary Data to Predict Respondent Availability." *2000 Proceedings of the American Statistical Association: Section on Survey Research Methods*, Alexandria, VA.

Kropf, Martha, Johnny Blair and Julie Scheib. "The Effect of Alternative Incentives on Cooperation and Refusal Conversion in a Telephone Survey." *Proceedings of the 1999 American Association for Public Opinion Research Meeting*.

Book Chapters

Kropf, Martha and Karen Brinson Bell. (forthcoming). "Election Administration." In *Public Administration in North Carolina*, Hunter Bacot and Bruce McDonald, eds. Routledge.

Kropf, Martha. (forthcoming). "What Do Americans Know About Whether They Can Vote?" In Ritter, Michael J. (Ed.) *Rising Above Conspiracy: Understanding Elections, Election Administration, and Democracy in the United States and Abroad in the 2020s*. DeGruyter Publishing.

Kropf, Martha, Mary Jo McGowan, Zachary Mohr, and Robert Hines. (forthcoming). "Democracy Isn't Cheap: How Much Does It Cost to Administer Elections?" In Ritter, Michael J. (Ed.) *Rising Above Conspiracy: Understanding Elections, Election Administration, and Democracy in the United States and Abroad in the 2020s*. DeGruyter Publishing.

Kropf, Martha. 2024. "Causal Stories: The Political Repercussions of the Pandemic" in *Pandemic at the Polls: How the Politics of COVID-19 Played into American Elections*, edited by Dari Tran, Lexington Books.

Kropf, Martha. 2024. "The Pandemic Voting Experience," in *Pandemic at the Polls: How the Politics of COVID-19 Played into American Elections*, edited by Dari Tran, Lexington Books.

Kropf, Martha and Zachary Mohr. 2020. "Election Costs" in *Voting and Political Representation in America: Issues and Trends*, edited by Mark P. Jones, ABC-CLIO.

Kropf, Martha. 2020. "Ballot Design" in *Voting and Political Representation in America: Issues and Trends*, pp. 34-36, edited by Mark P. Jones, ABC-CLIO.

Kropf, Martha and JoEllen V. Pope. 2020. "Election Costs and a Study of North Carolina." In Mitchell Brown, Kathleen Hale, and Bridget King, eds. *Future of Election Administration*, New York: Palgrave.

Kropf, Martha and Holly Whisman. 2018. "Provisional Votes: An Election Reform to Count More Votes." In Todd Donovan, ed. *Changing How America Votes*. Roman and Littlefield.

Kropf, Martha and Emily Grasset. 2017. "Gendered Linguistics: A Large-Scale Text Analysis of U.S. Senate Debates." Chapter 5 in Robert X. Browning, ed. *Advances in Research Using the C-SPAN*

Archives. Purdue University Press.

Kropf, Martha. 2014. "The Evolution of Ballot Design Ten Years After Bush v. Gore." In R. Michael Alvarez and Bernie Grofman, eds. *Election Administration in the United States: The State of Reform Ten Years After Bush v. Gore* (pp. 253-278). Cambridge University Press.

Jones, E. Terrence, **Martha Kropf**, Laura Wiedlocher and Lindsay Battles. 2007. "The Candidates Depart but the Dance Goes On." In *Dancing Without Partners: How Candidates, Parties, and Interest Groups Interact in the Presidential Campaign*, (pp. 97-111). Edited by David B. Magleby, J. Quin Monson and Kelly D. Patterson. Lanham: Roman and Littlefield.

Kropf, Martha. 2005. "Dogs and Dead People: Incremental Election Reform in Missouri." In *Election Reform: Politics and Policy*, (pp. 157-173). Edited by Daniel J. Palazzollo and James W. Ceaser. Lanham: Lexington Books.

Humphreys, Zachary and **Martha Kropf**. "Hustle, Attention to Constituents and a Little Bit of Luck: Moore Defeats Kobach in Kansas' Third." In *The Road to Congress, 2004*, Edited by Sunil Ahuja and Robert Dewhirst. New York: Nova Science Publishers.

Kropf, Martha and Stephen Knack. 2004. "Balancing Competing Interests: Voting Equipment in Presidential Elections." in *Counting Votes: Lessons from the 2000 Presidential Election in Florida*. (pp. 121-134). Edited by Robert P. Watson. Gainesville: University of Florida Press.

Kropf, Martha, E. Terrence Jones, Matt McLaughlin and Dale Neuman. 2004. "Battle for the Bases: The 2002 Missouri Senate Race." in *The Last Hurrah: Soft Money and Issue Advocacy in the 2002 Congressional Election*. (pp. 137-158). Edited by David Magleby and Quin Monson. Washington, DC: Brookings Institution Press.

Kropf, Martha E. 2003. "Talent Defeats Carnahan in the Show-Me State." In *The Roads to Congress 2002*, edited by Sunil Ahuja and Robert Dewhirst, BookMasters, Inc.

Book Reviews

Kropf, Martha. (forthcoming). Book review of *Battleground: Electoral College Strategies, Execution, and Impact in the Modern Era*, by Daron Shaw, Scott L. Althaus, and Costas Panagopoulos. *Political Science Quarterly*.

Kropf, Martha. 2025. Book review of *From Pandemic to Insurrection: Voting in the 2020 US Presidential Election*, by Michael P. McDonald. *Journal of Election Administration, Research, and Practice* 4(1).

Kropf, Martha. 2013. Book review of *On Voter Competence* by Paul Goren. *Political Science Quarterly* 128(4): 777-778

Kropf, Martha. 2013-2014. Book review of *The Ethics of Voting* by Jason Brennan. *American Review of Politics* 33: 162-164.

Kropf, Martha. 2009. Book review of *Voting Technology: The Not-So-Simple Act of Casting a Ballot*. By Paul S. Herrnson, Richard G. Niemi, Michael J. Hanmer, Benjamin B. Bederson, Frederick C. Conrad and Michael W. Traugott. *Journal of Politics* 71(2): 765-766.

Kropf, Martha. 2005. Book review of *Polling and the Public: What Every Citizen Should Know*, by Herbert Asher. *Journal of Political Science Education*. 1(1).

Kropf, Martha. 2003. Book review of *Mediated Politics: Communication in the Future of Democracy*, Edited by W. Lance Bennett and Robert M. Entman. *Journal of Politics*, 65(3): 940-942.

Kropf, Martha. 1999. Book Review of *Reflections on Statistics: Learning, Teaching and Assessment in Grades K-12*, Edited by Susanne P. Lajoie. *Journal of Official Statistics*. 15(3): 466-468.

Grants/Contracts

“Collaborative Research: RAPID: Elections During Crises: The Effects of Hurricane Helene on Election Administration and Perceptions of Integrity in North Carolina.” **National Science Foundation** (with Erik Herron, Gina Branton, Herschel Thomas, and Dan Sledge). Total Grant: \$98,999; UNC Charlotte Share: \$31,233. October 2024-October 2025.

“Collaborative Research: RAPID: Elections During Crises: The Effects of Hurricane Helene on Election Administration and Perceptions of Integrity in North Carolina.” UNC Charlotte Supplemental Grant, Office of Research (with Erik Herron, Gina Branton, Herschel Thomas, and Dan Sledge). \$10,000. October 2024-October 2025.

“How Do Gender and Race Affect Campaign Strategies and Outcomes? A Computation Approach to Measure Communication Styles in Political Debates.” UNC Charlotte Faculty Research Grant (with Yaoyao Dai) \$16,000.

“The Information Landscape and Voters’ Understanding of RCV in Alaska.” Unite America, www.uniteamerica.org. (with Joseph Anthony, Anita Manion, and David C. Kimball.) \$18,310 (Kropf share, \$7,560.)

“Conference: 6th Annual Election Science, Research, and Administration,” (with Zach Mohr and Mary Jo McGowan). **National Science Foundation**, (Conference held July 27-29, 2022). (\$49,818).

“Using Data Science to Create Election Science.” (with Jason H. Windett and Samira Shaikh). Grant Program of the **MIT Election Data and Science Lab**, May 2019-May 2020. (\$20,000).

“Estimating Election Spending in the 50 States.” (with Zach Mohr, JoEllen Pope and Mary Jo Shepherd). Grant Program of the **MIT Election Data and Science Lab** (\$20,000).

“How Much Are We Spending on Election Administration?” (with Zach Mohr, JoEllen Pope and Mary Jo Shepherd). Grant Program of the **MIT Election Data and Science Lab** (\$19,895).

“Candidate-Splaining or Mansplaining? A Large-Scale Text Analysis of U.S. Senate Debates.” (with undergraduate student Emily Grassett). C-SPAN Foundation/Purdue University Grant (\$2,500 for research and travel).

The Impact of Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) on Campaign Cooperation and Civility in the United States, Fall 2013-Fall 2015; The Democracy Fund and Fairvote.org (\$295,000; Kropf share: \$6,000) with Caroline Tolbert, Todd Donovan and David C. Kimball.

Pilot Grant for Large Course Redesign, POLS 1110: American Politics. University of North Carolina at Charlotte; with Beth Whitaker, John Szmer, David Swindell and Eric Heberlig (\$25,000).

“Bureaucratic Discretion in Elections and Representative Democracy.” University of North Carolina-Charlotte Faculty Research Grant 2006; *Requested \$6,000; Awarded \$6,000*. Grant Period: January 15, 2007-May 30, 2008.

“Public Library Public Opinion Survey.” Kansas City, Missouri Public Library. Contract: \$7,075. This grant/contract funded the survey conducted by my class, “Survey Research and Analysis,” which was a service learning class at University of Missouri-Kansas City.

“Ballot Design and Unrecorded Votes.” **National Science Foundation**. Requested: \$133,882; Awarded: \$133,882. 2005, #SES-0453814 (with David C. Kimball).

“Issue Advocacy and Soft Money in the 2004 Presidential Election in Missouri.” Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy, Brigham Young University and the **Pew Charitable Trust Fund**. Award: \$8,450. (May 2004-February 2005). This award funds research concerning campaign activity in the presidential race in Missouri.

“Public Opinion Toward the Library in the Community.” Kansas City, Missouri Public Library. Contract: \$6,372. (January 2004-June 2004). This grant/contract funds the survey conducted by my class, “Survey Research and Analysis,” which was a service learning class at UMKC.

“Explaining Unrecorded Votes in Elections.” University of Missouri System Research Board Grant, Requested \$48,468, Awarded \$38,468 (with David C. Kimball).

"Issue Advocacy and Soft Money in the 2002 Missouri Senate Election." Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy, Brigham Young University and the **Pew Charitable Trust Fund**. Award: \$4400. (August 2002-February 2003). This award funds research concerning campaign activity in the Carnahan/Talent Senate race (with Dale A. Neuman).

"Kansas City Consensus Issue Identification Survey." University of Missouri-Kansas City, Center for the City, Faculty Knowledge Fund, Award: \$5,815. (January 2002-May 2002). This award provided the funding for a survey conducted by my class "Survey Research and Analysis" for the Kansas City Consensus, a policy research and advocacy group.

"Invalidated Ballots in the 1996 Presidential Election: A County-Level Analysis." University of Missouri-Kansas City Research Incentive Fund, Award: \$350. (April 2001). This award allowed me to purchase data for the voting equipment project.

“Issue Advocacy and Soft Money in the 2000 Missouri Senate and Presidential Elections.” Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy and the **Pew Charitable Trust Fund**, \$13,500, 1999-2000 (with Dale A. Neuman). (This award funded research concerning issue advocacy and soft money spending in the 2000 Missouri federal elections.)

“Viewers Like You: Community Norms and Contributions to Public Broadcasting, Part II.” Aspen Institution Nonprofit Sector Research Fund, Dissertation Grant, Award: \$5,915, January 1997-September 1997. (Grant #96-2-NSRF-06).

Reports and Monographs

Kropf, Martha. 2025. “North Carolina Funding and Transparency.” Report to the Edward M. Kennedy Library and Robert J. Dole Center Partnership “Bolstering Elections.”

Kropf, Martha and Emily Mikkelsen. 2024. "ElectionGuard 2023 Trial in College Park, Maryland." Presented to the City of College Park, January 8, 2024 (<https://civicdesign.org/reports/electionguard-in-college-park-maryland/>).

Kropf, Martha. 2020. "Report of the UNC Charlotte Voter Satisfaction Survey." Presented to the Mecklenburg County Election Board, January 6, 2020.

Kimball, David C., and Martha Kropf. 2017. Analysis of Overvotes in the 2016 California Senate Primary Election. Cambridge, MD: Center for Civic Design.

Kropf, Martha and Andreas LeFrank. 2015. "Voter Perceptions of Security and Fairness of Elections and the Implementation of Photo Identification Education in the 2014 General Election" Report prepared for Democracy North Carolina.

Kropf, Martha. The Impact of Ranked Choice Voting on Election Cooperation and Civility: Measuring Public Sentiment through a Content Analysis of Campaign-Related Communications." Grant Report, Year 2, Submitted to Fairvote.org, April 2015.

Kropf, Martha. 2014. "Voter Perceptions of Security and Fairness of Elections and the Implementation of Photo Identification Education in the 2014 North Carolina Primary". Report prepared for Democracy North Carolina.

Kropf, Martha. 2014. "The Impact of Ranked Choice Voting on Election Cooperation and Civility: Measuring Public Sentiment through a Content Analysis of Campaign-Related Communications." Grant Report, Years 1-2 Submitted to Fairvote.org, August 11, 2014 and April 2015.

Kimball, David and Martha Kropf. July 2010. Cumulative Voting Educational Program Exit Poll Report. Port Chester, NY. (Prepared for the Center for Voting and Democracy, Fairvote.org).

Kimball, David and Martha Kropf. 2007. "Viewpoint: Dos and Don'ts of Ballot Design." AEI/Brookings Election Reform Newsletter #38.

Kropf, Martha. 2006. *Should the Missouri State Legislature Consider Early Voting? Report 5-2006*. University of Missouri System.

Jones, E. Terrence, Martha Kropf, Laura Wiedlocher and Lindsay Battles. 2005. "The 2004 Missouri Senate Race." In *Dancing Without Partners: How Candidates, Parties and Interest Groups Interact in the New Campaign Finance Environment*, edited by David B. Magleby, J. Quin Monson and Kelly D. Patterson. Report of a Grant Funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts, Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy: Brigham Young University.

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Brady, Henry E., Guy-Uriel Charles, Benjamin Highton, Martha Kropf, Walter R. Mebane, Jr., and Michael Traugott. 2004. "Interim Report on Alleged Irregularities in the United States Presidential Election of 2 November 2004." The National Research Commission on Elections and Voting: A Project of the Social Sciences Research Council.

Kropf, Martha. 2004. "Question Wording and Context." in *Public Opinion and Polling Around the World: A Historical Encyclopedia, Volume 1*, (pp. 435-441). Edited by John G. Geer. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO.

Kropf, Martha. 2004. "Survey Methods." in *Public Opinion and Polling Around the World: A Historical Encyclopedia, Volume 1*, (pp. 468-474). Edited by John G. Geer. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO.

Jones, E. Terrence, Martha Kropf, Matt McLaughlin and Dale Neuman. 2003. "The Missouri Senate Race." In *The Last Hurrah: Soft Money and Issue Advocacy in the 2002 Congressional Elections*, edited by David B. Magleby and J. Quin Monson. Report of a Grant Funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts, Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy: Brigham Young University.

Kimball, David and Martha Kropf. 2002. "Federal Election Reform Bill Will Require Action by Missouri." Missouri Legislative Academy Issue Brief, #02-02.

Kropf, Martha, Jennifer Wilding and Valley Renshaw. 2002. "Kansas City Consensus Issue Identification Survey." Grant Report to Center for the City, University of Missouri Kansas City and Kansas City Consensus.

Kropf, Martha, Anthony Simones, E. Terrence Jones, Dale Neuman, Allison Hayes, and Maureen Gilbride Mears. 2001. "The 2000 Missouri Senate Race," in *Soft Money and Issue Advocacy in the 2000 Congressional Elections*, edited by David B. Magleby. Report of a Grant Funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts, Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy: Brigham Young University. See also Kropf, Martha E., Anthony Simones, E. Terrence Jones, Dale Neuman, Allison Hayes and Maureen Gilbride Mears). "The 2000 Missouri Senate Race." *PS Online*, <<http://www.apsanet.org/PS/june01/kropf.cfm>> June 2001. Abstract reprinted in *PS: Political Science and Politics*, September 2001, p. 600.

Jones, E. Terrence, Martha Kropf and Dale Neuman. 2001. "The Presidential Primaries in Missouri," in *Getting Inside the Outside Campaign: Issue Advocacy in the 2000 Presidential Primaries*, edited by David B. Magleby. Report of a Grant Funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts, Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy: Brigham Young University. See also Jones, Terrence E., Martha Kropf, Dale Neuman, Maureen Gilbride and Chris Elkin "The Presidential Primaries in Missouri." *PS Online*, <<http://www.apsanet.org/PS/june01/jones.cfm>> June 2001. Abstract reprinted in *PS: Political Science and Politics*, June 2001, p.271.

Robinson, John P. and Martha Kropf. 1999. "Specialized Political Attitude Scales." Appendix to Chapter 1 of *Measures of Political Attitudes*, edited by John P. Robinson, Phillip R. Shaver, and Lawrence S. Wrightsman, The Academic Press.

Conference Presentations (past five years)

"Understanding What Voters Know - and Don't - About Elections: A project by researchers at Connecticut College, the McCourt School of Public Policy, California State University Fresno and the University of North Carolina, Charlotte." Lighting Talk Presented with Lisa Bryant, Thessalia Merivaki, and Mara Suttman-Lea. Presented at the 2026 Election Verification Network meeting, March 20, 2026, New York University, Washington, DC.

"Voter Access and Election Integrity: Perceptions of Procedural Legitimacy After Hurricane Helene." Paper presented at the 2026 Southern Political Science Association, Conference within a Conference. January 2026 (with Gina Brandon, Eric Herron, Dan Sledge, and Herschel F. Thomas).

“Language, Gender, and Politics in Campaigning.” Paper presented at the 2025 American Political Science Association Meeting, September 14, 2025 (with Hanif Sajid and Yaoyao Dai).

“Voter Access and Election Integrity After Hurricane Helene.” Paper Presented at the 2025 American Political Science Association, September 13, 2025 (with Gina Brandon, Eric Herron, Dan Sledge, and Herschel F. Thomas).

“Blame Attribution After Disaster.” Paper presented at the 2025 Southern Political Science Association, January 9-11 (with Daniel Sledge, Herschel F. Thomas, Regina Branton, and Erk Herron). Also presented at the 2025 Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, PR, January 2025.

“What Do I Need to Know? Exploring the Relationship Between Election Official Communication, Election Knowledge, and Voter Confidence.” Paper presented at the 2025 Southern Political Science Association, January 9-11 (with Thessalia Merivaki and Mara Suttman-Lea).

“Does Leslie Knope Make More Than Election Directors? Analysis of Election and Other County Directors in North Carolina Counties.” Paper presented at the 2025 Southern Political Science Association, January 9-11 (with Mary Jo McGowan, Robert Hines, and Zachary T. Mohr). Also presented at the 2025 Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, PR, January 2025 and the 9th Annual Election Science Reform, and Administration conference, Gainesville, FL.

“Hiding From Hate: The Effect of Hate Crimes on Vote Mode.” Paper presented at the 2024 American Political Science Association Meeting, September 7, 2024 (with Regina Branton). Also presented at the 2024 Southern Political Science Association Meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 10-13, 2024. Also presented at the Brennan Center Racial Turnout Gap Convening, March 11-12, 2024.

“Building an Informed Citizenry, Starting with Elections: Do Election Official Communications Increase Americans’ Knowledge About Who Can Vote, When, and How?” Paper presented for the 2024 Election Science Research and Administration Conference, University of Southern California, May 16-17, 2024 (with Thessalia Merivaki and Mara Suttman-Lea). Also presented at the University of Konstanz, New Topics in Modern Electoral Research, June 17, 2024, Konstanz, Germany.

“They Don’t Pay Me Enough for This! Examining the Partisan Influences on Election Directors Salaries in North Carolina from 2006-2021. Does Politics Pay for Elections?” Paper presented at the 2024 Election Science Research and Administration Conference, University of Southern California, May 16-17, 2024 (with Mary Jo McGowan and Zachary T. Mohr).

“The Effect of Hate Crimes on Vote Mode.” Paper prepared for The Racial Turnout Gap in the 21st Century Conference. The Brennan Center for Justice, March 11-12, 2024 (with Regina Branton).

“The Interactive Effect of COVID and Hate Crimes on Vote Mode.” Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Meeting, January 12, 2024, New Orleans, LA (with Regina Branton).

“How Do Election Administration Expenditures Affect Election Outcomes?” Presented at the Brennan Center for Justice at New York University, August 25, 2023 (authored with Zach Mohr and Mary Jo McGowan). Also presented at the Benjamin F. Shambaugh Conference at the University of Iowa, “The Risks and Opportunities of the 2024 Election.” November 3-4, 2023.

“Election Administration Spending in Local Election Jurisdictions: Examining the Factors that Influence Costs in 48 States.” Paper Presented at the 7th Annual Election Science, Reform, and Administration Conference, University of Georgia, Athens, GA (with Zach Mohr and Mary Jo McGowan).

“Buffeted Not Bulldozed: Lessons Learned from the Pandemic Elections of 2020.” Paper Presented at the 7th Annual Election Science, Reform, and Administration Conference, University of Georgia, Athens, GA (with Dari Tran).

“The Information Landscape and Voters’ Understanding of RCV in Alaska.” Paper Presented at the 7th Annual Election Science, Reform, and Administration Conference, University of Georgia, Athens, GA (with Joseph Anthony, Anita Marion and David Kimball).

“They Don’t Pay Me Enough for This: Does Politics Pay for Elections?” Paper Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Meeting, St. Pete’s Beach, Florida, January 2023 (with Mary Jo McGowan and Zach Mohr).

Roundtable participant, “HAVA at 20: The Past, Present, and Future of Election Reform in the United States.” American Political Science Association Meeting, September 16, 2022, Montréal, Canada.

“Can Electoral Expenditures Help Explain Voter Confidence?” Paper presented at the Pre-APSA Workshop EIP Workshop: Challenges of Electoral Integrity in America. September 14, 2022, Montréal Canada (with Zachary T. Mohr and Mary Jo McGowan).

“A Republic if You Can Afford It. How Much Does It Cost to Administer an Election?” Poster presented at the 5th Annual Election Sciences, Reform, and Administration Conference, Virtual Conference, July 19-21, 2021 (with Zachary T. Mohr, Mary Jo McGowan, and JoEllen Pope).

“Using Data Science to Create Election Science.” Research presented at the 5th Annual Election Sciences, Reform, and Administration Conference, Virtual Conference, July 19-21, 2021 (with Jason Windett and Samira Shaikh).

“Guns or Butter... or Elections? Understanding intertemporal and distributive dimensions of policy choice through the examination of budgetary tradeoffs at the local level.” Paper presented at the Virtual Conference of the Electoral Integrity Project: Delivering Trusted Elections: New Challenges in Electoral Integrity, July 5-9, 2021 (with Mary Jo McGowan, Zachary Mohr, and JoEllen Pope).

Expert Testimony

Offered Declaration in *Voto Latino, et al. v. Alan Hirsch*. November/December 2023 (Offered on behalf of the plaintiffs in a case involving the Undeliverable Mail Provision in North Carolina S.B.747).

Testified before the Presidential Commission on Election Administration Public Meeting, September 19, 2013, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Offered Affidavit in *Working Families, et. al v. New York City Board of Elections* on behalf of the plaintiff (asked to participate by the Brennan Center for Justice, who was representing the plaintiff). (Summer 2003; case settled out of court. The NYC Board of Elections disabled the sensor latches on lever voting machines. The plaintiffs asked the Election Board to reconnect them.)

Offered Affidavit, Deposition and Testimony in *Stewart v. Blackwell*, Ohio, on behalf of the plaintiffs, represented by the ACLU. (2003-2004. In this lawsuit, the plaintiffs asked that the state and four counties to stop using punchcard ballots and optical scan voting equipment with central count ballots. Judge ruled in favor of state; part overturned on appeal, April 2006.)

Testified before the Blunt Commission on Electoral Reform, January 12, 2001, Hearings held at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Honors

North Carolina Political Science Association Oral Parks Memorial Award for *Best Faculty Paper, 2025* (“Does Leslie Knope Make More Than Election Directors? Analysis of Election and Other County Directors in North Carolina Counties.” (with Mary Jo McGowan, Robert Hines, and Zachary T. Mohr).

UNC Charlotte Senior Nominee for the Carnegie Fellowship, November 2024.

North Carolina Political Science Association Oral Parks Memorial Award for *Best Faculty Paper, 2018* (“Does Politics Influence Election Administration Expenditure? A Political Model of Election Administration Expenditure in North Carolina Counties.”) With Zachary T. Mohr, JoEllen V. Pope and Mary Jo (Shepherd) McGowan.

University of Missouri-Kansas City Faculty Scholar Award, 2004

University of Missouri System New Faculty Teaching Scholar, 2001-2002

Meriwether Lewis Fellow, University of Missouri-Kansas City, May 2001

Selected for New Faculty Tour (University of Missouri System), 2000

American University Award for Outstanding Scholarship at the Graduate Level (1998)

American University School of Public Affairs Award for Outstanding Scholarship at the Graduate Level (1998)

American University Dissertation Fellowship (1996)

American University Dean's Scholar (1993-1996)

Kansas State University: Phi Beta Kappa, Pi Sigma Alpha, Mortar Board National Honor Society, Order of Omega

Professional Memberships

Association for Election Science, Reform, and Administration. Steering Committee, 2022-present.

- Program Committee Chair and Host Committee Chair for conference in Charlotte, NC, 2022.
- Program Committee (2019)
- Founding Member
- Task Force for the Future of AESRA (2024-2025)

American Political Science Association (1993-present).

State Politics and Policy Section, American Political Science Association

- Lifetime Achievement Award Committee, 2018-2019
- Enduring Contribution Award Committee, 2025

North Carolina Political Science Association (Secretary, 2011-12; Treasurer, 2012-2014; **President, 2014-2015**; Past President, 2015-2016; Oral Parks Best Faculty Paper Committee Chair, 2016-17;

Conference Organizer, North Carolina Political Science Association, February 2015).

Southern Political Science Association

- **Vice-President** (2025-2031; I will be Program Chair for the 2027 Conference and President of SPSA 2029-2030)
- 2025 Program Committee, Public Policy
- Diane Blair Award Committee, 2021-22
- Nominating Committee, 2011
- Best Paper Award Committee, 2016-2017
- **Executive Council**, 2018-2021
- Site Selection Committee for 2023 Conference, 2018
- Organized “New Voices in Election Administration Conference within a Conference” within 2019 Conference)

Midwest Political Science Association, Member.

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, 2015-2020 (Communications Committee, 2017; Doctoral Education and Employment Committee, 2018).

Professional Service

External Reviewer, Wayne State University Department of Political Science (Five member team featuring three internal and two external reviewers; included campus visit on February 12, 2025).
Review Completed March 24, 2025

Editorial Board Member

Founding Board Member, *The Journal of Election Administration Research and Practice*, 2021-present
Social Science Quarterly, 2020-present
Election Law Journal, 2013-present.
Founding Board Member, JETS—*USENIX Journal of Election Technology and Systems* (-2016).

Outside Evaluator for University of Missouri-St. Louis Senior Seminar Research Papers (2014, 2015, 2016)

Tenure & Promotion File Reviews: 2009 (2); 2013 (1); 2016 (1); 2017 (2); 2018 (3); 2019 (1); 2020 (1); 2021 (1); 2022 (3); 2023 (3); 2024 (2).

Poster Presentation of my National Science Foundation Political Section-Funded Research at the Coalition for National Science Funding Event, May 7, 2013. [Presented “Better Ballot Design” (results of Kimball and Kropf NSF Research)] and visited with North Carolina Congressional Delegation members about NSF Funding

Reviewer for *Electoral Studies*, *Politics, Groups and Identities*, *Political Studies Review*, *The Journal of Election Research and Practice*, *Urban Studies*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *American Political Science Review*, *Journal of Politics*, *American Politics Review*, *Social Sciences Quarterly*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *State and Local Government Review*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Mass Communication and Society*, *Public Administration Review*, *Journal of Public Administration Research & Theory*, *Public Performance and Management Review*, *Government Information Quarterly*, *European Journal of Political Economy*

Reviewer for Brookings Institution, Palgrave, Routledge, Sage Publications, Cambridge University Press, Prentice Hall, Oxford University Press, University Press of Kansas, and Lynne Rienner Publications

Reviewer for University of Missouri System Research Board Grants

National Science Foundation grant reviewer

Elections Service

Guest Host, Election Community Network Monthly Meeting, May 14, 2026.

Presenter, “Election Administration Spending in Local Election Jurisdiction,” August 23, 2024, The Elections Group. <https://electionsgroup.com/election-administration-spending/>. (Pro-bono).

Presenter, “Building an Informed Electorate Starting with Elections.” <https://electionsgroup.com/building-an-informed-citizenry-webinar/>, The Elections Group, July 26, 2024. (The Elections Group is a non-profit consulting firm that supports local election officials). (Pro-bono).

Panelist, “Does Ranked Choice Voting Help or Hurt?” The Federalist Society, May 23, 2024, <https://fedsoc.org/events/does-ranked-choice-voting-help-or-hurt>. (pro-bono).

ElectionGuard Pilot Test Evaluation, Fall 2022 and Fall 2023.

Member, Bipartisan Policy Center and The Elections Group Election Workforce Taskforce. September 2023-present.

Social Science Advisory Panel, Brennan Center for Justice, August 2023-present.

Steering Committee, Commission on the Future of Elections in North Carolina. March 2023-February 2025 (unveiling event October 9, 2023).

Co-Editor, Special Issue of *Election Law Journal*, Papers from the 2022 Election Science, Research, and Administration Conference (published June 2023 with additional articles to appear in December 2023).

American Political Science Association Election Assistance and Policy Standing Committee (July 2022-2024). Subcommittee on Communication, Chair.

Program Committee Co- Chair and Host Committee Chair, 6th Annual Election Science, Reform, and Administration Conference, Charlotte, NC, July 27-29, 2022.

Invited Panelist, Duke Science & Society Program’s Coronavirus Conversations. “Conducting Elections During a Pandemic.” June 26, 2020.

Invited Panelist, “Voting Rights: The History and Present.” 19th Amendment Centennial Commemoration Statewide Kickoff, A commemoration of the 100-year anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment from an Iowa perspective. February 14, 2020. Iowa State University.

Guest Editor, *American Politics Research* Symposium on Election Science (Published, Fall 2020).

Program Committee, Election Science, Reform, and Administration Conference, 2020, University of Pennsylvania.

Organized Conference within a Conference at the Southern Political Science Association, 2019. “New Voices in Election Administration.”

Conference Discussant, 1st Annual Election Science, Reform and Administration Conference, Portland, Oregon, July 27-28, 2017.

Panel of Scholars Presentation, The Election Center (Election Official Professional Training February 16, 2017, Savannah, Georgia (invited panel).

Voter Experience Survey for the Mecklenburg County, NC Election Board. November 2016, November 2018, and November 2024 (organized exit polling administration and analysis; assisted with questionnaire design)

Exit Polling Questionnaire Design and Analysis, Democracy North Carolina (2014 Primary and General Election, 2016 Primary and General Election.)

Discussant, Measures of Elections Conference, June 18-19, 2012, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, MA.

Election Assistance Commission, Grant Reviewer, “2010 Voting System Pre-Election Logic and Accuracy/Testing & Post-Election Audit Initiative” (Spring 2011).

Fairvote.org, Summer 2010. Exit Survey Consultation and Analysis. Designed Survey, Trained interviewers and Analyzed Data for Port Chester, NY Voting Rights Act case on Cumulative Voting.

Member, Brennan Center for Justice Task Force on Ballot Design (2008)

Consulted on report: *Better Ballots*, released July 20, 2008

Presented Better Ballot report to Iowa State Association of County Auditors, July 31, 2008.

Member, Peer Review Group for Report Prepared for the Election Assistance Commission by the Eagleton Institute of Politics, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey with the Moritz College of Law, The Ohio State University. “Providing Research Assistance to the Election Assistance Commission for the Development of Voluntary Guidance on Provisional Voting and Voter Identification Procedures.” (September 2005-May 2006).

Member, Post-2004 Working Group on Election Reform, Organized by The Century Foundation. 2005. Produced Century Foundation Report, *Balancing Access and Integrity: The Report of the Century Foundation Working Group on State Implementation of Election Reform*. The Century Foundation Press: New York.

Member, National Research Commission on Elections and Voting, Organized by Social Science Research Council, 2004-2005.

Participant, Democracy Audit Feasibility Study, sponsored by the Brennan Center for Justice and the Joyce Foundation, 2004-2005.

Data Analysis for “By the People.” National deliberative democracy experiment held in various locations around the nation. Organized data entry and conducted data analysis for KCPT-TV, Kansas City’s PBS affiliate, January 2004.

University Service

University of North Carolina-Charlotte

Chair, Search Committee, Energy Policy (Assistant or Associate). College of Humanities, Earth, and Social Sciences, 2025-2026.

College of Humanities, Earth, and Social Sciences Faculty Development Award Committee (Fall-2024-Spring 2027).

Phi Beta Kappa (Founding Member UNC Charlotte Chapter). Members in Course Committee 2022-2024. (Selection Committee).

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Review Committee, Fall 2018-Spring 2020 (College Promotion & Tenure Committee); Co-Chair, 2019-2020.

Political Science & Public Administration, Department Review Committee

- Current member, 2023-.
- Chair, Fall 2024-Spring 2025
- Filled in for faculty on-leave, Fall 2017.
- Chair, August 2010-January 2011

Shepherded a \$40,000 gift from a local Charlotte business; contribution for course development and teaching for Public Policy/Urban Studies (2016-2017)

Director, Public Policy Ph.D. Program, July 2015-June 2018

ADVANCE Program, New Faculty Mentor, 2012-present.

Member, Committee to provide Comprehensive Review of Political Science Chair, 2014

Personally Speaking, Public Lecture presented concerning book: *Helping America Vote: The Limits of Election Reform*. March 20, 2014, University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Chair, Search Committee, Gender and Politics, Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Fall 2013.

Member, Search Committee Rauch Distinguished Professorship, Department of Political Science and Public, 2013-2014.

Member, Search Committee, Political Science & Public Administration Chair Selection, Spring 2012.

Alternate, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Faculty Council, August 2010-August 2011.

Faculty Employment Status Committee

- Member, August 2009-July 2010.
- Alternate, July 2010-2011.

Public Policy Ph.D. Service

- Qualifying Exam Committee, August 2007- January 2019; Fall 2022-present.

- Admissions Committee, 2013-2018.

Member, Search Committee, Arts Administration Assistant/Associate position, Fall 2007.

University of Missouri-Kansas City Service

Students in the City Steering Committee (Service Learning guidance), October 2003-May 2006 (Helped Select Service Learning Faculty Fellows for 2004, 2005)

Selection Committee, Center for the City Faculty Knowledge Fund Grants, 2002-2003

Search Committee, Research Director Joint Hire, College of Arts and Sciences and Center for the City, December 2002-May 2003.

Search Committee, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, October 2001-March 2002.

UMKC Faculty Council on Urban Affairs, May 2001-January 2006.

University of Missouri System New Faculty Teaching Scholar, 2001-2002.

University Honors and Awards Advisory Board, 2002-2006.
(Soros Scholarship and Truman Scholarship Selection Committees)

UMKC Urban Mission Task Force, 2000-2006.

Community Service (Other than Election-Related)

Regular interviews/appearances in/on local, national and international media outlets

League of Women Voters, Research Presentations (all presentations pro-bono) •Redistricting in North Carolina, October 14, 2021. •Gerrymandering, July 19, 2017. •“Process Over Politics.” NC State Convention, June 2, 2013. • “National Popular Vote Versus The Electoral College.” Debate for the Charlotte/Mecklenburg League, January 19, 2013. “Redistricting”, April 22, 2011. “Voting Rights and Wrongs”, September 15, 2011.

Survey/Statistical Consultant for Kansas City Consensus (2005-2008).

- Preparing and Analyzing Survey for Washington County, OR Public Libraries (December 2008-June 2009).
- Helped prepare and analyze two surveys for Scott County, Iowa Libraries’ “Libraries Together” Project, February 2005-January 2006.
- Kansas City Research Focus Groups held to analyze Kansas City web page efforts to document research about the City (Summer 2006).
- State of Washington Libraries Strategic Planning. Helped to prepare and analyze surveys of library patrons and staff (November 2006-February 2007).

“Public Opinion Toward the Library in the Community.” Survey conducted for the Kansas City Public Library as a part of my Survey Research and Analysis Class, Spring 2004, Spring 2006.

Mid-America Regional Council Public Managers’ Workshops. Helped organize and lead “Political Characteristics of Metropolitan Kansas City.” November 2003 & 2004.

“Issue Identification Survey.” Conducted for Kansas City Consensus as a part of my Survey Research and

Analysis Class. Spring 2002.

Courses Taught

University of North Carolina-Charlotte

Evaluating Elections Using Exit Polls, Service Learning (2018; 2024)
Senior Seminar in Election Administration (2014, 2017, 2019, 2020, 2021; 2025; 2026) (Podcasts, 2026;
Service Learning preparing research portfolios for the Commission on the Future of Elections in
North Carolina in 2023. Podcasts on election issues, 2025.)
Ph.D. Public Policy Professionalization Seminar (2015, 2016, 2017)
Advisor, Senior Honors Theses Projects
Advisor, Senior Theses Projects
American Politics (introductory)
Introduction to Public Policy (Process) (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
Political Science Research Methods (upper-level; various semesters)
Public Opinion (service learning component in Fall 2008; 2020, 2021, 2022, 2024, 2026)
Voting and Elections (offered on-line Summer 2012-2020; Spring 2021, 2024; Fall 2022-2026)
Mass Media (upper-level undergraduate; 2008-2013; filled in for faculty on FMLA Spring 2026)
Research Design in Public Policy (Ph.D. Level) (2006-2012; 2015-17; 2022-2026)
Policy Process I (Ph.D. Level; 2013-2014, 2018-2019)

University of Missouri-Kansas City

Advisor, Senior Thesis projects
American Government (introductory)
Public Policy (junior level)
Urban Politics (Service learning component often included; undergraduate and graduate)
Public Opinion and Voting Behavior (Service learning component included once)
Political Research and Analysis (required political research methods; twice each year)
Survey Research and Analysis (students designed, administered and analyzed a public opinion survey for
a community client; alternative to required political research class that I designed)

Thesis/Dissertation Committees

- Chair, Emily Mikkelson. (Ph.D. conferred December, 2025). “Shaping the Experience of Citizenship: Examining the Durability of Child Policy Feedback into Adulthood.” Public Policy Ph.D. Program.
- Committee Member, Victoria Lee, January 2025-present. “Political Rhetoric of Choice in Women’s Reproductive Rights.” Public Policy Ph.D. Program.
- Graduate School Representative, Gideon Cunningham. April 2025-present. “Marijuana Policy in the United States and the New Four P’s: Public Opinion, Public Preferences, Policy Goal Prioritization, and Policy Tradeoffs.”
- Graduate School Representative, Krista Engemann, 2022-2023 (Ph.D. conferred 2023). “Safety, Reliability, and “That Magic Second”: A Grounded Practical Investigation of Dilemmatic Talk in Pit Crews’ Post-Competition Debriefs.” Organizational Science Ph.D. Program.
- Supervised MA Capstone in American Studies, Olivia Warner, “Former Felons: Their Take on Voting in the United States.” Degree conferred January 2021.
- Member, Cayce Jamil (Ph.D. conferred 2023). University of North Carolina at Charlotte Public Policy Ph.D., “Neutralizing Performance Expectations in Mixed-Sex Groups using Vocal Accommodation Theory.”
- Chair, Mary Jo Shepherd. (Ph.D. conferred August 2014). University of North Carolina at Charlotte. “‘BRCA: Before Campaigning Retain an Attorney’: An Institutional Study of Campaign Finance Statutes and Candidate Decisions.”

****Dissertation Awarded the UNC Charlotte Graduate Dean’s Distinguished*

Dissertation Award, 2016.

****Published book: Campaign Finance Complexity: Before Campaigning Retain an Attorney, Lanham: Lexington Books.*

- Committee member, Holly Whisman, Ph.D. conferred 2014. “Regional Councils and the Influence of State Laws on Regional Governance.”
- Chair, John Holder. (Ph.D. conferred 2013). “A Brief Glimpse of Blue: Examining the Participation and Political Effects of 21st Century Election Reform in North Carolina.”
- Chair, Elizabeth Wemlinger, (Ph.D. conferred 2011), University of North Carolina at Charlotte “A Woman in a Man’s World: The Effects of Women’s Representation on Public Policy.”
- Derek Morrell. M.A. in Geography. “Roll-Off in Charlotte: A Study on Demographic and Ballot Structure Effects on Voting Behavior.” (Graduated: Summer 2010).
- Tom Vansaghi, Ph.D. Committee, Co-Chair (Degree granted: December 2008), University of Missouri-Kansas City “Leadership Style and Effectiveness in the Missouri House of Representatives.”
- Heather Yates, Member, M.A. Committee, (Graduated: Fall 2004), University of Missouri-Kansas City, “Fickle Fellows: An Examination of the Campaign Relationships Between Candidates and the State Party Organizations in Kansas and Missouri.”