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## Academic Positions

Department of Politics, New York University  
Associate Professor, 2008-  
Assistant Professor, 2001-2008

ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan  
Instructor, 2003-

Department of Political Science, Ohio State University  
Assistant Professor, 2001

## Education

University of Rochester  
*Ph.D., Political Science, 2001*  
*M.A., Political Science, 1997*

*Fields:* Positive Political Economy, American Politics, Statistical Methodology

*Dissertation:* “The Political Economy of Emerging Property Rights”

Winner of the American Political Science Association Mancur Olson Prize  
for the best dissertation in political economy

California Institute of Technology  
*B.S., Economics, 1993*

## Fellowships, Grants and Awards

- Michael Wallerstein Award for the best published article in political economy, APSA, 2007
- Mancur Olson Prize for best dissertation in political economy, APSA, 2001
- Invited Participant, Workshop in Mathematical Models of Individual and Public Choice, NSF and the Institute for Mathematical Studies in Social Behavioral Sciences, UC Irvine, 2000
- Mershon Center Grant “Conference on Formal Models of Constitutional Design,” 2000
- Mabel Beckman Prize, Caltech, 1993
- The Robert L. Noland Award, Caltech, 1992

- The Deans' Cup, Caltech, 1991
- The ARCS/Kingsley Scholarship for Excellence in Space Research, Caltech, 1991

## Publications and Working Papers

“Cognition and Strategy: A Deliberation Experiment” (with Dimitri Landa and Eric Dickson). *Journal of Politics*, forthcoming.

“Public Protection and Private Extortion” (with Ethan Bueno de Mesquita). *Economics and Politics*, 20 (1), 2008.

“Consumption or Investment? Campaign Contributions and the Structure of Executive Compensation” (with Sanford Gordon and Dimitri Landa). *Journal of Politics* 69 (4), 2007.

“Public Goods in Federal Systems” (with Dimitri Landa). *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 2 (3), 2007.

“Corporate Influence and the Regulatory Mandate” (with Sanford Gordon). *Journal of Politics* 69 (2), 2007.

“Deliberation as Self-Discovery and the Institutions for Political Speech” (with Dimitri Landa). *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 19 (3), 2007.

“On the Origins of Property Rights: Conflict and Production in the State of Nature.” *Review of Economic Studies* 73 (February, 2006), pp. 1-25.

“Flexing Muscle: Corporate Political Expenditures as Signals to the Bureaucracy” (with Sanford Gordon). *American Political Science Review* 99 (May 2005), 245-261.

“Deliberation and Social Polarization” (with Dimitri Landa). R&R, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*.

Review of *The Power of Institutions: Political Architecture and Governance*. *Comparative Political Studies* 38, 2005: 104-107.

“Near-infrared Color Maps and Images of Arp 220” (with J. Mazzarella et al.). *The Astronomical Journal*. January 1991.

“War of Attrition with Communication.”

“Majoritarian Debate” (with Dimitri Landa).

“Equality for the Sake of Efficiency: Economic Implications of Unequal Protection of Property Rights” (with Kevin E. Davis).

“The Rule of Good (and Bad) Law.”

“Contracting with the Powerful: the Politico-Economic Foundations of Feudalism.”

## Work in Progress

*Regulation and Lobbying* (book manuscript with Sanford Gordon).

*Reason and Argument: How Citizens (Fail to) Deliberate About Politics* (book manuscript with Dimitri Landa and Eric Dickson).

“Contests over Authority.”

“Uncertainty over Bias and the Success of Mediation in Standoff” (with Leslie Johns).

“Rules of Debate” (with Dimitri Landa).

“A Theory of Corporate Lobbying Coalitions,” with Sanford Gordon.

## Invited Talks and Presentations

UC Berkeley Workshop on Endogenous Institutions and Political Conflict, 2007

Kellogg School of Business Conference on Conflict and Cooperation, 2006

Harvard-Princeton Conference on Political Institutions and Economic Policy, 2006

Princeton University Conference on Deliberative Democracy, 2006

MIT, 2005

New York University Law School Conference on Modeling Law, 2005

Northwestern University Conference of Deliberation and Collective Choice, 2005

Columbia University, 2002, 2005

Stanford University Graduate School of Business, 2004

Princeton University, 2004

University of Chicago, 2004

Northwestern University, Kellogg School of Business (CMS-EMS), 2002, 2004

Washington University, Saint Louis, 2000, 2004

Carnegie Mellon University, 2004

Brown University, 2004

Caltech Conference on Constitutions, 2003

New York University, Law School, 2002

University of California, Berkeley, 2001

## Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association, 1999-2005, 2007

American Law and Economics Association, 2005

Society for Economic Dynamics, 2003, 2005  
Game Theory Society World Congress, 2004  
Econometric Society, 2000, 2003  
European Economic Association, 2003  
Association for Public Economic Theory, 2002  
Society for Social Choice and Welfare, 2000  
Midwest Political Science Association, 1997, 1999-2007  
Public Choice Society, 1999, 2001

## Professional Service

- Political Economy section organizer, APSA 2008
  - Formal Theory section organizer, 2008
  - Member of the APSA Mancur Olson Prize Committee, 2003-2006
  - Co-organizer, Joint Politics/Economics Seminar Series in Political Economy, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, 2001-2003, 2005, 2006
  - Member, Faculty of Arts and Sciences Academic Discipline Committee, 2005-2006
  - Member, Graduate Admissions Committee, Dept. of Politics, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, 2001-2003
  - Member, Curriculum Committee, Dept. of Politics, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, 2001-2003
  - Organizer, Conference on Formal Theories of Constitutional Design, MERSHON CENTER, May 2001
  - Manuscript Reviewer:
    - American Economic Review*
    - American Journal of Political Science*
    - American Political Science Review*
    - Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*
    - Journal of Politics*
    - Journal of Public Economic Theory*
    - Journal of Theoretical Politics*
    - Political Analysis*
    - Review of Economic Studies*
    - Quarterly Journal of Political Science*
    - The Economic Journal*
    - The BE Journal of Theoretical Economics*
- Cambridge University Press  
National Science Foundation

## Dissertation Committees:

Leslie Johns (co-chair)  
Jinny Bang (chair)

# Courses Taught

## **Graduate:**

- Political Economy Core Seminar
- Game Theory I
- Game Theory II
- Theory of Political Institutions
- Mathematics for Political Scientists

## **Undergraduate:**

- Political Economy of Institutions
- Politics, Policy, and Economic Development
- Senior Honors Seminar
- Techniques of Political Analysis