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Education

Ph.D.	University of Virginia	1980
M.A.	Northern Illinois University	1977
B.A.	Kenyon College	1970

Professional Experience

Washington and Lee University, Department of Politics. William Lyne Wilson Professor of Politics and Department Head. Primary teaching responsibilities in international relations, American foreign policy, and the presidency (1989 to present).

Randolph P. Compton Visiting Professor of Public Affairs at the Miller Center, University of Virginia (1994-95).

APSA Congressional Fellow. Worked in the offices of Congressman Lee H. Hamilton and Senator Richard G. Lugar (1988-89).

Tulane University, Department of Political Science. Primary teaching responsibilities in international relations and American foreign policy (1981 to 1988).

Research Associate at the Miller Center of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia (1981-82).

Leverhulme Visiting Fellow, University College of Wales, Aberystwyth (1980-81).

Awards and Honors

Congressional Fellowship, American Political Science Association (1988-89).

Outstanding Advisor Award, Arts and Sciences, Tulane University (1985-86).

Student Senate Teaching Award, Tulane University (1984-85).

Publications

Books

Decisions and Dilemmas, 2nd ed. (M. E. Sharpe, forthcoming).

Working in the World: Jimmy Carter and the Making of American Foreign Policy (Louisiana State University Press, 2000).

Decisions and Dilemmas: Case Studies in Presidential Foreign Policy Making (Prentice Hall, 1992).

Bureaucracy and Statesmanship: Henry Kissinger and the Making of American Foreign Policy (University Press of America, 1986).

Articles, Book Chapters and Review Essays

“Eisenhower, Reagan and Escaping the Dilemmas of Deterrence,” *White House Studies*, (January 2004).

“Jimmy Carter and the Neutron Bomb: The Making of an Indecision,” in *The President, The Bureaucracy, and World Regions in Arms Control* edited by Kenneth W. Thompson (University Press of America, 1998).

“Clinton’s Complexities,” *Miller Center Journal* (Spring 1996).

- “Arms Control and the Presidency in the Nuclear Age,” in *Presidents and Arms Control* ed. Kenneth W. Thompson (University Press of America, 1994).
- “Anecdote and Evidence: Jimmy Carter's Annapolis Address on U.S.-Soviet Relations,” *Miller Center Journal* (Spring 1994).
- “October Surprises,” *Intelligence and National Security* (April 1993).
- “Jimmy Carter and the Panama Canal Treaties,” *Presidential Studies Quarterly* (Spring 1991).
- “Edward Luttwak and Strategy in the 1980s,” in *Trends in Contemporary Conservative Thought* ed. Mark J. Rozell and James F. Pontuso (Westview Press, 1990).
- “The History of Nuclear Futures,” *Arms Control* (May 1989).
- “Winston Churchill and War in the Twentieth Century,” in *Moral Reasoning and Statecraft* ed. Reed Davis (University Press of America, 1988).
- “Iran-Contra and the 1988 Election,” *Dialogue* (Fall 1988).
- “Richard Nixon Revisited,” *The Virginia Quarterly Review* (Summer 1988).
- “The Carter Administration and the Neutron Bomb,” jointly authored with Marshal Zeringue, *Southeastern Political Science Review* (Spring 1988).
- “Alexis de Tocqueville and the Abolition of Slavery,” *Slavery and Abolition* (September 1987).
- “Missile Defense and Political Language,” in *Institutions and Leadership: Prospects for the Future*, ed. Kenneth W. Thompson (University Press of America, 1987).
- “Eisenhower and Arms Control,” in *Reevaluating Eisenhower: American Foreign Policy in the Fifties* ed. Richard Melanson and David Mayer (University of Illinois Press, 1987).
- “Recapturing Leadership: The Carter Administration and the Crisis of Confidence,” *Presidential Studies Quarterly* (Fall 1986).
- “Reading and Misreading Presidents,” *Teaching Political Science* (Spring 1985).
- “Nuclear Protest in Britain and America,” *Arms Control* (September 1983).
- “Locke and American Values,” in *Political Traditions and Contemporary Problems*, ed. Kenneth W. Thompson (University Press of America, 1982).
- “The Nuclear Weapon States: Why They Went Nuclear,” in *Nuclear Proliferation in the 1980s* ed. Christoph Bertram and William Kincaid, (St. Martin's, 1982). Reprinted in *Dialogue* (Spring 1991).
- “The Trouble With SALT,” *Arms Control* (December 1980).

Op-Eds, Book Reviews and Encyclopedia Entries

- The Camp David Accords, The Panama Canal Treaties, The Iranian Hostage Crisis, SALT, *Encyclopedia of the American Presidency*, Michael A. Genovese, ed., Facts on File, 2004.
- Review of *Jimmy Carter*, American Experience Video produced by Adriana Bosch, *The Journal of American History*, December 2003.
- “Teaching About Terrorism,” *The Roanoke Times*, September 11, 2002.
- “Pondering the Post-Scandal Election Dynamic,” *The Christian Science Monitor*, March 16, 1999.
- “Reconsidering Jimmy Carter’s Place in History,” *The Roanoke Times*, September 13, 1998.
- Review of *The Press and Bush Presidency*, by Mark Rozell, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, Summer 1998.
- “They’re the New Anti-Federalists,” co-authored with William Connelly, *Roll Call*, January 26, 1995.
- “The Dilemmas of Self-Determination,” *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, Nov 7, 1993.
- “Clinton and Carter Compared,” co-authored with William Connelly, *The Roanoke Times*, April 18, 1993.
- Review of *The Development of the Idea of Détente* by Michael Froman, *Political Science Quarterly*, Fall 1992.
- Review of *Traditions and Values in Politics and Diplomacy* by Kenneth Thompson, *The Review of Politics*, Fall 1993.
- Review of *Nixon: The Triumph of a Politician* by Stephen Ambrose, *The Times-Picayune*, November 26, 1989.

Review of *The White House Staff and the National Security Assistant* by Joseph G. Block, *Armed Forces and Society*, Spring 1989.

Review of *Presidential Power and Management Techniques* by James G. Benze, *American Political Science Review*, Fall 1988.

"A Washington Christmas Carol," a satirical poem, *The Times-Picayune*, December 21, 1986.

"It's Not 'Star Wars' or SDI; it's ABM," *The Keene Sentinel*, Keene, New Hampshire, November 18, 1986.

"It's Too Soon to Bury SALT," *Chicago Tribune*, July 17, 1986.

Review of *American Arms Supermarket* by Michael T. Klare, *The Social Science Quarterly*, June 1986.

Review of *The Global Politics of Arms Sales*, by Andrew Pierre, *The Western Political Quarterly*, December 1982.

Recent Brief Book Reviews for *Choice Magazine*

2004: Claes Ryn, *America the Virtuous: The Crisis of Democracy and the Quest for Empire*.

2003: John Newhouse, *Imperial America: the Bush Assault on the World Order*.
Yonah Alexander, ed., *Combating Terrorism: Strategies of Ten Countries*.
G. John Ikenberry, *America Unrivaled: The Future of the Balance of Power*.
J. Paul de B. Taillon, *Hijacking and Hostages: Responses to Terrorism*.
Anonymous, *Through Our Enemies' Eyes: Osama bin Laden, Radical Islam, and the Future of America*.

2002: Philip H. Melanson, *Secrecy Wars: National Security, Privacy, and the Public's Right to Know*.
Christopher D. Van Aller, *The Culture of Defense*.
Willard C. Matthias, *America's Strategic Blunders: Intelligence Analysis and National Security Policy 1936-1991*.

2001: Thomas Preston, *The President and His Inner Circle: Leadership Style and the Advisory Process in Foreign Affairs*.
Jan Lodal, *The Price of Dominance: The New Weapons of Mass Destruction and Their Challenge to American Leadership*.

2000: Martha Honey and Thomas Barry, eds., *Global Focus: U.S. Foreign Policy at the Turn of the Millennium*.
Michael G. MacKinnon, *The Evolution of US Peacekeeping Policy Under Clinton: A Fairweather Friend?*
Lisa A. Baglione, *To Agree or Not to Agree: Leadership, Bargaining and Arms Control*.
George Perkovich, *India's Nuclear Bomb: The Impact on Global Proliferation*.

Conference Participation

Participated in NATO Discussion Series sponsored by the Atlantic Council in Washington, Brussels & Naples (June-July, 1991).

Presented papers at various professional meetings including the American Political Science Association, the Southern Political Science Association, the Center for the Study of the Presidency, the International Studies Association, Southwestern Social Science Association, and the American Bar Association.

Guest lectures at Hampton-Sydney College, Lynchburg College, the University of Virginia, Ohio University, Gettysburg College, Miller Center of Public Affairs and Tulane University.

Attended conferences or workshops on Nonproliferation at the University of North Carolina, Ashland, the MIT/Harvard Summer Program on Nuclear Weapons and Arms Control, Colorado College, the Army War College, the Carter Presidential Library, the Bush Presidential Library, and the Naval War College.

Presented a paper to an international conference on "Nuclear Proliferation in The 1980s" in Bellagio, Italy (May 1978).

Other Professional Activities

Member of the editorial board for *The Miller Center Journal* (1994-1998).

Contributing editor, AmericanPresidency.org.

Consultant and outside reviewer for the Compton Foundation, the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library Foundation, ALSOS, and the Center for the Study of World Politics.

Manuscript reviewer for McGraw-Hill, The University of South Carolina Press, LSU Press, Rowman & Littlefield, Oxford University Press, Westview Press, *International Security*, *Polity*, *Journal of American History*, and *Presidential Studies Quarterly*.

Administrator of the William Lyne Wilson II Lectureship series including public lectures and faculty/student seminars with Garry Wills, Francis Fukuyama, Gertrude Himmelfarb, William Julius Wilson, Stanley Fish, William Lee Miller, and Richard Norton Smith.