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Political Science professor who facilitates student learning through diverse teaching methods; skilled in all elements of instruction including course preparation, lecturing, and grading. Additional experience as a community relations professional who builds and maintains relationships through effective communication skills; experienced in executing event planning from creative concept to logistical implementation and staff and volunteer management.

**EDUCATION**

Doctorate in Philosophy, Political Science  
The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio August 2009  
Dissertation: "Political Leadership and Policy Preferences: A Case Study of the Columbus City School District and its Board of Education"  
Committee: William E. Nelson, Jr., PhD (chair), Lawrence Baum, PhD, Vincent Roscigno, PhD  
Graduate Interdisciplinary Specialization in College and University Teaching

Master of Arts, Political Science  
The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, June 2004

Bachelor of Arts with Distinction in Social and Behavioral Sciences  
Bachelor of Arts with Distinction in Humanities  
The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, March 2001  
Honors Thesis: "A Political and Social Exploration of the 1970 Spring Quarter Riots at The Ohio State University"  
Committee: John Champlin, PhD (chair), William E. Nelson, Jr., PhD, James Upton, PhD

**TEACHING and RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Visiting Assistant Professor: Department of Political Science and Department of Black Studies, Denison University  
Political Science 370.03/ Black Studies 345.01: Urban Politics, Fall Semester 2009  
Political Science 370.01/ Black Studies 345.02: Black Politics, Spring Semester 2010

Adjunct Faculty: Department of Political Science, Columbus State Community College  
Political Science 165: Introduction to Politics, Spring Quarter 2009

Graduate Teaching Associate Peer Observer: Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, Autumn Quarter 2008 – Spring Quarter 2009

Instructor: Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University  
Political Science 101: Introduction to American Politics, Spring Quarter 2008  
Political Science 505: Urban Politics, Autumn Quarter 2007

Graduate Teaching Associate: Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University  
Political Science 101: Introduction to American Politics, Autumn Quarter 2008; Winter Quarter 2005; Spring Quarter 2005; Summer Quarter 2004

Graduate Teaching Assistant: Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University  
Political Science 201: Introduction to Political Behavior, Spring Quarter 2004  
Political Science 608: Ethnic Politics in American Cities, Autumn Quarter 2003  
Political Science 101: Introduction to American Politics, Spring Quarter 2003  
Political Science 515: Politics of Legal Decision Making, Winter Quarter 2003  
Political Science 502: Campaign Politics, Autumn Quarter 2002  
Political Science 367: Interest Groups and Legislatures (On-line), Spring Quarter 2002  
Political Science 512: Gender and American Politics, Winter Quarter 2002

Graduate Research Assistant: Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University  
Kira Sanbonmatsu, PhD, Autumn Quarter 2001 and Autumn Quarter 2004  
Janet M. Box-Steffensmeier, PhD, Winter Quarter 2004  
Gregory Caldeira, PhD, Summer Quarter 2002

### **TEACHING and RESEARCH INTERESTS**

American Government  
Black Politics  
Education Policy

Urban Politics  
Social Movements  
Racial and Ethnic Politics

### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Delegate: Council of Graduate Students, Autumn Quarter 2003 – Autumn Quarter 2004

Social and Behavioral Science Senator: Undergraduate Student Government, Summer Quarter 1999 – Summer Quarter 2000

Chair, Diversity Initiative Committee  
University Senator, University Senate  
Student Representative, Council on the Physical Environment  
Student Representative, Council on Student Affairs

### **AWARDS and HONORS**

Consortium for Faculty Diversity in Liberal Arts Colleges, Department of Political Science and Department of Black Studies, Denison University, Postdoctoral Fellowship 2009 – 2010

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The Ohio State University, Department of Political Science  
Graduate Associate Fellowship, Autumn Quarter 2001 – Spring Quarter 2005, Autumn  
Quarter 2008  
\$1,600 Madison Scott Award, Autumn Quarter 2008

The Ohio State University, Graduate School  
2009 Graduate Associate Teaching Award Nominee  
Preparing Future Faculty Program 2008 – 2009

The Ohio State University, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences  
\$2,000 Alliances for Graduate Education and Professoriate (AGEP)/ Social, Behavioral,  
and Economic Sciences (SBES) Graduate Student Research Grant, 2008 – 2009  
\$1,000 Alliances for Graduate Education and Professoriate (AGEP)/ Social, Behavioral,  
and Economic Sciences (SBES) Graduate Student Conference Travel Grant, 2008 – 2009

The Ohio State University  
\$2,000 Critical Difference for Women Re-entry Scholarship 2008 – 2009  
Outstanding Senior Award, April 27, 2001  
Presidential Leadership Citation, May 5, 2000  
Richard J. and Martha Denman Undergraduate Research Forum, Third Place, Social and  
Behavioral Science, May 2000; Third Place, Humanities, May 2001  
Undergraduate Student Government Outstanding Project of the Year, 1999-2000  
\$2,000 Undergraduate Research Scholarship, 1999-2000  
Minority Scholars “Excellence” Scholarship, 1997-2001

Committee on Institutional Cooperation  
Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP), University of Illinois at Urbana  
Champaign, Summer Quarter 2000  
Student Achievement in Research and Scholarship (STARS), The Ohio State University,  
Winter Quarter 2000  
Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP), The Ohio State University, Summer  
Quarter 1999

### **CONFERENCES and PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Consortium for Faculty Diversity in Liberal Arts Colleges Scholars Conference. Northfield,  
MN. October 2 – 4, 2009.

Panel Discussant: The Ohio State University Summer Research Opportunities Program Graduate  
Student Panel, Columbus, Ohio. July 16, 2009.

“Political Leadership and Policy Preferences: A Case Study of the Columbus City Schools and  
its Board of Education.” Paper presented at the Edward F. Hayes Graduate Research Forum,  
Columbus, Ohio. April 25, 2009.

“Political Leadership and Policy Preferences: A Case Study of the Columbus City Schools and its Board of Education.” Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association National Conference, Chicago, Illinois. April 2 – 5, 2009.

“Political Leadership and Policy Preferences: A Case Study of the Columbus City Schools and its Board of Education.” Paper presented at the 2009 National Conference of Black Political Scientists Annual Meeting, Houston, Texas. March 18 – 22, 2009.

Black Women Academics in the Ivory Tower Conference. New Brunswick, New Jersey. March 5 – 6, 2009.

“Political Leadership and Policy Preferences: A Case Study of the Columbus City Schools and its Board of Education.” Paper presented at the Great Lakes Alliance for Social Sciences (GLASS) and Alliances for Graduate Education and Professoriate (AGEP) Research Conference “Breaking Glass to Broaden Opportunities”, Chicago, Illinois. February 6 – 7, 2009.

The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Institute on Teaching and Mentoring. Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) and The Compact for Faculty Diversity, Tampa, Florida. October 23 – 26, 2008.

Discussion Leader: Arts and Sciences Freshman Survey, October 2008.

Facilitator: 2008 University-wide Faculty and T.A. Development Orientation at The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. September 16 – 17, 2008.

“Political Leadership and Policy Preferences: A Case Study of the Columbus City Schools and its Board of Education.” Paper presented at the Committee on Institutional Cooperation and Summer Research Opportunities Program Conference, Lansing, Michigan. July 25, 2008.

Surviving Your First Year as an Assistant Professor Workshop. The Ohio State University for the Great Lakes Alliance for the Social Sciences (GLASS) and Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences (SBES), and Alliances for Graduate Education and Professoriate (AGEP), Columbus, Ohio. July 14 – 16, 2008.

Elements for Success. Mega Midwest Alliances for Graduate Education and Professoriate (AGEP) Conference 2008. Chicago, Illinois. February 7 – 9, 2008.

“At the Crossroads: Connecting Faith Organizations with Community Organizations.” Presentation given at From Compass to GPS: Navigating the Volunteer Road Volunteer Administrators’ Network Fall Conference, Columbus, Ohio. October 25, 2007.

“A Political and Social Exploration of Black Student Insurgency at The Ohio State University.” Paper presented at the History of Black Columbus Conference: Black Citizenship, Yesterday and Today, Columbus, Ohio. April 23, 2005.

“Comparative Social Inequality of African Americans and Women in the United States of America and Great Britain.” Poster presented at the Edward F. Hayes Graduate Research Forum, Columbus, Ohio. April 26, 2003.

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE and COMMUNITY SERVICE**

At-Large Member: Ohio HealthCare Federal Credit Union Board of Directors, September 2006 – Present

Professional Development Chair: Volunteer Administrators’ Network Board, October 2006 – October 2007

Director of Volunteer Resources: New Salem Missionary Baptist Church, April 2005 – September 2007

Interim Director: Mentor Pathways, Renaissance Community Development Corporation, October 2006 – May 2007

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Political Science Association  
Midwest Political Science Association  
National Conference of Black Political Scientists

### **PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES**

William E. Nelson, Jr., Research Professor  
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