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Education

- Ph.D. in political science, Johns Hopkins University, 2001
- B.S., magna cum laude, economics major and psychology minor, Stern School of Business, New York University, 1993

Professional Appointments

Full-time, permanent

- Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA:
 - Administrative positions:
 - Head, Department of Politics, 2019-
 - Interim Head, Department of Politics, 2016-2019
 - Director, Center for Public Policy, 2009-2020
 - Academic positions:
 - Professor, Department of Politics, 2015-
 - Associate Professor, Department of History and Politics, 2007-2015
 - Assistant Professor, Department of History and Politics, 2002-2007

Visiting, part-time, honorary

- Honorary Lecturer, School of Social Sciences, University of Aberdeen, Scotland, 2021-2024
- Senior Advisor, Econsult Solutions, Inc., Philadelphia, 2011-2017
- Faculty Fellow, Great Works Symposium, Pennoni Honors College, Drexel University, 2010-2011
- Visiting Scholar, Center for Environmental Policy, Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia, 2009
- Visiting Scholar, Legislative Office for Research Liaison, Pennsylvania House of Representatives, 2008
- Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History and Politics, Drexel University, 2001-2002
- Visiting Instructor, Department of Political Science, Temple University, Philadelphia, 2000-2001
- Adjunct Lecturer, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York, 1999-2000
- Adjunct Lecturer, Wagner College, Staten Island, NY, Summer 1999
- Teaching Assistant for American Politics, Johns Hopkins University, 1996-1997

Teaching

Graduate courses (all Drexel unless indicated otherwise)

- Institutional Dynamics of the Policy Process. Taught 17 times, 2009-2026, twice as a combined face-to-face and asynchronous online course, 2025-2026.

Graduate courses, continued

- Case study tutorials. Both online and face-to-face tutorials in which students in the masters in public policy program propose and write thesis papers. Taught most terms as 1-credit courses, 2009-2019; taught as 3-credit courses, both face-to-face and asynchronous online, 2020-2026.
- Cities and Climate Change. Combined course and guest lecture series, co-taught with Christian Hunold and Patrick Morgan, 2014.
- Municipal Policy Innovation. Course taught jointly at Drexel and in China at Shanghai Jiao Tong University, with students from both schools, 2013.
- Water Politics and Policy. Taught three times, 2004-2008.
- Science and Technology Policy. Taught once, 2004.
- Politics of Infrastructure in the 20th Century United States. Taught once, 2001.

Undergraduate courses (all Drexel unless indicated otherwise)

- American Government. Taught 45 times under various titles at: Drexel, 2001-2025; Temple, 2000-2001; and John Jay, 1999-2000. Taught five times at Drexel as a “global classroom” in conjunction with the same course at the University of Aberdeen taught by Malcolm Harvey, 2021-2025.
- The Drexel Experience. One-credit course that introduces freshmen to Drexel and the political science major, mostly through guest lectures. Taught nine times, 2016-2024; taught once as a team with faculty from other social science departments, 2025.
- Academics and Careers. One-credit course that provides political science juniors and seniors with some career preparation and introduces them to various career tracks, mostly through guest lectures. Taught eight times, 2016-2025.
- Vital Systems of Cities. Taught three times: Once as an undergraduate class for Pennoni Honors College, 2026; and twice as a graduate class, 2005-2007.
- State and Local Government. Taught five times at Drexel, 2007-2016; co-taught twice at Drexel with Herbert Vederman, 2004-2005; taught twice at Temple, 2000-2001.
- Neighborhood Economic Development. Taught twice, 2017-2018. Community-based learning course taught in conjunction with a mentorship program for commercial corridor managers, and off-site at a community development corporation in West Philadelphia.
- Urban Citizenship. Taught once, 2020. Community-based learning course taught in conjunction with the *Philadelphia Citizen*.
- King Kong. Taught twice as a 1-credit “great works” seminar, 2018-2019, and co-taught once as a 3-credit course with Matthew Kaufhold, Pennoni Honors College, 2023.
- City in US Political Development. Taught eight times under various titles, 2002-2015; taught once as a “mini-course” at the University of Tirana, Albania, 2004.
- Great Works Symposia (combined public lecture series with co-taught courses): “Political Development in American Cities,” co-taught with Michael Fortner and Brendan Boyle, 2011; “Vital Systems of Cities,” with Robert Stokes and Patrick Gurian, 2010; “Energy and the Green City,” with Dan Moscovici and Jerry Mead, 2010; “Future Philadelphia,” with Scott Knowles and Gwen Shaffer, 2007; “Physical Philadelphia,” with Scott Knowles and Patrick Gurian, 2006.
- American Political Thought. Taught once, 2010.
- Introduction to Political Science. Taught seven times, 2002-2007; Co-taught three times with Christian Hunold and Joel Oestreich, 2001-2002.
- American Policy Process. Taught once, 2003.
- Race, Gender, and Politics. Taught once, 2002.
- Intellectual Heritage. Core liberal arts course, taught twice at Temple, 2000-2001.

Undergraduate courses, continued

- Machine Politics in New York. Taught as an independent study at Wagner, 1999.

Editorial Work

- Coeditor and Managing Editor, *Urban Affairs Review*, 2023-. Includes both the bimonthly journal published by Sage Publications and the website, urbanaffairsreview.com.
- Editor-in-Chief, *Oxford Bibliographies in Urban Studies*, 2019-. A module of Oxford Bibliographies Online, Oxford University Press. Currently 109 bibliographies available: <https://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/obo/page/urban-studies>.
- Series Editor, *Political Lessons from American Cities*, 2019-. Temple University Press. Six books published (Bowman, *Reinventing the Austin City Council*; Dilworth, *Reforming Philadelphia, 1682-2022*; Lewis and Marantz, *Regional Governance and the Politics of Housing in the San Francisco Bay Area*; Heerwig and McCabe, *Democracy Vouchers and the Quest for Fairer Elections in Seattle*; de Graauw and Gleeson, *Advancing Immigrant Rights in Houston*; and Weaver, *Crime, Inequality, and Resistance in New York City*).
- Guest coeditor, with Martin Horak, “Rights, Commons, and Citizenship: Framing Urban Scholarship and Action,” special issue of *Urban Studies*. Articles currently under review.
- Editor, *Oxford Explains Urban and Local Politics*. Oxford University Press. Under contract to produce a “digital video work” of 30-60 videos with accompanying short essays.
- Associate Editor (2010-2016) and Editorial Advisor (2016-2019), *Encyclopedia of Greater Philadelphia*, philadelphiaencyclopedia.org.
- Guest coeditor, with Kristene Unsworth and Andrea Forte, *Urban Informatics*, a special issue of the *Journal of Urban Technology* 21 (2014): 1-139.
- Guest Editor, Symposium on the “Uses of History in MPA and MPP programs” in the *Journal of Public Affairs Education* 20 (Winter 2014): 15-72.
- Guest Editor, *Business Improvement Districts and the Evolution of Urban Governance*. Symposium issue of the *Drexel Law Review* 3 (Fall 2010): 1-372.
- Guest Editor, *Physical Philadelphia*. Focus issue of *Public Works Management and Policy* 11 (January 2007): 159-238.
- For edited and coedited books, see “publications” below.

Publications

Books, authored and coauthored

- Dilworth, R., and Harvey, M. 2029 (expected) *The American Political System*. Under advance contract at Routledge.
- Dilworth, R. 2028 (expected). *The Structure of Urban Theory*. Under advance contract at American Philosophical Society Press.
- Dilworth, R. 2023. *Reforming Philadelphia, 1682-2022*. Temple University Press.
 - Reviewed in *Choice*, June 2023; *Journal of Urban Affairs* 46 (2024): 231-233; *Broad Street Review*, January 13, 2023, and *Hidden City*, February 21, 2023; excerpted in the *Philadelphia Citizen*, December 15, 2022.
- Dilworth, R. 2005. *The Urban Origins of Suburban Autonomy*. Harvard University Press.
 - Winner, 2006 best book award, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association.
 - Reviewed in *History and Technology* 23 (September 2007): 311-313; *Environmental History* 12 (April 2007): 417-418; *Urban Affairs Review* 42 (March 2007): 593-595;

Books, authored and coauthored, continued

Journal of Urban Affairs 29 (February 2007): 104-106; *City and Community* 5 (September 2006): 347-350; *Journal of the American Planning Association* 72 (Autumn 2006): 511; *Perspectives on Politics* 4 (March 2006): 180-181; *Journal of Planning, Education, and Research* 25 (December 2005): 222-224; *Choice*, December 2005; *Political Science Quarterly* 120 (Winter 2005): 704-706; *Minnesota Law Review* 90 (2005): 459-499; *Legal Affairs*, September/October 2005; EH.Net Economic History Services, January 4, 2005.

Books, edited and coedited

- Dilworth, R., and Kroll, S., eds. *Governing Water in the Delaware River Basin*. Advance contract from Temple University Press. Publication expected 2027.
- Dilworth, R., and Weaver, T., eds. 2020. *How Ideas Shape Urban Political Development*. University of Pennsylvania Press.
 - Reviewed in the *Journal of Urban History* 47 (2021): 1363-1369; and *Journal of Urban Affairs* 44 (2022): 1053-1055.
- Clothey, R., and Dilworth, R., eds. 2019. *China's Urban Future and the Quest for Stability*. McGill-Queen's University Press.
- Dilworth, R., and Knowles, S., eds. 2017. *Building Drexel: The University and Its City, 1891-2016*. Temple University Press.
 - Reviewed in *Philadelphia Magazine*, December 16, 2016.
- Borowiak, C., Dilworth, R., and Reynolds, A., eds. 2016. *Exploring Cooperatives: Economic Democracy and Community Development in Pennsylvania and Wisconsin*. University of Wisconsin-Extension Publications.
- Palus, C., and Dilworth, R., eds. 2016. *CQ Press Guide to Urban Politics and Policy in the United States*. Sage/CQ Press.
 - Reviewed in *Choice* 54 (April 2017), #54-4008.
- Unsworth, K., Forte, A. and Dilworth, R., eds. 2016. *Urban Informatics: Collaboration at the Nexus of Policy, Technology and Design, People and Data*. Routledge.
 - Reprint of a special issue of the *Journal of Urban Technology* (see "Guest-edited journal issues" below).
- Dilworth, R., ed. 2011. *Cities in American Political History*. Sage/CQ Press.
 - Winner, 2011 PROSE award for best single-volume reference in humanities and social sciences, Professional and Scholar Publishing Division of the Association of American Publishers.
 - *Choice* Outstanding Academic Title for 2012.
 - Reviewed in: *Booklist* 108 (January 1-15, 2012): 64; *Choice*, March 2012; *Library Journal* 136 (December 2011): 156.
- Dilworth, R., ed. 2009. *The City in American Political Development*. Routledge.
 - Reviewed in: *Urban Affairs Review* 45 (July 2010): 836-838; *Perspectives on Politics* 8 (March 2010): 357-359; *Urban History* 38 (December 2011): 492-494.
- Dilworth, R., ed. 2006. *Social Capital in the City: Community and Civic Life in Philadelphia*. Temple University Press, 2006.
 - Reviewed in: *Journal of Urban History* 36 (September 2010): 709-717; *Commonwealth* 15 (September 2009): 105-107; *Journal of Urban Affairs* 31 (February 2009): 115-117; *American Review of Public Administration* 38 (December 2008): 502-505; *Contemporary Sociology* 36 (September 2007): 463; *Journal of Planning, Education, and Research* 26 (June 2007): *Choice*, June 2007: 514-516; *City* 11 (April 2007): 121-122; H-Urban (H-Net Review), March 2007.

Refereed journal articles

- Yang, Z., Li, L., and Dilworth, R. 2026. "Leadership Skills in Authoritarian Regimes: A Case Study of Authority Allocation Reform in Local China." *China: An International Journal*. Scheduled for publication in August.
- Dilworth, R., and Hughes, S. 2025. "Sea Level Rise and Growth Machines in Coastal Cities." *Urban Science* 9, 40. <https://doi.org/10.3390/urbansci9020040>.
- Dilworth, R. 2020. "Comparative Case Study Methods in Urban Political Development." *Social Sciences* 9: Article number 183. <https://doi.org/10.3390/socsci9100183>.
- Zitcer, A., and Dilworth, R. 2019. "Grocery Cooperatives as Governing Institutions in Neighborhood Commercial Corridors." *Urban Affairs Review* 55 (March): 558-590.
- Moscovici, D., Dilworth, R., Mead, J., and Zhao, S. 2015. "Can Sustainability Plans Make Sustainable Cities? The Ecological Footprint Implications of Renewable Energy within Philadelphia's *Greenworks* Plan." *Sustainability: Science, Practice, and Policy* 11 (Spring): 32-43.
- Dilworth, R. 2014. "Historical Thinking as a Skill in Graduate Public Affairs Education." *Journal of Public Affairs Education* 20 (Winter): 19-31.
- Stokes, R., Mandarano, L., and Dilworth, R. 2014. "Community-Based Organizations in City Environmental Policy Regimes: Lessons from Philadelphia" *Local Environment* 19: 402-416.
- Dilworth, R., and Stokes, R. 2013. "Green Growth Machines, LEED Ratings, and Value Free Development: The Case of the Philadelphia Property Tax Abatement." *Journal of Urbanism* 6 (March): 37-51.
- Dilworth, R., Stokes, R., Weinberger, R., and Spatari, S. 2011. "The Place of Planning in Sustainability Metrics for Public Works: Lessons from the Philadelphia Region." *Public Works Management and Policy* 16 (January): 20-39.
- Dilworth, R. 2008. "Teaching Urban Politics at an Albanian University: How Do You Make an American Sub-discipline Internationally Relevant?" *Teaching in Higher Education* 13 (February): 69-80.
- Dilworth, R. 2007. "Privatization, the World Water Crisis, and the Social Contract." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 40 (January): 49-54.
 - Exchange with Roger Masters regarding this article in *PS* 40 (July 2007): 449-450.
- Dilworth, R., and Trevenen, K. 2004. "When Cities Get Married: Constructing Urban Space through Gender, Sexuality, and Municipal Consolidation." *Urban Affairs Review* 40 (November): 183-209.
- Dilworth, R. 2003. "From Sewers to Suburbs: Transforming the Policymaking Context of American Cities." *Urban Affairs Review* 38 (May): 726-739.
- Dilworth, R. 2002. "Urban Infrastructure Politics and Metropolitan Growth: Lessons from the New York Metropolitan Region." *Public Works Management and Policy* 6 (January): 200-214.

Book chapters

- Dilworth, R., and Kroll, S. Under review. "Governing the Delaware." In *Governing Water in the Delaware River Basin*, eds. R. Dilworth and S. Kroll. Under contract at Temple University Press.
- Kroll, S., Keller, D., Jackson, J., and Dilworth, R. "The Role of Science in the Delaware River Watershed Initiative." In *Governing Water in the Delaware River Basin*, eds. R. Dilworth and S. Kroll. Under contract at Temple University Press.

Book chapters, continued

- Dilworth, R. 2026. “Suburbanization, Privatization, Remunicipalization, and the Right to Water.” Pp.185-207 in *Unwinding Privatization: Cities and the Restoration of Public Power*, eds. A. Alexander, L. Bennett, E. McKenzie, and M. Pagano. MIT Press.
- Dilworth, R., and Weaver, T. 2021. “What Is the Relationship between COVID-19 and the Movement to ‘Defund the Police’?” Pp. 197-207 in *Global Reflections on COVID-19 and Urban Inequalities*, Volume 1: *Community and Society*, eds. B. Doucet, R. van Melik, and P. Fillion. Bristol University Press.
- Dilworth, R., and Weaver, T. 2020. “Ideas, Interests, Institutions, and Urban Political Development.” Pp. 1-18 in *How Ideas Shape Urban Political Development*, eds. R. Dilworth and T. Weaver. University of Pennsylvania Press.
- Hodos, J., and Dilworth, R. 2019. “Globalization, Urbanization, and China.” Pp. 16-39 in *China’s Urban Future and the Quest for Stability*, eds. R. Clothey and R. Dilworth.
- Dilworth, R. 2019. “Infrastructure Politics: Implications for a Cohesive National Transportation Policy in the 21st Century.” Pp. 297-310 in *US Infrastructure: Challenges and Directions for the 21st Century*, eds. A. Khan and K. Becker. Routledge.
- Dilworth, R. 2017. “Drexel, Philadelphia, and the Urban Ecology of Higher Education.” Pp. 7-25 in *Building Drexel: The University and Its City, 1891-2016*, eds. S Knowles and R. Dilworth. Temple University Press.
- Dilworth, R. 2016. “Cities and Urbanization in American Political Development.” Pp. 381-396 in *Oxford Handbook of American Political Development*, eds. R. Lieberman, S. Mettler, and R. Valelly. Oxford University Press.
- Dilworth, R., and Dougherty, D. 2016. “Political Elites in American Cities.” Pp. 71-79 in *CQ Press Guide to Urban Politics and Policy in the United States*, eds. C. Palus and R. Dilworth. Sage/CQ Press.
- Dilworth, R., and Taussig, D. 2016. “Boards and Commissions: Hybrid City Governance Structures.” Pp. 173-183 in *CQ Press Guide to Urban Politics and Policy in the United States*, eds. C. Palus and R. Dilworth.
- Borowiak, C., Dilworth, R., and Reynolds, A. 2016. “Comparing Cooperatives in Wisconsin and Pennsylvania.” Pp. 1-12 in *Exploring Cooperatives: Economic Democracy and Community Development in Pennsylvania and Wisconsin*, eds. C. Borowiak, R. Dilworth, and A. Reynolds. University of Wisconsin-Extension Publications.
- Dilworth, R. 2010. “The City in American Political Development.” Pp. 175-198 in *A History of the U.S. Political System: Ideas, Interests, and Institutions*, Vol. 1, eds. R. Harris and D. Tichenor. ABC-Clio.
- Dilworth, R. 2009. “Bringing the City Back In.” Pp. 1-13 in *The City in American Political Development*, ed. R. Dilworth. Routledge.
- Dilworth, R. 2006. “The Place that Loves You Back?” Pp. 1-16 in *Social Capital in the City*, R. Dilworth, ed. Temple University Press.

Law review articles

- Dilworth, R. 2010. “Business Improvement Districts and the Evolution of Urban Governance.” *Drexel Law Review* 3 (Spring): 1-9.
- Dilworth, R. 2010. “Cities as Firms in the 21st Century – Or, Should Philadelphia Move to New Jersey?” *Notre Dame Journal of Law, Ethics, and Public Policy* 24: 99-129.
 - Article was the subject of Joseph DiStefano, “PhillyDeals: Radical Fix for Philadelphia, Camden Problems,” *Philadelphia Inquirer*, December 23, 2010.

Encyclopedia entries and short articles

- Dilworth, R. 2026 (expected). "Cities as Case Studies. In *Oxford Explains Urban and Local Politics*, ed. R. Dilworth. Video and accompanying text. Oxford University Press.
- Dilworth, R. 2026. "Changing Notions of Urban Crisis." *Urban Affairs Forum* (urbanaffairsreview.com), March 17.
- Dilworth, R., and Sidney, M. 2024. "Celebrating Sixty Years of *Urban Affairs Review* with a Look at the 1970s and Street Level Bureaucracy." *Urban Affairs Review* 60 (March): 441-447.
- Dilworth, R. 2024. "Celebrating Sixty Years of *Urban Affairs Review* with Reflections on Race, Riots, and the Study of Urban Politics." *Urban Affairs Review* 60 (January): 5-10.
- Dilworth, R. 2024. "Dilworth and Clark Campaigning Outside of the Bellevue Hotel on Broad Street, 1951." Pp. 240-241 in *Two Hundred Years: The Historical Society of Pennsylvania, 1824-2024*, ed. D. Brigham. University of Pennsylvania Press.
- Dilworth, R., and Sidney, M. 2023. "An Introduction to Volume 59, Issue 4." *Urban Affairs Review* 59 (July): 971-976.
- Dilworth, R., and Sidney, M. 2023. "An Introduction to Volume 59, Issue 1: Progressive Cities, Voters and their Elected Officials, Privatized Services, Neighbors and Neighborhoods, and Housing." *Urban Affairs Review* 59 (January): 8-13.
- Dilworth, R., Donaghy, M., Greer, C., Sidney, M., Weaver, T.P.R., and Zhang, Y. 2023. "Hello! A Letter from the New Editors." *Urban Affairs Review* 59 (January): 3-7.
- Dilworth, R. 2021. "Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) in Philadelphia and their Potential as Regional Actors." *Urban Affairs Forum* (urbanaffairsreview.com), November 23.
- Dilworth, R., and Gardner, T. 2019. "White Flight." In the *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Urban and Regional Studies*, ed. Anthony Orum. Wiley Blackwell. DOI: 10.1002/9781118568446.eurs0413
- Dilworth, R., Knowles, S., Montalto, F., and Sheller, M. 2020. "COVID-19 Reveals a Path Forward on Climate Change." *American Scientist* blogs, May 12.
- Dilworth, R. 2018. "The Making of a Progressive Mayor: James Kenney of Philadelphia." *Metropolitics* (metropolitics.org/metropolitiques.eu). October 17.
- Dilworth, R. 2017. "Hurricanes, Climate Change, and Urban Growth Machines." *Urban Affairs Forum* (urbanaffairsreview.com), October 20.
- Dilworth, R. 2015. "The Rise and Fall of Philadelphia's Commercial Corridors." *Cascade*, Number 88, Summer. Available online at the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia: www.philadelphiafed.org/community-development/publications/cascade
- Unsworth, K., Forte, A., and Dilworth, R. 2014. "Urban Informatics: The Role of Citizen Participation in Policy Making." *Journal of Urban Technology* 21 (December): 1-5.
- Dilworth, R. 2014. "Why and How to Teach History in MPA and MPP Programs: An Introduction to the Symposium." *Journal of Public Affairs Education* 20 (Winter): 15-17.
- Dilworth, R. 2012. "Urban Policy: Department of Housing and Urban Development." Pp. 342-344 in the *Oxford Encyclopedia of American Political and Legal History*, eds. D. Critchlow and P. Vandermeer. Oxford University Press.
- Dilworth, R. 2011. "Does Political Reform Exist?" *Pennsylvania Legacies* 11 (November): 40-41.
- Dilworth, R. 2011. "New York 1854-1877." Pp. 214-221 in *Cities in American Political History*, ed. R. Dilworth. Sage/CQ Press.
- Dilworth, R. 2011. "New York 1877-1896." Pp. 285-291 in *Cities in American Political History*, ed. R. Dilworth.
- Dilworth, R., and Leitner, S. 2011. "San Jose 1989-2011." Pp. 687-693 in *Cities in American Political History*, ed. R. Dilworth.

Encyclopedia entries and short articles, continued

- Dilworth, R. 2007. "Physical Philadelphia." *Public Works Management and Policy* 11 (January): 161-163.
- Dilworth, R. 2007. "Public Works." Pp. 628-630 In the *Encyclopedia of American Urban History*, Vol. 2, ed. D. Goldfield. Sage Publications.
- Dilworth, R. 1997. "Drug Treatment and Eviction Policy: A Balancing Act in the Baltimore LHA." *Journal of Housing and Community Development* 54 (September/October): 32-35.

Popular media

- Articles for *The Conversation* (theconversation.com): "John Fetterman is an Unusual Politician – But his Rise from Borough Mayor to US Senator Reflects a Recent Trend," November 21, 2025; "Philadelphians Will Soon Choose Their Next District Attorney – So What Do DAs Actually Do?," May 8, 2025; "Larry Krasner, Kensington, the Scrapped Sixers Arena – and Other Key Concerns that will Shape Philly Politics in 2025," January 14, 2025; "Pennsylvania Will Keep Its Divided Legislature Thanks to Split-ticket Voters," November 9, 2024; "Elon Musk Misses Philly Court Date, Stalling 'Illegal Lottery' Case Against Him," November 1, 2024.
- "Bolstering Commercial Corridors is a Vital Part of Rebounding from COVID-19," *Philadelphia Inquirer*, November 2, 2021.
- Articles for the *Philadelphia Citizen* (thephiladelphiacitizen.org): "Ed Rendell, Unlikely Reformer," December 15, 2022; "Can Philly Save the World?," August 6, 2019; "Mike Quick's Civic Season" (written with a football announcer and former professional football player, in which I compared Philadelphia to the cities the Eagles played during the 2018 football season, on non-football related topics), September 6, 13, 20, 27; October 4, 18, 25; November 8, 15, 23, 29; December 13 and 20, 2018; "The Case for Reparations to Alleviate City Poverty," May 31, 2017; "Answering Trump: Let's Get Bigger," February 1, 2017; "Answering Trump: The University and the City," January 25, 2017; "Answering Trump," January 18, 2017.
- Profile by Joanne Greco, "In Profile: Richardson Dilworth, Historical Commission." *PlanPhilly*, June 26, 2013.
- "The Place that Loves You Back: A Slogan that Taps Local History." *Philadelphia Inquirer*, February 19, 2012, pp. C1, C6.
 - Article was a part of the "Phrasing Philadelphia" series, sponsored by the Pennsylvania Humanities Council. It is posted as well on the websites of the Encyclopedia of Greater Philadelphia (philadelphiaencyclopedia.org) and on WHYY's Newsworks (newsworks.org), as "Way Back When, Philly Didn't Even Try to Love You Back."
- Interview with Josh Cornfield regarding *Social Capital in the City*. 2006. *Philadelphia Metro*, August 21, p. 4.
- Interview with Doron Taussig regarding *Social Capital in the City*. 2006. *Philadelphia City Paper*, July 20, p. 35.
- 125-word entry in the article "If I Were Mayor..." 2003. *Philadelphia Magazine*, October 2003, p. 96.

Book reviews and review essays

- Review of Jennifer Robinson, *Comparative Urbanism: Tactics for Global Urban Studies* (2022). *Journal of Urban Affairs* 46 (2023): 2259-2260.

Book reviews and review essays, continued

- “Neoliberalism, Neoliberal Cities, and the Search for Urban Political Development.” Essay reviewing Roberto Barrios, *Governing Affect: Neoliberalism and Disaster Reconstruction* (2017); Andrew Diamond and Thomas Sugrue, eds., *Neoliberal Cities: The Remaking of Postwar Urban America* (2020); Kristina Graaf and Noa Ha, eds., *Street Vending in the Neoliberal City: A Global Perspective on the Practices and Policies of a Marginalized Economy* (2015); Katharyne Mitchell, *Crossing the Neoliberal Line: Pacific Rim Migration and the Metropolis* (2004); and Timothy Weaver, *Blazing the Neoliberal Trail: Urban Political Development in the United States and the United Kingdom* (2016). *Journal of Urban History*, 48 (2022): 703-711.
- Review of Thomas K. Ogorzalek, *Cities on the Hill: How Urban Institutions Transformed National Politics* (2018) in *Journal of Urban Affairs* 42 (2020): 812-814.
- Review of Joseph Elliott, Nathaniel Popkin, and Peter Woodall, *Philadelphia: Finding the Hidden City* (2017) in *Journal of Urban Affairs* (2018). DOI: 10.1080/07352166.2018.1522899.
- Review of Kathryn Wilson, *Ethnic Renewal in Philadelphia’s Chinatown: Space, Place, and Struggle* (2015) in *Journal of Urban Affairs* 39 (2017): 1028-1030.
- “City Power After the 2016 Election.” Review of Richard Schragger, *City Power: Urban Governance in a Global Age* (2016) on the Balkinization blog (balkin.blogspot.com).
- Review of Kenneth Wolensky, with George Leader, *The Life of Pennsylvania Governor George M. Leader: Challenging Complacency* (2011), in *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* 137 (April 2013): 218-219.
- Review of Jordan Stanger-Ross, *Staying Italian: Urban Change and Ethnic Life in Postwar Toronto and Philadelphia* (2009), in *Urban History Review* 40 (October 2011): 61-62.
- Review of Joan Fitzgerald, *Emerald Cities: Urban Sustainability and Economic Development* (2010), in *Political Science Quarterly* 126 (Fall 2011): 531-532.
- Review of Carolyn Adams, David Bartelt, David Elesh, and Ira Goldstein, *Restructuring the Philadelphia Region: Metropolitan Divisions and Inequality* (2008), in *Commonwealth: A Journal of Political Science* 15 (September 2009): 103-105.
- “Adventures in Intercurrence.” A review of Stephen Skowronek and Matthew Glassman, eds., *Formative Acts: American Politics in the Making* (2007), in *Historical Methods* 42 (Fall 2009): 143-147.
- Review of Clay McShane and Joel Tarr, *The Horse in the City* (2007), in the *Journal of Urban Technology* 16 (April 2009): 161-164.
- Review of Jon C. Teaford, *The Metropolitan Revolution: The Rise of Post-Urban America* (2006), in *Journal of Urban Affairs* 30 (2008): 463-465.
- Review of Robert A. Beauregard, *When America Became Suburban* (2006), in *Urban Affairs Review* 43 (September 2007): 130-133.
- Review of Robert Fogelson, *Bourgeois Nightmares: Suburbia, 1870-1930* (2006), in *Journal of American Legal History* 47 (October 2005): 445-447.
- Review of Paul R. Josephson, *Resources under Regimes: Technology, Environment, and the State* (2004), in *History and Technology* 21 (December 2005): 398-399.
- Review of Robert M. Silverman, ed., *Community-Based Organizations: The Intersection of Social Capital and Local Context in Contemporary Urban Society* (2004), in *Journal of Planning Education and Research* 24 (Summer 2005): 457-459.
- Review of Roberta J. Magnusson, *Water Technology in the Middle Ages: Cities, Monasteries, and Waterworks after the Roman Empire* (2001), in *History and Technology* 21 (March 2005): 145-146.

Book reviews and review essays, continued

- Essay reviewing Vivienne Bennett, *The Politics of Water: Urban Protest, Gender, and Power in Monterrey, Mexico* (1995); Sarah S. Elkind, *Bay Cities and Water Politics: The Battle for Resources in Boston and Oakland* (1997); and Kate Foss-Mollan, *Hard Water: Politics and Water Supply in Milwaukee, 1870-1995* (2001), in *History and Technology* 19 (September 2003): 302-307.

Working Papers and Conference Participation

Papers presented

- “Urban Commons and Citizenship in Small Business Communities.” Cheng Wang and Dali Ma, coauthors (presented by Wang). Versions presented at the annual meetings of the Academic of Management, Philadelphia, July 31-August 4, 2026, and Copenhagen, July 25-29, 2025.
- “Reforming Philadelphia, 1682-2022,” International Conference on Urban Affairs, Vancouver, April 16-19, 2025.
- “Ascetic Mayors, Rawlsian Mayors, and Suffering Cities.” Presented at the University of Aberdeen, February 27, 2024.
- “Neighborhood Commercial Corridors as Common Pool Resources.” Versions presented at the International Conference on Urban Affairs, New York City, April 24-27, 2024; Local Political Economy Conference, Claremont Graduate University, August 30, 2023; and the American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting (virtual), September 9-13, 2020.
- “Model and Method in Urban Politics and American Political Development.” Versions presented at the APSA annual meeting, Los Angeles, August 31-September 3, 2023, and Boston, August 30-September 2, 2018; and the Toronto Political Development Workshop, University of Toronto, September 27-29, 2018.
- “Suburbanization and the Right to Water.” Versions presented at the Policy History Conference, Temple, AZ, June 2-3, 2022; and at the Zoom conference, “Unwinding Privatization: (Re)municipalism and the Public Interest,” University of Illinois at Chicago, December 10, 2021.
- “Sea Level Rise, Property Value, and Growth Machines.” Sara Hughes, coauthor. Versions presented at the annual meetings of the Urban Affairs Association (UAA), Washington, DC, April 12-14, 2022; and the APSA, Washington, DC, August 29-September 1, 2019.
- “Ideas, Interests, Institutions, and Urban Political Development.” Timothy Weaver, coauthor. Versions under different titles presented at APSA annual meeting, Washington, DC, August 29-September 1, 2019; and Social Science History Association (SSHA) annual meetings, Baltimore, November 12-15, 2015, and Chicago, November 21-24, 2019.
- “University-community Partnerships through Neighborhood Commercial Corridors.” Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities annual meeting, Chicago, October 22-24, 2018.
- “Defining Urban Political Development in Philadelphia and Montreal.” Versions presented (under slightly different titles) at the APSA annual meeting, San Francisco, August 31-September 3, 2017; and the Canadian Political Science Association annual meeting, Toronto, May 30-June 1, 2017.
- “‘Curing’ Corruption by Centralization: The Philadelphia Story.” Scott Knowles, coauthor. Northeastern Political Science Association (NPSA) annual meeting, Philadelphia, November 12-14, 2015.
- “The Role of Cooperatives in Neighborhood Commercial Corridors,” Andrew Zitcer, coauthor. UAA annual meeting, Miami, April 8-11, 2015 (presented by Zitcer).

Papers presented, continued

- “Metropolitan Organizational Structure in American Political Thought.” Urban History Association (UHA) biennial meeting, Philadelphia, October 9-12, 2014.
- “Cities, Borders, and Institutional Change.” APSA annual meeting, Washington, DC, August 28-31, 2014.
- “Collective Action in Neighborhood Commercial Corridors” and “Unpacking the Global City Formation Process in Philadelphia and Shanghai: A Comparison of Least-Similar Cases” (presented by Jerome Hodos, coauthor). UAA annual meeting, San Antonio, March 19-22, 2014.
- “Business Improvement Districts and the Evolution of City Borders.” Versions presented at the biennial meetings of the UHA, New York City, October 25-28, 2012; and the Society for American City and Regional Planning History, Baltimore, November 17-20, 2011.
- “Cities and Urbanization in American Political Development.” Annual meeting of the UAA, Pittsburgh, April 18-21, 2012.
- “City Slogans and the Commodification of Urban Space: The Case of the Place that Loves You Back.” Annual meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Popular American Culture Association, Philadelphia, November 3-5, 2011.
- “Urbanization and American Foundings.” Summer Seminar on the City, Drexel, June 13, 2011.
- “A Green Growth Machine: Urban Environmentalism as Economic Development.” Robert Stokes, coauthor. Race to the Top Workshop, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, Cambridge, MA, September 10-11, 2009.
 - Included in the Lincoln Institute Working Papers series, product code WP10RD1.
- “Measuring Sustainability in Infrastructure: The Case of Philadelphia.” Robert Stokes, Rachel Weinberger, and Sabrina Spatari, coauthors. Versions presented at the annual meeting of the UAA, Chicago, March 5-7, 2009 (by Stokes); and the Villanova University Sustainability Conference, Villanova, PA, April 23-26, 2009 (by Dilworth).
- “Metropolitan Fragmentation as an Evolutionary Process.” Versions presented at the annual meetings of the SSHA, Minneapolis, November 2-5, 2006, and Miami, October 23-26, 2008; and the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 12-15, 2007.
- “Critical Junctures in the Structure of State Legislatures: Apportionment and the Status of Local Government in the 1874 Pennsylvania Constitution.” Versions presented at the State Politics and Policy Conference, Temple University, Philadelphia, May 30-31, 2008; and at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Political Science Association (PPSA), Harrisburg, PA, March 28-29, 2008.
- “The Urban Origins of the Regulatory State: The Case of Water.” Annual Meeting of the UAA, Montreal, April 19-22, 2006.
- “City Building, Water Privatization, and American Political Development.” Annual Meeting of the UAA, Salt Lake City, April 13-16, 2005.
- “The Political Development of Water in the United States.” Annual Meeting of the SSHA, Chicago, November 18-21, 2004.
- “Urban Origins of Suburban Autonomy in the New York Metropolitan Region.” Annual Meeting of the SSHA, Chicago, November 18-21, 2004.
- “Building an Aqueous State: The Role of a Natural Resource in American Political Development.” Annual Meeting of the APSA, Chicago, September 2-5, 2004.
- “Cities and Natural Resources in an Urban World: The Political Development of Water Privatization in the United States.” Annual Meeting of the APSA, Chicago, September 2-5, 2004.

Papers presented, continued

- “Local Origins of Privatization in the American Water Industry.” Annual Meeting of the SSHA, St. Louis, October 24-27, 2002.
- “State Control over Water Resources: The Role of the Public Utility Commission.” Annual Meeting of the APSA, Boston, August 29-September 1, 2002.
- “When Cities Get Married: Gender and Municipal Annexation in the New York Metropolitan Region.” Kathryn Trevenen, co-author. Annual Meeting of the SSHA, Chicago, November 15-18, 2001.
- “From Sewers to Suburbs: Transforming the Policymaking Context of American Cities.” Annual Meeting of the NPSA, Philadelphia, November 8-10, 2001.
- “Gender and Municipal Annexation: The Courtship and Marriage of Jersey City and Van Vorst.” Kathryn Trevenen, co-author. Annual Meeting of the NPSA, Albany, November 9-11, 2000.
- “The Transfer of Urban Infrastructure Technology from Cities to Suburbs in the New York Metropolitan Region.” Annual Meeting of the SSHA, Pittsburgh, October 26-29, 2000.
- “Infrastructural Development as a Factor in the 1894 Referendum on Greater New York.” Annual Meeting of the APSA, Washington, DC, August 31-September 3, 2000.
- “The Impact of Developmental Policies on the Territorial Expansion of New York City.” Annual Meeting of the New York State Political Science Association, Hempstead, NY, April 14-15, 2000.
- “Urban Infrastructure Politics and Metropolitan Growth: Lessons from the New York Metropolitan Region.” Annual Meeting of the SSHA, Fort Worth, November 11-14, 1999.
- “Infrastructural Development, Metropolitan Fragmentation and Transformations in Urban Politics: An Analysis of American Cities in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries.” Annual Meeting of the APSA, Atlanta, September 2-5, 1999.
- “Urban Infrastructure Politics and Metropolitan Growth: A Statistical Inquiry and Preliminary Case Study.” Conference on policy history celebrating ten years of publication of the *Journal of Policy History*, Clayton, MO, May 27-30, 1999.
- “Charles Tiebout, the Fragmented Metropolis and ‘Urban Politics.’” Annual Meeting of the PPSA, Villanova, PA, April 9-10, 1999.
- “Community, Containment and Control: Riots and the Police of New York City.” Annual Meeting of the SSHA, Chicago, November 19-22, 1998.
- “Urban Infrastructure Politics and Metropolitan Growth.” annual meeting of the NPSA, Boston, November 12-14, 1998.

Panel participation, other than paper presentations

- Panelist, author-meets-critics session on Kimberley Johnson, *Dark Concrete: Black Power Urbanism and the American Metropolis*; chair for the panel, “Political Representation in Urban Politics,” APSA annual meeting, September 11-14, 2025.
- Moderator for the panel, “Political Lessons from American Cities,” International Conference on Urban Affairs, Vancouver, April 16-19, 2025.
- Discussant for the panel, “The Intrinsic Relationship between Local Politics and Public Health,” and panelist on “Philadelphia: Pathways of Urban Democracy,” APSA annual meeting, September 5-8, 2024.
- Moderator, “Art and Architecture Award Winners in Conversation,” with book awardees Laura Wolf-Powers and John Lobell, Athenaeum of Philadelphia, October 11, 2023.
- Discussant for the panel, “All Public Health Is Local: Local Politics and the Dynamics of Public Health,” APSA annual meeting, Los Angeles, August 31-September 3, 2023.

Panel participation, continued

- Panelist, author-meets-critics session on Ariane Liazos, *Reforming the City: The Contested Origins of Urban Government, 1890-1930*, Policy History Conference, Temple, AZ, June 2-3, 2022.
- Moderator, “Restoring Community Fabric,” Greater Philadelphia Leadership Exchange, Philadelphia, October 25-27, 2021.
- Discussant, “Linking Racial Capitalism and Urban Politics,” APSA annual meeting, Seattle, September 30-October 3, 2021.
- Chair for the book panel on Richardson Dilworth and Timothy Weaver, eds., *How Ideas Shape Urban Political Development*, APSA annual meeting (virtual), September 9-13, 2020.
- Co-organizer and cochair, “From Ideas to Policies in Urban Politics,” short course, APSA annual meeting, Washington, DC, August 29-September 1, 2019.
- Panelist on “Community-engaged Programs at Urban-serving Universities” and “Teaching and Curriculum on the Middle Class and Income Inequality: Lessons from the Biden Challenge and Beyond,” Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration (NASPAA) annual meeting, Atlanta, October 10-13, 2018.
- Panelist on the short course, “Governing Urban Resilience: New Comparative Approaches,” APSA annual meeting, Boston, August 30-September 2, 2018.
- Panelist on “Share Economy,” annual conference of the Pennsylvania Association of State Boroughs, Hershey, PA, June 10-13, 2018.
- Panelist on “Can Cities in the US Actually Govern?,” an author-meets-critics session on Richard Schragger, *City Power: Urban Governance in a Global Age*, UAA annual meeting, Toronto, April 4-7, 2018.
- Chair for the roundtable session, “Terms of Debate in Urban Political Development,” NPSA annual meeting, Philadelphia, November 9-11, 2017.
- Convener and chair, “The History of African Americans in the Civil Service since Woodrow Wilson”; panelist, “New Initiatives at Urban Campuses,” NASPAA annual meeting, Washington, DC, October 11-14, 2017.
- Discussant, “China’s Urban Future and the Quest for Stability,” annual meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Region Association for Asian Studies, Philadelphia, October 6-8, 2017.
- Panelist, “Water Governance and Design Seminar,” Università Iuav di Venezia, Venice, Italy, June 19, 2017. Part of the Erasmus Mundus Master Class on Maritime Spatial Planning.
- Convener and chair, “Race and Campus Activism at Schools of Public Policy and Public Affairs,” NASPAA annual meeting, Columbus, OH, October 19-21, 2016.
- Discussant for the panel, “Developmental and Historical Institutional Models of Urban Politics,” APSA annual meeting, Philadelphia, September 1-4, 2016.
- Panelist for the roundtable, “American Urban Political Development: What Questions Should We Be Asking?,” NPSA annual meeting, November 12-14, 2015.
- Convener and panelist, “Integrating Local Stakeholders into Public Affairs Education,” NASPAA annual meeting, New York City, October 14-16, 2015.
- Discussant for the panel, “Ideas, Institutions, and Cities,” APSA annual meeting, San Francisco, September 3-6, 2015.
- Moderator, Philadelphia mayoral forum, including six of the announced candidates running in the Democratic primary, sponsored by the Business Association of West Parkside, Philadelphia Business and Technology Center, November 19, 2015.
- Convener and panelist, “Using Local Government Partnerships to Define the Difference between Theory and Practice,” NASPAA annual meeting, Albuquerque, NM, November 4-6, 2014.

Panel participation, continued

- Chair and commentator for the panel, “The Metropolitan 20th Century in the United States,” UHA biennial meeting, October 9-12, 2014.
- Panelist, “The Role of Community Development Corporations in Enhancing the Built Environment,” AIA Philadelphia annual Design on the Delaware conference, Philadelphia, October 29-31, 2013.
- Convener and chair for the panel, “History and Historical Analysis in Public Affairs Education and Curriculum,” NASPAA annual meeting, Austin, TX, October 18-21, 2012.
- Discussant for the panel “Business of Building,” annual Business History Conference, Philadelphia, March 29-31, 2012.
- Panelist on the “Place that Loves You Back,” part of the Greater Philadelphia Roundtable series, Independence Visitor Center, Philadelphia, February 22, 2012.
- Panelist on the roundtable, “Why History Matters: Time and Temporality in Urban Political Analysis,” UAA annual meeting, New Orleans, March 16-19, 2011.
- Discussant for the author-meets-critics panel on Jordan Stanger-Ross, *Staying Italian: Urban Change and Ethnic Life in Postwar Toronto and Philadelphia*, SSHA annual meeting, Chicago, November 18-21, 2010.
- Panelist at the short course, “Workshop on Comparative Urban Research: Prospects and Challenges in a Comparative Approach,” and discussant for the panel, “Justice and the American Metropolis,” APSA annual meeting, Washington, DC, September 1-5, 2010.
- Discussant for the panel on *City in American Political Development* (Dilworth, ed.), NPSA annual meeting, Philadelphia, November 19-21, 2009.
- Panelist and chair for the roundtable, “Assessing Urbanist Literature in Political Science”; chair and discussant for the book panel on *Imagining Philadelphia: Edmund Bacon and the City of the Future* (Scott Knowles, ed.); and chair and discussant for the panel “Neoliberal Governance across Time and Space,” SSHA annual meeting, Long Beach, CA, November 12-15, 2009.
- Panelist, “Politics and Public Policy,” Civic Partnership and Planning Workshop for the Greater Philadelphia Encyclopedia, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, April 16-17, 2009.
- Chair and discussant for the panel “Chronologies of Advanced Liberal or Neoliberal Governing,” SSHA annual meeting, Miami, October 23-26, 2008.
- Panelist, Pennsylvania Government Practices Roundtable, Brookings Institution, Washington, DC, July 21, 2008.
- Chair and discussant for the panel “Institutional Power,” State Politics and Policy Conference, Temple University, Philadelphia, May 30-31, 2008.
- Panelist on “Social Mobility in the City,” Free Library of Philadelphia, April 25, 2007.
- Discussant for the panel “Social Capital and Civic Life in Philadelphia,” Eastern Sociological Society annual meeting, Philadelphia, March 15-18, 2007.
- Chair for the author-meets-critics panel on Michael Katz and Mark Stern, *One Nation Divisible: What America Was and What it is Becoming*; discussant for the panel “Citizenship and Civil Services in Early Modern Europe,” SSHA annual meeting, Minneapolis, November 2-5, 2006.
- Discussant for the panel “Bringing Urbanization into American Political Development: Institutions, Power Structures, and Identities”; and panelist for the short course “Community Building, Social Capital, and the University: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly,” APSA annual meeting, Philadelphia, August 31-September 3, 2006.
- Discussant and chair for the panel “Bringing Urbanization into American Political Development: Institutions, Power Structures, and Identities,” Policy History Conference, Charlottesville, VA, June 1-4, 2006.

Panel participation, continued

- Panelist on “The Engaged Citizen: Translating Civic Empowerment into Political Participation,” Fulbright Enrichment Seminar, Institute of International Education, Doubletree Hotel, Philadelphia, March 18, 2006.
- Participant in the roundtable panel “Emerging Trends in Urban Politics,” Southern Political Science Association annual meeting, Atlanta, January 4-7, 2006.
- Chair and discussant for the panel “Community-Building and Public Policy,” NPSA annual meeting, Philadelphia, November 17-19, 2005.
- Chair for the roundtable panel “Cities and State-building: Urbanization in American Political Development”; chair for the author-meets-critics panel on *The Portland Edge*; and author-discussant for the author-meets-critics panel on *Urban Origins of Suburban Autonomy*, SSHA annual meeting, Portland, November 2-5, 2005.
- Discussant for the panel “Social Capital in the Private City: Exploring Community in Philadelphia,” American Sociological Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, August 13-16, 2005
- Moderator for the panel “Social Capital and Institution Building in the Urban Context,” UAA annual meeting, Salt Lake City, April 13-16, 2005.
- Moderator for the panel “Philadelphia and the Political Economy of Social Capital in the ‘City of Neighborhoods’,” UAA annual meeting, Washington, DC, March 31-April 3, 2004.
- Chair for the panel “Blight and Brotherly Love in Global Context: Philadelphia Studies,” SSHA annual meeting, Baltimore, November 13-16, 2003.

Invited Talks, Testimony, and Public Lectures

- “Briefing on US Federalism,” to African university administrators and educators as part of the International Visitor Leadership Program, World Affairs Council of Philadelphia, September 16, 2024.
- Guest lectures and presentations on *Reforming Philadelphia, 1682-2022*: University of Georgia (virtual talk), February 4, 2026; Greater Philadelphia Leadership Exchange, Chicago, September 27, 2025; Temple University, October 7, 2024; Free Library of Philadelphia, central branch, May 16, 2023, Philadelphia City Institute branch, June 6, 2023; Society Hill Civic Association, general membership meeting, November 15, 2023; Historical Society of Pennsylvania, virtual member meeting, December 11, 2023.
- Guest lunch speaker, on reform in Philadelphia, Right Angle Club, Philadelphia, August 20, 2021.
- Panelist, webinar on US politics, University of Amsterdam Political Science Alumni Association, April 22, 2021.
- “When Cities Get Married: Gendered Language in the Merger of Jersey City and Harsimus, 1851.” Facebook Live event, Jersey City Free Public Library, April 21, 2021.
- “Reform Cycles in Philadelphia Politics,” lunch speaker, Franklin Inn Club, Philadelphia, May 9, 2019.
- “Groceries as Governing Institutions and Commercial Corridors as Common Pool Resources,” Urban Community Workshop, Northwestern University, October 23, 2018.
- Panelist, “Dialogue on Charlottesville,” 9th Annual Philadelphia Diversity and Leadership Conference, Pennsylvania Diversity Council, September 6, 2018.
- Panelist, “The Space of Trust: Social Capital as an Incentive for Urban Economy,” Moscow Urban Forum, Russia, July 16-19, 2018.
- Guest lecture on *Building Drexel*, Union League of Philadelphia, September 18, 2017.

Invited Talks, Testimony, and Public Lectures, continued

- “Drexel, University City, and the Future of Philadelphia,” Center for Architecture and Design, AIA Philadelphia, May 12, 2016.
- “China’s Urban Future.” Center for Asian Democracy, University of Louisville, March 23, 2016.
- “Lessons of History.” Part of the series “Perfecting Democracy: Experts Discuss the Problem of Political Corruption and Explain What Can Be Done About It,” Free Library of Philadelphia, January 15, 2014.
- “The Consolidation of Greater New York, and the Creation of the City of Mount Vernon.” St. Paul’s Church, NHS, Mount Vernon, NY, March 7, 2013.
- “Philadelphia 2112: Population, Politics, and Economics.” Free Library of Philadelphia, May 23, 2012.
- Testimony regarding the history of the size of the Pennsylvania General Assembly, presented at the public hearing of the State Government Committee of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, regarding House Bills 55, 56, 57, 153, 183, 876, and 936, Harrisburg PA, August 9, 2011.
- “Lessons from the American Founding Period.” Annual board of directors meeting, Pennsylvania Association of Elementary and Secondary School Principals, Philadelphia, July 11, 2011.
- “Historical Institutionalism as Urban Policy Analysis: Scenes from Philadelphia.” Center for Urban Research and Policy, Columbia University, November 11, 2010.
- “Should Philadelphia Move to New Jersey? Regionalism and State Borders.” Free Library of Philadelphia, May 27, 2010.
- “Urban Infrastructure Technology and Suburban Autonomy in American Political Development.” Chemical Heritage Foundation, Philadelphia, December 15, 2009.
- “Water and American Political Development.” Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia, April 10, 2009.
- “Engineering the Political Landscape.” Guest speaker, dinner meeting, Philadelphia section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, November 8, 2007.
- Guest speaker, Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society investiture, Rutgers University-Camden, April 4, 2007.
- Guest lectures on *Urban Origins of Suburban Autonomy*: University of Pennsylvania Law School, January 17, 2006; New Jersey Historical Society (sponsored by the Newark History Society), Newark, NJ, October 11, 2005; Johns Hopkins University, October 4, 2005.
- “Future Directions in American Domestic Politics.” Talk sponsored by Center for Public Policy, Political Science and Law, Rogner Hotel, Tirana, Albania, May 6, 2004.
- Guest lectures on American politics (April 29, 2004) and urban political economy (May 4, 2004), University of Tirana, Albania.

Conferences, Training Programs, and Summer Institutes, Organized

- “Big City Journalist Boot Camp,” Drexel, July 17-21, 2023; July 15-19, 2024. A week-long “summer institute” for high school students, co-organized with Hilde van den Bulck.
- Half-day workshops on urbanization in China cosponsored by the Center for Public Policy and Drexel China Collaborative, Drexel, May 28, 2015, and September 30, 2016.
- Organized and taught in one of nine modules for the “Leading for Change” fellowship training program for Philadelphia area city government and nonprofit employees, LeBow College of Business, Drexel, September 16-19, 2014, and October 22-23, 2015.

Conferences, Training Programs, and Summer Institutes, Organized, continued

- “Exploring Cooperatives: Economic Democracy and Community Development,” Drexel, June 13, 2012. Organized and Sponsored by the Drexel Center for Public Policy and Lindy Center for Civic Engagement, University of Wisconsin Center for Cooperatives, Philadelphia Area Cooperative Alliance, and Haverford College Center for Peace and Global Citizenship.
- Corridors Connect Certificate Program. April-November, 2012. Six half-day training sessions for the directors of business associations, and other personnel, of six commercial corridors in West Philadelphia. Funded by the Philadelphia Local Initiatives Support Council (see “Grants, Contracts, and Fellowships,” below).
- Business Improvement District Practitioner Certificate Program. January-December, 2011. Nine half-day training sessions, including guest lectures and exercises, for the directors and other staff of business improvement districts and related organizations in Philadelphia. Funded by the Philadelphia Commerce Department (see “Grants, Contracts, and Fellowships,” below).
- “Drexel Summer Seminar on the City: American Government as Urban Government,” Drexel, June 13, 2011. Co-organized with Michael Fortner; jointly sponsored by Drexel’s CPP and Pennoni Honors College.
- “Business Improvement Districts and the Evolution of Urban Governance,” Drexel, January 22, 2010. Jointly sponsored and hosted by Drexel’s CPP and Earle Mack School of Law.
- “Greening the City’s Infrastructure,” Drexel, June 19, 2008. Jointly sponsored by the Academy of Natural Sciences and the Drexel Engineering Cities Initiative.
- “The City in American Political Development,” Drexel, May 2, 2008. One-day conference with 12 speakers.
- “The Technological Future of the Industrial City: Philadelphia in the 21st Century,” Drexel, April 6, 2007. Co-organized with Scott Knowles. One-day conference with 15 speakers, Olin Workshop series.

Grants, Contracts, and Fellowships

- Grant from the Arts and Sciences Innovation Incubator, to develop the project “Highways and Healthcare Access,” with Jordan Hyatt, Steve Dolph, and Alexis Schulman (\$3,000 each), 2023-2024.
- Contract with the Philadelphia Commerce Department for “Starting a Business Improvement District in Philadelphia’ Guide Update, August 1-December 31, 2023 (\$20,000).
- With Hilde van den Bulck, seed grant for “Big City Journalist Boot Camp,” summer institute, College of Arts and Sciences, Drexel University, July 2023 (\$15,000).
- With Amelia Hoover Green, contract from the Pew Charitable Trusts for data analysis related to the report *Philadelphia’s Small and Midsize Business Landscape*, August 2020. (\$5,000).
- Seed grant from the Drexel Institute for Energy and the Environment for “Planning for Deep Reduction in Carbon Emissions in Philadelphia by 2050,” 2014-2015. Patrick Gurian, PI. I was one of eight co-PIs (\$25,000).
- Subcontractor to The Enterprise Center for the Corridors Connect Certificate Program, April-November, 2012. Grant is from the Local Initiatives Support Council (\$13,916).
- Contract with the Philadelphia Department of Commerce, “Business Improvement District Practitioner Certification Program,” February-December, 2011. Awarded to Drexel’s CPP, to run a training and certificate program for Philadelphia BID directors. Lead proposal author: Dilworth; coauthors: Robert Stokes and Charlotte Jackson (\$30,000).

Grants, Contracts, and Fellowships, continued

- Grant from the Drexel Engineering Cities Initiative for the proposal “The Global Carbon Debt of 20th Century Urbanization: Using Computable General Equilibrium Models to Measure the Ecological Footprint of Land Development,” 2009. Sabrina Spatari and Robert Stokes, coauthors (\$4,000).
- Grant from the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy for the paper proposal “A Green Growth Machine: Urban Environmentalism as Economic Development,” 2008. Robert Stokes, coauthor (\$10,000).
- New Jersey Historical Commission grant awarded to Harvard University Press for publication of *Urban Origins of Suburban Autonomy*, 2003 (\$8,650)
- James Hart Fellowship in Political Science, Johns Hopkins University, 1999-2000
- University Fellowship, Johns Hopkins University, 1995-1999

Honors and Awards

- With Malcolm Harvey, Highly Commended Poster prize for the Global Classroom in American Politics, 13th Annual Academic Development Symposium, University of Aberdeen, 2022.
- PROSE award to *Cities in American Political History*, for best single-volume reference in humanities and social sciences, Professional and Scholar Publishing Division of the Association of American Publishers, 2011.
- Best book of 2005 awarded to *Urban Origins of Suburban Autonomy* by the urban politics section of the APSA, 2006.
- Alfred E. Driscoll Prize for best dissertation on New Jersey history, New Jersey Historical Commission, 2004 (\$1,000).
- Beta Gamma Sigma (equivalent of Phi Beta Kappa for collegiate schools of business), New York University, Stern School of Business, 1993
- Dean’s Community Service Award for outstanding service to school/community, New York University, Stern School of Business, 1993

Service

University service (all Drexel, university-level unless indicated otherwise)

- Faculty Advisor, Drexel Democrats, 2019-
- Committee on Policy Studies (chair), College of Arts and Sciences, 2024-2025
- Community-based Learning Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 2019-2024
- Committee on “urban futures” as an “area of excellence and opportunity,” 2023-2024
- Alternate, Tenure Appeals Committee, Office of the Provost, 2022-2023
- Core Curriculum Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 2020-2021
- Graduate Curriculum Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 2009-2010, 2014-2019
- Fellowships Committee, Graduate College, 2019-2020
- Honors Program Application Review Committee, Pennoni Honors College, 2018-2019
- Five-year Review Committee, Dean of the Pennoni Honors College, 2019
- Honorary Degree Committee, 2011-2019
- Member, Faculty Senate, 2015-2018
- By-laws Committee, Department of Politics, 2015-2016
- Member, Advisory Board, China Collaborative, 2014-2016
- Faculty Advisor, Solutions Bank (a policy-oriented student organization), 2013-2014

University service, continued

- Curriculum Committee, Department of History and Politics, 2002-2006, 2007-2014; chair, 2004-2006
- Chair, Program Alignment Review Committee for the MS in Public Policy, 2014-2015
- Co-chair, Social Sciences Committee, 2011- 2014
- Provost's Council on Neighborhood Partnerships, 2011-2012
- School of Education Task Force, 2012-2013
- Co-chair, Committee on the Status of Teaching Faculty, Department of History and Politics, 2011-2013
- Master Plan Steering Committee, 2011-2012
- Advisory Board, Center for Mobilities Research and Policy, College of Arts and Sciences, 2009-2014
- Truman Scholarship Selection Committee, Pennoni Honors College, 2009-2011
- Faculty advisor, Pi Sigma Alpha (political science honors society), 2009
- Great Works Symposium Visiting Fellow Search Committee, Pennoni Honors College, 2007-2008, 2008-2009; chair, 2009-2010
- Task Force on Teaching and Assessing Writing in the Disciplines, 2007-2011
- Steering Committee, Engineering Cities Research Initiative, College of Engineering, 2007-2009
- Co-op Committee, Department of History and Politics, 2007-2008
- Constitutional Law Search Committee, Department of History and Politics, 2005-2006
- Environmental Faculty Coordinating Committee, 2003-2007
- Faculty Advisory Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, 2003-2005
- Faculty Senate, Committee on Faculty Affairs and Subcommittee on Sabbatical Leave, 2002-2003
- African American History Search Committee, Department of History and Politics, 2002-2003
- Co-organizer, Speaker Series on Science, Technology and Society, 2001-2003
- Faculty Advisor, European Students Association, 2002-2003
- Faculty Advisor, Greens IDEA (student environmental club), 2002-2005

Professional service

- Local arrangements committee, Local Political Economy Conference, 2024
- For the APSA Urban and Local Politics Section: Best paper award committee, 2007, 2023; Chair, Dennis Judd Book Award Committee, 2022; Chair, Susan Clarke Junior Scholar Award Committee, 2019-2020; Member, Executive Council, 2018-2021; cochair for conference panel and paper selection, 2016
- Executive Committee, North American hub of the Urban Climate Change Research Network (located at Drexel), 2016-2020
- Editorial boards: *Urban Studies*, 2025-; *Commonwealth: A Journal of Pennsylvania Politics and Policy*, 2015-2020; *Urban Affairs Review*, 2016-2022; *Public Works Management and Policy*, 2006-2020
- Member, advisory board, "Synthesis of the Benefits and Costs of Urban Public Spaces." William Penn Foundation-funded project codirected by Anneclaire De Roos, Patrick Gurian, Michelle Kondo, and Yuki Kato, 2019
- AP Visiting Fellowship in Assessment, The College Board (reviewing the high school advanced placement exam in American government), 2019
- Member, Board of Fellows, Center on Regional Politics, Temple University, 2012-2016
- Local arrangements committee, UHA, 2014

Professional service, continued

- External tenure and promotion reviewer for Franklin and Marshall College, Haverford College, University of Calgary, Northwestern University, Illinois Institute of Technology, Northeastern University, Johns Hopkins University, City College of New York, Arcadia University, University of Texas at Arlington, University of Mary Washington, Western Michigan University.
- External evaluator: Masters in urban and public affairs, University of San Francisco, 2026; political science program, College of Staten Island, CUNY, 2012.
- Member, Academic Advisors, Senate Resolution 323 Task Force (on unfunded state mandates on local government), Local Government Commission, Pennsylvania General Assembly, 2010-2011
 - Final report was published as *Senate Resolution 323 of 2010 Report: Study of Statutory Mandates Placed on Counties and Municipalities* (Harrisburg: Local Government Commission, General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, October 9, 2012).
- Judge, Public Policy Challenge, Fels Institute of Government, University of Pennsylvania, 2010-2011
- Member, Pennsylvania Policy Forum, 2008-2011
- Best dissertation award committee, UHA, 2009
- Elected to the Publications Committee of the SSHA, 2005-2008; appointed committee chair, 2007 Chair (2002-2005) and Co-chair (2005-2006, 2009), Urban Network, SSHA
- Elected to the Advisory Committee of the Society for the History of Technology, 2003-2004
- Past and present memberships in the APSA, SSHA, UAA, NPSA, Southern Political Science Association, Society for American City and Regional Planning History, Urban Land Institute, and NASPAA (institutional member)
- Manuscript and proposal reviewer for American Philosophical Society Press (2026), Anthem Press (2020), Brookings Institution Press (2021), Cornell University Press (2018, 2014, 2010, 2005), CQ Press (2016), De Gruyter (2025, 2023), Edward Elgar (2007), Georgetown University Press (2010), Johns Hopkins University Press (2016), McGill-Queens University Press (2018), McGraw-Hill (2002), Oxford University Press (2016, 2011), Palgrave Macmillan (2021), Pennsylvania State University Press (2008, 2007), Polity (2019), Prentice Hall (2005), Routledge (2025, 2022, 2018, 2014, 2010, 2008), Rowman and Littlefield (2025), Sage Publications (2010), Temple University Press (2026, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2014, 2013, 2008), University of Michigan Press (2021, 2020), University of Pennsylvania Press (2017, 2014), University of Toronto Press (2024), and University Press of Mississippi (2013).
- Manuscript reviewer for *American Political Science Review* (2023), *City & Community* (2012), *City & Society* (2022), *Commonwealth* (2006, 2005), *Comparative Political Studies* (2008), *Eighteenth-Century Studies* (2016), *Encyclopedia of Greater Philadelphia* (2019), *Environment and Planning C: Politics and Space* (2026), *Environmental Politics* (profiles section) (2011), *Governance* (2026, 2025), *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health* (2020), *Journal of American History* (2023), *Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis* (2021), *Journal of Comparative Politics* (2017, 2005), *Journal of Policy History* (2015, 2013, 2007), *Journal of Public Affairs Education* (2014), *Journal of Urban Affairs* (2021, 2020, 2006, 2005), *Journal of Urban History* (2017), *Journal of Urban Technology* (2014, 2007), *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* (2013, 2007), *Perspectives on Politics* (2014), *Political Science Quarterly* (2011), *Polity* (2011), *Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society* (2025), *Public Works Management and Policy* (2010, 2008, 2006, 2005), *Publius* (2016), *Sociological Forum* (2008), *Studies in American Political Development* (2023), *Territory, Politics, Governance* (2025), *Urban Affairs Review* (2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012), *Urban History Review* (2025), *Urban Planning* (2020), *Urban Studies* (2026, 2025).

Professional service, continued

- Paper reviewer for the 10th Australasian Urban History/Planning History Conference (2010).
- Proposal reviewer for the American Council of Learned Societies (2019, 2018, 2017); CUNY Research Foundation (2009, 2008); CUNY Collaborative Incentive Research Grants (2014); National Science Foundation (2018, 2016); Ohio University Research Council (2018); Social Science Research Council of Canada (2021); University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Research Growth Initiative (2016).

Community service

- Member, “Crucible of the Nation,” subcommittee, Task Force on Collecting, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, 2024- 2025
- Member, Advisory Board, Greater Philadelphia Leadership Exchange; and Strategic Planning Committee, Economy League of Greater Philadelphia, 2022-2025
- Vice chair, board of directors, AchieveAbility Community Development Corporation, Philadelphia, 2019-2020
- Drexel Representative, Economic Development Subcommittee, Philadelphia Promise Zone, 2014-2015
- Advisory Board, Citizens Planning Institute, Philadelphia City Planning Commission, 2013-2015
- Advisory Board, Public Banking Institute, 2013-2015
- Philadelphia Historical Commission (appointed by Mayor Michael Nutter); Chair, Historic Designation Committee, 2008-2016
- Board of Trustees, Independence Charter School, Philadelphia, 2013-2014
- Philadelphia Area Cooperative Alliance, 2011-2012
- Steering committee, Urban Sustainability Forum, Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia, PA, 2007-2009

Nonacademic Prior Employment

- Contributing Editor, *America’s Elite 1000*, Cadogan Publications, New York, NY, 1999
- Internship, British Broadcasting Corporation, New York, NY, 1994-1995
- Analyst, Operations and Management Planning, New York City Department of Parks and Recreation, 1993-1994