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### **Education**

*PhD*, Political Science, University of California, San Diego, defense: 5/18/2005

Thesis Title: *Finding Voice: The Presence of German Political Thought*

Committee: Tracy B. Strong (chair), Robert B. Pippin, Victor V. Magagna, Wm. Arctander O'Brien, Fonna Forman-Barzilai

Attaining *Mündigkeit*, political maturity, implies finding one's voice. The attendant concept of citizenship gives the tradition of German political thought beginning with Luther its democratic imperative. I demonstrate the presence of this tradition in contemporary democratic theory through an analysis of Martin Luther, Samuel von Pufendorf, G.E. Lessing, Immanuel Kant, and G.W.F Hegel. The politics of interpreting and constructing the German language has shaped the language of modern politics.

*MA*, Political Science, University of Houston, 1998

*MA*, Germanic Languages and Literatures, University of Kansas, 1993

*BA*, Political Science, Germanic Languages and Literatures, and English (triple-major), University of Kansas, 1990

Intensive Spanish Language Training, Nahual Academy, Antigua, Guatemala, 1994

Direct-Exchange Scholar, Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen, 1990-1991

German Language Training, Goethe Institut, Freiburg im Breisgau 1990; Staufen im Breisgau 1989

### **Areas of Teaching Competence**

Political Theory: Modern Political Thought, German Political Thought, Ancient Political Thought, American Political Thought, Distributive Justice, Liberalism and its Critics, East Asian Political Thought, Comparative Democratic Theory

Other Areas: Political Inquiry, Politics in the Ancient World, Statebuilding

### **Publications**

"Doing Rawls Justice: An Experimental Study of Income Distribution Norms," Philip A. Michelbach, John T. Scott, Richard E. Matland, and Brian H. Bornstein. *American Journal of Political Science* Vol. 47, No. 3 (July 2003), pp. 523-539

"Just Deserts: An Experimental Approach to Distributive Justice," John T. Scott, Richard E. Matland, Philip A. Michelbach, and Brian H. Bornstein. *American Journal of Political Science* Vol. 45, No. 4 (October 2001), pp. 749-767 [lead article]

In Preparation

*Finding Voice: The Presence of German Political Thought*

- book MS

"The Constitutional Construction of Reality: G.W.F Hegel's Political Science"

- journal article; in review

*Selected Political Writings of Friedrich Nietzsche*. Tracy B. Strong and Philip A. Michelbach.

- book of translations and commentary for Hackett; translation and revision in progress

"The Influence of German Idealism on Chinese Communist Thought" (with Victor V. Magagna)

- journal article; revising for submission

### **Academic Employment and Teaching Experience**

Lecturer, Department of Political Science, UCSD, 2005-present

Independent Teaching: Ancient Political Thought (Fall 2005), Seminar in Ethics of Citizenship (Fall 2005), American Political Thought (Winter 2006), Early Modern Political Thought (Winter 2006)

Associate in Political Science, Department of Political Science, UCSD, 2005

Independent Teaching, Political Thought: Kant through Nietzsche (Spring 2005)

Lecturer, Department of Political Science, San Diego State University, 2003-2004

Independent teaching (nine courses): Ancient Political Thought (2x), Modern Political Thought (1x), American Political Thought (3x), Democratic and Mass Politics (3x)

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, UCSD, 2000-2003, 2005

Courses: Power and Justice, Introduction to Political Theory, American Political Thought (The American Left), The Ancient World and Social Science (2x), Modern Political Thought from Kant to Nietzsche, Chinese Political Thought, Ethics and Society (2x), Warfare and Modern Politics, Introduction to Comparative Politics

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Houston, 1996-1999

Courses: Ancient Political Thought, Modern Political Thought, Distributive Justice, American Government, International Relations, Educational Policy (graduate), Game Theory (graduate)

Instructor, Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures, University of Kansas, 1992-1993

Independent teaching: Introduction to German I, Introduction to German II, Intermediate German I

Standardized Test Taking Instructor, The Princeton Review, Baton Rouge, LA, 1993

ESL Instructor, Bilingual Education Institute, Houston, TX, 1993

Instructor, Midwest Debate Institute, University of Kansas, 1987, 1988

### **Awards**

#### **Fellowships and Scholarships**

Claude R. Lambe Humane Studies Fellowships, 1998-1999; 1999-2000 (declined); 2000-2001

H.B. Earhart Foundation Fellowship, 1999-2000

Charles G. Koch Summer Fellowship, Washington, D.C., 1994

Direct Exchange Scholarship University of Kansas/Universität Tübingen, 1990-1991

University of Kansas Debate Scholarship, 1988-1989

National Merit Scholar, University of Kansas, 1985-1989

#### **Assistantships**

Named Research Assistant, UCSD COR Grant, Summer 2000 (PI: Tracy B. Strong)

Named Research Assistant for National Science Foundation Grants (SBR-9810243, SBR-9810473), 1998-1999 (PIs: Brian H. Bornstein, Richard E. Matland, John T. Scott)

Named Teaching Assistant, Faculty Instructional Development Grant, Spring 1998 (PI: Richard E. Matland)

Teaching Assistantship, UCSD, 2000-2003  
Teaching Assistantship, University of Houston, 1996-1999  
Teaching Assistantship, University of Kansas, 1992-1993

### **Recognition**

Nominated Best Graduate Paper, 2001 Southern Political Science Association Meetings

### **Papers Presented and Conference Participation**

"Foreplay in Nietzsche's Garden: Seduction, Self-Knowledge, and Doubled Woe," (with Karen L. Shelby), Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, 2006

"Democracy as Calling: Political Wisdom as Reconciliation in Luther and Hegel," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., 2005

Chair and Discussant, Reformation Political Thought Panel, Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 2004

"Hegel and the Constitution of Political Science," The Rise and Impact of the Social Sciences: Philosophical, Historical, and Institutional Perspectives, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, Harvard University, 2002

Chair and Discussant, Late Modern Political Thought Panel, Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, 2002

"Rawls, Hegel, and the Science of Political Theory," Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, 2001

"Income Distribution: An Experimental Study of Justice Norms in the United States and Norway," Richard E. Matland, John T. Scott, Toril Aalberg, Brian H. Bornstein, Philip A. Michelbach, Ola Listhaug. International Society for Justice Research VIIIth Biennial Meeting, Tel Aviv, Israel, 2000

"An Experimental Study of Distributive Justice Norms in the United States and Norway," Richard E. Matland, John T. Scott, Toril Aalberg, Brian H. Bornstein, Philip A. Michelbach, Ola Listhaug. American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., 2000

"Choosing What's Right: An Experimental Approach to Distributive Justice," Philip A. Michelbach, John T. Scott, Richard E. Matland, Brian H. Bornstein, Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Galveston, 2000

"Income Distributions: An Experimental Study of Distributive Justice Norms Across Cultures," Richard E. Matland, John T. Scott, Toril Aalberg, Brian H. Bornstein, Philip A. Michelbach, and Ola Listhaug, Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Savannah, 1999

"The Paradox of the Origin of Languages in Rousseau's *Second Discourse* and *Essay on the Origin of Languages*," Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, 1999

"Distributive Justice Norms: An Experimental Approach," John T. Scott, Richard E. Matland, Philip A. Michelbach and Brian H. Bornstein, Southern Political Science Association Meeting, Atlanta, 1998

"Tolerance in Context," Philip A. Michelbach and Lance Stallworth. Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Corpus Christi, 1998

### **Languages for Research**

German: *spoken and written fluency*  
Spanish: *conversational and reading knowledge*  
Middle High German: *reading knowledge*

French: *reading knowledge*  
Classical Greek: *reading knowledge*  
Latin: *reading knowledge*

## References

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