

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

Ph. D. Political Science, Florida State University (1998)
Major Field: American Politics
Minor Fields: Public Policy, Comparative Politics

B.A. Political Science, University of Florida (1986)

Professional Experience

Faculty Positions

Professor, University of Kentucky, Department of Political Science, 2009 -
Associate Professor, University of Kentucky, Department of Political Science, 2002 - 2009
Joint Appointment, Martin School of Public Policy and Administration, 1996 -
Assistant Professor, University of Kentucky, Department of Political Science, 1996-2002

Administrative Appointments

Associate Director, University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research, 2007 -
Acting Director, University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research, 2008-2009
Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Political Science, 2003-2005

Awards

State Politics and Policy Quarterly Best Paper Award for best paper on state politics delivered at a 2008 conference ("Second-Order Devolution and the Implementation of TANF," with Byungkyu Kim, presented at the MPSA meeting in Chicago, April 2008).

APSA Public Policy Section Best Paper Award, for a paper presented at the 2007 meeting of the American Political Science Association ("Deciding to Discipline: A Multi-Method Study of Race, Choice, and Punishment at the Frontlines of Welfare Reform," with Sanford Schram, Joe Soss and Linda Houser).

APSA *Public Policy Section Best Paper Award*, for a paper presented at the 2005 meeting of the American Political Science Association (“The Color of Devolution: The Politics of Local Punishment in the New World of Welfare,” with Sanford Schram and Joe Soss).

APSA *State Politics and Policy Section Best Paper Award*, for a paper presented at 1997 meeting of the American Political Science Association (“Reassessing the Race to the Bottom in State Welfare Policy,” with William D. Berry and Russell L. Hanson).

Grants

“Putting Sanctions into Practice: Devolution, Privatization, and Caseworker Discretion in the Florida TANF Program,” with Sanford Schram and Joe Soss. April 2007. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation. (Funded through University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research, Internal Grants Program). \$5,000.

“Putting Sanctions into Practice: Devolution, Privatization, and Caseworker Discretion in the Florida TANF Program,” with Sanford Schram and Joe Soss. January 2005-December 2006. Annie E. Casey Foundation (Grant # 205.0059). Awarded to conduct field research in Florida one-stop centers, in support of larger project on sanction implementation. \$60,000.

“Race and Discretion in the Implementation of Welfare Reform: An Analysis of Local Variation in TANF Sanctioning Policies in Florida.” Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (Competitive award funded through University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research, Internal Grants Program). May 15, 2004-December 15, 2004. \$19,100.

University of Kentucky Summer Faculty Research Fellowship, 1997, 1998, 2001. \$5,000.

Faculty Research Committee Grant, Office of Research and Graduate Studies, University of Kentucky, Summer 2000. \$2,000.

Books

Soss, Joe, Richard C. Fording and Sanford F. Schram. *Disciplining the Poor: Neoliberal Paternalism and the Persistent Power of Race*. Under contract with University of Chicago Press.

Kim, HeeMin and Richard C. Fording. 2007. *An Accurate Understanding and a Proper Use of Manifestos: Analyses of Party Manifestos in 25 Western Democracies*. 2007. Seoul, Korea: ORUEM Publishing House. (Published in Korean, Translated by Jinman Cho and Hong-Cheol Kim.)

Schram, Sanford F., Joe Soss and Richard C. Fording. 2003. *Race and the Politics of Welfare Reform*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

Journal Articles

Soss, Joe, Richard C. Fording and Sanford F. Schram. "The Organization of Discipline: From Performance Management to Perversity and Punishment." Forthcoming at *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory*.

Kim, Byungkyu, and Richard C. Fording. "Second-Order Devolution and the Implementation of TANF." Forthcoming at *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*.

Berry, William D., Richard C. Fording, Evan J. Ringquist, Russell L. Hanson and Carl Klarner. "Measuring Citizen and Government Ideology in the American States: A Re-appraisal." Forthcoming at *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*.

HeeMin Kim G. Bingham Powell and Richard C. Fording. n.d. "Party Systems and Substantive Representation: Static and Dynamic Performance." Forthcoming at *Comparative Politics*.

Schram, Sanford F., Joe Soss, Richard C. Fording, and Linda Houser. 2009. "Deciding to Discipline: A Multi-Method Study of Race, Choice, and Punishment at the Frontlines of Welfare Reform." *American Sociological Review* 74(3), 398-422.

Soss, Joe, Richard C. Fording, and Sanford F. Schram. 2008. "The Color of Devolution: Race, Federalism, and the Politics of Social Control." *American Journal of Political Science* 52, 3 (July): 536-553.

Schram, Sanford F., Richard C. Fording and Joe Soss. 2008. "Neoliberal Poverty Governance: Race, Place and the Punitive Turn in U.S. Welfare Policy." *Cambridge Journal of Regions, Economy and Society* 1, 1 (April): 17-36.

Fording, Richard C., Joe Soss and Sanford F. Schram. 2007. "Devolution, Discretion and the Impact of Local Political Values on TANF Sanctioning." *Social Service Review* 81(2):285-316.

Fording, Richard C., and William D. Berry. 2007. "The Historical Impact of Welfare Programs on Poverty in the American States." *Policy Studies Journal* 35(1):37-60.

Berry, William D., Evan J. Ringquist, Richard C. Fording and Russell L. Hanson. 2007. "The Measurement and Stability of State Citizen Ideology: A Rejoinder." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 7(2):160-166.

Berry, William D., Evan J. Ringquist, Richard C. Fording and Russell L. Hanson. 2007. "The Measurement and Stability of State Citizen Ideology." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 7(2):111-132.

Berry, William D., Evan J. Ringquist, Richard C. Fording and Russell Hanson. 2006. "A Comment on 'Correction: Does State Political Ideology Change Over Time?'" *Political Research Quarterly*, 59 (September 2006): 495.

- Yates, Jeff, and Richard C. Fording. 2005. "Politics and State Punitiveness in Black and White." *Journal of Politics* 67(4): 1099-1121.
- Fording, Richard C., Penny Miller and Dana J. Patton. 2003. "Reform or Resistance? Local Government Response to State-Mandated Ethics Reform." *Publius* 33 (Spring): 1-16.
- Berry, William D., Richard C. Fording and Russell L. Hanson. 2003. "Reassessing the 'Race to the Bottom' in State Welfare Policy." *Journal of Politics* 65 (May): 327-49.
- Kim, HeeMin, and Richard C. Fording. 2003. "Voter Ideology in Western Democracies: An Update." *European Journal of Political Research* 42:95-105.
- Kim, HeeMin, and Richard C. Fording. 2002. "Government Partisanship in Western Democracies, 1946-1998." *European Journal of Political Research* 41(2):187-206.
- Kim, HeeMin, and Richard C. Fording. 2001. "Economic Performance, International Tension, and Ideological Swing in Western Democracies: A Comparative Analysis, 1952-1989." *Political Behavior* 23(1): 53-73.
- Fording, Richard C. 2001. "The Political Response to Black Insurgency: A Critical Test of Competing Theories of the State." *American Political Science Review* 95(1):115-130. [Reprinted in *Crime and Criminal Justice (The International Library of Essays in Law and Society)*, William T. Lyons, Jr., ed. Ashgate Publishing Co.]
- Kim, HeeMin, and Richard C. Fording. 2001. "The Political Significance of Tactical Voting: An Analysis of British Elections." *Comparative Political Studies* 34(3):294-311.
- Berry, William D., Richard C. Fording and Russell L. Hanson. 2000. "An Annual Cost of Living Index for the American States, 1960-95." *Journal of Politics* 62(2): 550-567.
- Kim, HeeMin, and Richard C. Fording. 1998. "Voter Ideology in Western Democracies, 1946-89." *European Journal of Political Research* 33:73-97.
- Berry, William D., Evan J. Ringquist, Richard C. Fording and Russell L. Hanson. 1998. "Measuring Citizen and Government Ideology in the American States, 1960-93." *American Journal of Political Science*, 42:327-48.
- Berry, William D., and Richard C. Fording. 1997. "Measuring State Tax Capacity and Effort," with William D. Berry. 1997. *Social Science Quarterly*, 78:158-66.
- Fording, Richard C. 1997. "The Conditional Effect of Violence as a Political Tactic: Mass Insurgency, Electoral Context and Welfare Generosity in the American States." *American Journal of Political Science*, 41:1-29.

Book Chapters

Fording, Richard C. 2003. "‘Laboratories of Democracy’ or Symbolic Politics? The Racial Origins of Welfare Reform." Pp. 72-100 in S.F. Schram, J. Soss, and R.C. Fording, eds. *Race and the Politics of Welfare Reform*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

Soss, Joe, Sanford F. Schram, and Richard C. Fording. 2003. "Introduction." Pp. 1-22 in S.F. Schram, J. Soss, and R.C. Fording, eds. *Race and the Politics of Welfare Reform*. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

Kim, HeeMin, and Richard C. Fording. 2001. "Extending the Estimates to Governments and Electors," in *Mapping Preferences: Parties, Electors, and Governments, 1945-1998*, Ian Budge, et al., eds., London: Oxford University Press.

Kim, HeeMin, and Richard C. Fording. 2000. "Explaining Ideological Swing in Western Democracies: A Comparative Analysis, 1952-1989." In *Handbook of Global Political Policy*, ed. Stuart Nagel. New York: Marcel Dekker, Inc., pp.403-421.

Work in Progress

Fording, Richard C., Joe Soss, and Sanford F. Schram. "Distributing Discipline: Race, Politics, and Punishment at the Frontlines of Welfare Reform." Invited to revise and resubmit at *American Journal of Sociology*.

Fording, Richard C., and HeeMin Kim. "Do Voter Preferences Matter between Elections?: Democratic Performance in Western Democracies." Under review.

Fording, Richard C., and John Cotter. "Black Faces, White Racists and the Mobilization of American Hate Groups." Under review.

Kim, Byungkyu, and Richard C. Fording. "Second-Order Devolution and the Implementation of TANF Work Sanctions - A Multilevel Analysis of the Impact of Decentralization in Policy Implementation." Under review.

Professional Research Presentations

"Who Knew It Would Rain? Exploring the Mismatch between TANF Programs and Hard Times" (with Joe Soss and Sanford Schram). Presented at the Thirty-first Annual APPAM Research Conference, November 5-7, 2009, Washington Marriott Hotel and Embassy Suites Hotel - Washington, DC.

"Poverty in Kentucky." Testimony before the Poverty Task Force, Kentucky General Assembly, September 21, 2009, Frankfort, KY.

"Governing the Poor: The Rise of the Neoliberal Paternalist State" (with Joe Soss and Sanford Schram). Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 4, 2009, Toronto, CA.

“Comments and Reflections on ‘Changing Poverty and Changing Anti-Poverty Policies.’” Presented at the 12th Annual Welfare Research and Evaluation Conference, Administration for Children and Families, May 27-29, 2009, Washington, D.C.

“Second-Order Devolution and the Implementation of TANF Work Sanctions - A Multilevel Analysis of the Impact of Decentralization in Policy Implementation” (with Byungkyu Kim). Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2, 2009, Chicago, IL.

“The Organization of Discipline: From Performance Management to Perversity and Punishment” (with Joe Soss and Sanford F. Schram). Paper presented at the meeting of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, November 7, 2008, Los Angeles, CA.

“Sanctions as a Policy Tool in the Transformed System of Welfare-to-Work,” (with Sanford Schram, Joe Soss and Linda Houser). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Association for Welfare Research and Statistics, August 19, 2008, Nashville, TN.

“Sanctions as a Policy Tool in the Transformed System of Welfare-to-Work,” (with Sanford Schram, Joe Soss and Linda Houser). Presented at the 11th Annual Welfare Research and Evaluation Conference, Administration for Children and Families, May 28-30, 2008, Washington, D.C.

“Deciding to Discipline: A Multi-Method Study of Race, Choice, and Punishment at the Frontlines of Welfare Reform ” (with Sanford Schram, Joe Soss and Linda Houser). Invited presentation at Louisiana State University, LSU Poverty Initiative, May 2, 2008, Baton Rouge, LA.

“Second-Order Devolution and the Implementation of TANF,” (with Byungkyu Kim). Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 5, 2008, Chicago, IL. Winner of the SPPQ Best Paper Award.

“Distributing Discipline: Race, Politics, and Punishment at the Frontlines of Welfare Reform” (with Sanford Schram and Joe Soss). Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 5, 2008.

“Wage Decline and the Principle of Less Eligibility in U.S. Welfare Policy.” Invited presentation at the Conference on Global Welfare Change, Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University, November 2, 2007.

“Wage Decline and the Principle of Less Eligibility in U.S. Social Policy.” Keynote presentation at the Annual Meeting of the West Virginia Political Science Association, West Virginia Wesleyan College, October 26, 2007.

“Deciding to Discipline: A Multi-Method Study of Race, Choice, and Punishment at the Frontlines of Welfare Reform ” (with Linda Houser, Sanford Schram and Joe Soss). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 1, 2007, Chicago, IL. Winner of the Public Policy Section Best Paper Award.

“Black Faces, White Racists, and the Mobilization of White Hate Groups” (with Kirill Bumin and John Cotter). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2007, Chicago, IL.

“The Bottom Line, the Business Model and the Bogey: Performance Management, Sanctions and the Brave New World of Welfare-to-Work in Florida,” with Sanford Schram and Joe Soss. Paper presented at the meeting of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, November, 2006, Madison, WI.

“The Implementation of Sanctions in Florida’s Welfare Transition (WT) Program,” with Sanford Schram and Joe Soss. Invited presentation by Workforce Florida, Inc., and the Florida Department of Children and Families, Tallahassee, Florida, September 19, 2006.

“The Bottom Line, the Business Model and the Bogey: Performance Management, Sanctions and the Brave New World of Welfare-to-Work in Florida,” with Sanford Schram and Joe Soss. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2, 2006, Philadelphia, PA.

“Race and Devolution: The Politics of Local Punishment in the New World of Welfare,” with Sanford Schram and Joe Soss. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 3, 2005, Washington, D.C. Winner of the Public Policy Section Best Paper Award.

“What Happens between Elections?: Government Responsiveness in Western Democracies,” with HeeMin Kim. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 3, 2005, Washington, D.C.

“Race and Discretion in the Implementation of Welfare Reform: An Analysis of Local Variation in TANF Sanctioning in Florida,” with Sanford Schram and Joe Soss. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2005, Chicago, IL.

“Race and the Politics of Welfare Reform.” Invited presentation by the School of Public and Environmental Affairs (SPEA), Indiana University, Bloomington, April 23, 2004.

“Race and the Politics of Welfare Reform.” Invited presentation by the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights at “Race, Ethnicity, Gender and the Development of National Welfare Policy Press Briefing,” June 6, 2003, Senate Russell Office Building, Washington, D.C.

“State Labor Markets and the ‘Principle of Less Eligibility’ in State Welfare Policy,” with Carl Klarner. Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2003, Chicago, IL.

“Explaining Gubernatorial Success in State Legislatures,” with Neal Woods and David Prince. Presented at the Second Annual Conference on State Politics and Policy, May 24-25, 2002, Milwaukee, WI.

“The Political Origins of Extremism: A Multivariate Analysis of Trends in Organized Hate Groups in the American States,” with John Cotter. Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2002, Chicago, IL.

“The Impact of Labor Markets on State Welfare Policies.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September, 2001, San Francisco, CA.

“Explaining Gubernatorial Success in State Legislatures,” with David Prince. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September, 2001, San Francisco, CA.

Roundtable participant, “Race and Welfare Reform,” at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April, 2001, Chicago, IL.

“Reform or Resistance? Local Government Response to State-Mandated Ethics Reform,” with Penny Miller and Dana Patton. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 31, 2000, Washington, D.C.

“The Impact of Welfare Programs on Poverty in the American States” with William Berry. Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2000, Chicago, IL.

“Laboratories of Democracy or Symbolic Politics?: The Political Origins of State Welfare Reform.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 1999, Atlanta, GA.

“The Politics of Prejudice: Establishing the Link between Race and Public Policy.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Kentucky Political Science Association, March 5, 1999, Lexington, KY.

“Racial Disparity in Incarceration Rates in the American States: A Test of Competing Theories,” with Jeff Yates. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, October 1998, Atlanta, Georgia.

“Explaining Tort Litigation Rates in the American States: A Pooled Cross-Sectional Time Series Analysis,” with Jeff Yates, Henry Glick, and Belinda Davis. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 1998, Boston, Mass.

“Reassessing the 'Race to the Bottom' Thesis: A Spatial Dependence Model of State Welfare Policy,” with William Berry and Russell Hanson. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 1997, Washington, D.C. Winner of the State Politics and Policy Section Best Paper Award.

“Explaining Ideological Change: A Cross-National Analysis of Western Democracies, 1949-82,” with HeeMin Kim. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 1997, Chicago, IL.

“The Conditional Effect of Violence as a Political Tactic: Mass Insurgency, Electoral Context and Welfare Generosity in the American States.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 19, 1996, Chicago, IL.

“Ideology, Institutions, and Policy Influence in the American States, 1960-1992,” with William Berry, Evan Ringquist, and Russell Hanson. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7, 1995, Chicago, IL.

“International Vote Swings in Western Democracies: A Comparative Analysis of Ideological Trends, 1945-85,” with HeeMin Kim. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7, 1995, Chicago, IL.

“International Vote Swings in Western Democracies: A Comparative Analysis of Ideological Trends, 1945-85,” with HeeMin Kim. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August, 1994, New York, NY.

Courses Taught

Undergraduate:

American Government
State and Local Politics
Issues in Public Policy
Analysis of Public Policy
Race, Class and Public Policy
The Politics of Poverty
Research Methods

Graduate:

Introduction to Statistics for Political Science
Multivariate Techniques in Political Science
Strategies of Political Inquiry (Research Design)
Seminar in State Politics and Policy
Seminar in Public Policy

Student Dissertation and Thesis Chair

Major Advisor (Ph.D.)

Byungkyu Kim (Political Science, 2008)
Adam Butz (Political Science, a.b.d.)

Undergraduate Honors Thesis, Chair

April Scoggan (Political Science, 2000)
Julie Murray (Gaines Thesis, 2003)
Nick Hopkins (Political Science, 2002)
Cara Childers (Gaines Thesis, 2008)

Professional Service

State Politics and Policy Program Chair, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., 2010

Nominations Committee, APSA Public Policy Section, 2009

Editorial Board, Ralph Bunch Journal of Public Affairs

Public Policy Program Chair, Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2009.

Executive Council, State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association, 2002-2004.

State Politics and Policy Best Paper Award Committee, 2002.

Editorial Board for State Politics and Policy Quarterly, 1999-2004.

Anonymous referee for: Administration and Society, American Political Science Review, American Sociological Review, American Journal of Political Science, American Politics Research, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Georgetown University Press, Journal of Politics, Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory, National Science Foundation, Office for Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE), Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, Policy Studies Journal, Public Opinion Quarterly, Public Choice, Publius, Social Forces, Social Problems, Social Service Review, State and Local Government Review, State Politics and Policy Quarterly, Social Science Quarterly.

Publicly Available Datasets

State Citizen and Government Ideology

Annual measures of state citizen and government ideology for 50 states, 1960-2007
<http://www.uky.edu/~rford/stateideology.html>

State Cost of Living Deflator

Annual state CPI for 50 states, 1960-2007 <http://www.uky.edu/~rford/replicationdata.html>

Voter and Government Ideology in 25 Democracies

Annual measure of median voter position, ideology of parliament and government for 25 democracies, 1945-2000
<http://heeminkimfsu.googlepages.com/datasetsandsolutionconceptscreated>

State Tax Capacity and Effort

Annual measure of state tax capacity and effort for 50 states, 1960-1990
<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/cocoon/ICPSR/STUDY/01124.xml>

Affiliations

Research Fellow, Institute for Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations, University of Kentucky, 2005-Present

Executive Committee, University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research 2005-2007

Faculty Affiliate, University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research, 2003-2005

APSA Section Membership

State Politics and Policy

Public Policy

Race, Ethnicity and Politics

Political Methodology

College and University Service

Political Science Graduate Placement Director, 2009-2010

Summer Faculty Research Fellowship Committee, 2007-

University Appeals Board, 2007-

University Research Advisory Committee, 2004-

University Senate, 2005-2007

University Senate Committee on Research, 2006

External Review Committee Member for the Sociology Department, 2006

External Review Committee Member for the Martin School of Public Policy and
Administration, 2006

Dean's Search Committee for Department Chair, Political Science, 2002, 2005, 2006