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**Curriculum Vitae** 

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#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. (Political Science), University of Oregon, December 2006 M.S. (Political Science), University of Oregon, June 2003 Master of Public Administration, Montana State University, May 1999 B.A. (Political Science), Montana State University, June 1997

### **Academic Positions**

Professor of Political Science, Missouri Western State University, July 2024-Present
Associate Professor of Political Science, Missouri Western State University, July 2017-June 2024
Assistant Professor of Political Science, Missouri Western State University, August 2010-June 2017
Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science, Lewis & Clark College, September 2008-2009
Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science, Washington State University August 2007-2008

#### **Administrative Positions**

Interim Assistant Dean, College of Liberal Arts, Missouri Western State University, March 2024-current Interim Chair, Steven L. Craig School of Business, Missouri Western State University, May 2023-June 2024 Interim Chair, Department of Communication, Missouri Western State University, August 2021-July 2022 Chair, Department of Social Sciences and Humanities, Missouri Western State University, August 2020-July 2021 Chair, Department of Economics, Political Science, & Sociology, Missouri Western State University, August 2017-2020

### **Publications**

Taylor III, Edwin A. "Morality and Pragmatism in the Obama Doctrine." *e-International Relations*, 5 June 2012, available from <a href="http://www.e-ir.info/2012/06/05/morality-and-pragmatism-in-the-obama-doctrine/">http://www.e-ir.info/2012/06/05/morality-and-pragmatism-in-the-obama-doctrine/</a>.

Taylor III, Edwin A. "Wabba Lubba Dub Dub: Libertarian Ideology in Rick and Morty." In preparation for submission to the Journal of Popular Culture 2025.

### **Scholarship in Progress**

"Gay Spaces, Gay Places: Gay Bars and the Politics of Cultural Resistance". This is a larger part of a book project in progress. The core argument is that declining gay spaces affects the ability for marginalized groups to resist the cultural pressures of heteronormativity.

#### **Recent Conference Presentations**

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Walla Walla, WA, November 10-12, 2022, "I Need a Hero? The Rise of the Antihero Archetype in Republican Party Politics"

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Portland, OR, November 11-13, 2021, "Libertarian Themes in American Adult Cartoon Programming: The Adventures of Rick and Morty"

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting Virtual, November 7, 2020, Invited Panelist for the Roundtable on Online Pedagogy.

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Boise, ID, November 7-9, 2019, "Healing the Burn: Restorative Justice and Wildfire Punishments in the American West"

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Bend, OR, November 8-10, 2018, "Dollar Drinks and Political Fights: The Shrinking Geography of Queer Resistance"

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Seattle, WA, October 12-14, 2017, Internal Peace: Gay Spaces and Political Resistance"

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Portland, OR, November 10-12, 2016, "Visibility Makes You Vulnerable: Portland Perceptions of Gay Spaces post-Pulse Nightclub Shooting"

Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL April 7-10, 2016, with Dr. Jonathon P. Euchner, "Political Science meets the Millennials: Recruitment Challenges within the Discipline"

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Boise, ID October 14-16, 2015, "Where Have All the Gay Boys Gone: Gentrification and Portland's Gay Space".

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Boise, ID October 14-16, 2015. "Caring for the Other: Feminist Ethics and an Alternative Foreign Policy Framework"

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Bend, OR, October 9-12, 2014. "A Relational Approach to the National Interest: A Feminist Reimagining of Foreign Policy."

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver, BC, October 17-19, 2013. "Teaching Peace: The Challenges of Peace Education in a World of Conflict."

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Portland Oregon, November 8-10, 2012. "Enter the Peacemakers: Women's Peace Activists and the Northern Ireland Good Friday Agreement"

Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon, March 22-24, 2012. "Towards a Feminist Vision of Foreign Policy: The Hillary Effect at Foggy Bottom."

Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 20-23 2011, San Antonio, Texas "Engineering Against Evil: The Moral Pragmatism of the Obama Doctrine"

### **Invited Talks**

Griffon University: Griffon Production House, "Wubba Lubba Dub Dub: Libertarian Ideology in Rick and Morty", May 2023. The Production House video of this presentation is available for streaming at:

https://youtu.be/CDcOO3hNRno?si=hap-21M11XnZgt8a

Missouri Western State University 2014-15 Peace and Conflict Studies Lecture Series: "Enter the Peacemakers: The Women's Coalition and the Good Friday Agreement in Northern Ireland" March 17, 2015

The talk is available for streaming at:

http://mwsu.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=2f0ecfe7-4ece-4db1-8367-7a9b80716637

### **Courses Taught at Missouri Western State University**

PSC 101: Introduction to American Government (General Education and Honor Sections, Face to Face, Online, and ECA)

PSC 110: State and Local Government

PSC 111: Understanding the Missouri Constitution (online)

PSC 200: International Politics (online and face to face)

PSC 210: Introduction to Comparative Politics (online and face to face)

PSC 315: Popular Film and American Politics

PSC 335: Public Administration

PSC 355: Interest Group Politics

PSC 374: Understanding War and Peace in Modern Society

PSC 390: International Organizations

PSC 399: Sustainable Cities

PSC 400: US Foreign Policy

PSC 420: Law and Politics

PSC 425: Peace and Justice in Post-Conflict Societies

PSC 491: Senior Capstone I

PSC 492: Senior Capstone II

PSC 493: Applied Learning Experience in Political Science

HON 195: Science and the Supernatural (MWSU Freshman Honors Colloquium)

# **Other Courses Taught**

European Politics, Gender and Politics, Comparative Public Policy, US. Political Parties and Elections, Scandal and Corruption in US Politics, Problems in US Politics, Advanced International Relations Theory

## **Awards and Recognitions**

2021 Dean's Award- Missouri Western State University

2020-21-Pi Sigma Alpha Outstanding Advisor Recognition

2019 Fall, Most Influential Professor Award, Missouri Western State University Honors Program

2018 Foundation Award for Teaching Excellence- Missouri Western State University

2017 Fall, Most Influential Professor Award, Missouri Western State University Honors Program

2017 Spring, Most Influential Professor Award, Missouri Western State University Honors Program

2015 Compass Teaching Award—Missouri Western State University

### **Recent Service**

### University/Student

President, Missouri Western Faculty Senate, Academic Year 2022-23; Reelected for AY 2023-24

Team Leader for Missouri Western State University Mid-Cycle Higher Learning Commission Assessment Report 2020-2021 University Assessment Committee, Missouri Western State University 2016-2021.

General Studies Assessment Academy, 2018

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Member, 2016-2017

General Studies Committee Member, 2012-2016

Faculty Advisor: Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science Student's Association, Politics Club, Board Game Club, Missouri Western State University

Primary Organizer, MWSU Constitution Day, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2018. 2020, 2021.

#### Discipline

2023, Executive Committee Member, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association

2022, Committee Member, Pi Sigma Alpha Best Undergraduate Research Paper

2022 and 2023, Panel Chair, Pi Sigma Alpha National Undergraduate Research Conference

2019-2021, President Ex Officio, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association

2016-2018, President, Pacific Northwest Political Science Association

# **Professional Memberships:**

Pacific Northwest Political Science Association The International Studies Association Western Political Science Association The Midwest Political Science Association