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EDUCATION

- Duke University: Ph.D. in Political Science, September 2001.
- Duke University: M.A. in Political Science, December 1998.
- University of Wisconsin-Madison: M.A. in Political Science, December 1994.
- University of California at Santa Cruz: B.A. with Honors in Politics, College Honors, and Phi Beta Kappa, June 1991.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2006-: Associate Professor (with tenure), Department of Political Science, University of California, Davis.
- 2003-06 (on leave 2003-04): Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of California, Davis.
- 2002-2004: Postdoctoral Fellow, Stanford Institute for International Studies, and Instructor in the International Relations/International Policy Studies and Political Science Departments, Stanford University.
- 2001-2002: Advanced (Postdoctoral) Research Fellow – Program on U.S.-Japan Relations (Center for International Affairs), Harvard University.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

- Comparative Politics
- Advanced Capitalist States and Societies
- Political Institutions and Organizations
- Political Parties
- Japanese Politics
- Electoral Systems
- Bureaucrat-Politician (and PA) Relations
- Research and Quantitative Methods

BOOK

- 2006. *Democracy Without Competition in Japan: Opposition Failure in a One-Party Dominant State*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- In press. “Governmental Centralization and Party Affiliation: Legislator Strategies in Brazil and Japan.” Co-authored with Scott Desposato. *American Political Science Review*.
- 2009 (in press). “Strategic Voting in Established and New Democracies: Ticket Splitting in Mixed-Member Electoral Systems.” Co-authored with Robert G. Moser. *Electoral Studies* 28 (1: March).
- 2008. “Does Electoral System Reform Work? Electoral System Lessons from Reforms of the 1990s.” *Annual Review of Political Science* 11:161-81.

- 2008. “Fragmentation and Power: Reconceptualizing Policy Making under Japan’s 1955 System.” Co-authored with John C. Campbell. *Japanese Journal of Political Science* 9:89-113.
- 2007. “Electoral System Effects and Ruling Party Dominance in Japan: A Counterfactual Simulation Based on Adaptive Parties.” Co-authored with Andy Baker. *Electoral Studies* 26:477-91.
- 2005. “Pipelines of Pork: A Model of Local Opposition Party Failure.” *Comparative Political Studies* 38:799-823.
Reprinted in Christopher P. Hood (ed.). 2008. *Politics of Modern Japan: Critical Concepts in the Modern Politics of Asia*. London and New York: Routledge Curzon.
- 2005. “Strategic Ticket Splitting and the Personal Vote in Mixed-Member Electoral Systems.” Co-authored with Robert G. Moser. *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 30:259-276.
- 2004. “Mixed Electoral Systems and Electoral System Effects: Controlled Comparison and Cross-National Analysis.” Co-authored with Robert G. Moser. *Electoral Studies* 23:575-599.
- 2004. “Adaptive Parties: Party Strategic Capacity under Japanese SNTV.” Co-authored with Andy Baker. *Electoral Studies* 23:251-278.
- 2003. “Electoral Incentives and Policy Preferences: Mixed Motives behind Party Defections in Japan.” Co-authored with Steven R. Reed. *British Journal of Political Science* 33:469-490.
Reprinted in Christopher P. Hood (ed.). 2008. *Politics of Modern Japan: Critical Concepts in the Modern Politics of Asia*. London and New York: Routledge Curzon.
- 2000. “Japan’s New Electoral System: La plus ça change...” Co-authored with Margaret McKean. *Electoral Studies* 19:447-477.
- 1999. “Urban Outfitters: City-Based Strategies and Success in Postwar Japanese Politics.” *Electoral Studies* 18:179-198.

EDITED VOLUME CHAPTERS

- 2008 (in press). “The Slow Government Response to Japan’s Bank Crisis: A New Interpretation” (with Michio Muramatsu). In *Political Change in Japan: Electoral Behavior, Party Realignment, and the Koizumi Reforms*, edited by Steven R. Reed, Kenneth Mori McElwain, and Kay Shimizu. Stanford/Washington, D.C.: Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center/Brookings Institution Press.
- 2007. “Clientelism in Japan: The Importance and Limits of Institutional Explanations” In Herbert Kitschelt and Steven I. Wilkinson (eds.), *Patrons, Clients, and Policies: Patterns of Democratic Accountability and Political Competition*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- 2003. “Political Realignment in Nagano: Hata Tsutomu and the New Opposition Challenge the LDP.” In Steven R. Reed, (ed.), *Japanese Electoral Politics: Creating a New Party System*, pp. 67-83. London and New York: Routledge Curzon.

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

- Book manuscript, *Mixed-Member Electoral Systems in New and Established Democracies: Controlled Comparison* (with Robert G. Moser)
- “When Do Interest Groups Contact Bureaucrats Rather than Politicians? ‘Fire Alarms’ and ‘Smoke Detectors’ in Japan” (with Michio Muramatsu).
- Project on Japanese parliamentary organization, bureaucratic discretion, and the Japanese governmental responsiveness to the economy (with Ellis Krauss, Michio Muramatsu and Robert Pekkanen)
- “Follow the Leader: Party Switching by Subnational Legislators in Japan” (with Caitlin Milazzo).
- Paper on impact of candidate quality on electoral outcomes in Japan

BOOK REVIEWS

- *Opposition Politics in Japan: Strategies Under a One-Party Dominant Regime* by Stephen Johnson. *Japanese Journal of Political Science*. Summer/Autumn, 2001.

POPULAR PUBLICATIONS

- Analysis of the 2004 Japanese House of Councillors Election appeared in Japanese as “Minshutô ha ‘Sôsenkyo’ de masateru no ka.” *Foresight Magazine* (8/21/04-9/17/04, Issue 9), pp. 70-71.
- Analysis of the 2003 Japanese House of Representatives Election appeared in Japanese as “Kono mama de ha seiken kôtai ha jitsugen shinai.” *Foresight Magazine* (12/20/03-1/16/04, Issue1), pp. 74-75.

QUANTITATIVE SKILLS

- Experienced in a wide variety of quantitative methods
- Two semesters of course work on probability, regression and diagnostics
- Two semesters of advanced statistics course work focusing on Maximum Likelihood Estimation
- Instructor for the graduate level introductory statistics course (Fall 2006)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Attended Stanford University’s 10-month Inter-University Center for advanced Japanese language training in Yokohama, Japan
- Seven regular semesters and two summer semesters of college-level Japanese language training
- Good Japanese reading, writing and speaking ability

TRANSLATIONS (JAPANESE TO ENGLISH)

- “Enhancing Local Fiscal Autonomy: A Study of the Japanese Case with Comparative Reference to South Korea and the United States” by Yoshiaki Kobayashi (Professor in the Faculty of Law, Keio University). In National Institute for Research Advancement

(NIRA) (eds.), *The Challenge to the Governance in the Twenty-First Century: Achieving Effective Central-Local Relations*. Tokyo: NIRA, 1999.

AWARDS, HONORS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Invited to be member of the Japan-U.S. Leadership Network Program co-hosted by the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership (CGP).
- Named to U.C. Santa Cruz Politics Department's Alumni "Wall of Fame" (2007)
- Nominee, ASUCD Academic Affairs Commission Excellence in Education (Teaching) Award (2006, 2008)
- UC Davis, accelerated promotion from Assistant Professor IV to Associate Professor I with tenure (effective 2006-07)
- UC Davis, 2 year merit acceleration (from Assistant Professor II to Assistant Professor IV) (effective 2005-06)
- UC Davis, Publication Assistance Fund Grant for *Democracy Without Competition in Japan* (2005)
- UC Davis, Institute of Governmental Affairs, Junior Faculty Grant for "Bureaucratic-Politician Relations and Bureaucratic Discretion in Japan" (2004-05)
- UC Davis, Undergraduate Instructional Improvement Grant for "Comparative Electoral Systems" (2004)
- UC Davis, Small Grant in Aid of Research (2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008)
- Postdoctoral Fellow, Stanford University Institute for International Studies (2002-04)
- Nominee for American Political Science Association Award for Best Dissertation in the field of Political Economy (2002)
- Advanced Research Fellow, Program on U.S.-Japan Relations, Harvard University (2001-02)
- Nominee for the Westview Press Award (Best Paper by a Graduate Student at the 2001 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting) (2001)
- The Tokyo Foundation's Joint Research/Exchange Program Grant (Co-Principal Investigator) (2000)
- Aleane Webb Dissertation Research Fellowship (2000)
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting Travel Grant (2000)
- Japan Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship (1999)
- Sanwa Bank Research Grant (1999)
- National Security Education Program Fellow (1998-1999)
- Duke University Center for International Studies Dissertation Travel Award (1998)
- Awarded FLAS (Foreign Language and Area Studies) Fellowship (1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98, and 1998-99 school years, and 1994 and 1996 summers, declined award in 1998-99)
- Inter-University Center tuition award (1997)
- Duke University Graduate School Dissertation Travel Award (1997)
- Voted Friendliest Person at the Middlebury College summer Japanese language program (1996)
- 2nd Place at the 10th Annual Duke University Japanese Language Speech Contest (1996)
- Middlebury College grant for language study at Middlebury College (1996)
- Awarded summer educational grant by Duke political science department (1996)

- National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship—Honorable Mention (1993)
- UC Santa Cruz, Phi Beta Kappa (1992)
- Honors in the Politics major and College Honors at UC Santa Cruz (1991)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- U.C. Davis
 - Introduction to Quantitative Methods (Grad Course)
 - Advanced Research Design I & II (Grad Courses)
 - Organizational Dynamics: Theories of Delegation and Bureaucratic Discretion (Grad Course)
 - Introduction to Comparative Politics (Undergrad Course)
 - Comparative Electoral Systems (Undergrad Course)
 - Japanese Politics (Undergrad Course)
 - Perspectives on Japanese Democracy (Senior Seminar)
- Stanford University
 - Japanese Politics (Advanced undergrad and M.A. students – Fall 2003) – co-taught with Daniel Okimoto
 - Perspectives on Japanese Democracy (Advanced undergrad and M.A. students – Winter 2003)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

- Steering Committee, Japan Political Studies Group (representing members of the American Political Science Association and the Association of Asian Studies)
- Chair, Stanford University Japan Brown Bag Seminar Series, 2002-2004.
- Manuscript reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Comparative Politics*, *Electoral Studies*, *Governance*, *Japanese Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Japanese Studies*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Party Politics*, *Public Choice*.
- Book manuscript reviewer: Lynne Rienner Publishers.
- Project reviewer: National Science Foundation, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.
- Memberships: American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Association of Asian Studies, Western Political Science Association
- Invited, as former Advanced Research Fellow in the Program, to be interviewed by the external committee conducting the 2005 review of Harvard University's Program on U.S.-Japan Relations
- Selection Committee: Advanced Research Fellowship for the Program on U.S.-Japan Relations at Harvard University

INVITED LECTURES

- Stanford University Comparative Politics Workshop, October 1, 2007.

- UCLA, Center for Japanese Studies, May 8, 2006.
- University of California, Berkeley, Center for Japanese Studies, Panel Discussion of 2005 Japanese House of Representatives Election, September 16, 2005
- University of California, Berkeley, Center for Japanese Studies, January 31, 2005
- University of Michigan, Center for Japanese Studies, September 16, 2004.
- Research Institute of Economy, Trade, and Industry, IAA, Tokyo, Japan, October 15, 2003.
- Gakushuin University, Tokyo, Japan, October 15, 2003.
- Stanford University Comparative Politics Workshop, Spring 2003.
- Stanford University Asia/Pacific Research Center, December 10, 2002.
- University of California, San Diego, The Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies, October 28, 2002.
- Harvard University, April 2002.
- Middlebury College, October 2001.
- Duke University, Asian/Pacific Studies Institute, September 2001.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- “Follow the Leader: Party Switching by Subnational Legislators in Japan” (with Caitlin Milazzo). Prepared for delivery at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 28-31, 2008, Boston, MA.
- "Unanticipated Consequences of Electoral Reform." Prepared for delivery at the conference on Comparison of Election Law Reform Changes in Italy and Japan, University of California, Irvine, March 14-15, 2008.
- “When Do Interest Groups Contact Bureaucrats Rather than Politicians? ‘Fire Alarms’ and ‘Smoke Detectors’ in Japan” (with Michio Muramatsu). Prepared for delivery at the conference on “Modeling Power Relationship in Japanese Democracy,” University of British Columbia, August 28-29, 2007.
- “The Slow Government Response to Japan’s Bank Crisis: A Principal-Agent Analysis” (co-authored with Michio Muramatsu). Prepared for delivery at Stanford Conference on Electoral and Legislative Politics in Japan (2007), June 11-12, 2007, Stanford, CA.
- “The Financial Crisis and the Core Executive in Japan” (co-authored with Michio Muramatsu). Prepared for delivery at the International Institute for Advanced Studies (IIAS) workshop on “Core Executives and Civil Service in Japan,” March 22-23, 2007 at IIAS, Kyoto, Japan.
- “Monitoring and Bureaucratic Independence: Fire Alarms and Smoke Detectors in Japanese Policy Making” (co-authored with Michio Muramatsu). Prepared for delivery at the 2006 meeting of the International Political Science Association, Fukuoka, Japan, July 9-13.

- “Strategic Voting in Mixed-Member Electoral Systems” (co-authored with Robert G. Moser). Prepared for delivery at the conference on "Democracy, Divided Government, and Split-Ticket Voting," at Harvard University, May 26-27, 2006.
- “Japan’s Electoral System After Reform: Is It Indeed ‘La plus ça change...’?” (co-authored with Margaret McKean). Prepared for delivery at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Association of Asian Studies, San Francisco, CA, April 6-9, 2006.
- “New Analyses of Policy Making in Japan: Brainstorming on the Core Executive.” Prepared for delivery at the International Institute for Advanced Studies (IIAS) workshop on “Core Executives and Civil Service in Japan,” November 10-11, 2005 at IIAS, Kyoto, Japan.
- “Resource Distribution and Party Defections in Japan and Brazil” (co-authored with Scott Desposato). Prepared for delivery at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Oakland, CA, March 17-19, 2005.
- Discussant: Panel on “Political Consequences of Electoral Rules.” 2004 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2-5, 2004.
- Discussant: Berkeley-Stanford Conference on Contemporary Japanese Politics. Stanford University, May 25, 2004
- “Incentives, Institutions, and Bureaucrat-Politician Relations in Japan” (co-authored with Michio Muramatsu and Ellis S. Krauss). Prepared for delivery at the 2004 Annual Meeting of the Association of Asia Studies, San Diego, CA, March 4-7, 2004.
- “Fragmentation and Power: Reconceptualizing the Japanese decision-making system” (co-authored with John C. Campbell). Prepared for delivery at the 2004 Annual Meeting of the Association of Asia Studies, San Diego, CA, March 4-7, 2004.
- “Top-Down Party Formation and the Ills of the Democratic Party of Japan: Problems of Organization and Policy Coherence.” Prepared for delivery at the 2002 Annual Meeting of the Association of Asia Studies, Washington, D.C., April 4-7, 2002.
- “The Limits of Anti-Clientelist Appeals: Opposition Failure in Japan.” Prepared for delivery at the 2001 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, August 30-September 2.
- “Democracy Without Competition: Opposition Failure in One-Party Dominant Japan.” Prepared for delivery at the 2001 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 19-22.
 - Nominee for the Westview Press Award (Best Paper by a Graduate Student at the 2001 MPSA Annual Meeting).
- “Mixed Electoral Systems and the Effective Number of Parties: A Controlled Comparison” (co-authored with Robert Moser). Prepared for delivery at the 2001 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 19-22.
- “Clientelism, Centralization and Opposition Party Success: Preliminary Comparative Analysis and Evidence from Japan.” Prepared for delivery at the 2000 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 31-September 3.

- “A Cross-National Study of Strategic Voting in Mixed Electoral Systems” (co-authored with Robert Moser). Prepared for delivery at the 2000 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 31-September 3.
- “The Impact of Distributive and Centralized Politics on Party Development: Evidence from Japan and Preliminary Comparative Analysis.” Prepared for delivery at the 2000 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 27-30.
- “Electoral Incentives and Policy Preferences: Rethinking Party Defections in Japan” (co-authored with Steven Reed). Prepared for delivery at the 1999 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Atlanta Marriott Marquis and Atlanta Hilton and Towers, September 2-5, 1999.
- “Smart Parties in a Rigged System: Party Strategy and the Effects of Malapportionment in Japan” (co-authored with Andy Baker). Prepared for delivery at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology, College Station, Texas, July 15-17, 1999.
- “Can Japanese Voters Ever Throw the Rascals Out? Electoral Reform Enhances Permanent Employment for Politicians” (co-authored with Margaret McKean). Prepared for delivery at the Conference on Democratic Institutions in East Asia, Duke University, November 8-9, 1996.