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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Johns Hopkins University, School of Government and Policy, Department of Political Science
Founding Dean: 2025-present
Professor: 2025-present

University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy, Dept. of Political Science, and the College
Sydney Stein Professor in American Politics: 2009-2024
Associate Professor: 2006-2009

Harvard University, Government Department
Associate Professor: 2005-2006
Assistant Professor: 2002-2005

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Political Science Department
Assistant Professor: 2000-2002

EDUCATION

Stanford University. Ph.D., Political Science, 2000. Concentrations in American Politics and Political Institutions.

Wesleyan University. B.A., College of Social Studies, 1993. Graduated with high honors.

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP

- Founding Dean, School of Government and Policy (2025-present)
- Founder and Director, Center for Effective Government, University of Chicago (2019-2024).
- Faculty Director, Civic Leadership Academy, University of Chicago (2015-2025).
- Chair, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago (two terms, 2017-2023).
- Director, Project on Political Reform, Harris School of Public Policy (2016-2019).

OTHER ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

- Co-host, *Not Another Politics Podcast* (2020-2024).
- University Vice Marshall (2018-2024); Assistant Marshall (2013-2017).
- Book Series Co-Editor (with Jon Pevehouse), “Chicago Series on International and Domestic Institutions,” University of Chicago Press (2008-2020).
- Member, University Senate, University of Chicago (2016-2019); Committee of the Council (2017-2018).
- Co-Director, Program on Political Institutions, Harris School of Public Policy (2007-2015).
- Member, *ABC News* election decision team (2013-2016).

- Deputy Director, Program on Education Policy and Governance, Harvard University (2003-2008; faculty affiliate 2000-present).
- Survey Director, *Education Next* (2005-2013).
- National Advisory Committee for the Black Alliance for Educational Options’ “The Black Parent After-School Care Study” (2006).
- Department of Education’s Institute of Education Sciences grant review panel (2004-2005).

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Inductee, American Academy of Sciences and Letters (2024).
- Fellow, John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation (2023-24).
- Inductee, American Academy of Arts and Sciences (2020).
- Fellow, Bradley Foundation (2010-present).
- Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University (2009-2010).
- Distinguished Research Faculty Associate and C. Douglas Dillon Scholar, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University (2004-2005).
- Vilas Young Scholar, University of Wisconsin (2000-2002).
- Hawkins Junior Professional Development Fellowship, University of Wisconsin (2000).

ACADEMIC AWARDS

- Recipient, Best Article in Formal Theory (2022), by the American Political Science Association.
- Inaugural recipient, Legacy Award for a book, essay, or article, published at least 10 years prior, that has made “a continuing contribution to the intellectual development of the fields of presidency and executive politics” (2015), by the American Political Science Association. (Awarded for Power without Persuasion).
- Recipient, William Riker Award for the best book in political economy published in the last three years (2014), by the American Political Science Association. (Awarded for The Wartime President).
- Recipient, Richard E. Neustadt Award for the best reference book on the American Presidency published in the previous four years (2010), by the American Political Science Association. (Awarded for the Oxford Handbook on the American Presidency).
- Recipient, D.B. Hardeman Prize for the best book on a congressional topic published in the previous year (2008), by the Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library. (Awarded for While Dangers Gather).
- Recipient, Richard E. Neustadt Award for the best book on the American Presidency published in the previous year (2008), by the American Political Science Association. (Awarded for While Dangers Gather).
- Recipient, Patrick J. Fett Award for the best paper on the scientific study of Congress and the presidency (2005), by the Midwest Political Science Association.
- Recipient, E.E. Schattschneider Award for the best dissertation in American politics (2001), by the American Political Science Association.
- Recipient, Best dissertation on the presidency (2001), by the Center for Presidential Studies at the George Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M University.
- Humanities/Sciences Graduate Alumni Dissertation Fellowship, Stanford University, 1999.

BOARD SERVICE

- Journals: *Journal of Public Policy* (2013-present); *Presidential Studies Quarterly* (2006-present); *Education Next* (2014-present); *Journal of Theoretical Politics* (2014-present); *American Journal of*

Political Science (2018-21, 2023-present); *American Political Science Review* (2012-2016); *Journal of Politics* (2015-2020).

- Academic Institutions: UChicago International Institute of Research in Paris (2021-present); UChicago Karla Scherer Center for the Study of American Culture (2021-present); UChicago Neubauer UChicago Democracy Curriculum (2021-present); Collegium for Culture and Society (2019-2022); Council of Presidency and Executive Politics Section, APSA (2017-present); UChicago Board of Publications (2010-2013).
- Civic Organizations and Associations: Chicago200 (2018-2024); Seminary Coop (2019-2022).

SELECTED FOUNDATION GRANTS

- John Simon Guggenheim Foundation. 2023-24. \$50,000.
- Democracy Fund. Support for Democracy Primers. 2023-24. \$150,000.
- Chicago Community Trust. Support for the Civic Leadership Academy. 2022-23. \$125,000.
- Chicago Community Trust. Support for the Civic Leadership Academy. 2021-22. \$125,000.
- Democracy Fund. Support for the Project on Political Reform. 2018-2020. \$280,000.
- Democracy Fund. “Political Polarization.” 2017-18. \$200,000.
- Wisconsin Policy Research Institute. “Public Opinion on Tenure in Higher Education.” 2015. \$40,000.
- Smith Richardson Foundation. “Innovations in Education Policymaking: Obama’s Race to the Top Initiative.” 2013-14. \$122,610.
- National Science Foundation, “War and Presidential Power.” 2010-12. \$149,603.
- Smith Richardson Foundation, 2008-10. “War, Domestic Policymaking, and Presidential Power.” \$50,000.
- Smith Richardson Foundation, 2003-04. “School Board Politics.” \$85,000.
- Center for American Political Studies, Harvard University, 2003-04. “School Board Politics.” \$24,000.
- Pioneer Institute for Public Policy Research, 2003. “Parental Choices under NCLB.” \$50,000.
- University of Wisconsin Graduate School. Competitive research support, 2001 and 2002.

NAMED LECTURESHIPS

- “Trump’s Legacies.” Inaugural Theodore Lowi Lecture, University of Chicago Paris Center, 2020.
- “Presidential Power in an Age of Populism.” Donald J. Sutherland Lecture, Hofstra University, 2018.
- Harper Lectures: Denver 2015; New York City, 2016; Washington, D.C., 2019; Chicago, IL, 2020.

MONOGRAPHS

Howell, W. and T. Moe. Forthcoming. Trajectory of Power: The Rise of the Strongman Presidency. Princeton University Press.

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Howell, W. and P. Peterson. 2002. The Education Gap: Vouchers and Urban Schools. Brookings Institution Press. (Revised paperback edition 2006).

TEXTBOOKS, EDITED VOLUMES, AND SPECIAL ISSUES OF JOURNALS

Howell, W. 2023. The American Presidency: An Institutional Approach to Executive Politics. Princeton University Press. (Previously published by Pearson Longman under An American Presidency: Institutional Foundations of Executive Politics).

Edwards, G., M. Wattenberg, and W. Howell. 2017. Government in America: People, Politics and Policy. Pearson Longman. (Latest edition published in 2022.)

Edwards, G. and W. Howell (editors). 2009. The Oxford Handbook of the U.S. Presidency. Oxford University Press. (Paperback edition, 2011).

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Howell, W. (editor). 2005. Special edition of *Presidential Studies Quarterly* on unilateral powers. Volume 35, Number 3.

Howell, W. (editor). 2005. Besieged: School Boards and the Future of Education Politics. Brookings Institution Press. (Simultaneous paperback).

PAPERS AND CHAPTERS

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