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1991-99. Distinguished Professor of Political Science;  
1978-99. Professor  
Department of Political Science  
University of Houston

Winter, Spring 1990; Winter, Spring 1995  
Visiting Professor  
Division of Humanities and Social Sciences  
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1977-78  
Visiting Associate Professor  
Department of Political Science  
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Assistant Professor, Associate Professor  
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American Political Behavior  
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Editor, *Political Analysis*. July 1, 2003---

Editor, *American Journal of Political Science*, 1982-1984

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Grant.  
“The Campaign Time Line.” 2001-2005

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Grant. “Spending and Incumbency in Congressional Elections.” 1993-1995

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Grant. “State Public Opinion.” 1983-5

Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Grant. “Collaborative Research on State Public Opinion.” 1986-9

Principal Investigator, Texas Advance Research Program Grant  
“Understanding Incumbency: A Simulation Approach.” 1988-1989

President, Southwestern Political Science Association, 1989-1990

Co-Recipient, Heinz Eulau award for best article in *American Political Science Review* for 1995

Recognized as one of 10 living members of *APSR* “Hall of Fame.” *PS*, March 1996

Recognized as one of 21 “integrators of the profession” in Goodin and Klingeman, *A New Handbook for Political Science*. 1996: Oxford University Press

Chair, Selection Committee for Annual Meeting of Political Methodology Society, 1995, 1998.

Section Head, Public Opinion and Political Psychology, 1987 American Political Science Association Convention

Member, National Science Foundation Review Panel for Political Science, 1977-1980

Member, Editorial Board, *American Political Science Review*, 1995-2001

Member, Editorial Board, *American Journal of Political Science*, 1978-1981, 1986-1988, 2001--

Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Politics*, 1981-82, 1997

Member, Editorial Board, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, 2004--

Member, Editorial Board, *State Politics and Policy*. 1999-2001

Member, Editorial Board, *American Politics Quarterly*, 1987-1997

Member, Editorial Board, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 1989-92

Member, Editorial Board, *Political Analysis*, 1991-1993.

Member, Editorial Board, *Experimental Studies of Politics*, 1979-81

Member, Educational Testing Service, CLEP Advisory Committee in American Government, 1976-1978

Team Leader, Ralph Nader's Congress Project, Summer 1972

Chair, Committee to select Franklin Burdette award winner for best paper at 1994 APSA Convention

Member, APSA Committee to select James Madison award winner for lifetime achievement, 1994

*Professional Memberships:*

American Political Science Association  
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*Books and Book Chapters:*

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Robert S. Erikson, Michael B. MacKuen, James A. Stimson. 2000. "A System Model of American Macro Politics." Delivered at 2000 American Political Science Association Convention.

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Balancing and the Congressional On-Year Vote." Delivered at 1997 American  
Political Science Association Convention.

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Variables? A Comment on Bartels' Model Averaging Proposal." Delivered at  
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Level Stability and Macro-Level Dynamics. Delivered at 1996 APSA  
Convention.