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Faculty Appointments

Malcolm Stevenson Forbes, Class of 1941 Professor of History and Public Affairs, 2013-Present.

Affiliated Faculty, NYU School of Law, 2024-Present.

Political Analyst, CNN, 2017-Present.

Contributor, *Here and Now* (NPR), 2019-Present.

Guest Host, *Sirius Radio, POTUS*, 2024-Present.

Columnist, *Foreign Policy*, 2024-Present.

Fellow, Foreign Policy Association, 2024-Present.

Contributor, *CNN*, 2008-2017.

New America Non-Resident Fellow, 2016-Present.

Professor of History and Public Affairs, Princeton University, 2007-2013.

Faculty Associate, Center for the Study for the Study of Democratic Politics, 2007-Present.

Professor of History, Boston University, 2004-2007.

Faculty Associate, Center for American Political Studies, Harvard University, 2004-2007.

Associate Professor, Department of Public Administration and Policy, State University of New York at Albany, 2002-2004. Joint appointment with the Department of Political Science.

Affiliated Faculty, Center of Policy Research, State University of New York at Albany, 2002-2004.

Associate Professor, Department of History, State University of New York at Albany, 1999-2002. Joint Appointment with Department of Public Administration and Policy, 1999-2002.

Assistant Professor, Department of History, State University of New York at Albany, 1996-1999.

Education

Ph.D., Department of History, The Johns Hopkins University, 1996.

M.A., with four Distinctions, Department of History, The Johns Hopkins University, 1993.

B.A., Summa Cum Laude with Highest Honors in History, Brandeis University, 1991.

Editorial Positions

Contributing Editor, *The American Prospect*, 2017-2020.

Co-Editor, *Politics and Society in Twentieth Century America* book series, Princeton University Press, 2002-Present.

Co-Editor, James Madison Library in American Politics, Princeton University Press, 2012-Present.

Editorial Board, *The Journal of Policy History*, 2002-2004.

Additional Positions

Co-Host of *Politics and Polls* (Podcast), 2015-2022.

Books

In Defense of Partisanship (New York: Columbia Global Reports, Forthcoming January 2025).

Abraham Joshua Heschel: A Life of Radical Amazement (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2021). Amazon Bestseller.

Burning Down the House: Newt Gingrich, The Fall of a Speaker, and the Rise of the New Republican Party (New York: Penguin Press, 2020). *New York Times* 100 Notable Books of 2020 and a *New York Times* Book Review Editors' Choice. Amazon Bestseller. Rights optioned by ShadowFox/Play Book Productions.

Fault Lines: The History of America Since 1974. Co-Author with Kevin Kruse (New York: Norton, 2019). Movie and television rights under contract with Starfish Productions. Amazon Bestseller and Editor's Pick.

The Fierce Urgency of Now: Lyndon Johnson, Congress, and the Battle for the Great Society (New York: Penguin Press, 2015). Winner of the 2018 D.B. Hardeman Prize for Best Book on Congress.

Governing America: The Revival of Political History (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2012). Honorable Mention, 2013 PROSE Award in Government and Politics, Association of American Publishers.

Conservatives in Power: The Reagan Years, 1981-1989, Co-Author with Meg Jacobs (Boston: Bedford, 2010).

Jimmy Carter (New York: Times Books, 2010). Named by *The Washington Post* as one of the best presidential biographies.

Arsenal of Democracy: The Politics of National Security--From World War II to the War on Terrorism (New York: Basic Books, 2010).

On Capitol Hill: The Struggle to Reform Congress and its Consequences, 1948-2000 (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2004; paperback edition 2006). The book was featured on C-SPAN's *Washington Journal* and Comcast's *Books of Our Times*.

Taxing America: Wilbur D. Mills, Congress, and the State, 1945-1975 (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1998; paperback edition 2000). Winner of the Organization of American Historians 2000 Ellis Hawley Prize for Best Book on the Political Economy, Politics, and Institutions of the United States and the Lyndon B. Johnson Foundation's 1998 D.B. Hardeman Prize for Best Book on Congress.

Edited Books and Special Issue Journals

Our Nation at Risk: Election Integrity as a National Security Issue, Co-edited with Karen Greenberg (New York: NYU Press, 2024).

Myth America: Historians Take on The Biggest Lies and Legends About Our Past. Co-Edited with Kevin Kruse (New York: Basic Books, 2023). *New York Times* Bestseller (Non-Fiction and Combined Print & E Book). Amazon Best Seller (Multiple Categories: Top 100 Books, Top 10 New Releases, and Three More Categories) and Editor's Pick. Publishers *Myth America* Weekly Bestseller.

The Presidency of Donald J. Trump: A First Historical Assessment (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2022). Amazon Bestseller.

Defining the Age: Daniel Bell, His Time, and Ours. Co-Edited with Paul Starr (New York: Columbia University Press, 2022).

The Presidency of Barack Obama: A First Historical Assessment (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2018).

Co-Editor, ***Media Nation: The Political History of News in Modern America***. Co-edited with Bruce Schulman (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2017).

Co-Editor, ***America at the Ballot Box: Elections and American Political History***. Co-edited with Gareth Davies (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2015).

Co-Editor, ***Medicare and Medicaid at 50: America's Entitlement Programs and the Age of Affordable Care***. Co-edited with Keith Wailoo, Alan Cohen, and David Colby (New York: Oxford University Press, 2015).

Co-Editor, ***Faithful Republic: Religion and Politics in Modern America***. Co-edited with Andrew Preston and Bruce Schulman (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2015).

Co-Editor, ***What's Good for Business: Business and American Politics Since World War II***. Co-Editor with Kimberly Phillips-Fein (New York: Oxford University Press, 2012).

Editor, ***The Presidency of George W. Bush: A First Historical Assessment*** (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2010). This book was named as a 2011 *Choice* editor's pick.

Co-Editor, ***The Constitution and Public Policy in U.S. History***. Co-editor with Bruce Schulman (University Park: Penn State Press, 2009). This book was previously published as a special issue of the *Journal of Policy History*.

Co-Editor, *Rightward Bound: Making America Conservative in the 1970s*. Co-editor with Bruce Schulman (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2008).

Editor, *New Directions in Policy History* (University Park, PA: Penn State Press, 2005). This book was previously published as a special issue of the *Journal of Policy History*.

Editor, *The American Congress: The Building of Democracy* (Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2004). This book was named as a 2005 *Choice* Outstanding Academic Title.

Co-Editor, *The Democratic Experiment: New Directions in American Political History*. Co-edited with Meg Jacobs and William Novak (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2003).

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

“An Instrument of Justice and Fulfillment’: The Lost Promise of the Voting Rights Act” in *Our Nation At Risk*

“Introduction” and Epilogue,” co-authored with Karen Greenberg in *Our Nation at Risk*.

“McConnell’s President: An Anti-Institutionalist Partisan,” in *Disruption? The Senate During the Trump Era*, ed. Sean Theriault (New York: Oxford University Press, May 2024), 148-166.

“Conversation: The Implications of January 6 for Historians,” in *January 6 and the Politics of History*, Eds. Catherine Clinton and Jim Downs (Athens: University of Georgia Press, March 2024)

“LBJ and the Contours of American Liberalism,” in *LBJ’s America: The Life and Legacies of Lyndon Baines Johnson*, eds. Mark Atwood Lawrence and Mark K. Undergone (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2023), 44-69.

“Conservatism, 2000-Present,” Globalyceum Online Textbook, 2023.

“The Case for Responsible Partisanship,” *Democracy Journal*, Summer 2023.

“Introduction,” co-written with Kevin Kruse and “The Reagan Revolution,” in *Myth America*, 1-12; 283-298.

“Introduction: The Most Predictable, Unconventional Presidency,” and “Reckoning with the Trumpian GOP,” in *The Presidency of Donald J. Trump: A First Historical Assessment*, 1-26; 27-48.

“Introduction” with Paul Starr and “Daniel Bell and the Radical Right,” in *Defining the Age*, eds. Starr and Zelizer, 1-30; 111-132.

“The Public Intellectual in the Age of Twitter,” *Law, Culture, and Humanities*, July 2021, 1-2.

“The Physical Dimension of Democracy,” in *This is What Democracy Looked Like: A Visual History of the Printed Ballot*, ed. Alicia Yin Cheng (Princeton: Princeton Architectural Press, 2020), 7-8.

“The Uneasy Presidency,” in *The Unprecedented American Presidency: From Constitutional Foundation to Contemporary Practice*, ed. Thomas Sanders (London: Palgrave, 2020), 1-6.

“The Unexpected Endurance of the New Deal Order: Liberalism in the Age of Reagan,” in *Beyond the New Deal Order: U.S. Politics from the Great Depression to the Great Recession*, Eds., Gary Gerstle, Nelson Lichtenstein, and Alice O’Connor (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2019), 71-92.

“What if Richard Nixon Had Been Good at Football?” in *Upon Further Review: The Greatest What-ifs in Sports History*, ed. Mike Pesca (New York: Hatchette, 2018), 239-245.

“The Media and Race Relations.” In *Healing Our Divided Society: Investing in America Fifty Years After the Kerner Report*, eds. Fred Harris and Alan Curtis (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 2018), 374-383.

“Policy Revolution without a Political Transformation: The Presidency of Barack Obama” and “Tea-Partied: President Obama’s Encounters with the Conservative-Industrial Complex,” in *The Presidency of Barack Obama*, 1-29.

“An Unusual Presidency,” in *Trump: The First One Hundred Days*, ed. Meghnad Desai (London: OMFIF, 2017), iii-iv.

“American Conservatism from Roosevelt to Johnson,” in *Inventing the Silent Majority in Western Europe and the United States: Conservatism in the 1960s and 1970s*, eds. Anna von der Goltz and Britta Waldschmidt-Nelson (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2017).

“The Darkness within Our Historical Walls,” in *Building the Wall* by Robert Schenkkan (New York: Arcade, 2017), 113-117.

“How Washington Helped to Create the Modern Media: Ending the Fairness Doctrine in 1987,” in *Media Nation*.

“Introduction to the 2016 Edition of the Kerner Commission Report,” in *The Kerner Report* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2016), xiii-xxxvii.

“The First Hundred Days: Jimmy Carter,” in *Triumphs and Tragedies of the Modern Presidency: Case Studies in Presidential Leadership*, eds. Maxmillian Angerholzer III, James Kitfield, Norman Ornstein, and Stephen Skowronek, Second Edition (Santa Barbara: Praeger, 2016), 124-127.

“Introduction” (Co-Author with Gareth Davies) and “Creating a Window for Liberalism: The 1964 Election” in *America at the Ballot Box*, 1-12; 184-195.

“Introduction” (co-author with Alan Cohen, David Colby and Keith Wailoo) and “The Contentious Origins of Medicare and Medicaid, 1948-1965” in *Medicare and Medicaid at 50*, xi-xx; 3-20.

“Missed Opportunities with *Selma*,” *Perspectives on History*, May 2015, 33-34.

“Ronald Reagan, Liberalism, and the Politics of National Security, 1981-1985,” in *Reagan’s Legacy in a World Transformed*, eds., Jeffrey Chidester and Paul Kengor (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2015), 178-200.

“Introduction,” Co-Author with Andrew Preston and Bruce Schulman, in *Faithful Republic*.

"The Conservative Turn, 1972-1990," Globalyceum Online Textbook, 2014.

"The Struggle to Remake Politics: Liberal Reform and the Limits of Policy Feedback in the Contemporary American State." Co-author with Eric Patashnik, *Perspectives on Politics*, 11 (2013): 1071-1087.

"Confronting the Roadblock: Congress, Civil Rights, and WWII," in *The Fog of War: Race, Rights, and the Second World War*, eds. Kevin Kruse and Stephen Tuck (New York: Oxford University Press, 2012), 32-50.

"The Interdisciplinarity of Political History," *Perspectives on History*, May 2011, 17-18.

"Why Midterms Matter: The Historical Perspective," *Perspectives on History*, December 2010, 19-20.

"Reply to Barry Blechman," *Journal of Policy History*, 22 (2010): 378-384.

"Establishment Conservative: The Presidency of George W. Bush" and "How Conservatives Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Presidential Power," in *The Presidency How Conservatives of George W. Bush*, 1-38.

"What Political Science Can Learn from the New Political History," *Annual Reviews of Political Science* 13 (2010): 26-36.

"Congress and the Politics of Troop Withdrawal," *Diplomatic History* 34 (2010): 529-541.

"Rethinking the History of American Conservatism," *Reviews in American History* 38 (2010): 367-392.

"Morton Keller," *Journal of Policy History* 22 (2010), 95-109.

"The Winds of Congressional Change," *The Forum* 7(2009): 1-8.

"The House of Representatives." *Princeton Encyclopedia of Political History*, ed. Michael Kazin (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2009), 396-403.

"Détente and Domestic Politics," *Diplomatic History*, 4 (2009): 653-670.

"What Makes an Election Historic . . . And Has That Happened in 2008?" *Perspectives on History*, 47 (2009): 34-35.

"Swinging Too Far to the Left," co-author with Meg Jacobs, *Journal of Contemporary History*, 43 (2008): 689-693.

"The Conservative Embrace of Presidential Power," in *Boston University Law Review*, 88 (2008): 499-503.

"Conservatives, Carter, and the Politics of National Security," in *Rightward Bound*, 265-346.

"Seizing Power: Conservatives and Congress Since the 1970s," in *The New American Polity: Activist Government, the Redefinition of Citizenship, and Conservative*

Mobilization, eds., Theda Skocpol and Paul Pierson (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2007), 105-134.

“Without Restraint: Scandal and Politics in America,” in *The Columbia History of the Post-World War II America, 1945-2000*, ed. Mark Carnes (New York: Columbia University Press, 2007), 226-254.

“Good Neighbors: The Centrality of Social Science to the Revival of Political History,” *Groniek*, 174 (2007): 107-116.

“Political History and Political Science: Together Again?” *The Journal of Policy History*, 16 (2004): 126-136.

“The Uneasy Relationship: Democracy, Taxation, and State-Building Since the New Deal,” in *The Democratic Experiment: New Directions in American Political History*, eds., Meg Jacobs, William Novak, and Julian E. Zelizer (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2003): 276-300.

“Stephen Skowronek’s *Building a New American State* and the Origins of American Political Development,” *Social Science History*, 27 (2003): 425-441. In addition to the article, I edited the roundtable in which this appears.

“Beyond the Presidential Synthesis: Reordering Political Time,” in *A Companion to Post-1945 America*, eds. Jean-Christophe Agnew and Roy Rosenzweig (Oxford: Blackwell Publishers, 2002), 345-370.

“Seeds of Cynicism: The Struggle over Campaign Finance, 1956-1974,” *The Journal of Policy History*, 14 (2002): 73-111. Reprinted in Paula Baker, ed., *Money and Politics* (University Park, PA: Penn State Press, 2002).

“Paying for Medicare: Benefits, Budgets, and Wilbur Mills’s Policy Legacy,” co-author with Eric Patashnik, *Journal of Health Policy, Politics, and Law*, 26 (2001): 7-36.

“Wilbur D. Mills,” *The Scribner Encyclopedia of American Lives*, eds., Kenneth T. Jackson, Karen Markoe, and Arnold Markoe (New York: Scribner’s, 2001), 374-376.

“Clio’s Lost Tribe: Public Policy History Since 1978,” *The Journal of Policy History*, 12 (2000): 369-394.

“Introduction” and “Bridging State and Society: The Origins of 1970s Congressional Reform,” *Social Science History*, 24 (2000): 307-316; 379-393.

“The Forgotten Legacy of the New Deal: Fiscal Conservatism and the Roosevelt Administration, 1933-1938,” *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, 30 (2000): 331-358. Excerpted in *The Wilson Quarterly*, 4 (2000): 100-101.

“The Constructive Generation: Thinking about Congress in the 1960s,” *Mid-America: An Historical Review*, 81 (1999): 265-298.

“Eric Allen Johnston,” in *American National Biography*, eds., John Arthur Garraty and Marc C. Carnes (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999), 147-149.

“The Expansion of Social Security, 1969-1972,” *The McGraw-Hill Human History Project*, 1998. This was a web-based complement to McGraw-Hill history textbooks.

“‘Where is the Money Coming From?’ The Reconstruction of Social Security Finance, 1939-1950,” *The Journal of Policy History*, 9 (1997): 339-424. An abridged version of this article was published as “Lessons from the Past: Social Security,” *The Substance of Public Policy*, ed. Stuart Nagel (New Jersey: Nova Science, 1999), 233-246.

“Learning the Ways and Means: Wilbur Mills and a Fiscal Community, 1954-1964,” *Funding the Modern American State, 1941-1995: The Rise and Fall of the Era of Easy Finance*, ed. W. Elliot Brownlee (New York: Cambridge University Press and Washington, D.C.: Woodrow Wilson Center Press, 1996), 289-352.

“Picking Up the Pieces: A Response to Raymond Smock,” *Documentary Editing*, 18 (1996): 22-23.

“Congressional Archives and the New Political History,” *Congressional Papers Conference: Proceedings* (Northwood University and Margaret Chase Smith Library, 1995), 69-76.

Book Reviews

“A Government Out of Sight,” *H-Net*, December 2011.

“Roundtable on America’s Cold War: The Politics of Insecurity,” *Passport*, 2010: 33-35.

“Filibusted,” *Democracy*, 2009: 109-115.

“Congress Dissents,” *Diplomatic History*, 2008: 661-663.

“The Most Exclusive Club,” *American Historical Review*, 2007: 183.

“Looking Back at LBJ,” *Journal of American History*, 2006: 293-294.

“Of Elephants and Donkeys,” *Proofmagazine.com*, September 2004.

“Party, Process, and Political Change in Congress,” *Journal of American History*, 2003: 145.

“The Forging of Bureaucratic Autonomy,” *Reviews in American History*, 2003: 60-65.

“Race, Money, and the American Welfare State,” *Journal of American History*, 2000: 722.

“The Hidden Welfare State,” *Business History Review*, 2000: 166-168.

“Beyond the Broker State,” *American Historical Review*, 1999: 1330-1331.

“Unintended Consequences,” *H-NET*, June 1999.

“Bold Relief,” *Economic History Review*, 1999: 390-391.

“Modern Manors,” *Economic History Review*, 1998: 634-635.

“Turning Points in Social Security,” *Labor History*, 1997: 534-535.

“The Road to Nowhere,” *Reviews in American History*, 1997: 520-525.

Works-in-Progress

“Is this America?” Reckoning With Racism at the 1964 Atlantic City Democratic Convention. Book Manuscript. Under contract with Norton.

“LBJ, the Great Society, and Vietnam” Chapter for the *Cambridge History of the Vietnam War*, eds. Edward Miller, Andrew Preston, Pierre Asselin, 321-344. Forthcoming Fall 2024, Cambridge University Press.

“Little Brother is Watching Big Brother”: The Flawed Media Lens on Policing and Racism.” Book chapter for *Creating Justice in a Multiracial Democracy*, Ed. Alan Curtis. Forthcoming, October 2024, Columbia University Teachers College Press, 359-369.

The Presidency of Joseph R. Biden: A First Historical Assessment. Under contract with Princeton University Press.

“Deborah Lipstadt” and “Ayn Rand” for *Hidden Voices: Stories of Jewish Americans*, New York City Department of Education and Museum of the City of New York.

Fellowships, Memberships, Awards, and Honors

Historians Review Committee, Lyndon Baines Johnson Library, 2024-Present.

Lapidus-Weisberg Fellow, New York Historical Society, 2022-2023.

Board, Presidential Appointee, Brandeis University Alumni Association, 2021-2023

Biographers International Organization, 2020-Present.

Metuchen High School Hall of Fame, Humanitarian and Service Award, 2020.

New York Historical Society, Distinguished Senior Fellow, 2018-2019.

Society of American Historians, 2017-Today.

National Academy of Social Insurance, 2016-Today.

The Phi Beta Kappa Society, Visiting Scholar Program (Visits to Macalester College, Fairfield University, Middlebury College, University of Rochester, Washington and Lee, and Rutgers), 2019-2020.

New America, Ford Academic Fellow, 2014-2016.

Russell Sage Foundation Visiting Scholar, 2010-2011.

American Political Science Association Award, Best Paper Presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting of APSA, 2010.

Named as “Top Newsmaker” by the History News Network, 2010.

Featured on Disney’s *The American Presidents*, 2010.

Featured on Emmy Award Winner, *Great Moments from the Campaign Trail*, History Channel, 2008.

Member, PEN American Center, 2006-Present.

John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship, 2006-2007.

Named as one of the “Top Young Historians” by the History News Network, 2005.

Telly Award. The Telly Award, which is the premier award honoring outstanding cable programs, was given to the program *Books of Our Time* for the episode that Focused on my book, *On Capitol Hill*, 2005.

The Harry Middleton Fellowship in Presidential Studies, Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation, 2005.

Moody Grant, Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation, 2004.

Mellon Visiting Senior Scholar, University of Cambridge, 2004.

Gerald Ford Foundation Travel Grant, 2004.

Dirksen Congressional Center Special Projects Research Grant, 2001.

Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, Research Fellowship, 2000.

National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Research Stipend Award, 2000.

University at Albany, Faculty Research Award Grant, 2000.

Harvard University Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics, and Public Policy, Goldsmith Research Award, 1999.

Dirksen Congressional Center Research Grant, 1999.

Gerald Ford Foundation Travel Grant, 1999.

The Carl Albert Center, University of Oklahoma, Visiting Scholars Grant, 1999.

University at Albany, Faculty Council Travel Grant, 1999.

University at Albany, Support Grant for the Journal of MultiMedia History, 1999.

Student Choice Award, Enthusiasm in Teaching, University at Albany Student Association, 1999.

United University Professions Professional Development Program Grant, 1998.

University at Albany, Faculty Research Award Program Grant, 1998-1999.

University at Albany, Faculty Council Travel Grant, 1998.

Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute Grant, 1997.

Hagley Museum and Library, Grant-in-Aid, 1997.

Finalist, Distinguished Dissertation Award in the Field of Humanities and Fine Arts 1996 Council of Graduate Schools/University Microfilms International.

Research Fellow, The Brookings Institution, 1995-1996.

The Eisenhower World Affairs Institute Abilene Travel Grant, 1995.

Harry S. Truman Library Institute Travel Grant, 1995.

Frederick Jackson Turner Society Grant, 1994.

Fellowship, The Johns Hopkins University, Department of History, 1991-1995.

Dirksen Congressional Center Research Grant, 1993.

Frederick Jackson Turner Society Grant, 1993.

Lyndon B. Johnson Library Travel Grant, 1993.

John F. Kennedy Library Travel Grant, 1993.

Ford Foundation Undergraduate Fellowship, September 1989-Spring 1991.

Phi Beta Kappa, 1991.

Conference Participation and Invited Paper Presentations

“Taking on the Kings of the Hill: The Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party’s Congressional Challenge in 1965,” Congress and History Conference, Washington, D.C., May 2024. In addition to presenting a paper, I was a co-organizer of the conference.

“Why Gerrymandering Reform Matters,” American Historical Association, Congressional Briefing, Washington, D.C., May 2024.

“The 2024 Election in Historical Context,” Brandeis National Committee in Middlesex County, May 2024.

“Implementing Big Government,” How the New Deal Was Run Conference, Vanderbilt University, May 2024.

“LBJ, Atlantic City and the Taming of the Civil Rights Movement,” Bob Moses Conference, Virtual, May 2024.

Chair, “Electoral Democracy,” Democratic ‘Frontsliding’, Princeton University, May 2024.

“Conversation with Angus Deaton about Economics,” Princeton University, April 2024.

“What’s Historic About 2024,” Lawrenceville School, April 2024.

“Confronting the Monolith: Mississippi’s Freedom Vote, 1963,” Yale University, Modern America Seminar, March 2024.

“Foreign Policy and the 2024 Presidential Election,” Foreign Policy Association, March 2024.

“Conversation with Jeffrey Wright about American Fiction,” Princeton University and Princeton Garden Theater, March 2024.

“What Makes the 2024 Election So Historic?” The Parker Lecture, The Haverford School, February 2024.

Horace Mann's Head of School Annual Conversation Series on Free Speech. I organized the series and host the conversations. Guests have included Floyd Abrams, Suzanne Nossel, and Bret Stephens, September 2004-Present.

"Is This America?' Reckoning With Racism at the 1964 Democratic Convention," Davis Center, Princeton University, January 2024.

"Skunks and Scoundrels," Princeton Class of '75 Reunion (Virtual), January 2024.

"Book Salon," *New Republic*, December 2023.

"Conversation with Floyd Abrams," The Horace Mann Annual Conversation Series on Free Speech, December 2023. In addition to hosting the discussions, I am the organizer of this event.

"The History Channel's Kennedy," The Paley Center, November 2023.

"LBJ's America," Lyndon Johnson Presidential Library, November 2023.

"Conversation with Rachel Maddow," Philadelphia Free Library, October 2023.

"Fireside Chat with Julian Zelizer," Princeton Clisophic Society, October 2023.

"Conversation with Robert Caro and Lizzie Gottlieb," Princeton Garden Theater, September 2023. In addition to participating, I organized this event.

"Conversation with Samuel Freedman," *New York Public Library*, September 2023.

"Abraham Heschel," Gesher Synagogue, July 2023.

"Myths, History, and Teaching Our Past," *Primary Source Class*, July 2023.

"Lessons from Bob Caro," Horace Mann School, June 2023.

"Being a Public Intellectual," American Jewish Studies Association, June 2023.

"A Conversation With Rosanne Cash," Twenty Summers, June 2023.

"Henry Ford and the Legitimization of Anti-Semitism," American Jewish Archives, May 2023.

"The Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party and the Struggle for Racial Justice," New York Historical Society, May 2023.

"Myth America: A Conversation," Labyrinth Books, April 2023.

"Myths, Politics, and History," Princeton Community Democratic Organization, April 2023.

"The Myths That Built a Nation," Princeton Seniors Lecture, April 2023.

"Disinformation Nation," Brennan Center, April 2023.

"Myth America and the New History," University of California, Berkeley, March 2023.

"Abraham Joshua Heschel," St. Louis Jewish Book Fair, November 2022.

“Abraham Joshua Heschel and American Judaism,” Jewish Theological Seminary, October 2022.

“Abraham Joshua Heschel and Progressive Politics in the 1960s,” The SUNY New Paltz Foundation, The Resnick Institute Lecture Series, October 2022.

“How Can Democratic Politics Be Better: A Conversation with Michael Kazin,” National Community Action Foundation,” September 2022.

“How Should We Think of One-Term Presidents: The Case of Jimmy Carter,” National Humanities Center, September 2022.

“Polarization, Radicalization, and the Challenges of American Politics in 2022,” National Community Action Foundation,” August 2022.

“Abraham Joshua Heschel and the Anti-Vietnam War Movement,” 92nd Y, April 2022.

“Rabbis For Civil Rights,” Jewish Historical Society of South Carolina, March 2022.

“Understanding Our New World,” Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, March 2022.

“Abraham Heschel and A Life of Radical Amazement,” Temple Neve Shalom, February 2022.

“Abraham Joshua Heschel and the Religious Roots of Progressive Politics,” 26th Annual Silvers Visiting Scholars Lecture, University of Pennsylvania, February 2022.

“A Dialogue with Rabbi Dan Geffen,” *Canio’s Books*, February 2022.

“Heschel, American History, and My Own Journey with American Judaism,” South Florida Rabbinical Assembly, February 2022.

“In Praise of Public Intellectuals: The Life and Ideas of Daniel Bell,” Columbia University, February 2022.

“Conversation with Kelly Brown Douglas,” Union Theological Seminary, February 2022.

“Heschel: A Life of Radical Amazement,” Consortium of Washington, D.C Synagogues, February 2022.

“Heschel in 2022,” Temple Israel, New York City, January 2022.

“Conversation with David Blight about Abraham Joshua Heschel,” Leon Levy Center for Biography, January 2022.

“Conversation with Rabbi Hubbard about the Life of Abraham Joshua Heschel,” Temple Emanuel in Newton, MA, January 2022.

“Conversation with Karen Greenberg,” Princeton Public Library, January 2022.

“Abraham Joshua Heschel and the Quest for a Spiritual Life,” Central Synagogue, December 2021.

“Abraham Joshua Heschel: Conversation with Sean Wilentz and Julian Zelizer,” Princeton Public Library, December 2021.

“The Relevance of Heschel in Our Times,” Jewish Theological Seminary, November 2021.

“The Story of an Immigrant from Warsaw,” Dix Hills Jewish Center, November 2021.

“From Warsaw to Selma: The Making of a Modern Jewish Icon” and “Why Abraham Joshua Heschel is Vital in 2021,” Princeton Center for Jewish Life, November 2021.

“Abraham Joshua Heschel,” Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives, November 2021.

“Is Congress Broken?” Essex Library Association, October 2021.

“Book Launch: Abraham Joshua Heschel: A Life of Radical Amazement, a conversation with Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove,” Park Avenue Synagogue, October 2021.

“The 117th Congress in Historical Perspective,” Congress and History Conference, June 2021.

“The American Presidency, American Democracy,” Brandeis Alumni College, May 2021.

“100 Days,” WBUR Annual Gala, April 2021.

“The Public Intellectual in the Age of Twitter,” Public Works: Academics in the Trump Era and Beyond Conference, Amherst College, April 2021.

“The Biden Presidency, the Great Society and the New Deal,” American Bridge to the 21st Century, April 2021.

“President Biden’s First Hundred Days,” Columbia University School of Professional Studies Speaker Series, April 2021.

SPIA Conversations with Harry Reid, Don Lemon, Jon Allen and Amie Parnes and Adam Frankel, March-December 2021.

“The Presidency of Donald Trump,” Virtual Conference, Princeton University, March 2021. I organized this conference which will be published as a book.

“Dysfunction and Hope: The State of American Politics,” The Jacob Rader Marcus Memorial Lecture, Central Conference of American Rabbis Convention, March 2021.

“Politics in 2021,” University Synagogue, February 2021.

“After the Riot,” Princeton University, February 2021.

“Asymmetric Polarization and the Challenges of the Modern Media,” Columbia School of Journalism, February 2021.

“The Election of 2020 in Historical Context,” Nassau Club, February 2021.

“Progressive Religious Leaders and the Future of Democratic Politics,” The National Council of Synagogues and the National Council of Churches,” February 2021.

“The First Hundred Days of the Biden Administration,” Rockefeller Club, January 2021.

“The New Administration: Opportunities and Challenges,” JFK Library, January 2021.

"The Transition," Central New Jersey Jewish Community Center, January 2021.

"America Since the 1970s," with Kevin Kruse, The Weeden Lecture, The Lawrenceville School, December 2020.

"Lessons from the Trump Presidency," Democratic Majority for Israel, December 2020.

"The 1964 Election," One Day University, Online Courses, December 2020.

"What Happened? The Election of 2020," White House Fellows Conference, November 2020.

"Abraham Joshua Heschel, the Holocaust, and Progressive Politics," 5th Annual Commemoration of Kristallnacht 2020, Wagner College, November 2020.

"How Did the Party of Lincoln Become the Party of Trump?" Bangalore International Center, October 2020.

"Run-up to the Election," Park Avenue Synagogue, October 2020.

"The 2020 Election in Historical Context with Kevin Kruse," Southern Methodist University, October 2020.

"American Jews and Politics in 2020," Princeton University Center for Jewish Life, October 2020.

"From the Party of Lincoln to the Party of Trump," Center for American Studies, University of Southern Denmark, October 2020.

"Newt Gingrich and 2020," Louisiana State University Honors College, September 2020.

"Newt Gingrich, Donald Trump and 2020," Princeton Old Guard, September 2020.

"Two Parties, Two Conventions," German Marshall Fund, August 2020.

***Burning Down the House* Book Tour. Talks include the Princeton Public Library, the Strand, Prairie Lights and Books, Brennan Center, Metropolitan Club of D.C., Acapella Books, Brooklyn Historical Society, Harvard Book Store, Leon Levy Center for Biography, Books and Books, Literati Book Store, Book Soup, Avid Books, Southampton Library, and the 92nd Y.**

"The 2020 Election in Historical Context," Brandeis University Alumni College, May 2020.

"The Great Society," 92nd Y, May 2020.

"My Interdisciplinary Journey into American Political History," The Inaugural Brandeis University Social Sciences Division Lecture, February 2020.

"WBUR and the Washington Post Present: Unprecedented Presidents," WBUR City Space, February 2020.

"Conversation about President George Washington with Alexis Coe," Brennan Center, February 2020.

“The Crisis of Democracy,” 32nd Annual Paul McNutt Lecture, Indiana University, February 2020.

“The Separation of Power,” American Historical Association Convention, January 2020.

“Fault Lines,” Miami Book Fair, November 2019.

“Heschel and Vietnam,” The Johns Hopkins University Department of History Seminar, November 2019.

“The Intellectual and Theological Roots of Abraham Joshua Heschel’s Progressive Politics, 1945-1963,” Society of U.S. Intellectual History Conference, November 2019.

“Fault Lines and the 1970s,” Princeton University Homecoming Alumni Game Day Lecture, October 2019.

“Fault Lines and Teaching Contemporary History,” Department of Education, New York Public High School Teachers, History Matters, October 2019.

“Daniel Bell and the Radical Right,” September 2019. This paper was presented at a conference at Princeton that I co-organized with Paul Starr about the work and legacy of Daniel Bell, October 2019.

“Fault Lines,” Decatur Book Festival, September 2019.

“Fault Lines,” Harvard Club, June 2019.

“Burning Down the House,” New York Historical Society, April 2019.

“Abraham Heschel: Conversation with Hasia Diner,” New York Historical Society, April 2019.

“Parties and Political Polarization Since the Great Society,” Organization of American Historians, April 2019.

“Fault Lines,” Princeton University, February 2019.

“Special Prosecutors, Impeachment and American History,” Harvard University, February 2019.

“Uncivil Society,” Massachusetts Historical Society, February 2019.

“Historians in the News” and “Polarization and Its Origins,” American Historical Association, January 2019.

“Jews and the 2018 Midterms,” Center for Jewish History, October 2018.

Keynote Address, “Our Health Care Challenges in Historical Perspective,” Commonwealth Fund, October 2018.

“President Trump, American Politics, and Liberal Internationalism,” World Leadership Forum, September 2018.

“Truth & Lies in Modern Politics: Can We Restore Trust in the Public Square?” Utah Valley University, September 2018.

“Lessons from Congressional Reform in the 1970s,” The Democracy Fund, August 2018.

“Looking Back at the Obama Years,” National Constitutional Center, May 2018.

“The Trump Presidency: What’s Unprecedented?” The U.S. Presidency in Crisis? Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, May 2018.

“Fixing Congress: Lessons from the Past,” Stennis Fellows Conference, April 2018.

“Ethics in the Age of Partisan Warfare,” Richard Russell Library, April 2018.

“The Media and Race Relations,” Healing Our Divided Society, February 2018.

“Where Are We Since Kerner,” Race & Inequality in America, Co-Sponsored University of California at Berkeley and The Johns Hopkins University, February 2018.

“The Kerner Commission—Lessons 50 Years Later,” American Historical Association, January 2018.

“Lyndon Johnson and the Lessons of Leadership,” Keynote Address, Aspen-Rodel Institute Fellows in Public Leadership Conference, October 2017.

“Constitutional Democracy in the Age of Donald Trump,” Keynote Address, Stockton University, September 2017.

“The Rise of Newt Gingrich,” Congressional History Conference, June 2017.

“The Trump Presidency and the Future of American Jewry,” The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives, May 2017.

“Wilson’s Legacies,” Organization of American Historians, April 2017.

“Lyndon Johnson and the Political Crisis of Liberalism in 1967,” Rowan University, April 2017.

“Trump Politics,” Baruch College, March 2017.

“The Media and Politics in the Age of Trump,” New America New York, February 2017.

“Trump, the Election, and Foreign Policy,” Philadelphia Committee on Foreign Relations, January 2017.

“How We Got Trump,” Washington University, December 2016.

“The Election in Historical Context,” Princeton Modern American Workshop, November 2016.

“What Just Happened?” “What We Debate When We Debate Israel?” and “Judaism and Reconciliation,” Park Avenue Synagogue, Scholar in Residence, November 2018.

Moderator, “The Right to Know and FOIA,” Columbia University FOIA@50 Conference June 2016.

“Lyndon Johnson and the Great Society,” Keynote Address to the Idaho Teacher Institute, July 2016.

“Re-Imagining Presidential Elections,” TedX, May 2016.

“New Perspectives on Presidential Leadership: LBJ,” Organization of American Historians Convention, April 2016.

“Discussion of *All the Way*,” Dallas Theater Center, March 2016.

“What a President Needs: Lyndon Johnson and the Great Society,” Center for Presidential History, SMU, March 2016.

“Voting Rights Then and Now,” National History Center Briefing, December 2015.

“Bringing Down the House,” Davis Seminar, Princeton University, November 2015.

“The Persistence of the New Deal Order,” Beyond the New Deal Order, University of California, Santa Barbara, September 2015.

“Lessons from the 1970s,” Order in the House Conference (Washington, D.C), September 2015.

“Conversation About Richard Nixon,” *New York Historical Society*, April 2015.

“President George W. Bush and Foreign Policy,” Hofstra University, February 2015.

Book Tour for *The Fierce Urgency of Now: New America, Politics and Prose*, Books and Books, the Prologue Society, the Harvard Book Store, The Tamiment Library (NYU), the Aspen Institute, Left Bank Books, Tufts University, the New York Historical Society, John F. Kennedy Presidential Library, Lyndon Johnson Presidential Library and LBJ Policy School, the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library, the Roosevelt Institute, Book Culture, Columbia School of Journalism, the Woodrow Wilson School.

“Being a Public Intellectual,” American Historical Association Conference, January 2015.

“Bringing Down the House,” *New America*, October 2014.

“Creating a Liberal Mandate: The 1964 Election,” Organization of American Historians Convention, April 2014.

“Tax Reform in Historical Perspective,” Griswold Center for Economic Policy Studies Conference, 8 February 2014.

“How to Fix a Broken Washington,” TedX East, 23 October 2013.

“Congress and the Politics of Austerity, 1967-1968,” Columbia University Congress and History Conference, June 2013.

“Creating a Window for Liberalism: The 1964 Election,” Princeton University-Oxford University-Boston University-Cambridge University Political History Conference, June 2013.

“The Renaissance of Congressional History,” Keynote Address, Association of Centers for the Study of Congress Convention, May 2013.

“America’s Right: Conservatism and U.S. History,” Keynote Address, German Historical Society, April 2013.

“The Politics of Taxation in U.S. History,” American Historical Association, January 2013.

“The Culture of Congress,” Woodrow Wilson Center for Scholars, April 2012.

“Governing America: The Revival of Political History,” Boston University, Graduate Conference on Political History,” March 2012.

Comment, Roundtable on Religion and American Politics, Princeton-Cambridge-BU Annual Political History Conference, March 2012.

“Overcoming a Dysfunctional Congress: The Civil Rights Act of 1964,” Yale University, October 2011.

“Second Thoughts About Jimmy Carter,” Medina Seminar, June 2011.

Comment, Roundtable on U.S. Politics and the World, Princeton-Cambridge-BU Annual Political History Conference, April 2011.

Chair, “Reagan, Partisan Politics, and Foreign Policy,” National Press Club, February 2011.

“A Historian Looks at Jimmy Carter,” The Miller Center of Public Affairs, October 2010.

“Roundtable on *Arsenal of Democracy*,” American Political Science Association Convention, September 2010.

“Roundtable on *Arsenal of Democracy*” and “Roundtable on *Government Out of Sight*,” Policy History Conference, May 2010.

“Discussion about *Arsenal of Democracy*,” Center for American Progress and Progressive Book Club, May 2010.

“Comment,” Organization of American Historians Conference, April 2010.

“The Political History of National Security,” Robert Strauss Center, University of Texas, March 2010.

“President Obama and the Politics of National Security” and “The History Job Market and Graduate Training,” American Historical Association, January 2010.

“*Arsenal of Democracy* and the Cuban Missile Crisis,” Miller Center for Public Affairs, January 2010.

“Congress and the Resurgence of a Democratic National Security Advantage” and “When Policy Does Not Remake Politics: The Limits of Policy Feedback” (Co-author with Eric Patashnik), American Political Science Association Convention, August-September 2009. The paper with Patashnik was awarded the Best Paper Presented on Public Policy at the 2009 Annual Meeting of APSA, 2010.

Comment, “Brian Balogh’s *A Government Out of Sight*,” Miller Center of Public Affairs, May 2009.

“The Reagan Revolution Revisited,” Boston University Political History Seminar, April 2009.

Chair, "Governing America," Organization of American Historians Conference, March 2009.

Chair, "Rethinking American Liberalism," Boston University-Princeton University-Clare College, Cambridge Political History Conference, March 2009

"What Makes an Election Historic . . . And Has That Happened In 2008?" American Historical Association, January 2009.

Chair, "Politics and Power: Writing the Social History of the American Elite," American Historical Association, January 2009.

"Diminishing Expectations: Conservatives and the Limits of American Militarism," Social Science History Association, October 2008.

Congress and the Politics of Troop Withdrawal, 1966-1973," Conference on the Politics of Troop Withdrawal, Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia, June 2008.

Comment, "Did 1968 Change History," 2008 Policy History Conference, May 2008.

"Conservatives in Power: Ronald Reagan and the Politics of National Security," and "Partisan Politics and War," 2008 Policy History Conference, May 2008.

"How Conservatives Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Presidential Power," Princeton Conference on the Presidency of George W. Bush in Historical Perspective, April 2008. In addition to the paper, I organized this conference.

"Not So Much Change," The New American Foundation, February 2008.

"The Reagan Revolution: How Conservatives Governed Once They Actually Achieved Power." University of Santa Barbara, Department of History, February 2008.

"Richard Nixon and the End of the Draft." Social Science History Conference, November 2007.

"Not So Fast Mr. President: Congressional Power and National Security," Harvard University Chief Power Conference, Harvard Law School, November 2007.

"Détente and Republican Politics in the 1970s," State Department Conference on Détente, October 2007.

"The Conservative Presidency," Boston University, Conference on the Presidency in the 21st Century," October 2007.

"The Politics of the Cuban Missile Crisis," Princeton University, October 2007.

"Comment on Andrea Campbell's *Taxing and Spending*," Harvard University, September 2007.

"When Liberals Were Hawks: Liberal Militarism, the Republican Right, and the Cold War," Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Conference, June 2007.

"On the Shoulders of Giants: A Tribute to Nelson Polsby," Princeton University, Congressional History Conference, May 2007.

“When Liberals Were Hawks: Liberal Militarism, The Republican Right, and the Cold War,” Princeton University, Congressional History Conference, May 2007.

“Seizing the Center: National Security and American Conservatism in the 1970s,” Boston University-Clare College Political History Conference, March 2007.

“The Revitalization of American Political History” L’Ecole Des Hautes Etudes En Sciences Sociales, November 2006.

“Seizing the Center,” Sciences Po Centre Americain, November 2006.

“Conservatives, Congress, and the 2006 Midterm Elections in Historical Context,” the Institute for Political Studies of Lyon, November 2006.

Comment, “The Politics of Business,” History of North American Capitalism Conference, Harvard University, October 2006.

“Seizing the Center: National Security and American Conservatism in the 1970s,” The Johns Hopkins University, September 2006.

Comment, “Policymaking in the New Deal,” May 2006, History of Congress Conference, Yale University.

Comment, “The Public’s Right to Know, 1945-1990,” April 2006, Organization of American Historians Convention.

“Confronting the Roadblock: Congress and Civil Rights during WWII,” April 2006, Mobilizing the Movement. Conference sponsored by Oxford University and Princeton University.

“Making Social Justice Difficult to Pursue,” March 2006, Social Justice in Transatlantic Perspective. Conference Sponsored by the Italian Academy for Advanced Studies in America and the Department of History at Columbia University.

Comment, March 2006, Harvard University Political Economy Seminar.

“Abandoning the Draft,” August 2005, American Political Science Association Convention.

“On Capitol Hill,” July 2005, The Dirksen Congressional Center, Congress in the Classroom Conference.

Comment, “Changing Attitude Toward Government Intervention and the Economy,” May 2005, University of Virginia, Fellows Conference, The Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia.

“New Directions in Congressional History,” May 2005, Third Annual Meeting of the Association of Centers for the Study of Congress. C-SPAN broadcast this panel in Show called “Congressional History.”

“The Death of Detente: President Gerald Ford and the Rise of a Neo-Conservative National Security Agenda,” April 2005, Charles Warren Center, Harvard University.

“Thinking about the History of America’s Congress,” April 2005, National History Center. This was the inaugural lecture of the Congressional Seminar Series.

“On Capitol Hill,” March 2005, Harvard University.

"The American Congress," March 2005, The National Archives. This was broadcast on BookTv.

"Taxing the Homefront: Congress and Taxation in 1968 and 2003," February 2005, Harvard University Business School.

"The Surprising Results of Congressional Reform," December 2004, Center for American Political Studies, Harvard University.

"Digging In: Tales from the Congressional Archives," November 2004, Northeastern Political Science Association.

Comment, **"Forum on *The Democratic Experiment*,"** November 2004, University of Virginia.

Comment, **"Roundtable: *On Capitol Hill*,"** Center for American Political Studies, October 2004, Harvard University.

Comment, **"Roundtable: *The Divided Welfare State*,"** "Fissures in the American Welfare State," "The Military Industrial Complex in Historical Perspective," and "International and Domestic Policy," May 2004, Policy History Conference.

"*On Capitol Hill*," Oxford University and University of Cambridge, May 2004.

Chair and Comment, **"Roundtable: *The Democratic Experiment*,"** March 2004, Organization of American Historians Convention.

"Taxing the Homefront, 1968-2003," March 2004, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

"*On Capitol Hill*," February 2004, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy.

Chair, **"Managing Policy Reform: Lessons from History,"** November 2003, Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management Conference.

Comment, **"Congress and America's Regimes,"** May 2003, Congressional History Conference.

Comment, **"*Politics in Time*,"** May 2003, University of Virginia.

"Political History and Political Science," April 2003, Organization of American Historians Convention.

"The Watergate Babies: Understanding How Congress Changes," Boston University, February 2003.

Comment, **"Roundtable: *The Forging of Bureaucratic Autonomy*,"** October 2002, Harvard University.

"Televised Congress: Technological Change and Institutional Innovation, 1974-1994," August 2002, American Political Science Association Convention.

"Into the Political Thicket: Redistricting and Congressional Reform, 1962-1969," April 2002, Organization of American Historians Convention.

“Bombthrowing Liberals: Race and Institutional Reform, 1948-1964,” November 2001, Social Science History Convention.

“Congress and Civil Rights: The Road to Reform, 1948-1965,” October 2001, University of North Carolina.

Commentator, **“People and Politics,”** November 2000, Researching New York Conference.

“Race, Parties and the Origins of Congressional Reform,” November 2000, 20th Century American History Workshop, University of Virginia.

“Seeds of Cynicism,” April 2000, Columbia University, American Political History Workshop.

“Wilbur Mills and Congressional History,” January 2000, Lyndon Baines Johnson Library.

“Response to Roundtable on *Taxing America*,” November 1999, Social Science History Convention.

“Public Policy History Since 1978,” November 1999, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management.

“From Problems to Solutions and Back Again: The Political Logic of Medicare Finance,” May 1999, Policy History Conference.

“Bridging State and Society: The Origins of 1970s Congressional Reform,” April 1999, Organization of American Historians Convention.

“Fiscal Conservatism and the New Deal,” November 1998, Social Science History Convention.

“‘Just where it will all end, heaven only knows’: Fiscal Conservatism and the New Deal, 1933-1939,” March 1998, The Johns Hopkins University.

Commentator, **“Tax Policy as Social and Economic Policy,”** October 1997, Social Science History Convention.

“Revisiting the Social Security Crisis of 1950,” October 1997, Social Science History Convention.

“Looking Back at Social Security History,” September 1997, American Political Science Association.

“Who Shall Represent the Citizen? Wilbur Mills, Fiscal Experts, and a Policy Community, 1954-1964,” April 1997, Organization of American Historians Convention.

Commentator, **“The Legislative Environment,”** October 1997, Conference of the American Society for Environmental Historians.

“Wilbur Mills and the Politics of Social Security Finance,” November 1996, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy.

“From Wildcats to Technocrats: The AFL-CIO, 1955-1965,” October 1995, North American Labor History Conference.

"The Power of State Culture: Wilbur Mills and American Fiscal Policy, 1946-1974," October 1994, Social Science History Convention.

Additional Presentations

"How to Have a More Intelligent Conversation About Politics," CORE Club, October 2018.

"Analyzing President Trump's First Year," Smithsonian Associates, November 2017.

"Politics in the Era of Trump," Scholar-in-Residence, Temple Emanuel of Closter, October 2017.

"American Politics in the Trump Era," Princeton Jewish Center, March 2017.

"A Historic Election," Temple Neve Shalom, December 2016.

"Conversation with Robert Schenkkan about *All the Way* and the Civil Rights Act of 1964," Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University, October 2016.

"The Kerner Report," Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University, October 2016.

"Why Trump?" Community Without Walls, October 2016.

"Beyond the Horse Race," Horace Mann, October 2016.

"Where Did Donald Trump Come From?" Keynote Address to the Princeton Class of 1968 Seminar, September 2016.

"Will the 2016 Presidential Debates Make a Difference?" Lawrenceville High School, September 2016.

"Lyndon Johnson and Presidential Leadership," CEO, May 2016.

"Does the Political Establishment Matter Anymore?" Loyola University, September 2016.

"The 2016 Election," All-Ivy Meeting, Princeton University, June 2016.

"Lyndon Johnson and Great Society Programs," Gilder Lehrman History Scholars Program, June 2016.

"The 1960s in Historical Perspective," Princeton University Alumni Day, May 2016.

"The 1964 Presidential Election and 2016," Lawrenceville High School, May 2016.

"Why Trump?" Pondering Politics Class, John Jay College, May 2016.

"The 2016 Election," Class of 1993 Leadership, Princeton University, April 2016.

"Myths About the 2016 Republican Primary," Scotch Plains JCC, April 2016.

"Studying American Politics: From Watts to BlackLivesMatters," The Harlem Children's Zone, February 2016.

"The Media and the 2016 Election," Princeton University Alumni Day, February 2016.

"How to Fix Washington," The Jewish Center, April 2014.

- “The Case for the Latke,” The Princeton University Hamantashen-Latke Debate, March 2014.**
- “LBJ, Broadway, and the Great Society,” Keynote Address at America at the Turning Point Conference, February 2014.**
- “Interview with Scott Berg,” Princeton University Woodrow Wilson School, February 2014.**
- “How Bad is Gridlock? And What Can We Do About It?” The Princeton Jewish Center, November 2013.**
- “Politics, National Security, and Cuba in the 1960s,” California Riverside Unified School District, Teaching American History Lecture, June 2013.**
- “Jews and the Ivory Tower,” Princeton Center for Jewish Life, May 2013.**
- “The Great Society,” Central New Jersey Jewish Community Center, March 2013.**
- “Lyndon Johnson and the Great Society,” Present Day Club, March 2013.**
- “Conversation with John Milton Cooper about Woodrow Wilson,” Woodrow Wilson School February 2013.**
- “Election in Historical Context,” Princeton Club of New York, November 2012.**
- “The Great Society,” Princeton Research Symposium, November 2012.**
- “Why Republicans Can’t Get the Jewish Vote,” Temple Neve Shalom, October 2012.**
- “Jews and American Politics,” The Princeton Center for Jewish Life, October 2012.**
- “Elections and Presidents,” Princeton John Witherspoon School, October 2012.**
- Comment, *Dispatches from (Am) Ended America*, Off-Broadway, October 2012.**
- “Elections,” Princeton Riverside School, October 2012.**
- “The Election of 2012 in Historical Context,” the Princeton Old Guard, September 2012.**
- “Governing America,” Princeton Public Library, May 2012.**
- “The Election of 2012,” Princeton University, Aspire Campaign Executive Committee, April 2012.**
- “The Jimmy Carter Presidency,” The Jewish Center, March 2012.**
- “The Presidency of George W. Bush,” Labyrinth Book Store, November 2010.**
- “President Obama and the Left,” Dissent Summer Issue Launch, Book Culture Bookstore, July 2010.**
- Moderator, “Themes for Congressional Elections,” Princeton University, May 2010.**
- “The Politics of National Security,” American Jewish Committee, New Jersey Chapter, May 2010.**

"Politics, National Security, and American History," Woodrow Wilson School Public Affairs Forum, May 2010.

"Arsenal of Democracy," The Princeton Club, April 2010.

"Beyond the Israel Lobby: American Jews and the Politics of National Security, 1967-2009," Temple Neve Shalom, Metuchen, NJ, April 2010.

Co-Organizer, Race, American Politics, and the Presidency of Barack Obama, Princeton University, April 2010.

"Arsenal of Democracy," The Jewish Center, March 2010.

"The Cuban Missile Crisis and National Security Politics," Miami Princeton Club, March 2010.

"The Politics of National Security," Lafayette College, February 2010.

"The Political Origins of Vietnam," Woodrow Wilson School, February 2010.

"Arsenal of Democracy and the Politics of Vietnam," Princeton Over 55, February 2010.

"Arsenal of Democracy," Carnegie Council, February 2010.

"Arsenal of Democracy," Brookings Institution, January 2010.

"Arsenal of Democracy," Partnership for a Secure America, January 2010.

"Arsenal of Democracy and the Politics of National Security," Philadelphia Committee on Foreign Relations, January 2010.

"What Comes After Health Care? Looking Ahead at President Obama and American Politics," Morristown Jewish Center, November 2009.

"Health Care and Domestic Politics," Princeton Alumni Education, November 2009.

"President Obama and the Politics of Congress," Princeton Volunteer Leadership Association, October 2009.

"Who Will Keep Us Safe? Presidential Leadership and National Security," Center for Jewish Life Fundraiser, October 2009.

"The Obstacles Facing President Obama," Teleconference Presentation to the United States Embassy in Egypt, September 2009.

Moderator, "Change We Can believe In? An Obama Report Card," Princeton University, 29 May 2009.

"Obama's First Hundred Days," Teleconference Presentation to the United States Embassy in Egypt, March 2009.

"Going Long or Developing a Running Game?" United Federation of Mercer County, November 2008.

"What Does He Do Now That He's Elected," The Princeton Jewish Center, November 2008.

- “2008 Election in Historical Perspective,” Princeton University, November 2008.**
- “The 2008 Election in Historical Perspective,” Princeton University, November 2008.**
- “Now That He Is Elected....” Jewish Center, Princeton, November 2008.**
- “Election ’08: The Aftermath,” Princeton University, November 2008.**
- “Religion and Politics: Roundtable,” National Press Club, October 2008.**
- “The Election of 2008 in Historical Context,” Princeton Alumni, October 2008.**
- “The Election of 2008 in Historical Context,” Teleconference Presentation to the United States Embassy in Israel, October 2008.**
- “The Election of 2008 and History,” Temple Neve Shalom, Metuchen, NJ, October 2008.**
- Moderator, “The Wire: Policy and Politics in America’s Urban Crisis,” Woodrow Wilson School, October 2008.**
- “The Election of 2008 in Historical Context,” Princeton Old Guard, September 2008.**
- “Politics and National Security: The Case of the Cuban Missile Crisis,” Princeton Junior Policy Institute, July 2008.**
- Comment, *Palace of the End* (Off-Broadway Play), July 2008.**
- “The President and Congress in Times of Crisis: Missiles in Cuba,” and “Making Law: The Civil Rights Act of 1964,” June 2008, John F. Kennedy Presidential Library, Teaching American History Program.**
- “The Election of 2008 in Historical Perspective,” The Jewish Center of Princeton, NJ, May 2008.**
- “Politics, Parties, and Elections in America: US Presidential Elections 2008,” American Embassy in Tel Aviv (via video conference), April 2008.**
- “American Politics in the 1970s and *Rightward Bound*,” Woodrow Wilson School, April 2008.**
- Keynote Address, The Junior State of America Foundation, March 2008.**
- “Major Issues in the 2008 Elections,” Friends of the Princeton University Library, February 2008.**
- Comment, *A Hard Heart* (Off-Broadway Play), November 2007.**
- “The Election of 2008,” Princeton University, Broadcast on Radio Times (WHYY), October 2007.**
- “The Politics of the Cuban Missile Crisis,” Woodrow Wilson School, October 2007.**
- “When Liberals Were Hawks,” Princeton Public Library. October 2007.**

“What Went Wrong for the Right: The 2006 Elections in Historical Perspective,” February 2007, Contemporary Issues Speaker Series, League of Women Voters.

“The 2006 Elections,” November 2006, Boston University Alumni.

“American Conservatism and Congress,” January 2006, Primary Source.

“The Conservative Revolution in Post-1960s America,” March 2005, Primary Source.

“Teaching About American Political Institutions,” March 2005, Boston Latin School.

“Public Higher Education in New York State,” March 2001 New York Public Research Interest Group Forum.

“Teaching American History,” December 2000. Faculty Forum, State University of New York at Albany.

“Commencement Address,” May 2000, Graduate Commencement Ceremony, State University of New York at Albany.

“The Benefits of a Research University,” November 1999, Undergraduate Open House, State University of New York at Albany.

“The Long-Term Costs of Clinton’s Affair,” October 1998, Student Forum, State University of New York at Albany.

“Why Was the Campaign so Boring? The Election of 1996,” November 1996, State University of New York at Albany.

Manuscript Reviewer

Peace and Change, The Milbank Quarterly, Journal of Policy History, Social Science History, Journal of Public Administration, Studies in American Political Development, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Princeton University Press, Columbia University Press, Houghton Mifflin, Pearson.

Professional Activities

Organizer and Moderator of Head of School’s Annual Conversation Series on Free Speech, 2023-Present.

Advisory Board, Princeton Electoral Innovation Lab, 2021-Present.

Consulting Producer, “Kennedy,” Documentary, 2020- Present.

Board of Directors, Center For Jewish Life, Princeton University, 2020-2023.

Board of Directors, National Association of Voting Officials, 2016.

Dirksen Congressional Center, Advisory Council, 2015-Present.

Search Committee, Historian for the U.S. House of Representatives, 2010-2011.

Organization of American Historians, Committee on Committees, 2010-2012.

Advisory Council, H-Policy, 2009-Present.

Contributor, "The Arena," *Politico*, 2008-2012.

American Historical Association, Albert J. Beveridge Award Committee, 2008-2009.

Board of Directors, Dirksen Congressional Center, 2005-2013.

Grants Committee, Dirksen Congressional Center, 2005-2013.

Distinguished Lectureship Program, Organization of American Historians, 2007-Present.

U.S. State Department, Bureau of International Information Programs, 2008.

Member, American Political Science Association, Policy Section Best Paper Award Committee, 2006-2007.

Humanities Advisory Board, One Cent Productions Documentary on Speaker Sam Rayburn, 2006-Present.

Advisory Board, Princeton University Press Encyclopedia of Political History, 2006-2011.

Contributor, President of the United States Blog (POTUS), History News Network. This is a blog of about fifteen prominent political historians who discuss current Events.

Contributor, History News Service. This service distributes op-ed articles to more than 300 metropolitan daily newspapers and other news services in the United States and North America.

Advisory Council, John Brademas Center for the Study of Congress at New York University, 2005-Present.

American Political Science Association, Public Policy Section, Council Member, 2005-2010.

Advisory Board, New York State Congressional Papers Collection, 2005-2011.

Member, Hugh Davis Graham Research Grant Committee, 2007-2008.

Chair, Hugh Davis Graham Research Grant Committee, 2005-2006.

Mentor, Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia, 2004-2005.

Chair, Fund-Raising Committee to Establish a Hugh Davis Graham Research Fund, 2004-2005. We raised \$22,000 within half of a year.

Director, American Politics and History Initiative, 2003-2005.

Program Committee Co-Chair, 2004 Policy History Conference, 2002-2004.

Featured Guest, Prentice Hall DVD for High School students, 2005.

Political Expert, WRGB, TV-6 News (CBS Affiliate), 1998-2004.

Advisory Board, New York State Environmental History Documentation Project, 2002.

Commission Member, New Yorkers for Public Affairs Television, 1999-2002.

Guest Interviewer for *Talking History*, WRPI-FM, 1998-2000.

Co-Founder and Co-Editor, *The Journal for MultiMedia History*, 1998-2000; Editorial Board, 1998-2001.

Advisory Board, Tax Analysts Study, *The Power to Tax*, 1998-1999.

University Service

Princeton University

History, Center for Collaborative History, 2024-Present.

SPIA, MPP Implementation Committee, 2024-Present.

SPIA, Faculty Governance Committee, 2024-Present.

SPIA, SINSI Admissions Committee, 2023-2024.

SPIA, MPP Review Committee, 2023-2024.

Advisory Committee, SPIA Program on Law and Public Policy, 2023-2024.

SPIA, Faculty Council, 2023-2024.

SPIA, Committee to Select Rebranding Firm, 2023-2024.

SPIA, MPP Admissions Committee, 2023-2025.

SPIA, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2023-2024.

Department of History, Member, Tenure Committee, 2023-2024.

Department of History, Tenure Committee, 2023-2024.

SPIA, MPP Committee, 2021-2022.

Department of History, Chair, Reappointment Committee, 2021.

Commencement Address, SINSI, May 2021.

Selection Committee, Scholars in the Nation's Service Initiative, 2020-2021.

SPIA, MPA Core Review Committee, Princeton School of Public and International Affairs, 2020-2022.

Advisory Board, Vote100, 2020-2023.

Center for Jewish Life, Board of Directors, 2020-today.

SPIA Undergraduate Curriculum/Thesis Prizes/Funding Application Committee, 2020-Present.

WWS Tenure Committee, 2019-2020.

Department of History, Tenure Committee, 2019-2020.

Department of History, Center for Collaborative History Executive Committee, 2019-2020.

WWS Undergraduate Thesis Prize Committee, 2019-2021.

Class of 1968 Seminar, Organizer, 2018.

WWS Faculty Council, 2017-2018.

WWS, MPA Admissions Committee, 2017-2018.

WWS, Senior Thesis Prize Committee, 2016-2017.

WWS, MPA Admissions Committee, 2016-2017.

Department of History, Reappointment Committee, 2016.

Organizer, Class of '68 2016 Seminar, 2016.

WWS, Faculty Search Committee, 2015-2016.

WWS, MPP Admissions Committee, 2015-2016.

WWS, MPA Admissions Committee, 2015-2016.

WWS, Senior Thesis Prize Committee, 2015-2016.

Department of History, Faculty Review Committee, 2015-2016.

WWS, Senior Thesis Prize Committee, 2013-2014.

WWS, MPP Admissions Committee, 2013-2014.

Center for Human Values Thesis Prize, 2013.

Faculty Fellow, Princeton Men's Basketball and Football Teams, 2012-Present.

Search Committee, Dean of the WWS, 2012.

Promotion Committee, Department of History, 2011-2012.

WWS, MPA Admissions Committee, 2011-2012.

Academic Advisory Board, Center for International Security Studies, 2009-Present.

Target of Opportunity Search Committee, Department of History, 2009-2010.

Princeton University Public Lectures Committee, 2009-2012.

Third Year Review Committee, Department of History, 2009.

Woodrow Wilson School, Faculty Council, 2009-2010.

Director, Christian A. Johnson Endeavor Leadership through Mentorship Program, 2009-2010.

Search Committee, Dean of the Woodrow Wilson School, 2009.

Woodrow Wilson School, Advisory Committee, 2008-2009.

Fellow, Butler College, 2008-2020.

Mudd Collection Advisory Group, 2008-Present.

First Year Graduate Advisor, Woodrow Wilson School, 2008-2012.

Woodrow Wilson Society of Fellows, 2008-2011.

Labyrinth Books Faculty Council, 2008-Present.

Woodrow Wilson School Undergraduate Committee, 2007-2010.

Search Committee, Department of History, US and the World Search, 2007-2008.

Tenure Committee for Woodrow Wilson School, 2007.

Boston University

Co-founder, Institute of Political History, 2005-2007.

Co-organizer, Boston University Political History Seminar, 2004-2007.

Co-organizer, Boston University-Cambridge University—Princeton University Political History Conference, 2004-Today.

Search Committee, American History, Department of History, 2005-2006.

Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of New England and American Studies, 2005-2006

Graduate Committee, Department of History, 2004-2005.

Organizer and Participant, “University Forum: The 2004 Election in Historical Context,” September 2004.

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Director of the Undergraduate Public Policy Program, 2003-2004.

Member, Search Committee for Position in Public Administration, Public Policy and Political Science, 2003-2004.

Academic Standing Committee, Department of Public Administration and Policy, 2003-2004.

Policy Committee, Department of Public Administration and Policy, 2003-2004.

Rockefeller College Resource Advisory Council, 2003-2004.

Organizer, Center for Democracy and Citizenship Congress to Campus Program, 2003, State University of New York at Albany.

Founder and Organizer, Seminar on Policy, Politics, and Institutions, Center for Policy Research, 2002-2004.

Advisory Council, Center for Jewish Studies, 2002-2004.

Featured in Public Relations Film for the State University of New York at Albany, 2003.

Sherry Penny Award Committee, Department of History, 2000.

Chair, Committee to Design MA/MPP Program in History and Public Policy, 1999-2000.

Long-Range Planning Committee, Department of History, 1999-2002.

Phi Alpha Theta Prize Committee, Department of History, 1999.

University Accreditation Committee, State University of New York at Albany, 1999.

University Senate, State University of New York at Albany, 1997-1999.

Search Committee for the Dean of Arts and Sciences, State University of New York at Albany, 1997-1998.

Chair, Interdisciplinary Studies Committee, Undergraduate Academic Council, State University of New York at Albany, 1997-1998; Member, 1998-1999.

Undergraduate Committee, Department of History, 1996-2001.

Committee on the History and Media Program, Department of History, 1997-2002.

Department of History Representative, University Open House and Presidential Scholars Open House, 1996-1998.

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