

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Ph.D., Political Science, Claremont Graduate University
M.A., Political Science, California State University, Long Beach
B.A., Government, Pomona College

Professional Appointments

Director of Assessment, College of Arts and Sciences, Widener University; 2014-present

Associate Professor, Political Science, Widener University; 2009-present

Assistant Professor, Government and Politics, Widener University, Chester, PA; 2003-2009

Invited lecturer, Southeastern European Summer School in Political Science, University of Niš, Serbia, 2003-2005

Visiting Assistant Professor, Government, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY; 2002-2003

Visiting Assistant Professor, Political Science, SUNY Brockport, Brockport, NY; 2000-2002

Visiting Instructor, Political Science, Loyola University Chicago, Chicago, IL; 2000

Publications

Journal Articles (peer-reviewed)

Jones, Rebecca and Peter Bursens (University of Antwerp). 2015. "The Effects of Active Learning Environments: How Simulations Trigger Affective Learning." *European Political Science*, 4(3): 254-265.

Jones, Rebecca, Laura Bailey (World Bank), Predrag Cvetičanin (University of Niš). 2009. "Identifying consolidation-causing patterns in disparate states: Comparing Timor-Leste and Serbia." *National Social Science Journal*, 32 (1): 50-59.

Jones, Rebecca. 2008. "Evaluating learning outcomes in EU simulations." *The Journal of Political Science Education*, 4 (4): 404-434.

Book Chapters (peer-reviewed)

Jones, Rebecca. 2018. "What's the EU? Preparing US Students for EuroSim" in *Simulations of Decision-making as Active Learning Tools: Design and Effects of Political Science Simulations*, eds. Peter Bursens, David Gijbels, Vincent Donche, and Pieter Spooren. London: Springer, pp. 51-62.

Jones, Rebecca and Peter Bursens (University of Antwerp). 2017. "Die Effekte von aktivierenden Lernumgebungen: Wie Simulationen affektives Lernen fördern" in *Europa spielerisch erlernen: Didaktische Überlegungen und Praxisbeispiele zu EU-Simulationen*, Wolfgang Muno, Arne Neimann, and Petra Guasti, eds. London: Springer, pp. 37-51.

Jones, Rebecca and Peter Bursens (University of Antwerp). 2013. "Assessing EU simulations: Evidence from the trans-Atlantic EuroSim" in *Teaching and Learning the European Union: Traditional and Innovative Methods*, Roberto Farneti, Stefania Baroncelli, Ioan Horga, and Sophie Vanhoonacker, eds. London: Springer, pp. 157-185.

Invited Contributions

Jones, Rebecca. 2014. "Preparing US Students for an EU Simulation." *EUSA Review*. Spring, 27 (1): 2-4.

Jones, Rebecca. 2008. "Assessing co-curricular simulations: A preliminary analysis of EuroSim 2008." *EUSA Review*. Winter, 21 (1): 16-17.

Jones, Rebecca. 2007. "Evaluating and assessing co-curricular simulations." *EUSA Review*. Winter, 20 (1): 8-11.

Encyclopedia Entries

Jones, Rebecca R. 2005. "Central and Eastern Europe: International Relations" in Thomas M. Leonard, ed. *Encyclopedia of the Developing World*. Chicago, IL: Routledge.

Jones, Rebecca R. 2005. "Ethnic Conflict: Central and Eastern Europe" in Thomas M. Leonard, ed. *Encyclopedia of the Developing World*. Chicago, IL: Routledge.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Jones, Rebecca, Ronald Rabena and Aaron Smith. "Finding power after genocide: Albanian parties in Serbia."

Jones, Rebecca. "Measuring democracy: Democratic survival capacity in the Balkan states."

Awards and Honors

2017 Sabbatical, Widener University (deferred to 2018)

2012 Fitz Dixon Innovation in Teaching Award, College of Arts and Sciences Nominee, Widener University

2012 Faculty Award for Civic Engagement, Nominee, Widener University

2010 Sabbatical, Widener University

2005 Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars, Widener University

2002 Union of University Professionals Individual Development Award, SUNY Brockport

2001 SUNY Brockport Discretionary Salary Increase for excellence in teaching

1992 Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society in Political Science

Grants

2017-2018 Faculty Development Grant, Widener University

2014-2015 Faculty Development Grant, Widener University

2013-2014 Faculty Development Grant, Widener University

2012-2013 Faculty Development Grant, Widener University

2011-2012 Faculty Development Grant, with Beatriz Urraca, Widener University

2011-2012 Provost's Grant, Widener University

2009-2010 Provost's Grant, Widener University

2009-2010 Faculty Development Grant, Widener University

2008-2009 Faculty Development Grant, Widener University

Conference Participation

Papers presented

2017. "Preparing U.S. students for an EU simulation." Council for European Studies, July 12-14, Glasgow, Scotland, United Kingdom.

2017. "Preparing U.S. students for an EU simulation." European Union Studies Association, May 4-6, Miami, FL.

2016. "Finding political power after genocide: Ethnic parties in Serbia" with Ronald Rabena and Aaron Smith. Western Political Science Association, March 24-26, San Diego, CA.

2015. "Finding power after genocide: Albanian parties in Serbia" with Ronald Rabena and Aaron Smith. Northeast Political Science Association, November 12-14, Philadelphia, PA.

2013 "Evaluating a cross-continent EU simulation" with Peter Bursens. EU Workshop, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz, Germany, September 25-28.

2013 "Evaluating a cross-continent EU simulation." European Union Studies Association, May 9-11, Baltimore, MD.

2013 "Ethnic political parties in the Balkans: Enfranchising or segregating?" Midwest Political Science Association, April 10-12, Chicago, IL.

2012 "Ethnic political parties in the Balkans: Enfranchising or segregating?" Poster presentation accepted for American Political Science Association, August 30-September 3, New Orleans, LA. (Conference cancelled due to hurricane Isaac).

2011 "Ethnic political parties in the Balkans: Enfranchising or segregating?" Western Political Science Association, April 21-23, San Antonio, Texas.

2010 "Assessing EU simulations: Evidence from the trans-Atlantic EuroSim." Peter Bursens and Rebecca Jones. SENT Conference, University of Tor Vergata, Rome, Italy, July 1-3.

2009 "A chance to skip class or an effective teaching tool? Evaluating EuroSim a model EU simulation" with Elin Berlin. APSA Teaching and Learning Conference, February 6-8, Baltimore, Maryland.

2008 "Transnational parties in the European Parliament: Are party groups the same as transnational parties?" Northeastern Political Science Association, November 13-15, Boston, Massachusetts.

2008 "Ethnic political parties in Macedonia: Creating inequality?" Pennsylvania Political Science Association, March 28-29, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

2007 "Evaluating a cross-continent EU simulation." European Union Studies Association, May 17-19, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

2005 "Identifying consolidation-causing conditions in disparate states: Comparing Timor-Leste and Serbia & Montenegro" with Laura Bailey and Predrag Cvetičanin. Northeastern Political Science Association, November 17-19, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

2003 "The Implications of Enlargement for EU Governance." European Union Studies Association, March 27-29, Nashville, Tennessee.

2002 "NATO and the EU candidate countries." New York Political Science Association, April 19-20, 2002, New York.

2001 "NATO Membership and Post-communist expansion: Inequality among equals?" International Studies Association Conference, February 21-24, Chicago, Illinois.

Panels Organized

2017. "Simulations of EU Decision-Making as Active Learning Tools: Design and Effects." Council for European Studies, 24th International Conference of Europeanists, July 12-14, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, United Kingdom (chair and discussant).

2017. "Simulations of EU decision-making as active learning tools: Design and effects." European Union Studies Association, May 4-6, Miami, FL (chair).

2002 "Problems & Promises: East-Central Europe and EU Expansion." International Studies Association Conference, March 24-27, New Orleans, LA (chair and discussant).

Discussant

2009 "The Balkans: Looking Forward and Looking Back." Northeastern Political Science Association meeting, November 19-21, Philadelphia, PA.

2007 Invited participant, "Symposium on Democratic Education, Civic Responsibility, and Sustainability" sponsored by the International Consortium for Democratic Education, March 29-30, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Divisional Talks

2006 Social Science Division Colloquium presentation: "Teaching Political Science and Talking Politics in Serbia," Fall semester.

2004 Social Science Division Colloquium presentation: "Eurosims: A European Union Simulation," Spring semester.

Other Presentations

2004 American politics roundtable, sponsored by the American Center, Niš, Serbia; July 25.

2003 Interview, Serbian and American politics, TV Channel 5, Niš, Serbia; July 22.

Teaching Experience

Widener University

“Star Wars,” “Star Trek,” and “Firefly”: Globalization and the nation-state (Spring 2013, Fall 2015; as Honors Colloquium Fall 2017)

Imagined Communities: National Identity, Policy, and the Modern State (Values Seminar) (Spring 2015, 2016; Fall 2017)

American Government & Politics (Fall and Spring 2003-2009; Fall 2010-2013; Spring 2016)

Foreign Governments & Politics (Fall/Spring 2003-2018)

Politics of the European Union (Fall 2003-2008; Fall 2014, 2016, 2018)

Vodka & Capitalism: Russian Politics (Spring 2013, 2017; Fall 2015)

Behind the Iron Curtain: Eastern Europe after Communism (Spring 2012)

Cartels and Carnival: Latin American Politics (Fall 2013, Spring 2017)

Theories of Democratization (Spring 2011, 2017 as independent study)

Senior Research (Fall/Spring 2003-2017)

Skidmore College

Introduction to Political Science (Fall 2002, Spring 2003)

Russia & Chechnya (Fall 2002)

Democratization (Spring 2003)

SUNY Brockport

Introduction to International Relations (2000-2002)

Introduction to Comparative Politics (2000-2002)

Introduction to American Politics (2000-2002)

European Union Politics (Fall 2000, 2001)

Eastern European Politics (Spring 2001, 2002)

Service to the profession

Co-Chair, Teaching the EU Section, European Union Studies Association (2013-present)

Fulbright U.S. Student Program grant application evaluator, IIE (2013-2015)

Director (North America), Trans-Atlantic Consortium for European Union Studies & Simulations (2009-2011)

Associate Director (North America), Trans-Atlantic Consortium for European Union Studies & Simulations (2005-2007)

Webmaster, Trans-Atlantic Consortium for European Union Studies & Simulations (2008-2016)

AP Exam Table Leader, U.S. Government & Politics exam, College Board Advanced Placement Program and Educational Testing Service (2010-2017)

AP Exam Reader, U.S. Government & Politics exam, College Board Advanced Placement Program and Educational Testing Service (2007-2009)

Regional expert (Kosovo and Serbia), “Delaware Tonight” program, WHYY-TV, February 29, 2008.

Teaching, Learning, Assessment Group, Trans-Atlantic Consortium for European Union Studies & Simulations (2002-2004)

Editorial Board, *The Scientific Journal Facta Universitatis*; Series: Philosophy, Sociology & Psychology, University of Niš, Serbia. 2005-present

Reviewer, *Journal of Political Science Education*.

Reviewer, *International Studies Quarterly*.

Reviewer, *Demokratizatsiya: The Journal of Post-Soviet Democratization*.

Service at Widener University (2003 – present)

University Service

Arts & Sciences Representative, Admissions and Financial Aid Committee
(2016-2017)

Arts & Sciences Representative, Oskin Leadership Academic Committee (2015-2017)

Arts & Sciences Representative and Vice-Chair, Promotion, Tenure and Academic
Freedom Committee (2011-2013)

Arts & Sciences Representative, Academic Computing Services Committee (2008-2009)

Arts & Sciences Representative, Budget, Planning and Assessment Committee
(2005-2007)

Co-chair (with Dr. Gordon Henderson, CAS) Widener University Democracy Project
(2006-2008)

Faculty advisor, EuroSim (Model European Union) (2003-present)

Faculty advisor, Widener University College Republicans (2006-present)

Faculty facilitator, Freshman Common Experience (2007, 2008)

College of Arts and Sciences Service

Director of Assessment (2014-present)

Curriculum & Planning Committee (2016-2018)

Chair, Pew Lecture Committee (2008-2014)

Arts & Sciences Faculty Affairs Committee, Social Science representative (2012-2014)

A&S Academic Assessment & General Education Committee, Social Science
representative (2013-2014)

Promotion, Tenure & Academic Freedom Committee (2007-2008)

Arts & Sciences Faculty Affairs Committee (2005-2007)
MA in Liberal Studies Advisory Committee, Social Science representative (2006-2008)
Member, Pew Lecture Committee (2005-2008)

Division of Social Sciences Service

Chair, Curriculum and Planning Committee (2016-2018)
Curriculum and Planning Committee (2004-2005; 2011-2012; 2015-2018)
Library Committee (2003-2007; 2010-2014)
Mentoring Committee (2014-2015)
Social Committee, (2011-present)
Promotion, Tenure, & Academic Freedom Committee (2007-2008)
Chair, *ad hoc* Mentoring committee (2006-2007)
Psychology Faculty Search Committee (2006-2007)
Faculty Secretary (2003-2004)

Department of Political Science Service

Chair, Political Science Department (2013-2015)
Government and Politics Faculty Search Committee (2007)
Freshman Advisor, Political Science majors (2004; 2010, 2012)
Freshman Advisor, International Relations majors (2004-2008; 2010, 2012, 2015-2017)
Academic Advisor, POLS/IR majors (2004-present)

Service at Skidmore College (2002-2003)

Faculty Advisor, Model European Union Club

Service at SUNY Brockport (2000-2002)

Curriculum Committee, Department of Political Science
Faculty Advisor, SUNY Model European Union Club

Professional Associations

American Political Science Association
Council for European Studies
European Union Studies Association
Northeastern Political Science Association
Western Political Science Association