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Personal Information

Born February 21, 1953 in Watertown, SD
Married to Constance Jean Hanson
Daughter, Sarah Pelto Hanson
Son, Peter Erik Hanson

Education

Ph.D. University of Minnesota, 1982 Political Science
M.A. University of Minnesota, 1978 Political Science
B.S. St. John's University (MN), 1975 Government

Academic Appointments

Benedict Visiting Professor, Carleton College, spring 2006
Lippincott Visiting Professor, University of Minnesota, spring and summer 2001
Teaching Fellow, Institute of U.S. Studies, University of London, 1995-96
Full Professor of Political Science, Indiana University, 1995-
Associate Professor of Political Science, Indiana University, 1987
Assistant Professor of Political Science, Indiana University, 1982
Lecturer in Political Science, Indiana University, 1980
Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota, 1975-79

Administrative Positions at Indiana University Bloomington

Acting Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, 1999-2000
Executive Associate Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, 1997-1999
Associate Dean of Undergraduate Education, College of Arts & Sciences, 1992-95
Acting Director of the Political Science Data Laboratory, 1987-88; Nov.-Dec. 1996

Research

Books

The Democratic Imagination in America: Conversations With Our Past. Princeton University Press: 1985.

Federalizing the State: The Transition from Mothers' Aid to Aid to Dependent Children, 1935-1941, a one hundred thousand word monograph now under revision. The ms is available for inspection.

Morality, Utility and Slavery, a back burner monograph on Anglo-American political thought in the antebellum period.

Anthologies

Politics in the American States, 9th edition by Virginia Gray and Russell L. Hanson for Congressional Quarterly Press: 2008. The volume includes a preface I wrote (pp. xi-xiii).

Politics in the American States, 8th edition by Virginia Gray and Russell L. Hanson for Congressional Quarterly Press, 2003. The volume includes a preface I wrote (pp. xi-xiii).

Politics in the American States, 7th edition by Virginia Gray, Russell L. Hanson and Herbert Jacob for Congressional Quarterly Press, 1999. The volume includes my Epilogue (pp. 540-544).

Governing Partners: State-Local Relations in the United States, edited by Russell L. Hanson. Westview Press: 1998. The volume includes my introductory essay (pp.1-15).

Reconsidering the Democratic Public, edited by George E. Marcus and Russell L. Hanson. Penn State University Press: 1993. Includes an editors' introduction for which I was primarily responsible (pp. 1-32).

Political Innovation and Conceptual Change, edited by Terence Ball, James Farr and Russell L. Hanson. Cambridge University Press: 1989.

Articles

"Rejoinder: The Measure and Stability of State Citizen Ideology," with William D. Berry, Richard F. Fording and Evan J. Ringquist. *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 7, 2 (Summer 2007): 111-132.

"The Measurement and Stability of State Citizen Ideology: A Rejoinder to Critics," with William D. Berry, Richard F. Fording and Evan J. Ringquist. *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 7, 2 (Summer 2007): 160-166.

"Comment on 'Correction: Does State Political Ideology Change Over Time?'" with William D. Berry, Evan J. Ringquist, Richard F. Fording. *Political Research Quarterly* 59, 3 (September 2006): 495.

"Reassessing the 'Race to the Bottom' in State Welfare Policy" with William D. Berry and Richard F. Fording. *Journal of Politics* 65, 2 (May, 2003): 327-349.

- “An Annual Cost of Living Index for the American States, 1960-1996,” with William D. Berry and Richard F. Fording. *Journal of Politics* 62, 2 (May, 2000): 550-567.
- “Measuring Citizen and Government Ideology in the American States, 1960-1993,” with William D. Berry, Evan J. Ringquist, and Richard S. Fording. *American Journal of Political Science* 42, 1 (January, 1998): 327-348.
- “Commentary” on Theda Skocpol's *Protecting Soldiers and Mothers: The Political Origins of Social Policy in the United States*, published in *Studies in American Political Development* 8,8 (Spring, 1994): 119-126.
- “Health Care Reform, Managed Competition, and Subnational Politics,” *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 24, 3 (Summer, 1994): 49-68.
- “Defining a Role for States in a Federal Health Care System,” *American Behavioral Scientist* 36, 6 (July, 1993): 760-781. This essay is reprinted in *Health Care Reform in the Nineties*, edited by Pauline Vaillancourt Rosenau, pp. 125-148. Sage Publications: 1994.
- “Bidding for Business: A Second War Between the States?” *Economic Development Quarterly* 7, 2 (May, 1993): 183-198.
- “The Political Acculturation of Migrants in the American States,” *Western Political Quarterly* 45, 2 (June, 1992): 355-383.
- “Political Cultural Variations in State Economic Development Policy,” *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 21, 2 (Spring, 1991): 63-81.
- “Gauging the Rainmakers: Toward a Meteorology of State Business Climates,” with Michael Berkman, *Economic Development Quarterly* 5, 3 (August, 1991): 213-228.
- “Henry Adams and the Decline of the Republican Tradition,” with W. Richard Merriman, *American Transcendental Quarterly* 4, 3 (Fall, 1990): 161-183.
- “Medicaid and the Politics of Redistribution,” *American Journal of Political Science* 28, 2 (May, 1984): 313-339.
- “The ‘Content’ of Welfare Policy: The States and Aid to Families with Dependent Children,” *Journal of Politics* 45, 3 (August, 1983): 771-788.
- “Political Culture, Interparty Competition and Political Efficacy in the American States,” *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 10 (Spring, 1980): 17-36. Reprinted in John Kincaid, ed., *Political Culture, Public Policy and the American States*. Philadelphia: ISHI Publications, 1982.

Chapters

- “Liberal Absolutism in America,” Hartz volume, ed. Mark Hulliung and James Young, University Press of Kansas, forthcoming (2009).

“Bryce on Tocqueville on Democracy in America,” *America Through European Eyes*, ed. Aurelian Craiutu and Jeffrey C. Isaac. Penn State University Press. Forthcoming: 2009.

“The Intergovernmental Setting of State Politics,” in *Politics in the American States*, 9th edition by Virginia Gray and Russell L. Hanson, chapter 2, pp. 31-61. Congressional Quarterly Press: 2008.

“The Ordeal of Harpers Ferry and Trial of John Brown,” in *Famous American Crimes And Trials*, edited by Frankie Bailey and Steven Chermak, vol. 1, pp. 281-301. Praeger Press: 2004.

“The Electoral College in Historical Perspective,” with Donald Lutz, Philip Abbott, and Barbara Allen for *Choosing a President: The Electoral College and Beyond*, ed. Paul Schumaker and Burdette Loomis, chapter 2, pp. 31-52. Chatham House: 2002.

“The Intergovernmental Setting of State Politics,” in *Politics in the American States*, 7th edition by Virginia Gray, Russell L. Hanson and Herbert Jacob, pp. 32-65. Congressional Quarterly Press: 1999.

“Democracy in Multicultural Nations and Multinational Settings,” in *Democracy and the European Union*, edited by Andreas Føllesdal and Peter Koslowski, pp. 135-159. Springer Verlag: 1998.

“The Intergovernmental Setting of State Politics,” in *Politics in the American States*, sixth edition by Virginia Gray and Herbert Jacob, pp. 35-77. Congressional Quarterly Press: 1995.

“Liberalism and the Course of American Social Welfare Policy,” in *The Dynamics of American Politics: Approaches and Interpretations*, edited by Lawrence C. Dodd and Calvin Jillson, pp. 132-159. Westview Press: 1993.

“The Development of Development Policy in the American States,” in *State Policy Problems*, edited by Fred Meyer and Ralph Baker, pp. 73-85. Nelson-Hall, Inc.: 1993.

“Deliberation, Toleration and Democracy,” in *Reconsidering the Democratic Public*, edited by George E. Marcus and Russell L. Hanson, pp. 273-286. Penn State University Press: 1993.

“Federal Statebuilding During the New Deal: The Transition from Mothers’ Aid to Aid to Dependent Children,” in *Changes in the State: Causes and Consequences*, edited by Edward S. Greenberg and Thomas F. Mayer, pp. 93-114. Sage Publications: 1990.

“Intergovernmental Relations,” in *Politics in the American States*, fifth edition by Virginia Gray, Herbert Jacob and Robert Albritton, pp. 38-81. Scott, Foresman/Little, Brown: 1990.

“Democracy,” in *Political Innovation and Conceptual Change*, edited by Ball, Farr and Hanson, pp. 68-89. Cambridge University Press: 1989. Reprinted in *Democracy: Critical Concepts in Political Science*, edited by Michael Saward. Routledge: 2006.

“‘Commons’ and ‘Commonwealth’ at the American Founding,” in *Conceptual Change and the Constitution*, edited by J.G.A. Pocock and Terence Ball, pp. 165-193. University Press of Kansas: 1988.

“The Expansion and Contraction of the Welfare State,” in *Not Only the Poor: The Middle Class and the Welfare State*, edited by Robert E. Goodin and Julian Le Grand, pp. 169-202. George Allen and Unwin: 1987.

“Remembrance of Things Past: On the Recoverability of Political Traditions,” in *Tradition, Interpretation, and Science: Political Theory in the American Academy*, edited by John S. Nelson, pp. 156-191. State University of New York Press: 1986.

Entries

“The Political Culture of the Midwest,” a 2700 word entry for the *Encyclopedia of the Midwest*, Indiana University Press (2006): 1682-1686.

“U.S. Territories,” in *Federalism in America: An Encyclopedia*, ed. Joseph R. Marbach, Ellis Katz, and Troy E. Smith, vol. 2, 669-670. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group, 2005.

“Federal-Local Relations,” in *Federalism in America: An Encyclopedia*, ed. Joseph R. Marbach, Ellis Katz, and Troy E. Smith, vol. 1, 212-217. Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group, 2005.

“Equality,” 1500 word entry for the *Dictionary of American History*, 3rd edition for Charles Scribner's Sons, vol. 3, pp. 248-251. New York: 2003.

“Liberty,” 500 word entry for the *Dictionary of American History*, 3rd edition for Charles Scribner's Sons, vol. 5, pp. 94-95. New York: 2003.

“Republicanism,” a 2000 word entry for the *Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, volume 8: 280-283. 1998. The encyclopedia is also available online at: <http://www.rep.routledge.com/views/home.html>.

“Equality,” a 2500 word entry in *A Companion to American Political Thought*, edited by Richard Fox and James Kloppenberg, pp. 212-216. Blackwell Publishers: 1995.

“Tradition,” a 1000 word entry in *A Companion to American Political Thought*, edited by Richard Fox and James Kloppenberg, pp. 681-682. Blackwell Publishers: 1995.

Published Papers

“Do Welfare Magnets Attract?” with John Hartman. Institute for Research on Poverty Discussion Paper #1028-94, University of Wisconsin-Madison: 1994.

Teaching

Publications

“Measuring Citizen and Government Ideology in the American States, 1960-1993,” with William D. Berry, Evan J. Ringquist, and Richard S. Fording. *American Journal of Political Science* 42, 1 (January, 1998): 327-348 has been excerpted in Marcus Ethridge, *The Political Science Research Experience: Readings and Analysis*, 3rd edition by M.E. Sharpe (2001).

“The Range and Reach of the Bill of Rights,” in *Resources for Teachers on the Bill of Rights*, edited by John J. Patrick and Robert S. Leming, pp. 31-40. ERIC Clearinghouse for Social Studies/Social Science Education: 1991.

“Habits of the Heart,” in the study guide for *The American Democracy*, by Thomas Patterson, p. 4. Boston: Little, Brown, 1990.

To Secure the Blessings of Liberty: Rights and the Constitution, a discussion guide published by The Jefferson Foundation for use in its Jefferson Meetings, 38pp. Washington, D.C.: 1989.

“The Setting of State Politics,” in *Politics in the American States*, fourth edition by Virginia Gray, Herbert Jacob, and Kenneth Vines, pp. 27-56. Little, Brown: 1983.

Awards

Pi Sigma Alpha Teaching Award, American Political Science Association, 2007

IU Trustees Teaching Award, 2007

IUB Freshmen Learning Project Fellowship, 2004-05 (deferred).

IUB Teaching Excellence Recognition Award, 1997; 1998

Undergraduate Courses

American Government and Politics

U.S. State Politics, Urban Politics

Introduction to Political Philosophy

American Political Thought

Issues: Politics of Abortion; Race and the Constitution; Liberation Theology; Capitalism, Socialism and Democracy; Stewardship

Graduate Seminars

Introduction to Politics (a philosophy of science seminar)

Intergovernmental Relations in the U.S.

Social Welfare Policies in the U.S.

American Political Thought

Democratic Political Theory

Liberalism

Tocqueville

Graduate Supervision

I’ve served on more than seventy dissertation committees, and chaired 15. Two of my students have won national awards from the American Political Science Association for their theses.

Service

Community

Monroe County School Corporation Textbook Selection Committee, 2002-2003

University

Co-Chair, Indiana University Bloomington General Education Committee, 2007-09

Hutton Honors College Advisory Committee, 2007-08

Arts and Humanities Infrastructure Committee, Indiana University Bloomington, 2006-08

Chair, Indiana University Bloomington Arts, Student, and Convocations Committee, 2006-07

Indiana University Bloomington, Capital Priorities Committee, 2006-7

Bloomington Faculty Council, Budgetary Affairs Committee, 2004-08

Search Committee, Director of the Indiana University Cyclotron Facility, 2003-2004

Chair, Faculty Advisory Committee, Extended Learning Programs, 2002-present

Bloomington Faculty Council, Faculty Misconduct Committee, 2001-2004

Indiana University Bloomington Civics Education Taskforce, 2001-present

Social Studies Development Center Advisory Committee, 1995-present

School of Education Committee to Review Research Centers, 2002-2003

Chair, Campus Committee to Review the Student Academic Center, 2002

Academic Council, Indiana University, 1999-2000

Indiana University Bloomington Capital Priorities Committee, 1999-2000

Indiana University Bloomington Representative to the Truman Foundation, 1997-2000; 2004-

Recruitment Committee, IUB Director of Admissions, 1996-97

Indiana University Strategic Directions Task Force, 1994-95

Statewide Advisory Committee on Labor Education, 1986-91

Chair, BCCUC subcommittee on Statistics and Mathematics Area Application Plan, and principal author of a report and recommendations from that subcommittee, 1987-88

College of Arts & Sciences

Chair, Social Science Strategic Planning Advisory Committee, 2008-09

American Studies Governance Committee, Fall 2007

College of Arts & Sciences Academic Fairness Committee, 2004-

Liberal Arts & Management Program Advisory Board, 2004-5

Law, Ethics & Social Action Program Advisory Board, 2004-

Acting Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, 1999-2000

Executive Associate Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, 1997-1999

Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education, College of Arts & Sciences, 1992-95

College of Arts and Sciences Committee on Undergraduate Education, 1989-90, 1991-92

Department of Political Science (chair only)

Chair, Personnel Committee, 2008-09

Chair, Personnel Committee, 2004-2006

Chair, Law and Politics Recruitment Committee, 2003-04

Chair, Political Science Data Laboratory Committee, 1996-97

Chair, Personnel Committee, 1988-89; 1989-90

Chair, Recruitment Committee, 1991-92

Acting Director of the Political Science Data Laboratory, 1987-88; Nov.-Dec. 1996

Professional Activities

Memberships

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Politics*, 1997-2000.

Editorial Board Member, *American Political Science Review*, 1983-85.

Member, American Political Science Association.

Member, Midwest Political Science Association.

Member, Conference for the Study of Political Thought.

Service

Member, Elaine and David Spitz Book Prize Committee, Conference for the Study of Political Thought, 2001-present.

Chair, Foundations of Political Thought award for the best paper delivered at the 1996 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association by an untenured member, 1996-97.

Chair, Pi Sigma Alpha Award for the best paper delivered at the 1993 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Section Organizer for Normative Political Theory panels at the Midwest Political Science Association annual meetings, April 1987.

Tenure reviews for the University of Minnesota at Duluth; School of Social Services and Administration, University of Chicago; Texas A & M University; University of Houston; the Maxwell School of Citizenship, Syracuse University; and University of Connecticut.

Published Reviews

Review of Bruce Ackerman, *The Failure of the Founding Fathers: Jefferson, Marshall and the Rise of Presidential Democracy*, *Perspectives on Politics* 5, 4 (December, 2007): 819-820.

Review of Melvin Richter, *The History of Political and Social Concepts: A Critical Introduction*; Iain Hampsher-Monk, Karin Tilmans, and Frank van Vree, eds., *History of Concepts: Comparative Perspectives*; and Mark Bevir, *The Logic of the History of Ideas*, in *American Political Science Review* 96,4 (2002): 795-797.

Review of Julie Anne White, *Justice, Welfare and Democracy*, in *American Political Science Review* 95, 2 (2001): 469-470.

Review of Richard J. Ellis, *American Political Cultures*, in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 23, 6 (1994): 886-887.

Review of Alvin Schorr, *Common Decency* and Nathan Glazer, *The Limits of Social Policy*, in *American Political Science Review* 83,4 (1989): 1398-1400.

Review of Roger King, *The State in Modern Society*, in *American Political Science Review* 82, 4 (1988): 1358-1359.

Review of Susan Hekman, *Hermeneutics and the Sociology of Knowledge*, in *Political Theory* (1989): 149 -152.

Note on George Davie, *The Crisis of the Democratic Intellect*, in *Ethics* 99, 1 (October, 1988): 199-200.

Note on *Critical Theory and Public Life*, edited by John Forester, in *Ethics* 97, 3 (April, 1987): 684.

Review of *Positivism and Social Research*, by Christopher G.A. Bryant, in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Reviews* 16, 1 (January, 1987): 129.

Awards and Honors

2006-07 Grant-in-aid of Research for "Social Reformers in the National Liberal League, 1876-1883," Office of the Vice President for Research, Indiana University Bloomington.

2004-05 Grant-in-aid of Research for "The Political Appropriation of Thoreau's Essay on Civil Disobedience," Research and Graduate Development, Indiana University Bloomington.

2005 Travel Grant, College Arts & Humanities Institute, "The Political Appropriation of Thoreau's Essay on Civil Disobedience," Indiana University Bloomington.

1997 Best Paper Award, State Politics Section of the American Political Science Association, for "State Welfare Policy in the United States: 1960-1990," with W.Berry and R.Fording.

1994-95 National Science Foundation grant, "Welfare in the American States," with W. Berry.

1992-93 grant from the Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin, Madison, "Do Welfare Magnets Attract?" with J. Hartman.

1991 Distinguished Alumnus Award, Department of Political Science, University of Minnesota.

1990-91 Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford, CA.

1985-86 grant from the Ford Foundation, Project on Social Welfare Policy and the American Future, "The Dynamics of Welfare in a Federal System: A View from the States."

1985 Outstanding Young Faculty Member, Indiana University Bloomington.

Funded Seminar, "Intergovernmental Policymaking: Welfare in the U.S.," Indiana University Bloomington, 1983-84.

Research Grant, "Dynamics of Welfare Reform," Research and Graduate Development, Indiana University Bloomington, 1983.

Summer Faculty Fellowships, Indiana University Bloomington, 1982; 1989; 1996; 2001; 2005.

2008 Election Interviews and Commentaries: *Politico*, *Boston Globe*, *Miami Herald*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Toledo Blade*, *Evansville Courier Press*, *Columbus Republic*, *South Bend Tribune*, Houston radio station KTRH, XMradio, Bloomberg News, and several freelance correspondents., plus *The Morning Delivery*, *Marianne* (French weekly), *National Daily* (Argentina), Tokyo News.

2006 Election Interviews and Commentaries: *New York Times*, *Boston Globe*, *Orlando Sentinel*, *Evansville Courier Press*, WISH TV8 Indianapolis, C-SPAN, Pacifica Radio Network, Council of State Governments, *Howey Report*, and several freelance correspondents.