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**ADMINISTRATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Management of Department of Political Science as the Head for twenty-four years (1985-2009).
- Oversight of the growth of the department from eight faculty members in 1985 to eighteen in 2008.
- Management of MPA Degree Program from 1985-1989. In 1989 the department added a coordinator position for that program.
- Management and planning for the new Public Personnel Management Track of the MPA, 1985-87.
- Management and planning for the new Bachelor of Legal Assistant Studies Degree Program, 1991-93. In 1994 the department added a faculty member who took over these supervisory functions.
- Guidance and work with Dr. Lee Allen, MPA Coordinator from 1994-97, on obtaining NASPAA accreditation for the MPA degree program. Accreditation was awarded in 1997.
- Work with Dr. Nolan Argyle, MPA Coordinator, on obtaining NASPAA re-accreditation for the MPA degree program. Re-accreditation was granted in 2004-05.
- Work and planning with Dr. Nolan Argyle, MPA Coordinator 1989-94 and 1997 on, on proposing a new DPA degree program. A request for permission from the Board of Regents to present the formal proposal cleared all VSU committees by early 2002. The final proposal was sent to the BOR in December 2005. The degree program was approved in January 2007. Courses began in Fall 2007.
- Effective use of the position of Pizer Professor of International Relations to build outreach activities into the international arena. Dr. Calvin Woodward filled that position from 1986-96. Recruitment of

Dr. Michael Baun to that position occurred in 1996, and he is currently in that position.

Successful application for CUAP Grant from USIA (now under U.S. State Department) in 1999. As a result, VSU established a partnership agreement in a broad range of areas with Palacký University in Olomouc, Czech Republic. During the four year time frame of the grant, 1999-2003, thirty exchange visits took place between the two universities. More than half of those visits involved semester-length stays that included teaching, joint research projects, work on program building, and involvement in non-profit organizations. Palacký University developed a variety of new courses in public administration, while VSU added new comparative dimensions to existing courses.

Work with the department to establish the first honors track of upper-level courses at VSU for majors, 2000-02. Each semester 15-20 students enroll in honors courses, and each year several students graduate with honors.

## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Indiana University, 1972-1976  
Dissertation: "Political Leadership in Czechoslovakia, 1954-66"

M.A., Indiana University, 1967-1969

B.A., Cornell University, 1963-67

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Valdosta State University, 1983-Present  
Assistant Professor, 1983-87  
Associate Professor, 1987-92  
Professor, 1992-Present  
Tenure, 1988  
Acting Department Head, 1985-86  
Department Head, 1986-Present

Visiting Assistant Professor Positions, 1976-83

## MILITARY EXPERIENCE

U.S. Army (Army Security Agency), Czech Language Translator, 1969-72

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Czech good for research and speaking  
 Slovak good for research  
 German good for research  
 Russian fair for research  
 Swedish fair for research

## COURSES TAUGHT

Lower-Division Undergraduate  
 Introduction to Political Science  
 American National Government

Upper-Division Undergraduate  
 Comparative Politics  
 American Foreign Policy  
 Politics of Post-Communism  
 Global Security Policy  
 Modern Political Ideologies  
 War in Iraq: The First Five Years

Graduate MPA  
 National Security Administration and Policy  
 Foundations Seminar in Public Administration (WebCT)  
 Capstone Seminar in Public Administration (WebCT)

## RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

One co-authored (with James LaPlant and Jiří Lach) article on the Czech Communist Party in the Post-1989 period. The paper will be submitted in early 2008, to the Journal of Communist Studies and Transition Politics.

“Czech National Security: Balancing NATO and EU Responsibilities,” submitted upon request (May 2007) to Dr. Robin Remington for inclusion as a chapter in *Codependency, Globalization, and Regime Change*, early 2009.

## PUBLICATIONS

Editor, Czech and Slovak History Newsletter, biannual, 30 pages each, 150 subscribers in twelve countries, 1988 to present.

“The Czech Republic and the World: Conflicting Loyalties, Organizational Memberships, and Changed National Images,” *Carl Beck Papers in Russian and East European Studies*, No. 1907, August, 2008.

"An Expanded NATO Confronts Terrorism and Instability," 2007. *The Journal of Slavic Military Studies* 20(04): 475-497.

"American Newspaper Media Portrayal of the 1968 Prague Spring," in: The Portrayal of Czechoslovakia in the American Print Media, 1938-1989, edited by Gregory C. Ference. New York: East European Monographs and Columbia University Press 2006,75-94.

"American Newspaper Media Portrayal of the 1989 Anti-Communist Revolution," in: The Portrayal of Czechoslovakia in the American Print Media, 1938-1989, edited by Gregory C. Ference. New York: East European Monographs and Columbia University Press, 2006,95-112.

"Conflicting Obligations: Impact of NATO Membership on its Ten Newest Members," in Proceedings of the Georgia Political Science Association, a refereed on-line journal available at the web site of the Georgia Political Science Association, 2006.

"Separate Paths: Czech and Slovak Foreign Policies Since 1993," Slovakia, Volume XXXVIII, Numbers 70-71, 2005, pp. 121-145.

Political Science: An Overview of the Fields, Third Edition. Edited with Lee M. Allen and Nolan J. Argyle. Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company, 2003.

"American National Security Policy After 9/11." Political Science: An Overview of the Fields, Third Edition, ed. James W. Peterson, Lee M. Allen, and Nolan J. Argyle. Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company, 2003, pp. 239-247.

Political Science: An Overview of the Fields, Second Edition. Edited with Lee M. Allen and Nolan J. Argyle. Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company, 1997.

"American Foreign Policy in the Post-Cold War World." Political Science: An Overview of the Fields, Second Edition, ed. James W. Peterson, Lee M. Allen, and Nolan J. Argyle. Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company, 1997, pp. 229-236.

"Nationalism and Democracy in Czechoslovak Policy Formation after 1989," South East European Monitor, Vol. II, No. 3, 1995, 14-35.

Perspectives on Politics: Classic to Contemporary. Edited with Lee M. Allen and Nolan J. Argyle. Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company, 1994.

"International Relations and the Problem of Order."  
Perspectives on Politics: Classic to Contemporary,  
 ed. James W. Peterson, Lee M. Allen, and Nolan J. Argyle. Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall/Hunt  
 Publishing Company, 1994, pp. 250-260.

"Czechoslovakia," Revision of Essay by Owen Johnson in  
World Encyclopedia of Political Systems and Parties, 1986.

"Minority Group Representation in the United States and in the Soviet Union,"  
Southeastern Political Quarterly, Volume XIV, Number 1, Spring 1986, 63-84.

"Representation of Ethnic Groups Within the Czechoslovak Political System, 1918-  
 81," East Central Europe, Vol. 10, Parts 1 and 2, 1983, 92-114.

"Competing Political Dreams in Communist Societies," News for Teachers of Political  
 Science, Number 35, Fall 1982.

"Political Elites and Political Adaptation: A Comparative Study of the German  
 Democratic Republic and Czechoslovakia,"  
Michigan Academician, Volume XI, Winter 1979, Number 3, 283-296.

#### CONVENTION PAPERS

"Beyond Public Opinion: Sources of Czech Skepticism for a Constitution in Europe," co-  
 authored with Marc Pufong, James LaPlant, and Marketa Šustková, Southern Political Science  
 Association, New Orleans, January 10, 2009.

"Impact of the Iraq War on NATO Capabilities," Southern Political Science Association,  
 New Orleans, January 9, 2009.

"The Intersection of Czech and American Defense Policies: The Case of the Proposed  
 Missile Shield," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Philadelphia,  
 November 22, 2008.

"Political Change in Kosovo: Serbian Connection, NATO Intervention, and Nationhood  
 Potential," Georgia Political Science Association, Savannah, November 14, 2008.  
 Related interview with a correspondent from the Serbian newspaper *Politika*.

"Pursuit of Stability in the Baltics: Conflicting Russian and Scandinavian Perspectives,"  
 Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, March 27-29, 2008.

"The New NATO Members and the Mission in Afghanistan: Political and Economic Risks,"  
 Co-authored with Dr. Terry Hallmark, Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans,  
 January 11, 2008.

"NATO in Afghanistan: A New Mission for an Old Alliance," Georgia Political Science Association, Savannah, November 16-17, 2007.

"An Expanded NATO Confronts Terrorism and Instability," Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 5, 2007.

"Castles in the Sand: A Longitudinal Analysis of the Shifting Party Coalitions in the Czech Republic," with Jiří Lach, James LaPlant, and David Hill, Georgia Political Science Association, Savannah, November 18, 2006.

"Czech National Security Policy: Balancing NATO and EU Responsibilities," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Washington, D.C., November 16, 2006.

"Conflicting Obligations: Impact of NATO Membership on its Ten Newest Members," Georgia Political Science Association, Savannah, November 12, 2005.

"The Party's Not Over: An Analysis of the Communist Party of the Czech Republic," with Jiří Lach and James LaPlant, Georgia Political Science Association, Savannah, November 12, 2005.

"The Czech Republic and Europe," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Salt Lake City, Utah, November 3-6, 2005.

"Membership in the European Union and Images of Modern Czech History," Roundtable presentation (15 pages) at American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Boston, Massachusetts, December 6, 2004.

"Expansion of the EU: Implications for American Foreign Policy," Georgia Political Science Association, Savannah, Georgia, November 13, 2004.

"The 2003 War in Iraq: Disharmony for NATO and the EU," Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 2004.

"European Cultures and American Foreign Policy in the Twenty-First Century," (delivered by Dr. Larry Elowitz due to spouse's illness) Georgia Political Science Association, Callaway Gardens, Georgia, November 14, 2003.

Roundtable Presentation on "Upcoming Iraq War and U.S. Diplomacy with Allies," Georgia Political Science Convention, Savannah, Georgia, February 2003.

"Separate Paths: Czech and Slovak Foreign Policies Since 1993," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies," Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, November 2002.

"Key Foreign Policy Decisions of the Czech Republic: 1993-2002," Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, Daytona Beach, Florida, March 16, 2002.

"U.S. Foreign Policy Towards Post-Communist Nations," Georgia Political Science Convention, Savannah, February 1, 2002.

"The European Union: The Common Foreign and Security Policy and the Accession of New States," Southern Political Science Convention, Atlanta, November, 2001.

Participant, Roundtable on "Elections 2000," Georgia Political Science Convention, Hilton Head, South Carolina, Feb. 2001.

"The Role of Political Leadership in Technological Development: Czechoslovakia in Communist and Post-Communist Eras," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Denver, 2000.

"America's Involvement in Wars in the 1990s: Persian Gulf, Bosnia, and Kosovo," Georgia Political Science Association, Hilton Head, South Carolina, 2000.

"European Security and Social Justice: The Impact of American Idealism," The Liberal Order: The Future for Social Justice?, Conference at Palacky University, Czech Republic, 1999.

"U.S. Security Interests and NATO Expansion," Southern Political Science Conference, Atlanta, 1998.

"Comparison of the Czechoslovak Reform Movements of 1968 and 1989," Southern Conference for Slavic Studies, Chapel Hill, NC, 1998.

"U.S. Media and the Communist Collapse in Czechoslovakia: 1968 and 1989," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 1997.

"The European Union and Prospects for Czech and Slovak Membership," Southern Political Science Association, 1996.

"Congressional Support for the President on Foreign Policy Votes: The Bush and Clinton Presidencies Compared," Southern Political Science Association, 1995.

"Theories of Political Development in the Czech Republic and Slovakia Since 1989," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 1995.

"Political Development and the Czechoslovak Experience," Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, 1995.

"Nationalism and Democracy in Czechoslovak Policy Formation after 1989," American

Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 1994.

"Czechoslovak Elections of 1990 and 1992 and the Realignment of Czech and Slovak Leadership," Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, 1994.

"Nationalism in Former Communist States and Global Stability," Georgia Political Science Association, 1994.

"Comparative Political Leadership in Communist and Post-Communist Czechoslovakia," American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, 1993.

"The Czechoslovak Presidium," Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, 1993.

"The Problem of Federalism: A Comparative Analysis of Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia," Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, 1992.

"Congressional Support for the President in the Foreign Policy Arena: 1989-91," Georgia Political Science Association, 1992.

"Democratization of East Europe and American Foreign Policy," Southern Political Science Association, 1991.

"The Czechoslovak Revolution of 1989-90: Prospects and Pitfalls," Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, 1991.

"Congressional Support for the President in the Foreign Policy Area: A Study of the 101st Congress," Georgia Political Science Convention, 1991.

"The East European Revolutions of 1989-90 and Comparative Political Theory," Southern Political Science Association, 1990.

"Soviet Foreign Policy and the East European Reforms of the Late 1980s," American Political Science Association, 1990.

"Models of Soviet Foreign Policy Towards East Europe During the Gorbachev Period," Southwestern Political Science Association, 1990.

"Changing Leadership Patterns in Eastern Europe," Georgia Political Science Association, 1990.

"Motivations for Soviet Participation in the 1986 INF Treaty," American Political Science Convention, 1989.

"Soviet Foreign Policy Towards East Germany During the Gorbachev Succession: September 1984-September 1985," Southern Political Science Association, 1988.

"Motivations for the 1968 Soviet Invasion of Czechoslovakia," Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, 1988.

"Soviet Foreign Policy Towards Poland During the Gorbachev Succession: September 1984 to September 1985," Southwestern Political Science Association, 1988.

"The Succession Connection and Soviet-Czechoslovak Policy Relationships in the 1984-85 Period," Southwestern Political Science Association, 1987.

"Models of Soviet Foreign Policy-Making," Northeastern Political Science Association, 1986.

"Wellsprings of Instability in the Soviet Bloc," Northeastern Political Science Association, 1985.

"Political Recruitment: A Comparison of American and Soviet Elites," Southern Political Science Convention, 1985.

"Developing an Internationalist Consciousness," Association for General and Liberal Studies, 1985.

"Minority Group Representation in the United States and in the Soviet Union," Georgia Political Science Association, 1985.

"The Reagan Administration: Defense Policy," Georgia Political Science Association, 1984.

"Political Dreams Implicit in the Literature of Milan Kundera," Midwest Slavic Association, 1982.

"The 1982 Czechoslovak Political Elite in Historical Perspective," Midwest Slavic Association, 1982.

"The Scientific-Technological Revolution in Czechoslovakia," Midwest Political Science Association, 1981.

"Recruitment of Czechs, Slovaks, and Germans in the Czechoslovak Political System, 1918-78," Midwest Slavic Association, 1981.

"International and Domestic Political Implications of the Scientific-Technological Revolution for the Soviet Union," International Studies Association, 1981.

"The Process of Industrialization and Political System Adaptation: A Framework for

Comparing Communist and Non-Communist Political Systems," Michigan Academy, 1979.

"Political Elites and Political Adaptation," Michigan Academy, 1978.

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Co-Leader, VSU Maymester Study Abroad Trip to Czech Republic, May, 2009.

Discussant, Convention on "Democracy and Extremism," Georgia State University, June 13, 2009

Discussant on panel entitled "Assessing Alternative Responses to Party-Based Extremism," at Conference on "Democracy and Extremism," Georgia State University, Atlanta, June 12, 2008.

Discussant on panel entitled "The New Globalization: Issues and Processes," Southern Political Science Association, Savannah, November 6, 1999.

#### PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies

Southern Conference on Slavic Studies

Southern Political Science Association

Georgia Political Science Association

Executive Committee, 1987-89, 1993-97

Vice President and Program Chair, 1994-95

President, 1995-96

Regents Committee on Political Science, 1985-present

Chair, 1992-93

Czechoslovak Studies Association

Editor, Czech and Slovak History Newsletter, 1988-

Present

Air War College, Distinguished Guest at 44th Annual National Forum, 1997

Security

#### UNIVERSITY ORGANIZATIONS

Enrollment Management Council, 2005 – Present

Executive Committee, 2005-Present

Department Heads Council

Recording Secretary, 2008-09

Chair, 2003-05  
 Faculty Development and Research Committee (VSU), 1999-2002  
 Dean's Committee for Five-year Review of Head, Department of  
 Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice, 2000  
 Dean's Advisory Committee on Promotion and Tenure Review,  
 College of Arts and Sciences, 2000-01, 2003-05, 2007-08  
 Chair, Search Committees for Position of Head  
 Department of History, 2003  
 Department of English, 2004  
 Department of Philosophy, 2005-06  
 Chair, Search Committee for Director, Women's Studies,  
 2006-07  
 Subcommittee on Program Review, College of Arts and Sciences, Chair, 2000-01  
 Committee to Revise Promotion and Tenure Guidelines for the College of Arts and  
 Sciences, 1998-2000  
 Athletic Committee, 1993-96  
 Women's Studies Ad Hoc Committee, 1993-95  
 Minority Affairs Committee, 1990-91  
 Oversight, Bachelor of General Studies Degree, 1989-98  
 Goals and Long-Range Planning Committee, 1987-89  
 Chair, 1988-89  
 Adviser, Pi Gamma Mu, 1987-Present  
 Human Sexuality Committee, 1985-87  
 Executive Committee of the College of Arts and Sciences,  
 1985-Present  
 International Education Committee, 1983-Present  
 Internationalization Grants Committee, 2005-Present  
 Regents Committee on Political Science, 1985-Present  
 Chair, 1990-91

#### COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

LAMP Volunteer  
 Lowndes County Grand Jury, 1992  
 Valwood School  
 President, Booster Club, 1995-96  
 Board of Trustees, 1995-99  
 YMCA, Coach of 27 athletic teams, 1984-98  
 TEACH , Volunteer

#### BOOK REVIEWS

Choice, 78 reviews, 1983-2008  
 The Dushkin Publishing Group, Inc., 2 reviews, 1993-99  
 Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc., 3 reviews, 1985-91

Harper Collins Publishers, 6 reviews, 1989-92  
 DC Heath and Company, 1 review, 1994  
 Longman, 3 reviews, 1997-03, 1 in 2004  
Nationalities Papers, 1 review, 1997  
 McGraw-Hill, Inc., 1 review, 1993-94, 1 in 2004  
 Wadsworth, 1 in 2004  
 Worth, 1 review, 1999  
Political Research Quarterly, 1 review, 1993  
Southeastern Political Review, 13 reviews, 1991-99

#### GRANTS

College and University Affiliated Programs (CUAP), U.S.  
 Department of State, three-year Faculty Exchange Program with Palacký University  
 in Czech Republic, 1999-2002, \$120,000  
 EU Center Grants (two), for research in Czech Republic on "Common Foreign and  
 Security Policy and  
 Czech Accession to the European Union," 2000-2001,  
 \$3,000

#### AWARD

Donald T. Wells Award for Outstanding Service to the Georgia  
 Political Science Association