

**Curriculum Vitae**  
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**Education**

July 2002 Ph.D., Department of Political Science, Michigan State University  
August 1996 Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, University of Michigan  
May 1995 M.A., Survey Research, University of Connecticut  
July 1993 B.A., Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles

**Academic Position**

August 2008 Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Ball State University  
August 2003 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Ball State University  
August 2002 Instructor, Department of Political Science, Ball State University

**Main Research and Teaching Interests**

**Comparative Politics:** Democratization, Political Stability, Political Institutions, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior

**Methods:** Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Simultaneous Equation Models, Time Series Analysis, Duration Analysis

**Publications**

*Books*

*Mixed Electoral Systems: Contamination and Its Consequences* (With Federico Ferrara and Erik Herron) New York: Palgrave Macmillan (St. Martin's Press), 2005

*Articles in Refereed Journals*

“The Dynamics of Within-Regime Stability: Party Tenure and Economic Performance” *International Political Science Review*. *International Political Science Review* 35, no. 4:430-447, 2014. (With Steven Hall) (Online 2013)

“Electoral Rules, Party Systems and Party Durability.” *Party Politics*. July 18: 633-652, 2012. (Online 2011)

“Duration of Party Control in Parliamentary and Presidential Governments: A study of Sixty-Five Democracies, 1950-1998” (With Ko Maeda). *Comparative Political Studies*. 39: 1-23, 2006.

“Mixed Electoral Rules’ Impact on Party Systems.” (With Erik Herron) *Electoral Studies*. 23: 753-768, 2004.

“Mixed Electoral Systems with Open List Proportional Representation and Their Impact on Party Systems- The 2001 Japanese Upper House Election.” *Japanese Journal of Electoral Studies*. 18: 12-15, 2003.

“Political Interest or Interest in Politics? Gender and Party Support in Postwar Japan.” (With Dennis Patterson). *Women and Politics*. 24: 1-34, 2002.

“Contamination Effects and the Number of Parties in Mixed Superposition Electoral Systems” (With Erik Herron). *Electoral Studies*. 20: 63-86, 2001.

#### *Articles in Non-refereed Journals*

“Regime Duration and Economic Growth.” (With Steven Hall) Published in the online proceedings of 2012 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.

“The Impact of the 1994 Japanese Electoral Reform: A Comparative Perspective.” *Journal of Social Science*, 58: 85-105, 2007.

#### *Book review*

*The Politics of Electoral Reform: Changing the Rules of Democracy* by Alan Renwick  
Cambridge University Press, 2010. *Journal of Social Science* (University of Tokyo) 2011: 126-128

*Sengoseiji no Kiseki: Jiminto Shisutemu no Keisei to Henyo* by Ikuo Kabashim. *Leviathan* 2005, 37: 212-216

#### **Grants, Scholarships and Awards**

ASPiRE international travel grant, BSU, May 2014

Presidential Travel Grant, BSU, May 2013

Presidential Travel Grant, BSU, August-September 2013

New Faculty Research Grant, Ball State University, 2005

Supplemental Dean’s Award, Michigan State University. September 2001.

The Westview Press Award for the best paper delivered by a graduate student in the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association 1999 (With Erik Herron). February 2000.

Dissertation Completion Grant, Michigan State University. Summer 2000.

Graduate Office Fellowship, Michigan State University. Fall 1997 through present.

Graduate Assistantship, Department of Political Science, University of Connecticut. Fall 1993 through Spring 1996.

### **Conference Papers**

“Pricing Survival: The Impact of Sectoral Allocation of Foreign Aid on Democratization” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 17, 2015 (With Steven R. Hall)

“The Impact of Ruling party Duration on Investment among Democracies” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, March 31-April 3-6, 2014. (With Steven R. Hall)

“Split Ticket Voting under the Mixed Member Majoritarian System: Integrating Legislature-Centric and Executive-Centric Theories,” presented at the annual conference of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, August 29-September 1, 2013 (With T.Y. Wang)

“Ruling Party Duration and Economic Volatility-Empirical Evidence from Democracies” presented at the annual conference of the Japanese Association of Electoral Studies, Kyoto University, Kyoto Japan, May 18-19. 2013 (With Steven R. Hall)

“Ruling Parties’ Tenure and Economic Growth,” presented at the Mathematical Political Science Section of the Japan Applied Mathematics Association, The National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies, Tokyo, Japan, July 30, 2011. (With Steven R. Hall)

“Ruling Parties’ Tenure and Economic Growth,” presented at Kwansai Gakuin University, July 22, 2011. (With Steven R. Hall)

“Exploring the Interactive Relationship Between Ruling Party Durability and Cabinet Durability,” presented at the annual meeting of the Japanese Association of Electoral Studies, Nishinomiya, Kwansai Gakuin University, May 14-15 2011.

“Government Stability and Alternation of Ruling Parties in Power” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, March 31-April 3, 2011.

“Risk Preferences, Ruling Party Duration, and Economic Volatility” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, March 31-April 3, 2011. (With Steven Hall)

“Examining the Effects of Electoral Institutions and Party Systems on Ruling Party Durability,”

presented at Kwansai Gakuin University, June 6, 2009.

“Data on Political Stability,” presented at the annual meeting of the Japanese Association of Electoral Studies, Doshisha University, Kyoto Japan, May 16-17, 2009.

“Ruling Party Duration and Economic Growth,” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2-5, 2009. (With Steven Hall)

“Alternation of Parties in Power: Electoral Institutions, Party Environment, and Their Impact on Ruling Party Durability” presented at the workshop of the Mathematical Political Science Section of the Japan Applied Mathematics Association, The National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies, Tokyo, Japan, June 14, 2008

“The Effects of Political Party Systems and Ethnic Diversity on Level of Democracy” presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 31- September 3, 2006 (With Gina Lambright and Michelle Kuenzi)

“The impact of the 1994 Japanese electoral reform: A comparative perspective,” presented at the annual meeting of the International Political Science Association, Fukuoka, Japan, July 9-13, 2006.

“The Impact of Local Electoral Rules on National Party Systems,” Presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of Political Behavior Workshop, Kwansai Gakuin University, Umeda, Osaka, Japan, July 31, 2005

“The Effects of Political Party Systems on Democratic Development: Findings from Africa and Asia,” Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 15-18, 2004

“Government Stability in Parliamentarism and Presidentialism: A Study of Seventy-six Countries, 1945-1998,” presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, San Antonio, Texas, April 17-19, 2003. (With Ko Maeda)

“Party System Institutionalization and Democracy in Asia and Africa,” presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, Massachusetts, August 29-September 1, 2002. (With Gina Lambright and Michelle Kuenzi)

“Mixed Electoral Systems with Open List Proportional Representation and Their Impact on Party Systems- The 2001 Japanese Upper House Election,” presented at the annual meeting of the Japan Election Studies Association, Tokyo, Japan, May 18-19, 2002.

“Government Stability in Parliamentarism and Presidentialism: A Study of Seventy-six Countries, 1945-1998,” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 25-28, 2002. (With Ko Maeda)

“The Electoral Consequences of Mixed Electoral Systems: The Contamination Effects and Strategic Voting in Japan,” presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 30-September 2, 2001.

“A Cross-National Evaluation of Mixed Electoral Systems and Their Effect on the Number of Political Parties,” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 19-22, 2000. (With Erik Herron)

“Japanese Without Faith: Events and Beliefs in the Efficacy Politics” presented at the “Losing Faith in Politics,” Conference, Quebec City, Canada, August, 5-7, 2000. (With Dennis Patterson)

“Examining the Impacts of Strategic Behavior on Party Systems Under Mixed Electoral Systems,” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 27-30, 2000.

“Political Interest or Interest in Politics? Gender and Party Support in Postwar Japan,” presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 27-30, 2000. (With Dennis Patterson)

“The Impacts of New and Old Issues on Electoral Politics in Japan: Issue Effects on Party Support and Voting Behavior,” presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia, September 2-5, 1999.

“Reassessing Duverger’s Law: The Mixed System and Its Impact on Political Parties,” presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 15-17, 1999. (With Erik Herron)

“Assessing Duverger’s Law Under the Double-Ballot System: A Comparative Analysis of Japan and Russia,” presented at the Michigan Conference of Political Scientists, Grand Rapids, Michigan, October 1998. (With Erik Herron)

“Applying Multinomial Logit Models for Studying Party Support in Japan,” presented at the regional conference of World Association for Public Opinion Research, Tokyo Japan, November 1996.

“The Decline in the Japanese Party System: Explaining the Increase in the Number of the Unaffiliated Voters,” presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Honolulu, Hawaii, April 1996.

“Political Interests and Party Support: A Reassessment of the Gender Gap in Japan,” presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Boston, Massachusetts, March 24-27, 1994.

### **Teaching/Research Experience**

Political Science 689 (Seminar in Comparative Political Institutions) at Ball State University. Graduate.

Political Science 636 (Seminar in Comparative Politics) at Ball State University. Graduate.

Political Science 626 (Quantitative Methods for Political Science) at Ball State University. Graduate.

Political Science 370/570 (Public Opinion and Political Behavior) at Ball State University. Undergraduate.

Political Science 625 (Political Theory and Research Design) at Ball State University. Graduate.

Political Science 210 (Introduction to Methods of Political Research) at Ball State University.  
Undergraduate.

Political Science 280 (Comparative Political Systems) at Ball State University. Undergraduate.