

# Scholarship Statement: Political Science

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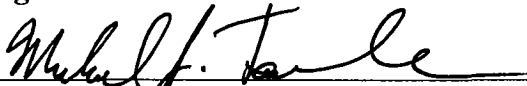
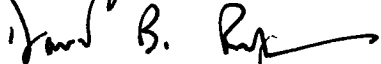
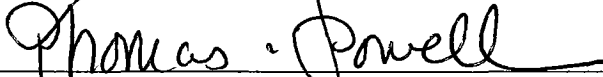
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Scholarship includes the creation and discovery of new knowledge and the transmission of such knowledge. Examples of scholarship typical in the discipline of political science include: the interpretation of primary sources, analysis of field research, analysis of relevant data, or the application of knowledge discovered by others to problems of concern to political communities.

The Department of Political Science acknowledges that there are many ways that scholarship is understood, and that different weights can be given to the value of different forms of scholarship. Generally speaking, we regard each of the following items to be evidence of scholarship, listed in order of merit:

- published scholarly books or monographs which have been subject to favorable external review by academic peers/experts in the field.
- published articles or studies in journals that have been subject to favorable external review by academic peers/experts in the field.
- other writings in the field, such as books, book chapters, popular articles, or articles in professional journals, which may not have been reviewed beyond the editors of those publications, but which still present contributions to the discipline. This may include curricular material such as textbooks, or academic materials that are reviewed by other experts and are published and/or distributed to other teacher-scholars in the field.
- papers that have been presented at scholarly meetings, conferences, or symposia (either on panels or in poster form).
- respected grants that have been awarded from granting agencies on the basis of peer reviewed grant proposals.
- participation in professional work, such as work generated through grants or government studies, which is based on the participant's field of expertise.
- creative works that rely on the scholar's knowledge and are popularly disseminated and/or reviewed by academic peers and experts in the fields
- essays, articles, encyclopedia entries, or other discourses that appear in print or other media, which may be popular in nature but which draw upon the expertise of the individual.

- participation in professional discussions, such as roundtable discussions, in front of other professional peers.
- published reviews of the work of peers.
- the editing or refereeing (blind or otherwise) of the works of peers.
- service as chair or discussant on panels at professional conferences.

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