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Education

Ph.D. in Political Science, Washington University, May 1992
A.M. in Political Science, Washington University, May 1987
B.A. in Economics and Economic and Social History (Honours), University of Strathclyde,
Glasgow, Scotland, July 1984

Professional Experience

Professor, University of Central Florida, 2009-present
Associated Senior Researcher, Chr. Michelsen Institute, Bergen, Norway, 2008-2011, 2014-
Consultant, German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA), Hamburg, Germany, 2013-
Associate Professor, University of Central Florida, 2003-2009
Guest Researcher, Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI), Bergen, Norway, 2006- 2008
Assistant Professor, University of Central Florida, 1998-2003
Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Central Florida, 1996-1998
Adjunct Instructor, University of Central Florida, 1995-96
Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Rice University, 1994-95
Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Iowa, 1993-94
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Washington University, 1992-93
Research Officer, Centre for the Study of Public Policy, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow,
Scotland, Fall 1991
Instructor, Washington University's University College and Summer School, 1987-92
President, University of Strathclyde Students' Association, Glasgow, Scotland, 1984-85
National Executive member, National Union of Students, Scotland (NUS), 1984-85

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Gloppen, Siri, **Bruce M. Wilson**, Roberto Gargarella, Elin Skaar, and Morten Kinander. 2010.
Courts and Power in Latin America and Africa. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.

Wilson, Bruce M. 1998. *Costa Rica: Politics, Economics, and Democracy*, Boulder, CO: Lynne
Rienner Publishers Inc. 1998 (Re-published in paperback, 2003).

Peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters:

Wilson, Bruce M. & Oلمان Rodríguez. 2014 forthcoming. "Costa Rica: Understanding
Variations in Compliance." In Langford, et al., *Making it Stick: Compliance with Socio-
Economic Rights Judgments in Comparative Perspective*, forthcoming, New York: Cambridge
University Press.

Bruce M. Wilson, Kerstin Hamann, & P. H. Pollock. 2014. "Spill-over Effects in Online
Discussions: Assessing the Effectiveness of Student Preceptors," *Journal of Information
Technology & Politics*. (11)1: 15-24.

- Kerstin Hamann, P. H. Pollock & **Bruce M. Wilson**. 2012. "Assessing Student Perceptions of the Benefits of Discussions in Small-Group, Large-Class, and Online Learning Contexts," *College Teaching*, (60)2: 65-75.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2011. "The Causes and Consequences of Health Rights Litigation in Costa Rica." In Yamin, Alicia, and Siri Gloppen (Eds). 2011. *Health Rights in Comparative Perspective*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press. Pp132-154.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2011. "Enforcing Rights and Exercising an Accountability Function: Costa Rica's Constitutional Court." In *Courts in Latin America*. Gretchen Helmke and Julio Rios-Figueroa (Eds.). Cambridge University Press.
- Spanish translation: "Potección de derechos y redición de cuentas: La Sala Constitucional de la Suprema Corte de Costa Rica." en *Tribunales constitucionales en America Latina*, Mexico DF: Poder Judicial de la Federación. 2011.
- Pollock, P., Kerstin Hamann, & **Bruce M. Wilson**. 2011. "Learning Through Discussions: Comparing the Benefits of Small-Group and Large-Class Settings." *Journal of Political Science Education*. Vol. 7(1):48-65.
- Pollock, P. H., Kerstin Hamann, & **Bruce M. Wilson**. 2009. "Assessment in the Online Environment." In M. Deardorff, K. Hamann, and J. Ishiyama (eds.). *Assessment in Political Science: A Guide and Resource Book*. Washington, D.C.: American Political Science Association.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2009. "Rights Revolutions in Unlikely Places: Costa Rica and Colombia." *Journal of Politics in Latin America*, Vol. 1(2):59-85.
- Hamann, Kerstin, P. H. Pollock, & **Bruce M. Wilson**. 2009. "Who SoTLs Where? Publishing the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning in Political Science" *PS: Political Science and Politics*. 42(4):729-735.
- Hamann, Kerstin, P. Pollock, & **Bruce M. Wilson**. 2009. "Learning from Listening to Peers in Online Political Science Classes." *Journal of Political Science Education*. Vol. 5(1): 1 - 11.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2007. "Claiming Individual Rights Through a Constitutional Court: The Example of Gays in Costa Rica" *I•CON, International Journal of Constitutional Law* 5: 242-257.
- Hamann, Kerstin, P. H. Pollock, & **Bruce M. Wilson**. 2007. "Teaching and Learning Online in Political Science." *Academic Exchange Quarterly*. 10(4): 229-233.
- Wilson, Bruce M.**, P. H. Pollock, & Kerstin Hamann. 2007. "Does Active Learning Enhance Learner Outcomes? Evidence from Discussion Participation in Online Classes." *Journal of Political Science Education*, 3(2): 131-142.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** & J. C. Rodríguez Cordero. 2006. "Legal Opportunity Structures and Social Movements: The Effects of Institutional Change on Costa Rican Politics." *Comparative Political Studies*. 39(3): 325-351.
- Featured on Channel 15 TV program *NEXUS*, Costa Rica. May 2005.
- Wilson, Bruce M.**, P. H. Pollock, & Kerstin Hamann. 2006. "Partial Online Instruction and Gender-based Differences in Learning: A Quasi-Experimental Study of American Government." *PS: Political Science and Politics*. 39(2): 335-339.
- Pollock, P. H., Kerstin Hamann, and **Bruce M. Wilson**. 2005. "Teaching and Learning Online: Assessing the Effect of Gender Context on Active Learning." *Journal of Political Science Education*, 1(1): 1-15.
- Winner of the **Best Paper Award** from APSA Undergraduate Section, 2005.

- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2005 (paperback 2009). “Changing Dynamics: The Political Impact of Costa Rica’s Constitutional Court.” *The Judicialization of Politics in Latin America*. Edited by R. Sieder, L. Schjolden, and A. Angell. Palgrave Macmillan: Pp 47-66.
- Spanish translation published as “Cambio de dinámica: el impacto político de la Corte Constitucional en Costa Rica.” *La judicialización en la política*. Universidad Externado de Colombia. Bogotá, Colombia, 2011, Pp 63-80.
- Wilson, Bruce M., J. C. Rodríguez Cordero, & Roger Handberg. 2004. “The Best Laid Schemes...Gang aft a-gley: Judicial Reform in Latin America—Evidence from Costa Rica.” *Journal of Latin American Studies*, 36: 507-531.
- Spanish translation: “A mayores previsiones... Resultados imprevistos: Reforma judicial en América Latina—Indicios sobre Costa Rica.” *América Latina Hoy*, 39: 97-123, abril 2005.
- Hamann, Kerstin & Bruce M. Wilson.** 2003. “Beyond Search Engines: Enhancing Active Learning: Designing Critical Thinking Exercises Using the Internet.” *Politics & Policy*, 31(3):533-553.
- Pollock, P. H. & Bruce M. Wilson.** 2002. “Evaluating the Impact of Internet Teaching: Preliminary Evidence from American National Government Classes.” *PS: Political Science and Politics*, 35(3):561-566.
- Editorially-reviewed articles and book chapters:
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2014. “Costa Rica’s Anti-Corruption Trajectory: Strengths and Limitations.” Work Package: WP3, Corruption and governance improvement in global and continental perspectives. Anti-Corruption Policies Revisited Project. EU/Hertie/GIGA. Available: <http://anticorrupt.eu/publications/background-paper-on-costa-rica/>
- Hamann, K., P. Pollock, **Wilson, Bruce M.** 2014. “Editors’ Introduction to the Tenth Anniversary Issue.” *Journal of Political Science Education*. (10)1:1-2.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2012. “Constitutional Rights in the Age of Assertive Superior Courts: An Evaluation of Costa Rica’s Constitutional Chamber of the Supreme Court.” *Willamette Law Review*. Vol 48 (4): 451-471.
- Wilson, Bruce M. & J. C. Rodriguez.** 2011. “Costa Rica’s General Election, February 2010,” *Electoral Studies*. Vol. 30(1): 231-234
Reprinted in *Annual Editions: Comparative Politics 12/13*. McGraw Hill, 2012.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2007. “Costa Rica’s General Election, February 2006,” *Electoral Studies*. August 26(1): 712-716.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2006. “Observing Costa Rica’s 2006 General Election: A Photo Essay.” *The Latin Americanist* 50(1):141-155.
- Spanish translation: “Observación de las elecciones generales del 2006 en Costa Rica: Un ensayo fotográfico,” *Revista de Derecho Electoral*, 3(1):1-15. 2007.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2005. “Costa Rica,” *Governments of the World*, C. Neal Tate (ed.), Macmillan Reference USA, 2005.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 2003. “The Elections in Costa Rica, February and April 2002,” *Electoral Studies*, 22(3): 509-516.
- Wilson, Bruce M., P. H. Pollock, & Kerstin Hamann.** 2000. “The Best of Both Worlds?: Web-Enhanced or Traditional Instruction in American National Government,” with Hutch Pollock and Kerstin Hamann, *Political Chronicle*, 12(2): 65-75.
- Wilson, Bruce M.** 1998. “The Costa Rican Election, 1998,” *Electoral Studies*, 17(4): 584-589, 600.
- Hamann, Kerstin & **Bruce M. Wilson.** 1995. “Explaining the Length of Democratic Transitions in Central America.” *Actos del Congreso de la historia de la transición y consolidación democrática en España*, Madrid: UAM/UNED, 1995:pp. 89-110.

Wilson, Bruce M. 1991. "Social Democrats and Conservative Policies: The PLN in Costa Rica," *Mesoamerica*, 10(1&2).

Inter-American Dialogue Latin American Advisor, Written Guest Comments

- "What's Ahead for Costa Rica After Sunday's Election?" February 4, 2014
- "What Issues Are Driving Costa Rica's Presidential Race?" December 2013
- "Presidential Unpopularity in Costa Rica," June 2013
- "Constitutional Crisis in Costa Rica," November 2012
- "Costa Rican Elections." October 2009
- "CAFTA's Prospects in Costa Rica." March 9, 2006
- "Oscar Arias as President." February 3, 2006.
- "Costa Rica's Withdrawal from the Iraq War Coalition." September 15, 2004.
 - Reprinted in the *Miami Herald*, September 18, 2004.

Encyclopedia entries: 12;

Published book reviews: 16

RECENT AWARDS AND HONORS

External

2012 Best Research paper award for "Spill-over Effects in Online Discussions" from **Learning Innovations in Information and Technology Award** from the Information Technology and Politics Section. Presented at the APSA meeting, New Orleans, September 1, 2012.

2010-2012. International Research Collective, Law & Society Association

2009. Best research paper award LAPIS award for "Best Faculty Paper" presented at the Latin American Studies Association conference Montreal, Canada, 2008.

2007. U.S. Department of State's Office of International Information Programs: U.S. Speakers and Specialist Grant "Leadership in the Legislative Arena in Costa Rica."

2006. Best research paper award (runner up) LAPIS award for "Best Faculty Paper" presented at the Latin American Studies Association conference in Las Vegas 2004.

2005. Best research paper award for a paper presented at the 2004 APSA conference Undergraduate Education Section for "Teaching and Learning Online: Assessing the Effect of Gender Context on Active Learning" with K. Hamann and P. Pollock.

2004. Outstanding Teaching in Political Science, American Political Science Association and Pi Sigma Alpha (recognition)

UCF

University Level

8. University Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, Research Award, 2014
7. University Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, 2010 (**one campus-wide**)
6. University Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, Research Award, 2009
5. University Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, Research Award, 2004
4. University Award for Excellence in Professional Service, 2004

College Level

9. Sabbatical leave program, Type IA, 2013 (Spring 2014)
8. Teaching Incentive Program Award (TIP), 2011
7. College Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award, 2010
6. Sabbatical leave program, 2005-2006
5. Teaching Incentive Program Award (TIP), 2006
4. College Excellence in Professional Service Award, 2004
3. College Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award, 2004

SERVICE

To the Profession

- Co-Editor, *Journal of Political Science Education*, July 2012- present
- Editor, *The Latin Americanist*, 2001- 2006
- Country Expert, Fahamu Refugee Legal Aid Programme (Oxford, UK), 2012- present
- Editorial Board member:
 - International Journal for the Scholarship of Technology Enhanced Learning*, 2014--
 - The Journal of Politics in Latin America (JPLA)*, 2008--
 - Arts and Social Sciences Journal*, 2010--
 - Journal of Political Science Education*, 2004-2012
 - Open Journal of Political Science*, 2010-2012
 - UCF Undergraduate Research Journal*, Associate Editor 2004-2005
- Program Co-Chair (Teaching Division), Midwest Political Science Association, 2010
- International Election Observer: Costa Rican Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA) Referendum, Oct 2007; Costa Rican general elections, Feb 1998, 2002, 2006
- Academic Advisory board, “La Lucha” documentary, Spark Media, Andrea Kalin, Director, 2010-present
- External Tenure Reviewer: University of Houston, Marymount University, University of South Florida, Rhodes College, Roosevelt University

Peer Reviewer: *American Political Science Review; South African Journal of Human Rights; American Journal of Political Science; Comparative Politics; International Studies Quarterly; Legislative Studies Quarterly; Journal of Developing Areas; Political Chronicle; South Eastern Latin Americanist; Party Politics; Political Research Quarterly; Global Governance; Law and Society Review; Journal of Latin American Studies; Electoral Studies; Journal of Political Science Education; Latin American Politics and Society; Undergraduate Research Journal (UCF); Latin American Research Review; Human Organization; National Science Foundation, Economy and Society, Journal of Politics in Latin American, Journal of Social Problems, Latin American Research Review, World Politics*