

## CARY R. COVINGTON

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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### EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 1981  
A.M. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 1975  
B.A. Whittier College, Whittier California, 1973

### FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor, University of Iowa, 1988-present  
Assistant Professor, University of Iowa, 1982-1988  
Visiting Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University, 1980-1982

### AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Collegiate Teaching Award, University of Iowa, 2002

Obermann Fellowship, Center for Advanced Studies, University of Iowa 1991

National Endowment for the Humanities, Travel to Collections Grant FE-21089-87, Summer 1987

Moody Grant, Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation, 1984-1985

National Endowment for the Humanities, Travel to Collections Grant RY-20789-84, Summer 1984

### AREAS OF CONCENTRATION

The Presidency  
Congress  
Bureaucratic Politics and Public Administration  
American National Politics

### PUBLICATIONS AND OTHER RESEARCH

Social Science Citation Index: 151 Citations

#### Books:

The Coalitional Presidency. Second author with Lester Seligman. (Chicago: Dorsey Press.) 1989.

The Dynamics of Democracy. (4<sup>th</sup> edition). Third author with Peverill Squire, James M. Lindsay, and Eric R.A.N. Smith. (Cincinnati: Atomic Dog Publishing). 2006.

## **PUBLICATIONS AND OTHER RESEARCH (continued)**

### **Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:**

- "Comparing Floor-Dominated and Party-Dominated Explanations of Policy Change in the House of Representatives." (lead author with Andrew Barga). *Journal of Politics*, vol.66, November 2004.
- "A 'Presidency-Augmented' Model of Presidential Success on House Roll Call Votes." (lead author with J. Mark Wrighton and Rhonda Kinney). *American Journal of Political Science*, vol.39, November 1995.
- "Shaping a Candidate's Image in the Press: Ronald Reagan and the 1980 Presidential Election," (lead author with Kent Kroeger, Glenn Richardson, and J. David Woodard). *Political Research Quarterly*, vol.47, 1994.
- "'Guess Who's Coming to Dinner': The Distribution of White House Social Invitations and Their Effects on Congressional Support." *American Politics Quarterly*, vol.16, July 1988.
- "Presidential Coalition Building Among Cross Pressured Members of Congress: The Effects of 'Visibility'." *Western Political Quarterly*, vol.41, March 1988.
- "'Staying Private': Gaining Congressional Support for Unpublicized Presidential Preferences on Roll Call Votes." *Journal of Politics*, vol.49, August 1987.
- "Mobilizing Congressional Support for the President: Insights from the 1960s." *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, vol.12, February 1987.
- "Congressional Support for the President: The View from the Kennedy/Johnson White House." *Journal of Politics*, vol.48, August 1986.
- "Development of Organizational Memory in Presidential Agencies." *Administration and Society*, vol.17, August 1985.
- "Accounting for Quality of Challengers in Congressional Elections." (second author with Jon Bond and Richard Fleisher). *Journal of Politics*, vol.47, May 1985.

### **Book Chapters:**

- "Presidential Leadership with Congress: Change, Coalitions, and Crisis," second author with Lester G. Seligman. in Rivals for Power: Presidential Congressional Relations, edited by James A. Thurber. CQ Press, 1996.
- "Legislative-Executive Relations," lead author with Ross E. Burkhart. In Encyclopedia of the American Legislative System, edited by Joel Silbey, Allan Bogue, David Brady, Joseph Cooper, Garrison Nelson, and Gary Reichard. Charles Scribner's Sons, Publishers, 1994.
- "Shaping a Candidate's Image in the Press: Ronald Reagan and the 1980 Presidential Election," lead author with Kent Kroeger and Glenn Richardson. in Presidential Campaigning and American Self-Images, edited by Bruce Gronbeck and Arthur Miller. Westview Press, 1994.
- "Strategies for Building Coalitions in Congress: Majority Versus Minority Party Presidents." In American Politics in the Heartland, edited by Douglas K. Madsen, Arthur Miller, and James Stimson. Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt, 1990.

**PUBLICATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS** (continued)

**Recent Convention Paper Presentations:**

"Mechanisms of Majority Party Control of the Legislative Process in the House of Representatives, 1953-1996." (lead author with Matthew O'Holearn) American Political Science Association, 2006

Testing for the Effects of Party in the Senate: The Jeffords' Switch." Midwest Political Science Association 2006

"Mechanisms of Majority Party Control over the Ideological Character of Bills Enacted by the House of Representatives, 1955-1994." (lead author with Andrew Bargaen). Midwest Political Science Association 2005.

"The Effects of Divided Government on Policy Change in the House of Representatives, 1953-1996," (lead author with graduate student Andrew Bargaen). 2003 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL. Nominated for the Patrick J. Fett Award for Best Paper on the Scientific Study of Congress and the Presidency.

"Testing the Informational and Party Cartel Theories of Legislative Outcomes," (lead author with graduate student Andrew Bargaen). 2002 University of Iowa Conference on Legislatures (The Dresden Conference). September 2002.

"Divided Government and Legislative Outcomes: The Presidency's Veto Power and Agenda-Setting Role and the Ideological Character of Bills Enacted by the House of Representatives," Poster Session II: Presidents and the Presidency, 2002 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Boston, MA.

"The Effects of Majority Parties and Presidents on Legislative Outcomes: An Extension of the 'Pivotal Politics' Model" (lead author with graduate student Andrew Bargaen). 2002 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL. Nominated for the Patrick J. Fett Award for Best Paper on the Scientific Study of Congress and the Presidency.

**Works in Progress:**

"Mechanisms of Majority Party Control of the Legislative Process in the House of Representatives, 1953-1996". (This paper is being revised for submission to Political Research Quarterly).

"The Effect of Majority Party Status in the Senate: The Jeffords' Party Switch". (This paper is being revised for submission to Legislative Studies Quarterly).

"Intra- and Inter-Institutional Effects of Majority Party Status on the Ideological Patterns of Bills Enacted by the House of Representatives, 1955-1994". (second author with Andrew Bargaen). (Additional data is being collected for further analysis before revising for submission).

"Better to be Wrong Than Ignored?: Determinants of Congressional Inattention to Presidential Proposals."

**Book Reviews:**

Presidential-Congressional Relations: Policy and Time Approaches. Steven A. Shull. *American Political Science Review*. December 1999.

The Modern Presidency. 2d ed. James P. Pfiffner, *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*. May 1999.

The Presidency in a Separated System. Charles O. Jones. *Journal of Politics*. 1995.

Legislating Together: The White House and Capitol Hill from Eisenhower to Reagan. Mark A. Peterson. *Journal of Politics*. November 1991.

How Presidents Test Reality: Decisions on Vietnam, 1954 and 1965. John P. Burke and Fred I. Greenstein. *American Political Science Review*. September 1990.

Jimmy Carter As President: Leadership and the Politics of the Public Good. Erwin Hargrove; and The Trusteeship Presidency: Jimmy Carter and the United States Congress. Charles Jones. *Congress and the Presidency*. Autumn 1989.

**Academic Presentations:**

Roundtable Participant. "Can the Center Hold? The Prospects for Pragmatism in National Policymaking". 1997 Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago Illinois.

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

**Service to Profession:**

National Science Foundation, Grant Reviewer, February 2007.

Faculty Member, Academic Seminar: "Campaign 2000: The National Political Conventions", The Washington Center, Philadelphia, PA., July 23-August 4, 2000.

Committee Chair, "Best Paper Presented by a Graduate Student, 2000-2001", for the Presidency Research Group, American Political Science Association.

Section Chair, Presidency Research section. American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 1999. Atlanta, GA.

Keynote Speaker. "Prospects for Presidential Leadership in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century." 1999 Midwest Political Science Student Research Conference, Buena Vista University, March 26, 1999.

Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Politics*, 1993-1998.

Keynote Speaker. Conference on "The Future of the American Presidency: Toward the New Century." Saint Mary's University, Winona Minnesota, April 24-25, 1997.

Editor, *Presidential Research*, Newsletter of the Presidency Research Group section of the American Political Science Association, 1988-1991.

Member, The College Board Committee on American Government, CLEP, 1984.

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (continued):**

**Referee for Journals:**

American Political Science Review	Presidential Studies Quarterly
Journal of Politics	Legislative Studies Quarterly
American Journal of Political Science	Public Opinion Quarterly
Political Research Quarterly	Journal of Policy History
American Politics Research	Southeastern Political Review

**Professional Memberships:**

American Political Science Association: Presidency Research and Legislative Studies Sections  
Midwest Political Science Association  
Southern Political Science Association

**TEACHING ACTIVITIES:**

**Awards:**

Collegiate Teaching Award, University of Iowa, 2002

**Courses Taught**

American Presidency (graduate & undergraduate)  
Congress and the Presidency (undergraduate honors course)  
Bureaucratic Politics (undergraduate honors course)  
Presidential Elections (undergraduate honors course)  
Introduction to Public Administration  
Introduction to American Politics  
Introductory American Politics Graduate Seminar  
Administrative Theory & Public Policy (graduate)  
Writing Political Science (graduate)

**VITA ADDENDUM FOR UNIVERSITY OF IOWA:**

**Departmental Service:**

Member, Executive Committee, 2006-2007

Member, Outcomes Assessment Committee, Spring 2006-2007

Director, Undergraduate Studies Program and Internships, 2005-2007

Member, Search Committee for Visiting Assistant Professor in Constitutional Law/Judicial Politics Spring 2006

Member, Search Committee for Assistant Professor in Latino Politics, 2005-2006

Chair, Committee for Undergraduate Awards, 2005-2006

Co-Director (with Peverill Squire), "Moving Successfully from Assistant to Teacher: Workshop for Teaching Assistants ", August 2003

Chair, Speakers Committee, 2002-2004; Committee Member 2004-2005

Co-Director (with William Reisinger), "Moving Successfully from Assistant to Teacher: Workshop for Teaching Assistants ", August 2002

Member, Executive Committee, Spring 2002

Director, Undergraduate Studies Program, 1999-2001

Member, Ad hoc Committee on Departmental Communication, 1996-1997

Member, Graduate Admissions Committee, 1997-1998

Departmental Ombudsperson, 1996-1997, 2000-2001, 2004-2005

Chair, Junior American Politics Recruitment Committee, 1996-1997

Director of Undergraduate Honors Program (Fall-1995-1999)

Director of Undergraduate Internship Program: (Summer 1992 -Summer 1996)  
supervised 20 internships (3 SH each) during average academic year

Director of Graduate Studies/Placement Director (Fall 1992 - Spring 1995).

Assistant Director, Laboratory for Political Research, University of Iowa (1983-1987).

Dissertation Committees Currently Chairing: One

Chair, Departmental Faculty Recruitment Committee, 1992-93 (conducted five job searches)

**College/University Service:**

Chair, Collegiate Teaching Award Committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, 2004-2005

Member, Collegiate Teaching Award Committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, 2003-2004

Member, External Review Committee, The Center for Career Development and Cooperative Education, Spring 1995.

Member, External Review Committee for the Department of Social Work, Spring 1992

Member, Faculty Assembly, Fall 1992 - Spring 1995

**Cary R. Covington  
Department of Political Science  
Summary of Teaching Assignments**

<b>Semester/Yr</b>	<b>Course Number and Title</b>	<b>Students Enrolled</b>
<b>Academic Year 2006-07</b>		
Spring 2007	30:001:SCA Introduction to American Politics	25
	30:302:001 Writing Political Science	6
Winter 2006	30:115 The American Presidency	20
Fall 2006	30:001:SCA Introduction to American Politics	21
	30:115:001 The American Presidency	95
	30:315:001 The Presidency	7
<b>Academic Year 2005-06</b>		
Summer 2006	30:001:SCA Introduction to American Politics	14
	30:115:001 The American Presidency	20
Spring 2006	30:302 Writing in Political Science	7
	30:001:SCA Introduction to American Politics	21
Fall 2005	30:115:001 The American Presidency	94
	30:001:BBB Introduction to American Politics	28
	30:001:SCA Introduction to American Politics	22
<b>Academic Year 2004-05</b>		
Summer 2005	30:115:001 The American Presidency	20
Spring 2005	30:302 Writing in Political Science	4
	30:115:001 The American Presidency	93
	30:001:SCA Introduction to American Politics	20
Winter 2004	30:115:001 The American Presidency	27
Fall 2004	30:120:001 Introduction to Public Administration	42
	30:115:001 The American Presidency	95
	30:001:SCA Introduction to American Politics	25

	<b>Academic Year 2003-04</b>	
Summer 2004	30:115:SC3 The American Presidency	16
Spring 2004	30:302 Writing in Political Science	6
	30:115:001 The American Presidency	95
	30:115:SCA The American Presidency	23
Fall 2003	30:124 Executive-Legislative Relations	48
	30:001:BBB Introduction to American Politics	32
	30:001:SC1 Introduction to American Politics	20
	<b>Academic Year 2002-03</b>	
Summer 2003	30:115:001 The American Presidency	20
	30:001:SC8 Introduction to American Politics	18
Spring 2003	30:302 Writing in Political Science	10
	30:115:001 The American Presidency	95
	30:115:SC1 The American Presidency	23
Fall 2002	30:115:001 The American Presidency	95
	30:001:BBB Introduction to American Politics	19
	30:001 SC1 Introduction to American Politics	19
	<b>Academic Year 2001-02</b>	
Summer 2002	30:115:001 The American Presidency	21
	30:001:SC8 Introduction to American Politics	20
Spring 2002	30:315 The American Presidency	13
	30:001:AAA Introduction to American Politics	418
	30:001:SC1 Introduction to American Politics	19
Fall 2001	Career Developmental Assignment Leave	---