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EDUCATION

Colorado State University; Fort Collins, Colorado

Ph.D. in Political Science

Field Specialties: Public Administration; Environmental Policy; American Government.

1995 – 1999

University of Virginia; Charlottesville, Virginia

M.A. in Public Administration. 1990 – 1991

University of Alaska; Anchorage, Alaska

B.A. in Political Science. 1983 – 1988

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Minnesota State – South Central College

North Mankato, Minnesota

ACADEMIC DEAN & LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Serve in the leadership role as academic dean of Arts and Sciences at two campuses.

Responsible for the robust delivery of academic programs, invigorating and expanding academic programs, and fostering a vibrant faculty cadre. Partner in furthering the College as a welcoming and inclusive institution. Charged with building interdisciplinary partnerships with other deans, key stakeholder partnerships both public and private. Serve in the leadership role to build robust partnership pathways with K-12 institutions through an innovative College Prep Academy model. Administer institutional libraries on two campuses to assure the provision of optimal service to all users. Seek out opportunities for additional funding through grants and donor relationships. 2019 – present.

Shawnee State University

Portsmouth, Ohio

PRESIDENT

Charged with leading and elevating the newest public university in the state of Ohio. Served as a visible and influential leader within the local community in such critical areas as economic and workforce development, as an advocate for higher education within the state and region. Partnered with stakeholders and friends of the university to enhance the institution's reputation in academic excellence and community building. Lead in the invigoration of the university's mission and vision, as well as strategic development and plan implementation. 2015 – 2018.

Ferris State University

Big Rapids, Michigan

DEAN, COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Assigned leadership and managerial responsibilities for the largest Academic College at the University. Primary responsibilities include maintaining a productive and vibrant faculty (225 full-time) across all College Departments. Facilitate the development and implementation of new innovative academic programs, research initiatives and creative endeavors. Identify and lead efforts to building inter-disciplinary collaborations and external collaborative partnerships with other universities, public and private partners. Lead and energize College fundraising priorities. Assure the operation of the College in a fiscally responsible and efficient manner. 2012 – 2015.

Central Michigan University

Mount Pleasant, Michigan

ASSOCIATE DEAN, COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Tasked with leadership and managerial accomplishments in support of University's largest Academic College serving the needs of eight Departments, 94 academic programs and more than 200 full-time faculty. Primary accomplishments include chairing College academic committees; representing the College on a variety of University committees; representing the College during tenure track faculty review conferences; participating in strategic planning and budgeting decisions; building and facilities coordinator; fundraising and outreach activities; serving as College acting dean during the dean's absence. 2009 – 2012

Central Michigan University

PROFESSOR AND CHAIR, POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Appointed to position of Department chair in 2007. Tasked with assuming managerial responsibilities in day-to-day operations of 20 full-time faculty, administrative support staff, graduate and undergraduate student assistants. Major tasks and accomplishments achieved in areas of strategic planning and budgeting, course scheduling, innovative program development and delivery, human resources management, and representing the Department before stakeholders within and outside of the university. 2007 – 2009

Central Michigan University

**PROFESSOR AND MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM
DIRECTOR**

In 2003 promoted to position of Public Administration Council chair and Master of Public Administration program director for main and off-campus programs. Provided leadership in the reinvigoration of graduate program culminating in a robust off-campus cohort delivery model

serving some 150 students annually. Initiated process for what would become successful professional national accreditation of the graduate degree program. Promoted to rank of full professor. 2003 – 2007

Central Michigan University

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND INTERNSHIP DIRECTOR

Assigned primary responsibility for teaching courses in public administration; bureaucracies and organizational behavior; state and local government; and public policy. Served four years as department internship director, overseeing the placement and supervision of graduate and undergraduate interns. Engaged in scholarly and creative activities; academic advisement; active service on numerous Department and University committees, general service to the academic profession and community; and other assigned duties. Promoted to rank of associate professor. 1999 – 2003

Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, Colorado

INSTRUCTOR/GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT 1996 – 1999

USDA Agriculture Research Service, Ft. Collins, Colorado

GRADUATE INTERN, SAFETY HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT 1996 – 1997

National Park Service, Anchorage, Alaska

RESEARCH AND POLICY ANALYST 1992 – 1995

Regional Citizens' Advisory Council for Prince William Sound, Anchorage, Alaska

COMMUNITY INFORMATION & EDUCATION COMMITTEE 1992 – 1993

University of Alaska Anchorage, Anchorage, Alaska

ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE-HISTORY 1992 – 1995

U.S. Navy-Navy Reserve

COMMAND ADMINISTRATION & PERSONNEL MOBILIZATION TEAM 1987 – 1991

TEACHING/ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate level courses: Introduction to American Government and Politics; Introduction to Public Administration; State and Local Government; Lobbying and Interest Group Behavior; the American Chief Executive; Internship in Government and Politics; Introduction to Environmental Studies; Alaska History.

Graduate level courses: American State Government and Administration; Organizational Theory in Public Administration; Intergovernmental Relations; Foundations of Public Administration; Internship in Government and Politics; American Public Policy & Policy Analysis; Environmental Policy & Politics; Public Personnel Management and Administration; Managing Modern Local Government; Public Budgeting & Finance.

Administrative and Leadership positions:

- Dean, Arts and Sciences, and Library Director, 2019 – present.
- President, 2015 – 2018.
- Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, 2012 – 2015.
- Associate Dean, College of Humanities and Social and Behavioral Sciences, 2009 – 2012.
- Team Leader, School of Public Service and Global Citizenship, 2011 – 2012.
- Chair, Political Science Department, 2007 – 2009.
- Chair, Public Administration Council, 2003 – 2007.
- Director Master of Public Administration Program, 2003 – 2007.
- Director, Political Science Department Student Internship Program, 2000 – 2003.

Service Committees:

- Minnesota State College in Prisons Working Group, 2021.
- Comprehensive Facilities Plan Task Force, 2021.
- Student Enrollment Management Team, 2021.
- Student Enrollment Management Team, 2021.
- Minnesota State Developmental Education Working Group, 2019 – present.
- College Prep Academy Consortium co-lead, 2019 – present.
- Curriculum Committee, 2019 – present.
- Deans Council, 2019 – present.
- Management Leadership Committee, 2019 – present.
- Academic Affairs Pandemic Leadership Team, 2020 – present.
- Academic Affairs and Standards Council, 2019 – present.
- Co-Chair, Ohio Guaranteed Transfer Pathways Statewide Steering Committee, 2017 – 2018.
- Ohio Articulation and Transfer Advisory Council, 2017 – 2018.
- Ohio Articulation Transfer Network Oversight Board, 2017 – 2018.
- Ex-officio Board of Trustees, Senior Leadership, Budget, Veterans, Enrollment & Retention Teams, 2015 – 2018.
- Council of Presidents, Mid-South Athletic Conference, 2015 – 2018.
- Inter-University Council of Presidents, Ohio, 2015 – 2018.
- Chair, Dean's Advisory Council, 2012 – 2015.
- Chair Core Research Facilities Planning Team, 2013 – 2015.
- Chair, College Academic Integrity Committee, 2009 – 2012.
- Chair, College Student Paper Competition Committee, 2009 – 2011.
- Chair, College Curriculum Committee, 2009 – 2011.
- Chair, College Scholarships Committee, 2009 – 2011.
- Chair, College Excellence in Teaching Committee, 2009 – 2011.
- Chair, College Student Activities Committee, 2009 – 2011.
- Chair, Great Lakes Sustainable Systems Institute Working Group, 2009 – 2012.
- Co-Chair, University Sustainability Advisory Committee, 2011 – 2012.
- Deans Council, 2012 – 2015.

- College Planning Committee, 2012 – 2015.
- Dean’s Advisory Council, 2007 – 2012.
- College Sabbatical Committee, 2008 – 2012.
- University Senior Officer Leadership Team, 2009 – 2012.
- University Community College Liaison Committee, 2009 – 2012.
- University Academic Advisory Council, 2009 – 2012.
- University Research Space Use Committee, 2011-2012
- Off-Campus Advisory Committee, 2009 – 2012.
- Graduate Faculty Member, 2000 – 2012.
- Faculty Center for Innovative Teaching Council, 2009 – 2011.
- University Council of Chairs, 2007 – 2009.
- Presidential – Academic Senate Task Force for Off-Campus Programs, 2006.
- Master of Science in Administration Executive Council, 2004 – 2007.
- Policy Committee Department of Political Science, 2004 – 2009.
- Off-Campus Program Directors Council, 2004 – 2007.
- Faculty Association Executive Board, 2003 – 2009.
- Environmental Studies Council, 1999 – 2009.
- University Recreation Program Review Steering Committee, 2002 – 2003.

SCHOLARLY AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES & OTHER MEANS OF MAINTAINING AND ENHANCING PROFESSIONAL ABILITIES

Professional Career Development

Participant. “Plenary Sessions and Workshops.” AAC&U/ACAD Virtual Annual Meeting. 2021.

Participant. “Virtual Gallup at Work Summit.” *Gallup World Headquarters*. Washington, DC, June 2, 2020.

Participant. “Plenary Sessions, Workshops and Case Study Sessions.” *Minnesota State Academic and Student Affairs Conferences and Seminars*. 2019 – present.

Participant. “Plenary Sessions, Workshops and Case Study Sessions.” *American Association of State Colleges and Universities Conferences and Seminars*. 2015 – 2018.

Participant. “Plenary Sessions, Workshops and Case Study Sessions.” *Association Governing Board Conferences and Seminars*. 2015 – 2018.

Participant. “Plenary Sessions and Workshops.” *Advanced Leadership Development in Higher Education*. San Antonio, October 20-22, 2014.

Participant. “Plenary Sessions and Workshops.” *The Art and Science of Donor Development*. Denver, August 5-6, 2014.

Participant. “Plenary Sessions and Workshops.” *CASE Advanced Development for Deans and Academic Leaders*, Newport Beach, January 22-24, 2014.

Participant. “Plenary Sessions, Workshops and Case Study Sessions.” *Council of Colleges of Arts & Sciences Annual Conference*, 2009 – 2014.

Participant. “Plenary Sessions and Workshops.” *Professional Fundraising Workshop for Deans and Aspiring Academic Leaders*. Denver, August 7, 2013.

Participant. “Plenary Sessions and Workshops.” *Governing Michigan Leadership Forum*, Lansing, 2013 – 2015.

Participant. “Plenary Sessions and Workshops.” *CASE Development for Deans and Academic Leaders*, Bonita Springs, February 6-8, 2013.

Participant. “Deans and Directors Summit.” *National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration Conference*, Washington, DC, October 15-17, 2009.

Dissertation and Thesis

Kurtz, Rick S. “Policy Change in Resources Protection Statutes for Federal Public Lands: Testing the Punctuated Equilibrium Model.” Ph.D. diss., Colorado State University, 1999.

Kurtz, Rick S. “The Path to Native Sovereignty: An Analysis of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.” M.A. thesis. University of Virginia, 1991.

Professional Panel or Symposium Convener; Professional Journal Convener, Editor, or Reviewer

Peer Manuscript Reviewer. *Energy Research and Social Science, Environmental Science and Technology, Tourism Planning & Development, International Journal of Public Administration, Journal of Contingencies and Crisis Management, Environmental Practice, The American Review of Public Administration, The Public Historian, The Social Science Journal, Policy Studies Journal*, 1999 – present

Associate Editor. *The Social Science Journal*, 2003 – 2007.

Kurtz, Rick S. Panel Moderator. “Policy, Data and Communication in a Context of Uncertainty.” *American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference*, Virtual, April 9-15, 2021.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners, *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Risks and Disasters in Near Shore Waters Ferry Transportation*, Bermuda, July 10-12, 2019.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Taking on the State in Removal of Wreck Liabilities – a Study in Contrasting Fortunes and Outcomes*, Bermuda, July 11-13, 2018.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, The Costa Concordia – Cruising for a Bruising*, Bermuda, July 19-21, 2017.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Rena – Salvaging the Situation*, Bermuda, July 6-8, 2016.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, The Limburg and Questions of Terrorism*, Bermuda, July 17-19, 2015.

Kurtz, Rick S. Chair and Moderator. “Lessons Learned from Disasters and Near Disasters.” *American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference*, Chicago, March 5-10, 2015.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Deepwater Horizon versus Piper Alpha – A Comparative Case Study*, Bermuda, July 16-18, 2014.

Kurtz, Rick S. Chair. “Fixing Environmental Degradation.” *Western Political Science Association (WPSA) Annual Conference*, Seattle, April 17-19, 2014.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Athos I – the Consequences of Innocence—A Case Study*, Bermuda, July 24-26, 2013.

Kurtz, Rick S. Discussant. “National Environmental Policy.” *Western Political Science Association (WPSA) Annual Conference*, Portland, March 22-24, 2012.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Deepwater Horizon – as Bad as it can Get*, Bermuda, July 11-13, 2012.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Tintomara – Bizarre Circumstances, Serious Consequences*, Bermuda, July 13-15, 2011.

Co-Convener and Panel Discussant. “Developing Academic Programs in Multi-Level Public Sector Management.” *Making Multi-Level Public Management Work: Cases from the EU and North America*, York University Glendon School, June 16-17, 2011.

Kurtz, Rick S. Moderator. “Public-Private Partnerships in Green Economics,” *Making Public Management Work in the Global Economy*, Central Michigan University, September 23-25, 2010.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Hebei Spirit – Measured Response or Rough Justice*, Bermuda, July 15-17, 2010.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Cosco Busan – Just who is Responsible – a Case Study*, Bermuda, June 11-12, 2009.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Selendang Ayu – A Human and Environmental Tragedy*, Bermuda, June 12-13, 2008.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Morris J. Berman – Environmental Disaster or Legal Test Case*, Bermuda, June 7-9, 2007.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Richard L. Jarashow. Co-conveners. *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Exxon Valdez – A Watershed in U.S. Oil Pollution Response*, Bermuda, June 7-9, 2006.

Kurtz, Rick S. and William P. Browne. Co-editors. “Crisis Management – Crisis Response Symposium,” *Review of Policy Research*, 21:2, 2004.

Kurtz, Rick S. Discussant. “Studying the Politics of Crises and Disasters,” *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Denver, March 27-29, 2003.

Professional Peer Reviewed Publications

Kurtz, Rick S. “Conclusion: coming full circle.” In D. Cepiku, S. Jeon and D. Jesuit, *Collaborative Governance for Local Economic Development: Lessons from Countries around the World*. New York: Routledge, 2020.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Organizational Deviance, Integrity and Regulation: the 2008 MT Tintomara Spill.” D. Surber (Ed.), *Democracy for Sale. Public Integrity*, 20:1, 2018.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Coastal Oil Pollution, Spills, Crisis, and Policy Change.” In A. McConnel and T. Legrand, *Emergency Policy Volume III*. London: Routledge, 2017.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Organizational Deviance, Integrity and Regulation: the 2008 MT Tintomara Spill.” *Public Integrity*, 17:1, 2015.

Rohrer, Thomas K. and Rick S. Kurtz. “Public management of sustainable energy development: how national policies help or hinder future energy security.” In C. Conteh, T. Greitens, D. Jesuit and I. Roberge, *Governance and Public Management: Strategic Foundations for Volatile Times*. New York: Routledge, 2014.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Oil Spill Causation and the Deepwater Horizon Spill.” *Review of Policy Research*, 30:4, 2013.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Coastal Oil Pollution, Spills, Crisis, and Policy Change.” In T. Campbell (Ed.), *The Library of Essays on Emergency Ethics, Law and Policy*. London: Ashgate Publishing, 2013.

Kurtz, Rick S. “New Public Management and Crisis Mitigation: the 2007 M/V Cosco Busan

Incident.” *International Journal of Public Administration*, 34:1, 2011.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Oil Pipeline Regulation, Culture and Integrity: The 2006 BP North Slope Oil Spill.” *Public Integrity*, 13:1, 2011.

Kurtz Rick S. “Oil Pollution Act of 1990.” In M. Lindstrom (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of the U.S. Government and the Environment: History, Policy, and Politics*. Santa Barbara: ABC-Clio, 2010.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Public Lands Policy & Economic Trends in Gateway Communities.” *Review of Policy Research*, 27:1, 2010.

Kurtz, Rick S. “The M/V *Selendang Ayu* Disaster: Linkages between Policy Change, Gaps, and Crises.” *The Social Science Journal*, 45:4, 2008.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Cross-Culture Relationships on the Southeast Alaska Frontier: The Glacier Bay Case.” *Journal of the West*, Spring 2008.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Coastal Oil Spill Preparedness and Response: The *Morris J. Berman* Incident.” *Review of Policy Research*, 25:5, 2008.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Policy Dilemma in National Parks: A Case Study of Glacier Bay.” *Journal of the West*, Summer 2006.

Kurtz, Rick S. “The Federal Concessioner System: Linking Policy to Opportunities for Local Service Providers.” *Review of Policy Research*, 23:2, 2006.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Historic Preservation: A Statutory Vehicle for Disparate Agendas.” *The Social Science Journal*, 43:1, 2006.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Coastal Oil Pollution, Spills, Crisis, and Policy Change.” *Review of Policy Research*, 21:2, 2004.

Kurtz, Rick S. and William P. Browne. “Crisis Management – Crisis Response: An Introduction to the Symposium.” *Review of Policy Research*, 21:2, 2004.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Disputing Wilderness on the Canadian-American Frontier: The Case of Glacier Bay National Park.” *Journal of the West*, 43:1, 2004.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Organizational Culture, Decision Making, and Integrity: The National Park Service and *Exxon Valdez*.” *Public Integrity*, 5:4, 2003.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Commercial Salmon Operations in the Glacier Bay Region: An Industry in Microcosm.” *Journal of the West* 36:2, 1997.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Spill Planning, Preparedness, and Response Capabilities for Public Land Managers." In *Prevention, Response, and Oversight Five Years After the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill: Proceedings of an International Conference, March 23-25, 1994*, by Alaska Sea Grant College Program. Fairbanks, Alaska: University of Alaska Fairbanks, 1995.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Cultural Resources Protection and Oil Spill Mitigation After the *Exxon Valdez* Disaster." *George Wright Forum* 12:2, 1995.

Department of Interior, National Park Service. *Lessons to be Learned: The National Park Service Administrative History and Analysis of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill*. by Rick S. Kurtz, NPS, 1995.

Department of Interior, National Park Service. *Historic Resources Study for Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve*. by Rick S. Kurtz, Anchorage: NPS, 1995.

Conferences and Symposiums

Kurtz, Caroline A. and Rick S. Kurtz. "State Chief Executives as Policy Entrepreneurs in the Age of COVID 19: What are the Lessons to be Learned." *American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference*, Virtual, April 9-15, 2021.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Organizational Networks, Culture and Disaster: The *M/V Selendang Ayu* Tragedy," *Western Social Science Association Juried Virtual Conference*, June 2020.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Looking Beyond the Obvious in Cruise Ship and Passenger Ferry Disasters," *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Risks and Disasters in Near Shore Waters Ferry Transportation*, Bermuda, July 10-12, 2019.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Big Data, Risk, Probability and Disaster Avoidance: the *MV New Carissa*." *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Taking on the State in Removal of Wreck Liabilities – a Study in Contrasting Fortunes and Outcomes*, Bermuda, July 11-13, 2018.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Responding to Disaster: The Fate of the *MV New Carissa*." *American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference*, Denver, March 9-13, 2018.

Kurtz, Rick S. "*Costa Concordia*: Assessing the Disaster Triggers." *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, The Costa Concordia – Cruising for a Bruising*, Bermuda, July 19-21, 2017.

Kurtz, Rick S. "The Grounding of the *Costa Concordia*: A Lesson in Safety Protocols Run Amuck." *American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference*, Atlanta, March 17-21, 2017.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Rena – Challenges of Cleaning-up the Mess." *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Rena – Salvaging the Situation*, Bermuda, July 6-8, 2016.

Kurtz, Rick S. "The 2011 Freighter *Rena* Oil Spill – A Failure of Lessons Learned." *American*

Society for Public Administration Annual Conference, Seattle, March 18-22, 2016.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Maritime Terrorism and Piracy: Threat Assessment and Mitigation.” *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, The Limburg and Questions of Terrorism*, Bermuda, July 17-19, 2015.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Terrorism, Maritime Security and the Implications for Near Shore Incidents: Assessing the Capacities for Prevention and Response.” *Western Political Science Association*, Los Vegas, April 2-4, 2015.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Deepwater Horizon and Piper Alpha: A Comparison of Disaster Causation and Lessons Learned.” *American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference*, Chicago, March 5-10, 2015.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Operational Dynamics in the Degradation of Safety Integrity – Deepwater Horizon and Piper Alpha.” *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Deepwater Horizon versus Piper Alpha – A Comparative Case Study*, Bermuda, July 16-18, 2014.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Piper Alpha and Deepwater Horizon – Coincidence of Causation or Failure of Lessons Learned.” *Western Political Science Association (WPSA) Annual Conference*, Seattle, April 17-19, 2014.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Public-Private Partnerships in Navigable Waterway Safety and Integrity: The *T/V Athos I* Oil Spill.” *American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference*, Washington DC, March 14-18, 2014.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Public-Private Partnerships in Navigable Waterway Safety and Integrity.” *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Athos I – the Consequences of Innocence—A Case Study*, Bermuda July 24-26, 2013.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Environmental Threat Mitigation in a Public-Private Setting: the *T/V Athos I* Oil Spill.” *Western Social Science Association Annual Conference*, Denver, April 10-13, 2013.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Public-Private Interface in Oil Spill Prevention: the BP Deepwater Horizon Incident.” *American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference*, New Orleans, March 15-19, 2013.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Oil Spill Causation Linkages to Organizational Deviance.” *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Deepwater Horizon – as Bad as it can Get*, Bermuda July 11-13, 2012.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Oil Spill Causation Modeling and BP Deepwater Horizon.” *Western Political Science Association (WPSA) Annual Conference*, Portland, March 22-24, 2012.

Kurtz, Rick S. “Public Private Collaboration in Near Shore Oil Spill Mitigation.” *American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference*, Las Vegas, March 2-6, 2012.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Policy Gaps and Organizational Deviance as Near Shore Disaster Catalysts." *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Tintomara – Bizarre Circumstances, Serious Consequences*, Bermuda, July 13-15, 2011.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Policy Gaps and Organizational Deviance: A Recipe for Disaster in Oil Transportation Systems." *American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference*, Baltimore, March 11-15, 2011.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Best and Worst Practices in Near-Shore Oil Spill Response: *Hebei Spirit v. Posavina*." *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Hebei Spirit – Measured Response or Rough Justice*, Bermuda, July 15-17, 2010.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Coordination in Near-Shore Oil Spill Response: the 2007 *Hebei Spirit* Disaster." *Western Political Science Association (WPSA) Annual Conference*, San Francisco, April 1-3, 2010.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Interorganizational Cooperation and Failure in Disaster Response: the 2007 *M/V Cosco Busan* Incident." *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Cosco Busan – Just who is Responsible – a Case Study*, Bermuda, June 11-12, 2009.

Kurtz, Rick S. "New Public Management and Crisis Mitigation: the 2007 *M/V Cosco Busan* Incident." *Principles and Best Practices of Public Administration in Italy and the United States: the State of the Art*, Macerata, Italy, May 21-23, 2009.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Regulation across Organizational Networks: Oil and Gas Operations in the Inter-Mountain West." *Western Social Science Association (WSSA) Annual Conference*, Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 15-18, 2009.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Organizational Deviance, Culture, and Disaster: The *M/V Selendang Ayu* Tragedy." *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Selendang Ayu – A Human and Environmental Tragedy*, Bermuda, June 12-13, 2008.

Kurtz, Rick S. "The *M/V Selendang Ayu* Disaster: Linkages between Policy Change, Gaps, and Crises." *Western Political Science Association (WPSA) Annual Conference*, San Diego, California, March 20-22, 2008.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Coastal Oil Spill Prevention, Preparedness, and Response: The *Morris J. Berman* Incident." *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Las Vegas, March 8-10, 2007.

Kurtz, Rick S. "High Reliability and Organizational Performance in Spill Response: The *Morris J. Berman* Incident." *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Morris J. Berman – Environmental Disaster or Legal Test Case*, Bermuda, June 7-9, 2007.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Lessons Learned in Spill Response and Clean up: A Look Back at *Exxon Valdez*." *SIGCO Oil Pollution Seminar, Exxon Valdez – A Watershed in U.S. Oil Pollution Response*, Bermuda, June 7-9, 2006.

Kurtz, Rick S. "The Federal Concessioner System: Linking Policy to Opportunities for Local Service Providers." *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Albuquerque, March 16-18, 2006.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Economic Development Trends in Gateway Communities." *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Oakland, March 17-20, 2005.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Gateway Communities, and Economic Development Vision Formulation." *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Portland, March 11-13, 2004.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Gateway Communities, Economic Development, and Environmentalism." *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Denver, March 27-29, 2003.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Preservation or Pleasure: Policy Duality in National Parks." *American Political Science Association Conference*, Boston, August 28-31, 2002.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Organizational Culture and Agency Decision Making: The National Park Service and Exxon Valdez." *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Long Beach, March 21-24, 2002.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Crisis and Policy Change in the Coastal Oil Pollution Issue Arena." *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Las Vegas, March 15-18, 2001.

Kurtz, Rick S. and Douglas Roscoe. "The Evolution of Pro-Environmental Land Use Policy: The Role of Committee Dynamics." *Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, April 19-22, 2001.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Assessing Policy Change in the Federal Historic Preservation Issue Arena." *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, San Jose, March 23-26, 2000.

Kurtz, Rick S. "The Exxon Valdez Disaster: A Case Study of High Reliability Run Amuck." *Western Social Science Association Conference*, Denver, April 15-18, 1998.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Mitigating Urban Growth Impacts upon Agricultural Land." *Western Social Science Association Conference*, Denver, April 15-18, 1998.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Recreation Concessions Policy for Federal Lands." *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Tucson, March 14-16, 1997.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Influences and Contributions of State Agricultural Experiment Stations in the American West." *Western Lands: Rocks, Rails and Ranching*: Laramie, Sept 26-28, 1996.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Glacier Bay National Park: A Case Study of the Impact of Cross-Boundary Confrontations on Public Recreation Lands." *On Brotherly Terms: Canadian-American Relations West of the Rockies*: Seattle, September 12-14, 1996.

Kurtz, Rick S. "Historic Site Protection in Response to Technological Disasters." *Management of Disaster Mitigation Response Programs for Historic Sites*: San Francisco, June 1995.