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Curriculum Vitae

Education **The University of Minnesota**, Minneapolis, MN.
Ph.D. candidate, Department of Political Science. GPA: 3.8/4.0
Completed Written and Oral Preliminary Examinations
Major Fields: American Politics and Political Theory.
Dissertation: "In the Shadow of National Health Insurance: The Rise of
America's Health Care Supply State, 1915-1965."
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The University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN. GPA: 3.8/4.0
M.A., Department of Political Science, May 1998.
Master's Thesis: "Shaping the Media's Agenda: The Case of Medicare Reform
and the 104th Congress."

The University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI.
B.A. with Honors in Political Science (1992). GPA: 3.9/4.0

**Honors
and Awards** **Harold Chase Memorial Fellowship** (1993-4).
Phi Beta Kappa (1991).

Teaching **Visiting Instructor (current)**, Department of Political Science, Macalester
College taught include *US Politics* (2003-10), *Urban Politics* (2010), *Politics
and Policymaking: Government and Medicine* (2005-2010), *Policy Issues:
American Democracy, Inequality, and Public Policy* (2006), *Democratic
Engagement* (2006), *Policy Issues: American Social Policy* (2003), and
supervised Academic and Community Internships as well as Independent
Studies (2004-10).

Visiting Instructor, Hamline University, Political Science Department. Taught
Politics of Urban and Metropolitan Government (2010).

Visiting Instructor, Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, University
of Minnesota. Taught *Politics of Public Affairs* (2008).

Visiting Instructor, Department of Political Science, Minneapolis Community
and Technical College. Lectured as substitute in courses on *US Politics* and
World Politics (2006).

Instructor, Department of English and Literature, University of Minnesota
English Composition (1997-1998); Writing in the Social Sciences (1998).

Professional Experience **Project Consultant/Health Policy Coordinator**,
Minnesota Senior Health Options (MSHO) Demonstration Project
Minnesota Department of Human Services, St. Paul MN (1999-2002).

Researcher for the Minnesota Senate Office of Counsel and Research,
St. Paul, MN (1998-1999).

Professional Experience **Research Assistant** to Lawrence Jacobs, Department of Political Science,
University of Minnesota (1994-1998).

Research Assistant to Hyman Berman, Department of History, The
University of Minnesota. (1996-1998).

Undergraduate Program Academic Advisor, Department of Political Science,
University of Minnesota (1996-1997).

Publications Zis, Michael J., Lawrence R. Jacobs, and Robert Y. Shapiro. The Elusive
Common Ground: The Politics of Public Opinion and Health Care,
Generations. (Summer 1996). pp. 1-6.

Presentations Who Shall Live and Who Shall Die: Health Care Reform in Minnesota. Sabes
Jewish Community Center, Saint Louis Park, MN, January 2010.

 The Politics of Health Care Reform, Going Ahead. Spooked by Socialized
Medicine, Seduced by Technology: America's Delusional Path Toward Health
Care Reform. University of Cincinnati College of Law's American Constitution
Society, January 2010.

 Who Shall Live and Who Shall Die. Macalester College, sponsored by Center
for Religious and Spiritual Life, September 2009.

 With Tim Ryan. Making Sense of Minnesota's Senior Dual Eligible
Population: What the Minnesota Integrated Medicare/Medicaid Database Will
Tell Us. Annual meeting of the Minnesota Conference on Aging, St. Cloud,
MN, August, 2000.

 Shaping the Media's Agenda: The Case of Medicare Reform and the 104th
Congress. Annual meeting of the 1998 Midwest Political Science Association,
Chicago, April, 1998.

Exploring the Lost World of Campaign Finance: An Inquiry into PAC Strategy and PAC Organization in Local Politics. Annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April, 1997.

Television Twin Cities Public Television. *Almanac: Political Science Panel*. May 2008.

Other: Board of Directors, Jewish Community Action, Saint Paul, MN (2008-2010)

Chair of Community Building and Organizing Committee (CBOC), Jewish Community Action, Saint Paul, MN (2010).

Co-chair of the Social Justice Committee, Beth El Synagogue, Saint Louis Park, MN (2007-2010).

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