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**Education**

**Ph.D. Urban Studies and Public Affairs**, The University of Akron, Ohio **2008**

Dissertation: *Community: An Experience-Based Critique of the Concept*. Dissertation Chair: Professor Ralph P. Hummel, Co-Chair: Professor Camilla Stivers.

**M.A. Geography and Urban Planning**. The University of Akron, Ohio **2003**

**Graduate Certificate. M.S. Management and Preservation of Natural Areas**. The International University of Andalusia, La Rábida, Huelva, Spain **1999**

**B.A. Geography—(University Graduate in Geography—*Licenciatura*)** **1999**

The National University of the South, Bahía Blanca, Argentina

Thesis: *A Comprehensive Approach to the Reclamation and Restoration of a Deteriorated Calcareous Tufa Formation in Northeast Bahía Blanca, Argentina*.

**Academic Appointments**

University of Texas at San Antonio **Aug. 2017-Current**  
Department of Public Administration  
Assistant Professor

Universidad de La Salle, Bogotá, Colombia **June 13-24, 2016**  
International Summer Academy  
Visiting Scholar

Eastern Washington University **2011- 2017**  
Department of Planning and Public Administration  
Assistant Professor—Promoted to Associate Professor with Tenure, June 2017

Indiana University – Purdue University, Fort Wayne, Indiana **2008- 2011**  
Division of Public and Environmental Affairs, Assistant Professor  
Assistant Professor

The National University of the South, Bahía Blanca, Argentina **2000-2001**  
Adjunct Professor, Department of Geography

**Research Interests**

Public administration theory; civic engagement and direct participation in governance and policymaking; grassroots processes and community organizing; epistemological approaches to public administration with a special interest in interpretive phenomenological research; processes of

democratization in Latin American countries; the institutional quality of Argentina's public service under democratic regimes.

### **Honors, Awards, Scholarships**

2019: *International Summer Academy Visiting Scholar*, Universidad de La Salle, Bogotá, Colombia (June 10-21, 2019). Course: "Citizenship, Citizenry and Ethics" **\*\*Declined due to prior summer research commitment.**

2018: *Fosseen- Kusaka Distinguished Professorship Exchange Program Award (2018)*. The EWU Office of Global Initiatives (OGI) Faculty Advisory Committee and the Mukogawa Women's University counterparts in Japan (Declined due to accepting new position at UTSA).

2016: Universidad de La Salle, Colombia, International Summer Academy, Visiting Scholar (June 13-24, 2016)

2013: Eastern Washington University *Outstanding Scholarly/ Creative Activity Merit Award* for the 2011-2012 academic year (College of Business and Public Administration)

2013: EWU CBPA recipient of Scholarly Productivity Incentive Funds for original publications in peer-reviewed journal articles.

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2007 *Women in Higher Education Award*. Granted to outstanding women scholars. The University of Akron

2007 *National Honor Society for Public Administration, Pi Alpha Alpha*

2006 *Young Elite Scholarship* to attend and present a paper in the "Global Young Elites Summit on Technology, Policy and Management (TPM)". The National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan.

2006 *Founder's Forum Fellowship*, travel and recognition award to attend the 2006 ASPA Annual Conference, Denver, CO. The American Society for Public Administration (ASPA).

1999 *Spanish Agency of International Cooperation (AECI) and International Cooperation Institute (ICI) Fellowship*. Exchange program to pursue graduate studies at the International University of Andalusia (Universidad Internacional de Andalucía), Spain. Granted by the Spanish Government to outstanding undergraduate students from Latin America.

1997-2000 *Annual Honor Scholarship to Best Grade Point Average* to undergraduate students in the Social Sciences fields. The National University of the South, Argentina (earned it during three consecutive years)

## Scholarly Research Publications

1. Elías, M. V. (2020). Phenomenology in public administration: Bridging the theory-practice gap. *Administration & Society*, 52 (10), 1516-1537. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0095399720911467>
2. Elías, M. V. and Piccorelli, J. T. (2020). The Listening Hermeneutic of Public Servants: Building on the Implicit. *International Journal of Organizational Theory & Behavior*, 23 (4), 359-374. <https://doi.org/10.1108/IJOTB-10-2019-0115>
3. Linares, S. and Elías, M. V. (2020). Ciudades Globales Inteligentes y planificación urbana: Entre la participación ciudadana y la inteligencia artificial [Global cities and urban planning: Between citizen participation and artificial intelligence]. Book chapter. In A. Guerrero and Vila, J. M., *Gobierno Abierto e Innovación Pública: Los Pilares de la Nueva Agenda de Gobernabilidad*. Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires, Argentina: Fundación Iberoamericana Universitaria (FUNIBER). [*Open Government and Public Innovation in Buenos Aires, Argentina*]. Ciudad de Buenos Aires, Argentina.
4. Elías, M. V. (2019). Authenticity and community process. *Journal of Community Practice*, 27 (1), pp. 78-95. DOI: 10.1080/10705422.2019.1580656. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/10705422.2019.1580656>.
5. Piccorelli, J. T. and Elías, M. V. (2018). Integrating Video Technology and Administrative Practice in Policing: A Phenomenological Exposé. *International Journal of Organization Theory & Behavior*, 21 (2), pp. 122-136. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1108/IJOTB-03-2018-0023>
6. Elías, M. V. (2018). Argentina's Politicized Bureaucracy: A Historical Analysis of Two Political Regimes. *Revue Gouvernance*, 14 (2), pp. 1-22. DOI: 10.7202/1044933ar. <https://www.erudit.org/en/journals/gouvernance/2017-v14-n2-gouvernance03603/1044933ar/>
7. Elías, M. V. (2014). Follett, Mary Parker. In: Gibbons, M. T. Ed. *The Encyclopedia of Political Thought*. Wiley-Blackwell Publishers. Pp. 1316 – 1317. DOI: 10.1002/9781118474396. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/book/10.1002/9781118474396>
8. Elías, M. V. (2013). Ralph P. Hummel: The Unremitting Call for Freedom in Public Administration. Contribution to the Special Tribute Forum "Stories in Tribute: The Legacy of Ralph P. Hummel," *Administrative Theory & Praxis*, 35 (1), pp. 145-148.
9. Stanisevski, D., Elías, M. V., & Zingale, N. (2013). Introduction to the Forum "Stories in Tribute: The Legacy of Ralph P. Hummel." *Administrative Theory & Praxis*, 35 (1), pp. 142-144.
10. Elías, M.V. (2013) Life in State of Fear: *The Secret in Their Eyes* and the Recreation of a Shared World. *Administration & Society*, 48 (7), pp. 811-830. DOI: 10.1177/0095399713509243. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/0095399713509243>

11. Elías, M.V. (2012). Researching Participation Through Interpretive Phenomenology: The Case of Neighborhood Organizing. In: Schachter, H. and Yang, K., *The State of Citizen Participation in America*. International Civic Engagement Series. Information Age Publishing. Pp. 391-418.
12. Elías, M. V. & Alkadry, M. (2011). Constructive Conflict, Participation and Shared Governance. *Administration & Society*, 43 (8), pp. 869–895. DOI: 10.1177/0095399711422495. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/0095399711422495>
13. Elías, M.V. (2010). How Do Neighborhood Associations Get Things Done? Stories of Deliberation and Collective Practices. *The International Journal of Technology, Knowledge and Society*, 6 (4), pp. 189-200.
14. Elías, M.V. (2010). Governance from the Ground-Up: Rediscovering Mary Parker Follett. *Public Administration & Management*, 15 (1), 9-45.
15. Elías, M.V. (2010). Bridging the Bureaucracy-Democracy Gap: Civic Capacity as Problem Solving. Book Review. *Public Administration Review*, 70 (6), pp. 945-948. DOI: 10.1111/j.1540-6210.2010.02232.x. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/j.1540-6210.2010.02232.x>
16. Elías, María V. and Zinger, Alicia S. (2002). Las cavas de tosca: su relevancia en la evolución del paisaje periurbano de la ciudad de Bahía Blanca [Calcareous Tufa Formations: Their Relevance in the Evolution of Suburban Landscapes in Bahia Blanca]. In: Vaquero, M. del C. (Comp.). *Territorio, Economía y Medio Ambiente del Sudoeste Bonaerense [Territory, Economy and The Environment in the Southwest Region of Buenos Aires Province]*. Bahía Blanca, Argentina: Editorial Universidad Nacional del Sur (EDIUNS). ISBN: 9879281764

### **Conference Proceedings**

Elías, M. V. (2006). A Comparative Study of People's Perception of Policymaking and Management of Police Work in Argentina and the United States. *Global Young Elites Summit on Technology, Policy and Management. The National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan*. 27-29 November. Conference Proceedings, Pp. 250-268.

Elías, M.V. (2000). Calcareous Tufa Formations: Their Relevance in the Evolution of Suburban Landscapes in Bahia Blanca, Argentina. [Las Cavas de Tosca: Su Relevancia en la Evolución del Paisaje Periurbano de la Ciudad de Bahía Blanca.] First Interdisciplinary Conference of the Southwest Buenos Aires Province. [Primeras Jornadas Interdisciplinarias del Sudoeste Bonaerense] National University of the South, Bahía Blanca, Argentina.

### **Op-Eds**

Elías, M.V. (2006). “Readers Opt to ‘Dance’ in Response to February President’s Column.” Letters to the Editor “ASPA Position Taking: Shall We Sit it Out or Dance?” *PA Times*. p. 6.

## Unpublished Works

Elías, M. V. (2008). *Community: An Experience-Based Critique of the Concept*. Unpublished doctoral dissertation. The University of Akron, Ohio.

Elías, M. V. (1999). *A Comprehensive Approach to the Reclamation and Restoration of a Deteriorated Calcareous Tufa Formation in Northeast Bahía Blanca, Argentina*. [Las Cavas de Tosca y Gestión de un Medio Natural Deteriorado, Ciudad de Bahía Blanca]. Unpublished undergraduate thesis. University Graduate in Geography, The National University of the South, Bahía Blanca, Argentina.

## Invited Guest Talks, Conference Presentations, and Panel Discussions

### 2020

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference*, June 11-14, 2020, Malmö, Sweden.  
Paper presentation: “The political correctness of public administration epistemology.” **\*\*Accepted but not delivered. Conference cancelled due to COVID-19.**

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference*, June 11-14, 2020, Malmö, Sweden.  
Paper presentation: “The Contributions of Stivers’ *Gender Images in Public Administration*: Critical Analysis and Reflection.” **\*\*Accepted but not delivered. Conference cancelled due to COVID-19.**

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference*, June 11-14, 2020, Malmö, Sweden.  
Invited roundtable discussant: “Critiques of Hugh Miller’s book *Narrative Politics in Public Policy: Legalizing Cannabis*.” **\*\*Accepted but not delivered. Conference cancelled due to COVID-19.**

*Center of Governance and School of Political Studies, University of Ottawa, (Ottawa, Canada).*  
*Center of Social Policy Network’s Invited conference series guest speaker. Topic: “High-tech policing—Greater accountability or heightened vulnerability? A phenomenological approach to administrative action.”* January 9, 2020.

*UTSA Department of Public Administration Brownbag Series.* Dr. Elías’ research presentation: “On the political correctness of public administration epistemology.” February 7, 2020. DPA’s Conference room.

### 2019

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference*, May 30-June 2, 2019, Denver, CO.  
Paper presentations: “Applied Phenomenology in Public Administration Theory: A Genealogical Exploration;” “Phenomenological ontology in public administration.” Invited roundtable discussant: “Reflections on Carnevale & Stivers’ *Knowledge and Power in Public Bureaucracies: From Pyramid to Circle* (2019, Routledge).”

*International Summer Academy Visiting Scholar, Universidad de La Salle, Bogotá, Colombia* (June 10-21, 2019). Course: “Citizenship, Citizenry and Ethics” (Declined due to summer research commitment).

### 2018

*Association for Research on Nonprofits and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) 's 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference.* Austin, TX. Panel 089: The NGO meets Civil Society: from Self-Help to Democracy—"NGOs as Vehicles for Democracy: The Case of Colombia" (With J. Alexander), November 15, 2018.

*UTSA College of Public Policy Research Series, Fall 2018.* María Verónica Elías (Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration): "NGOs as Vehicles for Democracy: The Case of Colombia." November 12, 2018. Buena Vista Building 1.338; DT Campus.

*International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR), 13<sup>th</sup> International Conference,* July 10-13, 2018, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Session moderator: "Legitimacy through accountability", Friday July 13, 2018.

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference,* May 31- June 3, Cleveland, OH. Paper presentations: "Applied Phenomenology: Neglected Path in Public Administration Theory?" And "The Role of Nonprofits in Fostering Democracy: The Case of Colombia" (with J. Alexander).

## **2017**

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference,* June 1-5, Laramie, WY. Paper: "Crisis Intervention Training for Police—A Phenomenological Analysis" (with J. T. Piccorelli; in panel: "Hermeneutics of the public space: Phenomenological interpretations of public programs"). Panel moderator: "Othering, Exclusion, and Opportunities for Community."

## **2016**

*Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP), 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference.* Planning: Practice, pedagogy, and place. November 3-6, Portland, Oregon. Invited panel discussant: 4.4. Empowerment in Diverse Populations.

*International Summer Academy Visiting Scholar,* Universidad de La Salle, Bogotá, Colombia (June 13-24, 2016). Course: "Sustainable Territorial Development."

*The 10th Annual Health Services Administration Organization Conference:* "Counting on Healthcare." Friday, February 19, 2016, South Campus Facility, Eastern Washington University

Inaugural meeting of *Academic Women in Public Administration* (a group of women faculty concerned with gender issues in public administration research and teaching). Thursday, March 17th, 2016. Daniel J. Evans School of Public Policy and Governance, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. By invitation-only event.

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference,* May 19-23 2016, San Antonio, TX. Paper: "Fundamental 'immeasurables' of community process: "Attunement" and sense of self." In: *Phenomenology and experience: Community, mood and attunement* (sequential phenomenology panels—Institute of Applied Phenomenology for Science and Technology, IAP) Panel organizer and convener: *Public Administration Theory Around the World.* Paper: "Citizenship and Democracy: Conceptual Foci in the Continuous Redefinition of the Public Realm in Argentina."

## **2015**

*Hispanic Heritage Month*. Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA. Panel presentation: “La burocracia argentina en tiempos de populismo político.” October 20, 2015.

*Public Administration Theory Network (PAT-Net) Annual Conference*, May 29- 31, Vancouver, British Columbia. Paper: “Parallel Bureaucracies and Public Service: The Case of Argentina” (In panel: “When the chips are down: Discretion in practice,” in panel with C. Stivers, N. Zingale and J. Piccorelli)

Inland Northwest Community Engagement Institute Conference, May 21-22, 2015, Gonzaga University.

## 2014

*Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP), 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference*. Big ideas, global impacts. October 30- November 2, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Paper: “The Role of the Washington State’s Home Visiting System in Latino Placemaking.”

*XI Congreso Nacional y IV Internacional Sobre Democracia: “Entre el malestar y la innovación. Los nuevos retos para la democracia en América latina.”* September 8-11, Rosario, Argentina. Paper: “La utopía de la administración pública: De racionalismo y fenomenología” [“On utopia and the recovery of the self: Listening and the recreation of the in-betweens in public administration”].

*Public Administration Theory Network (PAT-Net) Annual Conference*, May 15-19, Miami, Florida. Paper: “Community process and knowledge of the self: A phenomenological perspective.”

*Western Political Science Association (WPSA) Annual Meeting*, April 17-19, Seattle, WA. Paper: “Democratic governance as meaningful lived experiences: The potential of interrelational endeavors in everyday life.”

## 2013

*First International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP)*. Grenoble, France June 26-28, 2013. Panel discussant: “Comparing Methodologies: Discussing Traditional and Emerging Research Methods in Public Policy.” Paper: “Investigating Community Organizing From a Phenomenological Perspective: Limitations and Potentials.”

*Public Administration Theory Network (PAT-Net) Annual Conference*, May 30- June 2, 2013. San Francisco, CA. Panel discussant: “(How) Can Utopias Show Themselves? Phenomenological Perspectives.” Paper: “Embodying utopia: The perpetual recreating of the in-betweens.”

*The Pursuit of Justice: Understanding Hatred, Confronting Intolerance, Eliminating Inequality Conference*. April 18-20, 2013. Gonzaga University School of Law, Spokane, WA. Paper presentation with Dr. Claudia Bucciferro: “Memory, Politics, Justice, and ‘Othering’: Insights from the Latin American Experience.”

*University of Ottawa, School of Political Studies (Ottawa, Canada), Public Administration Program’s Conference Series*. Invited Guest Speaker: María Verónica Elías. Topic: “Incarcerating the Self: On Borders, ‘Otherness,’ and the Fracture of the Public Space” (2/7/2013).

*University of Ottawa, School of Political Studies* (Ottawa, Canada), Public Administration. Invited guest speaker at the Public Administration graduate-level courses. MPA course *Democratic Governance* (Topic: “Community process as Lived Democracy: From Theory to Practice and Back to Theory,” 2/6/13), and in the Doctoral- level course *Research Methodologies II* (Topic: Presentation: “Investigating Community Process Through Interpretive Phenomenology,” 2/8/13).

## **2012**

*Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP), Annual Conference*, November 1-4, 2012, Cincinnati, Ohio. Paper: “Resurgence of Planning in Central Washington Hispanic Communities: Toward a Regional Collaborative Endeavor.”

*Public Administration Theory Network (PAT-Net) Annual Conference*, May 17-20, Brownsville, TX. Paper presented: “Incarcerating the self: On borders, ‘otherness,’ and the fracture of the public space.” Panel discussant of session “Investigations into Border Issues.” Organizer and convener of the Memorial and Tribute honoring the legacy of Professor Ralph. P. Hummel.

*73<sup>rd</sup> American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) Annual Conference*, March 2-6, Las Vegas, NV. Paper presented: “Otherness and Freedom: Active Citizenship in Times of Fear.”

*Western Political Science Association (WPSA) Annual Meeting*, March 22-24. Portland, OR. Paper presented: “Revealing Community Process Through Interpretive Phenomenology: Limitations and Potentials.” Panel convener and chair of session “Filmic Images in Public Administration.”

## **2011**

*Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning*, Annual Conference, October 13-16, 2011, Salt Lake City, UT. Paper presented: “Envisioning New Possibilities for More Democratic Cities: The Transformational Role of Community Organizing.”

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference*, Norfolk, VA. Paper presented: “Life in State of fear: *The Secret in their Eyes* and the Dispensability of Human Lives.” Panel discussant of session “Collaborative Governance;” panel convener and chair of session “Individual Freedom, Fear and Network Sharing: Implications for Governance in PA.”

*72nd American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) Annual Conference*, Baltimore, MD. Paper presented: “Shared Citizenship Values and Challenges: Cross-National Explorations.”

## **2010**

*Association for Research on Nonprofits and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA)*, 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Alexandria, VA, Nov. 18-20. Paper presented: Kim, B.J. and Elías, M. V. “A Case Study of Follett’s Community Process in Online Civic Engagement.”

*The Teaching Public Administration Association*, Annual Conference. Public Administration Education Section, American Society for Public Administration, Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Paper presented: Elías, M. V. and Keller, L. “Teaching, Research and Service in Public Administration. Perspectives of New and Old Faculty on Synergy for Public Service.”



*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference, Omaha, NE* Paper presented: “The Problem of Studying Collective Phenomena from a Methodological Individualistic Lens”

*Indiana Political Science Association Annual Meeting.* Paper presented: “Methodological Individualism versus Collective Thinking in the Study of Community”

*International Conference on Technology, Knowledge, and Society.* Free University of Berlin. Berlin, Germany. Paper presentation: “The Social Nature of Knowledge Formation: The Case of Neighborhood Improvement Group Processes.”

## **2009**

*SECOPA Annual Conference.* Louisville, Kentucky. Paper presented: “From the “Group Idea” to Getting the Job Done: Neighborhood Associations as the Local Leaders.”

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference, Frankfort, KY.* Paper presented: “Creative Conflict as the *Polis*.”

*67<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago.* Papers presented: “Leadership in Community Groups: Rediscovering Mary Parker Follett in Today’s Civic Engagement Dialogue;” and “Information Technology and Political Participation: How to Reconcile the Different Levels and Approaches of Analysis.” (Panel Chair).

*Indiana Political Science Association (IPSA) Annual Meeting:* Ball State University. Paper presented: “Collaborative Practices in Turbulent Times: The ‘Group Idea’ in Neighborhood Organizations.”

*70<sup>th</sup> American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) Annual Conference:* Miami, FL. Paper presented: “The Richness of People’s Ideas in the Conceptualization of Community: Towards a Democratic Social Science Research.”

## **2008**

*34<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Social Theory, Politics and the Arts (STP&A),* Baltimore, Maryland. Paper presented: “The richness of people’s ideas in the conceptualization of cultural phenomena: Towards a democratic social science research.”

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference, May 29 - 30, 2008, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, Virginia, May 2008.* Paper presented: "Experiencing Community Process: The Dynamics of Community Improvement in Akron Neighborhoods"

## **2007**

*The University of Akron Conference on Undergraduate and Graduate Student Research.* Paper presented (Best Session Paper): “Experiencing community process. The dynamics of neighborhood improvement groups.” The University of Akron. March 2008.

*The Second Istanbul Conference on Democracy and Global Security, Istanbul, Turkey, June 14-16, 2007.* Organized by The Turkish National Police (TNP). Paper presented: “People’s Perceptions of Police Work in Argentina and The United States: An Interpretive Study”

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, May 2007*

*The University of Akron Conference on Undergraduate and Graduate Student Research. Paper presented: “A Comparative Study of People’s Experiences regarding Public Safety in Two Different contexts: Argentina and the United States.” The University of Akron. February 2007.*

## **2006**

*Global Young Elites Summit on Technology, Policy and Management (TPM). The National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan. 27-29 November 2006. Paper presented: “A Comparative Study of People's Perception of Policymaking and Management of Police Work in Argentina and the United States.”*

## **Research Grants**

2017 (January): *Northwest Institute Mini-Grant* (\$400), to cover research-related expenses on “Crisis Intervention Training for Police Officers” project and present it to the Public Administration Theory Network conference (June 1-4, 2017) in Laramie, Wyoming.

2016 (May): *Northwest Institute Mini-Grant* (\$400), to cover research-related expenses on “Sustainability and Democracy” project while in Colombia (June 12- July 3).

2014-2015: *EWU Faculty Summer Research and Creative Works Grant Award* (\$5,000): “Integrating rural Latinos in the governance processes: The case of Home Visiting in central Washington State.”

2013-2014: *EWU Faculty Summer Research and Creative Works Grant Award* (\$5,000) to work on Michel Foucault’s last three lectures and their connection with government of the self and others through a phenomenological perspective. “Knowledge of the self in Public Administration from a phenomenological perspective.”

2011: *Purdue University Research Foundation. Summer Research Grant for Faculty* (\$8,000): “The Role of Neighborhood Associations in Collaborative Governance: The Case of Fort Wayne, Indiana—From Deliberation to Getting the Job Done.” (Declined upon acceptance of new faculty appointment with Eastern Washington University)

2010: *Indiana University Overseas Research Grant*, Office of the Vice President for International Affairs (OVPIA), Indiana University. Research topic: The Collaborative Endeavors of Neighborhood Organizations and a Local Government Agency in Bahia Blanca, Argentina: A Case Study of Grassroots Democracy (\$2,000)

## **Travel/ Professional Development Teaching Grants**

2020-2021 [Adopt a Free Textbook Grant](#). University of Texas, San Antonio, Dean of Libraries (\$1,000). Open Educational Resources (OER). To teach Theories of Public Organizations with online resources.

2019-2020 [Adopt a Free Textbook Grant](#). University of Texas, San Antonio, Dean of Libraries (\$1,000). Open Educational Resources (OER). To teach Public Sector Ethics with online resources.

2018-2019 [Adopt a Free Textbook Grant](#). University of Texas, San Antonio, Dean of Libraries (\$1,000). Open Educational Resources (OER). To teach Introduction to Public Service Leadership & Management with online resources.

2009: *Indiana University Overseas Conference Grant*, Berlin, Germany. *International Conference on Technology, Knowledge, and Society*. Free University of Berlin. Berlin, Germany. Paper presentation: “The Social Nature of Knowledge Formation: The Case of Neighborhood Improvement Group Processes.” (\$600)

2009: *Indiana University-Purdue University, Fort Wayne Overseas Conference Fund*, Berlin, Germany, (\$600)

2007: *The Akron Police Department, Akron, Ohio*. Travel grant to attend and present my research The II Istanbul Conference on Democracy and Global Security, June 14 – 16, 2007, Istanbul, Turkey.

## **Teaching Activities**

### Courses Taught

#### *Undergraduate level*

Foundations of Civic Engagement (UTSA). Environment and People, Managing Behavior in Public Organizations, Introduction to Public Affairs (IPFW). Planning, Politics and Public Policy (EWU). Survey Research Methods (UNS).

#### *Graduate level*

Introduction to Public Service Leadership and Management, Ethics in Government Administration, Theories of Public Organizations (UTSA). Public Service Learning, Concepts and Values of Public Service, Public Policy Cycles, Planning, Politics and Public Policy, MPA Research Project, MPA Portfolio, Participatory Public Administration, Utopian Imagination in Public Administration (EWU). Environment and People, Public Organization Theory, Public Policy Process, Administrative Ethics (IPFW). Sustainable Territorial Development (Universidad de La Salle, Colombia, Summer Academy, June 13-24, 2016).

### Graduate Student Research Mentorship

Andrew Vasquez (2018). The Implications of Zero Tolerance in Public Schools on American Youth and the Juvenile Justice System. *UTSA Journal of Undergraduate Research & Scholarly Work*, Vol. 3, [http://research.utsa.edu/UG\\_Journal/](http://research.utsa.edu/UG_Journal/).

### Graduate Committees and Advising Activities

Marc-Antoine Therrien’s Doctoral dissertation committee member and external reader. École Nationale d’Administration Publique (ENAP), Montréal, Canada. Dissertation title: *Lean Mean Analyzing Machine: Une incursion phénoménologique dans l’univers des analystes évoluant au sein des organismes centraux fédéraux du Canada* [Lean Mean Analyzing Machine: A phenomenological foray into the world of analysts working within Canada’s central federal agencies]. Defense date: January 13, 2020.

Todd Taylor’s MPA Capstone Project, committee member (Eastern Washington University, Department of Public Administration, 2016).

Myah Houghten's MPA Capstone Project, Chair (Eastern Washington University, Department of Public Administration, 2015).

## Service

### 1. University, College, and Department

#### **HCaP: College Diversity and Inclusion Committee (CD&IC): 2020-2022**

The CD&I committee is responsible for identifying College opportunity(s) and/or need in general policy, procedures and recommendations regarding diversity and inclusiveness in the College. This committee develops annual recommendations to the Dean. The CD&I committee is composed of one member from each department with both staff and faculty represented and a non-voting Associate Dean.

#### **UTSA Department of Public Administration:**

Contributed to DPA's Classroom Civility and Respect Rubric (July 28, 2020)

NASPAA Accreditation Self Study: Provided comprehensive description to NASPAA Departmental Sub Committee on how I promote diversity and foster a climate of inclusiveness in my teaching (July 17, 2020).

University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA)— University Libraries Committee Member (2018-2019) representing the College of Public Policy.

UTSA College of Public Policy faculty meeting—Spring 2019

UTSA College of Public Policy Research Series, Fall 2018: María Verónica Elías (Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration): "NGOs as Vehicles for Democracy: The Case of Colombia." November, 12, 2018.

UTSA, Department of Public Administration: MPA Admissions Committee member: 2018-current

UTSA, College of Public Policy (COPP), Department of Public Administration—Fall 2018 and 2019 Semester Graduate Assistantship application reviews, candidate interviewing and selection (April-May 2018; Spring 2019)

University of Texas at San Antonio, College of Public Policy (COPP), Department of Public Administration—MPA Advisory Board Member. Attended bi-annual meetings: Spring 2019, Fall 2019 semesters.

University of Texas at San Antonio, College of Public Policy (COPP), Department of Public Administration—Graduate Program Committee Member.

University of Texas at San Antonio, College of Public Policy (COPP), Department of Public Administration—Graduate Admissions Committee Member. **Admissions for the spring 2020 semester reviewed and assessed.**

University of Texas at San Antonio, College of Public Policy (COPP), Department of Public Administration—Undergraduate Studies Committee Member.

University of Texas at San Antonio, College of Public Policy (COPP), Department of Public Administration—Chair Search Committee (member) 2018-2019

University of Texas at San Antonio, College of Public Policy (COPP), Department of Public Administration—Curriculum Subcommittee (2018-present)

University of Texas at San Antonio, College of Public Policy (COPP), Department of Public Administration—Faculty Committee Member (2017-present). **Participates in monthly faculty meetings and bi-annual faculty retreats (Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019).**

#### *Doctoral Dissertation Committee*

##### Committee member:

Dissertation title: *Lean Mean Analyzing Machine: Une incursion phénoménologique dans l'univers des analystes évoluant au sein des organismes centraux fédéraux du Canada* [Lean Mean Analyzing Machine: A phenomenological foray into the world of analysts working within Canada's central federal agencies]. By Marc-Antoine Therrien. École Nationale d'Administration Publique (ENAP), Montréal, Canada. Defense date: January 11, 2020.

#### *Student Advising and Mentorship*

##### Recommendation letters for students

I write letters of recommendations for students on a continuous basis to apply to job positions in the public, private and non-profit sectors, as well as PhD or JD programs around the world.

#### Eastern Washington University

##### *University*

- EWU CBPA Dean Search Committee Fall 2016- Spring 2017
- EWU Sustainability Undergraduate Degree Development (Working group member) 2016
- Library Affairs Council member (LAC) 2014-2017
- EWU Libraries' 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Oktoberfest, October 17, 2015: Annual Library Fundraising Event.
- Universidad de Tamaulipas (Mexico) faculty and administrators' visit—guide and translator during a two-day campus visit (MOU with EWU); 5-9 October, 2014.

##### *Faculty Searches*

- MPA Assistant Professor (Search Committee Member, fall 2013-spring 2014)
- MPA Director (Search Committee Member, fall 2012-spring 2013)
- Urban and Regional Planning Associate Professor: (participated in interview presentations and dinners, fall 2012-spring 2013)
- MPA program review meeting and interview with Dr. Martin Weiser (EWU), 11/8/12
- MPA coordinator position (transition after Dr. London's sudden retirement), Search Committee member summer-fall 2012

#### *Program Accreditation*

MPA NASPAA Accreditation Process: Contributed to the preparation (2012-13) for the Self-Study year (2013-14), and remained involved in all the steps of the accreditation process, including the Site Visit and the intense preparation for it.

MURP and BAURP Accreditation Process: Participated in the meetings with the Site Visitation Team and in the conversations prior to and after the visit: Fall 2013. E-mail follow-up correspondence with Visitation Team official (Dr. Tom Sánchez) in December 2013.

#### *Research Presentations*

“The role of *parrhesia* in defeating citizens’ fears of government,” UPPHA, EWU brown lunch meeting, November 4, 2011.

“Home Visiting and Latino Placemaking in WA State,” Dr. Bill Kelley’s Planning Methods I class. November 22, 2014.

#### *Departmental and Program Meetings*

MPA Faculty Committee member. In that capacity, I actively participate in all faculty meetings (monthly or bimonthly, 2011-present). Moreover, I contribute to curriculum development issues for the MPA program; I also advise the MPA director on many issues; I work to promote and improve the program; I participate in decision making about non-curricular matter, including criteria for faculty appointments, program assessment, scheduling, and other matters appropriate. Finally, I continue to participate actively in program evaluation in the context of university and professional accreditation.

UPPHA Faculty Meetings (monthly or bimonthly, 2011-present)

URP Faculty Meetings (whenever possible; attended at least one every quarter)

Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) EWU Urban and Regional Planning Programs meetings

MPA Advisory Council Meetings

#### *Student Advising*

Advised graduate students at EWU every quarter regarding their final MPA research projects, coursework load, job and professional placement inquiries, and work-school balance. I also write letters of recommendations for students applying for job positions and/or doctoral programs.

Annual Commencement Ceremony: Reader of Master Graduates’ names (2013)

*Conversations with the EWU President Sessions* (2013, 2015, 2016)

#### Indiana University – Purdue University, Fort Wayne (IPFW)

Member, Curriculum Review Subcommittee (University-wide) 2010-2011

Chair, Student Scholarship Committee 2011 (SPEA)

Member, Student Scholarship Committee 2010 (SPEA)

Member, Public Management Faculty Search Committee 2009 (SPEA)

America’s Renaissance (SPEA student organization) co-adviser 2008-2010

## 2. The Profession

*Journal of Public Policy and Administration*—Editorial Board Member (Invited)

Active participant at the 2020 PA Theory Network Doctoral Fellows Panels (online sessions): May 28 and June 11, 2020: provided comments and suggestions to doctoral students regarding their research presentations.

Invited to write book endorsements of

-Hugh Miller's *Narrative Politics in Public Policy: Legalizing Cannabis* (2020, Palgrave)

-Charles T. Goodsell's *Public Servants Studied in Image and Essay: A Fanfare for the Common Bureaucrat* (2018, CQ Press)

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference*, June 11-14, 2020, Malmö, Sweden.

Invited roundtable discussant: "Critiques of Hugh Miller's book *Narrative Politics in Public Policy: Legalizing Cannabis*." Suspended due to Coronavirus epidemic.

*Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference*, May 30-June 2, 2019, Denver, CO.

Invited roundtable discussant: "Reflections on Carnevale & Stivers' *Knowledge and Power in Public Bureaucracies: From Pyramid to Circle* (2019, Routledge)."

*Administrative Theory & Praxis*—Editorial Board (2017-2020)

<http://www.tandfonline.com/action/journalInformation?show=editorialBoard&journalCode=madt20>

Social Policy Research Network, Centre of Governance (Faculty of Social Sciences) University of Ottawa—Member and Collaborator (2018- Present):

<https://socialsciences.uottawa.ca/governance/research-axes/social-policy>

Public Administration Theory Network, 2018 and 2019 Conference Site Selection Committee (2017-2018)

Public Administration Theory Network, Board of Directors Nominations Committee (2014- 2017)

Public Administration Theory Network 2017 Fellow Application Reviewer (with Brandi Blessett)

Global Outreach Working Group Coordinator—*The Public Administration Theory Network*: 2015-2017

Board Member—*The Public Administration Theory Network (PAT-Net)*: 2015-2017

Vice Chair—*The Public Administration Theory Network (PAT-Net)*: 2014- 2015

Research Fellow—*The Institute of Applied Phenomenology in Science and Technology (IAP)*: 2011-Present

Co-organizer and Review Board Chair—*The Ralph P. Hummel Doctoral Research Scholarship Fund* (PAT-Net and IAP): 2012- Present

Blind peer reviewer for the following professional journals:

*Journal of Deliberative Democracy*: 2020-Present

*Revue Gouvernance (RG)* (In English and French) : 2020-Present  
*Public Performance & Management Review (PPMR)*: 2018, 2019  
*Public Administration Quarterly (PAQ)*: 2009, 2011, 2015, 2018  
*International Journal of Organization Theory & Behavior (IJOTB)*: 2018, 2019  
*Public Integrity*: 2015, 2018  
*Administrative Theory & Praxis (ATP)*: 2009-current  
*Administration & Society (A&S)*: 2014-current  
*Revista Universitaria de Geografía U.N.S. (SciELO)*: 2014-2015 (In Spanish)  
*Journal of Public Affairs Education (JPAAE)*: 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2017, 2018  
*Public Performance and Management Review (PPMR)*: 2012, 2015  
*International Journal of Technology, Knowledge and Society*: 2009, 2010, 2011

#### Journal Forum Coordinator

“Stories in Tribute: The Legacy of Ralph P. Hummel,” *Administrative Theory and Praxis*, 35(1), March 2013. Special forum coordination with Dr. Nick Zingale from Cleveland State University.

#### Conference Organizing Committees

- Public Administration Theory Network 2012 Annual Meeting, University of Texas at Brownsville, program committee member, panel convener and discussant.
  - Organization and coordination of Memorial in honor of Professor Ralph P. Hummel.
- Western Political Science Association 2012 Annual Meeting, panel convener: “**Filmic Images in Public Administration**”
- Public Administration Theory Network 2011 Annual Meeting, Old Dominion University, program committee member, panel convener and discussant “**Individual Freedom, Fear and Social Network Sharing – Implications for governance in PA.**”

#### Guest talks/ conferences

Policy Analysis & Planning Class (Dr. Bill Kelley, EWU). Guest talk on my ongoing research on Latino Placemaking in Central WA. November, 22 2014

American Planning Association Professional Planners *Luncheon Series*. “The role of community processes in local planning.” November 16, 2012 (Spokane, WA). Invited guest speaker.

Université d'Ottawa, School of Political Sciences’ *Annual Professional Seminars*: “Emotions in Public Administration.” February 2013. Invited guest speaker.

#### Other service to the profession:

##### ***Book Proposal Reviews:***

*Housing in America* by Marijoan Bull and Alina Gross (Westfield State University). Under consideration by Routledge, Planning & Urban Design. December 23, 2015 and October 17, 2016

*Fanfare for the Common Bureaucrat* by Charles T. Goodsell (Virginia Tech). Under consideration by CQ Press. May 23, 2014. Published in 2018.

In charge of overseeing the *Professor Ralph P. Hummel Scholarship Fund* with the Institute of Applied Phenomenology for Science and Technology, 2012-2017.



### 3. *The Community*

- S.M.I.L.E. Students Mastering Important Life-skills Education (501c3): Advisory Board Member (2016- Present) <http://www.smilelifework.org/node/4/board%20members>
- S.M.I.L.E. Students Mastering Important Life skills Education (501c3): Volunteered at the 17<sup>th</sup> S.M.I.L.E. Annual Conference (October 26, 2016) “Early Prevention, Future Success.”
- Latino Hope Foundation, Encanto Gala. Latino/a Community Awards. October 8, 2016. Spokane Convention Center.
- S.M.I.L.E. Students Mastering Important Life skills Education (501c3): Volunteered at the “Out of the Darkness Annual Community Walk” (September 17, 2016)
- The Washington State Commission on Hispanic Affairs (CHA)—*Applied*
- Southgate Neighborhood Council: Participation in meetings
- Hispanic Heritage Month*. Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA. Presentation: “La burocracia argentina en tiempos de populismo político.” October 20, 2015.
- Sister Cities Association reception hosted by Spokane Mayor Condon and Sister Cities Association of Spokane—invited to represent Eastern Washington University, October 15, 2014
- Sister Cities Association reception hosted by Spokane Mayor Condon and Sister Cities Association of Spokane—invited to represent Eastern Washington University, October 19, 2012
- Speaker at the American Planning Association’s Luncheon Speaker Series: “Envisioning New Possibilities for More Democratic Cities: The Transformational Role of Community Organizing.” Spokane, WA Chapter, November 16, 2012.
- Represented the UPPHA department at the American Planners Association local chapter’s lunch series talk in April 2012.
- Sister Cities Association reception hosted by Spokane Mayor Verner and Sister Cities Association of Spokane—invited to represent Eastern Washington University, October 21, 2011
- Hispanic Business Associations monthly meeting: Guest speaker, October 12, 2011
- Neighborhood Business Centers Advisory Board Meeting, October 6, 2011
- Member of the Spokane Hispanic Business/ Professional Association (HBPA)

### **Previous Professional Experience**

The University of Akron, Ohio Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Public Administration	2007- 2008
The University of Akron, Ohio/ The Akron Police Department Graduate Assistant/ Crime Analysis and Law Enforcement Intern	2004- 2007
Oriana House, Akron, Ohio Community corrections and chemical dependency treatment agency Law Enforcement Planner/ Crime Analysis Assistant	2003- 2004
The University of Akron, Ohio/ The Akron Police Department Graduate Assistant/ Crime Analysis Intern	2002- 2003
The University of Akron, Ohio Department of Geography and Urban Planning Graduate Teaching Assistant	2001- 2002
Instituto Argentino de Oceanografía, Bahía Blanca, Argentina (Argentinean Institute of Oceanography)	1997-2000

Graduate research assistant. Assisted principal investigators Dr. Perillo and Dr. Piccolo in projects: Tide patterns in three areas: Bahía Blanca, Comodoro Rivadavia, and Rio Gallegos. Also assisted many of the institute's researchers with miscellaneous projects and tasks, especially concerning the southwest (Atlantic) coast of Buenos Aires province.

Universidad Nacional del Sur, Bahía Blanca, Argentina 1996-1999  
(National University of the South)  
Undergraduate teaching assistant, Department of Geography  
Courses: Human and Regional Geography, Geography of Population, Climatology

### **Languages, Certificates and Other Coursework**

English: School of Philosophy and Letters, University of Buenos Aires. Intermediate and advanced English language courses. Institute of English Culture, Bahía Blanca, Argentina (2000-2001); Windsor Institute, Bahia Blanca, Argentina (1986-1989).

French: *L' Alliance Française*, Bahía Blanca, Argentina: 1995-2001. Advanced courses in French grammar, literature, and culture. Successfully passed all the stages of the DELF and DALF (French proficiency tests administered by the *Centre international d'étude pédagogiques*).

Italian: *Dante Alighieri*, Institute of Italian Language and Culture, Bahía Blanca, Argentina. Introductory and intermediate courses in the Italian language and culture (2000-2001)

German: *Goethe Institut* Bahía Blanca, Argentina: 1999-2001. Introductory and intermediate courses in the German language and culture

Portuguese: *National University of the South*, Bahía Blanca, Argentina. Basic and intermediate courses in Portuguese language (1999-2000)

Pedagogy of the Social Sciences: *National University of the South*, Bahia Blanca, Argentina. Four-year coursework and exams in Social Sciences and Geography-specific pedagogy, psychology and philosophy of knowledge, and a Residency Practicum in local middle and high schools: 46 credit hours. National University of the South, Bahía Blanca, Argentina (1997-2001)

Spanish Literature and Letters: *Instituto Superior Juan XXIII*. Bahía Blanca, Argentina. Spanish Letters Literary Critique and Advanced Spanish linguistics and grammar.

### **Other Salient Training/ Professional Development**

UTSA:

Teaching and Learning Services: Civil Discussions, 10/11/18

Office of Research Support (ORS)—Research Overview Lunch, 9/12/2018

Faculty Recruitment Search Committee Training, 9/1/2018

New Faculty Orientation: Faculty Luncheon—Second Year Cohort Tip Sharing, 8/14/2018

New Faculty Welcome Reception, 8/14/2018

Teaching and Learning Services: Learning Outcomes Workshop, 8/10/18 (Shelly Howell)

Teaching and Learning Services: Designing the Essentials, 8/10/18 (Shelly Howell)

New Faculty Institute: Getting Students to Think, 10/20/2017

FS0325	New Faculty Institute (Research): Strategy & Methodology	01-26-2018		
SD0623	New Faculty Institute (Research): Background, Preliminary Data/Prior Work, and Budget	10-18-2017		
SD0622	Foundations of Grant Seeking at UTSA	09-11-2017		
WCI2013	Workers' Compensation Insurance Provider Network Notification Acknowledgement 2013	Complete	08-15-2017	08-26-2017
EP0499	Campus Carry: What You Need to Know	Complete	08-15-2017	08-26-2017
SCT2017	Standards of Conduct Training 2017	Complete	08-15-2017	08-26-2017
SD0101	Day O.N.E. at UTSA	Complete	08-14-2017	08-14-2017

2016 E. Clair Daniels Symposium: “What to Do When There’s Too Much to Do,” by Laura Stack, MBA, CSP, CPAE. November 9. Davenport Hotel, Spokane, WA.

EWU Campus Security Training for Faculty and Staff by EWU Police Chief Walters (one hour and a half-long session). Auditorium, Phase One Building, Riverpoint Campus, January 15, 2016.

Intercultural Competence Workshop “Making Difference Effective for Learning” (Drs. D. J. Distelhort & G. Watanabe)—EWU College of Business and Public Administration, Cheney, May 15, 2015

Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI). Drs. D. J. Distelhort & G. Watanabe. EWU College of Business and Public Administration, May 1, 2015.

### **Professional Affiliations/ Memberships**

International Society for Third-Sector Research (ISTSR) 2017-18

Public Administration Theory Network (PAT-Net) 2007-2020

The Institute of Applied Phenomenology for Science and Technology (IAP), Research Fellow, 2011-Present

Western Political Science Association, 2011-2017

American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) 2006-2017

American Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) member, 2011-2017

American Planning Association (APA): Student member, 2001-2003; Professional member: 2012-2017

Association for Research on Nonprofits and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) 2010-2012; 2018-2019

Indiana Political Science Association (IPSA) 2009-2011

Midwest Political Science Association, 2008-2011

ASPA's Section on Chinese Public Administration 2006-2009

International Association of Crime Analysts (IACA), 2006-2008

**Languages**

Spanish: Speaks, reads, and writes with highest proficiency (native from Argentina)

English & French: Speaks fluently; reads and writes with highest proficiency.

Portuguese & Italian: Speaks, reads, and writes with intermediate competence.

German: Reads and writes with basic competency.