

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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#### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

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*University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh*  
Assistant Professor of Public Administration

August 2013 - Present

#### Classes Taught:

- MPA 711 – Intro to Public Administration
- MPA 725 – State and Local Government
- MPA 730 - Public and Private Nonprofit Partnerships
- MPA 732 – Analytic Methods in Public Administration
- MPA 744 – Nonprofit Management and Leadership
- MPA 752 – Public Budgeting and Financial Management
- MPA 792 – Special Topics in Public Administration:  
Privatization
- PA 102 – Contemporary Public Issues: Wisconsin’s Collective  
Bargaining Reform
- PA 221 – Intro to Public Administration
- PA 307 – Administrative Law and Procedure
- PA 336 – Government and the Economy

#### EDUCATION

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*University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee*  
Ph.D. Urban Studies  
Dissertation: “*The Impact of School Board Governance on Academic  
Achievement in Diverse States*”

August 2013

*University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee*  
M.A. Political Science  
Masters Paper: “*Graduation Rates and Market Share in the Milwaukee  
Public Schools*”

May 2008

*Marquette University*  
B.A. Political Science  
Cum Laude

May 2004

**Ford, M.R.** & Ihrke, D. (Accepted Manuscript). Perceptions are Reality: A Framework for Understanding Governance. *Administrative Theory & Praxis*.

**Ford, M.R.** & Ihrke, D. (2018). Third Party Governance Training and Voucher School Performance. *Journal of School Choice*, 11(3), 382-400.

**Ford, M.R.** & Ihrke, D. (2018). Determinants of Priority Conflict on City School Boards. *Urban Education*. DOI: 10.1177/0042085918770713.

**Ford, M.R.** & Ihrke, D. (2018). Linking the Distribution of Board-Executive Governance Responsibilities To Charter School Performance. *International Journal of Organizational Analysis*, 26(1), 2-18.

**Ford, M.R.** & Ihrke, D. (2017). Bridging the Charter School Accountability Divide: Defining a Role for Nonprofit Charter School Boards. *Education and Urban Society*. DOI: 10.1177/0013124517747365.

**Ford, M.R.** & Andersson, F. (2017). Taking Stock and Moving Forward: Lessons From Two Plus Decades of Research on the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program. *Journal of School Choice*. DOI: 10.1080/15582159.2017.1350085.

**Ford, M.R.** & Andersson, F. (2017). Determinants of Organizational Performance in a Reinventing Government Setting: Evidence from the Milwaukee School Voucher Program. *Public Management Review*. DOI: 10.1080/14719037.2017.1296487.

**Ford, M.R.** & Ihrke, D. (2017) School Board Member Definitions of Accountability: A Comparison of Charter and Traditional Public School Board Members. *Journal of Educational Administration*, 55(3), 280-296.

Ihrke, D. & **Ford, M.R.** (2017). Board Development Practices on Public Versus Nonprofit School Boards: Is There a Difference? *Journal of Nonprofit Education and Leadership*. 7(2), 139-150.

Andersson, F. & **Ford, M.R.** (2017). Entry Barriers and Nonprofit Founding Rates: An Examination of the Milwaukee Voucher School Population. *Nonprofit Policy Forum*. 8(1), 71-90.

**Ford, M.R.** & Ihrke, D. (2017). Board Conflict and Public Performance on Urban and Non-Urban Boards: Evidence From a National Sample of School Board Members. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 39(1), 108-121.

**Ford, M.R.** & Ihrke, D (2016). Differences in School Board Member Relations with Hired and Elected Superintendents: A First Look. *International Review of Public Administration*, 21(4), 292-304.

**Ford, M.R.** & Ihrke (2016). The Impact of Wisconsin's Act 10 on Municipal Management in Smaller Municipalities: Views from Local Elected Officials. *Public Policy and Administration*. DOI: 10.1177/0952076716683763.

**Ford, M.R.** (2016) Funding Impermanence: Quantifying the Public Funds Sent to Closed Schools in the Nation's First Urban School Voucher Program. *Public Administration Quarterly*, 40(4), 882-912.

**Ford, M.R. & Ihrke, D.** (2016). Understanding School Boards and Their Use of Different Models of Governance. *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs*, 2(2), 67-81.

**Ford, M.R. & Ihrke, D.** (2016) Comparing Nonprofit Charter and Traditional Public School Board Member Perceptions of the Public, Conflict, and Financial Responsibility: Is There a Difference and Does it Matter? *Public Management Review*, 18(7), 972-992.

**Ford, M. D. Ihrke** (2016). Are we on the same page? Determinants of school board member understanding of group accountability perceptions. *Public Organization Review*, DOI: 10.1007/s11115-016-0350-6.

**Ford, M.R. & Andersson, F.** (2016). Determinants of Organizational Failure in the Milwaukee School Voucher Program. *Policy Studies Journal*, DOI: 10.1111/psj.12164.

**Ford, M.R.** (2016). Milwaukee Voucher School Leaders' Views on Accountability: What Are They, and Why do They Matter? *Leadership and Policy in Schools*, DOI: 10.1080/15700763.2016.1181189.

**Ford, M.R. D. Ihrke, N. Grasse, & Brian Cherry** (2016). Perceptions of Council Member-Department Head Interactions in Local Government. *Journal of Public Affairs*, DOI: 10.1002/pa.1597.

**Ford, M.R. & Andersson, F.** (2016). Organizational Failure in the Hollow State: Lessons from the Milwaukee Voucher Experience. *International Journal of Public Administration*, DOI: 10.1080/01900692.2015.1053613.

**Ford, M.R.** (2015). Governing for Results on a Post-Collective Bargaining Wisconsin School Board. *Journal of School Choice*, 9(4), 529-550.

**Ford, M.R.** (2015). Nailing Shut the Policy Window: The Policy Evolution of America's First Urban School Voucher Program. *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs*, 1(2), 97-99.

**Ford, M.R. & Ihrke, D.** (2015). School Board Member Definitions of Accountability: What are they, and Do they Impact District Outcomes? *Public Performance & Management Review*, 39(1), 198-222.

**Ford, M.R. & Ihrke, D.** (2015). Determinants of Conflict on Wisconsin School Boards. *Public Policy and Administration*, DOI: 10.1177/0952076715610414.

**Ford, M.R.** (2015). A Faith-Based Advantage? Comparing the Academic and Fundraising Performance of Sectarian and Non-Sectarian Nonprofit Schools In Milwaukee's School Voucher Program. *Nonprofit Management & Leadership*, 26(1), 91-104.

**Ford, M.R. & Ihrke, D.** (2015). Do School Board Governance Best Practices Improve District Performance? Testing the Key Work of School Boards in Wisconsin. *International Journal of Public Administration*, 39(2), 87-94.

**Ford, M.R. & Ihrke, D.** (2015). A Comparison of Public and Charter School Board Governance in Three States. *Nonprofit Management & Leadership*, 25(4), 403-416.

Andersson, F. & **Ford, M.R.** (2015) Social entrepreneurship through an organizational ecology lens: Examining the emergence and evolution of the voucher school population in Milwaukee. *VOLUNTAS: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*, DOI: 10.1007/s11266-015-9576-0.

Andersson, F. & **Ford, M.R.** (2014) Reframing Social Entrepreneurship Impact: Productive, Unproductive and Destructive Outputs and Outcomes of the Milwaukee School Voucher Programme, *Journal of Social Entrepreneurship*, 6(3), 299-219.

**Ford, M.R.** (2014). Changes in School Enrollment Patterns After the First-Time Release of School-Level Test Scores in Milwaukee's School Voucher Program A First Look. *Education and Urban Society*, DOI: 0013124514536439.

**Ford, M., & Merrifield, J.** (2013). School Choice Legislation: Impact Assessment and Fiscal Notes. *Journal of School Choice*, 7(1), 37-60.

**Ford, M.** (2011). School Exits in the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program: Evidence of a Marketplace? *Journal of School Choice*, 5(2), 182-204.

#### PEER-REVIEWED BOOK

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**Ford, M. R.** (2017). The Consequences of Governance Fragmentation: Milwaukee's School Voucher Legacy. *Lexington Books: Lanham, MD*.

#### BOOK CHAPTERS

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**Ford, M. R., & Velez, W.** (2017). The Failure of Accountability in the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program. In G. Q. Conchas, M. Gottfried, B. M. Hinga, & L. Oseguera (Eds.), *Educational Policy Goes to School*. New York: Routledge.

**Ford, M. R.** (2016). No-Bid Contracts. In N.S. Lind, E.T. Rankin, & G. Harris (Eds.), *Today's Economic Issues*. Denver, CO: ABC-CLIO.

**Ford, M. R.** (2016). Deficits and Balanced Budgets. In N.S. Lind, E.T. Rankin, & G. Harris (Eds.), *Today's Economic Issues*. Denver, CO: ABC-CLIO.

#### BOOK REVIEWS

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**Ford, M. R.** (2018). Book Review of Can Governments Earn our Trust by Donald F. Kettl, *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs*, (4)2, 244-246.

**Ford, M. R.** (2013). Book Review of Education Governance for the 21st Century: Overcoming the Structural Barriers to School Reform by Paul Manna and Patrick McGuinn (Eds.), *Journal of School Choice*, (7)4, 603-605.

## ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

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**Ford, M. R.** (2017) Organizational Lifecycles. *Global Encyclopedia of Public Administration, Public Policy, and Governance*. Ali Farazmand (ed.).

**Ford, M. R.** (2017) Population Ecology Theory of Organizations. *Global Encyclopedia of Public Administration, Public Policy, and Governance*. Ali Farazmand (ed.).

## OTHER SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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Is American Public Administration in Decline? *PA Times*. August, 2018.

Lessons in Performance Measurement from Wisconsin. *PA Times*. August, 2018.

Challenging the Public Administration Status Quo. *PA Times*. July, 2018.

The Value Research of Research in Practitioner-Focused MPA Programs. *PA Times*. April, 2018.

Good Practices are Good for Students. *Wisconsin School News*. March, 2018.

The Practical Challenge of Doing What Works. *PA Times*. March, 2018.

Lessons from the Government Shutdown. *PA Times*. February, 2018.

The Big Questions Facing Public Administration in 2018. *PA Times*. January, 2018.

The Makings of a Good Municipal Budget Document. *PA Times*. December, 2017.

In Defense of Democratic Governance. *PA Times*. November, 2017.

Recommitting to Public Service Values in Troubled Times. *PA Times*. October, 2017.

What happened in Milwaukee? The city's school voucher legacy. *Thomas B. Fordham Institute Flypaper Blog*. July 2017.

Making the Most of Undergraduate Public Administration. *PA Times*. September, 2017.

The Importance of Studying Small Municipalities. *PA Times*. August, 2017.

Yes, school board members are often ideological, and that's OK. *Brookings Institution Brown Center Chalkboard Blog*. January, 2017.

In Milwaukee, school vouchers have helped many private schools to fail. *London School of Economics US Centre Daily Blog on American Politics and Policy*. January, 2017.

What's the Root of School Board Conflict. *School Administrator (Monthly Magazine of the School Superintendents Association)*. January, 2017.

Identifying and Addressing Unproductive Conflict on Wisconsin School Boards. *Wisconsin School News*. June-July, 2016.

The Challenge of Linking Governance to Performance. *PA Times*. May, 2016.

Governance and Student Achievement. *Wisconsin School News*. December, 2015. Co-Authored with Douglas Ihrke.

The Fiscal Calculator. *The Friedman Foundation for Educational Choice*. September 24, 2015. Co-Authored with John Merrifield: <http://www.edchoice.org/research/the-fiscal-calculator/>.

An Overview of Milwaukee's K-12 Education System, Section in *Pathway to Success for Milwaukee Schools*, Wisconsin Policy Research Institute, June 2013.

Understanding School Finance in Wisconsin: A Primer. *Wisconsin Policy Research Institute*, May 2013.

The Impact of Disruptive Students in Wisconsin School Districts. *Wisconsin Policy Research Institute*, April 2013.

Using Value-Added Analysis to Raise Student Achievement in Wisconsin. *Wisconsin Policy Research Institute*, June 2012. Co-authored with Sarah Archibald.

MPS' Looming Fiscal Crack-Up. *Wisconsin Interest Magazine*, July 2012.

A Modern Teacher Compensation System for Wisconsin. *Wisconsin Policy Research Institute*, January 2012.

How to Deal with State's School Wake-Up Call. *Madison Capital Times*, June 11, 2012. Co-authored with Sarah Archibald.

Education Wake-Up Call is Looming. *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, June 5, 2012. Co-authored with Sarah Archibald.

"Milwaukee's Lessons for Madison Prep." *Capital Times*, Madison, WI, December 16, 2011.

#### RECENT CONFERENCE/SYMPOSIUM PRESENTATIONS (2016 TO PRESENT)

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"Learning from School Choice in Milwaukee." *Center for the Advancement of Opportunity (Funded symposium)*, Washington D.C., September 2018.

"School Administration Reform Adoption in a Post-Collective Bargaining Governance Environment." *Midwest Public Affairs Conference*, Chicago, IL, May 2018. With Douglas Ihrke.

"The Challenge of Nonprofit Accountability in the Urban Hollow State." *Texas Tech University Symposium on Nonprofits (Competitive funded symposium)*, Lubbock, TX. March 2018

"Governance in Small Municipalities: Priorities, Dynamics, and Challenges." *Annual Conference of the America Society for Public Administration*, Denver, CO, March 2018. With Douglas Ihrke.  
"Third Party Governance Training and Milwaukee Voucher School Performance." *International Conference on School Choice and Reform*, Fort Lauderdale, FL. January 2018. With Douglas Ihrke.

“Fiscal and Customer Isomorphism in the Milwaukee Voucher School Sector.” *Public Administration, Public Policy and Nonprofit Studies Research: Are we All Touching the Same Camel Symposium at George Washington University (Competitive funded symposium)*. June, 2017. With Fredrik Andersson.

“Leveraging Media, Social and Otherwise to Connect Local Government Research to Practice.” *Midwest Public Affairs Conference*, Omaha, NE. June 2017.

“Understanding Perceptions of Council Member Department Head Interactions in Wisconsin Local Government: What Factors Make a Difference?” *Midwest Public Affairs Conference*, Omaha, NE. June 2017. With Douglas Ihrke.

“Increased Executive Power Over the Administrative Rules Process: Information from a Natural Experiment.” *Midwest Public Affairs Conference*, Omaha, NE. June 2017. With Joshua Tegen.

“Bridging the Charter School Accountability Divide: Defining a Role for Nonprofit Charter School Boards.” *75th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference*, Chicago, IL. April 2017. With Douglas Ihrke.

“City Council Member Attitudes Toward Nonprofit Policy Roles and Nonprofit Capacity in Small Wisconsin Communities.” *47th Annual Urban Affairs Association Conference*, Minneapolis, MN, April 2017. With Douglas Ihrke.

“Perceptions are Reality: A Framework for Understanding Governance.” *Annual Conference of the American Society for Public Administration*, Atlanta, GA, March 2017. With Douglas Ihrke.

“Understanding Gender Differences in Ranking the Causes of Local Government Conflict: The Case of Small Wisconsin Municipalities.” *Midwest Public Affairs Conference*, Columbus, OH. June 2016. With Douglas Ihrke.

“Entry Barriers and Nonprofit Founding Rates: An Examination of the Milwaukee Voucher School Population.” *The 2016 Research Colloquium on Social Entrepreneurship at the Midwest Center for Nonprofit Leadership*, Kansas City, MO. May 2016. With Fredrik Andersson.

“Determinants of Priority Conflict on City Schools Boards.” *74th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference*, Chicago, IL. April 2016. With Douglas Ihrke

“The Impact of Wisconsin’s Act 10 on Municipal Management in Smaller Municipalities: Views from Local Elected Officials.” *Annual Conference of the American Society for Public Administration*. Seattle, WA. March 2016.

“School Board Member Definitions of Accountability: Applying the Romzek and Dubnick Framework.” *Annual Conference of the American Society for Public Administration*. Seattle, WA. March 2016. With Douglas Ihrke.

“Determinants of School Failure in the Milwaukee Voucher Program.” *Annual Conference of the American Society for Public Administration*. Seattle, WA. March 2016. With Fredrik Andersson.

## OTHER SELECTED INVITED PRESENTATIONS/MEDIA APPEARANCES

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“Accountability and Nonprofit Failure.” Guest Lecture at *University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Program Evaluation and Policy Analysis Course*. April, 2018.

“The Wisconsin Superintendent: Priorities, Challenges, and Board Relations.” Invited Speaker at the *Annual Wisconsin Association of School District Administrators Conference*, Oshkosh, WI, April, 2018.

“School boards increasingly embrace the ABCs of social activism.” Quoted in *Washington Post*, February 17, 2018.

“Making the Most Out of Your School Board.” Invited Speaker at the *Wisconsin State Education Convention*, Milwaukee, WI, January, 2018.

“Wisconsin Schools Lack Minority Teachers.” UpFront with Mike Gousha, *WISN Milwaukee*, December 3, 2017.

“The Next Generation of School Choice Research.” Funded invited presentation at EdChoice, Indianapolis, IN. December, 2017.

“Local Government in Wisconsin.” Invited Speaker at Leadership Oshkosh Government Day. Oshkosh, WI. November, 2017.

“Small Houston charter school pays top dollar to leader, owns luxury condo.” Quoted in *Houston Chronicle*, November 4, 2017.

“How a bizarrely complex structure blocks change for Milwaukee students.” Book discussed in *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, October 27, 2017.

“Walker And Evers Clash Over Future Of Education.” Guest on *Wisconsin Public Radio Central Time*, September 21, 2017.

“A quiet change in Indiana law could mean a bigger voucher program — and a wild ride for families.” Quoted in *Chalkbeat*, April 10, 2017.

“Few challengers in local primary elections.” Quoted in *Appleton Post-Crescent*, February 19, 2017.

“Scott Walker's boost in aid tied to Act 10; school staff must pay 12% of health care costs.” Quoted in *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, February 10, 2017.

“Local Government in Wisconsin.” Invited presentation to Leadership Oshkosh. November 16, 2016.

“The Future of K-12 Education in Wisconsin.” Invited presentation to *The Oshkosh League of Women Voters*. November 9, 2016.

Research referenced in the *Washington Post*, August 19, 2016: Trump’s Perplexing Comments About Education,



Quoted in the *American School Board Journal*, April, 2016: The Key to Success.

Quoted in the *Oshkosh Northwestern*, March 14, 2016: Finance expert: OASD not ‘crying wolf’ on deficit.

Interviewed on Fox 11 News Green Bay WI, March 1, 2016: Five years under Act 10.

Quoted in the *Wisconsin State Journal*, February 13, 2016: Local officials divided over whether Act 10 is working in their communities.

Guest on Central, Wisconsin Public Radio, Feb. 10, 2016. Topic: Education Expert Proposes Unified Board For All Milwaukee Schools.

Quoted in the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, January 30, 2016: Pie in the sky? Here’s an idea for turning schools around.

“From Bold Experiment to Status Quo: The Policy Evolution of America’s First Urban School Voucher Program.” Invited Presentation to the UW-Oshkosh African-American Studies Program. November, 2015.

“Accountability and the Role of Schools Boards.” Invited Presentation at the Wisconsin Association of School Boards Legislative Advocacy Conference. November, 2015.

“The State of Communities under 10,000 & Why It Matters for Everyone: Results from a Recent Survey.” Invited Presentation at the 117<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Wisconsin League of Municipalities. October, 2015.

“Evaluating Financial Condition in the Nonprofit Sector.” Invited Guest Lecturer at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, NonProf 958: Topics in Nonprofit Administration: Leadership of Nonprofit Organizations. November, 2015.

“The State of Wisconsin Communities with Under 10,000 Residents.” Invited presentation at the League of Wisconsin Municipalities CEOs Conference. August, 2015.

“Charter School Board Member Productivity: Perceptions and Reality.” Invited Guest Lecturer at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Business Management 725, Governances and Executive Leadership in Non-Profit Organizations. February, 2015.

“Milwaukee Voucher School Leaders’ Views on Accountability: What Are They, and Why do They Matter?” Presented at the Nonprofit Research Colloquium at the Helen Bader Institute for Non-Profit Management, Milwaukee, WI. February 2015.

“Clintonville Public Library Survey.” Presented to the Clintonville, WI Library Board, December 8<sup>th</sup> 2014.

“Communicating with Elected Officials: Lessons for Community Leaders.” Invited presentation at 2014 Leadership Wisconsin Conference, Oshkosh, WI. November 17, 2014.

“Evaluating Financial Condition in a Municipality: Can it Apply to the Nonprofit Sector?”  
Invited Guest Lecturer at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, NonProf 958: Topics in  
Nonprofit Administration: Leadership of Nonprofit Organizations. November 10, 2014.

“Miller’s Bay Neighborhood Plan: Presentation to the Miller’s Bay Neighborhood Association.”  
October 7, 2014.

“Evansville Community Survey: Presentation to the City of Evansville Plan Commission.” May  
5, 2014, with Karl Nollenberger.

“Board Member Conflict, Attitudes Towards the Public, and Responsibilities: A Comparison of  
Charter and Traditional Public School Board Members in Minnesota.” Invited Guest Lecturer at  
the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Public Administration 958: Governance and Executive  
Leadership of Non-Profit Organization. February 17, 2014.

“From Bold Experiment in Privatization to Status Quo: The Policy Evolution of America’s first  
Urban School Voucher Program.” Presented as part of the panel, “Life After Vouchers:  
Expansion, Accountability & Outcomes,” at the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Henry W. Maier State of Milwaukee  
Summit, November 2013.

“Statewide Voucher and Regional Independent Charters: What Lies Ahead?” Presented at the  
Wisconsin Association of School Boards Legislative Advocacy Conference, Stevens Point, WI.  
November 2013.

“Comparing Governance Behaviors on Traditional Public School Boards and Non-Profit Charter  
School Boards in Three Midwestern States.” Presented at the Nonprofit Research Colloquium at  
the Helen Bader Institute for Non-Profit Management, Milwaukee, WI. October 2013 with  
Douglas Ihrke.

Guest on Lake Effect, WUWM Milwaukee, April 18, 2013. Topic: The impact of disruptive  
students on K-12 education.

Panelist at the 2012 Midwest Catholic Education Advocate Conference at Marquette University,  
July 12, 2012.

“Milwaukee K-12 Education,” Presented at the 2012 Alliance for Catholic Education Parental  
Choice Symposium: Marquette University, June 15, 2012.

“Independent Charter School Per-Pupil Payments: Projections and Policy Options.” Presented at  
the Milwaukee Charter School Advocates Seminar Number One, June 27, 2012.

Appearance on Eau Claire, WI WEAU News, “Could Wisconsin Interstates Become Tollways?”  
February 13, 2012

“Wisconsin’s Economy and the Public Mood,” Presented at the Wisconsin Counties Association  
2012 Legislative Exchange, February 7, 2012.

Guest on UpFront with Mike Gousha, WISN Milwaukee, January 15, 2012. Topic: Teacher  
compensation policies.

Panelist at the Illinois Policy Institute Vouchers and the Future of Education in Illinois discussion in Chicago, IL: Feb. 5, 2010.

Guest on WGN Radio's Milt Rosenberg show: September 21, 2009. Topic: Education reform.

Guest on Wisconsin Public Radio's Conversations with Kathleen Dunn: February 28, 2008. Topic: Milwaukee education research.

#### SERVICE/AWARDS AND CONTRACTS

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##### Service to the University

Faculty Advisor to the UW-Oshkosh Student Lacrosse club. Sept. 2015 - Present

Faculty Advisor to the UW-Oshkosh Graduate Student Association. Aug. 2015 - Present

Member of the University of Wisconsin –Oshkosh IRB Committee. Feb. 2014 - Present

##### Service to the Department

Advisor to the Public Administration Minor. Fall 2013 - Present

Chair of Public Administration Department Faculty Search Committee. 2016-2017

Chair of Public Administration Department Assessment Committee. Fall 2013 – 2015

##### Service to the Profession

President of the *Midwest Public Affairs Conference* 2018 - Present

Conference Coordinator, *5<sup>th</sup> annual Midwest Public Affairs Conference* 2018

Chair of the Awards Committee, *4<sup>th</sup> annual Midwest Public Affairs Conference.* 2017

Discussant, *4<sup>th</sup> annual Midwest Public Affairs Conference* 2017

Discussant, *3<sup>rd</sup> annual Midwest Public Affairs Conference.* 2016

Chair of the Awards Committee, *3<sup>rd</sup> annual Midwest Public Affairs Conference* 2016

Discussant, *Annual Conference of the American Society for Public Administration* 2016, 2017

Member of the Midwest Public Affairs Conference Advisory Board. 2015 - 2018

Discussant, *72<sup>nd</sup> Midwest Political Science Association Conference.* 2014

Peer reviewer for: State and Local Government Review, the American Review of Public Administration, Administration and Society, Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs, Public Budgeting, Accounting & Financial Management, Nonprofit & Volunteer Sector Quarterly, Education Policy Analysis Archives, Public Policy and Administration, International Journal of Organizational

Analysis, Public Administration Review, Journal of Nonprofit Education and Leadership, and Public Performance and Management Review.

Service to the Community

President of the Miller's Bay Neighborhood Association	2018 - Present
Member of the Oshkosh, WI United Way Fiscal Health Committee	2018
Member of the City of Oshkosh Plan Commission.	2017- Present
Vice President of the Miller's Bay Neighborhood Association.	2016 - 2018
Member of the Oshkosh, WI United Way Women in Poverty Committee.	2016 - Present
Chair of the Miller's Bay Neighborhood Planning Committee, Oshkosh, WI.	2015

Awards and Contracts

UW Oshkosh College of Letters and Sciences Community Engagement Award.	2018
UW Oshkosh Faculty development grant: <i>Connecting School Board Governance to Performance</i> , for \$5,000.	2017
Collaborator on Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Insight Development Grant: <i>Canadian School Board Governance and School District Performance</i> , for \$61,790 (Canadian). With Nathan Grasse, Carleton University, Jack Lucas, University of Calgary, and Douglas Ihrke, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.	2016 - Present
PAVE Milwaukee: <i>Governance Training Evaluation</i> , \$1,500.	2016-2017
EdChoice: <i>The Fiscal Calculator Project</i> , \$5,000.	2016-2017
American Society for Public Administration Founders' Fellow.	2016
Thomas B. Fordham Institute Emerging Education Policy Scholar.	2016
Awarded contract to conduct the 2014 Clintonville, WI library satisfaction survey.	2014
Awarded contract to conduct the 2014 City of Evansville, WI community needs survey. With Karl Nollenberger.	2013
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Urban Studies Dissertation Grant.	2012
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Urban Studies Graduate Teaching Fellow.	2011-2012

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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*Wisconsin Policy Research Institute* September 2011 - July 2013  
Director of Research  
Hartland, WI

*School Choice Wisconsin* June 2008 - September 2011  
Vice-President of Operations  
Milwaukee, WI

*School Choice Wisconsin* September 2004 - June 2008  
Research Associate  
Milwaukee, WI

*Jason Fields for Wisconsin 11<sup>th</sup> Assembly District* Fall 2006, Fall 2008  
Campaign Manager/Consultant  
Milwaukee, WI

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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American Society for Public Administration  
Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action  
Public Management Research Association  
ICMA