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### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

**Current Position:** Associate Professor in Political Science, University of Hawai'i

2007 - 2013 Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Hawai'i

2005 – 2007 Adjunct Faculty, William S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i  
Research Specialist, Center on Disability Studies, University of Hawai'i

### EDUCATION

University of Hawai'i at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawai'i (1994 - 2002)

Ph.D. in Political Science (May 2002)

Dissertation Title: "Rights on the Road: Disability Politics in Japan and Germany"

Recipient of the 2003 Law and Society Association's Best Dissertation Prize

University of Hawai'i at Manoa: M.A. in Political Science (1993)

Smith College, Northampton, MA: B.A. in Government (1988)

### PUBLICATIONS

#### SINGLE AUTHOR MONOGRAPH

*Rights Enabled: The Disability Revolution* (University of Michigan Press, 2015)

#### PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

"Stories of Life and Death: Anti-Rights Strategies in End-of-Life Discourse" 54 *Studies in Law, Politics and Society* (2011: 77-113)

"A Disability Lens on Sociolegal Research: Reading Rights of Inclusion from a Disability Studies Perspective." 32 *Law and Social Inquiry* 2007: 261-293

"The ADA on the Road: Disability Rights in Germany" 27 *Law and Social Inquiry*, 2006: 901

"From Welfare to Rights – Japanese Disability Law" *Asia-Pacific Law and Policy Journal* 1, 2000: 6

"Between Equality and Difference: The Politics of Disability Rights in Japan" *Japanstudien* 11, 1999: 105

"No One is Perfect: Disability and Difference in Japan" in *Disability in the Foreign Language Classroom*. Tammy Berberi and Elizabeth Hamilton, eds. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2007

"Rights or Quotas? The ADA as a Model for Disability Rights" In *Handbook of Research on Employment Discrimination: Rights and Realities* (Springer, 2005: 237)

### ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES AND EDITED VOLUMES

- "Law and Disability" in *Wiley Handbook of Law and Society*, edited by Austin Sarat and Patricia Ewick, 2015
- "Disrupting States: International Discourses of Indigenous Rights and Responsibilities" Co-editor with Jodi Byrd, *Alternatives* (33: 1), 2008
- "People with Disabilities" in *Encyclopedia of Law and Society: American and Global Perspectives*, David Clark, ed. Sage Publications, 2007
- "Integration von Behinderten in Arbeitsleben" [Integrating People with Disabilities into the Workforce]. In: Legewie & Meyer-Ohle, eds. *Japans Wirtschaft im Umbruch* [Japan's Economy in Transition]. Munich: iudicum Verlag, 1999.

### BOOK REVIEWS

- Review of Bösl, Klein and Waldschmidt, eds. *Disability History: Konstruktionen von Behinderung in der Geschichte*. Review of Disability Studies, in press
- Review of Charles Foster. *Choosing Life, Choosing Death: The Tyranny of Autonomy in Medical Ethics and Law*. *Law and Society Review* 45 (1) 2011: 227
- Review of Carol Poore. *Disability in Twentieth-Century German Culture*. Review of Disability Studies, 6 (3) 2010: 65
- Review of Ruth Colker. *The Disability Pendulum*. Review of Disability Studies 3 (1) 2007: 65
- Review of *Independent Living and Self-Help: A Snapshot of a Social Movement* (World Institute on Disability, 2003) in Review of Disability Studies, 1 (4) 2005: 89
- "Creating Space, Creating Disability" Review of B. Gleeson. *Geographies of Disability*. Theory and Event, 2001.

### CONFERENCE PAPERS

- "Prenatal Testing and Disability Rights: Challenging 'Genetic Genocide' (a paper honoring Adrienne Ash, 1946-2013)", 2015 Law and Society Association Annual Meeting
- "A Disability Studies Response to the Politics of Prenatal Testing" 2015 PacRim International Conference on Disabilities
- Panel Chair and Discussant "Understanding Accommodation as a Civil Right" 2014 Law and Society Association Meeting
- Invited Keynote: 2013 Conference on Japanese Disability Law, Loyola Law School  
"Employment Discrimination Law in Japan and the United States" (March 2013)

Panel Chair and Discussant: "Global and Local Responses to Disability Discrimination: Disability Law and Activism in Canada, Sweden, France, and the United States" 2013 Law and Society Association Meeting

Roundtable Chair and Participant: "What is Disability Legal Studies" 2013 Law and Society Association Meeting

"It's About Ability" – disability human rights, the UNCRPD, and the struggle to implement inclusive education rights for children with disabilities." 2012 Political Science Local-Global Colloquium

Panel Chair: "Global and Local Toolkits: Advocating for Real Change" 2012 Pacific Rim International Forum on Disability Rights

"Resisting Inclusive Education Rights: the CRPD in Japan and Germany" 2012 Law and Society Association International Meeting

"Global and Local Toolkits: Advocating for Real Change" (Panel Chair) 2012 Pacific Rim International Forum on Disability Rights

"Translating the UN Convention: Language and Inclusive Education Rights in Germany" 2011 Law and Society Association Meeting

Panel Chair and Discussant for "Looking for Law in All the Wrong Places: Variation in the Struggles against Discrimination" 2011 Law and Society Association Meeting

New Directions in Equality Research: "Disability Rights and Rational Discrimination" 2011 West Coast Law and Society Retreat in Los Angeles

"Resisting the Analogy: Disability Rights and the Equality Frame" 2010 Law and Society Association Annual Meeting

"Disability Rights and Social Movements: Analogizing our Struggle" 2010 Pacific Rim Conference on Disabilities

Panel Chair for: "Regional Perspectives on Disability Rights and the UN Convention" 2010 International Forum on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

"Feminism and Disability" (Keynote Speaker) 2009 Pacific Rim Conference on Disabilities

"New Developments in Disability Legal Studies" 2009 West Coast Law and Society Retreat

"Better Dead than Disabled? The Disability Movement's Rejection of a "Right" to Die" 2008 Law and Society Association International Meeting

"Rejecting a "Right to Die" - Physician Assisted Suicide in Disability Theory and Activism" 2008 Pacific Rim Conference on Disabilities

Panel Chair for: "Women, Employment, Access and the Law" 2008 International Forum on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

"Rejecting Rights: the Disability Response to Physician Assisted Suicide" Law and Society Association 2006 Annual Meeting.

"Disability and the Politics of Analogy" Law and Society Association 2005 Annual Meeting

"Disability Rights beyond the ADA: Discourse and Strategies in Germany and Japan" Pacific Rim Conference on Disability 2005

"Disability Rights in Japan" (invited presentation) 2005 Sho Sato Conference on Japanese Law. UC Berkeley Boalt Hall School of Law.

Great Books in Law and Society: "The Myth of Rights" Law and Society Association 2004 Roundtable

"A Review of Rights of Inclusion" Law and Society Association 2004 Author meets Reader Roundtable

"Disability Rights on the Road: the ADA in Germany" Institute for Legal Studies Colloquium, University of Wisconsin, Madison. April 2002.

"New Directions in Inequality and Legal Consciousness Research" (invited panelist) Law and Society Association 2003 Roundtable

Panel Organizer and Chair: "From Welfare to Rights: the Global Reach of Disability Law" Law and Society Association Annual Meeting 2003

"Where is the self in self-determination? Mobilizing Mental Disability Rights in Japan." Law and Society Association Annual Meeting 2002

University of Maryland Law School Roundtable on International Disability Rights 2001 (invited participant)

The American Bar Foundation Colloquium Series 2001: "Disability Rights in Germany"

Law and Society Association 2001 Conference: "Rights on the Road: The ADA in Europe"

Western Political Science Association 2001 Conference: "The ADA on the Road: Disability Politics in Japan"

Pacific Rim Conference on Disability 2001: "A Comparison of Disability Education and Employment Policy in the United States and Western Europe."

Society for Disability Studies 2000 Conference: "Disability Rights in Germany"

Law and Society Association 2000 Conference: Panel Organizer for "Comparative Disability Rights"

Pacific Rim Conference on Disability 2000: "Focus group discussions on PSED Supports and Lifelong Learning."

Western Political Science Association 2000 Conference: "Rights or Quotas? Disability Politics in Germany"

#### **FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS**

Teaching Excellence Award, University of Hawai'i College of Social Sciences, 2013  
University of Hawai'i SSRC Travel Grant, 2013  
University of Hawai'i College of Social Science Travel Grant, 2010

“Innovative and Sustainable Teaching Methods and Strategies to Ensure Students with Disabilities Receive a Quality Higher Education.” Office for Postsecondary Education Grant (2005-2008)

University of Hawai'i College of Social Science Travel Grant, 2006

University of Hawai'i Research Council Faculty Travel Grant, 2005

Law and Society Association best dissertation prize, 2003

Law and Social Inquiry best student paper prize, 2002

American Bar Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, 2000-2002

Dissertation Research Fellowship, DIJ Tokyo (German Institute for Japanese Studies), 1998

## TEACHING

### **Associate Professor of Political Science**

POLS 376 “Constitutional Law” (spring 2015)

POLS 393: “The Politics of Health” (spring 2015)

### **Assistant Professor of Political Science**

POLS 660 “The Politics of Equal Rights” (fall 2013)

POLS 374 “Law, Politics and Society” (fall 2013)

POLS 377 “Topics in Law & Society: Children’s Rights” (spring 2013)

POLS 376 “Civil Rights and Liberties” (spring 2013)

POLS 367 “Disability Law and Politics” (fall 2012)

POLS 600 “Scope and Methods” (fall 2012)

POLS 377 “The Politics of Vulnerability” (spring 2012)

POLS 376 “Constitutional Law II” (spring 2012)

POLS 374 “Law, Politics, and Society” (fall 2011)

POLS 376: “Civil Rights and Liberties” (spring 2011)

POLS 660: “Law and the Politics of Analogy” (spring 2011)

POLS 375 “Constitutional Law” (1) (spring 2010)

POLS 375 “Constitutional Law” (2) (spring 2010)

POLS 367 “Disability Law and Politics” (fall 2009)

POLS 600 “Scope and Methods of Political Science” (fall 2009)

POLS 660 “Social Movements and the Law” (2009)

POLS 375 “Constitutional Law” (spring 2009)

POLS 660 “The Politics of Rights” (2008)

POLS 375 “Constitutional Law” (fall 2008)

POLS/SOC 374 “Law, Politics and Society” (spring 2008)

POLS 660 “Public Law and Judicial Systems” (spring 2007)

POLS 374/SOC “Law, Politics and Society” (fall 2006)

POLS 403 “Community Internship” (fall 2006-2009) advisor

POLS 399 “Directed Reading” (fall 2005)

POLS 367 “Disability Politics” (fall 2005)

POLS 374 “Law and Society” (fall 2005) co-taught

### **Adjunct Professor, William S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i**

LAW 520 “Disability Law” (2005-2006)

## **PROFESSIONAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

### Law and Society Association Service:

- Trustee, Law and Society Association (elected, class of 2014)
- Co-founder, “Disability Legal Studies Collaborative Research Network” – international network of disability rights scholars
- Chair, Local Arrangements Committee (2012)
- Program Committee (2012)
- Graduate Student Workshop faculty (2004-2007)

### UHM University Service:

- CDS University Coordinating Committee (2010 - current)
- Paper Judge, UH Honor’s Symposium (2007 - 2013)
- Committee on Human Subjects, Social Science Institutional Review Board (2005-2008)
- CDS Representative to College of Education Senate (2005-2007)
- Center for Teaching Excellence TA Training (disability in the classroom)
- Sexual Harassment Education and Legal Training, UH EEO/AA office

### UHM Political Science Department Committees:

- Hiring, Grants and Awards, Teaching Liaison, Colloquium, Mentoring, Honors, Law & Society Certificate

### Editorial Review Board:

- Disability Studies Quarterly, Review of Disability Studies

### Academic Journal Peer Reviewer:

- Law & Society Review, Review of Disability Studies, Law & Social Inquiry, Contemporary Japan, Social Science Japan Journal