

## Summary of Professional Background

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### Personal Data

Birthdate: June 23, 1942

Address: Political Science Department, University of Montana,  
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### Education

Great Falls Central High School, 1960, valedictorian

A.B., Carroll College, 1964, maxima cum laude (Philosophy, English,  
Latin)

Law School, University of Montana, 1964

M.A., University of Notre Dame, 1967 (American Studies)

M.A.T., University of Notre Dame, 1968 (English-Education)

Ph.D., University of Notre Dame, 1973 (American Government, Public Law)

### Work Experience

English teacher, 1967-1968, John Adams High School, South Bend, Indiana

Assistant Manager and Manager, 1968-1969, Pacific Telephone Company,  
Palo Alto and Hayward, California

Assistant Director, South Bend Manpower Area Planning Council, and  
Administrative Aide to Mayor, 1971-1973, South Bend, Indiana

Instructor and Director of Sophomore Program, Department of Government  
and International Studies, University of Notre Dame, 1972-1973

Director of Research (projects to implement the local government  
article of the 1972 Montana Constitution), University of Montana Bureau  
of Government Research, 1973-1975

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of  
Montana, 1975-1978

Chair, Department of Political Science and Director, Bureau of  
Government Research, University of Montana, 1977-1984; 1985-1987; 2006-

2008

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Montana, 1978-1983

Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Montana, 1983 to present

Acting Director, Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center, University of Montana, 1984-1985; Summer 1991

Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Montana, 1987-1988

Special Assistant to the President for managing Semester Transition and special projects, University of Montana, 1988-1992

Associate Provost, University of Montana, 1992-1995

Special Assistant to the Provost, University of Montana, 1995-1996

## Scholarship

### **Books and Chapters**

Jeanette Rankin: A Political Woman. University Press of Colorado, 2005 (with Jean A. Luckowski).

Tribal Government Today: Politics on Montana Indian Reservations. University Press of Colorado, Revised Edition, 1998 (primary author and editor).

Tribal Government Today: Politics on Montana Indian Reservations. Westview Press, 1990 (primary author and editor).

Planning Small Town America--Observations, Sketches, and a Reform Proposal. American Planning Association, 1990 (with Kristina Ford and Dennis O'Donnell).

"The Supreme Court and Resource Federalism: Commonwealth Edison Co. v. Montana," Western Public Lands and Natural Resources. Rowman and Allenheld, 1984.

We the People of Montana: The Workings of a Popular Government. Mountain Press Publishing, 1983 (editor and principal author).

A State Mandates Local Government Review: The Montana Experience. University of California Studies in Community Policy and Change, 1979 (with Lauren S. McKinsey).

### **Articles**

"National Security and Civil Liberty: Striking the Balance," The Social

Studies. Forthcoming 2006 (with Jean A. Luckowski).

"Uncivil Disobedience," Education Next: A Journal of Opinion and Research. Vol. 5, No. 2, Spring 2005 (with Jean A. Luckowski).

"Montana's 2002 Lost Election," National Journal's "The Hotline," [www.nationaljournal.com](http://www.nationaljournal.com), July 2003.

"Freedom vs. Equality in Campaign Finance Reform," The Social Studies Vol. 93, No. 3, May-June 2002 (with Jean A. Luckowski).

"Montana," Legal Systems of the World, ABC-CLIO, June 2002.

"Critical Thinking about Political Commentary," Journal of Adolescent and Adult Literacy, Vol. 44, No. 3, November 2000 (with Jean A. Luckowski).

"Presidential Character in Election 2000," Social Education, Vol. 64, No. 5, September 2000 (with Jean A. Luckowski).

"States' Rights," Encyclopedia of the U.S. Supreme Court, Salem Press, August 2000.

"Montana's Role in the Free-Speech vs. Equal-Speech Debate," Montana Law Review, Vol. 60, No. 2, Summer 1999.

"Teaching Presidential Impeachment," Social Education, Vol. 63, No. 2, March 1999 (with Jean A. Luckowski).

"The Anomaly of Judicial Activism in Indian Country," American Indian Culture and Research Journal, Vol. 21, No. 2, 1997.

"Local Government under the 1972 Montana Constitution," Montana Law Review, Vol. 51, No. 2, Summer 1990.

"Montana." Read More About It, Volume 3. An Encyclopedia of Information Sources on Historical Figures and Events. Ann Arbor: The Pierian Press, 1989 (with Jean A. Luckowski).

"Daring to be Unscientific." Social Education, Vol. 54, No. 1, January 1990, (with Jean A. Luckowski).

"The Rediscovery of Memory in Teaching Democratic Values." Social Education, Vol. 53, No. 3, March 1989 (with Jean A. Luckowski).

"Voter Review of Local Government (Montana's Second Round)." National Civic Review, Vol. 76, No. 6, November-December, 1987.

"The Montana Supreme Court in Politics." Montana Law Review, Vol. 48, No. 2, Summer 1987.

"The New Federalism of the Supreme Court: Diminished Expectations of National League of Cities." Montana Law Review, Vol. 43, No. 2, Summer 1982.

"Local Government Reform by Referendum." State and Local Government Review, Vol. 11, No. 1, January 1979 (with Lauren S. McKinsey).

"Montana Local Government Review: Reflections on Process and Product." National Civic Review, Vol. 66, No. 7, July 1977 (with Lauren S. McKinsey).

"Montana Local Government Review: In the Home Stretch." National Civic Review, Vol. 65, No. 8, September 1976 (with Lauren S. McKinsey).

"Regulation of Interconnected Electric Utilities: Some Jurisdictional Considerations." Montana Law Review, Vol. 37, No. 1, Winter 1976 (with Dennis R. Lopach).

"Montana Local Government Review: How It's Shaping Up." National Civic Review, Vol. 64, No. 8, September 1975 (with Lauren S. McKinsey).

Two articles in Montana Business Quarterly (e.g., "Forms of Local Government: Can Change Make a Difference?", with Peter Koehn).

Three articles in Montana Public Affairs Report (e.g., "The Coal Tax Challenge").

Other articles in Comparative State Politics Newsletter, Neighborhood Ideas, American Review of Public Administration.

I have written book reviews for The Journal of Politics, The Social Science Journal and the American Indian Culture and Research Journal and reviewed manuscripts for Publius, Policy Studies Journal, the National Science Foundation, the American Indian Culture and Research Journal, and various publishing houses.

Articles being reviewed include "Justice Scalia's New Creed of Federalism" (Brigham Young University Law Review) and "Is Printz a Case of Radical Federalism?" (Publius - The Journal of Federalism).

### **Monographs**

Five monographs in Occasional Papers in Local Government, University of Montana Bureau of Government Research (e.g., Conducting a Local Government Transition: A Manual for Local Government Study Commissioners).

Five monographs in Occasional Series, University of Montana Bureau of Government Research (e.g., Tribal Constitutions: Their Past--Their Future, with Margery H. Brown and Kathleen Jackson).

Five pamphlets in the Public Affairs Series of the Montana Cooperative Extension Service (e.g., "Charter Writing in Montana:

A Citizen's Guide").

Four papers in Local Government Review Bulletins, Montana Commission on Local Government (e.g., "Small Town Government in Montana").

### **Research Reports and Papers**

"Consolidating the Finance and Treasurer Offices," a 1998 research report funded by the City of Missoula, Montana (with Jonathan Tompkins).

"Committed Lands - Capturing the Benefits of Growth," a 1988 series of research reports concerning local government infrastructure efficiency funded by the Northwest Area Foundation (with Kristina Ford and Dennis O'Donnell).

"Implementing Voter Review of Local Government II," a 1983 series of research reports funded by and presented to the Office of the Montana Governor.

"The Influence of PACs in Montana Politics," a 1982 research report funded by Common Cause and Common Cause/Montana.

"The State of Research at the University of Montana," a 1979 research report presented to the state committee of Montanans on a New Track for Science, a project of the Montana University System funded by the National Science Foundation.

"Reforming the Montana Major Facilities Siting Act," a 1978 research report presented to the legislature and administration of the State of Montana under a Ford Foundation grant for State Environmental Management.

I have presented papers at meetings of the following associations: Western Political Science Association; National Municipal League's National Conference on Government; Western Social Science Association; Montana Academy of Sciences; Montana Education Association; National Council for the Social Studies, Montana Council for the Social Studies.

### University and Community Service (Selective)

Founder and Chair of Editorial Board, Montana's Agenda, public policy newsletter

Collective Bargaining and Contract Management (chair of administration team)

Semester Transition Committee (chair)

Master's Program in Public Administration (director)

Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center (chair of founding and implementation committees)

Harry S. Truman Scholarship Program (faculty representative)

Silent Sentinel Senior Honorary Society (faculty advisor)

College of Arts and Sciences Executive Committee (member)

Academic Program Review Task Force for Law School and Business School (chair)

Faculty Senate (member)

University Teachers Union Executive Board (member)

NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative

University of Montana Athletic Committee (member)

University of Montana Public Policy Research Institute (chair of founding and advisory committees)

Taft Seminar for Teachers: American Indians, American Politics (director)

History Teaching Alliance Seminar on the Constitution (co-director)

Montana State Government Committee on Management Training (member)

Missoula Home Rule Study Committee (member)

National Issues Forum (co-director)

Jefferson Meeting on the Constitution (co-director)

Montana University System Core Curriculum (chair of social sciences committee)

National Council for the Social Studies Workshop: Native Americans and the Bill of Rights (co-director)

National Bicentennial Competition on the Constitution and Bill of Rights (congressional district co-coordinator; national competition judge)

Montana Committee for the State Centennial and U.S. Bicentennial (member)

Montana Boys State (counselor and program advisor)

Consultant to local government charter commissions

Consultant to Montana Common Cause

Expert witness, Office of the Montana Attorney General

USIA Academic Specialist, University College of Belize (academic administration consultant)

Courses Taught

American Government

American Presidency

State and Local Government

Judicial Process

Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

Constitutional Law

Administrative Law

Administrative Regulation Seminar

Public Finance Seminar

Montana Politics Seminar

American Indians, American Politics Seminar