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Education

PhD, Political Science | **University of Massachusetts Amherst** | 2023
Dissertation: "Alternative Power: The Politics of Denmark's Renewable Energy Transition."

MA Philosophy | **Virginia Tech** | 2011
MA Political Science | **Virginia Tech** | 2010
MS Science and Technology Studies | **Virginia Tech** | 2009
BA Professional Writing | **Michigan State University** | 2007

Teaching Appointments

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| Visiting Assistant Professor, Politics, Mount Holyoke College Courses Taught: 104 American Politics, 106 Comparative Politics, 248 Science, Technology and Public Policy, 248 Defense Against the Dark Arts, 273 Public Policy, 387 U.S. Environmental Politics, 387 Environmental Political Thought, First-Year Seminar: Energy, First-Year Seminar: Politics and Truth | 2021-Present |
| Visiting Assistant Professor, Politics, University of Hartford Courses Taught: 110 (and Honors 170) Power and Politics in America, 140 Ideas that Changed the World, 201P Conduct of Political Inquiry, 340 Classical Political Thought, 342 American Political Thought, 381 Internship in Politics and Government, 399ST Political Theory of the Environment | 2018-2021 |

Publications

Book Chapter

Darrow, Robert. 2018. "Is Renewable Energy Technology Revolutionary?" In *Spaces for the Future: A Companion to Philosophy of Technology*. Edited by Joseph C. Pitt and Ashley Shew. New York: Routledge.

Book Review

Darrow, Robert. 2015. "The National Politics of Nuclear Power: Economics, Security, and Governance." *Energy Research & Social Science* 7, 124-126.

White Paper

Darrow, Robert and Hess, David. 2010. "Michigan" and "Ohio" chapters in *Building Clean-Energy Industries and Green Jobs: Policy Innovations at the State and Local Government Level*. With David A. Banks, Joseph Datko, Jaime D. Ewalt, Rebecca Gresh, Matthew Hoffmann, Anthony Sarkis, Logan D.A. Williams, and David J. Hess. Science and Technology Studies Department, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. <http://www.davidjhess.org/greening-of-economic-development.html>. Supported by National Science Foundation Grant #SES-0947429.

Selected Journalism

"After Paris: Adapting to American Abdication of Climate Governance," *Energy World*, 28 February 2025.
"Congress Allows Gun Violence to Fester." *The Detroit News*, 13 February 2024.
"They Might Be Giants." *Pioneer*, July 2013.
"Ripe for the Picking." *The Grand Rapids Press*, 26 July 2007.

Awards and Honors

Mount Holyoke College

Faculty Research Grant | Summer 2022, Summer 2024 (\$5,000)

UMass Amherst

Fellow, NSF IGERT Offshore Wind Energy Program | National Science Foundation Grant # 1068864 | 2012-2017 (\$60,000 stipend plus tuition and travel)

IGERT Offshore Wind Energy International Internship Grant | 2015 (\$9,000)

Summer Research & Writing Grant | Department of Political Science, Graduate Research Initiative Program | 2012, 2015, 2017 (\$7,500)

Dominion Power

Official Commendation from CEO for Generation David A. Christian for my work on “Surry's Hardest Day,” a film documenting the deadliest nuclear accident in American history. | 2011

Michigan State University

Graduated with Honors

Distinguished Freshman Scholarship (4-year full tuition academic scholarship)

National Merit Scholar

Selected Conference and Colloquia Presentations

“Ecological Tools for Political Analysis.” Climate Pipeline Project, Harvard University. Cambridge, Massachusetts. June 2022.

“An Ecological Turn in Political Science?” Western Political Science Association. Portland, Oregon, March 2022.

“Governing the Renewable Transition: Policy Lessons from Danish Wind Development.” American Political Science Association. Boston, Massachusetts. August 2018.

“Power by the People? The Decline of Community Wind Development in Denmark.” Western Political Science Association. Vancouver, Canada, April 2017.

“Renewable Power in Sight: The Politics of Visibility in Danish Wind Energy Development.” Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, Illinois, April 2016.

“Why Do Wind Turbines Have Three Blades?” UMass IGERT Offshore Wind Seminar Series, Amherst, Massachusetts, February 2015.

“Do Wind Turbines Have Politics?” Society for Philosophy and Technology. Lisbon, Portugal, July 2013.

“Regulating Mountaintop Removal Coal Mining in West Virginia.” UMass Amherst Environmental Working Group. Amherst, Massachusetts, November 2012.

“Frustrated Publics and the Illusion of Regulatory Transparency.” Society for Philosophy and Technology. Denton, Texas. May 2011.

“A Public Challenge to Mining Get Buried in Red Tape” Political Sociology of Science and Technology. Troy, New York, April 2011.

“Thinking About Innovation.” Society for the Philosophy and Technology. Enschede, the Netherlands, July 2009.

“A Foucauldian Interpretation of Kinsey’s Legacy.” 5th Global Conference on Persons & Sexuality. Salzburg, Austria, November 2008.

Selected Professional Service and Outreach

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| 2020 - Present | Reviewer, <i>Techne: Research in Philosophy and Technology</i> |
| 2018-2021 | Faculty Supervisor, Pi Sigma Alpha, University of Hartford, Department of Politics, Economics and International Studies |
| 2018-2021 | Organizer, Brown Bag Seminars, University of Hartford, Department of Politics, Economics and International Studies |
| 2018-2020 | Volunteer Coordinator, Model United Nations, World Affairs Council of Connecticut |
| 2017 | Presenter, “Offshore Wind Energy: A New Frontier for Massachusetts,” Western Mass Green Consortium, Northampton, MA. |
| 2017 | Panelist, “Succeeding in Graduate School: Advice from Outstanding Students in the Social Sciences, Education, and Public Health,” UMass Graduate School Orientation. |
| 2011-2016 | Participant, Environmental Working Group, Department of Economics, UMass Amherst. |
| 2016 | Organizer, UMass IGERT Offshore Wind Energy Denmark Trip. |
| 2015-2016 | Participant, Environment and Sustainability Working Group, Institute for Social Science Research, UMass Amherst. |
| 2013-2014 | Volunteer Instructor, “The Challenges of Siting Offshore Wind Farms,” UMass Amherst Science Quest. |
| 2009 | Panel Chair and Registration Volunteer, <i>The Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting</i> , Washington, D.C. |
| 2009 | Panelist, “Whither STS? A Discussion on the State of the Field,” STS Seminar Series, Blacksburg, Virginia. |
| 2009 –2010 | President, Science and Technology Studies Graduate Student Organization. |
| 2008 –2009 | Co-chair, <i>STS Across Borders</i> Conference Planning Committee, Virginia Tech. |

Additional Teaching Experience

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| Instructor, History and Political Science, Worcester State University Courses Taught: 220 European Politics, 110 American Government | 2019-2020 |
| Instructor, Political Science, Clark University Courses Taught: 157 U.S. Environmental Politics | 2019 |
| Instructor, Johns Hopkins CTY at Princeton University Courses Taught: Science, Technology and Public Policy | 2018 |
| Instructor, Department of Political Science, UMass Amherst Courses Taught: 271 Modern Political Thought, 203 American Political Thought, 399J Interpretation and Analysis, 191 Political Science First Year Seminar | 2015-2017 |
| Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, UMass Amherst Courses Assisted: 101 Introduction to American Politics, 181 Controversies in Public Policy, 201 American Politics Through Film | 2017-2018 2011-2012 |
| Instructor, Department of Philosophy, Virginia Tech Courses Taught: 1304 Morality and Justice | 2010-2011 |
| Instructor, ASA Summerfuel at UMass Amherst Courses Taught: Foundations in American Law, Law and Society, Speech and Debate | 2016, 2012 |

Research and Professional Experience

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| 2017 | Research Assistant to Eve Vogel, Department of Geosciences, UMass Amherst. Assisted with preparation of NSF grant proposal, "How Sustainable is Deregulated Electricity? An Investigation of Market Restructuring, Hydropower, Rivers and Communities," to the National Science Foundation Geography and Spatial Sciences Program. |
| 2012-2015 | Founder and Editor, <i>Pioneer</i> magazine, Northampton, MA. |
| 2011 | Research Assistant to the CEO for Generation, Dominion Power. |
| 2010 | Research Assistant, The Greening of Economic Development, National Science Foundation Grant #SES-0947429. Principal Investigator: Professor David Hess, Department of Science and Technology Studies, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. |
| 2009 | Research Assistant to Richard Rich, Professor of Political Science, Virginia Tech. |
| 2008 | Copyeditor, <i>To Test or Not To Test: A Guide to Genetic Screening and Risk</i> by Doris Teichler Zallen. |

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| 2007 | Research Intern, University Research Corridor Initiative, Michigan State Office of the Vice President for Governmental Affairs. |
| 2007 | Freelance Reporter, <i>The Grand Rapids Press</i> , Grand Rapids, MI. |
| 2006 | Staff Reporter, <i>Traverse City Record-Eagle</i> , Traverse City, MI. |
| 2006-2007 | Staff Reporter, <i>The State News</i> , East Lansing, MI. |
| 2003-2006 | Research Assistant, Dantus Research Group, Michigan State University Department of Chemistry. |