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#### **Professional Career**

Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, University of Maryland, 1965-2001.

Professor Emeritus, 2001 to the present.

#### Selected recent publications and papers

#### Books

Gandhi: Struggling for Autonomy. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 1998; Delhi: Sage of India, 2000.

Republican Paradoxes and Liberal Anxieties: Retrieving Neglected Fragments in Political Theory. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 1997.

# **Edited works**

Democratic Political Theory: A Reader coedited with Thomas Conte. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 2001.

Interactions: Foreign Policy as Public Policy (co-edited with Don Piper). Washington: American Enterprise Institute, 1983.

## **Chapters in books**

Mahatma Gandhi, Encyclopedia of Political Thought, Sage Publications, 2008

Encounters with Modernity and Tradition, in *Letting Be: Fred Dallmayr's Cosmopolitical Vision* edited by Stephen Schneck. Notre Dame, IN: Notre Dame University Press, 2006.

"Gandhi's Politics, *Gandhi's Experiments with Truth*, edited by Richard L. Johnson. Lanham, MD: Lexington Press, 2006.

- "Gandhian Autonomy in the Late Modern World," in *Gandhi, Freedom, and Self-Rule* edited by Anthony Parel. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 2000. In the series, "Comparative Political Theory."
- "Leo Strauss and the Republican Tradition," in *Leo Strauss, the Straussians, and the Study of the American Regime* edited by Kenneth Deutsch and John Murley. Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield, 1999.
- "Gandhian Politics," in *New Perspective and Dimensions on Gandhi* edited by V. T. Patil. New Delhi: Inter-India Publications, 1989.
- "Expanding Equality of Opportunity: The Case of Nehru," in *Studies on Nehru* edited by V. T. Patil. New Delhi: Sterling Publications, 1987.
- "The Fruits of Success and the Crisis of Liberalism" in *Liberals on Liberalism* edited by Alfanso Damico. Totowa: Roman & Littlefield, 1986.
- "Gandhi's Democratic Theory," in *Political Thought of Modern India* edited by Thomas Pantham and Kenneth Deutsch. New Delhi: Sage of India, 1986.

- "The Liberal Language of Rights: From Locke to Rawls," in *Political Thought and Political Theory* edited by Bhikhu Parekh and Thomas Pantham. New Delhi: Sage of India, 1986.
- "The Psychoanalytic Basis of Gandhi's Politics," in *Studies on Gandhi* edited by V.T. Patil. New Delhi: Sterling Publishers, 1983.

#### Articles

- "Challenging Grand Narratives and the Fatalism They Sponsor," Gandhi Mary 28, 4 (March, 2008), 423-36.
- "Gandhi: Nonviolence and Violence," Journal of Power and Ethics: An Interdisciplinary Review 2(3), 2001, 213-42.
- "Teaching Democracy: A Survey of Courses in Democratic Theory" Perspectives on Politics 1, 1 (March, 2003).
- "Problemazing Modernity: Gandhi=s Decentering Impulse," Gandhi Marg 23, 1 (June 2001).
- "Recovering the Political Aristotle" with David Moore, American Political Science Review 94, 4 (December 2000).
- "Political Metaphors: Markets or Oligopolies," Associations September 1999.
- "Gandhi and the Autonomous Woman" with Nitis das Gupta, Journal of Gandhian Studies. 1998.
- "Gandhi and Moral Autonomy," Gandhi Marg, 13, 4 (March 1992).
- "Punishing Liberals or Rehabilitating Liberalism?" American Political Science Review, 83, 4 (Dec., 1989).
- "Conflict and Coalition: The Hobbesian Foundations of Formal Theory," Political Science Review, 1985.
- "Retrieving Pluralism," Ethics, 94 (July 1, 1984).
- "Positive Political Theory and Heresthetics: The Axioms and Assumptions of William Riker," *Political Science Reviewer*, 1984.

#### Papers and presentations at professional conferences

- "Fatalism, Skepticism, and Hope in Gandhi=s Democratic Politics," University of Calgary, 2007.
- "Gandhi's Challenge to Modern Democracy," Miami University of Ohio, October 2007.
- Roundtable on Frank Bryan's Real Democracy, American Political Science Association, September 2004
- "Democratic Citizenship in an Era of Disengagement," Southern Political Science Association, January 2004
- "Working Myths and Democratic Politics," American Political Science Association, September, 2003
- "Power and Democracy" Midwest Political Science Association, April 3-6, 2003."
- "Gandhi and Terrorism" Midwest Political Science Association, April 3-6, 2003.
- "Whose Realism? Which Reality?" American Political Science Association, September 2001.
- "Pluralism: Modern and Postmodern," Midwest Political Science Association, April, 2001.
- "The New Fatalism and Democratic Politics," American Political Science Association, Sept. 2000
- "A Gandhi's Critique of Class and Caste," Midwest Political Science Association, April, 2000.
- "Problematizing Modernity and Modernization: Gandhi's Decentering Impulse," American Political Science Association, Sept. 1999.

"Gandhi and Autonomy," Central American Philosophical Association, May, 1999.

"Gandhi, Tradition, and Cultural Globalization," Western Political Science Association. March, 1998.

"Political Metaphors: Markets or Oligopolies," American Political Science Association, Sept. 1998.

"Democracy and Our Discontents," Northeast Political Science Association, Nov., 1997.

"Democratic Citizenship Revisited," American Political Science Association, Sept. 1997.

"Gandhi on Modernity and Modernization," American Political Science Association, Sept. 1996.

"The Stakes of Citizenship and the Citizen's Stakes," American Political Science Association. Sept. 1995.

"The Cultures of Liberalism," Southern Political Science Association, Nov. 1994.

"Civic Realism and Contemporary Democratic Theory," American Political Science Association, Sept. 1994.

- "Reconstituting the Founding: Machiavelli, Lincoln, and Political Rhetoric," Roundtable on Political Myth, Rhetoric, and Symbolism, American Political Science Association, Sept. 1993.
- "Noisy Democrats: Machiavelli and Rousseau," Paper, Southwestern Political Science Association Meetings, March, 1993

"A Rawlsian Reading of Gandhi," International Political Science Association, Paris, 1985.

## **Book Reviews**

Books reviewed in American Political Science Review, Journal of Politics, Political Theory, Review of Politics, Utilitas, Ethics, Choice, Gandhi Marg, Perspectives on Political Science, Political Science Review, Human Rights Quarterly, Social Indicators, and World Affairs.

#### **Selected Professional Activities**

Offices in national organizations

Foundations of Political Theory: Chair 1982-83, 1988-92; Member, Board of Directors, 1993-96; Member, Best Paper Award Selection Committee, 1997; Chair and organizer for the 2002 American Political Science Association, Foundations of Political Theory Section.

Conference for the Study of Political Thought: Chair, Spitz Award Selection Committee for the best book in liberal democratic theory, 1992-93. Member of the Spitz Award Committee, 1987-1989 and 1993-2000. Conference for the Study of Political Thought: 1977-1996. Co-convener: Baltimore-Washington Section.

American Political Science Association: member, Committee on Organized Sections, 1989-92; member, President's Advisory Committee on Organized Sections, 1993; member, Committee to Review Editor of *Perspectives on Politics*, 2006.

Editorial Advisory Board, Journal of Gandhian Studies, 1996 to the present. International Journal of Gandhian Studies, 2007.

External doctoral examiner at the following Indian Universities: Karnatak, Orisa, Mysore, North Bengal, and Sambalpur.

Delivered a series of lectures on modern Western political theory, American political theory and Gandhi=s political theory at the Universities of Delhi, Baroda, and Rajasthan, January 1994; at the Universities of Delhi and Baroda, January, 1989 and Nehru University and the University of Baroda, March 1984.

#### **Honors and Awards**

"Outstanding Book of the Year" (1998) for Gandhi: Struggling for Autonomy by Choice: The Journal of Research and University Libraries

Elected to Omicron Delta Kappa, Pi Sigma Alpha, Phi Kappa Phi

Lilly Fellowship, 1993-94.

Various University, College, and Departmental Teaching Excellence Awards, between 1971 and 1992.

University of Maryland, Faculty Mentor of the Year Award, 2001.

Who's Who in the East (Latest entry, 1999).

Who's Who in America, 2000 to the present.

## **Research Interests**

Liberal democratic theory. Classical Liberalism: Locke, Smith, and J. S Mill. Gandhi's political theory with special emphasis on his critique of modernity and modernization. Civic realism.

# **Selected Courses Previously Taught**

History of Political Theory: Ancient and Modern (undergraduate and graduate) Contemporary Political Theory (undergraduate) American Political Theory (undergraduate and graduate) Political Theories of Gandhi (undergraduate) Democratic Political Theory (graduate) Modernity and Its Critics (graduate) Teaching Political Science (graduate) Various courses in the department's and university's honors programs.