

CURRICULUM VITA

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Program Director, Master of Public Administration (MPA) Program, University of Dayton, 2018-Present

Associate Professor (Tenured), Department of Political Science, University of Dayton, 2018-Present

Sustainability Scholar, Hanley Sustainability Institute, University of Dayton, 2019-Present

Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track), Department of Political Science; Core Faculty, Master of Public Administration (MPA) Program, University of Dayton, 2012-2018

Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track), Department of Political Science, West Virginia State University, 2010-2012

Director, Herndon Fellowship Program, West Virginia Legislature, 2011-2012

Senior Fellow/Associate, Center for Sustainable Urban Neighborhoods (SUN), Urban Studies Institute, University of Louisville, 2007-Present

University Fellow/Graduate Assistant, Urban & Public Affairs, University of Louisville, 2007-2010

Adjunct Instructor, Political Science, University of Louisville, 2009-2010

Research Assistant/Intersession Instructor, The Johns Hopkins University, 2005-2007

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Urban Policy & Administration, School of Urban & Public Affairs, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky, May 2010

Exam Fields (Passed with Distinction): Public Policy Analysis & Evaluation, Organizational Theory & Behavior, Urban Politics & Government, Urban & Social Policy

Committee: John Gilderbloom (Chair), Steve Koven, Hank Savitch, Carrie Donald, Jason Gainous, Corwin Smidt (Calvin College)

M.A. (MPP), Public Policy, Institute for Policy Studies (now Institute for Health & Social Policy), Bloomberg School, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, May 2007

Concentrations: Urban Policy, Management Systems

Graduate Certificate: Nonprofit Studies, Center for Civil Society Studies/Carey Business School

B.A., *magna cum laude*, Political Science, York College of Pennsylvania, May 2005

Concentration: International Studies; *Minors*: Religious Studies, Philosophy

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Dayton: *Introduction to Public Administration* (undergraduate); *Public Policy Analysis* (undergraduate); *Religion & Politics* (undergraduate); *Christianity, Citizenship, & Society* (undergraduate honors); *Cities: Our Past, Our Future* (undergraduate; both on-campus & abroad in Ireland/UK; honors & non-honors sections); *Space Exploration Policy: Toward a Spacefaring Society* (undergraduate; online & on-campus; honors & non-honors sections); *Public Sector Human Resource Management* (graduate); *Fiscal Administration/Public Budgeting* (graduate); *Quantitative Methods* (graduate); *Applied Research Techniques* (graduate); *Urban Politics & Policy* (online; both graduate & undergraduate); *Housing & Community Development* (online; both graduate & undergraduate); *Faith-Based Social Policy* (online; both graduate & undergraduate)

Other Universities: *American Government*; *State & Local Government*; *Public Administration*; *Politics & Public Policy*; *Politics & Religion in America*; *Urban Political Economy*; *Urban Politics & Government*; *International Relations*; *Senior Seminar in Research Methods*; *Graduate Research Seminar*; *Faith-Based Social Policy in the U.S.*

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Public Policy & Administration, Institutional & Organizational Theory, Urban Politics & Governance, Urban & Housing Policy, Political Behavior & Public Opinion, Political Geography, Religion & Politics, Faith-Based Social Policy, Nonprofit Studies, Space/Science Policy, Social Capital/Networking, Social Science Research Methods (Quantitative & Qualitative)

Research Interests

- Social science perspectives on outer space activities & US space exploration policy
- The governance of mid-sized urban regions with emphasis on public support for the scale of government & governance, including city-county consolidation & other regional initiatives
- Effects of religious institutional structures & doctrines on policy preferences & organizational attitudes, particularly emphasizing regional governance models & space exploration
- Management & metropolitan outreach/service activities of Protestant megachurches
- Contemporary neighborhood housing dynamics within metropolitan areas since 2000 & policies meant to improve neighborhoods & their social/housing conditions, in particular housing equity
- Other interests: geography of presidential elections, portrayal of religious & political institutions on fictional television shows, land banking & vacant housing demolition, education policies (including vouchers) for students with learning disabilities, social media use by community associations, & social capital generation on social media platforms

RESEARCH & CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

Journal Articles, Book Chapters, & Reviews

- Ambrosius, J. D.** (2023). Toward a spacefaring society: Enhancing undergraduate general education and learning outcomes with space policy course themes. *Space Policy*, *65* (101535), 1-11.
- Ambrosius, J. D.** (2020). Reexamining the 'separation of church and space': Evangelical Protestant support for space exploration in the Trump-Pence age. *Religions*, *11*, 590 (Special Issue: "The Mutual Influence of Religion and Science in the Human Understanding and Exploration of Outer Space"). <https://doi.org/10.3390/rel11110590>
- Ambrosius, J. D.** (2016). Blue city...red city? A comparison of competing theories of core county outcomes in U.S. presidential elections, 2000-2012. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, *38*(2), 169-195.
- Ambrosius, J. D.** (2016). "Our cosmic future? How religion might shape it," in *Touching the Face of the Cosmos: On the Intersection of Space Travel and Religion*, edited by Paul Levinson & Michael Waltemathe. New York: Fordham University Press.
- Ambrosius, J. D.** (2016). Review of the book *Religion and Community in the New Urban America*, by Paul D. Numrich & Elfriede Wedam. *Urban Studies*, *53*(14), 3131-3134.
- Ambrosius, J. D.** (2016). Review of the dissertation *Supersized Christianity: The Origins and Consequences of Protestant Megachurches in America*, by David E. Eagle. *Dissertation Reviews* (Economic History section). <http://dissertationreviews.org/archives/13568>
- Ambrosius, J. D.** (2015). Separation of church and space: Religious influences on public support for U.S. space exploration policy. *Space Policy*, *32*(May), 17-31.
- Ambrosius, J. D., & Valenzano, J. M., III** (2015). "People in hell want Slurpees": The redefinition of the zombie genre through the salvific portrayal of family on AMC's *The Walking Dead*. *Communication Monographs*, *83*(1), 69-93.
- Ambrosius, J. D., Gilderbloom, J. I., Steele, W. J., Meares, W. L., & Keating, D.** (2015). Forty years of rent control: Reexamining New Jersey's moderate local policies after the Great Recession. *Cities*, *49*(Dec.), 121-133.
- Hanka, M. J., **Ambrosius, J. D.**, Gilderbloom, J. I., & Wresinski, K. E. (2015). Contemporary neighborhood housing dynamics in a mid-sized U.S. city: The policy consequences of mismeasuring the dependent variable. *Housing and Society*, *42*(1), 40-68.

Ambrosius, J. D., & Gilderbloom, J. I. (2015). Who's greener? Comparing urban and suburban residents' environmental behaviour and concern. *Local Environment: The International Journal of Justice and Sustainability*, 20(7), 836-849.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2015). Review of the book *Religion and Organization Theory*, edited by Paul Tracey, Nelson Phillips, & Michael Lounsbury. *Sociology of Religion: A Quarterly Review*, 76(2), 246-247.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2014). Review of the book *God Talk: Experimenting with the Religious Causes of Public Opinion*, by Paul A. Djupe & Brian R. Calfano. *The Journal of Politics*, 76(4), e25.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2013). Review of the book *Rob Bell and a New American Christianity*, by James K. Wellman, Jr. *Review of Religious Research*, 55(4), 647-649.

Gilderbloom, J. I., Hanka, M. J., & **Ambrosius, J. D.** (2012). Without bias? Government policy that creates fair and equitable property tax assessments. *American Review of Public Administration*, 42(5), 591-605.

Gilderbloom, J. I., **Ambrosius, J. D.**, Squires, G. D., Hanka, M. J., & Kenitzer, Z. E. (2012). Investors: The missing piece in the foreclosure racial gap debate. *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 34(5), 559-582.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2011). Religion, politics, and polity replication: Religious differences in preferences for institutional design. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Research on Religion*, 7(9), 1-35. https://www.religiournal.com/articles/article_view.php?id=56

Ambrosius, J. D., Gilderbloom, J. I., & Hanka, M. J. (2010). Back to black...and green? Location and policy interventions in contemporary neighborhood housing markets. *Housing Policy Debate*, 20(3), 457-484.

Gilderbloom, J. I., Hanka, M. J., & **Ambrosius, J. D.** (2009). Historic preservation's impact on job creation, property values, and environmental sustainability. *Journal of Urbanism*, 2(2), 83-101.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2009). Why urbanists need religion. *Urban News* (Newsletter of the Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association), 23(1), 2-6.

Policy & University Reports

Ambrosius, J. D. (2023). *2020 Ward boundary study*. Clayton, OH: City of Clayton.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2020). *MPA Self-Study Report, 2019-2020*. Submitted in Support of Reaccreditation of the University of Dayton MPA Program to the Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, & Administration (NASPAA).

Ambrosius, J. D. with MPA Faculty. (2020). *Plan for Inclusive Excellence*. University of Dayton MPA Program.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2013). *2010 Ward boundary study*. Clayton, OH: City of Clayton.
-Recommendations were accepted & enacted Nov. 1, 2013 in Council Ordinance No. O-10-13-18.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2012). *Intent to plan: Master of Public Administration (MPA) graduate degree*. Approved by West Virginia State University Board of Governors & the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission. Institute, WV: West Virginia State University.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2012). *West Virginia State University planning grant for STEM program evaluation and improvement: Faculty and student survey results*. Commissioned by the College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics under National Science Foundation (NSF): Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCU) – Undergraduate Program (UP) [NSF 11-519]. Institute, WV: West Virginia State University.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2008). *Feeding the lambs: Youth engagement and development activities of southern megachurches*. Durham, NC: Southern Growth Policies Board.

Center for Faith-Based & Community Initiatives. (2007). *Ready4Reentry: Prisoner reentry toolkit for faith-based and community organizations*. Washington, DC: United States Department of Labor, uncredited in document (authorship letter available).

Ambrosius, J. D., et al. (2006). *Neighborhoods left behind in Baltimore's housing boom*, Occasional paper No. 30. Baltimore, MD: Johns Hopkins Institute for Policy Studies.

Research in Progress or Unpublished Working Papers

Space [and] Race: A 'Sister Nell' Effect on Black Americans' Space Orientation?

Chatting with the 'Nextdoor' Neighbors: Social Capital Generation on Community-Based Social Media.

Collecting in Community: Building Virtual and Real-World Social Capital in Facebook Groups
Teaching and (un)learning: Reflections on teaching and evaluating public policy communication skills.

Religion & Sustainability on a Catholic University Campus

School district variation in state vouchers awarded to students with learning disabilities.

Outer space and the states: Do NASA investments in state space economies produce issue publics for space exploration?

Religion and regionalism: Studying Catholic support for city-county consolidation using administrative, survey, and experimental data.

Joining Jerusalem and Judea: Do megachurches shape support for regional reforms to metropolitan governance?

Megachurch-based regionalism: Exploring the practices of urban-suburban partnerships, regional branch campuses, and regional church plants.

Marketing multisite megachurches: A website content analysis and case study comparison with multi-campus hospitals.

Invited Presentations & Conference Presentations/Service

Ambrosius, J. D., "Teaching Space Policy to Undergraduate Students through General Education: Discussion of Need and Documentation of Practice," Space Education & Strategic Applications 2022 Conference (virtual), Policy Studies Organization, September 2022.

Ambrosius, J. D., "To Boldly Go Where No LMS Has Gone Before: Lessons from a Space Exploration Course," SakaiCon 2022 (virtual), July 2022.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Chatting with the 'Nextdoor' Neighbors: Use of a Niche Social Media Platform by Communities in the Dayton, Ohio, Region." Urban Affairs Association (UAA) 50th Anniversary Meeting, Washington, DC, April 2022.

Ambrosius, J. D. Moderator, "Growing Social and Political Capital through Place-based and Virtual Neighborliness." Urban Affairs Association (UAA) 50th Anniversary Meeting, Washington, DC, April 2022.

Ambrosius, J. D., "Race & Space in a Struggling & Unequal America," Central State University (invited), Wilberforce, OH, February 2022.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Chatting with the Nextdoor Neighbors: Use of a Niche Social Media Platform by Community Leaders and Members in the Dayton, Ohio, Suburbs." Spotlight on Technology, Arts, Research and Scholarship (STARS; invited), Dayton, Ohio, November 2019.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Serving Nonprofit-Oriented Students in a Political Science Departmental Context." Invited panel organizer/moderator & presenter. Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, & Administration (NASPAA) Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, October 2018.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Bridging the Separation of Church and Space." Roger That! Conference: A Celebration of Space Exploration in Honor of Roger B. Chaffee (invited), Grand Rapids, Michigan, February 2018.

Ambrosius, J. D. "A Gap in the Hedge?: Evangelical Outliers Uniting Church and Space." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR) Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, October 2017.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Joining Jerusalem and Judea: Do Megachurches Shape Support for Regional Reforms to Metropolitan Governance?" Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR) Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, October 2016.

Ambrosius, J. D., Convener, "Religion and Urban Life." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR) Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, October 2016.

Ambrosius, J. D., Convener/Discussant, "Religion and Poverty." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR) Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, October 2016.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Separation of Church and Space? How Religion Shapes Our Views of Space." Interfaith Lecture Series (invited), Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua, New York, July 2016.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UcQnaODdo-0>

Ambrosius, J. D. & Philips, R. "Marketing Multisite Megachurches: A Website Content Analysis and Case Study Comparison with Multi-Campus Hospitals." Religious Research Association (RRA) Annual Meeting, Newport Beach, California, October 2015.

Ambrosius, J. D. "'The Gods are Blind'? George R.R. Martin's *A Song of Ice and Fire* and HBO's *Game of Thrones* as Religio-Political Simulations." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR) Annual Meeting, Newport Beach, California, October 2015.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Our Cosmic Future? Policy, Political, and Religious Perspectives." Miami Valley Astronomical Society (invited), Dayton, Ohio, August 2015.

Ambrosius, J. D. & Steele, W. "Outer Space and the States: Do NASA Investments in Space Economies Produce Issue Publics for Space Exploration?" Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 2015.

Ambrosius, J. D., Discussant, "Public Policy Poster Session." Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 2015.

Hanka, M., Scheller, D. S., Terrazas, D., & **Ambrosius, J. D.** "City-County Consolidation: Factors Affecting its Consideration and Adoption." Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 2015.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Religion and Regionalism: Studying Catholic Support for City-County Consolidation using Administrative, Survey, and Experimental Data." Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Annual Meeting, Miami, Florida, April 2015.

Ambrosius, J. D., Steele, W., & T. Kroeger. "At the Tipping Point: Identifying Neighborhoods for Land Bank Action." Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Annual Meeting, Miami, Florida, April 2015.

Ambrosius, J.D. “Does Religion Stand in the Way of Serious Space Exploration?” Religious Research Association (RRA) Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana, November 2014.

Ambrosius, J. D. “Multisite Megachurches: Motivated from Within or Without?” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR) Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana, November 2014.

Ambrosius, J. D. & Valenzano, J. M., III. “‘People in hell want Slurpees’: The Salvational Potential of Familial, Political, Religious, and Scientific Institutions on AMC’s *The Walking Dead*.” Politics, Literature, and Film section, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 2014.

Ambrosius, J. D. “Teaching and (Un)learning: Reflections on Teaching Public Policy Communication Skills to Political Science Undergraduates.” Teaching Political Science section, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 2014.

Steele, W. **Ambrosius, J. D.**, Gilderbloom, J., Keating, W. D., & Meares, W. “Forty Years of Rent Control: Reexamining the Impact of Moderate Rent Controls on New Jersey Cities After the Crash.” Midwest Public Affairs Conference (MPAC), Fort Wayne, Indiana, April 2014.

Ambrosius, J. D., Gilderbloom, J. I., Keating, W. D., Steele, W., & Meares, W. “Forty Years of Rent Control: Reexamining the Impact of Moderate Rent Controls on New Jersey Cities After the Crash.” Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, March 2014.

Gilderbloom, J. I., Squires, G. D., Capek, S., **Ambrosius, J. D.**, & Meares, W. “Environmental Degradation, Place, and Premature Death.” Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, March 2014.

Invited Participant & Institutional Representative, “Toward a Field of Interfaith Studies”, Interfaith Youth Core/New York University, New York City, NY, January 2014.

Ambrosius, J. D. “Regionalists and Religionists: Faith, Social Justice, and the Consolidation of Power in the City.” Faith, Social Justice, & the City section, Fourth International & Interdisciplinary Conference on Emotional Geographies, *Rijksuniversiteit Groningen* (University of Groningen), Groningen, The Netherlands, July 2013.

Squires, G. D., Hanka, M. J., Kenitzer, Z. E., **Ambrosius, J. D.**, & Gilderbloom, J. I. “Investors: The missing piece in the foreclosure racial gap debate.” The Law & Society Association (LSA) International Meeting, Boston, Massachusetts, May 2013.

Ambrosius, J. D. “God and Globalism: Antithetical or Synonymous?” *The Salon* (invited “Provocateur”), University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, April 2013.

Bright, E. E., Hassan, A. H., & Reilly, C. P. with **Ambrosius, J. D.** “Megachurch-Based Regionalism.” Brother Joseph W. Stander Symposium, University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, April 2013.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Blue City, Red City: A Comparison of Competing Theories of Urban Outcomes in Presidential Elections, 2000-2012." Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 2013.

Ambrosius, J. D., Chair, "Psychological and Political Conceptions of Space." Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 2013.

Ambrosius, J. D. "It's Identity, Stupid: How Urban Support Sustained President Obama's Re-Election During Tough Economic Times." Kentucky Political Science Association (KPSA) Annual Meeting, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, March 2013.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Homelessness: The View from Political Science." Homeless in America Teach-In, University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, November 2012.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Red City, Blue City: Changes in the Urban Electorate for Presidential Elections, 2000-2008." Kentucky Political Science Association (KPSA) Annual Meeting, Campbellsville University, Campbellsville, Kentucky, March 2012.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Foreclosing on Black Communities: Why?" Faculty Lecture Series, West Virginia State University, Institute, West Virginia, September 2011.

Gilderbloom, J. I., Squires, G. D., **Ambrosius, J. D.**, Hanka, M. J., & Kenitzer, Z. "Why are Foreclosures Highest in African American Neighborhoods? A Case Study of a Mid-Sized City." 51st European Congress of the Regional Science Association International/37th Spanish Regional Science Association Conference, Barcelona, Spain, August 2011.

Gilderbloom, J. I., **Ambrosius, J. D.**, Squires, G. D., Kenitzer, Z., & Hanka, M. J. "Why Are Foreclosures Highest in African American Neighborhoods? A Case Study of a Mid-Sized City." International Sociological Association, Sociology of Urban and Regional Development Research Committee, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, July 2011.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Religion, Politics, and 'Polity Replication'." Faculty Lecture Series, West Virginia State University, Institute, West Virginia, April 2011.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Toward a Theory of 'Polity Replication.'" Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, & Culture (ASREC) Tenth Annual Conference, Washington, DC, April 2011.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Congregants, Culture & City-County Consolidation in Louisville, Kentucky." Kentucky Political Science Association (KPSA) Annual Meeting, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky, March 2011.

Anacker, K. B., Gilderbloom, J. I., **Ambrosius, J. D.**, & Kenitzer, Z. "Analyzing the Effect of Walkability and Other New Urbanist Variables on House Values in Louisville." Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) 51st Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN, October 2010.

Hanka, M. J., **Ambrosius, J. D.**, & Gilderbloom, J. I. "Back to Black...and Green? Location and Policy Interventions in Contemporary Neighborhood Housing Markets." Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 2010.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Religion and Regionalism: Congregants, Culture, and City-County Consolidation in Louisville, Kentucky." SUPA Speaker Series, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky, March 2010.

Ambrosius, J. D. "'Little Boxes' or Just Boxed In? Limitations on City-County Consolidation and Cooperation in Mid-Sized Cities within Megalopolises." Southeastern Conference on Public Administration (SECOPA) Fortieth Annual Meeting, Louisville, Kentucky, October 2009.

Anacker, K. B., Gilderbloom, J. I., **Ambrosius, J. D.**, & Hanka, M. J. "Capturing Contemporary Housing Dynamics in Jefferson County, KY: The Difference Operationalization of the Dependent Variable Can Make." Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) Fiftieth Anniversary Annual Conference, Crystal City, Virginia, October 2009.

Hanka, M. J., Gilderbloom, J. I., & **Ambrosius, J. D.** "Race, Suburbs, and Investors: Predicting High-Foreclosure Neighborhoods." Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) Fiftieth Anniversary Annual Conference, Crystal City, Virginia, October 2009.

Hanka, M. J., Gilderbloom, J. I., & **Ambrosius, J. D.** "Spatial Location, Minority Neighborhoods and the Role of Investors in Predicting Foreclosures." Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 2009.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Four Factors Limiting the Potential of City-County Consolidation and Cooperation in York, Pennsylvania." Pennsylvania Political Science Association (PPSA) Annual Meeting, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, March 2009.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Still in the City: Explaining Consolidation's Inability to Develop Fair Share Housing Policy." Kentucky Political Science Association (KPSA) Annual Meeting, University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky, March 2009.

Ambrosius, J. D., Gilderbloom, J. I., & Hanka, M. J. "Different Data, Different Deal: Comparing Three Sources of Neighborhood Housing Value." Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, March 2009.

Hanka, M. J., Gilderbloom, J. I., & **Ambrosius, J. D.** "Race, Suburbs, and Bad Decisions: Predicting High-Foreclosure Neighborhoods." Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, March 2009.

Gilderbloom, J. I., Hanka, M. J., & **Ambrosius, J. D.** "Capturing Contemporary Housing Dynamics: Neighborhood Value versus Change." Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, March 2009.

Ambrosius, J. D., Gilderbloom, J. I., & Hanka, M. J. "Slumburbia? Distance, Foreclosures, and Suburban Housing Values." Rethinking Transportation for a Sustainable Future Conference, Louisville, Kentucky, October 2008.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Why Urbanists Need Religion." Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR) Annual Meeting, Louisville, Kentucky, October 2008.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Feeding the Lambs: Youth Engagement and Development Activities of Southern Megachurches." Religious Research Association (RRA) Annual Meeting, Louisville, Kentucky, October 2008.

Ambrosius, J. D., Moderator, "Current Diversity Topics." Twenty-ninth Annual International Industrial Relations & Human Resources Conference, Louisville, Kentucky, October 2008.

Ambrosius, J. D., Gilderbloom, J. I., & Hanka, M. J. "Back to Black...and Green? Evidence of a Downtown Housing Boom in Louisville, Ky., 2000-2006." Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP)/Association of European Schools of Planning (AESOP) Fourth Joint Congress, Chicago, Illinois, July 2008.

Ambrosius, J. D. "Back to Black...and Green? Contemporary Housing Dynamics in a Medium-Sized U.S. City." Urban and Regional Development & Real Estate Research Conference, *Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien* (WU Wien), Vienna, Austria, May 2008.

Select Blog & Media Contributions

Ambrosius, J. D. (2022). "This Course Takes College Students Out of this World – and Teaches Them What it Takes to Become Space Pioneers." *The Conversation*, Dec. 5. (<https://theconversation.com/this-course-takes-college-students-out-of-this-world-and-teaches-them-what-it-takes-to-become-space-pioneers-193499>).

Ambrosius, J. D. (2019). "Whom you supported in 'Game of Thrones' says a lot about your real-world politics." *Monkey Cage* blog, *The Washington Post*, May 24 (<https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2019/05/24/who-you-supported-game-thrones-says-lot-about-your-real-world-politics/>).

Interviewed for: Brownstein, R. (2019). "Why Trump's favorite 2016 map should scare him." *The Atlantic*, Oct. 3.

Interviewed for: King, D. (2019). "Marianne Williamson's presidential candidacy shines light on 'A Course in Miracles.'" *The Columbus Dispatch*, Aug. 17.

Interviewed for: Kowarski, I. (2019). "How to choose between an MBA and an MPA degree." *U.S. News & World Report*, Mar. 7.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2018). "The separation of church and space: How our religious lives could impact humanity's future in space — and the very survival of our species" (Cover story).

University of Dayton Magazine, Spring, 42-46

(https://issuu.com/ecommons/docs/10.3_udm_spring2018_archive).

-Also: "Out of this world, and in this classroom," 46.

Selection of media interviews/articles citing "Separation of Church & Space" research:

-*The Atlantic* ("Mike Pence's outer-space gospel" by Marina Koren; "Why Sci-Fi has so many Catholics" by Grayson Clary); *Catholic News Service* ("Aliens, demons or PSYOPS? Catholics study, debate UFO allegations," printed in *Detroit Catholic*; "Study suggests faith influences opinion about space exploration," reprinted in numerous outlets including *America Magazine*, as "Space for Faith", & at least 10 diocesan publications); *Space.com* ("Study Eyes Influence of Religion on Future Space Exploration" by Leonard David, *Space Insider*—garnered approximately 25,000 *Facebook* "likes" over several postings; "How to Bolster Space Exploration: Get Religious Groups Onboard" by Elizabeth Howell); *The Week* ("Why Christians should get on board with space exploration" by Jonathan Merritt, faith & culture reporter); *Religion News Service* ("Interstellar religion? How religion shapes views of space exploration" by political scientist Tobin Grant); & many other websites & blogs reprinting or responding to these.

-Fullam, C. (2015). "Separation of church and space." *University of Dayton Magazine*, Winter, 13.

Ambrosius, J. D. & Lumpkin, J. (2017). "Elections, we should remind ourselves, are fickle things that defy single narratives." Invited contribution. *USAPP United States Politics & Policy* blog, London School of Economics, Nov. 21 (<http://bit.ly/2jbXeHw>).

Ambrosius, J. D. (2016). "Clinton Performed Very Well in Most Urban Areas Relative to Obama, Despite Losing the Rustbelt—and the Presidency with It." Invited contribution. *USAPP United States Politics & Policy* blog, London School of Economics, Nov. 22 (<http://bit.ly/2gG2QMi>).

Interviewed for: Canon, S. and Helling, D. (2016). "Who we are shows up in uncomfortable ways in long campaign." *The Kansas City Star*, Nov. 6.

Interviewed for: Frolik, C. (2016). "Some say merger plan doesn't go far enough." *Dayton Daily News*, Feb. 19.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2015). "Presidential candidates in 2016 should not underestimate the power of urban identity—it allowed Obama to halve Bush's urban victories." Invited contribution. *USAPP United States Politics & Policy* blog, London School of Economics, Mar. 19 (<http://bit.ly/109Q14k>).

Grant, T. (2015) "How do Americans balance science and religion? A Q&A on recent research with Joshua Ambrosius." *Corner of Church & State, Religion News Service*, Feb. 23 (<http://religionnews.com/2015/02/23/americans-balance-science-religion-qa-recent-research/>).

Florida, R. (2015). "What Makes a Dense Urban County Vote Republican?" *The Atlantic CityLab*, Feb. 9 (<http://www.citylab.com/politics/2015/02/what-makes-a-dense-urban-county-vote-republican/385299/>).

-Summary of my research on red & blue cities in presidential elections.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2014). "What Does it Mean to be 'Pro-Science'? (and Why it Matters for Space Exploration)." Invited contribution. *The BioLogos Forum: Science & Faith in Dialogue*, Dec. 15 (<http://biologos.org/blog/what-does-it-mean-to-be-pro-science-and-why-it-matters-for-space-exploratio>).

Bruggers, J. (2014). "Watterson Expressway: Louisville's Green Divide." *Courier-Journal*, Louisville, Kentucky, Aug. 2014.

-Summary of my research on environmental attitudes/behaviors in urban & suburban Louisville.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2012). "Did Christmas come early for urban Democrats?" *Dayton Daily News*, Dayton, Ohio, Nov. 18.

Ambrosius, J. D. (2008). "City unlikely to attract Baltimoreans." *York Sunday News*, York, Pennsylvania, Feb. 24.

UNIVERSITY & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

University of Dayton Service

Elected Representative, Graduate Leadership Council, 2020-2021; 2023-Present

Co-Chair, Tenure & Promotion Committee, Department of Political Science, 2022-Present
(Member, 2018-Present)

Member, Interdisciplinary Tenure & Promotion Committee, Hanley Sustainability Institute, 2020-Present

Chair, MPA Program Faculty Committee, Department of Political Science, 2018-Present

Convener, MPA Advisory Board, Department of Political Science, 2018-Present

Member, Graduate Academic Affairs Committee, College of Arts & Sciences, 2018-Present

Member, Dissertation Committee for Abigail Barany, "Key Qualification Indicators for Major Gift Donors," Doctorate in Leadership for Organizations, 2022-2023.

Member, Tenure & Promotion Committee, College of Arts & Sciences, 2021-2023

Advisor & Induction Event/Annual Lecture Coordinator, University of Dayton Chapter of *Pi Alpha Alpha*: The Global Honor Society for Public Affairs & Administration, 2015-2018

Member, MPA Program Faculty Committee, Department of Political Science, 2012-2018

Honors Thesis Advisor, Spring 2015-Spring 2016 (Bender, M., "Preachers, Politics, and the Pulpit: The Influence of Church Structure on How Clergy Approach Political Topics and How Congregations Receive Their Messages"); Spring 2016-Spring 2017 (Kramer, A., "Social & Economic Development Effects of the Olympics on Surrounding Host Communities")

Site Coordinator (with A. Bresnahan & J. Combs), *Study Abroad on the Emerald Isle*
-Planned & led trip with 23 undergraduates to study in Belfast, Northern Ireland, UK (Queen's University Belfast; with the Institute for Irish Studies) & Dublin, Ireland (University College Dublin); Taught "Cities" interdisciplinary social science course while using host cities as sites of learning, Summer 2015

Consultant, *(Ir)reconcilable Faith & Reason* theater production (Michelle Hayford, Director), Spring 2015

Special Interest Housing Advisor, Spring 2014-Spring 2015

Program Faculty for Chaminade Scholars honors program, 2013-2015

Contributing Faculty, Common Academic Program (CAP) Social Science, 2013-Present
-Participated in workshops, created pilot course, & continue to regularly participate in assessment of the university social science student learning outcomes

Academic Advisor, Spring 2013-Present
-Advised several dozen undergraduate Political Science students & all MPA students since 2018

West Virginia State University Service

Member, National Science Foundation (NSF) STEM Planning Grant Internal Advisory Committee; Social Science Consultant for student, faculty, & industry survey processes, 2011-2012

Member, Academic Appeals Committee, 2011-2012

Member (College of Business & Social Sciences representative), Education Policies Committee, 2011-2012

Coordinator, Master of Public Administration (MPA) Intent to Plan process, 2010-2012

-Created program plan with mission, strategies, enrollment projections, & curriculum

-“Intent to Plan” application approved by West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission, Fall 2012

-MPA program began operations under the inaugural director in the Fall 2015 semester

Campus Coordinator/Legislative Liaison, West Virginia Legislative Internship Programs (Frasure-Singleton Internship, Herndon Fellowship, & Higher Education Policy Commission Internship), 2010-2012

Member, Appalachian Development Center Committee, 2010-2012

Member (at-large Assistant Professor), Faculty Grievance Committee, 2010-2011

Other Professional Service

AP Exam Reader/Table Leader, U.S. Government & Politics, College Board/Educational Testing Service, Daytona Beach, FL, June 2011; Salt Lake City, UT, June 2012/2013/2014/2016/2017/2018/2023; Extended Session, Princeton, NJ, June 2013; Distance Reading 2019/2020/2021/2022
-Read & scored over 20,000 essays for college credit

Member, Graduate Student Travel Awards Committee (by request of the SSSR President Corwin E. Smidt), Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR), Annual Meeting, 2016-2017
-Reviewed over 80 applications & awarded \$15,000 in travel assistance

Journal Referee: *Space Policy; Journal of Urban Affairs; Cities; State & Local Government Review; Housing Studies; Housing Policy Debate; Review of Religious Research; & Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*

Program Director, Judith A. Herndon Legislative Fellows Program, West Virginia Legislature; *Ex Officio* Member, Joint House-Senate Intern Committee, Charleston, WV, 2011-2012

Other Community Service

Coordinated community-engaged research projects (with MPA 510-511 Students): Carlisle, Ohio (2015-2016), Riverside, Ohio (2016-2017), Clearcreek Fire District (2017-2018), Levitt Pavilion Dayton (2018-2019), Crains Run HOA/multiple City of Dayton neighborhood associations (Nextdoor online survey; 2020-2021); UD Facilities Management and Planning (campus

sustainability survey & analysis for STARS reporting; 2021-2022/2022-2023), & Five Rivers MetroParks (OutdoorX event surveys; 2019-2020/2023-2024)

Volunteered as consultant, SouthBrook Christian Church, Miamisburg, Ohio, 2014-2020
-Data analysis, congregational survey, reports/presentations to board/staff, & assistance with service delivery & multi-site campus planning

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE/DEVELOPMENT

Professional Development

University of Dayton: *E-Learning Fellows* (ELF) graduate (2020); *Associate Professor Inquiry, Reflection, and Exploration* (AsPIRE) program (2019); *LTC Studio Fellows* program—coordinator of Teaching Scholarship track (Spring 2015), *Teaching Fellows* program (Fall 2013-Spring 2014), “Unheard Voices” Community Engagement Book Read, Fitz Center (Spring 2014), Second Year Faculty Retreat (Spring 2014), Interfaith Youth Core conference & training (January 2014), CAP Social Science Pilot retreat & workshops (Summer/Fall 2013, Summer/Fall 2014), Grant Seekers Workshop Series (Fall 2013), First Year Dean’s Breakfast Series (2012-2013)

Several dozen Continuing Education Units awarded, College Board/Educational Testing Service, 2011-Present

Pollsters & Parishioners: Seminar on Survey Research Methods for Studying American Religion, The Paul B. Henry Institute for the Study of Christianity & Politics, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 2009

Fulbright Summer School, Research Institute for Spatial & Real Estate Economics, Vienna University of Economics & Business Administration, Vienna, Austria, May-June 2008

Research & Management Experience

Senior Research Fellow/Associate, Center for Sustainable Urban Neighborhoods (SUN), Urban Studies Institute, University of Louisville, 2007-Present

-Contributed to numerous research projects (including several as primary investigator) on contemporary neighborhood dynamics resulting in 7 peer-reviewed publications & numerous conference presentations

Assistant Coordinator, Central Baltimore Partnership; Consultant, Goldseker Foundation (for McNeely Legal Services), Baltimore, MD, 2006-2007

-Mentored in community & organizational development by Joseph B. McNeely, founder of the Development Training Institute (DTI)

- Worked to revitalize several distressed central city neighborhoods in cooperation with a coalition of three area universities, Baltimore City agencies, & numerous private developers, resident associations, & community organizations
- Prepared a report for the Mayoral Transition Team, supported redevelopment efforts, organized backing for policy changes at the state & local levels, & provided research support for the foundation, consultants, & partnering organizations

Secretary Elaine L. Chao Graduate Fellow, United States Department of Labor, Center for Faith-Based & Community Initiatives, Washington, DC, May-September 2006

- Researched community-based prisoner reentry initiatives in cities across the U.S., conducted four site visits, & authored a manual based on best practices from the *Ready4Work* demonstration program for faith-based & community organizations

Policy & Strategic Development Intern, Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning, Baltimore, MD, 2006

- Researched proposed legislation, testified at Maryland General Assembly hearings, & supported the Executive Director's Comprehensive Action Plan to eliminate childhood lead poisoning in Maryland's housing stock by 2010

Research Assistant, Working Poor Families Project, Johns Hopkins Institute for Policy Studies, Baltimore, MD, 2005-2006

- Synthesized data on policies affecting the working poor for project funded by Casey, Ford, Joyce & Mott Foundations

GRANT AWARDS, HONORS, & FELLOWSHIPS

E-Learning Fellows Award (\$3,250) for creation of an exemplary online course, University of Dayton, Spring-Summer 2020

Liberal Arts Scholarship Catalyst Grant (\$6,593), College of Arts & Sciences, University of Dayton, Summer 2019

Research Seed Grant (\$3,000) & Grant-in-Aid (\$500), Forum on the Catholic Intellectual Tradition Today, Summer 2015

Research Seed Grant (\$5,000) & Grant-in-Aid (\$1,500), Research Council, University of Dayton, Summer 2014

Course Development Grant (\$1,000), Common Academic Program (CAP) Social Science Pilot, University of Dayton, Summer 2014

Jack Shand Research Grant (\$5,000), Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, 2013-2014

Course Development Grant (\$2,500), Common Academic Program (CAP) Social Science Pilot, University of Dayton, Summer 2013

Research Seed Grant (\$4,000) & Grant-in-Aid (\$1,000), Forum on the Catholic Intellectual Tradition Today, Summer 2013

David Hughes Memorial Award for most outstanding paper presented by a faculty member, Kentucky Political Science Association, March 2013

Urban & Public Affairs Outstanding Dissertation Award, University of Louisville, May 2010

Graduate Dean's Citation, University of Louisville, May 2010

The Honor Society of *Phi Kappa Phi*, University of Louisville, inducted 2010

Graduate Research Assistantship, School of Urban & Public Affairs, University of Louisville, 2009-2010

Pass with Distinction, Policy & Administration Ph.D. Field Exam, Urban & Public Affairs, University of Louisville, May 2009

Pollsters & Parishioners Seminar Scholarship & Travel Grant, Calvin College, 2009

Best Student Paper Award, American Society for Public Administration, Metropolitan Louisville Chapter, 2008

University Fellowship, Graduate School, University of Louisville, 2007-2009

Southern Research Fellow (\$1,000 grant), Southern Growth Policies Board, 2008

Fulbright Travel Scholarship, Fulbright Summer School, Vienna, Austria, 2008

Academic Scholarship, Johns Hopkins University, 2005-2007

Alpha Chi, National College Honor Scholarship Society (all majors), inducted 2005

Pi Sigma Alpha, The National Political Science Honor Society, inducted 2004

Dean's Academic Scholarship, York College of Pennsylvania, all semesters 2001-2005

Dean's List, York College of Pennsylvania, all semesters, 2001-2005

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Current: Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, & Administration (NASPAA) Principal Representative since 2018

Previous: Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR); Urban Affairs Association (UAA); American Political Science Association (APSA; Urban Politics & Religion and Politics organized sections); Midwest Political Science Association

SOFTWARE KNOWLEDGE

Microsoft Office suite; SPSS; STATA; ArcGIS & GeoDa (intermediate to advanced)

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

John Gilderbloom, Ph.D. (Professor of Urban & Public Affairs, University of Louisville; Director, Center for Sustainable Urban Neighborhoods): jgild01@louisville.edu

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