

# Seth R. Wright, MPA

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## **EDUCATION**

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**Ph.D., Political Science, *University of Utah*** (ABD) Spring 2023 (Expected)

Fields: Public Administration, Comparative Politics, and American Government

Committee Members: Christopher A. Simon (Chair), Peregrine Schwartz-Shea, Jesús N. Valero, M. Hakan Yavuz, Gregorio Bettiza

Dissertation: *Transparency as a Politics of Experience: What is the experience of City Managers with Open Meeting Policy, and how does it mean for local governance?*

**Master of Public Administration, *University of Utah*** 2015

**Bachelor of Arts, International Studies, *University of Utah*** 2012

**Associate in Arts, International Studies, *Salt Lake Community College*** 2012

## **LANGUAGES**

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Spanish – Fluent

Armenian – Intermediate

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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Carter, David P., Adams, Ian A., Wright, Seth R., Scott, Tyler A. (2022)

“Appraising the Administrative Burden of USDA Organic Certification: A Descriptive Analysis of Notice of Noncompliance Data” *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development*. Published, 03/12/2022

## **MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW**

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Wright, Seth R. “Rorschach Moves: Surfacing Social Ontologies and Conceptual Understandings via Ordinary Language Interviews in Public Administration Research” *Submitting to Public Integrity in 2022*

## **WORKING PAPERS**

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Wright, Seth R. “How do you know? Using Ibero-American Magical Realism Literature to Teach Research Methods Inside the MPA Classroom” *Submitting to Journal of Public Affairs Education in 2023*

Wright, Seth R. "Transparency as a Politics of Experience: How Open is Transparent Government?" *Submitting to Public Administration in 2023*

Wright, Seth R. "Public Ethics of Care as an Approach to Open Meetings in Local Government" *Submitting to Administration & Society in 2023*

Wright, Seth R. "Confronting Iatrogenic Effects of Racial Category Construction in Local Government: A Postmodern Case Study" *Submitting to Administrative Theory & Praxis in 2023*

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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Todd Mitchell Teaching Award Recipient 2022  
*The University of Utah, Department of Political Science*

<b>Fall 2022</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 2700-070/ <i>Intro to PA</i>	In-Person	12
	POLS 1100-001/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	In-Person	258
	POLS 1100-071/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	In-Person (intensive)	18
	POLS 1100-070/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	In-Person	25
	POLS 3910-001/ <i>Hinckley Forum</i>	In-Person	49
<b>Spring 2022</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 3200-070/ <i>Law &amp; Politics</i>	In-Person	29
	POLS 3001-070/ <i>Political Analysis</i>	In-Person	29
	POLS 1100-005/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	In-Person (intensive)	42
	POLS 3910-001/ <i>Hinckley Forum</i>	In-Person	42
<b>Fall 2021</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 1100-070/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	In-Person	40
	POLS 1100-071/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	In-Person (intensive)	23
<i>TA</i>	POLS 3320-001/ <i>Policy Analysis</i>	Online	38
	POLS 5321-001/ <i>Health Policy</i>	Online	40
	POLS 3910-001/ <i>Hinckley Forum</i>	Online	46
<b>Summer 2021</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 2200-090/ <i>Comparative Politics</i>	Online (asynchronous)	29
	POLS 3001-090/ <i>Political Analysis</i>	Online (asynchronous)	43
<b>Spring 2021</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 1100-050/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	Online (intensive)	43
	POLS 3001-070/ <i>Political Analysis</i>	Online	38
	POLS 3910-001/ <i>Hinckley Forum</i>	Online	46

<b>Fall 2020</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 1100-002/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	In-person (intensive)	35
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 1100-070/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	Online	40
<i>TA</i>	POLS 1100-090/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	Online	736
<i>TA</i>	POLS 3160-001/ <i>Campaign Management</i>	Hybrid	33
<i>TA</i>	POLS 6690-001/ <i>Fdns. of Intl. Security</i>	Online	6
<b>Summer 2020</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 3001-090/ <i>Political Analysis</i>	Online (asynchronous)	35
	POLS 2700-090/ <i>Intro to Public Admin</i>	Online (asynchronous)	40
<b>Spring 2020</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 1100-050/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	In-person (intensive)	44
<i>TA</i>	POLS 2100-001/ <i>Intro to Intl. Security</i>	Online	83
<i>TA</i>	POLS 6004-001/ <i>Qual+ Research Methods</i>	In-person	7
<b>Fall 2019</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 1100-071/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	In-person (intensive)	25
<i>TA</i>	POLS 3140-001/ <i>Gender &amp; Politics</i>	In-person	46
<b>Summer 2019</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	POLS 2200-090/ <i>Comparative Politics</i>	Online (asynchronous)	13
<b>Spring 2019</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>TA</i>	POLS 6004-001/ <i>Qual+ Research Methods</i>	In-Person	11
<i>TA</i>	POLS 1100-090/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	Online	126
<b>Fall 2018</b>	<b>Course #</b>	<b>Modality</b>	<b>Student #</b>
<i>TA</i>	POLS 1100-092/ <i>U.S. Government</i>	Online	131

## **ACADEMIC CONFERENCES & INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

Panel Presenter, “How do you know? Using Ibero-American Magical Realism Literature to Teach Research Methods Inside the MPA Classroom” 2022  
*The Public Administration Theory Network Conference*

Panel Presenter, “Transparency as a Public Ethics of Care” 2022  
*American Society for Public Administration Conference*

Panel Presenter, “Transparency as a Politics of Experience: What is the experience of City Managers with Open Meeting Policy, and how does it mean for local governance?” 2021  
*American Society for Public Administration Conference*

Panel Presenter, “Transparency as a Politics of Experience”

<i>The Public Administration Theory Network Conference</i>	2021
Panel Presenter, “Scholarly Identity in a Post-Truth Era” <i>The Public Administration Theory Network Conference</i>	2019
Panel Presenter, “Social Science Soma: Using Science Fiction Themes of Resistance to Meet Link Theory and Practice Inside the MPA Classroom” <i>The Public Administration Theory Network Conference</i>	2019
Panel Presenter, “How Does Disunity of Method in Social Science Benefit Social Scientists?” <i>American Society for Public Administration Conference</i>	2018
Poster: “Armenia’s Road to eHealth: Causative Impact on eHealth Literacy via Gaps in Post-Soviet Armenia’s Digital Divide” <i>Consortium of Universities for Global Health, Yale University</i>	2016
Presenter, “Sources of Health Information and Relative Impact Among Women in Armenia,” <i>Unite for Sight Global Health &amp; Innovation Conference, Yale University</i>	2015
Poster: “New media sources and women's health in Armenia: Determining relevant health information sources for women in Armenia” <i>Consortium of Universities for Global Health, Yale University</i>	2014

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

<i>American Society for Public Administration</i>	2018-current
<i>Public Administration Theory Network</i>	2018-current
<i>Pi Alpha Alpha Global Honor Society for Public Affairs &amp; Administration</i>	2016-current
<i>NAACP – Salt Lake Branch</i>	2020-current

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

<i>Public Administration Theory Network</i> Board of Directors	2020-present
<i>American Society for Public Administration – Section for Criminal Justice &amp; Administration</i> Social Media Manager	2022-present
<i>Police Practice &amp; Research: An International Journal</i> Social Media Manager	2022-present
<i>Pi Alpha Alpha Global Honor Society for Public Affairs &amp; Administration</i> University of Utah Chapter	2016-present

<i>Graduate Student Advisory Committee</i>	2018-2020
Department of Political Science, University of Utah	
<i>Retention, Promotion, &amp; Tenure (RPT) Committee member</i>	2017; 2020; 2021
Department of Political Science, University of Utah	
<i>Peer Reviewer</i>	2020-present
Journal of Public Affairs Education (JPAE)	

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

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Todd Mitchell Teaching Award Recipient	2022
University of Utah, Department of Political Science	
Distinguished Fellow, <i>Pi Alpha Alpha, University of Utah Chapter</i>	2020-2021
Funded doctoral student, <i>University of Utah</i>	2018-2021
The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, <i>Syracuse University</i>	2018
Consortium of Universities of Global Health Travel Award	2016
Unite for Sight Global Health & Innovation Conference Travel Award	2016
Unite for Sight Global Health & Innovation Conference Travel Award	2015