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### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Public policy history; local economic development; urban planning and infrastructure; civic culture; law and economic change; leadership and decision-making.

### **CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS**

Book manuscript: "Re-Inventing South Beach: Public Policy and Economic Development on Miami Beach, 1920-2000."

Article: "Enclosing the City: Resort Architecture and Urbanism in Miami Beach, 1915-1967."  
Currently in preparation for the *Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians*.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

*Building Gotham: Civic Culture and Public Policy in New York City, 1898-1938* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2003).

- Urban History Association Best Book in North American Urban History (2002)
- Public Works Historical Society Abel Wolman Award [best book in public works history] (2003)

"God's Waiting Room: The Rise and Fall of South Beach as an Unplanned Retirement Community, 1950-2000," *Journal of Aging Studies* 46 (September 2018): 58-75.

"The Rise and Fall of Copa City, 1944-1957: Nightclubs and the Evolution of Miami Beach." *Florida Historical Quarterly* 95 (Spring 2017): 538-576.

"El papel cambiante del poder judicial en la normativa urbana: Edward Bassett y el desafío institucional de las leyes de zonificación en Estados Unidos," in *La ciudad y sus reglas: Ensayos sobre las prácticas jurídicas que sí importan*, Antonio Azuela, Coordinador (Ciudad de México: Consejo Editorial de Libros del Instituto de Investigaciones, 2016), 175-203. ["The Changing Role of Judicial Power in Urban Rule-making: Edward Bassett and the Institutional Challenge of Zoning Laws in the United States."]

- “Micro-Incentives and Municipal Behavior: Fiscal Federalism and Political Decentralization in Argentina and Mexico,” *World Development* 77 (January 2016): 231-248. Co-authored with Heidi Smith.
- “New York, New York: 1896-1929,” in *Cities in American Political History* (Washington, DC: CQ Press, 2011), 352-358.
- “‘Leadership Can’t Be Taught’: Teaching Leadership to MPA Students,” *Journal of Public Affairs Education* 14,1 (Spring 2008): 91-110.
- “The Skyscraper and the City: Schultze & Weaver’s New York Hotels,” in *Grand Hotels of the Jazz Age: The Architecture of Schultze & Weaver*, Marianne Lamonaca and Jonathan Mogul, eds. (New York: Princeton Architectural Press, 2005), 66-85.
- “Law Makes Order: The Search for Ensemble in the Skyscraper City, 1890-1930,” in *The American Skyscraper: Cultural Histories*, Roberta Moudry, ed. (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2005), 38-62.
- “Creating A Positive Future for a Minority Neighborhood Negatively Impacted by Transportation Policy: The Case of Overtown in Miami,” *Journal of Urban Affairs* 24,1 (2001): 75-95. Co-authored with Milan Dluhy and Sidney Wong.
- “Cooperation, Capture, and Autonomy: The Interstate Commerce Commission and the Port of New York Authority in the 1920s,” *Journal of Policy History* 12 (Spring 2000): 177-214.
- “The Road to *Euclid v. Ambler*: City Planning, State-Building, and the Changing Scope of the Police Power,” *Studies in American Political Development* 13 (Spring 1999): 50-145.
- “Piecing Together Miami’s Metropolitan Sewage System,” in *Solving Urban Problems in Urban Areas Characterized by Fragmentation and Divisiveness*, Milan Dluhy and Fred Becker, eds., JAI Press, 1998, 229-246.
- “Regulating the Landscape: Real Estate Values, City Planning, and the 1916 Zoning Ordinance,” in *The Landscape of Modernity: Essays on New York City, 1900-1940*, David Ward and Olivier Zunz, eds. (New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 1992), 19-45.

### **APPLIED RESEARCH PROJECTS**

Historical Impacts of Transportation Projects in the Overtown Community (for the Metro-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization): February to November 1997; work included drafting \$20,000 RFP for 50 hours of oral interviews; oversight and liaison with subcontractor; and completion of oral interviews with key informants in the policy process.

Transportation Aspects of Welfare-To-Work (for the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization): December 1997 to January 1999; work included evaluation of existing welfare-to-work transportation programs in cities around the nation and recommendation of welfare-to-work alternatives for Miami-Dade County.

### **WHITE PAPERS**

“Economic Revitalization and Gentrification on South Beach, 1973-1999: Policy Options and Their Consequences,” White Paper, FIU Metropolitan Center, December 1999.

“Miami-Dade County’s Transportation Funding Decision,” White Paper #3, FIU Metropolitan Center, June 1999, co-authored with Ronald Berkman, John Topinka, Sidney Wong, and Jill Strube.

### **TRAINING SEMINARS**

Decision-making and Problem-solving for Supervisors, City of Miramar Training, Florida International University Metropolitan Center, August 27 and 29, 2018.

Contemporary Urban Management/Policy Development and Implementation, *Young African Leaders Initiative* Workshop. Florida International University Metropolitan Center, June 22, 2018.

Team-building Facilitator and Speaker, Miami Urban Contemporary Experience, Little Haiti Cultural Center, Miami, FL, January 28, 2017.

Team-building Facilitator and Speaker, Miami Urban Contemporary Experience, Little Haiti Cultural Center, Miami, FL, August 12, 2016.

Contemporary Urban Management, *Young African Leaders Initiative* Workshop. Florida International University Metropolitan Center, June 21, 2016.

Policy Development and Implementation, *Young African Leaders Initiative* Workshop. Florida International University Metropolitan Center, June 22, 2016.

Policy Development and Implementation, *Young African Leaders Initiative* Workshop. Florida International University Metropolitan Center, June 24, 2015.

Team-building Facilitator and Speaker, “Employee Engagement,” Town of Davie, Florida, Management Retreat, March 7, 2014.

Team-building Facilitator and Speaker, “No One Is An Island,” Baptist Health Enterprises Annual Meeting, November 8, 2013.

“Conflict Resolution: A Constructive Approach to Resolving Conflict,” Leadership Roundtable, City of Tamarac, Florida, September 18 and 25, 2007.

“Preservation *and* Development on South Beach,” presentation given at the National Endowment for the Humanities Landmarks in American History and Culture Workshop: “The Miami Beach Art Deco District: Using Building to Tell Stories,” June 29 and July 13, 2006, Wolfsonian Museum, Miami Beach.

“Conflict Resolution: A Constructive Approach to Resolving Conflict,” Leadership Roundtable, City of Tamarac, Florida, February 13 and 27, 2003.

“Making Meetings Work: The Basics of Group Decision-making,” Training seminars for Florida Department of Children and Families, Economic Self-Sufficiency Services, October 23 and 24, 2002.

Florida International University, Institute of Government, Executive Leadership Development Program (ten week training program for in-service public managers), Facilitator/Instructor: October-December 2003, March-June 2001, September-December 2000, April-June 2000, October-December 1999, April-June 1999.

“Leading Change: Innovation in Government,” for the Executive Leadership Institute of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators, January 17, 2001.

Presentation for ULEAD Academy (Leadership Training Program for Assistant Principals in Miami-Dade County Public Schools; established by Dr. Joseph Stevenson, Eminent Scholar at FIU’s College of Education), May 5, 2000.

Performance Evaluation Seminars on Building, Zoning, and Planning, and on Code Enforcement, Sponsored by the FIU Institute of Government, May 14, 1999.

### **CONFERENCE PAPERS**

“The Changing Role of the Judiciary in Urban Rule-making: Zoning in New York City and Beyond,” Paper presented at the Seminario “Regímenes de los territorios urbanos sobre clasificaciones, reglas y figuras jurídicas que sí importan,” Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, September 25, 2014, Mexico City, Mexico.

“South Beach: From ‘God’s Waiting Room’ to ‘Deco Drive,’ 1970 to 2000,” Paper presented at the Urban History Association Conference, October 20, 2006, Tempe, Arizona.

“The Skyscraper and the Law: Schultze & Weaver’s New York Hotels,” Paper presented at the Florida Conference of Historians, May 5, 2006, Wolfsonian Museum, Miami Beach, Florida.

“Back to the Future: Historic Preservation, Demographic Change, and Economic Development on South Beach, 1970-2000,” Paper presented at the annual conference of the Society for American City and Regional Planning History, Coral Gables, Florida, October 22, 2005.

Moderator and Commentator, “Planning Greater Miami” session at the annual conference of the Society for American City and Regional Planning History, Coral Gables, Florida, October 22, 2005.

“Leadership Can’t Be Taught’: Teaching Leadership to MPA Students,” Paper given at the Teaching Public Administration Conference, “Teaching Public Administration for the Real World,” February 11, 2005, Fort Walton Beach, Florida

Presentation of *Building Gotham* to the Discussion Across Disciplines Academic Roundtable at the Paul Milstein Center of the Columbia University MBA Program, September 30, 2003.

“Creating South Beach: Historic Preservation as an Economic Development Strategy in Miami Beach, Florida,” Paper given at the Urban Affairs Association Conference in Detroit, Michigan, April 25-28, 2001.

“New Tourism and Old Buildings: Historic Preservation as an Economic Development Strategy for South Beach (Miami Beach, Florida),” Paper given at conference on Growth and Change: The Southern City Since 1960, sponsored by the Georgia Tech Center for Society and Industry in the Modern South (SIMS), Atlanta, Georgia, March 30-31, 2001.

“The Civic Culture of Expertise in Early Twentieth Century New York City,” Paper given at Global CityScapes: A Workshop in Comparative Urban Studies, Sponsored by the Center for Transnational and Comparative Studies at Florida International University, September 26, 2000.

“The Destruction of Overtown: Oral History and Public Policy in Miami, 1945-1998,” Paper delivered at the Oral History Association Conference in Buffalo, NY, October 15, 1998.

“Using Interdisciplinary Methods to Solve Urban Policy Problems,” Paper delivered at the Urban Affairs Association Conference in Ft. Worth, TX, March 18, 1998.

“Arguing Public Space: Law, Architecture, and the Skyscraper, 1870-1930,” Paper delivered at the American Studies Association Conference, Washington, DC, November 1, 1997.

“New York City’s 1916 Zoning Ordinance,” Social Science Research Council, Committee on New York City, Working Group on the Built Environment, March and December 1990.

## **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

“Identity Crisis: Miami Beach During Turbulent Years, 1975-1985,” Miami Design Preservation League, Miami Beach Centennial Lecture Series, Miami Beach, Florida, October 6, 2015.

“Preservation *and* Development on South Beach,” Miami Design Preservation League, 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Talk, Miami Beach, Florida, May 19, 2009.

- “Promises, in Black and White: The Mid-Century African-American Experience in ‘Paradise,’” Panel Discussion Moderator, Exhibition entitled “Promises of Paradise: Staging Mid-Century Miami,” Bass Museum, Miami Beach, Florida, January 12, 2008.
- “The New York Skyscrapers of Schultze & Weaver,” Exhibition Lecture, Wolfsonian Museum, Miami Beach, November 17, 2005.
- “The South Florida Transportation Crisis,” MetroForum Breakfast Series, Metropolitan Center, Florida International University, Miami City Club, Downtown Miami, June 6, 2005.
- “Back to the Future: Historic Preservation as an Economic Development Strategy for South Beach, 1973-2000,” Video-conference Presentation from Florida International University to the Bialystok School of Public Administration, Bialystok, Poland, May 21, 2004.
- “What Early Twentieth Century New York City Can Tell Us About Early Twenty-first Century South Florida,” Presentation at the Miami City Club, Miami, Florida, March 2, 2004.
- “Sewage and Civilization,” Presentation at annual investors’ conference of the New York City Municipal Water Finance Authority, Snug Harbor Cultural Center, Staten Island, New York, October 17, 2003.
- “The Redevelopment of South Beach,” Presentation to the Executive Leadership Institute of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators, Florida International University, December 7, 2001.
- “The Manager as Negotiator: Theory and Practice,” Presentation to the South Florida Chapter of the Association of Certified Public Managers, January 25, 2001.
- U.S. Foreign Policy in Yugoslavia (Kosovo, Bosnia-Herzegovina), Presentation to North-Dade Forum (with Milan Dluhy), May 17, 1999.
- “Urban Dynamics and Form Determinants: Lessons from Overtown – The Death of a Downtown Neighborhood,” Symposium Presentation, Downtown Miami: Envisioning the Future, sponsored by the American Planning Association, Miami-Dade Community College, January 30, 1999.
- “The Death of America’s Downtowns, Post World War II,” Symposium Presentation, Main Street America: The Miami Perspective, Wolfsonian Museum, January 9, 1999.

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

- Daniel Czitrom, *New York Exposed: The Gilded Age Police Scandal That Launched the Progressive Era* in *Journal of American History* 104 (June 2017): 206-207.
- Sarah S. Elkind, *How Local Politics Shape Federal Policy: Business, Power, and the Environment in Twentieth-Century Los Angeles*, in *Journal of American History* 100 (September 2013): 568-569.

- John Lewis Recchiuti, *Civic Engagement: Social Science and Progressive-Era Reform in New York City*, in *American Historical Review* 113 (February 2008): 202-203.
- François Weil, *A History of New York*, in *American Historical Review* 111 (February 2006): 144.
- Helen Tangires, *Public Markets and Civic Culture in Nineteenth-Century America*, in *Journal of American History* 91 (December 2004): 1011-1012.
- Pietro Nivola, *Laws of the Landscape*, Nigel Taylor, *Urban Planning Theory Since 1945*, John Fairfield, *The Mysteries of the Great City*, James Holston, *Cities and Citizenship*, in *American Review of Public Administration* 31 (March 2001): 101-114.
- Joanne Goldman, *Building New York's Sewers*, in *Journal of American History* 84 (March 1998): 541.

### **MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER**

*Johns Hopkins University Press*  
*Oxford University Press*  
*Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography*  
*Planning Perspectives*  
*Sage Publications*  
*Urban Geography*  
*Winterthur Portfolio*

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

#### **Florida International University (1996-present)**

Faculty Senate Teaching Award (2006)  
 PAD 6434 Leadership and Decision-making (online: QM Certification 2017)  
 PAD 6434 / URS 6378 Leadership and Decision-making  
 PAD 6807 Urban and Municipal Government Administration (Urban Management)  
 PAD 3802 / URS 3001 Introduction to Urban and Regional Studies  
 PAD 6053 Political, Social, and Economic Context of Public Administration  
 URS 6390 Special Topics in Urban and Regional Studies  
 PAD 7257 / HIS 5930 Economic Context of Government  
 PAD 4301 Planning, Performance, and Accountability  
 PAD 3034 Policy Development and Implementation  
 PAD 3003 Introduction to Public Administration  
 PAD 3800 Managing Global Cities  
 PAD3431 Exploring Leadership  
 EDA 6945 Colloquium in Educational Administration (Leadership in Education)

#### **Instructor, Department of History, University of Virginia (1993-1994)**

HIUS 100 American Government and Economic Growth  
 HIUS 313 The Emergence of Modern America, 1870-1917

**SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE**

Member, NEH “Next Generation Planning” Grant, 2016-2017.

Member, School of International and Public Affairs Curriculum Committee, 2016 to present.

Member, Bachelors in Public Administration Committee, 2017 to present.

Member, Masters in Public Administration Committee, 2014 to 2017.

Member, College of Arts and Science Curriculum Committee, 2010 to 2016.

Chair, Bachelors in Public Administration Review Committee, 2009 to 2014.

Member, School of Public Administration Tenure and Promotion Committee, 2009 to present.

Member, School of Public Administration Strategic Planning Committee, 2009.

Tenure and Promotion Reviewer for School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Indiana University – Kokomo, Fall 2008.

Conference Program Track Co-Chair, Housing Policies and Community Development, American Society for Public Administration, 2008.

Chair, School of Public Administration Search Committee, 2007-2008.

Member, College Strategic Research Plan Advisory Committee, 2007.

Chair, School of Public Administration Search Committee, 2006-2007.

Member, Faculty Development Committee, School of Public Administration, 2007.

Reviewer, FIU-Wolfsonian Fellowship Competition, 2006.

Member, Conference Program Planning Committee, Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities, 2006.

Member, 100 Ideas for Florida Committee, February 2006.

Chair, School of Public Administration Search Committee (for School Director), 2005-2006.

Member, School of Policy and Management Tenure and Promotion Committee, 2005.

Chair, Public Administration Faculty Search Committee, 2004 (for six new positions).

Member, College of Health and Urban Affairs Dean’s Advisory Committee, 2003-2008.



Member, College of Health and Urban Affairs Coordinating Committee, Professional Leadership Certificate Program, 2002-2003.

Coordinator, Public Administration Program, October 2001 to January 2003.

Doctoral Program Coordinator, Public Administration, October 2001 to August 2002.

College representative on the Wolfsonian Museum's Academic Advisory Council, 1999-2002.

Member, Biscayne Bay Regional Restoration Coordination Team (Advisory group to the Working Group of the South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force), 2001-2006.

Member, Independent Technical Advisory Committee, Biscayne Bay Economic Study conducted by Hazen and Sawyer, Environmental Engineers and Scientists, 2003-2004.

Co-Chair, Environmental Strategic Planning Committee of the Environmental Affairs Group, Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, 2003-2004.

Co-Chair, Environmental Business Practices Awards Committee of the Environmental Affairs Group, Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, 2001-2003.

Member, Florida and Local Economic Development Action Planning Team, FIU Millennium Strategic Planning Committee, 2002.

Moderator, "Our Environment: Striking a Balance," Leadership Miami Forum, sponsored by the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, February 5, 2005, Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science.

Moderator, Leadership Miami Forum on Environmental Issues and Everglades Restoration, sponsored by the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, Homestead High School, Homestead, Florida, March 6, 2004.

Facilitator for Community Development Workshop, Urban Summit, held by the Urban Revitalization Task Force of Miami-Dade County, Virrick Center, Coconut Grove, Miami, Florida, April 16, 2003.

Member, Public Administration Search and Screen Committee, Spring 2001.

Member, Public Administration and Port Management Search and Screen Committee, Fall 1997.

Member, Curriculum Development Committee, Urban and Regional Studies Program, Spring 1997.

Member, Management and Leadership Subcommittee, College Curriculum Development Committee, Spring 2001.

Member, Health Services Administration and Criminal Justice Search and Screen Committee, Spring 2000.

Member, Associate Director Search and Screen Committee, Florida International University/Florida Atlantic University Joint Center for Urban and Environmental Research, Fall 1998.

Member, School of Policy and Management Governance Committee, Spring 1998.

Member, CityScapes group (developing courses on transnational and comparative urban studies to be jointly taught with colleagues from the University of Vienna), Fall 2000-Summer 2001.

Working Group on the Social Sciences at Florida International University and the South Florida Environment, Spring 1999.

Co-Chair, Environmental Research Center Subcommittee of the Environmental Affairs Group, Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, 1998-2001.

Designee Member, Policy Development Committee, Biscayne Bay Partnership Initiative, Biscayne Bay Foundation, 2000.

Member, Social and Economic Survey Team, Biscayne Bay Partnership Initiative, Biscayne Bay Foundation, 2000.

Member, Miami-Dade Green Coalition, 2000-2001.

Final Round Judge for National Engineering Week Future City Competition (for high school students), South Florida Competition, January 29, 2000.

## **GRADUATE EDUCATION**

### **Ph.D.: University of Virginia, Department of History, January 1994**

Dissertation: "Beyond Efficiency: Experts, Urban Planning, and Civic Culture in New York City, 1898-1933."

### **M.A.: University of Virginia, Department of History, January 1989**

Thesis: "Professionalism and Public Service: The Taylor/Brandeis Alliance of 1910."

### **Fellowships:**

1992-93 Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of American History, Washington, DC, Pre-doctoral Fellow

1991-92 Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Alumni Dissertation Year Fellowship (one of five recipients in a university-wide competition)

1990-91 DuPont Fellowship  
1989-90 President's Fellowship; Academic Enhancement Program  
1988-89 DuPont Fellowship; President's Fellowship  
1987-88 President's Fellowship; Semifinalist, Mellon Fellowship Competition

## **UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION**

### **Davidson College, North Carolina, Graduated May 1985**

B.A. in Economics, Magna Cum Laude

Member, Phi Beta Kappa

Scholarships: Lunsford Richardson Honor Scholar

Charles A. Dana Honor Scholar

Member, Omicron Delta Epsilon (International Honor Society in Economics)