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EDUCATION

St Petersburg College

Transferred before earning AA 2005-2007

Phi Theta Kappa

Western State Colorado University (formerly Western State College of Colorado)

BA Politics and Government/Pre-law emphasis (major),   
Environmental Studies (minor) 2007-2011

Summa cum Laude

Colorado State University  
**MA Political Science** **2012-2014**  
Political Theory, Environmental Policy  
Thesis: “The Fracturing of Rousseau’s Social Contract”

Colorado State University

ABD Political Science

(Expecting PhD May 2019) 2014-Present

Political Theory, Comparative Politics, Environmental Policy

Dissertation: “Forthcoming”

AWARDS

**Western State Colorado University:** Federal SMART Grant, Boettcher Award,   
WHM Diversity Scholarship, James D. Nauman Scholarship, Margaret White   
O’Leary Scholarship, Helen Hirst Scholarship, Phi Theta Kappa Transfer   
Scholarship, WSC National Scholarship, and a WSC Resident Grant **2007 – 2011**

**Colorado State University:** Graduate Teaching Assistantship **2012 – 2017**

Colorado Graduate Grant **2016 – 2017**

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Western State Colorado University

Teaching Assistant – Professor Karen Hausdoerffer – ENVS 200 Fall 2010

Lead small group writing workshops, reviewed and edited student writing, grade entry, assisted  
students in improving writing skills, held office hours with an open door policy, attended class and provided daily assistance to the professor, occasional fill-in lecturing/teaching

Colorado State University  
Graduate Teaching Assistant – POLS 101 – American Government Fall 2012

Graduate Teaching Assistant – POLS 241 – Comparative Politics Spring 2013

Graduate Teaching Assistant – POLS 232 – International Relations Fall 2013

Graduate Teaching Assistant – POLS 131 – Current World Problems Spring 2014

Graduate Teaching Assistant – POLS 241 – Comparative Politics Fall 2014

Graduate Teaching Assistant – POLS 241 – Comparative Politics Spring 2015

Graduate Teaching Assistant – POLS 131 – Current World Problems Fall 2015

Graduate Teaching Assistant – POLS 241 – Comparative Politics Spring 2016

Graduate Teaching Assistant – POLS 131 – Current World Problems Fall 2016

Graduate Teaching Assistant – POLS 131 – Current World Problems Spring 2017

Graduate Teaching Assistant Duties: Grading of student tests and papers, attending daily classes and assisting professor, weekly scheduled office hours, proctoring tests, email contact for student questions and assistance, grade entry, final grade calculation assistance, test writing, occasional lecturing

Instructor – POLS 131 – Current World Problems Summer 2017

Development of syllabus, reading materials, and class structure; daily course lecture; test writing; grading of papers and tests; daily scheduled office hours; grade entry; course development through Canvas; assignment of final grades

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Western State Colorado University

Research and Office Assistant for Dr. William Niemi July 2008 – May 2011

Ordering of books and article online and through library resources, reading and annotating articles and books, general research, editing articles for journal submission, general filing, organization, and upkeep of the politics library

Western State Colorado University – Leslie J. Savage Library

Periodicals, New Materials Processor 2008 – 2010

Processing of new books, magazines, journals, audio, and DVDs; data entry; inventory; created and instated a new call number system for CD collection; circulation desk; periodical shelving, pulling, and storage; general shelving; numerous special projects

Other Experience

Fairfield by Marriott

Front Desk, Accounts Receivable 2001-2004

Panera Bread Company

Assistant Manager 2004-2005

Fairfield by Marriott

General Manager 2017 – Present

PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

“The Fracturing of Rousseau’s Social Contract”

CSU Master’s Thesis. **2014**

Fryer, M.Z., review of the book The One Percent Solution **2018**  
New Political Science, 39,   
https://doi.org/10.1080/07393148.2018.1420548.

Fryer, M.Z., 2018. “Transboundary Watershed Management: Bioregionalism in the Souris River Basin.” Paper presented at the *76th Annual MPSA Conference, Chicago, IL, April 7, 2018.* **2018**

Fryer, M.Z., 2018. “The Corporate Colonization of the Subsurface.”   
Paper presented at the *APSA Annual Meeting & Exhibition: Democracy and its Discontents, Boston, MA, August 30, 2018.* **2018**

MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association **2017-2018**

Midwest Political Science Association **2017-2018**