

Management Matters

From the PMRA President, Rosemary O’Leary

Dear colleagues,

As my first year of President of the Public Management Research Association is drawing to a close, I am even more convinced that PMRA is the premier organization for scholars who study public management and public administration. PMRA was created in 1990 by a group of scholars seeking a more robust venue for presenting and discussing high quality public management research. Now in our 28th year, our mission has expanded to one of improving public governance by advancing research on public organizations, strengthening links among interdisciplinary scholars, and furthering professional and academic opportunities in public management.

PMRA sponsors two journals—the *Journal of Public Administration Research & Theory*, which has consistently been the most-cited journal in the field of public administration, and a new journal *Perspectives on Public Management & Governance*. We have a dynamic list-serve, a blog, a website, a newsletter, and we are active on social media. If you have not yet joined PMRA, I urge you to do so to take advantage of these opportunities and to receive regular updates concerning job opportunities. Just go to

<https://pmranet.org/manage-membership> to join or renew your membership.

Many thanks to the countless volunteers who have worked diligently on PMRA committees this year. If you are interested in becoming more active in PMRA, please email me at oleary@ku.edu. Thank you also to our journal editors, our editorial board members and the hundreds of reviewers who make our high quality journals possible.

Most importantly, thank you to the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy and the National University of Singapore for hosting the 2018 Public Management Research Conference. As the preview in this newsletter reflects, there will be so many exciting panels with scholars from across the globe that it will be difficult to choose which ones to attend.

Here’s to a great conference with challenging, interesting, and innovative ideas!



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A Welcome Note from the Hosts of the 2018 Public Management Research Conference

Dear colleagues,

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you between May 30 and June 2 to the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy in Singapore for PMRC 2018: the largest international PMRC to date!

We expect over 350 public management academics and high-level practitioners to attend what promises to be a very exciting event. PMRC 2018 will not only be the biggest international PMRC so far but it may well be the most global PMRC as well: we expect participants from over 60 countries across the globe.

Various recent studies and editorials have noted that public management research is still dominated by the Anglo-Saxon and Western European scene, and highlighted the need for a more diverse and adequate representation from other parts of the world. Therefore, the Lee Kuan Yew School and the National University of Singapore are perfectly positioned to be an exciting platform for lively exchanges between the East, West, North and South, showcased by a multitude of comparative panels and international comparative papers.

Ever since we put in our bid to host the conference over two years ago, we have enjoyed a fruitful collaboration with the Public Management Research Association and its former and current presidents, Don Moynihan and Rosemary O'Leary.

At this point, we also have to thank our program committee and advisory committee, comprised of colleagues across the globe, who kindly donated their time and expertise to assist in putting together a high-quality event.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you all in Singapore and it is a great honor for us to be the host of the 2018 Public Management Research Conference.

See you soon!

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What do we have in store for you?

In close collaboration with the PMRA board and our international program committee, our conference committee is currently finalizing a densely packed and exciting conference program.

On May 30, two substantive pre-conference doctoral panels will convene on network analysis and academic writing and reviewing. The day ends with a career advisory panel for doctoral students and junior academics featuring reputed scholars like Brint Milward, Helen Sullivan, Brad Wright, and Stephanie Moulton. The panel is moderated by Karl Rethemeyer.

The main conference will take place May 31, June 1, and June 2. We will feature 80 panel sessions, three exciting roundtables, and a welcome reception and gala dinner at the spectacular downtown Fort Canning, with NUS President Tan Eng Chye as our guest of honor. Roundtables include a panel on how to get your work published with senior editors from some of the top journals in our field, and academic-practitioner exchanges on the profile of the 21st century public manager and guerilla bureaucracy, where top scholars and practitioners from the region will exchange views.

For more up-to-date information, please visit <http://pmrc2018.com/>.

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www.pmrnet.org

PMRA Awards

2018 H. George Frederickson Award

The Public Management Research Association is pleased to announce that the winner of the 2018 H. George Frederickson Award is Professor John Bryson of the University of Minnesota. The Frederickson Award honors a senior scholar for career contributions to the field of public management. Exemplary contributions include, but are not limited to, adding to the intellectual development of the field and building professional capital related to public management research.

Those who wrote in support of Professor Bryson offered high praise for a distinguished career that “focused on asking significant questions and providing significant answers.” In particular, there was unanimous agreement that Bryson “effectively engaged his scholarship with practice, both to inform theory and to test how theory might inform practice” and thus embodied one of “Frederickson’s core scholarly commitments—to engage and inform public affairs practitioners.” Professor Bryson is “best known for his work on strategic planning and management, leadership, and cross-sector collaboration. He has also contributed significantly to knowledge development about public participation, stakeholder identification and analysis, and, most recently, integrative work on public value.”

In response, Professor Bryson had the following to say:

It was an unexpected and wonderful surprise to hear that I would receive the 2018 H. George Frederickson Award for career contributions to the field of public management. The award is a terrific honor for at least three reasons: First, it is named for one of the true giants of the field; being linked to George in this way is a huge honor. In addition, joining the list of previous recipients is deeply gratifying as well as incredibly humbling; their accomplishments are legion and field-defining. And finally, as is so often noted, to be honored by one’s peers is as rewarding as can be. Thank you so much to my nominators, the committee, and PMRA!

The Frederickson Award committee was chaired by Tony Bertelli (NYU) and included Tina Nabatchi (Syracuse University), Ines Mergel (University of Konstanz), Branda Nowell (NC State University), and Karl Rethemeyer (University at Albany).

The Frederickson Award is presented annually at the Public Management Research Conference, which will be held this year at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy.

2018 Beryl Radin Award

The 2018 recipient of the Beryl Radin Award for best article in the *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* is Dr. Sounman Hong for “Black in Blue: Racial Profiling and Representative Bureaucracy in Policing Revisited.”

In selecting Hong’s work from among all of the articles published by JPART in 2017, the committee explained that his piece:

provides an important contribution to the public administration literature. Specifically, it stands out because it addresses both a theoretically and practically significant question about the implications of a representative bureaucracy for modern society. He grounds his argument in a thorough literature review before setting forth several hypotheses on active and passive representation in the context of public administration. Hong assesses the hypotheses using outcome data from policing drawn from English and Welsh police forces, including data assessing the use of stop-and-frisk by officers. He finds that an increase in the proportion of ethnic minorities on a police force is related to a decrease in minorities being stopped and searched. Overall, Hong’s findings hold important implications for our understanding of modern police tactics, while also addressing a noteworthy theoretical debate in the scholarly literature.

Commenting upon his receipt of the Radin Award, Dr. Hong said: “I am extremely honored to receive such an important award. I am deeply grateful for the recognition especially because I know there are many JPART articles published last year that are much more interesting and rigorous than mine. I sincerely thank each of the committee members.”

The Radin Award Committee would also like to acknowledge a pair of honorable mentions: “Uncharted Territoriality in Coproduction: The Motivations for 311 Reporting,” by Daniel Tumminelli O’Brien, Dietmar Offenhuber, Jessica Baldwin-Philippi, Melissa Sands, and Eric Gordon; and “Experts, Amateurs, and Bureaucratic Influence in the American States,” by Graeme T. Boushey and Robert J. McGrath.

The Radin Award committee was chaired by Susan Webb Yackee (University of Wisconsin-Madison) and included Christine Palus (Villanova University), Patrick Kenis (Tilburg University), Erica Foldy (NYU), and Gregory B. Lewis (Georgia State University).

Best Dissertation Award

The 2018 PMRA Dissertation Committee has selected *Information and Donations: A Study of Non-profit Online Communication*, by Dr. Huafang Li as the inaugural winner of the PMRA Best Dissertation Award. The award comes with a \$2,000 prize.

The committee had this to say about Dr. Li's dissertation:

Dr. Li built an original database using social media communications (i.e., tweets) from nonprofit organizations, and then analyzed this database to explore how nonprofit organizations communicate performance and accountability information to various stakeholders. He then conducted a conjoint experiment to manipulate the types of information conveyed to donors to determine their effects on donations. We found Dr. Li's research to be theoretically novel, practically important, and methodologically rigorous.

In response to this recognition, Dr. Li said:

I want to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to the Public Management Research Association for recognizing me with the Best Dissertation Award. I am truly humbled and honored to receive it. I would especially like to thank my advisor Dr. Gregg Van Ryzin, and my dissertation committee members Dr. Norma Riccucci, Dr. Lindsey McDougle, and Dr. Chao Guo. I am deeply grateful for this honor. Thank you very much.

The Dissertation Award committee was chaired by Leisha Dehart-Davis (University of North Carolina) and included Angel Saz Carranza (Esade University) and Michael McGuire (Indiana University).

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Comings & Goings

Publications

Anna Amirkhanyan, (Associate Professor, School of Public Affairs, American University) and **Kristina Lambright** (Binghamton University) have published *Citizen Participation in the Age of Contracting: When Service Delivery Trumps Democracy* with Routledge.

Sandford Borins (Professor of Public Management, University of Toronto), has just published a monograph entitled “Negotiating Business Narratives: Fables of the Information Technology, Automobile Manufacturing, and Financial Trading Industries” with Palgrave Macmillan. The work analyzes a large sample of contemporary moving image and print texts about those three major U.S. industries.

Mary Kay Gugerty (Nancy Bell Evans Professor of Nonprofit Management, Evans School of Public Policy and Governance) and **Dean Karlan** (Professor of Economics & Finance and Frederic Esser Nemmers Chair, Kellogg School, Northwestern University), published *The Goldilocks Challenge: Right-Fit Evidence for the Social Sector* with Oxford University Press.

The second edition of *Systems Leadership: Creating Positive Organisations* will be published in May 2018 by Taylor and Francis. The co-authors are **Dr. Ian Macdonald**, **Dr. Catherine Burke** (Associate Professor Emerita, Sol Price School of Public Policy), and **Karl Stewart**.

An interdisciplinary [symposium on social institutions and sustainability](#), curated by **Alisa Moldavanova** (Wayne State University) and **Rahul Mitra** (Wayne State University), was published in the March 2018 issue of *Critical Sociology*.

The articles included in the symposium and the editorial essay feature contributions by scholars from five different fields. Uniting these works is an interrogation of how social institutions shape sustainability (and vice versa). The symposium highlights the role of social sciences and humanities in examining the natural and social world, with an eye toward long-term sustainability, environmental responsibility, and socioeconomic equity.

Norma M. Riccucci (Board of Governors Distinguished Professor at Rutgers, Newark Campus) published *Policy Drift: Shared Powers and the Making of U.S. Law and Policy* (New York University Press). *Policy Drift* explores how unanticipated levers of change such as economic, political, ideological or social forces can modify the status quo in public policy, ultimately leading to further policy shifts or drifts.

Awards & Achievements

Jennifer M. Connolly (Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Miami) was named the American Society for Public Administration South Florida 2018 Educator of the Year.

Creating Effective Rules in Public Sector Organizations, by **Leisha DeHart-Davis** and published by Georgetown University Press, has been named a 2018 Best Book Award Winner by the American Society for Public Administration’s Section of Public Administration Research.

Dr. Nidhi Vij Mali (Assistant Professor, Department of Public Policy Leadership, University of Mississippi) co-authored the article “Convergence or Conflict? Digital Identities vs. Citizenship Rights: Case Study of Unique Identification Number, Aadhaar, in India,” which was awarded the Best Experience Award at the 2018 International Conference on Theory and Practice of Electronic Governance. Dr. Mali has also been awarded the “Howell Family Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award for 2018” by the College of Liberal Arts, University of Mississippi.

Tina Nabatchi (Associate Professor of Public Administration and International Affairs, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University) gave the Donald C. Stone Lecture at the 2018 American Society for Public Administration Conference. Her talk was titled, “Public Participation for 21st Century Democracy: Rethinking Our Civic Infrastructures.”

Tina Nabatchi and **Kirk Emerson** (Professor of Practice in Collaborative Governance, University of Arizona School of Government and Public Policy) won the 2017 Sharon M. Pickett Award from the Association for Conflict Resolution, for their book, *Collaborative Governance Regimes* (Georgetown University Press, 2015).

The Award is given in recognition of outstanding contributions to environmental and public policy issues.

John Yinger (Trustee Professor of Economics and Public Administration and International Affairs, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University) was selected as the 2017 Steven D. Gold Award by the Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management (AP-PAM).

The award recognizes a person who has made a significant contribution to public financial management in the field of intergovernmental relations and state and local finance. Yinger’s research focuses on racial and ethnic discrimination in housing and mortgage markets, as well as state and local public finance, particularly education.

New Positions & Promotions

Seung-ho An, PhD student at Texas A&M, specializing in public management, human resources management and methods, will be joining the Department of Political Science at Texas Tech University to teach in their MPA program.

Jonathan (Jeb) Beagles will join the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University as an assistant professor of public administration and international relations.

Prior to joining Maxwell, Jeb was an assistant professor at La Sierra University. Jeb earned his PhD in management from the University of Arizona. His research focuses on organization theory, network theory, collaborative governance, international non-governmental organizations, and nonprofit management.

M. Apolonia Calderon, PhD student at Texas A&M, specializing in public management, race, and immigration policy, will be joining the University of Maryland School of Public Policy as an assistant professor in Fall 2018.

Professor Richard F. Callahan (University of San Francisco) is the new Editor-in-Chief of the *International Journal of Public Leadership* (IJPL). IJPL, published by Emerald Press, is a peer-reviewed, multi-disciplinary, and evidence-based journal that focuses on international research and lived experiences of leadership in the public sphere. As Editor, Callahan invites manuscripts on public leadership, which can be sent to Rfcallahan@usfca.edu. For more information, please visit <http://www.emeraldinsight.com/journal/ijpl>.

Kristen Carroll, currently a visiting assistant professor at the Bush School of Government, Texas A&M University will be moving to the Peabody School of Education at Vanderbilt University as a post-doctoral scholar.

Todd Dickey will join the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University as an assistant professor of public administration and international relations.

Todd earned his PhD in industrial and labor relations from Cornell University in 2017 and is currently completing a post-doctoral position with the Department of the Interior in Washington, DC. Todd's research focuses on public sector labor and employment relations and law, workplace conflict management and dispute resolution systems, and organization theory and change.

Xi Huang was recently hired as Assistant Professor in the School of Public Administration at the University of Central Florida. She earned her PhD from the joint doctoral program in Public Policy from Georgia State University and Georgia Institute of Technology in 2017.

Her research interests include immigration and migration, urban and community development, and policy analysis and evaluation. She has recently published in *Urban Affairs Review*, *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, and has a forthcoming paper in *Journal of Urban Affairs*. She is currently working on projects that examine local immigration integration policies and strategies, as well as the impacts of these local policies on immigrants.

As of June 1, **Don Kettl** will be the Academic Director of the LBJ School's Washington DC Center, of the University of Texas at Austin. For more information, please follow this [link](#).

Donald Moynihan and **Pamela Herd** are joining the McCourt School of Public Policy at Georgetown University. Moynihan will become the inaugural holder of the McCourt Chair. Moynihan and Herd will spend 2018–2019 on research leave at Oxford University.

Dr. Kelly A. Stevens joined the University of Central Florida in August 2017 as an Assistant Professor in the School of Public Administration. She is also a member of the interdisciplinary Resilient, Intelligent and Sustainable Energy Systems research cluster at UCF. Stevens obtained her PhD from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University in June 2017. Her research is in energy and environmental policy and management, as well as science and technology policy and innovation.

James Wright (PhD, American University, 2018) will be joining the Askew School of Public Administration and Policy at Florida State University as an Assistant Professor in Fall 2018.

Susan Yackee has been selected as the new Director of the La Follette School of Public Affairs. Yackee served as UW-Madison's first "Provost Fellow," an academic leadership training program, in AY 2017–18, and is a former Director of the School. In July 2018, she will receive an endowed UW-Madison Collins-Bascom Professorship.

Institutional Announcements

The School of Public Affairs at **American University** (AU) will be the new home of the *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* (JPAM) effective July 2018. Editors include **Erdal Tekin** and **Dave Marcotte**, both Professors of Public Administration and Policy. The school also wishes to make the following announcements:

Lewis Faulk was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure, effective August 2017. Faulk, a member of the Department of Public Administration and Policy, specializes

in nonprofit management. He is a Faculty Fellow at AU's Metropolitan Policy Center and a Research Fellow at Arizona State University's Center for Organizational Research and Design (CORD).

Seth Gershenson was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure, effective August 2017. Gershenson, a member of the Department of Public Administration and Policy, specializes in education policy. He is Research Fellow at IZA, Bonn Germany.

Bradley Hardy was promoted to Associate Professor, effective August 2017. Hardy, a member of the Department of Public Administration and Policy, specializes in social policy. Hardy was Okun Fellow at the Brookings Institution in 2017, and will be Visiting Scholar at the Russell Sage Foundation in 2018.

Alison Jackowitz, Associate Professor, has been named Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at AU's School of Public Affairs.

Kenneth J. Meier becomes School of Public Affairs' Distinguished Scholar in Residence effective August 2018. Meier will serve as Professor of Public Administration and Policy; he was a DPAP Visiting Scholar in Spring 2017. He was recently recognized as the most productive political science researcher, selected from among 50,000 academics.

Taryn Morrissey was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure, effective August 2017. Morrissey, a member of the Department of Public Administration and Policy, specializes in early education and child welfare policy. Morrissey is Non-resident Fellow at the Urban Institute's Center for Human Services and Labor Policy and Fellow at the Center Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Claudia Persico will join the School of Public Affairs as an Assistant Professor of Public Administration and Policy in August 2018. Professor Persico earned PhD and MA degrees in Human Development and Social Policy at Northwestern University. Her research focuses on relationships between environmental policies and inequalities in children's educational and health outcomes.

Vicky Wilkins has been named Dean of the School of Public Affairs. Wilkins is Professor of Public Administration and Policy and was Senior Associate Dean for Graduate Affairs.

The George W. Romney Institute of Public Service and Ethics at **Brigham Young University** is pleased to announce its re-

cent name change from the Romney Institute of Public Management. The name change better reflects the department's strengths and commitment to research and teaching across sectors, particularly in public administration and nonprofit management, and its world-class expertise in organizational ethics.

The School of Public Affairs and Administration (SPAA) at the **University of Kansas** makes the following announcements:

Alesha Doan (Professor) received the 2018 Byron A. Alexander Outstanding Graduate Mentor Award.

Reggie Robinson (Professor) has been named Associate Vice Chancellor for Public Affairs.

Shannon Portillo (Associate Professor) was awarded one of five Outstanding Educator of the Year awards by the KU Mortar Board Association and has been named Assistant Vice Provost for the Edwards campus.

Finally, SPAA has hired five professors of urban policy:

Ward Lyles, (PhD, North Carolina) Assistant professor, an expert in Urban Policy and Sustainability, who has just been awarded the prestigious NSF CAREER Award.

Joel Mendez (PhD, Florida State University), Assistant Professor specializing in Urban Transportation Policy.

Bonnie Johnson (PhD, University of Kansas), Associate Professor, an expert in Ethics and Urban Sustainability Policy.

Stacey Swearington White (PhD, University of Wisconsin-Madison), Professor, an expert in Urban Sustainability Policy.

Kirk McClure (PhD, University of California-Berkeley), Professor, an expert in Urban Housing Policy, who recently testified before Congress on financing affordable housing.

The **USC Sol Price School of Public Policy** wishes to make the following announcements:

Christine M. Beckman (PhD) will join the Price School as Professor of Governance and Management in AY 2018–2019.

Jennifer Cohen (MPP, 2006), director of government affairs at the Los Angeles Department of Transportation, was named a 2018 Eisenhower Fellow and will research global policies on self-driving cars.

Janet Denhardt (Professor) testified before the California State Legislature's Joint Subcommittee on Sexual Harassment and Response, regarding organizational culture.

Alexandra Graddy-Reed (Assistant Professor) received the Dugan Research Award for Philanthropic Impact from the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA).

Richard Green (Professor and Chair, USC Lusk Center for Real Estate) was appointed to the Los Angeles County Tenant Protections Working Group.

Jeffery Jenkins (Provost Professor of Public Policy, Political Science and Law; editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Politics*) was recently installed as the Judith and John Bedrosian Center Chair in Governance and the Public Enterprise.

Gary Dean Painter (Professor) co-authored *Payment by Results and Social Impact Bonds: Out-come-based Payment Systems in the UK and US* (Policy Press, 2018).

Jane Pisano (Professor) is the current President of the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA).

William Resh was recently promoted to Associate Professor.

Edwin Saucedo (PPD, 2017) was named a Schwarzman Scholar, will participate in a master's program at Tsinghua University in Beijing, and is now pursuing a Master in Public Administration at the Price School.

Odds & Ends

Andrew Osorio (JD, MPA) will be stepping down from his role as co-director of the PMRA Secretariat in August of 2018. He is thanked for his exemplary service to PMRA and is leaving big shoes to fill. Having served for three years, he will be replaced by fellow University of Kansas doctoral candidate **Peter Federman**.

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