

David P. Adams

CURRICULUM VITAE

Division of Politics, Administration, and Justice
California State University, Fullerton
800 North State College Boulevard
Fullerton, California 92834

Office: (657) 278-4770
Cell: (949) 659-3621
Website: dadams.io
Email: dpadams@fullerton.edu

Education

Ph.D., Public Policy and Public Administration, Auburn University, May 2016.

M.P.A., Public Administration, Auburn University, May 2010.

B.S., Political Science and Government, Kennesaw State University, May 2008.

Academic and Professional Appointments

Public Administration Coordinator, Division of Politics, Administration, and Justice, California State University, Fullerton, 2024–Present.

Associate Professor of Public Administration (with Tenure), Division of Politics, Administration, and Justice, California State University, Fullerton, 2022–Present.

Assistant Professor of Public Administration, Division of Politics, Administration, and Justice, California State University, Fullerton, 2016–2022.

Adjunct Professor, Department of Political Science, Auburn University, Summer 2016.

Research

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Amin, Alisha, David P. Adams, Jonathan M. Fisk, and Adam F. Mayer. “Plugged In? Assessing the Distribution of Orphaned Wells.” *Journal of Environmental Policy and Planning*, March, 1–14.

Mahfuza, Zachary, Jonathan Fisk, and David P. Adams. 2021. “Crude Contempt: Examining Local Pushback to Oil and Gas Development in California.” *Journal of Politics and Policy* 49(2).

Adams, David P., Meriem Doucette, and Justin Tucker. 2019. "Affluence, Risk, and Community Engagement: The Case of Ascon and Huntington Beach." *California Journal of Politics and Policy* 11(3).

Edited Textbooks

Doucette, Meriem, and David P. Adams, eds. 2019. *Ethics in Public Administration: Ethics, Corruption, and Public Policy*. San Diego, CA: Cognella.

Textbook Chapters

Adams, David P. 2019. "Minnesota Environmental Policy." In *Minnesota Government and Politics*, edited by James B. Cottrill, Shawn E. Schooley, Steven C. Wagner, and Shoua S. Yang. Dubuque, IA: Great River Learning Publishers.

Books Under Contract

Adams, David P., Jonathan M. Fisk, and John Morris. *Navigating Water Quality Outcomes in American Watersheds*. Under Contract with Cambridge University Press: New York, N.Y.

Manuscripts Under Review

Nahar, Nurun, David P. Adams, Jonathan M. Fisk, Adam F. Mayer, and John C. Morris. "Inspector-Level Bureaucracy: Drilling into Discretion in a State Natural Resource Agency." Under revision review at *Environmental Policy and Governance*.

McKnight, Steve, David P. Adams, and Jonathan M. Fisk. "Does Disclosure Matter? Coupling Information to Performance in Texas." Under review at *Policy Studies Journal*.

Amin, Alisha, David P. Adams, Jonathan M. Fisk, and Adam F. Mayer. "Administrative Resilience Under Pressure: Environmental Governance and Institutional Adaptation." Under review at *Administrative Theory & Praxis*.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Arthur, Prince, David P. Adams, Jonathan M. Fisk, Matthew G. Jarvis, and Christopher A. Simon. "Pioneering Policy: Exploring the Role of Multi-Agency Collaboration in California's Climate Investment Program 2015–2024." (Invited proposal; manuscript in preparation for submission to *Public Organization Review*.)

Amin, Alisha, David P. Adams, Jonathan M. Fisk, Binita Mahato, and Nurun Nahar. "Linking Disclosure to Performance: Assessing Colorado's 2021 Spill Reporting Rule and Operator Performance."

Refereed Presentations

- Amin, Alisha, David P. Adams, Jonathan M. Fisk, Binita Mahato, and Nurun Nahar. 2025. "Linking Disclosure to Performance: Assessing Colorado's 2021 Spill Reporting Rule and Operator Performance." Paper presented at the annual conference of the American Society for Public Administration, Washington, D.C.
- Authur, Prince, David P. Adams, Jonathan M. Fisk, Matthew G. Jarvis, and Christopher A. Simon. 2025. "Pioneering Policy: Exploring the Role of Multi-Agency Collaboration in California's Climate Investment Program 2015–2024." Paper presented at the annual conference of the American Society for Public Administration, Washington, D.C.
- Adams, David P., Nurun Nahar, Jonathan M. Fisk, Adam F. Mayer, and John C. Morris. 2024. "Inspector-Level Bureaucracy: Drilling into Discretion in a State Natural Resource Agency." Paper presented at the national conference of the American Society for Public Administration, Minneapolis, MN.
- Adams, David P., Jonathan M. Fisk, and Steve McKnight. 2024. "Does Disclosure Matter? Coupling Information to Performance in Texas." Paper presented at the national conference of the American Society for Public Administration, Minneapolis, MN.
- Adams, David P., Alisha Amin, Jonathan M. Fisk, and Adam F. Mayer. 2024. "Plugged In? Assessing the Distribution of Orphaned Wells." Paper presented at the annual conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Adams, David P., Zachary Mahafza, Jonathan M. Fisk, and Hanna Krawczyk. 2021. "Head for The Hills: An Environmental Justice Inquiry of Spills within Colorado's Oil and Gas Industry." Paper presented at the virtual national conference of the American Public Administration Society.
- Herrera, Veronica, David P. Adams, and Lidia E. Nuño. 2020. "American Indian Youth and Substance Use: Multilevel Analysis of School Related Factors." Paper presented as part of the special event "Adolescence in the Context of Domestic and Global Diversity" at the Society of Research on Adolescence (SRA) Biennial Meeting, San Diego, CA.
- Adams, David P. 2019. "Energy Efficiency Retrofits in Underserved Communities." Paper presented at the International Symposium on Society and Natural Resource Management, Oshkosh, WI.
- Adams, David P. 2018. "Affluence, Risk, and Community Engagement: The Case of Ascon and Huntington Beach." Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- Adams, David P. 2015. "Central Network Importance for Collaborative Environmental Management." Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- Adams, David P. 2015. "Central Network Importance for Water Quality." Paper presented at the International Symposium on Society and Resource Management Annual Meeting, Charleston, SC.

- Adams, David P. 2014. "Environmental Outcomes of Local Watershed Information Networks." Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- Bowling, Cynthia, Kisha Hardwick, and David P. Adams. 2014. "Outstanding Programs and Potential Policy Diffusion Across the States." Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Koehler, John, and David P. Adams. 2013. "Broadband Connections and Voter Turnout." Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL.
- Hale, Kathleen, Mitchell Brown, and David P. Adams. 2012. "Enhancing Graduate Student Learning through Course Coordination and Integrated Assignments." Paper presented at The Teaching and Learning Conference of the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.
- Hale, Kathleen, Mitchell Brown, and David P. Adams. 2012. "Enhancing Student Learning through Multi-Course Coordination and Learning Module Integration." Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Adams, David P. 2010. "Constructing and Combating an Environmental Problem: Non-point Source Pollution in the Wolf Bay Watershed." Poster presented at the Auburn University Department of Agriculture Economics and Rural Sociology Mobile Bay Watershed Project Annual Meeting, Auburn, AL.

Dissertation

Dissertation: "The Environmental Outcomes of Collaborative Natural Resource Institutions."

Committee: Kathleen Hale (Chair), Mitchell Brown (Co-chair), Gerry Gryski, Linda Dennard, and Elise Irwin.

Award: Auburn University Graduate School's Distinguished Dissertation Award

Teaching Experience

California State University, Fullerton

POSC 588: Collaborative Governance

POSC 315: Politics and Policy Making in America

POSC 320: Introduction to Public Administration

POSC 509: Foundations of Public Administration

POSC 521: Capstone: Public Administration Theory

Auburn University

State and Local Government

Introduction to Public Administration

Research Methods I

Introduction to Political Theory

American Government

Policy Process

Grants, Honors, and Awards

California State University, Fullerton H&SS Dean's Research Award for Associate Professors, \$2,500, Spring 2025.

California State University, Fullerton Award for Outstanding Service, 2023.

California State University, Fullerton Office of Research and Sponsored Projects Summer Grant, \$5,000, 2021.

California State University, Fullerton Faculty Advisor of Distinction Award, 2018.

Auburn University Graduate School Distinguished Dissertation Award, 2016.

Auburn University Department of Political Science PhD Student of the Year Award, 2016.

Auburn University College of Liberal Arts GTA Teaching Award, 2016.

SPSA Prestage-Cook Travel Award, 2014.

Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society, 2013.

Delta Epsilon Iota Honor Society, 2013.

John and Elizabeth Morris Fund for Excellence Travel Grant, 2012.

Auburn University College of Liberal Arts Dissertation Research and Travel Grant, 2012.

Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society, 2011.

Golden Key International Honour Society, 2010.

Best Performance Award for MPA Comprehensive Exam, 2010.

Pi Alpha Alpha Honor Society, 2009.

Professional Development

NASPAA Accreditation Institute, 2017, 2024

Data Analysis with Python Certification, FreeCodeCamp, 2021

Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan, 2012

Teaching and Learning Conference of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., 2012

Service

Service to the Public Administration Unit at California State University, Fullerton

PA Coordinator and MPA Program Director, 2024–present.

PA Program Curriculum and Assessment Committee, 2020–2022, 2024–present.

Pi Alpha Alpha Honor Society Faculty Advisor, 2023–present.

MPA Program Admissions Coordinator, 2023–present.

Chair, PS/PA Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, 2023–present.

BAPA Program Faculty Advisor, 2023–present.

PA Program Awards Committee, 2018–present.

PA Program Assessment Coordinator, 2017–present.

MPA Program NASPAA Accreditation Liaison, 2017–present.

MPA Program Faculty Advisor, 2024–2025.

PA Program Faculty Search Committee, 2023–2024.

Service to the Division of Politics, Administration, and Justice at California State University, Fullerton

Chair, Division Personnel Committee, 2024–present.

Division Commencement Committee, 2017–2018, 2024–present.

Division Peer Review Committee, 2022–2023, 2024–present.

Member, Division Personnel Committee, 2023–2024.

Executive Committee, 2018–2022, 2023–present.

Public Administration Faculty Search Committee, 2023–2024.

Division Awards Committee, 2018–2020, 2023–2024.

Division Curriculum Committee, 2020–2022.

Service to the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at California State University, Fullerton

Faculty Research and Grants Committee, 2023–present.

Service to the University at California State University, Fullerton

Assessment & Educational Effectiveness Committee, 2024–present.

Faculty Advisor, Tau Kappa Epsilon International Fraternity, 2017–present

Member, G.E. Assessment Faculty Learning Community, 2019–2021.

Faculty Advisor, United Nations Association - USA; Generation United Nations, 2017–2019.

Service to the Profession

Manuscript Reviewer, *Journal of Politics and Policy*, 2022–present.

Manuscript Reviewer, *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs*, 2019–present.

Manuscript Reviewer, *Journal of Political Science Education*, 2018–present.

Panel Chair, Environment and Public Policy, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2018.

Panel Chair, Flirting with Disaster: Politics, the Environment & Public Policy, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2017.

Round Table Participant, Teaching: Graduate Education, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2017.

Deil Wright Best Paper in Federalism Award Reviewer, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, 2016.

Student Affairs Committee member, International Society for Social and Natural Resources, 2013–2014.

Discussant, Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations Panel, Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, 2013.

Panelist, Assessment and Teaching Political Science Round Table, Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, 2012.

Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association

American Society for Public Administration

International Society for Social and Natural Resources

Pi Sigma Alpha National Political Science Honor Society

Pi Alpha Alpha National Public Affairs and Administration Honor Society

Last updated: April 6, 2025