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EMPLOYMENT

2008-present Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Leiden University
2004-present Affiliated Research Associate, Department of Communication, University of Maryland.
2004-2008 Research Associate, Collaborative Research Centre for Rationality, Decision Making, and Economic Modelling (SFB 504), University of Mannheim.
2004-2008 Affiliated Research Associate, Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES), University of Mannheim.
2004-2005 Lecturer, Institut für Sozialwissenschaften - Politikwissenschaft, University of Koblenz-Landau.
1999-2004 Assistant Professor, Department of Communication, University of Maryland.
1994-1999 Graduate Assistant, Department of Political Science, SUNY at Stony Brook
Responsibilities: Research Assistant for Charles S. Taber and Stanley Feldman; Instructor; Research Assistant in the Social Science Datalab.
1991-1994 Research Assistant, Department for Text Analysis, Media Analysis, and Coding (TEMEV) at the Center for Survey Research and Methodology (ZUMA), Mannheim.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. (1999) SUNY at Stony Brook
Dissertation Title: Political Information Flow in Context: Media Effects, Personal Networks, and the Mass Public
Committee: Kathleen M. McGraw (chair), Stanley Feldman, Helmut Norpoth, Robert Huckfeldt
M.A. (1996) SUNY at Stony Brook
M.A. (1994) University of Mannheim

PUBLICATIONS

Meffert, Michael F. 2008 (forthcoming). "Wenn Affären Wellen schlagen: Zum Einfluss der Landes- und Bundespolitik auf das Wahlverhalten in Schleswig-Holstein." [When Scandals Are Making Waves: The Effect of State and Federal Politics on Voting Behavior in Schleswig-Holstein]. In *Wähler und Landtagswahlen in der Bundesrepublik Deutschland* [Voters and State Elections in the Federal Republic of Germany], ed Oscar W. Gabriel, Everhard Holtmann, Kai-Uwe Schnapp, and Kerstin Völkl. Baden-Baden: Nomos.
Huber, Sascha, Thomas Gschwend, Michael F. Meffert, and Franz Urban Pappi. 2008 (forthcoming). "Erwartungsbildung über den Wahlausgang und ihr Einfluss auf die Wahlentscheidung [Expectations about Election Outcomes and Their Influence on Vote Decisions]." In *Wahlen und Wähler. Analysen aus Anlass der Bundestagswahl 2005*

- [Elections and Voters. Analyses of the 2005 General Election], ed. Oscar W. Gabriel, Bernhard Wessels, and Jürgen Falter. Wiesbaden: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften.
- Meffert, Michael F., Sungeun Chung, Amber Joiner, Leah Waks, and Jennifer Garst. 2006. "The Effects of Negativity and Motivated Information Processing During a Political Campaign." *Journal of Communication* 56 (March): 27-51.
- Meffert, Michael F., Michael Guge, and Milton Lodge. 2004. "Good, Bad, and Ambivalent: The Consequences of Multidimensional Political Attitudes." In *Studies in Public Opinion: Attitudes, Nonattitudes, Measurement Error, and Change*, ed. Willem E. Saris and Paul Sniderman. Princeton: Princeton University Press. Pp. 63-92.
- Meffert, Michael F., Helmut Norpoth, and Anirudh V. S. Ruhil. 2001. "Realignment and Macropartisanship" *American Political Science Review* 95 (December): 953-962.
- Schrott, Peter R., and Michael F. Meffert. 1994. "Wahlkampf in den Fernsehnachrichten 1987 und 1990. Themenstruktur, Politikerpräsenz und Wirkungspotential der politischen Berichterstattung [Election Campaigns in the Television News 1987 and 1990: Topics, Politicians, and Potential Effects of the Political News Coverage]." In *Medienwandel - Gesellschaftswandel? 10 Jahre dualer Rundfunk in Deutschland. Eine Bilanz* [Changes in the Media - Changes in Society? 10 Years of the Dual Broadcasting System in Germany. A Resume], ed. Otfried Jarren. Berlin: VISTAS.

WORKING PAPERS/TECHNICAL REPORTS

- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. *Strategic Voting in Multiparty Systems: A Group Experiment*. SFB 504 Working Paper No. 08-10. University of Mannheim.
- Huber, Sascha, Thomas Gschwend, Michael F. Meffert, and Franz Urban Pappi. 2008. *Erwartungsbildung über den Wahlausgang und ihr Einfluss auf die Wahlentscheidung* [Expectations about Election Outcomes and Their Influence on Vote Decisions]. SFB 504 Working Paper No. 08-01. University of Mannheim.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. *Voting for Coalitions? The Role of Coalition Preferences and Expectations in Voting Behavior*. SFB 504 Working Paper No. 07-64. University of Mannheim.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. *Polls, Coalition Signals, and Strategic Voting: An Experimental Investigation of Perceptions and Effects*. SFB 504 Working Paper No. 07-63. University of Mannheim.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. *Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation and Coalition Governments: A Simulation and Laboratory Experiment*. SFB 504 Working Paper No. 07-55. University of Mannheim.
- Schrott, Peter R., and Michael F. Meffert. 1996. *How to Test 'Real' Campaign Effects: Linking Survey Data to Content Analytical Data*. ZUMA Working Paper (A 96/01).
- Schlicher, Monika, Michael Meffert, and Peter Schrott. 1994. *Medienformate und Politik* [Media Formats and Politics]. ZUMA Technical Report (T 94/07).
- Neff, Eva, Michael Meffert, and Peter Schrott. 1994. *Inhaltsanalyse von Inhaltsanalysen* [Content Analysis of Content Analyses]. ZUMA Technical Report (T 94/08).
- Schrott, Peter, and Michael Meffert. 1993. *Vergleichende Wahlstudie 1990 - Policy-Optionen zur deutschen Einheit* [Comparative Election Study 1990 - Policy Options for German Unification]. ZUMA Technical Report (T 93/22).
- Lang, Matthias, Michael Meffert, and Peter Schrott. 1993. *Vergleichende Wahlstudie 1990 - Medienberichterstattung* [Comparative Election Study 1990 - Media Coverage]. ZUMA Technical Report (T 93/05).

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- How Negative Campaign Information Captures Attention but Fails to Persuade (with Sungeun Chung, Amber Joiner, and Leah Waks)
- Formation of Expectations and Electoral Decision-Making (with Thomas Gschwend and Franz Urban Pappi)
- Interpersonal Disagreement and Media Effects

- Election Forecasting Performance of Experts and Non-Experts (with Patric Andersson and Thomas Gschwend)
- Microprocesses of Attitude Change: Belief Trajectories (with Sungeun Chung and Leah Waks)

CONFERENCE PAPERS

- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. *Strategic Coalition Voting: Evidence from Austria*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 28 – 31, 2008.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. *Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation and Coalition Governments: A Laboratory Experiment*. Paper presented at the annual conference of the International Society of Political Psychology, Paris, July 9 – 12, 2008.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. *Strategic Voting in Multiparty Systems: A Group Experiment*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Working Group for Theories of Behavior and Decision Making (AK Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie) of the German Political Science Association (DVPW), Mainz, Germany, June 27 – 28, 2008.
- Meffert, Michael F., Sascha Huber, Thomas Gschwend, and Franz Urban Pappi. 2008. *More than Wishful Thinking: Causes and Consequences of Voters' Expectations about Election Outcomes*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, May 22 – 26, 2008.
- Chung, Sungeun, Michael F. Meffert, Leah Waks, Moniza Waheed, and Ana Laura Inclan Velazquez. 2008. *When My Favorite Candidate Opposes My Favorite Position on an Issue: The Effect of Incongruent Messages on Attitude Change toward the Issue and toward the Source*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, May 22 – 26, 2008.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. *Polls, Coalition Signals, and Strategic Voting: An Experimental Investigation of Perceptions and Effects*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Working Group for Elections and Political Attitudes (AK Wahlen und politische Einstellungen) of the German Political Science Association (DVPW), Duisburg, Germany, May 15 – 16, 2007.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2008. *Voting for Coalitions? The Role of Coalition Preferences and Expectations in Voting Behavior*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 3 – 6, 2008.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. *The Perception of Polls and Coalition Signals and their Effect on Strategic Voting*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 30 – September 2, 2007.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. *Voting for Coalitions? The Role of Coalition Preferences and Expectations in Voting Behavior*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 30 – September 2, 2007.
- Andersson, Patric, Thomas Gschwend, Michael F. Meffert, and Carsten Schmidt. 2007. *Forecasting National Elections: Performance, Confidence, and the Effects of Expertise, Information, and Political Preferences*. Paper presented at the bi-annual SPUDM Conference by the European Association of Decision Making, Warsaw, August 19 – 23, 2007.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. *Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation and Coalition Governments: A Simulation and Laboratory Experiment*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Working Group for Theories of Behavior and Decision Making (AK Handlungs- und Entscheidungstheorie) of the German Political Science Association (DVPW), Jena, Germany, June 15 – 16, 2007.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. *Polls, Coalition Signals, and Strategic Voting: An Experimental Investigation of Perceptions and Effects*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, San Francisco, May 24 – 28, 2007.
- Chung, Sungeun, Leah Waks, Michael F. Meffert, and Xiaoying Xie. 2007. *Voters' Motivation and Information Processing: A Model of Motivated Information Processing in a Political*

- Campaign*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, San Francisco, May 24 – 28, 2007.
- Chung, Sungeun, Leah Waks, Michael F. Meffert, Josh Averbeck, and Allie Jones. 2007. *Effects of Directional and Nondirectional Motivations on Information Processing*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, San Francisco, May 24 – 28, 2007.
- Chung, Sungeun, Leah Waks, Michael F. Meffert, and Xiaoying Xie. 2006. *Motivated Information Processing in Political Campaigns: Evidence from Belief Trajectories*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, San Antonio, TX, November 15 - 19, 2006.
- Andersson, Patric, Thomas Gschwend, Michael F. Meffert, and Carsten Schmidt. 2006. *Election Forecasting Performance of Experts and Non-Experts: Accuracy, Overconfidence, and Projection Effects*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, August 31 - September 3, 2006.
- Chung, Sungeun, Leah Waks, Michael F. Meffert, and Xiaoying Xie. 2006. *Microprocesses of Preference Change in a Political Campaign: An Experimental Study*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Dresden, June 19 – 23, 2006.
- Andersson, Patric, Thomas Gschwend, Michael F. Meffert, and Carsten Schmidt. 2006. *Forecasting the Outcome of a National Election: The Influence of Expertise, Information, and Political Preferences*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Dresden, June 19 – 23, 2006.
- Meffert, Michael F., Amber Joiner, Sungeun Chung, and Leah Waks. 2005. *Formation and Change of Candidate Preferences during Information Search: The Role of Issues, Candidates, and Message Valence*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 1 – 4, 2005.
- Meffert, Michael F., Amber Joiner, Sungeun Chung, and Leah Waks. 2004. *The Effect of Negativity, Candidate Evaluations, and Issue Preferences on Information Search and the Formation of a Candidate Preference during a Political Campaign*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2 – 5, 2004.
- Meffert, Michael F., Amber Joiner, Sungeun Chung, and Leah Waks. 2004. *Counterarguing: How Voters Process Negative, Incongruent Political Campaign Information*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, New Orleans, May 27 – 31, 2004.
- Meffert, Michael F., Amber Joiner, Sungeun Chung, Jennifer Garst, and Leah Waks. 2003. *Motivated Information Processing and Counterarguing: How Negative, Incongruent Information Strengthens and Polarizes Attitudes*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 28 – 31, 2003.
- Meffert, Michael F., Sungeun Chung, Amber Joiner, Jennifer Garst, and Leah Waks. 2003. *Motivated Information Search and Candidate Evaluations: On-Line Versus Memory-Based Process Models*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, San Diego, May 23 - 27, 2003.
- Meffert, Michael F., Sungeun Chung, Amber Joiner, Jennifer Garst, and Leah Waks. 2002. *Motivated Information Processing and Negative Campaigns: The Dynamic Formation of Candidate Evaluations*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 29 - September 1, 2002.
- Meffert, Michael F., Sungeun Chung, Amber Joiner, Jennifer Garst, and Leah Waks. 2002. *Motivated Information Processing in a Dynamic Political Campaign Environment: The Effects of Message Valence and Congruency*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Seoul, Korea, July 15 - 19, 2002.
- Meffert, Michael F. 2001. *Interdependencies of Mass Media Use and Interpersonal Political Disagreement*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Washington, DC, May 24 - 28, 2001.
- Meffert, Michael F. 2001. *The Perception of Media Biases: A Cross-National Comparison*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 19 - 22, 2001.

- Meffert, Michael F. 2000. *Information Effects: The Impact of Mass Media Sources, Campaign Contacts, and Interpersonal Discussions in the 1992 Presidential Campaign*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Acapulco, Mexico, June 1 - 5, 2000.
- Meffert, Michael F. 1999. *Contextual Influences on Candidate Evaluations: Interactions of Mass Media Sources and Personal Networks*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Chicago, November 4 - 7, 1999.
- Meffert, Michael F. 1999. *Contextual Influences on Candidate Evaluations: Interactions of Mass Media Sources and Personal Networks*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Atlanta, September 1 - 5, 1999.
- Meffert, Michael F. 1999. *Citizens in Context: Persuasive Influences of Newspapers and Personal Networks on Candidate Evaluations*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 15 - 17, 1999.
- Meffert, Michael F. 1998. *Political Information Flow in Context: The Influence of Media Sources and Personal Networks on Candidate Preferences in the 1992 Presidential Election*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, September 3 - 6, 1998.
- Meffert, Michael F., Helmut Norpoth, and Anirudh V. S. Ruhil. 1998. *Macropartisanship: Still Waters Run Deep?* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, September 3 - 6, 1998.
- Guge, Michael, and Michael F. Meffert. 1998. *The Political Consequences of Attitudinal Ambivalence*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 23 - 25, 1998.
- Meffert, Michael F., Helmut Norpoth, and Anirudh V. S. Ruhil. 1998. *Still Waters Run Deep? The Dynamics of Macropartisanship*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 23 - 25, 1998.
- Guge, Michael, Milton Lodge, and Michael F. Meffert. 1997. *Good, Bad, Indifferent, and Ambivalent: The Importance of Considering the Multi-dimensional Components of Political Attitudes*. Paper presented at the conference "No Opinion, Instability and Change in Public Opinion Research," Amsterdam, October 6-8, 1997.
- Meffert, Michael F. 1997. *The Supreme Court and Dynamic Representation: How External Influences Shape the Ideological Change of Supreme Court Decisions*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 28 - 31, 1997.
- Meffert, Michael F. 1997. *Public Mood, Presidents, and the Supreme Court: External Influences on the Ideological Change of Supreme Court Decisions*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 10 - 12, 1997.
- Meffert, Michael F., and Peter R. Schrott. 1996. *Television News and Political Attitudes: The 1990 German Election*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 29 - September 1, 1996.
- Schrott, Peter R., and Michael F. Meffert. 1995. *Media Usage and Campaign Effects: Candidate Evaluations and Issues*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, August 31 - September 3, 1995.

PRESENTATIONS

- Meffert, Michael F., and Thomas Gschwend. 2007. *Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation and Coalition Governments: A Case for Experimental Triangulation*. Presentation as part of the International Conference on Experimental Methods in Political Science, Universitaire Stichting, Brussels, December 14, 2007.
- Meffert, Michael F. 2007. *Strategic Voting under Proportional Representation and Coalition Governments: A Simulation and Laboratory Experiment*. Presentation as part of the Political Economy Seminar of the Department of Political Science, New York University, New York, September 7, 2007.
- Meffert, Michael F. 2007. *Investigating Information Use and Effects with a Dynamic Information Board: Designing Experiments and Collecting Data with Visual Basic*. Presentation as part

- of the APSA Pre-Conference Machine Politics/Politics of the Machine: New Technology in Political Communication Research and Teaching, Chicago, August 29, 2007.
- Meffert, Michael F. 2004. *Negative Campaigns and Motivated Information Processing: The Dynamic Formation of Candidate Evaluations*. Presentation as part of the AB-B Colloquium Series of the Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung (MZES), Mannheim, October 25, 2004.
- Meffert, Michael F., Sungeun Chung, Amber Joiner, Jennifer Garst, and Leah Waks. 2002. *Searching for Political Information: The Role of Negativity and Confirmation Biases*. Presentation as part of the Social Psychology Brown Bag Series of the Department of Psychology, University of Maryland, College Park, December 9, 2002.
- Meffert, Michael F. 2002. *Motivated Information Search: Negativity and Confirmation Biases*. Presentation as part of the Columbia Political Psychology Seminar, Columbia University, New York, November 16, 2002.
- Meffert, Michael F., Sungeun Chung, Amber Joiner, Jennifer Garst, and Leah Waks. 2002. *Searching for Political Information: The Role of Negativity and Confirmation Biases*. Presentation as part of the Colloquium Series of the Department of Communication, University of Maryland, College Park, October 11, 2002.
- Meffert, Michael F. 2002. *Multinational Research Teams and Research Assistantships*. Presentation on the panel *Breaking Down the Great Wall Within: A Paradigm for Effective Cross-Cultural Collaboration Within the Field of Communication* at the annual meeting of the International Communication Association, Seoul, Korea, July 15-19, 2002.

RESEARCH GRANTS

- German Research Foundation (DFG), *Formation of Expectations and Electoral Decision-Making*, 2006-2008, €292,400 (with Thomas Gschwend and Franz Urban Pappi)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Courses

- Seminar in Mediated Communication: Political Media Effects
- Seminar in Political Communication
- Diffusion of Innovations
- Statistics and Society

Undergraduate Courses

- Introduction to Social Scientific Research Methods
- Research Methods in Communication
- Seminar in Mediated Communication
- Mediated Communication
- Introduction to Communication Inquiry
- Political Psychology
- Social Psychology of Politics
- Mass Media in American Politics

FIELDS OF INTEREST

- Political Psychology
 - Motivated Information Processing
 - Persuasion and Attitude Change
- Political Communication
 - Mass Media Effects
 - Public Opinion
- Social Networks/Social Influence
- Quantitative Methodology

- Experimental Design
- Survey Research
- Content Analysis
- Advanced Statistical Analysis (i.e., Limited Dependent Variable Models)

SERVICE

Collaborative Research Centre (SFB 504), University of Mannheim

- Search Committee for Post-Doc Position (2005-2007)

Department of Communication, University of Maryland

- Webmaster, Department of Communication (1999-2004)
- Human Subjects Review Committee (2000-2002, 2003-2004)
- Salary Advisory Committee (2002-2004)
- Graduate Studies Committee (2002-2003)
- Webmaster, Center for Risk Communication Research (2003)
- Computer Coordinator (1999-2001)
- Undergraduate Studies Committee (2000-2001)
- Director of Communication Research Center/Media Coordinator (1999-2001)
- Center for Political Communication and Civic Leadership Working Group (2000-2001)
- Webmaster, Center for Political Communication and Civic Leadership (2001)
- Outreach Coordinator Search Committee (2000)
- Maryland Day Committee (1999-2000)
- Media Courses Committee (1999-2000)

College of Arts and Humanities, University of Maryland

- Committee for New Technologies (2000-2003)

Professional

- Ad Hoc Reviewer
 - *American Journal of Political Science* (2006-2008)
 - *American Political Science Review* (2003-2005)
 - Annual Conference, International Communication Association
 - Information Systems Division (2002)
 - Political Communication Division (2004-2007)
 - *British Journal of Political Science* (2008)
 - *Journal of Politics* (2002, 2003, 2006-2008)
 - National Science Foundation, USA (2001, 2007)
 - *Political Communication* (2007, 2008)
 - *Political Psychology* (2006, 2008)
 - *Public Opinion Quarterly* (2008)
 - McGraw-Hill (Textbook) (2001)
- Workshop
 - Co-Organizer (with Thomas Gschwend) of workshop on *Voters and Coalition Governments* at the Collaborative Research Centre (SFB 504), University of Mannheim, Mannheim, November 23 – 24, 2007.
- Conferences
 - Discussant on panel *9/11 and the Media* at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 30 - September 2, 2007.
 - Discussant on panel *Media Influence in the Campaign Context* at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 1 – 4, 2005.
 - Discussant on panel *Media Bias: New Evidence in an Old Debate* at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2 – 5, 2004.

- Chair of and discussant on panel *Social Networks, Opinions, and Participation* at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 28 – 31, 2003
- Discussant on panel *9/11 Part I: Media Coverage and Its Effects on Public Opinion* at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 29 – September 1, 2002.
- Discussant on panel *Media Coverage of Political Events* at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 30 – September 2, 2001.
- Discussant on panel *Personal Discussion and Information Networks and Political Behavior* at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 30 – September 2, 2001.
- Discussant on panel *Media Virtue and Disdain* at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 31 – September 3, 2000.
- International Communication Association
 - Nominations Committee, Political Communication Division (2007)
 - Tellers Committee (2002, 2003)
- Editorial Assistant for *The Political Psychologist*, the newsletter of the Political Psychology section of the American Political Science Association (1998-1999).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Association for Public Opinion Research (AAPOR)
 American Political Science Association (APSA)
 Deutsche Gesellschaft für Wahlforschung (DGfW)
 Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft (DVPW)
 International Communication Association (ICA)
 International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP)
 Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)