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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

08/2018 - **Director and Senior Research Associate**, Center for Public Affairs Research,
Present University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska

08/2012 - **Assistant Professor**, Department of Political Science,
08/2018 Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas

08/2011 - **Assistant Professor**, Department of Political Science,
08/2012 Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Corpus-Christi, Texas

EDUCATION

08/2007 - **University of Nevada, Greenspun College of Urban Affairs**, Las Vegas, Nevada
05/2012 Ph.D. Public Affairs

08/2005 - **Appalachian State University**, Boone, North Carolina
05/2007 Master of Public Administration

08/2002- **Appalachian State University**, Boone, North Carolina
08/2005 Bachelor of Arts in Communications

PUBLICATIONS

Schafer Gatti, J., Hatcher, W., & McDonald III, B. D. (2020). "Academics of PA or: How we learned to stop working and find some balance." *Journal of Public Affairs Education*, 26(4), 406-408.

Sampson, Carrie, Overholser, Amber & Schafer, Gatti Josephine (2019) "A Critical Paradox: The Politics of an Urban Community-Based Nonprofit in Expanding Educational Opportunities to Underserved Youth." *Leadership and Policy Studies*. 18.2

Schafer Gatti, Josephine (2019) "A Systematic Review of the Public Administration Literature to Identify How to Increase Public Engagement and Participation with Local Governance." *Journal of Public Affairs*. 19.2.e1873

Schafer Gatti, Josephine and Zhang, Zhiwei (2018) "Who is Engaged and Why? Testing an Instrumental Perspective on Stakeholder Engagement." *Journal of Public and Non-Profit Affairs*. 5.2.

Zhang, Zhiwei, Gibson, Bryan and Schafer Gatti, Josephine (2017). "Reexamining the Relationship Between Fiscal Stress and Outsourcing." *Public Performance and Management Review*. 41, 1.

Schafer Gatti, Josephine and Gallemore, Caleb (2016). "Biases in Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis: The case of Environmental Planning in Southern Nevada." *Environment and Planning C: Governance and Policy*. 34, 8.

Schafer Gatti, Josephine and Zhang, Zhiwei (2016). "The Role of Stakeholders in Municipal Contracting Out." *Public Administration Quarterly*. 40,4 pg. 789-813.

Schafer Gatti, Josephine (2016). "The Mandate to Coordinate: The Case of the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act." *Public Performance & Management Review*. 40, 1.

Schafer Gatti, Josephine (2015). "Making Role Playing Real." *Teaching Public Administration*. 34, 2.

WORKING PAPERS

A survey experiment to explore recruitment strategies for students of public service
Expected Submission June 2022

An empirical analysis of the performance of local libraries using a census survey of libraries in the United States
Expected Submission July 2022

Residents' perceptions of variation in local government financial reporting mechanisms
Expected Submission August 2022

Cultural and institutional barriers for women in STEM careers
Expected Submission September 2022 **with students

GRANT APPLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

Representation and Decision Making in Entrepreneurship Micro-Ecosystems in the State of Nebraska
Submitted Kaufmann Foundation | April 2022 | \$300,000

Professional Resources for Entrepreneurship Progress (PREP): A Training Approach to Growing Support for Entrepreneurs
Expected Submission Kaufmann Foundation | May 2022 | \$350,000

A Policymaker's Guide to Using Data and Evidence in Decision-Making
Expected Submission IBM Institute of Government | September 2022 | \$20,000

SELECT GRANTS, CONTRACTS, AND ENGAGED RESEARCH

- 2022** **Evaluation of DoSpace Digital Access Program**, Principal Investigator
The Do Space Digital Access program, supported by federal funds will provide 1,000 participants in Omaha, Nebraska with a chromebook and mobile hotspot for on year. We will conduct four surveys with participants to evaluate the programs impact.
\$3,500 *engaged research with community partners **student participants
- 2022** **Nebraska's Women in STEM | Listen then Act**, Research Team
Conduct research on 48 women in STEM careers in Nebraska and disseminate findings to inform policy and practice to recruit and retain women in these fields.
\$16,000 * engaged research with community partners **student participants
- 2022** **Nebraska Investment Finance Authority**, Principal Investigator
Oversee student led research to evaluate housing programming in the State of Nebraska and conduct analysis of housing perceptions for statewide strategic housing plan.
\$28,384 * engaged research with community partners **student participants
- 2022 – 2024** **Renewal of Grant to Support Rural Transit Development**, Principal Investigator
Software application development and business process support for independent rural transit agencies and the Nebraska Department of Transportation
\$1, 480,000 **student participants
- 2021** **Entrepreneurship in Nebraska Report**, Principal Investigator
Funded by Cares Act and the U.S. Small Business Administration through the Nebraska Business Development Center to explore ecosystem practices to grow entrepreneurship
\$68,000

- 2021 **Redistricting in Nebraska**, Principal Investigator
Supported 22 local political subdivisions to complete all redistricting based on 2020 Census release
\$78,800
- 2020, 2021, 2022 **Youth Survey of Greater Nebraska**, Principal Investigator
With the Nebraska Community Foundation, survey students in rural schools to inform internship and retention projects in Greater Nebraska
\$3,000 annually * engaged research with community partners **student participants
- 2020 **COVID-19 Small Business Survey in Nebraska | Round One and Two**, Principal Investigator
Prepared, deployed, and analyzed two real-time surveys of businesses in Nebraska about the impact of COVID-19. Announced by the Governor we received over 5,000 responses.
\$15,000 *engaged research with community partners
- 2020 **Return on Investment Analysis of Community College Scholarship Program**, Principal Investigator
Conduct a return-on-investment analysis of a scholarship program using administrative data and U.S. Census Bureau data
\$20,000 *engaged research with community partners
- 2020 **Statistical Indexing for County Grant Program**, Principal Investigator
Compute a multifactor index of need and apply index value to the total amount of grant dollars available to ensure counties receive funding proportionate to need
\$6000 *engaged research with community partners
- 2018 – 2020 **Policy Briefs for the Planning Committee of the Nebraska State Legislature**, Principal Investigator
Meet with a select committee of state legislators to prepare request policy briefs on long-term trends, including, workforce development and economic development programs.
\$25,000 annually *engaged research with community partners
- 2019 **Mobility Management Planning**, Principal Investigator
Provide statewide mobility management services to facilitate and plan for improved transportation options for Nebraskans
\$621,600
- 2019 **Data Identification and Analysis of Risk and Protective Factors for Children**, Principal Investigator
Identify and analyze over 70 data sources and measure for use in research on child protection
\$38,000 **student participants
- 2019 **Omaha Chamber of Commerce's Community Exit Survey**, Principal Investigator
Conduct a survey using chanced features of LinkedIn to understand why professional that ever lived in Nebraska moved to another state
\$6,000 *engaged research with community partners
- 2019, 2017, 2015 **City of Manhattan, Kansas Community Survey**, Principal Investigator
Develop, analyze and report community opinion on services and major projects
\$9000 annually *engaged research with community partners **student participants
- 2018 **Education Costs in Nebraska Policy Report**, Principal Investigator
Research and calculate the total costs of education pre-kindergarten to higher education funded by the State of Nebraska **student participants
\$10,000

RECENT TEACHING

- 2021 - Strategic Management, graduate (in-class) & undergraduate (online)
2014
2012 - Organization Theory, graduate (online & in-class)
2018
2016 - Capstone in Public Administration, graduate, (in-class)
2018
2011 - Leadership in Public Bureaucracies, Undergraduate & Graduate (online)
2016
2011 - Public Budgeting and Finance, graduate & undergraduate (online & in-class)
2016

SELECT RECENT MEDIA

Nebraska Public Media | <https://nebraskapublicmedia.org/en/news/news-articles/brain-drain-has-been-plaguing-the-state-for-a-decade-how-could-roe-v-wade-complicate-the-issue>

KLKN | <https://www.klkntv.com/research-shows-college-educated-workers-leaving-nebraska-for-jobs-pay>

KETV | <https://www.ketv.com/article/shifting-occupations-aging-population-and-leaving-nebraska-all-reasons-for-tightening-workforce-shortages/38704190>

News Channel Nebraska | <https://www.unomaha.edu/news/access-the-experts-with-no/index.php>

Academics of Public Administration Podcast Host | academicsofpa.podbean.com/

Omaha World Herald |

https://omaha.com/business/local/it-pays-to-be-flexible-small-businesses-do-their-best-to-adapt-as-pandemic-stretches/article_3feeb517-7ad1-5263-b28e-6dd91893e967.html

KETV | <https://www.ketv.com/article/uno-survey-of-statewide-small-businesses-shows-minor-improvements-as-pandemic-continues/33627957#>

KETV | <https://www.ketv.com/article/chronicle-pandemic-fatigue/33919724>

KIOS | <https://www.unomaha.edu/news/2021/06/uno-centers-economic-impact.php>

SELECT SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Invited Presentations

		No. Participants
2022	Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities, Columbus, Nebraska	150
2022	Nebraska Health Equity Conference, virtual \$250	160
2022	EducationQuest Foundation Symposium, Lincoln, Nebraska	150
2022	Nebraska Municipal Clerks Institute, Grand Island, Nebraska \$500	160

2022	Nebraska Hospital Association, Lincoln, Nebraska \$300	120
2022	Nebraska Association of Counties, COOL Network, virtual \$2500	30
2021	NetForce Entrepreneurship Summit, York, Nebraska	50
2020	American Society of Public Administration Webinar on Public Affairs Research Centers, virtual	60
2019	Great Plains Finance Officers Association, Omaha, Nebraska	40
2019	University of Nebraska Presidents Advisory Council, Lincoln, Nebraska	70
2019	University of Nebraska Board of Regents, Lincoln Nebraska	40
2019	Open Sky Policy Forum, Lincoln Nebraska	200
2019	Nonprofit Association of the Midlands, Omaha, Nebraska	60
2018	Nebraska State Legislative Council, Nebraska City, Nebraska	100
2017	Engaging Local Government Leaders Conference, Golden, Colorado \$1500	300
2017	Master of Business Administration Executive Program, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas	50
2016	Coffman Alumni Leadership Institute, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas	50
2016	Greenspun College of Urban Affairs Scholar Series, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Las Vegas Nevada	40
2016	Kansas State University Extension Officers, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas	80

Legislative Testimony

2020	Business and Labor Committee of the Nebraska State Legislature, Lincoln, Nebraska
2019	Nebraska Government Affairs Committee of the Nebraska State Legislature, Lincoln, Nebraska

Conference Hosting

		No. Participants
2021	31st Annual Nebraska Data Users Conference Series, Omaha, Nebraska, virtual	420
2020	31st Annual Nebraska Data Users Conference, Omaha, Nebraska, virtual	275
2019	2020 Census Outreach Kickoff, Omaha, Nebraska	115
2019	30th Annual Nebraska Data Users Conference, Omaha, Nebraska	300
2018	Economic Impact of Transportation Conference, Omaha, Nebraska	100
2018	29th Annual Nebraska Data Users Conference, Omaha, Nebraska	300

Organizational Membership

- 2022 Subgroup Lead, Chancellor's Taskforce on Workforce Development, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- 2021 - present Member, Office of Research and Creative Activity Advisory Committee, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- 2019 - present Treasurer, American Society of Public Administration Nebraska Chapter
- 2019 - present Member, State Relations Taskforce, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- 2018 - present Member, Executive Committee of the College of Public Affairs and Community Service, University of Nebraska at Omaha
- 2018 - present Co-sponsor, Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs
- 2018 - present Member, Consortium of University Public Service Organizations
- 2018 - present Member, Omaha Smart Cities Working Group
- 2017 - present Board member, Midwest Public Affairs Association

Awards

- 2022 WiSTEM Peer Collaboration Mini Grant | \$500
- 2021 Civic Engagement Mini Grant | \$1000
- 2020 Civic Engagement Mini Grant | \$1000
- 2017 Sunflower CASA, volunteer of the year

Graduate Student Support

- 2021 - Pelipe Blanco, PhD Candidate; Shawn Maxwell, PhD Student; Josey Hazelton, PhD; Michael Lee, PhD student; Yeonkyung Kim, PhD Student; Amanda Parker, MSW student; Joe Komakech, MUS student; Bit An, PhD
- 2020 - Ryan Rouse, PhD student; Amanda Parker, MSW student; Bit An, PhD Candidate; Yeonkyung Kim, PhD Student
- 2019 - BJ Fletcher, PhD Candidate; Josey Hazelton, PhD Student; Morgan Vogel, PhD candidate
- 2020
- 2018 - Morgan Vogel, PhD candidate; Bit An PhD student; Yeonkyung Kim, PhD Student; Wei-Jie Liao, PhD Student
- 2019