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The McCormack Graduate School was founded in 2003 to create a dynamic academic and research center in policy studies at the University of Massachusetts Boston. The school was built upon the foundation of its predecessor, the McCormack Institute, established in 1983 and named in honor of U.S. House of Representatives Speaker John W. McCormack. McCormack was a prominent South Boston politician whose political career was marked by the fight for the rights of immigrant groups and major social and economic programs like Social Security and Medicaid that underpin the American safety net.

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Center for Governance & Sustainability
Center for Community Democracy & Democratic Literacy
Center for Peace, Democracy & Development
Center for Rebuilding Sustainable Communities after Disasters
Center for Social Policy
Center for Women in Politics & Policy
Center on Media & Society
Edward J. Collins, Jr. Center for Public Management
Gerontology Institute

A few points of pride include the Commonwealth Compact, the Moakley Chair for Peace and Reconciliation, the *Journal of Aging and Social Policy*, the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, the Pension Action Center, and the cross-college initiative, the Collaborative Institute for Oceans, Climate and Security.

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In 2009, UMass Boston developed a TV-grade studio available to regional, national, and international media outlets For A Live or taped interviews with the university's media experts.

Our live news analysis segment on New England Cable News, "Affairs of State," features many McCormack Graduate School faculty and staff who are experts in many policy fields.

The university has also facilitated live interviews with CNBC, Voice of America's Persian Television, the BBC, and Al Jazeera.

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Affordable and Assisted Housing	International Relations
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Community Development	
Community Empowerment	<i>(Also see Global Governance)</i>
Community Planning and Organizing	Lifelong Learning for Older Adults
Disasters, Armed Conflict and Post-disaster Reconstruction	Long-term Care
Diversity <i>including Asian Americans and Latinos</i>	Media
E-Government	Mental Health
E-Health	Nonprofit Organizations/ Nonprofit Management
Economic Development	Older Driver's Safety
Economics	Older Persons' Economic Security
Eldercare <i>including doctor-patient trust and communication about sensitive topics</i>	Politics, National and State
Employment	Poverty Policy
Environmental Issues <i>including global environmental governance, climate change, oceans and coastal zones, international environmental law</i>	Public Project Impact <i>including facility location and service delivery</i>
Ethics	Social Development/Social Relations
Gerontology	Social Networks in Organizational Settings
Global Governance	Social Policy
Health Policy and Politics	State and Local Government
Homelessness	Sustainability
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	Understanding American Democracy
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Expertise: Public management/public organizational theory, E-Government/ E-Democracy, international comparative public administration, and information technology in the public sector

In Brief: Dr. Michael Ahn is an assistant professor in the Department of Public Policy and Public Affairs. Ahn's research focuses on the effects of the new ICTs (Information and Communication Technologies) on government performance, accountability, and political dynamics. He has conducted research on the US state and local e-government, the effect of e-government on government transparency, and bureaucratic reform through innovative performance appraisal system. Currently, he is examining the role of rapidly emerging image-oriented web communication (such as YouTube) on the communication of public policy between citizens and the government.

In addition, he is involved in a benchmarking study of the top US MPA and MPP programs as a part of collaborative and comparative research project with Japan. Future research interests include citizen's public policy compliance, effective policy delivery system in the age of digital convergence, international comparative e-government case studies, and public sector ethics.

Background: Dr. Ahn earned both a PhD and MPA in Public Administration from Syracuse University. He has a BS in Economics from the University of Oregon.

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Expertise: Political economy, women's economic status, family policies, and poverty

In Brief: Randy Albelda is a professor of economics. Her research and teaching covers a broad range of economic policies affecting low-income families. She has written on welfare reform, paid family leave policies, racial and gender divisions in occupations, the distribution of family income and earnings, and gender and race bias in radical theories of labor market segmentation.

Selected Media Experience: *Forbes*, *Chicago Tribune*, *New York Times*, *Boston Globe*, *Boston Herald*, *Gloucester Daily Times*

Background: Professor Albelda earned her PhD in Economics at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Albelda has worked as research director of the Massachusetts State Senate's Taxation Committee and the legislature's Special Commission on Tax Reform. She was the recipient of the UMass Boston Chancellor's Distinguished Scholarship award in 2004 and the Abigail Adams Award from Massachusetts Women's Political Caucus in 2000. Albelda serves as an editor for the journal *Feminist Economics* (since 2004), an editorial associate for *Dollars & Sense* magazine (since 1986), and a co-founder of the Academics Working Group on Poverty in Massachusetts.

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Expertise: Disasters and armed conflicts, post-disaster reconstruction, response and recovery planning, the social and cultural dimensions of disasters, the role of human dignity in rebuilding sustainable communities after disasters, community-based planning, international development planning

In Brief: Adenrele Awotona founded and directs of the Center for Rebuilding Sustainable Communities After Disasters. He has been a principal investigator on major projects funded by various agencies, including the Boston Foundation, the U.S. Department of Energy, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the U.S. Department of Education, the British Government Department for International Development, the United Nations Center for Human Settlements, the United Nations Development Program, and the European Union. He is a member of the Global Advisory Board of Human Dignity and Humiliation Studies. Through research, consultancy and teaching, he has professional experience in Europe, Africa, Asia, the Middle East, South America, and the Caribbean.

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Expertise: Aging, law, and public policy; retirement income including Social Security, private and public pensions; older women's economic issues; Elder Economic Security Standard

In Brief: Ellen Bruce has more than 35 years of experience in the areas of law, retirement and health insurance programs for older Americans, and private and public pensions. At UMass Boston she developed and now directs the Pension Action Center which provides educational and advocacy services to New England residents. The Center has recovered over \$37.5 million in retirement benefits for its clients. She helped develop the Elder Economic Security Standard, a national initiative which measures the cost of living for persons over the age of 65 specific to their geographic location and living situation. She has studied private pensions, the Massachusetts State Pension System, and policy changes that affect older women's income security.

Background: Prior to coming to UMass Boston in 1988, Dr. Bruce was the senior managing attorney for Greater Boston Elderly Legal Services where she developed the Medicare Advocacy Project and represented older, poor clients. As immediate past president, she serves on the national Board of Directors of OWL (Older Women's League), a grassroots national organization working to improve the lives of midlife and older women. She also served on the board of Health Law Advocates as a past president.

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Expertise: Applied labor economics and industrial relations, service industry employment, temporary employment, workforce development, low-wages and poverty

In Brief: Françoise Carré specializes in applied labor economics and comparative employment policy, as well as field work and evaluation of community based organizations and employment programs. She directs the Center's research agenda on employment, poverty, and social policy. She has written extensively about temporary and short-term work in the US and international perspectives, low-wage employment, corporate strategies and their consequences for jobs, and worker representation.

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Background: From 1995-2003, Françoise Carré served as research director of the Radcliffe Public Policy Center, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Studies (formerly Radcliffe College). She also is an Affiliated Fellow at Rutgers' Center for Women and Work and UCLA's Institute for Research on Labor and Employment. She holds a PhD in Urban Studies from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

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Expertise: Mental health treatment and disparities among ethnic minorities, Asian American psychology: identity, gender, sexuality and culture; depression and suicide

In Brief: Professor Chan has extensive experience in the area of mental health disparities, the psychology of Asian Americans, and sexuality and identity issues for ethnic minorities. Her work on Asian American mental health has been cited in the press and on radio and television. Professor Chan is often asked to speak to professional audiences, such as college counseling centers, psychological associations, and schools and hospitals.

Selected Media Experience: *New York Times*, WGBH-Radio, WCVB-TV, *Health Magazine*, *Boston Globe*, *American Psychological Association Monitor*

Background: Professor Chan is author of the book, *If It Runs in the Family: At Risk for Depression* (Bantam Books) and has published many book chapters and journal articles on the mental health and health of Asian Americans, as well as sexuality and identity for ethnic minority groups. A licensed psychologist, Professor Chan also conducts selection interviews for the Boston Fire Department and is a Clinical Professor at the Center for Multicultural Mental Health at Boston Medical Center. She holds a PhD in Clinical Psychology from Boston University.

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Expertise: Public policy, state and local government, public finance, politics, and elections

In Brief: Steve Crosby, founding dean of the John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies, has nearly 40 years of experience in policy making, entrepreneurship, and non-profit leadership. Mr. Crosby served as secretary of administration and finance to Governors Paul Cellucci and Jane M. Swift from 2000-2002. He was responsible for the development, legislative approval and implementation of the governor's \$23 billion annual operating budget and a \$2- \$3 billion capital budget. In 2002, he served as chief of staff to Governor Swift. Mr. Crosby's career includes work as a campaign manager and senior advisor for local and national candidates and elected representatives.

Selected Media Experience: WBUR, NECN, *Boston Globe*, *Boston Herald*, *The Republican*, *Belmont Citizen-Herald*, *Brookline TAB*, *Naples Daily News*

Background: Mr. Crosby founded CCI/Crosby Publishing in Boston. He has served as chairman and CEO of technology and publishing companies, including Interactive Radio Corp., Inc., SmartRoute Systems, Inc., Crosby Vandenberg Group, and MetroGuide, Inc. In addition, Mr. Crosby has worked nearly full time on non-profit boards, serving as chair of the Boston History and Innovation Collaborative, the Center for Applied Special Technologies (CAST), vice chair of The Poverty Institute, and board member for the AIDS Responsibility Project, headquartered in Los Angeles.

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Expertise: Health care reform, access and healthcare cost, state insurance exchanges, risk adjustment

In Brief: Rosemarie Day is the President of Day Health Strategies, a consulting firm with a focus on assisting private and governmental health care organizations to implement significant changes related to national health reform. Ms. Day has over 20 years of combined leadership experience in state government and higher education administration.

Selected Media Experience: *Boston Herald, Boston Neighborhood Network*

Background: Ms. Day earned her Master's in Public Policy (MPP) in 1992 at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. As the founding Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer of the Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector Authority, Ms. Day played a significant role in the development and launch of the first state-run health insurance exchange in the United States. The Massachusetts program became the basis for many of the key elements of federal health care reform signed into law by President Obama in March, 2010.

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Expertise: Older driver safety and state-level transportation policies; medical issues related to driving safety, doctor-patient trust and communication about sensitive topics (e.g., driving cessation and stigmatized health conditions)

In Brief: Elizabeth Dugan is a leading expert on older drivers and the author of *The Driving Dilemma: The Complete Resource Guide for Older Drivers and Their Families*. She is a Fellow of the Gerontological Society of America. Her current research seeks to identify predictors of driving transitions (e.g., cessation) in a national sample of older adults. She was recently awarded a grant by the Borchard Foundation for Law and Aging to develop a systematic review and evaluation of state laws and regulations related to older drivers, and to, in turn, develop a guide for state lawmakers grappling with the issue. She has briefed legislators and provided testimony to the Massachusetts Joint Committee on Transportation and the MA Public Safety and Homeland Security Committee. In addition, she speaks about senior transportation issues at senior centers, councils on aging, and other community events.

Selected Media Experience: CBS Evening News, ABC Good Morning America, Fox News, National Public Radio Here and Now with Robin Young, *The Wall Street Journal*, *U.S. News and World Report*, WGBH Greater Boston with Emily Rooney, NECN, WBZ, *Boston Globe*, *Boston Herald*, *Worcester Telegram*

Background: Elizabeth Dugan earned a PhD in Human Development and Family Studies from the University of North Carolina Greensboro, a MA in Gerontology from the University of South Florida, and a BA in Liberal Arts from the University of Central Florida. Prior to joining UMass Boston, Dr. Dugan taught at the Wake Forest University School of Medicine, the University of Massachusetts Medical School, and was a Senior Research Scientist at the New England Research Institute.

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Expertise: Homelessness policies, social policy planning; evaluation of human service delivery innovations, outcome measurement, models of consumer involvement in social service and social policy planning

In Brief: Donna Haig Friedman, a 2006-2007 Fulbright Scholar, is the Director of the Center for Social Policy and Research Associate Professor in the Department of Public Policies and Public Affairs. Since 1998, Dr. Friedman has led the Center for Social Policy's team in its research and evaluation work in Massachusetts and across the United States, much of it focused on social welfare policies, homelessness, and government, third sector and philanthropy roles in advancing social policy innovations.

Background: Friedman earned her PhD in 1996 at the Heller Graduate School for Social Policy and Management at Brandeis University and her Master of Science degree in clinical psychology at Vanderbilt University. Throughout her career, Friedman has been engaged in the management and delivery of human services, policy analysis of welfare and homelessness social policies, evaluation of government and NGO social policy innovations, and teaching in graduate programs of public policy at the University of Massachusetts Boston, the Heller School, Smith College and Lesley University.

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Expertise: Women in politics, policy matters concerning women, Latino Issue, gender, race, and ethnicity in politics and public policy

In Brief: Carol Hardy-Fanta is director of the Graduate Certificate Program for Women in Politics and Public Policy as well as the new Graduate Certificate Program for Women's Leadership in a Global Perspective. Dr. Hardy-Fanta also serves as the director of the Center for Women in Politics and Public Policy. She is a nationally recognized scholar on Latina/o politics and has published widely on the intersection of gender, race and ethnicity in politics and public policy and is co-editor of the *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy*. Her research agenda also includes substance abuse and criminal justice, community organization, reproductive rights, mental health, HIV/AIDS programs, and bilingual education.

Selected Media Experience: WGBH-TV, CNN, WBUR, *Boston Globe*, *Boston Herald*, *USA Today*, *Forth Worth Star-Telegram*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Centre Daily Times*, *Sun News*, *Miami Herald*, *Bay State Banner*

Background: Hardy-Fanta received her PhD in public policy from Brandeis University's Heller School, an MSW from Smith College, and a BA from Occidental College. Dr. Hardy-Fanta is the author of: *Intersectionality and Politics: Recent Research in Gender, Race and Political Representation in the United States* (Haworth Press, 2006), *Latino Politics in Massachusetts: Struggles, Strategies and Prospects* (Routledge Press, 2002), and *Latina Politics, Latino Politics: Gender, Culture, and Political Participation in Boston* (Temple University Press, 1993).

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Expertise: Communications, journalism ethics and accuracy, ethnic media, newspaper history

In Brief: Frank Herron, director of the Center on Media and Society, has more than 25 years of experience in journalism. He worked as a reporter and editor for 18 years at *The Post-Standard* newspaper in Syracuse, N.Y. During most of that time he taught classes in news writing and reporting to undergraduates and graduate students at the Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University. He oversees the editorial work of the New England Ethnic Newswire, which has a full-time health reporter and part-time editor and administrator. The web-based newswire (www.ethnicnewz.org) serves ethnic media in the region by sharing its news writing with partners and providing a platform for the journalistic work of its ethnic media partners. He teaches media-related classes in the Political Science and Communication Studies departments at UMass Boston. He is an editor and partner in the Cambridge-based TidePool Press, which specializes in nonfiction publishing. He is an elected member of the American Antiquarian Society in Worcester.

Selected Media Experience: *CommonWealth* magazine; *News-Times* (Danbury, CT), *El Planeta* (Boston), *Tribuna Connecticut* (Danbury, CT), *O Jornal* (Fall River), *New America Media* (San Francisco), *New America Now* (San Francisco, formerly UpFront Radio)

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Expertise: International relations, global environmental governance, climate change governance, international environmental law, United Nations, organizational effectiveness, campus sustainability

In Brief: Maria Ivanova's career has bridged academia and policy. Her scholarly work analyzes the history and performance of the international environmental architecture and the evolution of US international environmental policy. Her policy work seeks to bring analytical rigor and innovative input to the international negotiations on reforming the UN system for environmental governance. In 2009 and again in 2010, Dr. Ivanova was elected to represent North American civil society at the UN Environment Programme's Governing Council/Global Ministerial Environment Forum.

Background: Ivanova earned her PhD in International Environmental Policy and MA in International Relations, both at Yale University. From 2005 to 2010, Professor Ivanova was on the faculty at the College of William and Mary in Virginia. Previously, she worked at the Environment Directorate of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris and at the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency in Stockholm. She serves on the Advisory Boards of the Ecologic Institute in Berlin and of the World Transformation Initiatives as well as on the Yale Sustainability Advisory Committee. Dr. Ivanova is the recipient of the 2007 Professor of the Year Award (from Members 13, a student organization at the College of William and Mary), the 2010 Mary Lyon Award from Mount Holyoke College and the 2010 Goddess Artemis Award from the Euro-American Women's Council.

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Expertise: Community-based operations research and information technology, applied to housing and community development and urban public-sector facility location and service delivery, with a focus on underserved and vulnerable populations

In Brief: Michael Johnson is associate professor in the Department of Public Policy and Public Affairs and director of the Public Policy PhD program. He is a leading expert on applications of decision sciences to community-focused problems of policy design, facility location and service delivery. He is member of the editorial board of *Socio-Economic Planning Sciences* and *Journal of Urban Affairs* and has co-edited a volume of tutorials in operations research. His research interests include affordable, assisted and foreclosed housing; senior services network design and delivery, and decision support for evidence-based medicine practice and green design. Professor Johnson's community service and consulting experience address community-based needs assessment, along with planning and public education system design.

Selected Media Experience: *Columbus Post-Dispatch*, *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, *Black Issues in Higher Education*, *OR/MS Today*, *The New Pittsburgh Courier*, WDUQ

Background: Johnson received his PhD in operations research from Northwestern University, a MS in operations research from University of California, Berkeley, a MS in electrical engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology, and a BS in mathematics and French from Morehouse College. Professor Johnson is co-editor of *Tutorials in Operations Research: Models, Methods and Applications for Innovative Decisionmaking* (Institute for Operations Research and the Decision Sciences, 2006) and *Housing and Sustainable Community Development: Enhancing Minority Home Ownership, Volume One* (Conference of Minority Public Administrators, 2000).

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Michael Keating

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Expertise: Africa, Eastern Balkans, media development, natural resource policy, geo-political conflict, economic development and foreign aid

In Brief: Michael Keating is the Associate Director and Senior Fellow at the Center for Peace, Democracy and Development. For most of his professional life, Mr. Keating has been a professional management consultant providing strategic thinking and technical expertise to a wide range of clients in the public and private sectors, primarily overseas. He also writes and speaks frequently on these topics.

Selected Media Experience: WEMS, Commonwealth Journal, *World Politics Review*, *Harvard International Review*, *Resource Investor*, *RGE Monitor*, UNMIL Radio (Liberia)

Background: Michael Keating earned a BA in Philosophy from Fordham University and pursued graduate studies in Comparative Area Studies at the University of Washington. He is Director of the Conflict Media program which has been running successfully in Liberia since 2007. He is a former Partner with the Boston Consulting Group and a former media industry executive with Bertelsmann.

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Expertise: Women’s health, health care policy, Massachusetts Legislature and Massachusetts politics, Political activism and campaigns, Policymaking, State budget

In Brief: As center research director, Dr. Kelleher oversees research on women’s political leadership and a range of public policy issues that affect women, with a focus on maternal and reproductive health. Recently co-authored publications include: *Caring for Women: A Profile of the Midwifery Workforce in Massachusetts*, *Unfinished Business: Building Equality for Women in the Construction Trades*, and *Women in the Down Economy: Impacts of the Recession and the Stimulus in Massachusetts*.

Background: She earned her doctorate in sociology from Brandeis University. Dr. Kelleher has been affiliated with the Center’s Graduate Certificate Program for Women in Politics & Public Policy since 2002 and teaches the course “Contemporary American Public Policy Issues.” Her professional experiences include work on political campaigns, in the Massachusetts Senate, and for not-for-profit advocacy organizations. As an Assistant Professor at Pine Manor College, Christa previously taught courses in sociology, community health, and public policy. She has also served on the faculty for the Master of Science Program in Public Affairs at the McCormack School. As a Lecturer at Brandeis University and Tufts University, Christa taught courses on women and politics.

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Expertise: International conflict, international negotiation, radical Islam, and conflict and democracy in Africa (especially Nigeria)

In Brief: Professor Kew is an Associate Professor of Conflict Resolution and Executive Director of the Center for Peace, Democracy and Development. Kew studies the relationship between transformative conflict resolution methods and democratic development, particularly in terms of democratic institution building in Africa and the growth of political cultures that support democracy. Much of his work focuses on the role of civil society groups in this development.

Dr. Kew is recognized by policymakers in Washington and academics here and in Nigeria for his deep, firsthand knowledge of Nigerian politics and society. His work on how conflict resolution methods promote democratization of national political cultures is among the first of its kind linking these important fields.

Selected Media Experience: Aljazeera TV, NECN, BBC

Background: Kew completed his doctorate at Tufts University. He has worked with the Council on Foreign Relations' Center for Preventive Action to provide analysis and blueprints for preventing conflicts in numerous areas around the world, including Nigeria, Central Africa, and Kosovo. Kew has also been a consultant to the United Nations, USAID, the US State Department, and to a number of NGOs, including the Carter Center in a 1999 effort by former President Jimmy Carter to mediate the Niger Delta conflicts.

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Expertise: Community empowerment, understanding American democracy, strategic planning and program development, federal-state relations, public affairs, municipal government

In Brief: Judith Kurland brings a wealth of public-sector policy development and experience to her position as Director of the Center for Community Democracy and Democratic Literacy. Ms. Kurland had a distinguished career in public service, recently serving as chief of staff to Boston Mayor Thomas M. Menino and regional director for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the Clinton administration.

Selected Media Experience: Boston Common, Greater Boston (with Emily Rooney) and numerous other local TV and radio broadcasts

Background: Ms. Kurland is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College with an AB in political science. Kurland has taught and lectured at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard School of Public Health, Simmons College and the Medical Schools of Boston and Tufts Universities, has lectured widely, and published in peer-reviewed journals.

Kurland has served as Commissioner of the Department of Health and Hospitals for the City of Boston, Senior Consultant to DCABoston, Vice President for Strategic Planning and Corporate Affairs at New England Medical Center, Director of Federal-State Relations, Chief of Staff for the Office of the Massachusetts Lt. Governor; Chief of Staff for Congressman Michael J. Harrington, and Legislative Director to then Majority Whip Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.

Judith has served in senior leadership roles and on the board of directors in many community organizations including Health Leads, South Africa Partners, Massachusetts Public Health Association, National Center for Healthy Housing, and the Massachusetts Status on the Commission of Women, among others.

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Expertise: Nonprofit organizations, philanthropy, philanthropic foundations, charitable giving

In Brief: Dr. Heather MacIndoe is an assistant professor in the Department of Public Policy and Public Affairs at the McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies. Professor MacIndoe's research on urban nonprofit organizations in the United States examines a range of issues including: sources and patterns of nonprofit funding, advocacy by nonprofit organizations, philanthropic foundations, and charitable giving.

Background: MacIndoe earned her PhD in Sociology at the University of Chicago, an MA in Sociology at Stanford University, and a BA in economics from Wellesley College. Prior to joining the UMass Boston faculty, MacIndoe was a Postdoctoral Research Associate at the Taubman Center for Public Policy and American Institutions at Brown University and a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Hauser Center for Nonprofit Organizations at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. She has published in the *American Journal of Sociology* and *Mobilization*.

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Expertise: Determinants and effects of federal and state policies affecting vulnerable populations, including the frail and disabled elderly, mentally ill, veterans, and urban underserved; aging and long-term care, telemedicine and e-health

In Brief: Miller is a Fellow at the Gerontology Institute and an Associate Professor of Gerontology and Public Policy. He has published more than 70 peer-reviewed journal articles and numerous book chapters and reports. A co-authored book, *Digital Medicine: Health Care in the Internet Era*, was published by Brookings Institution Press in 2009. Dr. Miller is a member of the editorial boards of *The Gerontologist*, *Journal of Aging and Social Policy*, *Journal of Health Politics, Policy, and Law*, *World Medical and Health Policy*. In addition to invited talks, he routinely presents at the annual meetings of several professional organizations, including the American Political Science Association, Gerontological Society of America, Midwest Political Science Association, and Academy Health.

Background: After receiving his PhD in 2003 in Political Science and Health Services Organization and Policy from the University of Michigan, Miller completed a post-doctoral fellowship in the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health at Yale University. He also holds an AB and MPA from Cornell University. He has spent time in New Zealand as a Fulbright scholar and worked at the Congressional Research Service as a social policy analyst specializing in aging and retirement issues. He was formerly an Assistant Professor of Public Policy, Political Science and Community Health at Brown University.

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Expertise: Demographic issues in aging populations, racial and ethnic diversity in later life, intergenerational families, and income security

In Brief: Jan Mutchler is a professor in the Department of Gerontology. She is currently Chair and Graduate Program Director for the Department and Associate Director for Social and Demographic Research of the Gerontology Institute. She serves on the editorial board of *Journal of Aging & Social Policy*. She is the co-principal investigator for The National Elder Economic Security Standard Index, a tool to measure the cost of living for persons over the age of 65 specific to their geographic location and living situation.

Background: Jan E. Mutchler received her PhD in sociology, with a specialization in social demography from the University of Texas-Austin. Her recent publications include: “The Implications of Grandparent Co-residence for Economic Hardship among Children in Mother-Only Families,” in *Journal of Family Issues* (with Lindsey Baker); “Varieties of Well-being: Race, Class, Gender, and Age,” a chapter in *Boomer Bust? Economic and Political Dynamics of the Graying Society* (with Jeff Burr), and “Grandparents Responsible for Grandchildren in Native American Families,” in *Social Science Quarterly* (with Lindsey Baker and SeungAh Lee).

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Expertise: Iraqi, South African, and Northern Ireland peace processes, divided communities, international peace and reconciliation, political negotiations

In Brief: For most of his professional life, Professor O'Malley has been involved with peace initiatives in Northern Ireland, South Africa, Iraq and other countries.

Selected Media Experience: WBUR, *Boston Globe*, *Boston Herald*, *New York Times*, *Cape Cod Times*

Background: Professor O'Malley is the distinguished John Joseph Moakley Professor of Peace and Reconciliation at the John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies. Numerous stories have been written about him in the nation's dailies and he has been recently awarded the Liberal International Award for his achievements in the field of international peace and negotiation. His most recent achievement has been peace negotiations among the warring factions in Iraq.

O'Malley has penned several books including *Shades of Difference*, for which former South African president Nelson Mandela wrote a 10,000-word foreword.

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Expertise: Ocean and ecosystem-based management, environmental and urban planning, public-private partnerships, philanthropy

In Brief: In spring 2010, Robbin Peach was appointed Director of UMass Boston's Collaborative Institute for Oceans, Climate and Security. She is also the founder and senior advisor to the Massachusetts Ocean Partnership, a unique public private effort to help the Commonwealth create the nation's first integrated multiuse ocean management plan for its coastal ocean. For eighteen years, she ran the Massachusetts Environmental Trust, a quasi public environmental philanthropy focusing on water resource issues. She managed the City of Boston's Urban Design Department and worked in several municipal or nonprofit jobs as a planner. Robbin currently serves on several nonprofit boards including the New England Grassroots Environment Fund.

Selected Media Experience: *Boston Globe, Boston Herald, The Tab, and Newsweek*

Background: Robbin Peach has a Masters from the Conway School of Landscape Design and a Masters in Public Administration from Harvard's Kennedy School where she was the 2006 Robert F. Bradford Fellow for Excellence in Public Service. Her specialty in creating public private partnerships has leveraged over \$50 million in private resources for the Commonwealth's environment through such projects as the "Right Whale Tail" automotive license plate – the state's first successful cause-related plate. She has led other high-engagement, philanthropic initiatives and helped establish conservation funds throughout the world.

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Expertise: Lifelong learning for older adults, planning and managing of educational programs for older adults, conference planning, proposal writing, and Thai culture and politics

In Brief: Dr. Wichian Rojanawon founded and directs the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at UMass Boston. He has extensive experience in working with older adults in many capacities—from home care case management to planning, policy, and administration. From 1996-2004, he organized eight educational forums at the Massachusetts State House to encourage a dialogue among state legislators, professionals, and lay people on various issues affecting the older population. In 2008, he helped UMass Boston secure over \$3 million, the largest non-research endowment in its history. In 1996-1997, Rojanawon was Project Director of *The Elderquest: Examining a New Model for Old Age in Literature and Films*, a national program that trained and worked with 19 Lifelong Learning Institutes in 12 states. The project was funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). Chosen from a pool of over 500 instructors, Wichian earned Outstanding Teacher Achievement Awards from the Boston Center for Adult Education in 1990 and 2003.

Selected Media Experience: *Boston Globe, Boston Herald, Patriot Ledger, Dorchester Reporter, South Shore Senior News, BNN-TV*

Background: Wichian received a BA in Public Administration from Thammasat University in Thailand and a Master's Degree in International Administration from the School for International Living (SIT), Vermont. He also earned an MSW and PhD in Gerontology from Boston College.

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Expertise: Social relationships and social development of children with disabilities

In Brief: Siperstein has published more than 100 articles, chapters, and books on the social relationships and social development of children with disabilities. His book, *Promoting Social Success*, focuses on improving the social skills of children in the classroom. Siperstein has won numerous research grants from federal agencies, including NICHD and the U.S. Department of Education, and received the prestigious MERIT Award from NICHD for his work on the social aspects of mental retardation. Dr. Siperstein currently serves as the director of the Special Olympics Global Collaborating Center (GCC), which conducts research on intellectual disabilities. He presently serves on numerous editorial boards including the *Journal of Special Education and Exceptional Children*. Dr. Siperstein also served as the past president of the Division of Research of the Council for Exceptional Children. Dr. Siperstein founded Camp Shriver at UMass Boston, the first fully inclusive sports camp in Massachusetts for children with and without disabilities.

Selected Media Experience: NPR, *New York Times*, *Boston Globe*, *Boston Herald*

Background: Dr. Siperstein received his PhD at Yeshiva University and was a Post-doctoral Fellow at Children's Hospital, Harvard University. Dr. Siperstein is the author of: "Toward an understanding of social integration" (*Exceptionality*, 2008); "A national study of youth attitudes toward the inclusion of students with intellectual disabilities" (*Exceptional Children*, 2007); "Camp Shriver: A model for inclusive day camps" (*Camping Magazine*, 2007); "A national survey of consumer attitudes toward companies that hire people with disabilities" (*Journal of Vocational Rehabilitation*, 2006); *Social Acceptance and Attitude Change: Fifty Years of Research* (Kluwer/Plenum Publishing, 2005).

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Expertise: Public management, organizational behavior and theory

In Brief: Amy Smith is an assistant professor in the Department of Public Policy and Public Affairs. Her current research focuses on social networks and their impact on regulatory settings. Smith is also engaged in ongoing projects examining the tools and techniques used by instructors in teaching statistics to practitioners and evaluating data analysis activities in government and non-profit organizations.

Background: Dr. Smith earned a PhD and MPA in Public Administration and Policy from the University at Albany, State University of New York. She also holds a Bachelor of Science in Public Administration from James Madison University. She has presented her work at numerous professional conferences including the Academy of Management (AOM), the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM), the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration (NASPAA), the Public Management Research Association (PMRAC), and the System Dynamics Society (SDS). Dr. Smith has also contributed to several research projects for various New York State agencies and has published in the *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* and *Economics of Innovation and New Technology*.

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Expertise: Presidential campaign tactics, survey research and message development

In Brief: David M. Sparks has over 35 years experience in public policy, government and politics. He serves as Director of the Edward J. Collins, Jr. Center for Public Management.

Selected Media Experience: *Boston Globe*, NPR, *Chicago Tribune*, *Washington Post*, *Christian Science Monitor*, *Boston Herald*, *New York Times*

Background: David Sparks has managed campaigns for Gerald Ford in Massachusetts, Olympia Snowe in Maine and David Emery in Maine. Sparks served as national field director of the George H.W. Bush for President Campaign in 1980 and directed the Bush Campaign's telephone and direct mail programs in 1988. He has owned a polling company and worked as a public affairs consultant.

From 1981 to 1984, he served as Regional Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in New England. Sparks was also the Director of Intergovernmental Relations in the Office of the Governor of Maine. David Sparks was an elected to the Nashoba Regional School Committee in Massachusetts where he was Chairman and led the Committee's labor negotiation team. He was also on Maine's Blue Ribbon Commission on Higher Education Governance.

Mr. Sparks graduated magna cum laude from Tufts University and received a Master of Public Administration degree from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, where he was also a Fellow at the Institute of Politics.

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Expertise: Diversity, inclusion and race relations, especially in Massachusetts, the press, state and local government, campaigns and politics

In Brief: Bob Turner worked for the *Boston Globe* for 43 years; he was deputy editor of the editorial page when he retired in 2007

Turner serves as Co-Director of Commonwealth Compact, an ambitious statewide initiative to make Massachusetts a location of choice for people of color. From small beginnings, the project now counts more than 200 organizations as committed members, including more than a third of the state's largest employers. Organizations such as Staples, John Hancock, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Partners Health Care, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, TJX, Harvard, MIT, have submitted employment data and are committed to policies that will embrace the state's diversity.

Selected Media Experience: *Boston Globe*, plus nearly all local TV stations, NBC (the Today Show), and PBS (Charlie Rose).

Background: Turner worked as a reporter, columnist, and member of the editorial board of the *Boston Globe* from 1965 to 2007. He was State House Bureau chief twice, and covered every presidential campaign from 1972 to 2004. He authored two books: *I'll Never Lie to You: Jimmy Carter in His Own Words* (1976), and *Dukakis, an American Odyssey* (with Charles Kenney, 1987). In 2002, he was the lead convener of Beyond the Big Dig, an award-winning collaboration among the Globe, MIT, and Channel 5 that sought to improve the Rose Kennedy Greenway. Turner is a board member of WriteBoston and the Town of Milton Library Foundation.

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Expertise: Private pensions, Social Security, retirement income security, macroeconomics, financial markets, Wall Street, and international finance

In Brief: Professor Weller has extensive experience in the area of retirement income security, macroeconomics, financial markets, and international finance. His work is frequently cited in the press and he is often a guest on national TV and radio programs. Professor Weller is often asked to speak to professional audiences, such as pension fund managers and union officers, on a wide array of topics. He has also testified several times before the U.S. Congress, Pennsylvania State House of Representatives, and Baltimore City Council on retirement issues and middle class economic security. In 2006, he earned the Outstanding Scholar-Practitioner Award from the Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA).

Selected Media Experience: CNN, C-SPAN, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *Boston Globe*, *Houston Chronicle*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Seattle Times*

Background: Prior to joining the UMass Boston faculty, Weller was a senior economist and senior fellow at the Center for American Progress, where he remains a senior fellow. Previous to the Center for American Progress, he was on the research staff at the Economic Policy Institute in Washington, D.C. Weller has also worked at the Center for European Integration Studies at the University of Bonn in Germany, under the Department of Public Policy of the AFL-CIO in Washington, DC, and in banking in Germany, Belgium and Poland.

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