

## Curriculum Vita

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#### Dissertation

**“Creating Interpersonal Affect Scales” Expected completion May 2007  
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**ABSTRACT:** This study attempts to improve the measurement of affect towards racial groups and homosexuals for survey research, by creating interpersonally comparable scales based off of the commonly used feeling thermometer. Utilizing the technique of anchoring vignettes allows for the more accurate and comparable ratings of feelings towards a group. The vignettes also allow for the adjustments of the respondents self placement to improve the accuracy and the descriptive ability of the feeling thermometer.

#### Education

- PhD Candidate, Political Science, SIUC, degree expected May 2007  
Virtual Summer Institute in Political Psychology, Stanford University, July 2006.
- M.A. Political Studies, University of Illinois at Springfield. July 2003.
- B.A. Summa Cum Laude, Political Studies, University of Illinois at Springfield.  
May 2001.

#### Research and Teaching Interests

- American Politics: public opinion and legislative politics.
- Political Theory: classical political thought.
- Methodology: survey research.

#### Works in Progress

- Grant, Tobin and Paul Gottemoller. “The Evolution of the Use of Roll Call Votes to Understand Congressional Politics.” To be submitted to *Perspectives on Politics*.
- Gottemoller, Paul and Randolph Burnside. “Standardizing Feeling Thermometers for Racial Affect.” BOOK CHAPTER.

## Conference Presentations

- Gottemoller, Paul and Randolph Burnside. "Are They Still Hot?: Utilizing Feeling Thermometers as Part of the Answer." To be presented at the 2007 Midwest Political Science Association Conference.
- Gottemoller, Paul and Randolph Burnside. "Am I My Brothers Keeper?: Religiosity and Attitudes Toward Homosexuality." To be presented at the 2007 Midwest Political Science Association Conference.

## Teaching Experience

- Teaching Assistant for Domestic Sources of Foreign Policy. 2004
- Teaching Assistant for Introduction to American Government, Southern Illinois University. 2006, 2005, 2004.
- Teaching Assistant for Political Methodology: Introduction to Quantitative Analysis, Southern Illinois University. 2005.

## Service and Activities

- Assistant Faculty Advisor for University of Illinois at Springfield Model Illinois, Government 2001-2003.

## References

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