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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO
Associate Professor, Fall 2024-Present
Assistant Professor, Fall 2018-Spring 2024
Truman School of Public Affairs

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL
Assistant Professor, Fall 2017- Spring 2018
School of Public Administration

EDUCATION

Texas A&M University, College Station, TX
PhD Political Science, 2017

University of Maryland, College Park, MD
BA History and Government and Politics, 2012

PEER REVIEWED BOOK

Teodoro, Manuel P., Samantha Zuhlke, and **David Switzer**. 2022. *The Profits of Distrust: Citizen-Consumers, Drinking Water, and the Crisis of Confidence in American Government*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

• 2024 Lynton Keith Caldwell Prize, American Political Science Association, Science Technology and Environmental Policy Section.

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

Manuel P. Teodoro and **David Switzer**. Conditional Acceptance. ‘Public enterprise pricing as redistributive policy.’ *Policy Studies Journal*.

Hughes, Sara, Christine J. Kirchoff, Michelle Lee, and **David Switzer**. 2025. ‘Understanding the cost of basic drinking water services in the United States: A national assessment.’ *AWWA Water Science*. 7 (1): e70014.

Switzer, David and Jiwoong Jung. 2023. ‘Contextual responsiveness in U.S. local government climate policy.’ *Review of Policy Research*. 40 (6): 920-949.

Saywitz, Robin and **David Switzer**. 2023. ‘Who Benefits from Special District Service Delivery?: Water Affordability in the United States.’ *Public Administration Quarterly* 47 (2): 109-131.

Switzer, David and Jun Deng. 2023. ‘Specialized Government and Water Conservation Policy.’ *Urban Affairs Review* 59 (2): 611-629.

Zhang, Youlang, Manuel P. Teodoro, and **David Switzer**. 2021. ‘Public Water Waste Reporting: Contextual Correlates and Conservation Outcomes.’ *Water Resources Research* 57 (4): e2020WR027805.

Switzer, David, Weijie Wang, and Lacey Hirschvogel. 2020. ‘Municipal Utili-

ties and Covid-19: Challenges, Responses, and Collaboration.” *The American Review of Public Administration* 50 (6-7): 577-583.

Switzer, David. 2020. “The Context of Responsiveness: Resident Preferences, Water Scarcity, and Municipal Conservation Policy.” *Review of Policy Research* 37 (2): 260-279.

Teodoro, Manuel P., Youlang Zhang, and **David Switzer.** 2020. “Political Decoupling: Private Implementation of Public Policy.” *Policy Studies Journal* 48 (2): 401-424.

Switzer, David and Manuel P. Teodoro. 2019 “Comment on ‘U.S. Urban Water Prices: Cheaper When Drier’ by Ian H. Luby, Stephen Polasky, and Deborah L. Swackhamer.” *Water Resources Research* 55 (7): 6316-6321.

Switzer, David. 2019. “Getting off the (Water) Bottle: Constraining or Embracing Individual Liberty in the Pursuit of the Public Interest.” *Ethics, Policy & Environment* 22 (3): 331-348.

Switzer, David. 2019. “Citizen Partisanship, Local Government, and Environmental Policy Implementation.” *Urban Affairs Review* 55 (3): 675-702.

Switzer, David. 2019. “Introducing a New Measure of Residential Water Rate Progressivity.” *AWWA Water Science* 1(2): e1132.

Switzer, David and Manuel P. Teodoro. 2018. “Class, Race, Ethnicity, and Justice in Safe Drinking Water Compliance.” *Social Science Quarterly* 99(2): 524-535.

Teodoro, Manuel P., Mellie Haider, and **David Switzer.** 2018. “U.S. Environmental Policy Implementation on Tribal Lands: Trust, Neglect, and Justice.” *Policy Studies Journal* 46(1): 37-59.

Switzer, David and Arnold Vedlitz. 2017. “Investigating the Determinants and Effects of Local Drought Awareness.” *Weather, Climate, and Society* 9(4): 641-657.

Switzer, David and Arnold Vedlitz. 2017. “Green Colored Lenses: Worldviews and Motivated Reasoning in the Case of Local Water Scarcity.” *Environment & Behavior* 49(7): 719-744.

Teodoro, Manuel P. and **David Switzer.** 2016. “Drinking from the Talent Pool: A Resource Theory of Human Capital and Agency Performance.” *Public Administration Review* 76(4): 564-575.

Switzer, David, Manuel P. Teodoro, and Stuart Karasik. 2016. “The Human Capital Resource Challenge: Recognizing and Overcoming Small Utility Workforce Obstacles.” *Journal of the American Water Works Association* 108(8): E416-E424.

• 2017 Management & Leadership Division Best Paper Award, American Water Works Association.

Switzer, David and Nicole Frances Angeli. 2016. “Human and Non-Human

Migration: Understanding Species Introduction and Translocation through Migration Ethics." *Environmental Values* 25(4): 443-463.

**OTHER
PUBLICATIONS**

Switzer, David and Manuel P. Teodoro. 2017. "The Color of Drinking Water: Class, Race, Ethnicity, and Safe Drinking Water Act Compliance." *Journal of the American Water Works Association* 109(9): 40-45.

Switzer, David. 2016. "Politics and the Environment." Entry in *Global Encyclopedia of Public Administration, Public Policy, and Governance*. Edited by Ali Farazmand.

Switzer, David and Elisabeth Ellis. 2014. "Shapiro, Ian." Entry in *Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Political Thought*. Edited by Michael Gibbons.

Teodoro, Manuel P. and **David Switzer.** 2015. "Workforce Quality & Regulatory Compliance in Economically Challenged Regions: Identifying New Strategies." Report to the Workforce Strategies Committee, American Water Works Association.

**WORKING
PAPERS**

"Polycentric Government or Shadow Government? Special Districts and Environmental Policy Implementation." with Robin Saywitz. Invited to Revise and Resubmit to *Public Administration Review*.

"Testing the Effects of Nativist Framing of Introduced Species on Public Opinion." with Michael Powell and Nicole Angeli. Under Review.

"Demand For Professional City Management Among Elected Officials: Evidence from a Survey of Local Government Officials." with Jiwoong Jung. Under Review.

"Service without Representation: Water Services Outside City Limits." with Yung-Yu Tsai.

"Measuring Local Citizen Participation- An MRP Approach." with Nathan Favero and Joohyung Park.

**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE**

University of Missouri:

PA 8170: "Policy Processes and Strategies (online)." x5

PA 8170: "Policy Processes and Strategies (in-person)." x7

PA8520: "Human Resource Management and Development in the Public and Nonprofit Sector." x3

PA4540/7540: "Local Government Management (in-person)"

PA4540/7540: "Local Government Management (online)" x5

PA1000: "Principles of Public Policy Administration" x4

PS4320: "Public Policy"

Florida Atlantic University:

PAD2258: "Changing Env. of Society, Business, and Government." x2

PAD4806: "State and Local Government Administration."

PAD4704: "Research Methods for Public Management"

Texas A&M University:

POLS 347: "Politics of Energy and the Environment." x2

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE **Research Assistant**, Fall 2012-Spring 2017
Department of Political Science
Texas A&M University

Predoctoral Research Associate, Summer 2015-Fall 2017
Institute for Science, Technology, and Public Policy
The George Bush School of Government and Public Service
Texas A&M University

**SELECTED
CONFERENCE
PRESENTATIONS**

“Testing the Effects of Nativist Framing of Introduced Species on Public Opinion.” with Michael Powell and Nicole Angeli. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2023)

“Understanding the Cost of Basic Drinking Water Services in the U.S.: A National Assessment” with Sara Hughes, Christine Kirchhoff, and Michelle Lee. Presented at the Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting (2023)

“Measuring Local Citizen Participation- An MRP Approach.” with Nathan Favero and Joohyung Park. Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2023)

“Service without Representation: Water Services Outside City Limits.” with Yung-Yu Tsai. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2022)

“Public Preferences, Administrative Structure, and Governmental Decision Making in Community Sustainability Policy: Exploring the Adoption of Governmental Energy Aggregations” with Jun Deng. Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2022)

“Who gets Hosed? Inequality, Redistribution, and the Political Economy of Water Prices.” with Manuel P. Teodoro. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2021)

“Government Institutions and the Spatial Diffusion of Local Government Policy.” with Robin Saywitz. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2021)

“Privatization as Centralization: Political Authority in US Drinking Water.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2020)

“Specialized Local Government and Responsiveness: The Case of Water Conservation Policy.” with Jun Deng. Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2020)

“Trust in Government and Bottled Water Consumption.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2019)

“The Politics of Affordable Water in America.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2019)

“The Effect of Special District Governments on Environmental Policy Implementation.” Presented at the Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Meeting (2018)

“The Effect of Special District Governments on Environmental Policy Implementation.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2018)

**STUDENT
ADVISING**

Member: Madeline Emerson, MS, Human Dimensions of Natural Resources, 2019

Member: Taek Kyu Kim, PhD, Public Affairs, 2023

Member: Intae Choi, PhD, Public Affairs, 2024

Chair: Jun Deng, PhD, Public Affairs, 2023

Chair: Chris Wielga, PhD, Public Affairs, 2024

Chair: Jiwoong Jung, PhD, Public Affairs, 2024

Chair: Michael Powell, PhD, Political Science, ongoing

Chair: William Sullivan, PhD, Political Science, ongoing

**SKILLS &
PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT**

Advanced Game Theory, Summer 2014
ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods
Taught by James Morrow

Hierarchical Linear Modeling, Summer 2013
Summer Methods Workshop, Texas A&M University
Taught by Dave Peterson

Technical Skills: Stata, R, \LaTeX , ArcGIS, HTML

**FUNDING &
RESEARCH
AWARDS**

University of Missouri Research Council, “Drinking Water Behaviors, Concern for Drinking Water Infrastructure, and Support for Spending Among Local Elected Officials.” 2023 (\$15,000). PI. Funded.

American Water Works Association, “Workforce Quality & Regulatory Compliance in Economically Challenged Regions,” *Technical and Educational Council Grant*; 2015 (\$25,000). Research Personnel. Funded.

**PROFESSIONAL
MEMBERSHIP &
SERVICE**

Member: STEP Section Board, American Political Science Association, 2023-Present.

Member: Water and Light Advisory Board, City of Columbia, MO, 2021-Present.

Member: Don K. Price Book Award Committee, 2023.

Member: Don K. Price Book Award Committee, 2022.

Member: Integrated Electric Resource Plan and Master Plan Task Force, City of Columbia, MO, 2021-2022.

Member: Public Administration Section Executive Committee, APSA, 2018-2021.

Member: Evan J. Ringquist Best Paper Award Committee, 2020.

Member: Paul A. Sabatier Best Conference Paper Award Committee, 2018.

Member: Water Resources Foundation, Project Advisory Committee, 2019-2020.

Discussant: WPSA 2016, APPAM 2018, MPSA 2019, APSA 2019, APSA 2022, APSA 2023

Chair: APSA 2016, APSA 2018, MPSA 2019, APSA 2019, SPSA 2020, APSA 2023

President: Texas A&M Political Science Graduate Students Association, 2015-2016

Journal Reviewer: *Nature Climate Change, Political Research Quarterly, Journal of the American Water Works Association, Urban Studies, American Journal of Public Health, Publius: The Journal of Federalism, Environmental Values, Policy Studies Journal, Urban Affairs Review, Public Administration Review, Utilities Policy, Journal of Politics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Atmosphere, Society and Natural Resourcesx2, Public Administration, American Water Works Association Water Science*

Grant Reviewer: National Science Foundation, North Carolina Water Resources Research Institute

**UNIVERSITY &
DEPARTMENT
SERVICE**

Member: Undergraduate Committee, Fall 2024-Present.

Member: PhD Committee, Fall 2019-Spring 2020; Fall 2024-Present.

Member: Working Group: Internship Planning Committee, Fall 2023-Spring 2024.

Member: Lectures Committee, Fall 2019-Spring 2020; Fall 2022-Spring 2023.

Member: Comparative Public Policy Search Committee, Fall 2021.

Member: Institute of Public Policy Advisory Committee, Fall 2020-Spring 2021.

Member: Truman School/Political Science Merger Planning Committee, Summer 2020.

Member: Working Group: Public Administration and Policy Undergraduate Degree Development Committee, Fall 2018-Spring 2019

Member: Working Group: Engineering Collaboration Committee, Fall 2018-Spring 2019