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**Education:**

Ph.D. University of Chicago, Dept. of Political Science, 1971

M.A. University of Chicago, Dept. of Political Science, 1969

B.A. University of Notre Dame, Dept. of Government, 1965

**Research Fields:**

Medieval Political Theory, Ancient Political Theory,  
Catholic Political Theory, Politics and Literature  
Congress, Public Policy, Urban Politics.

**Academic**

**Employment:**

University of Notre Dame  
Full Professor, 1995 to present  
Associate Professor, 1975 to 1995  
Assistant Professor, 1971 to 1975  
Instructor, 1969 to 1971

**Administrative Experience:**

Director, Philosophy, Politics and Economics Program 1991-  
present  
Acting Chair, Department of Political Science, 2005-2006  
Director of Undergraduate Studies, Dept. of Political Science  
1997-1999, 2002 -2004.  
Director, Undergraduate Concentration in Politics,  
Philosophy and Economics, 1991 to present.  
Director of Graduate Studies, Dept. of Political Science  
1985-1988  
Associate Director, Institute for Urban Studies, 1975-  
1981.

**Academic  
Awards and  
Grants:**

Dockweiler Award –University wide award for Mentoring Students - 2007

Charles Sheedy Award for Outstanding Teacher in the College of Arts and Letters, University of Notre Dame, 1984.

University of Notre Dame President's Award for Outstanding Service to the University, 1987

Arts and Letters Skaggs Foundation Grant, 1991–92

Elected as Distinguished Alumni Member Notre Dame Chapter Phi Beta Kappa, 1992

Notre Dame Faculty Research Grants, 1975, 1987

HUD sponsored research grants, 1976, 1979

University of Chicago Fellowship, 1966–68

Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, 1965–66

**Books and Research Monographs:**

L. John Roos, Jack Egan, John Carr, Andy Mott, Housing and Public Policy: A Role for Mediating Structures (Ballinger Publishing Company, 1981), 131 pp.

**Works in Progress**

John Roos, The Meanest of Them Sparkled: Political Vision in Flannery O'Connor  
Revise and resubmit at Catholic University Press.

**Articles:** (Refereed marked with \*, Invited marked with #)

John Roos and Adaam Seagrave “Annotated inventory of Papers of Gerhart Niemeyer,”  
Archives, of University of Notre Dame, December 2008, 36 pp.

\* John Roos “Thomistic Risings in ‘Judgement Day’ “, Perspectives, Vol. 34, No. 4

(Spring 2006), pp. 188-192.

- # John Roos and Chris Garcia, "Indiana 2: Hoosier Values and Outside Money" in The Last Hurrah: Soft Money and Issue Advocacy in the 2002 Congressional Elections, ed. David Maglesby and J. Quinn Monson (Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy: Provo, Utah), 2003, pp. 223-235. Reprinted in PS: Political Science and Politics, Vol. XXXVI, No. 3, June 2003.
  
- # John Roos, "Flannery O'Connor and the Limits of Justice" in Joseph Knippenberg and Peter Lawler, Eds. Poets and Princes: Literary Alternatives to Postmodern Politics (New York: Rowman and Littlefield), 1996, pp. 143-168.
  
- # John Roos, "Foreword—Symposium on Voice in Government," Notre Dame Journal of Law, Ethics and Public Policy, Vol. 8, no. 2 (Spring 1994), pp. 421–426.
  
- \* John Roos, "Thinking about Reform: The World View of Congressional Reformers," Polity, Vol. XXV, No. 3 (Spring 1993), pp. 329–353.
  
- \* John Roos, "Unger and Aquinas on Universals and Particulars," American Journal of Jurisprudence, Vol. 38 (1993), pp. 63–84.
  
- \* John Roos, "The Political in Flannery O'Connor: A Reading of 'A View of the Woods'," Studies in Short Fiction, Vol. 29, no. 2 (Spring 1992), pp. 161–179.
  
- \* John Roos and Ken Grant, "Measuring Participation Using Public Opinion Surveys: Who Lies and Why," Political Methodology, Vol. 11, nos. 3–4 (1986), pp. 293–298.
  
- \* L. John Roos, Thomas Broden, Thomas Swartz, Susan Roberts, Identifying Urban Neighborhoods: An Annotated Bibliography (Monticello, Illinois: Council of Planning Librarians, 1980), 37 pp.
  
- \* L. John Roos, Thomas Broden, Ron Kirkwood, Neighborhood Identification Handbook (Washington, D.C.: United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, 1979), 48 pp.
  
- \* L. John Roos, Thomas Broden, Thomas Swartz, Ron Kirkwood, "New Uses For Census Data," National Civic Review, Vol. 68, no. 5 (June, 1979), pp. 252–255.
  
- \* L. John Roos, "The Housing Allowance Experiment and Policy Analysis," Policy Studies Journal, Vol. 3, No. 3 (Summer 1975), pp. 298–301.
  
- # L. John Roos and Stanley Hauerwas, "Ethics and Population Policy," in Political Issues in U.S. Population Policy, ed. Virginia Gray and Elihu Bergman (Lexington Books, 1974), pp. 189–206.
  
- L. John Roos and Peri Arnold, "Congressional Executive Relations," Review of Politics, Vol. 36, No. 3 (July 1974), pp. 410–429. Reprinted in Classics on the American

Presidency, ed. Harry Bailey (Moore Publishing, 1980), pp. 265–278.

L. John Roos, "American Political Life in the 60's: Change Recurrence and Revolution," Review of Politics, Vol. 34, no. 4 (October 1972), pp. 70–83. Reprinted in America in Change: Reflections on the 60's and 70's, ed. Ronald Weber (University of Notre Dame Press, 1972), pp. 44–55.

L. John Roos, "America the Perpetual Adolescent," in Toothing Stones: Rethinking the Political, ed. Robert Meagher (Chicago: Swallow Press 1972), pp. 70–83.

### **Applied Research:**

John Roos and Chris Garcia, "Civic Discourse in the 2002 Indiana 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District Race," Research paper for Sandy Maisl and Pew Charitable Trust project on Civic Discourse in 2002 Congressional Elections. Colby College, Maine, 2003,) 22 pg.

John Roos Educational Attainment in Indiana, Research Monograph for office of Lieutenant Governor Joseph Kernan, (Indianapolis, Indiana, 1999), 26 pp.

John Roos and William Hojnacki, Making Ends Meet (School of Public and Environmental Affairs—Indiana University South Bend, 1994), 66pp.

John Roos, Doing More With Less: The Fiscal Crisis in St. Joseph County Governments (Michiana Urban Observatory, Indiana University at South Bend School of Public and Environmental Affairs, 1992), 46 pp.

L. John Roos, Ron Kirkwood, William P. Hojnacki, An Agenda for Michigan City (Michiana Urban Observatory, Indiana University at South Bend, 1983), 45 pp.

L. John Roos and Thomas Swartz, The Art of Taxation (New York: New York Joint Council on Economic Education, 1979), 78 pp.

L. John Roos, Thomas Broden, Thomas Swartz, Ron Kirkwood, Survey of Neighborhood Identification Efforts and Approaches (Washington, D.C.: United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, 1978), 212 pp.

L. John Roos and John Kromkowski, An Analysis of Rehabilitation Programs in South Bend (South Bend, Indiana: South Bend Urban Observatory, 1977), 47 pp.

L. John Roos, John Kromkowski, Thomas Swartz, Peri Arnold, Saving Residential Neighborhoods (Washington, D.C.: National League of Cities, 1976), 120 pp.

L. John Roos, Neighborhood Preservation (South Bend, Ind.: South Bend Urban Observatory, 1975), 186 pp.

L. John Roos, Juvenile Referrals in St. Joseph County, Indiana 1970–1971 (South Bend,

Indiana: University of Notre Dame Institute for Urban Studies, 1974), 37 pp.

- L. John Roos and Thomas Swartz, Workable Program for Community Development (South Bend, Indiana: City of South Bend and United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, 1972), 270 pp.
- L. John Roos, Thomas Broden, Jean Conley, Joe Simoni, Pilot Social Indicators (South Bend, Indiana: University of Notre Dame Institute for Urban Studies, 1971), 127 pp.
- L. John Roos, Cabinet Government for South Bend (South Bend, Indiana: City of South Bend, 1972). Series of legislative proposals adopted by Indiana State Legislature and adopted by Municipal Government of South Bend.

### **Professional Papers:**

John Roos and Chris Garcia, "Indiana's Second Congressional District." Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, March 3, 2003.

John Roos "Nature and Grace in Thomas Aquinas and Joachim of Fiore." International Medieval Congress, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan, May 11, 1997.

John Roos, "Political Vision in Flannery O'Connor." Southern Modern Language Association, Houston, Texas, Oct. 26, 1995.

John Roos, "Politics and the Limits of Justice in Flannery O'Connor." Conference on Southern Women Writers, Berry College, April 9, 1994.

John Roos, "The Historical Context of Thomas Aquinas's Political Teaching." International Medieval Congress, Western Michigan University, May 9, 1993.

John Roos, "Flannery O'Connor and Natural Law: A Reading of 'The Displaced Person'." Northeast Political Science Association. Nov. 13, 1992.

L. John Roos and Ken Grant, "Who Lies and Why." Presented at Midwest Political Science Association, 1983, Chicago, Illinois.

L. John Roos and Thomas Broden, "Priorities in Neighborhood Research." Neighborhood Organization Research Group Panel, American Political Science Association, 1979, New York.

L. John Roos, "The Status of Hypothesis in Descartes and Weber." Western Social Science Association, 1976, Tempe, Arizona.

L. John Roos, "Natural Right versus Natural Law." American Political Science Association, 1975, San Francisco, California.

### **Book Reviews**

John Roos, "Review of David Mayhew Divided We Govern." The Review of Politics, Vol. 54, No. 4 (Fall 1992), pp. 682–685.

### **Invited Lectures**

“Flannery O’Connor and Revelation” Berry College, spring 1993;  
“Congress the Broken Branch” Jacksonville University, fall 1993;  
“Congressional Reform” Hofstra University, spring 1993;  
“Congress and Public Policy” Portland University, fall 1992;  
“Congress and Foreign Policy” Monterrey Institute for International Relations, spring 1990.

### **M.A. Theses Directed**

Pamela Schaal, “The Distributive Patterns of Crime Control Funding: The Inequitable Effects of Discretionary versus Formulaic Disbursements” 2004

Brad Lewis, "DeToqueville and the Problem of Civil Religion." 1991

Mary Stuckey, "Models of Policy Making and the Older Americans Act of 1965." 1984

Joe Brogan, "Descartes' Method." 1978

Amy Cavender, "Maritain, Human Rights and Religious Discourse." 1993

Adam Seagrave – “Aquinas and Cicero”

### **Doctoral Dissertations Directed**

Pamela Schaal, “Deliberative Democracy and Public Policy.”

Roberta Sullivan, "Platonism and Aristotelianism in Modern Thought: The Philosophy of George Parkin Grant." 1999. (Co-Director with Alasdair MacIntyre).  
St. Mary’s College, (Kansas)

Amy Cavender, “The Appropriate Place of Religion in American Politics: A Critical Examination of John Rawls and Michael J. Perry.” 1998  
St. Mary’s College, (Notre Dame, Indiana)

Tom Smith, "Practical Reason Ancient and Modern: A Critical Study of John Finnis and Aristotle." 1992  
Villanova University

Dan Reagan, "Ambition, Character and Representation: An Inquiry into Retirement from the U.S. House of Representatives." 1988  
Ball State University

Mary Stuckey, "Getting into the Game: The Pre-Presidential Rhetoric of Ronald Reagan." 1987

Emory University

Joseph Brogan, "The New Political Economy: The Philosophy of Positive Political Theory." 1980

Winner of Leo Strauss Prize of American Political Science Association as best dissertation of the year in political theory for 1980.

St. Joseph's College (Philadelphia)

William J. Hojnacki, "Kalamazoo, Michigan and South Bend, Indiana: A Comparative Analysis of Policy Outcomes." 1977

Indiana University – South Bend

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Manuscript reviewer—Polity, Review of Politics, Political Science Quarterly, Harper and Row Publishers, University of Notre Dame Press.

External Evaluator Tenure Review—University of Connecticut, Catholic University.

### **References**

Prof. Neil Delaney—Philosophy Department, University Of Notre Dame

Dr. John Brademas—President Emeritus, New York University

Prof. Ted Lowi—Department of Political Science, Cornell University

Prof. Joseph Cropsey—Department of Political Science, University of Chicago

### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Acting Chair – Department of Political Science, 2005-2006

Director, Concentration in Politics, Philosophy and Economics. (Undergraduate concentration in College of Arts and Letters), 1991 to present .

Directory of Undergraduate Studies Political Science 2002-2004, 1998-2000.

Member, Academic Council, 1973–1976, 1986–89 and 1992 to 1995.

Elected member, Faculty Senate Faculty Committee on Governance, 1991

Director of Graduate Studies, Dept. of Government, 1985–1988

Director of Undergraduate Studies, Dept. of Political Science, 1997-1999, 2002 to 2004.

Member of Executive Committee, Concentration in Politics, Philosophy and Economics, 1985–90

Chair, Political Theory field Dept. of Government, 1988 to 1991, 1996-1999, 2002 to 2005.

Chair, American Politics Field, Dept. of Political Science, 1999-2002, 2006-2007

Member, Department of Government Graduate Review Preparation Committee, 1990.

Member, Committee on Appointments and Promotion of Dept. of Government, 1977–1984, 1986–1990, 1992, 1993, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005

Member, University Committee on Discrimination, 1990

Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Review Committee, Dept of Government, 1989–1990

Member, University Graduate Council, 1986–1988

Lecturer, Hesburgh Alumni Lecture Series, 1989, 1990, 1992, 1993

Member, Planning Committee which led to receiving grant and formation of Hesburgh Program in Public Service, 1986–87  
Member, Executive Committee Hesburgh Program in Public Service, 1987–89  
Chair, Dean's Nominating Committee, College of Arts and Letters, 1988. Member, 1987  
Member, "Werge" Committee on Undergraduate Advising, College of Arts and Letters, 1988  
Mentor, University Minority Student Mentor program  
Member, Selection Committee for Sheedy Award for Teaching, 1990, 2004.  
Member, Government Department Committee on Affirmative Action, 1991, 2004.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Advisor – South Bend School Board member Ann Rosen.  
Policy Advisor, Governor Joe Kernan, 2003-2004.  
Co-Chair, St. Joseph County Fiscal Study Committee, 1994  
Fundraising Committee, St. Joseph's High School Annual Auction, 1990  
Chief Designer of successful Petition Drive gain citizen approval of Studebaker Corridor Renewal Project, 1989  
Policy Advisor – Mayor Steven Luecke – 1996 to present.  
Policy Advisor, Roger Parent, Mayor of South Bend—Housing, Neighborhoods, Education, Jobs  
Policy Advisor, Joe Kernan, Mayor of South Bend—Housing, Neighborhood, Education, Jobs  
Policy Advisor, Michael Barnes, St. Joseph County Prosecutor—Corrections, Family and Children  
Policy Advisor, Douglas Hunt, Indiana State Senate—Education, Economic Development Administration Committee, St. Joseph Parish, 1988–89  
Policy Advisor, Representative John Brademas, 1972–1980.