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POSITION

August 2020 – present: Chair, Department of Politics, University of Virginia

January 2021 – present: Leone Reaves and George W. Spicer Professor of Politics, University of Virginia
- *Faculty Affiliate, Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy*
- *Faculty Senior Fellow at the Miller Center (since May 2019)*

August 2018 – January 2021: Commonwealth Professor of Politics, University of Virginia
- *Faculty Affiliate, Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy*
- *Faculty Senior Fellow at the Miller Center (since May 2019)*

April 2014 – July 2021: Non-Resident Senior Fellow in Governance Studies, Brookings Institution

June 2013 – August 2018: Professor of Government and Director of the Women & Politics Institute, American University

September 2009 – May 2013: Associate Professor of Government and Director of the Women & Politics Institute, American University

July 2009 – August 2009: Associate Professor of Political Science and Public Policy, Brown University

July 2003 – June 2009: Assistant Professor, Political Science and Public Policy, Brown University

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

American Politics: Women and Politics, Candidate Emergence, Campaigns and Elections, Congress, Media and Politics

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science – June 2003, STANFORD UNIVERSITY – Stanford, CA

M.A. Political Science – June 2000, STANFORD UNIVERSITY – Stanford, CA

B.A. Political Science – June 1997 (*Summa Cum Laude*), UNION COLLEGE – Schenectady, NY

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2021. *News Hole: The Demise of Local Journalism and Political Engagement*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

- Featured title at Virginia's 2022 Festival of the Book.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2017. *Women, Men & U.S. Politics: 10 Big Questions*. New York: W.W. Norton.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2016. *Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Political Campaigns in a Polarized Era*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

- Awarded one of CHOICE's outstanding academic titles by Association of College and Research Libraries

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2015. *Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2012. *Becoming a Candidate: Political Ambition and the Decision to Run for Office*, New York: Cambridge University Press.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2010. *It Still Takes a Candidate: Why Women Don't Run for Office*, New York: Cambridge University Press.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2005. *It Takes a Candidate: Why Women Don't Run for Office*, New York: Cambridge University Press.

Chapters in Books:

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2021. "The People, the President, and the Congress at a Crossroads: Can We Turn Back from Gridlock?" In Michael Nelson and Barbara Perry (eds.) *The Presidency: Facing Constitutional Crossroads*. Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press: pages 72-85.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2016. "Women Running for Office." In Robert A. Scott and Stephen M. Kosslyn (eds.) *Emerging Trends in the Behavioral and Social Sciences*. San Francisco: Wiley.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2015. "News as a Casualty: District Polarization and Media Coverage of U.S. House Campaigns." In James Thurber and Antoine Yoshinaka (eds.) *American Gridlock: Causes, Characteristics, and Consequences of Polarization*. New York: Cambridge University Press: pages 287-308.

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Lawless, Jennifer L. 2012. "Twitter and Facebook: New Ways to Send the Same Old Message?" In Richard L. Fox and Jennifer Ramos (eds.) *iPolitics*. New York: Cambridge University Press: pages 206-32.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2010. "Women's Leadership and Political Ambition: Why So Few Women Run for Office." In Karen O'Connor (ed.) *Women's Leadership Handbook*. Thousand Oaks: Sage: pages 50-7.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2009. "Women in Congress: From Entry to Exit." In Lois Duke Whitaker (ed.) *Women in Politics: Outsiders or Insiders? 5th Edition*. Upper Saddle River: Prentice-Hall: pages 155-68.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Kathryn Pearson. 2008. "Competing in Congressional Primaries." In Beth A. Reingold (ed.) *Legislative Women: Getting Elected, Getting Ahead*. Boulder: Lynne Reinner: pages 21-40.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2005. "Women in Congress: From Entry to Exit." In Lois Duke Whitaker (ed.) *Women in Politics: Outsiders or Insiders? 4th Edition*. Upper Saddle River: Prentice-Hall: pages 164-81.

Brody, Richard A. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2003. "Political Ideology in the United States: Conservatism and Liberalism in the 1980s and 1990s." In R. Schultze, R. Strom, and D. Eberle (eds.) *Conservative Parties and Right-Wing Politics in North America*. Opladen: Leske and Budrich: pages 53-77.

Journal Articles:

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2021. "The Contingent Effects of Sexism in Primary Elections." *Political Research Quarterly*. doi.org/10.1177/10659129211043134

Dolan, Kathleen and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2021. "The Importance of Political Science for Understanding the Development Roots of Gender Gaps in Politics." *Psychological Inquiry*. doi.org/10.1080/1047840X.2021.1930762

Dolan, Kathleen and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2021. "Rejecting Assumptions about Desk Rejects." *PS: Political Science and Politics*. DOI.org/10.1017/S1049096521000470.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2018. "A Trump Effect? Women and the 2018 Midterm Elections." *The Forum* 16(4):665-86.

Lawless, Jennifer L., Sean M. Theriault, and Samantha Guthrie. 2018. "Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Bipartisan Cooperation in the U.S. Congress." *Journal of Politics* 80(4):1268-82.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2018. "The Decline of Local News and Its Effects: New Evidence from Longitudinal Data." *Journal of Politics* 80(1):332-6.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2015. "Female Candidates and Legislators." *Annual Review of Political Science* 18:349-66.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2015. "As Local News Goes, So Goes Citizen Engagement: Media, Knowledge, and Participation in U.S. House Elections." *Journal of Politics* 77(2):447-62.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2015. "A Non-Gendered Lens? Media, Voters, and Female Candidates in Contemporary Congressional Elections." *Perspectives on Politics* 13(1):95-118.

Hayes, Danny, Jennifer L. Lawless, and Gail Baitinger. 2014. "Who Cares What They Wear? Media, Gender, and the Influence of Candidate Appearance." *Social Science Quarterly* 95(5):1194-1212.

- Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2014. "Uncovering the Origins of the Gender Gap in Political Ambition." *American Political Science Review* 108(3):499-519.
- Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2014. "Reconciling Family Roles with Political Ambition: The New Normal for Women in 21st Century U.S. Politics." *Journal of Politics* 76(2):398-414.
- Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2011. "Gains and Losses in Interest in Running for Office: The Concept of Dynamic Political Ambition." *Journal of Politics* 73(2):443-62.
- Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2011. "Gendered Perceptions and Political Candidacies: A Central Barrier to Women's Equality in Electoral Politics." *American Journal of Political Science* 55(1):59-73.
- Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2010. "If Only They'd Ask: Gender, Recruitment, and Political Ambition." *Journal of Politics* 72(2):310-36.
- Fowler, Linda and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2009. "Looking for Sex in All the Wrong Places: Press Coverage and the Electoral Fortunes of Gubernatorial Candidates." *Perspectives on Politics* 7(3):519-36.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2009. "Sexism and Gender Bias in Election 2008: A More Complex Path for Women in Politics." *Politics & Gender* 5(1):70-80.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. and Kathryn Pearson. 2008. "The Primary Reason for Women's Under-Representation: Re-Evaluating the Conventional Wisdom." *Journal of Politics* 70(1):67-82.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2005. "Will She Stay or Will She Go? Career Ceilings and Women's Retirement from the U.S. Congress." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 30(4):581-96.
- Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2005. "To Run or Not to Run for Office: Explaining Nascent Political Ambition." *American Journal of Political Science* 49(3):659-76.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2004. "Women, War, and Winning Elections: Gender Stereotyping in the Post September 11th Era." *Political Research Quarterly* 53(3):479-90.
- Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2004. "Entering the Arena? Gender and the Decision to Run for Office." *American Journal of Political Science* 48(2):264-80.
- (Reprinted in Sarah Childs and Mona Lena Krook (eds.), *Women, Gender, and Politics: A Reader*, New York: Oxford: Chapter 17.)
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2004. "Politics of Presence: Women in the House and Symbolic Representation." *Political Research Quarterly* 53(1):81-99.
- Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2003. "Family Structure, Sex-Role Socialization, and the Decision to Run for Office." *Women & Politics* 24(4):19-48.
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Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 1999. "Women Candidates in Kenya: Political Socialization and Representation." *Women & Politics* 20(4):49-76.

Non-Refereed Journal Articles (and Policy Reports):

Freedman, Paul, Jennifer L. Lawless, and Galen Sheely, "Election 2021: Democracy, Voter Confidence, and Electoral Integrity in Virginia." Charlottesville, VA: University of Virginia.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2022. "The Gender Gap in Political Ambition: Everything You Need to Know in 10 Charts." Charlottesville, VA: Center for Effective Lawmaking.

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Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 1997. "Why Women's Voices Are Not Heard: Gender and Political Socialization in Kenya." *Current World Leaders* 40(6):86-105.

Other Publications:

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox, "Running for Office Is Still for Men—Some Data on the 'Ambition Gap,'" *Brookings FixGov Blog*, February 8, 2022.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Paul Freedman, "Is Democracy Really on the Line?" *Daily Progress*, November 2, 2021.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Mary Kate Cary, "Liberal and Conservative Teach the 2020 Election. Together. On Zoom. What Could Go Wrong?" *USA Today*, December 28, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "The Biden-Harris Victory Chips away at the Perception that Female Candidates Face Systematic Disadvantages," *Politico Magazine*, November 7, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "It's Fair to Wonder whether Debates Have Run Their Course," *Politico Magazine*, October 23, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "The Plexiglass Revealed More to Voters than 90 Minutes of Actual Discussion Ever Could," *Politico Magazine*, October 18, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "The Debate Made It Clear that Democracy Is on the Ballot this Election," *Politico Magazine*, September 30, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "Not Everything Worked, but A Lot Did," *Politico Magazine*, August 29, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "Results 1; Revolution 0," *Politico Magazine*, March 16, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "Stop Debating, Please," *Politico Magazine*, February 26, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "Bloomberg Threw Biden a Lifeline, and He Took It," *Politico Magazine*, February 20, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "Klobuchar Clearly Rose to the Top," *Politico Magazine*, February 8, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "If You Liked Biden or Warren or Sanders Going In, You Probably Liked The Two Hours Later," *Politico Magazine*, January 15, 2020.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "Biden and Buttigieg: Winners with the Most to Lose," *Politico Magazine*, November 21, 2019.

Lawless, Jennifer L. "I'm Starting Not to Care that She Is Brutal to Her Staff," *Politico Magazine*, October 16, 2019.

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Lawless, Jennifer L. "An Odd Stretch of Forgettable White Guys Yelling at Each Other," *Politico Magazine*, June 27, 2019.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2019. "The Citizens for Life Poll – and Some Problems with It," *UpriseRi.com*, February 13, 2019.

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Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2018. "D or R > X or Y: Party Trumps Sex in the Contemporary Congress," *Legbranch Blog*, October 18.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2018. "Fourteen Midterm Races that Could Change America," *CNN.com* October 2.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2018. "A Year of the Woman? Not So Far," *CNN.com*, May 9.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2018. "Trump's 1st State of the Union Address: Empowered, Politically Active Will Be Watching," *Brookings Blog*, January 26.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2017. "The Internet Isn't Saving Local News. Here's How that's Hurting Democracy." *The Monkey Cage* (at the *Washington Post*), November 13.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Danny Hayes. 2017. "In Tuesday's Elections, Women Won Big. Here Are Three Things We Learned about Women in Politics." *The Monkey Cage* (at the *Washington Post*), November 9.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2017. "Congress 100 Years Later: What Would Jeanette Rankin Think?" *Mischiefs of Faction* (at *Vox*), April 7.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2016. "Think there's a lot of gender bias in elections? Think again." *FifteenEightyFour Blog*, August 11.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2016. "Off the Softball Field, Congresswomen Are Plenty Partisan." *Brookings Blog*, June 15.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2016. "Are Voters Biased against Women in Politics? Actually, No." *Washington Post*, June 12.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2016. "There's Much Less Gender Bias in Politics than You Think. Here's Why." *The Monkey Cage* (at the *Washington Post*), May 24.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2016. "Fiorina Just a Pawn in a Cynical Game Cruz Can't Win." *CNN.com*, April 28.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2015. "Can Al Franken's Secret Santa Exchange Improve the Senate?" *CNN.com*, December 16, 2015.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2015. "Why I Ran for Office, and Why Young Americans Run from It." *Generation Citizen Blog*, October 8.

- Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2015. "Just Say Run: How to Overcome Cynicism and Inspire Young People to Run for Office." *Brookings Blog*, July 7.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2015. "Is Hillary 2016 All about Electing a Woman?" *CNN.com*, April 12.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. and Danny Hayes. 2015. "Politico Shoo-Ins Are Bad for Journalism as Well as Democracy." *Newsweek*, February 12.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. and Danny Hayes. 2015. "The Troubling Causes and Consequences of Diminished Local News." *Brookings Blog*, February 3.
- Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2013. "Turning Off the Next Generation of Politicians." *Washington Post*, November 24.
- Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2013. "Voters Don't Care How Women in Politics Look." *Washington Post Wonkblog*, June 23.
- Dolan, Kathleen and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2012. "Does Romney Get Women Who Work?" *CNN.com*, October 19.
- Dolan, Kathleen and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2012. "In Veepstakes, Women Don't Rate." *CNN.com*, April 24.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2012. "Face It: Romney is Way Out in Front." *CNN.com*, January 11.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2011. "Bachmann for President? I'll Take the Glass Ceiling." *CNN.com*, June 27.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2011. "A Government Shutdown? Yes, Please." *CNN.com*, April 8.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2010. "It Was No Year of the Woman." *CNN.com*, November 3.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2010. "Not the Year of the Woman." *Slate.com*, November 3.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2010. "Is It Really a Great Year for Women in Politics?" *Slate.com*, November 2.
- Lawless, Jennifer L. 2010. "Vote Not New Dawn for Women in Politics." *CNN.com*, June 9.

GRANTS AND FUNDING

- Politico* Collaboration, *The Trump Bump? Or an Enduring Gender Gap in Political Ambition?* (\$15,000), 2017. Co-Principal Investigator (with Richard L. Fox)
- Political Parity Project / Hunt Alternatives, *Sex, Bipartisanship, and Collaboration in the U.S. Congress* (\$49,683), 2015. Co-Principal Investigator (with Sean M. Theriault).
- National Science Foundation, *Understanding the Origins of the Gender Gap in Political Ambition* (\$301,113), 2012 – 2014. Principal Investigator.
- Linda Gruber Family Foundation, *The Continued Underrepresentation of Women in Politics* (\$5,000), 2012.
- American University Faculty Research Award, *The Citizen Political Ambition Studies* (\$5,000), 2010

American University Faculty Research Award, *The Citizen Political Ambition Studies* (\$40,000), 2009

Barbara Lee Foundation, Grant for the *Citizen Political Ambition Study, Wave II* (\$7,600), 2007

WORK UNDER REVIEW / IN PROGRESS

Field Guide to American Politics (with Richard L. Fox); under contract with W.W. Norton.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (last 10 years)

Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2022. "Man Enough for Politics? How Masculinity in U.S. Politics Affects Political Ambition." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 7 – 10.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2019. "Reinvigorating Local News: An Exit Poll Experiment." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: August 29 – September 1.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2019. "No Harm Done? Gender Stereotyping in Primary Elections." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 4 -7.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2018. "Taste for Local Politics and Attention to Local News." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA: August 31 – September 2.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2018. "News Hole: Measuring the Erosion of Local News." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 5 – 8.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2018. "Growing Distrust toward the Local Press in the Time of Trump." Presentation at the Politics of Truth Conference, Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies, Washington, DC: March 28, 2018.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2017. "Measuring the Erosion of Local News." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA: August 31 – September 3.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2016. "The Decline of Local News and Its Effects: New Evidence from Longitudinal Data." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Associations, Philadelphia, PA: September 1 – 4.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2016. "Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Cooperation in the U.S. Congress." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Associations, Philadelphia, PA: September 1 – 4.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2016. "Mean Girls (and Boys)? Sex, Bipartisanship, and Collaboration in the U.S Congress." Paper presented at the spring meeting of the National Capital Area Political Science Association, Washington, DC: June 8.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2016. "Sex, Bipartisanship, and Collaboration in the U.S. Congress." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 7 – 10.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2016. "Sex, Bipartisanship, and Collaboration in the U.S. Congress." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Diego, CA: March 24 – 26.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2015. "Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics." Presentation at the What We Know and What We Need to Know: Voter Registration and Turnout Conference, Washington, DC, November 16.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2015. "Sex is No Story." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA: September 3 – 6.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Sean M. Theriault. 2015. "He's A Warrior, She's a Warrior: Gender and Legislative Behavior." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA: September 3 – 6.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2015. "That's What She Said, and So Did He: The Absence of Gender Differences in Campaign Communication." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 16 – 19.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2014. "As Local News Goes, So Goes Citizen Engagement: Media, Knowledge, and Participation in U.S. House Elections." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: August 29 – September 1.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2014. "News as a Casualty: District Polarization and Media Coverage of U.S. House Campaigns." Paper presented at the American Gridlock: Causes, Characteristics, and Consequences of Polarization Conference, Washington, DC: May 9.

Lawless, Jennifer L. 2014. "Present or Absent? (Re-)Evaluating the Role of Gender Stereotyping in Contemporary Campaigns and Elections." Roundtable participant at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 3 – 6.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2014. "How Uncompetitive Elections and Media Consolidation Impoverish the News and Diminish Democracy." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 3 – 6.

Fox, Richard L. and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2014. "Uncovering the Origins of the Gender Gap in Political Ambition." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 3 – 6.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2014. "A Non-Gendered Lens: The Absence of Gender Stereotyping in Contemporary Congressional Elections." Paper presented at the winter meeting of the National Capital Area Political Science Association's American Politics Workshop, Washington, DC: January 7.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2013. "Understanding the Origins of the Gender Gap in Political Ambition." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago: August 29 – September 1.

Hayes, Danny and Jennifer L. Lawless. 2013. "A Non-Gendered Lens: The Absence of Gender Stereotyping in Contemporary Congressional Elections." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 11 – 14.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2013. "Girls Just Wanna Not Run: The Gender Gap in Young Americans' Political Ambition." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 11 – 14.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Danny Hayes. 2013. "A Non-Gendered Lens: The Absence of Gender Stereotyping in Contemporary Congressional Elections." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Orlando: January 3 – 6.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2012. "Reconciling Family Roles with Political Ambition: The New Normal for Women in 21st Century Politics." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, New Orleans: August 30 – September 2. (Canceled.)

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2012. "Is there Fire in the Belly? Gender, Competitive Traits, and Political Ambition." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 12 – 15.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2011. "Barefoot and Pregnant, or Ready to Be President? Gender, Family Roles, and Political Ambition in the 21st Century." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle: September 1 – 4.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2011. "Barefoot and Pregnant, or Ready to Be President: Gender, Family Roles and Political Ambition in the 21st Century." Paper presented at the DC-Area American Politics Workshop, Washington, DC: June 21.

Lawless, Jennifer L. and Richard L. Fox. 2011. "The Intersection of Traditional Family Roles and Political Ambition: A Re-Evaluation." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: Chicago, March 31 – April 2.

INVITED LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS (last 10 years)

Invited Lectures (Academic):

George Washington University (Department of Political Science), Washington, DC, "News Hole: The Decline of Local News and What We Can Do about It," April 22, 2022. (via Zoom)

Northwestern University (Department of Political Science), Oxford, UK, "News Hole: The Decline of Local News and What We Can Do about It," April 9, 2021. (via Zoom)

Oxford University (Department of Political Science), Oxford, UK, "News Hole: The Decline of Local News and What We Can Do about It," November 13, 2020. (via Zoom)

University of Chicago (Harris School), Chicago, IL, "News Hole: The Decline of Local News and What We Can Do about It," October 28, 2020. (via Zoom)

Pennsylvania State University (Department of Political Science), State College, PA, "News Hole: The Decline of Local News and What We Can Do about It," September 18, 2020. (via Zoom)

Hoover Institution and Hewlett Foundation, Palo Alto, CA, “News Hole: The Decline of Local News and What We Can Do about It,” February 11, 2020.

Stanford University (Department of Political Science), Stanford, CA, “No Harm Done? Gender Stereotyping in Primaries,” May 1, 2019.

Quantitative Collaborative at UVA, Charlottesville, VA, “No Harm Done? Gender Stereotyping in Primaries,” February 6, 2019.

Colby College, Waterville, ME, “A Year of the Woman? Putting 2018’s Candidates and Campaigns in a Broader Context,” October 25, 2018.

Union College, Washington, DC Semester Program, Arlington, VA, “Women, Politics, and Political Ambition,” May 6, 2018.

Washington University (Department of Political Science), St. Louis, MO, “Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Cooperation in the U.S. Congress,” April 24, 2018.

Brigham Young University (Department of Political Science), Provo, UT, “Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Cooperation in the U.S. Congress,” February 22, 2018.

University of Michigan (Institute for Social Research), Ann Arbor, MI, “Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Cooperation in the U.S. Congress,” February 7, 2018.

University of Virginia (Department of Politics), Charlottesville, VA, “Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Cooperation in the U.S. Congress,” January 16, 2018.

Columbia University (Department of Political Science), New York, NY, “Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Cooperation in the U.S. Congress,” September 19, 2017.

Union College, Washington, DC Semester Program, Arlington, VA, “Women, Politics, and Political Ambition,” May 15, 2017.

American Politics Research Lab, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, “Did Feminism Die with the 2016 Presidential Election?” March 2, 2017.

University of Pennsylvania (Department of Political Science), Philadelphia, PA, “Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Cooperation in the U.S. Congress,” February 24, 2017.

Stanford University (Department of Political Science), “Triumph and Defeat: Feminism and Election 2016,” February 7, 2017.

University of North Carolina, Charlotte (Department of Political Science), Charlotte, NC, “Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Cooperation in the U.S. Congress,” February 2, 2017.

Cornell University, Program for Ethics and Public Life, “Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Political Campaigns in a Polarized Era,” November 14, 2016.

Stanford University (Center for Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity), “Election 2016: Gender, Elections, and Political Ambition,” October 17, 2016.

Rice University (Department of Political Science), Houston, TX, “Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Cooperation in the U.S. Congress,” September 23, 2016.

Duke University (Sanford School of Public Policy), Durham, NC, “Nice Girls? Sex, Collegiality, and Cooperation in the U.S. Congress,” September 14, 2016.

Union College, Washington, DC Semester Program, Arlington, VA, “Women, Politics, and Political Ambition,” April 24, 2016.

American University, Department of Government, Washington, DC, “Sex, Bipartisanship, and Collaboration in the U.S. Congress,” April 20, 2016.

Portland State University (Department of Political Science and Center for Women’s Leadership), Portland, OR, “Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Political Campaigns in 21st Century American Political Campaigns,” April 14, 2016.

University of California, Berkeley (Travers Conference on Government Accountability), Berkeley, CA, “After the 2016 Elections: Prospects for Governing,” April 15, 2016.

Fordham University (Department of Political Science), Bronx, NY, “Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Political Campaigns in 21st Century American Political Campaigns,” March 31, 2016.

University of Minnesota (Department of Political Science), Minneapolis, MN, “Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Political Campaigns in 21st Century American Political Campaigns,” October 30, 2015.

University of North Carolina (Department of Political Science), Chapel Hill, NC, “Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Political Campaigns in 21st Century American Political Campaigns,” October 22, 2015.

University of California (Department of Political Science), Berkeley, CA, “Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Political Campaigns in 21st Century American Political Campaigns,” October 14, 2015.

University of Texas (Department of Government), Austin, TX, “Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Political Campaigns in 21st Century American Political Campaigns,” September 17, 2015.

Union College, Washington, DC Semester Program, Alexandria, VA, “Women, Politics, and Political Ambition,” April 28, 2015.

Harvard University’s Advanced Leadership Initiative, Cambridge, MA, “Gender and Political Participation,” April 24, 2015.

Princeton University (Center for the Study of Democratic Politics – Woodrow Wilson School), Princeton, NJ, “Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Political Campaigns in 21st Century American Political Campaigns,” February 20, 2015.

University of Utrecht, Utrecht, Netherlands, “The United States of Men: Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” January 16, 2015.

Radboud University, Nijmegen, Netherlands, “The United States of Men: Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” January 15, 2015.

Danish Institute for International Studies, Copenhagen, Denmark, “Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Political Campaigns in 21st Century American Political Campaigns,” January 13, 2015.

University of Iowa (Political Science Department and School of Public Policy), “The Gender Gap in Political Ambition, or Why Women and Girls Just Wanna Not Run,” April 18, 2014.

Brigham Young University (Department of Political Science), Provo, UT, “Uncovering the Origins of the Gender Gap in Political Ambition,” February 6, 2014.

Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, “Uncovering the Origins of the Gender Gap in Political Ambition,” November 14, 2013.

Duke University (Department of Political Science), Durham, NC, “Uncovering the Origins of the Gender Gap in Political Ambition,” October 30, 2013.

University of Maryland (Department of Political Science), College Park, MD, “A Non-Gendered Lens: The Absence of Stereotyping in Contemporary Congressional Elections,” April 26, 2013.

University of Texas (Department of Government), Austin, TX, “A Non-Gendered Lens: The Absence of Stereotyping in Contemporary Congressional Elections,” February 21, 2013.

Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO, “Presidential Symposium Keynote Address: Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” December 10, 2012.

University of Minnesota (Department of Government), Minneapolis, MN, “A Non-Gendered Lens: The Absence of Stereotyping in Contemporary Congressional Elections,” September 11, 2012.

University of Minnesota (Humphrey School of Public Policy), Minneapolis, MN, “Is 2012 a Year of the Woman?” September 11, 2012.

Brown University, Providence, RI, “It Still Takes a Candidate: Why Women Don’t Run for Office,” October 31, 2011.

Georgetown University, Washington, DC, “Cracking the Ceiling: A Conversation with Anne Kornblut and Jennifer Lawless,” March 21, 2011.

Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario, “It Still Takes A Candidate: Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” March 10, 2011.

Invited Lectures and Public Speaking (Applied Research, Political Analysis, and Commentary):

PSG Consulting, “News Deserts Webinar,” June 6, 2022. (via Zoom)

Albermarle/Charlottesville Democratic Party, “The Democrats’ Messaging Problem,” April 20, 2022. (via Zoom)

Virginia Festival of the Book, “The Demise of Local Journalism,” March 17, 2022 (via Zoom).

She Should Run, “The Gender Gap in Political Ambition,” March 9, 2022. (via Zoom)

Ascend, “The Gender Gap in Political Ambition,” February 22, 2022. (via Zoom)

Thompson Center on Political Leadership (University of Wisconsin), “The Pipeline of Candidates for Public Office,” February 4, 2022. (via Zoom)

Medill Center for Journalism, Northwestern University, “Local Journalism: Shrinking Resources, Growing Challenges,” December 6, 2021. (via Zoom)

Center for Politics and the People, Ripon College, “Local News and Political Engagement,” October 13, 2021. (via Zoom)

Washington and Lee University, “Congressional Norms in an Era of Conflict,” April 8, 2021. (via Zoom)

Women in Government Relations, “Election 2020 Recap,” March 4, 2021. (via Zoom)

Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship, “Perspectives on the U.S. 2020 Presidential Election,” October 30, 2020. (via Zoom)

Kennedy Library, “Expanding Democracy: The 19th Amendment and Voting Rights Today,” October 28, 2020. (via Zoom)

Suez Water, “Election 2020: Everything You Need to Know,” October 15, 2020. (via Zoom)

Humphrey School at the University of Minnesota, “Webinar: Will 2020 Be the Year of the Woman – Again?” October 7, 2020. (via Zoom)

Kenyon College, Gambier, OH, “Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” September 22, 2020. (via Zoom)

United States Studies Centre, Sydney, Australia, “The Vice Presidential Sweepstakes,” July 13, 2020. (via Zoom)

Humphrey School at the University of Minnesota, “Webinar: A Conversation with Amy Klobuchar and Walter Mondale,” April 9, 2020. (via Zoom)

Stanford University, Stanford, CA, “Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” February 10, 2020.

Harvard Law School, Cambridge Massachusetts, “Women and Election 2020,” November 19, 2019.

Featherman Lecture at Temple University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, “Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” October 21, 2019.

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, “Enacting Change,” Richmond, VA, October 20, 2019.

Women’s Leadership Program at George Washington University, Washington, DC, “#MeToo: Catalyst for Change,” March 29, 2019.

Texas Woman’s University, Denton, TX, “Women on the Rise: Reflections on the 2018 Election,” March 21, 2019.

Miller Center and Hoover Institution, Washington, DC, “Navigating Gridlock after the Midterms,” November 15, 2018.

Temple B'rith Kodesh. "Women and Election 2018," Rochester, NY, October 19, 2018.

Rhode Island National Organization for Women, Providence, RI, "Women Winning in 2018," May 14, 2018.

Institute of Politics, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, "The Pink Wave: Surge of Female Candidates in 2018," May 2, 2018.

Brigham Young University Center for Public Engagement, Provo, UT, "Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics," February 22, 2018.

Amherst College, Amherst, MA, "Keynote: Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," November 10, 2017.

University of Massachusetts – Amherst, Amherst, MA, "Keynote: Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," November 9, 2017.

Emerge Kentucky, Louisville, KY, "She Persisted: An Evening with Jennifer Lawless," November 4, 2017.

Montgomery Women, Rockville, MD, "Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," October 18, 2017.

Women Impacting Public Policy, Washington, DC, "Why Women Don't Run for Office," October 4, 2017.

National Foundation of Women Legislators, Washington, DC, "Getting Young Women to Run for Office," September 21, 2017.

Emerge America, Washington, DC, "Keynote: Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," September 15, 2017.

National Multi-Family Housing Council, Washington, DC, "Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," September 12, 2017.

Emily's List, Washington, DC, "The Trump Effect," July 17, 2017.

Politico, Washington, DC, "Women Rule: Ambition in the Age of Trump," June 20, 2017.

Ladies High Tea, Providence, RI, "Five Things You Need To Know about Women and Politics," June 15, 2017.

Sixth and I Synagogue, Washington, DC, "If Women Ruled the World," May 9, 2017.

University of Colorado – Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs, CO, "Keynote: Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," April 20, 2017.

Belmont Paul Women's Equality National Monument and the League of Women Voters, "Women and the Vote: What Difference Do We Make?" March 30, 2017.

Prince William County National Organization for Women, Vienna, VA, "Women on the Run: A Conversation with Eleanor Clift," March 22, 2017.

Keynote: International Women's Day, Clemson University, Spartanburg, SC, "Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," March 8, 2017.

University of North Carolina, Department of Political Science, Charlotte, NC, "Training the Next Generation to Lead," February 1, 2017.

Women+Girls Research Alliance, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC, "Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," February 1, 2017.

Bucknell University Institute for Public Policy, Lewisburg, PA, "Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics," November 1, 2016.

Ewing Forum Lecture, Drew University, Morristown, NJ, "Understanding the Unusually Unusual 2016 Election," October 26, 2016.

Arlington County Commission on the Status of Women, Arlington, VA, "From Public Service to Office: The Role of Gender in Politics," October 24, 2016.

The Edwin Eshelman Lecture, Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, PA, "Women on the Run: Gender, Media, and Campaigns in a Polarized Era," October 20, 2016.

Dickinson College's Clarke Forum, Carlisle, PA, "Keynote: Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," October 5, 2016.

Maine Democratic Party, Portland, ME, "Keynote Address: Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," October 1, 2016.

The Vox Conversations, Washington, DC, "Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics," September 21, 2016.

Penn State University in DC, Washington, DC, "Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics," September 20, 2016.

Women Impacting Public Policy Webinar Series, "Women and Politics: A Conversation with Jennifer Lawless," Washington, DC, September 7, 2016.

Foreign Press Center, Washington, DC, "The Electoral College," July 14, 2016.

Duke University's POLIS Center, Washington, DC, "Forecasting Election 2016," July 12, 2016.

One Day University, Richmond, VA, "Men, Women, and Politics: A World of Difference?" June 18, 2016.

National Conference of the League of Women Voters, Washington, DC, "Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics and What We Can Do About It," June 17, 2016.

Athleta Georgetown, Washington, DC, "Women on the Run Book Signing," June 16, 2016.

New America Foundation, Washington, DC, "Women on the Run," June 16, 2016.

State Department (U.S. Post in Bermuda via Skype), Washington, DC, "Election 2016 and Young People's Involvement," June 14, 2016.

University of Oregon, Eugene, OR, “Increasing the Visibility of Your Humanities or Social Science Research,” June 3, 2016.

Wayne Morris Center for Law and Politics, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR, “Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics and What We Can Do About It,” June 2, 2016.

Bipartisan Policy Center, Washington, DC, “What Gridlock and Polarization Mean for American Democracy,” May 6, 2016.

National Cooperative Business Association, Washington, DC, “Why You Don’t Want to Run for Office and Why Should Do It Anyway,” May 4, 2016.

Frank Islam Athenaeum Symposium, Germantown, MD, “Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics and What We Can Do About It,” April 5, 2016.

Seattle Times / One Day University, Seattle, WA, “Men, Women, and Politics: A World of Difference?” March 5, 2016.

Political Parity Project – Webinar, “Sex, Bipartisanship, and Collaboration in the U.S. Congress,” March 3, 2016.

USAID / IRI / NDI, Washington, DC, “Why Women Don’t Run for Office,” March 1, 2016.

Filene Research Institute, Washington, DC, “Women, Young People, and Election 2016,” February 22, 2016.

Warden Exchange Program, Washington, DC, “Women’s Leadership,” February 18, 2016.

Empowered Women, Washington, DC, “*Suffragette* Screening and Discussion,” November 19, 2015.

Georgetown University’s McCourt School of Public Policy, Washington, DC, “Media’s War on Women in Politics? How New Research Is Challenging Traditional Beliefs,” November 18, 2015.

New America Foundation, Washington, DC, “What Women Want in 2016,” November 17, 2015.

Washington Post / One Day University, Washington, DC, “Men, Women, and Politics: A World of Difference?” November 15, 2015.

Westminster Forum, Minneapolis, MN, “Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics and What We Can Do About It,” October 29, 2015.

National Geographic / One Day University, New York, NY, “Running from Office: Why Americans Dislike Politics and Politicians,” October 25, 2015.

Generation Citizen, New York, NY, “Keynote: Running from Office,” October 20, 2015.

Montgomery County League of Women Voters, Potomac, MD, “Keynote: Running from Office,” October 19, 2015.

National Organization for Women, Woodbridge, VA, “Keynote: Voter Registration and Equality Rally,” October 10, 2015.

Philadelphia Inquirer / One Day University, Philadelphia, PA, “Men, Women, and Politics: A World of Difference?” October 3, 2015.

National Woman’s Democratic Club, Washington, DC, “Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics,” September 29, 2015.

Annie’s List, Austin, TX, “Running for Office: Why You Don’t Want To Do It, but Why You Should,” September 17, 2015.

United States Coast Guard, Washington, DC, “Keynote Address: Women’s Equality Day,” August 26, 2015.

Politics & Prose, Washington, DC, “Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics,” July 12, 2015.

Emerge America – Webinar, “Running from Office: Why Young Americans Are Turned Off to Politics,” May 27, 2015.

Homefront Rising, Washington, DC, “Running for Office: Why You Don’t Want To Do It, but Why You Should,” May 6, 2015.

Garrison Forest School, Owings Mill, MD, “Running from Office: Why Young People Are Turned Off to Politics and What We Can Do About It,” May 1, 2015.

George Washington University Student Government Association, Washington, DC, “Celebrating Women’s History Month,” March 23, 2015.

U.S. Department of State (Executive Women at State and the Civil Rights Division), Washington, DC, “Women Marched Then, Why Don’t They Run Now?” March 16, 2015.

Eisenhower Institute, Washington, DC, “Women, Politics, and the Next Election,” March 11, 2015.

Emerge Kentucky, Louisville, KY, “A Non-Gendered Lens? Media, Voters, and Female Candidates in Contemporary Congressional Elections,” January 23, 2015.

Leiden University and Young Democrats, Leiden, Netherlands, “Election 2014: What Happened and What It Means for Women in Politics,” January 15, 2015.

John Adams Institute, Amsterdam, Netherlands, “The U.S. Midterm Elections: Where Do We Go from Here?” January 14, 2015.

KVINFO, Copenhagen, Denmark, “The United States of Men: Women’s Under-Representation in U.S. Politics,” January 12, 2015.

USAID / IRI / NDI, Washington, DC, “Why Women Don’t Run for Office,” November 17, 2014.

Emerge America, Washington, DC, “A Non-Gendered Lens? Media, Voters, and Female Candidates in Contemporary Congressional Elections,” November 15, 2014.

University of Northern Iowa – Women and Politics Scholarship Fund, Cedar Falls, IA, “Why Women Don’t Run for Office,” October 30, 2014.

Emily's List, Washington, DC, "A Non-Gendered Lens? Media, Voters, and Female Candidates in Contemporary Congressional Elections," October 10, 2014.

Emerge America, Oakland, CA, "Policies versus Pantsuits? The Latest Research on Media Coverage of Women Candidates," October 2, 2014.

Emerge America, Menlo Park, CA, "Policies versus Pantsuits? The Latest Research on Media Coverage of Women Candidates," October 1, 2014.

The Atlantic, New York, NY, "Men, Women, and Politics: A World of Difference?" September 28, 2014.

Dallas Morning News, Dallas, TX, "Men, Women, and Politics: A World of Difference?" September 20, 2014.

California Congressional Delegation Staff Association, Washington, DC, "Women, Politics, and Political Ambition," September 13, 2014.

Cape Cod Heritage Museum and Gardens, Sandwich, MA, "Why Public Opinion Polls Are So Often Wrong," August 17, 2014.

Women's Political Committee, Los Angeles, CA, "Why Women Don't Run for Office and How to Close the Ambition Gap," March 12, 2014.

New York Women's Foundation / CitiFoundation, "Men Rule: The Under-Representation of Women in U.S. Politics," March 5, 2014.

Women Impacting Public Policy, Washington, DC, "Women, Leadership, and Advocacy: Run for Office!" October 10, 2013.

Emerge America – Webinar, "Girls Just Wanna Not Run," July 24, 2013.

Phi Sigma Sigma, New York, NY, "Miss Representation: Women and Leadership," July 12, 2013.

Women's Fund of Western Massachusetts, Holyoke, MA, "Women and Politics: Run for Office!" May 22, 2013.

Brearley School, New York, NY, "Miss Representation: Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," May 3, 2013.

Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School, Washington, DC, "Miss Representation: Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," April 24, 2013.

Arnold and Porter LLP, Washington, DC, "The Gender Gap in Political Ambition and How We Can Close It," April 8, 2013.

Ignite, Dallas, TX, "Why Young Women Don't Want to Run for Office: The Gender Gap in Young Americans' Political Ambition," February 23, 2013.

Eisenhower Institute at Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA, "Women, Politics, and the Gender Gap in Ambition," February 10, 2013.

U.S. Embassy in Ireland, via Skype (U.S. State Department), “Women, Elections, and Political Ambition,” January 30, 2013.

Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario, “Recapping the 2012 Presidential Election,” November 14, 2012.

U.S. Embassy in Canada (U.S. State Department), “The 2012 Elections: Expectations and Surprises,” November 14, 2012.

Fox Hill Senior Center, Bethesda, MD, “Polling Pitfalls: Why We Should Be Suspect of Everything We See in the News,” October 23, 2012.

WAND – Webinar, “Men Rule: The Continued Under-Representation of Women in Politics,” October 11, 2012.

U.S. State Department (World Learning Program), Washington, DC, “Women and U.S. Politics: From Voters to Candidates to Elected Officials,” September 17, 2012.

Scholars Strategy Network, Minneapolis, MN, “Is 2012 a Year of the Woman?” September 10, 2012.

National Archives, Washington, DC, “Beyond the Vote: Post-Suffrage Strategies to Gain Access to Power,” August 23, 2012.

U.S. Department of State (Foreign Service Institute), Washington, DC, “Election 2012: What to Expect,” August 9, 2012.

Women in Government Relations, Washington, DC, “Women, Politics, and the Glass Ceiling,” July 18, 2012.

National Council for Research on Women, Washington, DC, “Women’s Paths to Politics,” June 21, 2012.

U.S. Department of State (Foreign Service Institute), Washington, DC, “Women and the 2012 Elections,” June 15, 2012.

Leading Ladies, DC, Washington, DC, “Women and Politics: Why Don’t They Run,” May 5, 2012.

U.S. Department of State (Foreign Service Institute), Washington, DC, “Women and the 2012 Elections,” May 1, 2012.

The Farm Team, Arlington, VA, “Men Rule: The Continued Under-Representation of Women in U.S. Politics,” April 19, 2012.

Sewell Belmont House, Washington, DC, “Breaking Barriers to the Glass Ceiling,” April 17, 2012.

Eisenhower Institute at Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA, “Women, Politics, and the 2012 Elections,” March 31, 2012.

Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, DC, “Miss Representation: Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” March 21, 2012.

National Cathedral School, Washington, DC, “Miss Representation: Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” March 9, 2012.

U.S. State Department (World Learning Program), Washington, DC, “Women and U.S. Politics: From Voters to Candidates to Elected Officials,” March 5, 2012.

Greenwich Academy, Greenwich, CT, “Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” February 28, 2012.

Emerge America – Webinar, “A Conversation with Jennifer Lawless,” February 22, 2012.

Georgetown Senior Citizen Center, “Election 2012,” January 25, 2012.

Women of Influence, Inc., Toronto, Canada, “Women’s Under-Representation and the Importance of their Voices,” December 2, 2011.

Eisenhower Institute, Washington, DC, “Women and the 2012 Elections,” November 13, 2011.

U.S. Department of State (Foreign Service Institute), “Women and the 2012 Elections,” November 10, 2011.

FOCUS Conference for Penn Women, University of Pennsylvania Medical School, “Women, Campaigns, and Elections,” October 21, 2011.

Women Impacting Public Policy, Washington, DC, “It Still Takes A Candidate: Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” October 13, 2011.

Women in Medicine Program, University of Indiana School of Medicine, “The Graceful Art of Self-Promotion: Women in Politics,” October 12, 2011.

Sewell-Belmont House, Washington, DC, “A Woman’s Perspective: Women in American Democracy,” October 5, 2011.

Women’s Leadership Council, Los Angeles, CA, “If Only They’d Ask: Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” September 22, 2011.

Emerge Maine, Waterville, ME, “Why Women Must Run for Office,” August 11, 2011.

Emerge Maine Alumnae Network, Waterville, ME, “Women Candidates in 2010 and 2012.” August 11, 2011.

Carrie Chapman Catt Center, Ames, IA, “It Still Takes A Candidate: Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” June 10, 2011.

Sue Shear Institute for Women in Public Life, St. Louis, MO, “It Still Takes A Candidate: Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” May 26, 2011.

Emerge America, San Francisco, CA, “Why Women Must Run for Office,” May 24, 2011.

Union College Semester in Washington, Washington, DC, “Women, Politics, and Representation,” May 1, 2011.

Feminist Majority Foundation's Women, Money, Power Summit, Washington, DC, "Electing Women to State Legislatures and the U.S. Congress," April 8, 2011.

Equal Voices, Ottawa, Ontario, "It Still Takes A Candidate: Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," March 11, 2011.

U.S. Embassy in Canada (U.S. State Department), "Women, Representation, and Political Ambition," March 10, 2011.

Eisenhower Institute, Washington, DC, "Women, Politics, and Representation," February 27, 2011.

Deloitte, Arlington, VA, "Women and Leadership in Corporate America," February 22, 2011.

Running Start, Washington, DC, "Women, Ambition, and Representation," February 18, 2011.

WREI Fellowship Program, Washington, DC, "Women, Ambition, and Representation," January 24, 2011.

Wednesday Morning Group, Bethesda, MD, "Women, Ambition, and Representation," January 19, 2011.

Institute for Women's Policy Research, Washington, DC, "The 2010 Midterm Elections," November 10, 2010.

American Association of Medical Colleges, Washington, DC, "Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," November 9, 2010.

American Association of School Boards, Washington, DC, "Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," November 9, 2010.

Massachusetts National Organization for Women, Boston, MA, "Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," November 6, 2010.

EMILY's List, Washington, DC, Election Day Expert, November 2, 2010.

Government Affairs Institute at Georgetown University, Washington, DC, "Why We Shouldn't Believe What We Read in The Newspaper," October 27, 2010.

University of Rochester's Susan B. Anthony Center, Rochester, NY, "Women and the 2010 Elections," October 15, 2010.

Running Start, Washington, DC, "Women, Ambition, and Representation," October 1, 2010.

Emerge Oregon, Portland, OR, "Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," September 28, 2010.

Women's Media Center and Women's Campaign Forum, Washington, DC, "Name It, Change It," September 23, 2010.

Emerge New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, "Why Women Don't Run for Office and What Happens When They Do," August 28, 2010.

U.S. State Department, Washington, DC, “Women, Campaigns, and Elections in the U.S.,” June 23, 2010.

Center for Women’s Business Research, Washington, DC, “Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” June 9, 2010.

Democratic National Committee’s Women’s Leadership Council, Washington, DC, “Women and the Democratic Party,” May 7, 2010.

Sewell-Belmont House and the Female Congressional Staffers’ Association, Washington, DC, “Women, Campaigns, and Elections,” April 28, 2010.

Saugerties High School, Saugerties, NY, “Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” April 15, 2010.

Women’s Fund of Western Massachusetts, Holyoke, MA, “Women and the Political Process,” March 27, 2010.

Rachel’s Network, Washington, DC, “Why Women Don’t Run for Office and What Happens When They Do,” March 17, 2010.

Women’s Campaign Forum, New York, NY, March 11, 2010.

Running Start, Washington, DC, “Women, Ambition, and Representation,” February, 19, 2010.

MEDIA APPEARANCES AND COMMENTARY

Appeared in *Miss Representation* (a 2011 film that exposes how the mainstream media contribute to the under-representation of women in positions of power and influence in America. It premiered at the *Sundance Film Festival* and aired on the *Oprah Winfrey Network*).

Scholarly and political commentary and analysis also quoted in (or on) the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, USA Today, Washington Post, New Republic, New Yorker, Chronicle of Higher Education, Boston Globe, American Prospect, Christian Science Monitor, Politico, Associated Press Newswire, Reuters, National Public Radio, the Today Show, the Last Word with Lawrence O’Donnell, the Situation Room, C-SPAN’s Washington Journal, the CBS Evening News, ABC World News Tonight, NBC’s Election Center, PBS NewsHour, Jansing & Co., Voice of America, Sun News (Canada), CTV (Canada), cnn.com, and msnbc.com.

SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

Member, Democracy Initiative Faculty Advisory Committee, Fall 2020 - present.

Speaker, Batten Hour, “The Gender Gap in Political Ambition,” March 29, 2022.

Member, Selection Committee for the Politics Honors Program, February 2022.

Panelist, Miller Center, “News Hole: The Demise of Local Journalism and Political Engagement,” November 4, 2021. (via Zoom)

Guest Speaker, College Foundation, “Teaching Politics from Both Sides of the Aisle,” October 15, 2021. (via Zoom)

Panelist, Miller Center, “America’s Electoral Future – Where Are the Parties Headed?” October 15, 2021. (via Zoom)

Chair, Race and U.S. Politics Search Committee, Fall 2021.

Chair, International Relations and Comparative Politics Search Committee, Fall 2021.

Panelist, Department of Politics,” “What Happened? An Assessment of the Insurrection of January 6th,” January 13, 2021. (via Zoom)

Member, Selection Committee for the Politics Honors Program, February 2021.

Chair, Judicial Politics Search Committee, Spring 2021.

Panelist, Batten School “Election 2020 Faculty Hour,” November 6, 2020. (via Zoom)

Panelist, Miller Center, “Election 2020: What Just Happened?” November 4, 2020. (via Zoom)

Panelist, Lifetime Learning Center’s Engaging the Mind Series, “Women in Politics: Past, Present, and Future,” October 2, 2020. (via Zoom)

Chair, Democracy Initiative Faculty Advisory Committee, Fall 2018 – Spring 2020.

Member, Target of Opportunity Search Committee (Batten School), Fall 2019 – Spring 2020.

Moderator, Miller Center, “Election 2020: The State of the Race,” September 3, 2020. (via Zoom)

Moderator, Miller Center, “Primaries and Primary Reform,” May 14, 2020. (via Zoom)

Guest Speaker, Hereford Residential College, “Presidential Primaries in a Pandemic,” April 10, 2020. (via Zoom)

Chair, American Political Speaker Series, Fall 2018 – Spring 2020.

Member, Democracy Initiative Academic Director Search Committee, Fall 2019 – Spring 2020.

Member, Selection Committee for the Politics Honors Program, February 2020.

Guest Speaker, “Election 2020 – The Primaries,” UVA Law School, February 27, 2020.

Chair, Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Working Group, Fall 2018 – Spring 2019.

Panelist, “Above the Glass Ceiling: Women in Leadership,” Presidential Ideas Festival, Miller Center, May 24, 2019.

Panelist, “Election 2020,” Miller Center Spring Board Meeting, April 24, 2019.

Guest Speaker, Girl Up, April 17, 2019.

Guest Speaker, IRO Student Organization, April 10, 2019.

Member, Endowed Chairs Ad Hoc Committee, Spring 2019.

Member, Leonard Schaeffer Fellowship Committee (Miller Center), April 2019.

Panelist, “The Future of the Democratic Party,” Miller Center, March 26, 2019.

Member, Selection Committee for the Politics Honors Program, February 2019

Member, Political Theory Search Committee, Summer 2018 – December 2018.

Member, Political Institutions Search Committee (Batten School), Summer 2018 – December 2018.

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Editorial Service:

Co-Editor in Chief, *American Journal of Political Science*, June 2019 – present.

Associate Editor, *American Journal of Political Science*, June 2018 – May 2019.

Board Member, *Political Research Quarterly*, July 2016 – June 2018.

Board Member, *Journal of Politics*, January 2015 – June 2017.

Board of Overseers, American National Election Studies, Fall 2014 – Spring 2017.

Editor, *Politics & Gender*, July 2010 – September 2013.

Conference and Association Service:

Roundtable Participant, “Desk Rejections in Political Science Journals,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 7 – 10, 2022.

Discussant, “Congress and Norms: Fresh Perspectives in an Age of Conflict,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 7 – 10, 2022.

Roundtable Participant, “Meet the Editors,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 29 – October 2, 2021. (via Zoom)

Roundtable Participant, “A Discussion among the Editors: What It Means to Be a Political Science Journal Editor in 2021,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 29 – October 2, 2021. (via Zoom)

Discussant, “Gender and Political Communication,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 14 – 17, 2021. (via Zoom)

Roundtable Participant, “Challenges in Peer Review,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: August 29 – September 1, 2019.

Roundtable Participant, “The Cash Ceiling: Author Meets Critics,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: August 29 – September 1, 2019.

Chair and Roundtable Participant, “Election 2018: Cases, Consequences, and Conundrums,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 4 -7, 2019.

Discussant, “Congressional Elections: Context Matters,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 4 -7, 2019.

Chair, Joseph L. Bernd Award for the Best Paper in the *Journal of Politics*, Southern Political Science Association, 2018.

Roundtable Participant, “Trump and the 115th Congress,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association,” Boston, MA: August 31 – September 2, 2018.

Discussant, “Women Grab Back,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA: August 31 – September 2, 2018.

Discussant, “The Role of Identity in Political Communication,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association,” Chicago, IL: April 5 – 8, 2018.

Moderator, “The Power of Women: Voters, Candidates, and Consultants,” annual meeting of the American Association of Political Consultants, Washington, DC: November 15, 2017.

Discussant, “Gender and Legislative Politics,” annual meeting of the Annual American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA: August 31 – September 3, 2017.

Program Co-Chair, annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 6 – 9, 2017.

Roundtable Organizer and Moderator, “The Media and the 2016 Election: A View from the Campaign Trail,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 6 – 9, 2017.

Roundtable Participant, “President Trump and the Congress: An Early Appraisal,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 6 – 9, 2017.

Roundtable Participant, “Gender and the 2016 Election,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 7 – 10, 2016.

Discussant, “Congressional and Legislative Representation,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 7 – 10, 2016.

Roundtable Participant, “Forecasting the 2016 Election.” annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico: January 7 – 9, 2016.

Discussant, “Gender and Voting Behavior,” annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico: January 7 – 9, 2016.

Member, Patrick Fett Award Committee (for the best conference paper on Congress and the Presidency), Midwest Political Science Association, 2016.

Discussant, “Assessing the Pipeline for Women and Political Office in the United States,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 16 – 19, 2015.

Discussant, “Gender and Political Psychology,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: August 29 – September 1, 2014.

Roundtable Organizer and Participant, “Present or Absent? (Re-)Evaluating the Role of Gender Stereotyping in Contemporary Campaigns and Elections,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 3 – 6, 2014.

Discussant, “Gender and Legislative Behavior,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago: August 29 – September 1, 2013.

Roundtable Organizer and Participant, “Recapping Election 2012: Another “Year of the Woman?”” annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Orlando: January 3 – 6, 2013.

Section Head, “Women and Politics,” annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, 2013.

External Reviewer, University of Massachusetts – Boston Center for Women, Politics, and Public Policy, April – June 2012.

Discussant, “Presidential Primaries and the Nomination Process,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 12 – 15, 2012.

Section Head, “Women and Politics,” annual meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, 2012.

Roundtable Participant, “Women Politicians and the News: A Discussion of New Research,” annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Portland: March 22 – 25, 2012.

Roundtable Participant, “The 111th Congress: What the Democrats Did Wrong,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: March 31 – April 3, 2011.

Discussant, “Gender and the U.S. Congress,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: March 31 – April 3, 2011.

Roundtable Participant, “From the Ivory Tower to the Public Square: Women Political Scientists in Politics,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: September 1 – 4, 2010.

Discussant, “Gender Differences in Political Campaigning,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: September 1 – 4, 2010.

Member, Congressional Quarterly Prize Committee, American Political Science Association, 2009.

Discussant, “Women and Politics,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 3 – 6, 2008.

Discussant, “Congressional Elections,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago: August 30 – September 1, 2007.

Discussant, “Parties and Interest Groups,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 8 – 12, 2007.

Discussant, “Women and Politics,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 8 – 12, 2007.

Member, Sophonisba Breckinridge Award Committee, Midwest Political Science Association, 2006.

Discussant, “Women and Politics,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC: September 1 – 4, 2005.

Roundtable Participant, “Becoming Faculty: The Transition to the First Year,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 7 – 10, 2005.

Discussant, “Women, Congress, and Policy-Making,” annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago: April 7 – 10, 2005.

Roundtable Participant, “The Women’s Movement and Electoral Politics,” annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia: August 28 – September 1, 2003.

Reviewer for the National Science Foundation, TESS, Russell Sage Foundation, Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, University of Michigan Press, University of Chicago Press, *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Politics & Gender*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Psychology*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Electoral Studies*, *Politics, Groups, & Identities*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Political Communication*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *Research & Politics*, *Social Science Quarterly*, *State Politics and Policy*, *Urban Studies*, *Congress & the Presidency*, *Women, Politics, and Policy*, *International Journal of Press / Politics*, and *American Politics Research*, *Political Science Research and Methods*.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Placed on Washingtonian Magazine’s “Guest List” – “a monthly roundup of people we’d like to have over for drinks, food, and conversation,” August 2017

Outstanding Scholarship, Research, Creative Activity, and Other Professional Contributions Award, American University, April 2017

Award for Outstanding Scholarship, Research, and Professional Contributions, awarded by the School of Public Affairs, American University, April 2017

Honorary Changemaker Award, awarded by Generation Citizen, for commitment to youth civic participation, October 2015

Commissioned “Kentucky Colonel,” awarded by Kentucky’s Governor and Secretary of State for noteworthy accomplishments and outstanding service to the state and nation, January 2015

She Changes the World Award, awarded by the Women’s Fund of Western Massachusetts, May 2013

Award for Outstanding Scholarship, Research, and Professional Contributions, awarded by the School of Public Affairs, American University, April 2013

“Jennifer Lawless Day,” Providence, Rhode Island, awarded by Providence Mayor David Cicilline, 2009

“Jennifer Lawless Day,” Cranston, Rhode Island, awarded by Cranston Mayor Alan Fung, 2009

Brown University Undergraduate Teaching and Research Award, 2009, 2008, 2005, 2004

Humanities Research Award, Brown University, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004

Sophonisba Breckinridge Award, for best paper on women and politics, presented by the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2006

Marian D. Irish Award, for best paper on women and politics, presented by the Southern Political Science Association, January 2004

Sophonisba Breckinridge Award, for best paper on women and politics, presented by the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2004

Pi Sigma Alpha, Spring 1997

Phi Beta Kappa, Spring 1996

AFFILIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

Board Member, New Politics Leadership Academy, January 2021 – present.

Advisory Board Member, Emerge America, January 2012 – present.

Board Member, Emerge America, 2009 – 2011.

Board Member, Planned Parenthood of Rhode Island, 2006 – 2009.

Board Member, Women’s Fund of Rhode Island, 2006 – 2009.

Member of the American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, National Capital Area Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association, and Western Political Science Association.