Gerald Gamm

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Academic positions

- 1992– University of Rochester. Professor of Political Science and History, 2015–. Associate Professor of Political Science and History, 1998–2015. James P. Wilmot Assistant Professor, 1996–98. Assistant Professor, 1994–96. Instructor, 1992–94.
- 2022–23 University of Rochester. Co-Chair, Department of Political Science.
- 2017–18 University of Rochester. Chair, Department of Political Science.
- 1999–2011 University of Rochester. Chair, Department of Political Science.
- 1996–97 Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. Fellow.

Education

Ph.D. 1994	Harvard, History and Political Science.
A.B. 1986	Harvard, Government, summa cum laude.

Research awards and fellowships

- Best Journal Article Award (State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association), for the best article in U.S. state politics or policy published in 2021. For "Life, Literacy, and the Pursuit of Prosperity: Party Competition and Policy Outcomes in 50 States" (with Thad Kousser).
- Best APSA Paper Award (State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association), for the best paper presented on state politics and policy at the 2013 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association. For "Contingent Partisanship: When Party Labels Matter—and When They Don't—in the Distribution of Pork in American State Legislatures" (with Thad Kousser).
- State Politics & Policy Quarterly Best Paper Award (State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association), for the best paper presented on state politics at any conference in 2007. For "Diversity and the Breakdown of Deference: Evidence from District Bills in State Legislatures" (with Thad Kousser).
- Best APSA Paper Award (State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association), for the best paper presented on state politics and policy at the 2006 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association. For "Localism and Factionalism in American State Legislatures" (with Thad Kousser).
- Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, invited in 2001 for future fellowship.
- Tuttleman Foundation Book Award (Gratz College), 2001, for "the outstanding book on Jewish life in contemporary America." For *Urban Exodus*.
- Robert Park Award (American Sociological Association), 2000, for "the best book in community and urban sociology." For *Urban Exodus*.

Fellow (by election), Massachusetts Historical Society, 1999-.

Lilly Foundation, 1998–2002, research grant (with Robert D. Putnam).

National Science Foundation, 1997–2001, research grant (with Nancy Burns).

James P. Wilmot Assistant Professorship, University of Rochester, 1996–99.

Fellow, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, 1996–97.

Pew Charitable Trusts, 1995–96, research grant (with Robert D. Putnam).

- Urban Politics Dissertation Award (American Political Science Association), 1995, for "the best dissertation in urban politics."
- Toppan Prize (Harvard University), 1994, for "the best essay or dissertation upon a subject of political science."
- Irish Research Fund of the Irish American Cultural Institute, 1992, research grant.

Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, 1991–92.

National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship, 1986–89.

Thomas T. Hoopes Prize (Harvard College), 1986, for senior honors thesis.

Philo Sherman Bennett Prize (Harvard College), 1986, for senior honors thesis.

University awards

Honorary member, Keidaeans (University of Rochester), undergraduate honor society, 2016–2017.

Garnish Memorial Citation (University of Rochester), presented annually to "an alumnus, faculty member, or staff member for longstanding contributions and service to the Department of Athletics and Recreation," 2010.

Keynote speaker, National Society of Collegiate Scholars (University of Rochester), undergraduate honor society, 2005.

Honorary member and keynote speaker, Golden Key (University of Rochester), undergraduate honor society, 2004.

Honorary member, Keidaeans (University of Rochester), undergraduate honor society, 2001–2002.

Goergen Award (University of Rochester), 1998, for "distinguished achievement and artistry in undergraduate education."

Greek Week Award (University of Rochester), 1996, for "the outstanding professor of the year." Rho Lamda Prize (University of Rochester), 1995, for "the outstanding male faculty member." Reader of the Boar, Boar's Head Dinner (University of Rochester), 1995.

Books

With Steven S. Smith. Steering the Senate: The Emergence of Party Organization and Leadership, 1789-2024 (Cambridge University Press, forthcoming).

Urban Exodus: Why the Jews Left Boston and the Catholics Stayed (Harvard University Press, 1999).

The Making of New Deal Democrats: Voting Behavior and Realignment in Boston, 1920–1940 (University of Chicago Press, 1989).

Articles and chapters

- With Justin H. Phillips, Matthew Carr, and Michael Auslen. "The Culture War and Partisan Polarization: State Political Parties, 1960–2018." Forthcoming in *Studies in American Political Development*.
- With Thad Kousser. "The Last Shall Be Last: Ethnic, Racial, and Nativist Bias in Distributive Politics," *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 48 (2023), 765–96.

With Thad Kousser. "Life, Literacy, and the Pursuit of Prosperity: Party Competition and Policy

Outcomes in 50 States," American Political Science Review 115 (2021), 1442-63.

- With Steven S. Smith. "The Dynamics of Party Government in Congress," in Lawrence C. Dodd, Bruce I. Oppenheimer, and C. Lawrence Evans, eds., *Congress Reconsidered*, 12th ed. (Washington: Sage, 2021).
- "Relocation to the Suburbs, 1940-1970," in Nancy S. Seasholes, ed., *The Atlas of Boston History* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2019).
- With Steven S. Smith. "The Dynamics of Party Government in Congress," in Lawrence C. Dodd and Bruce I. Oppenheimer, eds., *Congress Reconsidered*, 11th ed. (Washington: Sage, 2017).
- With Thad Kousser. "No Strength in Numbers: The Failure of Big-City Bills in American State Legislatures, 1880-2000," *American Political Science Review* 107 (2013), 663-78.
- With Steven S. Smith. "The Dynamics of Party Government in Congress," in Lawrence C. Dodd and Bruce I. Oppenheimer, eds., *Congress Reconsidered*, 10th ed. (Washington: CQ Press, 2013).
- With Thad Kousser. "Broad Bills or Particularistic Policy? Historical Patterns in American State Legislatures," *American Political Science Review* 104 (2010), 151-70.
- With Nancy Burns, Laura Evans, and Corrine McConnaughy. "Urban Politics in the State Arena," *Studies in American Political Development* 23 (2009), 1-22.
- "The Sudden Birth of Sticky Institutions, 1890-1915," in Gary King, Kay Lehman Schlozman, and Norman H. Nie, eds., *The Future of Political Science: 100 Perspectives* (New York: Routledge, 2009).
- With Steven S. Smith. "The Dynamics of Party Government in Congress," in Lawrence C. Dodd and Bruce I. Oppenheimer, eds., *Congress Reconsidered*, 9th ed. (Washington: CQ Press, 2009).
- With Nancy Burns, Laura Evans, and Corrine McConnaughy. "Pockets of Expertise: Institutional Capacity in Twentieth-Century State Legislatures," *Studies in American Political Development* 22 (2008), 229-48.
- With Steven S. Smith. "The Dynamics of Party Government in Congress," in Lawrence C. Dodd and Bruce I. Oppenheimer, eds., *Congress Reconsidered*, 8th ed. (Washington: CQ Press, 2005).
- "When Churches Disappear," Boston Sunday Globe, Ideas section, 14 March 2004.
- With John Huber. "Legislatures as Political Institutions: Beyond the Contemporary Congress," in Ira Katznelson and Helen V. Milner, eds., *Political Science: The State of the Discipline* (New York and Washington: W. W. Norton and American Political Science Association, 2002).
- With Steven S. Smith. "Emergence of Senate Party Leadership," in Bruce I. Oppenheimer, ed., U.S. Senate Exceptionalism (Columbus: Ohio State University Press, 2002).
- With Steven S. Smith. "Policy Leadership and the Development of the Modern Senate," in David W. Brady and Mathew D. McCubbins, eds., *Party, Process, and Political Change in Congress: New Perspectives on the History of Congress* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2002).
- "After the Urban Exodus: Jews, Protestants, and the Erosion of Catholic Exceptionalism, 1950–2000," in Andrew Walsh, ed., *Can Charitable Choice Work? Covering Religion's Impact on Urban Affairs and Social Services* (Hartford, Conn.: Leonard E. Greenberg Center for the Study of Religion in Public Life, Trinity College, 2001).
- With Steven S. Smith. "The Dynamics of Party Government in Congress," in Lawrence C. Dodd and Bruce I. Oppenheimer, eds., *Congress Reconsidered*, 7th ed. (Washington: CQ Press,

2001).

- With Steven S. Smith. "Last among Equals: The Senate's Presiding Officer," in Burdett A. Loomis, ed., *Esteemed Colleagues: Civility and Deliberation in the U.S. Senate* (Washington: Brookings, 2000).
- With Robert D. Putnam. "The Growth of Voluntary Associations in America, 1840–1940," *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 29 (1999), 511–557. Reprinted in Robert I. Rotberg, ed., *Patterns of Social Capital: Stability and Change in Historical Perspective* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2001).
- With Scott Allard and Nancy Burns. "Representing Urban Interests: The Local Politics of State Legislatures," *Studies in American Political Development* 12 (1998), 267–302.
- With Renée M. Smith. "Presidents, Parties, and the Public: Evolving Patterns of Interaction, 1877–1929," in Richard J. Ellis, ed., *Speaking to the People: The Rhetorical Presidency in Historical Perspective* (Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 1998).
- "Buried Treasure: Theory and Historical Data," *The Political Methodologist* 8:1 (Fall 1997), 8–11.
- With Nancy Burns. "Creatures of the State: State Politics and Local Government, 1871–1921," *Urban Affairs Review* 33 (1997), 59–96.
- "In Search of Suburbs: Boston's Jewish Districts, 1843–1994," in Jonathan D. Sarna and Ellen Smith, eds., *The Jews of Boston* (Boston: Combined Jewish Philanthropies of Greater Boston, 1995). Paperback edition (revised, with additions) published 2005 by Yale University Press.
- "Elements of United States Postage Stamp Design, 1847–1991," United States Specialist 62 (1991), 467–87.
- With Kenneth A. Shepsle. "Emergence of Legislative Institutions: Standing Committees in the House and Senate, 1810–1825," *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 14 (1989), 39–66.

Paper in progress

With Justin H. Phillips. "Party Reform and the Origins of Abortion Politics." Under review.

Professional activities

2021-	Council of Scholars, United States Capitol Historical Society.
2013–16	Centennial Center advisory board, American Political Science Association.
2005–7	Nominations committee, Legislative Studies Section, American Political Science
	Association.
2002–4	Executive council, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association.
2003	Chair, E. E. Schattschneider award committee, American Political Science
	Association.
2002	Dissertation prize committee, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science
	Association.
2001	Consultant on congressional and legislative redistricting (assisting Lawrence S.
	DiCara), Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
2001	Carl Albert dissertation prize committee, Legislative Studies Section, American
	Political Science Association.
1999–2000	Program chair (with Daniel Carpenter), Politics and History Section, 2000 Annual
	Meeting of the American Political Science Association.
1997–99	Council, Politics and History Section, American Political Science Association.

1998 Mary Parker Follett article award committee, Politics and History Section, American Political Science Association.

Departmental activities, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester (1992-)

- 1992– Undergraduate adviser.
- 2012– Coordinator of communication and outreach (including department website, social media, and newsletter, as well as work with prospective students).
- 2018– Associate Department Chair and Director of Undergraduate Studies.
- 2021 Chair, African-American Politics faculty search committee.
- 2014–17 Coordinator, American Politics working group.
- 2016–17 Associate Department Chair and Director of Undergraduate Studies.
- 2015–16 Ad hoc committee to review and reform the undergraduate curriculum.
- 2014–16 Search committee for faculty in American politics. Chair, 2015–16.
- 2007 Task force on potential international relations major.
- 2003 Ad hoc committee to review undergraduate internships.
- 2002 Ad hoc committee to review the graduate curriculum.
- 2000–2001 Ad hoc committee to review the undergraduate curriculum.
- 1998–99 Co-coordinator, Washington semester program.
- 1998–99 Co-founder and co-coordinator, Riker Seminars.
- 1994–99 Coordinator of departmental honors program.
- 1995–96 Ad hoc committee to review the Public Policy Analysis Program.
- 1995–96 Library liaison.
- 1993–94 Ad hoc committee to review the departmental honors program.

College and University activities, University of Rochester (1992-)

- 1993– First-year and sophomore adviser.
- 1998– Executive committee, Phi Beta Kappa, Iota of New York. President, 2007–9. Vice president, 1999–2007, 2015–. Recording secretary, 1999.
- 2006– University faculty athletics representative, National Collegiate Athletic Association.
- 2016– Selection committee for John H. Berman Memorial Award.
- 2017– University of Rochester voting delegate, University Athletic Association. First vice president of delegates committee, University Athletic Association, 2023–.
- 2019– Student life committee, University Board of Trustees.
- 2024– UR Student Workday governance committee. Co-chair.
- 2002–24 University Faculty Senate. Chair or co-chair, 2003–6, 2009–10, 2018–20. Executive committee, 2002–8, 2009–11, 2018–24. Chair, charter reform committee, 2003–5. Senator, 2002–8, 2009–11, 2018–24.
- 2024 University committee to discuss definition of antisemitism.
- 2023 Working group, Arts, Sciences & Engineering restructuring.
- 2023 Search committee for the Executive Director of the College Center for Advising Services.
- 2023 Search committee for the Vice President for Student Life.
- 2023 University of Rochester representative on the strategic planning and comprehensive review committee, University Athletic Association.
- 2020–23 Undergraduate admissions advisory committee.
- 2020–22 Joint committee, with the Landmark Society of Western New York, to nominate Todd Union for the National Register of Historic Places.

2020-21	Covid-19 University faculty salary reduction advisory committee.
2020	Covid-19 Class of 2020 commencement committee.
2018–20	Faculty advisory group, UR Student Project (reviewing plans for the new student information system).
2018–20	Post-doctoral fellow selection committee, Frederick Douglass Institute for African and
2010 10	African-American Studies.
2018–19	Faculty interviewer for Handler Scholarships, Office of Admissions.
2016-18	First-year committee.
2016–18	Search committee for the Robert L. and Mary L. Sproull Dean of the Faculty of Arts, Sciences, and Engineering.
2002–18	Faculty participant and adviser, Rochester Urban Fellows Program.
2015	Search committee for Social Sciences Outreach Librarian, Rush Rhees Library.
2014–15	Committee to review the Rochester Curriculum.
2014–15	Board of directors, Hillel at the University of Rochester.
2014	Search committee for Executive Director of the Gwen M. Greene Career and Internship Center.
2012-14	Faculty ambassador for University Capital Campaign.
2009-14	Interfaith Chapel advisory board.
2012-13	Working group on faculty, University self-study in preparation for reaccreditation visit
	by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education.
2011-12	Search committee for Director of Religious and Spiritual Life.
2010-11	Search committee for Director of the Frederick Douglass Institute for African and
	African-American Studies.
2010	Search committee for Head Men's Basketball Coach.
2007-9	College diversity roundtable.
2007–9	Board of directors, Hillel of Rochester Area Colleges. Vice-president, 2008–2009.
2006-8	Co-chair, College committee on upper-class housing.
2007	College communications advisory council.
2007	College faculty diversity committee.
2007	College representative, University information technology governance council.
2006–7	Political symposia working group.
2006–7	University graphic identity working group.
2006–7	Search committee for Provost.
2006–7	Ad hoc committee to develop family-friendly policies for faculty.
2004–7	Kauffman Take Five advisory committee.
2003-7	Chair, Dean's advisory committee on campus Hillel.
2006	University task force on diversity and inclusiveness.
2006	College task force to review the Interfaith Chapel.
2006	Search committee for Executive Director of Hillel of Rochester Area Colleges.
2000-6	Search committee for Dean of the Faculty of Arts, Sciences, and Engineering.
2005-6	Search committee for Vice President for Communications.
2005 0	Presidential inauguration committee.
2003–4	Search committee for Executive Director of Hillel of Rochester Area Colleges.
2003-4	Faculty adviser, Theta Delta Chi fraternity.
2001-4	Faculty adviser, Psi Upsilon fraternity.
2000–2004 2001–3	Freshman advisory committee. Faculty representative, subcommittee on freshman
2001-3	links to organized student groups, 2001–2002. Chair, subcommittee on

fraternities, sororities, and special interest housing groups, 2001.

- 2000–2001 Freshman housing implementation committee. Chair, freshman year subcommittee.
- 1994–2001 Faculty adviser, Sigma Chi fraternity.
- 1994–2000 Board of directors, Rochester Area Hillel Foundation. Vice-president for campus affairs, 1998–99.
- 1999 Ad hoc committee to review conditions and terms of academic leaves.
- 1999 Search committee for Head Women's Basketball Coach.
- 1998–99 Search committee for Director of Athletics and Recreation.
- 1996–99 Residential College Commission (RCC).
- 1997–99 Co-chair, College committee on residential life (RCC).
- 1997–98 College committee on Greek life (RCC).
- 1997–98 Core planning group, Pew Higher Education Roundtable.
- 1996–97 Co-chair, College committee on athletics and cocurricular activity (RCC).
- 1996–97 College committee on dining and a campus center (RCC).
- 1995–96 Director of the Wilson Society (composed of the College's outstanding students).
- 1995–96 Faculty adviser, Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity.
- 1995–96 Ad hoc committee to review the probation and to consider the reestablishment of Theta Delta Chi fraternity.
- 1993–94 Ad hoc committee to consider the establishment of a community studies program.
- 1992–93 Dean's fellow.

University activities, Harvard University (1987–92)

- 1988–92 Resident tutor in government and history, Mather House.
- 1987–88 Resident freshman proctor and academic adviser.