

## Curriculum Vita

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#### **Education**

Ph.D. University of California, Davis, 2002  
M.A. University of California, Davis, Political Science, 2000  
B.A. University of California, Davis, Political Science, 1995  
A.A. Sacramento Community College, Sacramento 1992

#### **Academic Appointments**

Associate Professor, University of Kansas, Fall 2009  
Assistant Professor, University of Kansas, Fall 2003 to Spring 2009  
Lecturer: University of California, Davis, Spring 2003

#### **Refereed Publications**

John James Kennedy, "Supply and Demand for Grassroots Political Reform in Rural China", *Journal of Chinese Political Science* (accepted February 2009)

John James Kennedy, "Legitimacy with Chinese Characteristics: 'Two Increases, One Reduction'", *Journal of Contemporary China*, vol. 18, no. 60 (2009)

John James Kennedy, "Individual Disapproval and Institutional Trust: Popular Trust in Village Institutions" *China Information*, vol. 23, no. 3, (November, 2009)

John James Kennedy, "Popular Support and the Rural and Urban Divide in China: The Influence of Education and the State-Controlled Media" *Political Studies* (In press, 2009)

John James Kennedy, "International Education and Developing Countries: Research and Educational Collaboration in the Field" *Journal of Political Science Education*, vol. 3, no. 3, (Fall 2007).

John James Kennedy, "From the Fee-for-Tax Reform to the Abolition of Agricultural Taxes: The Impact on Township Governments in Northwest China" *The China Quarterly*, vol.189, (March 2007)

John James Kennedy, "The Implementation of Village Elections and Tax-for-Fee Reform in Rural Northwest China," in Elizabeth J. Perry and Merle Goldman ed. *Grassroots Political Reform in Contemporary China* (Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2007)

John James Kennedy, "Bygone Days and Ballot Boxes: Previous Democratic Experience and Current Village Elections in Rural Northwest China" *Journal of Comparative Asian Development*, vol. 5, no. 1, (Spring 2006)

John James Kennedy, Scott Rozelle and Yaojiang Shi, "Elected Leaders and Collective Land: Farmers Evaluation of Village Leaders Performance in Rural China" *Journal of Chinese Political Science*, vol. 9, no. 1 (Spring 2004)

John James Kennedy, "The Face of 'Grassroots Democracy': The Substantive Difference Between Real and Cosmetic Elections in Rural China." *Asian Survey*, vol. 42, no. 3, (May/June 2002)

Shi Yaojiang, Gao Fan, Ren Baoping and J. J. Kennedy "Zhonggou Nongcun Minzhu Xuanjuzhong detiming Fangshiji Shishi Jijiao Fenxi: duishaanxi 6 gexian 34 cun diaocha jeigoude shizheng fenxi" [An analysis of the Implementation of China's Rural Democratic Elections and the Types of Nomination Processes: analytical results from a six county and 34 village survey in Shaanxi Province], *Guanli Shijie* [Management World] vol. 1 (January, 2004).

### **Other Publications**

John James Kennedy, "Rural China: Politics and Policy" in William A. Joseph ed. *Politics of China*, Oxford University Press (Forthcoming 2009)

### **Book Reviews**

John James Kennedy, "Review of *Rightful Resistance in Rural China* by Kevin O'Brien and Lianjiang Li" *Journal of Asian Studies*, Volume 68, Issue 2 (2009)

John James Kennedy, "Review of *Public Opinion and Political Change in China*. by Tang Wenfang" *Perspectives on Politics*, Volume 5, Issue 1, (March 2007)

John James Kennedy, "Review of *Mutual Empowerment of State and Peasantry: Village Self-Government in Rural China*. By Xu Wang." *Pacific Affairs*, Volume 77, No. 3, (Fall 2004)

### **Works in Progress**

Mariya Y. Omelicheva and John James Kennedy, "Reform in China and Russia: A Comparative Perspective" ISA International Studies Compendium Project, Wiley-Blackwell Publishing (under submission 2009)

John James Kennedy, “Avoiding the ‘Resource Curse’ in Northwest China,” preparing for submission for chapter in edited book

John James Kennedy, “Out of the Shadows: Identifying the ‘Missing Girls’ in Shaanxi,” preparing for submission

John James Kennedy, “The Price of Village Democracy: Vote Buying and Village Elections in China” Working Paper

### **Conference Presentations in English**

John James Kennedy, “Can there be a harmonious gender balance? Identifying the ‘Missing Girls’ in Shaanxi”, International Symposium & the 21th Association of Chinese Political Studies Annual Meeting, “China after the 17th CCP Congress”, Missouri State University Springfield, Missouri, October 11-12, 2008

John James Kennedy, “Supply and Demand for Grassroots Political Reform in Rural China” presented at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association of Chinese Political Studies, July 14-15 2007 at San Francisco State University

John James Kennedy, “Individual Disgust and Institutional Trust: Popular Trust in Village Institutions” presented at the International Conference on State Capacity of China in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, 19-20 April, 2007, City University Hong Kong

John James Kennedy, “Knowledgeable Citizens, Informed Community and Democratic Practices in Rural China” presented at the annual meeting of the Association of Asian Studies, San Francisco, CA, April 6-9, 2006.

John James Kennedy, “Maintaining Popular Support for the Chinese Communist Party: the influence of the state controlled media and education” presented at the Mid-Western Political Science Association, Chicago April 19-22, 2006

John James Kennedy, “From the Fee-for-Tax Reform to the Abolition of Agricultural Taxes: The Impact on Township Governments in Northwest China” Presented at the American Political Science Association 101<sup>st</sup> meeting in Washington, DC, Sept 1-4, 2005

John James Kennedy, “Death of a Township: the Tax-for-Fee Reform in Northwest China.” presented at the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association of Chinese Political Studies, July 30-31, 2005 at San Francisco State University

John James Kennedy, “The Implementation of Village Elections and Tax-for-Fee Reform in Rural Northwest China,” Presented at the Grassroots Political Reform in Contemporary China Conference October 29-31, 2004, Fairbank Center, Harvard University

John James Kennedy, "Bygone days and Ballot Boxes: previous democratic experience and current village elections in rural Northwest China" presented at the Mid-Western Political Science Association, Chicago April 15-18 2004

John James Kennedy, "Gender, Geography and Village Elections" presented at KU GIS Symposium, University of Kansas, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2004

John James Kennedy, "Farmers, Cadres and the Ballot Box: Village Elections and Political Outcomes in Rural China." Invited speaker at the Center for East Asian Studies, Stanford University, October 15, 2002.

### **Conference Presentations in Chinese**

John James Kennedy, "The Price of Village Democracy: Vote Buying and Village Elections in China" to be presented at the "China's Peaceful Development: Opportunities and Challenges," Macao Polytechnic Institute, Macao, China, May 10-13, 2009

John James Kennedy, "Avoiding the 'Resource Curse' in Northwest China" presented in Chinese at the "Assessment of Western China Development and Future Prospects" conference July 22-24, 2008 at Northwest University Xian, China

John James Kennedy, "Individual Disgust and Institutional Trust: Popular Trust in Village Institutions" presented in Chinese at the conference on "China in the 21st Century: Challenges and Opportunities" at Renmin University, Beijing, China in June 9-11, 2006

John James Kennedy and Scott Rozelle, "Elected Leaders and Collective Land: Farmers' Evaluation of Village Leader's Performance in Rural China." presented in Chinese at the conference on "Contemporary Rural Chinese Social Life and the Transformation of Chinese Self" held at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2002.

John James Kennedy, "The Face of 'Grassroots Democracy': The Substantive Difference Between Real and Cosmetic Elections in Rural China." presented in Chinese at the International Symposium on Village Self-Government & Rural Social Development in China, September 2-5 2001, Beijing, China.

John James Kennedy, "Developing Land Rental Markets: Rural Land Management Systems and Institutional Change" (*Zhuanbao tudi: nongcun tudi guanli tizhi he zhidu bianhua*) paper written and presented in Chinese at the National Conference on the Economic Development of Western China, Xian, China, November, 2000.

## **Honors and Awards**

Best Paper Award 2008, Association of Chinese Political Science for the paper “Out of the Shadows: Identifying the ‘Missing Girls’ in Shaanxi.”  
Gordon White Prize for the most original article published in the *China Quarterly* in 2007. The prize is for the paper, “From the Fee-for-Tax Reform to the Abolition of Agricultural Taxes: The Impact on Township Governments in Northwest China”  
University of Kansas, Center for East Asian Studies (CEAS) Faculty Service Award 2006  
Best Paper Award 2005, Association of Chinese Political Science for the paper “Death of a Township: the Tax-for-Fee Reform in Northwest China.”  
University of Kansas, CEAS New Course Development Grant 2005 and 2008  
University of Kansas, CEAS Research Grant 2004, 2006 and 2007  
University of Kansas, Teaching Excellence Award 2004, Center for Teaching Excellence  
University of Kansas, New Faculty General Research Fund 2004  
Fulbright Award for Graduate Research 2000-2001.

## **Research Center**

My colleagues at Northwest University, Xian, China and I established the Northwest Socio-economic Development Research Center (NSDRC) in 2004. The center has three missions. One is to train local professors, graduate students and professionals in social science research methods. Second is to conduct regional surveys. The third mission is to produce academic and policy relevant publications (see <http://www.nsdrc.org.cn/> also in English).

## **Northwest Socio-economic Development Research Center: Developing Institutional Capacity Grants**

Ford Foundation, Beijing, P.R. China 2006-2008 (\$150,000)  
Plan International, Xian, PR China 2007-08 (\$80,000)  
Ford Foundation, Beijing, P.R. China 2004-2005 (\$30,000)

## **Courses Taught**

Introduction to Comparative Politics  
Methods of Inquiry: Political Science Research Methods  
Problems and Politics in Developing Countries  
Political Reform in Contemporary China  
Foreign Policy in Contemporary China  
Comparative Political Institutions (Graduate Course)  
Research in the Field: Conducting and Analyzing Fieldwork in Developing Countries (Graduate Course, Spring 2009)  
KU-Mogadishu University, Somalia exchange: Methods of Inquiry: Political Science Research Methods web course (delayed video recording) with Mogadishu University including KU-MU students e-mail exchange and communication (Fall 2007 and Fall 2009)

## **Department and University Service**

Graduate Committee (department): 2007-2008  
Advisory Committee (department): 2005-2006  
Undergraduate Committee (department): 2003-2005  
Comparative Politics Graduate Exam Committee (department): 2003-present, Chair 2004  
Center for Teaching Excellence, department ambassador: 2003-present  
Center for Teaching Excellence, New GTA Conference facilitator: 2005-present  
Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) committee member: 2004-present  
Fulbright Committee (university): 2004-present  
Graduate Direct Exchange Committee (university): 2004-present  
China Exchange Program (Office of International Programs): 2004-present  
Advisory Committee for Center for East Asian Studies: 2005-2007

## **National and International Service**

Northwest Socio-economic Development Research Center (NSDRC): Executive Board Member

*American Political Science Review*: Reviewer

*Asian Survey*: Reviewer

*Comparative Politics*: Reviewer

*Comparative Political Studies*: Reviewer

*China Information*: Reviewer

*The China Journal*: Reviewer

## **Invited Speaker**

Introduction and Movie Discussion for *Warm Springs*, 2009 Kansas City Chinese Film Festival at the Rio Theatre, Saturday, February 28, 2009.

“Urbanization and Rural to Urban Migration in China,” KCUR Kansas City Public Radio, the Walt Bodine Show, January 26, 2009

“Intellectual Property Rights and China” Kansas Public Radio, Lawrence, Kansas, August 8, 2008

“Sports Culture and Politics at the Beijing Olympics: Political Reform and Development Under the Shadow of the Summer Olympic Games” International Relations Council, Kauffman Foundation, Kansas City, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008

“Grassroots Political Reform in Rural China” Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas, April 2008

“Introduction to Orville Schell” Hall Center for the Humanities, Lawrence, Kansas, September 2007

“Democratizing or Legitimizing the Authoritarian Regime” Political Reform Since 1989” Missouri Southern State University, Joplin, Missouri September 6, 2007

“Rural and Urban Divide in China” Free State High School, Lawrence, Kansas, February 9, 2007

“Quantitative Methods and Conducting Surveys in Rural China” (in Chinese) Northwest University, Xian, Shaanxi Province, China, June 3-5, 2006

“Quantitative Methods and Conducting Surveys in Muslim (Hui minority) Regions” (in Chinese) Ningxia University, Yinchuan, Ningxia Province, China, June 6-8, 2006

“Quantitative Methods and Conducting Surveys in Tibetan Regions” (in Chinese) Qinghai Nationalities University, Xining, Qinghai Province, China, June 11-13, 2006

“Politics and Modern Dance in China” Hall Center for the Humanities, Lawrence, Kansas, September 2006

“China, the US and the World” University Forum, Lawrence, Kansas, March 2005, March 2006

“Political Development in Rural and Urban China” School of Advanced Military Studies in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, July 2005, May 2006, March 2007, February 2008

“Politics and Modern Art in China” Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, Kansas City, Kansas, July 2005

“Fee-for-Tax Reform to the Abolition of Agricultural Taxes: The End of Township Governments in Northwest China?” University of Chicago, April 2005

### **Organization Membership**

American Political Science Association  
Association of Chinese Political Studies  
Association of Asian Studies  
Chinese Economist Society