

Name: Corliss Lentz  
Title: Associate Professor  
Department: Political Science  
College: Humanities and Social Science

### **Degrees Earned**

Degree, Major, (minor – optional), Institution, Year  
Ph.D., Political Science, Northern Illinois University, 1995  
M.P.A., Public Administration, Northern Illinois University, 1987  
B.A., History, University of Charleston, 1969

### **Professional Licensure and Certifications**

### **Peer-Review Publications and Artistic Performances/Exhibitions**

#### **Articles**

"Improving Education Opportunities: Can Public Administrators Build a Sustainable Middle Class in Zambia," submitted for review to *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East*, November, 2008.

"Mining the Knowledge Base: How Principals Provide Innovations to Improve the Life Chances of Hispanic Students in Texas," a paper resubmitted to *Education Leadership Review*, September, 2008.

"Breaking the Walls of Silence: The Role of Faith Based Organizations in Developing Sustainable Partnerships in Fighting HIV/AIDS in Zambia," submitted to *Journal of HIV/AIDS & Social Services*, April, 2007.

"Predicting School Referenda Outcomes: Answers from Illinois," *The Journal of Education Finance* (Spring 1999) 24: 459-482.

"Where You Work Does Make a Difference: The Intrastate Differences in Teacher Salary," *The Journal of School Business Management* (Number 1 1999) 11:15-25.

"The Effects of Collective Bargaining on Teacher Compensation: Lessons From Illinois," *Journal of Collective Negotiations in the Public Sector* (Number 2 1998) 27:93-106.

"Determinants of Voter Turnout in Illinois School Referenda," *Southeastern Political Review* (June 1998) 26:313-335.

"Why Some Communities Pay More Than Others: The Example of Illinois Teachers," *Public Administration Review* (March/April 1998) 58: 137-144.

"Dispelling Myth: Referenda Can Succeed During General Elections," *Illinois School Board Journal*, (September/October 1997) 65:19-20.

"The Role of Community Homogeneity in School Referenda Outcomes: the Illinois Experience," *The Journal of School Business Management* (April 1996) 8:6-18.

"Citizen Decisionmaking in Illinois: The Role of Affordability and Community Homogeneity in School Referenda Outcomes," *The Journal of School Business Management* (April 1995) 7: 6-19.

### **Books**

### **Chapters**

### **Proceedings**

### **Artistic Performances**

### **Artistic Exhibitions**

## **Research Monographs and Technical Reports**

### **Funded External Grants**

Received a Fulbright Scholarship for research and lecturing at The University of Zambia for 2010.

Received a Faculty Development Leave award for the fall semester, 2009.

### **Peer-Review Presentations/Posters**

"Women with HIV/AIDS in Zambia: Telling Their Story," a poster presentation for Women's History Month, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, April 2009.

"Assessing the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR): The Results of Interviews with HIV/AIDS Patients, a poster presentation given at the American Society for Public Administration annual conference, April, 2009, Miami.

“Improving Education Opportunities: Innovative Government/NGO Partnerships to Build a Sustainable Middle Class in Zambia” submitted for presentation at the American Society for Public Administration annual conference, March, 2008, Dallas.

“Providing Services for People Affected with HIV/AIDS: Developing Sustainable International Partnerships with Indigenous Faith-Based Organizations in Zambia,” presented at the Association of Budgeting and Management, October, 2007, Washington, D.C..

“Measuring the Performance of Taxpayer Supported Local Events Designed to Promote Economic Development and Enhance Quality of Life: Does Anyone Really Care?” coauthored with Frank Robinson (primary author), presented at the 2007 American Society for Public Administration, March 23-27, 2007, Washington, D.C.

“Assessing Amenities: Creating a Destination through Economic Development and Improved Intergovernmental Partnerships,” coauthored with B. D. Marshall (primary author), presented at the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management meeting (a section of the American Society for Public Administration,) October, 2006, Atlanta.

“The Impact of Parks on Residential Property Values: An Analysis of Two New Parks in The Woodlands, Texas,” coauthored with Jonathan Loewer (primary author), presented at the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management meeting (a section of the American Society for Public Administration,) October, 2006, Atlanta.

“Service Learning: Models of How to Incorporate It Into Courses and How to Assess It,” Coauthored with Stephanie Frogg and John Newbold, presented at the College of Humanities and Social Sciences Fall 2006 Teaching Conference, August 2006, Huntsville, Texas.

“Using POSDCORB as a Tool for Innovation: Improving Hispanic Student Achievement,” presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Public Administrators, March 31- April 4, 2006, Denver.

• “Zambia: Nurturing Faith Through Partnerships,” presented at the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the Southern African Partnership Network of the Presbyterian Church USA, January 2006, Louisville.

“Service Learning: Models of How to Incorporate it into Courses and How to Assess It” coauthored with Stephanie Frogg and John Newbold, presented at the College of Humanities and Social Sciences 2nd Annual Teaching Conference, August 2005, Huntsville, Texas.

“Lessons from the Front: Improving the Achievement of Hispanic Students in Texas” presented at the 85<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association, April 2005, New Orleans.

“Transforming Schools with Scarce Resources: The Effects of Texas’ “Slash and Burn” Budgetary Techniques on the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001,” presented at the 62<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April, 2004, Chicago.

“HIV/AIDS in Central and South America: The Impact on Family Structure” co-authored with Rogerio Zapata, a paper presented at the National Association of African American Studies Annual Meeting, February, 2004, Houston.

“Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) with a Typical Chinese Response: Why the Chinese Government Concealed the Problem” coauthored with Xiaoyong Lai, a paper presented at the National Association of Asian Studies annual meeting, February, 2004, Houston.

“Improving Student Achievement in Texas: Exploring Determinants of Ethnic Disparity”, a paper presented at the National Association of African American Studies annual meeting, February, 2003, Houston.

“Student Achievement: Tracking Ethnic Disparity of TAAS Passage Rates in Texas”, a paper presented at the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 25-28, 2002, Chicago.

“Tracking the Ethnic Disparity of TAAS Passage Rates in Texas: Are Minority Student Scores Improving,” a paper presented at The National Association of African American Studies annual meeting, February 11-16, 2002, Houston.

“Would Increased State Funding Improve Student Performance? An Example from Texas,” a paper presented at the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 19-22, 2001, Chicago.

“Tracking Student Achievement: The Troubling Ethnic Disparity of TAAS Passage Rates in Texas,” presented at The National Association of African American Studies annual meeting, February 12-17, 2001, Houston.

“The Effects of Administrative Decision-making on Student Achievement: The Texas Example,” a paper presented at the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 27-29, 2000, Chicago.

“The Relationship Between School District Revenue and Student Achievement: the Texas Example,” a paper presented at the 1999 Annual Conference on Public Budgeting and Financial Management, Washington D.C., October, co-authored with John Spangler.

#### **Work or Professional Experiences**

Silver Harvest Senior Nutrition Program, Joliet, Illinois, 1985-1987

#### **Honors and Awards**

Special Achievement Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX, 2002.

**Other Competencies**

Elected to a three year term on the executive board for the Section on Democracy and Social Justice, of the American Society for Public Administration.