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EDUCATION Harvard University Cambridge, MA

Ph.D. candidate in Government and Social Policy

New York University

New York, NY

M.A. Institute of French Studies, high honors. 2004. B.A. in French Language and Literature, magna cum laude. 2003.

DISSERTATION The Purse of the People: Support for Taxation in the United States

Committee: Theda Skocpol (chair), Andrea Campbell, Daniel Carpenter.

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Vanessa Williamson. 2012. "The Tea Party." The Oxford Companion to American Politics. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

Theda Skocpol and Vanessa Williamson. 2012. The Tea Party and the Remaking of Republican Conservatism. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

Vanessa Williamson, Theda Skocpol, and John Coggin. 2011. "The Tea Party and the Remaking of Republican Conservatism." *Perspectives on Politics* 9(1): pp. 25-44.

Theda Skocpol and Vanessa Williamson. 2010. "Obama and the Transformation of U.S. Public Policy: The Struggle for Health Care Reform." ASU Law Journal 42(Winter): pp. 1203-1331.

WORKING **PAPERS**

Vanessa Williamson. "Since the Revolt: The History of Tax Ballot Measures since 1975." 2014.

Alexander Hertel-Fernandez and Vanessa Williamson. "Redistributing to the Poor through the Tax Code: The Politics of State Earned Income Tax Credits." 2014.

Katherine Einstein, Kris-Stella Trump, and Vanessa Williamson. "Voter Responsiveness to the Spatial Distribution of Goods." 2013.

REVIEWS AND OTHER **PUBLICATIONS**

Vanessa Williamson. 2014. "Brother can you spare a tax cut?" Review of Rich People's Movements by Isaac Martin. Democracy Journal. Spring.

Vanessa Williamson. 2012. "Is the Tea Party healthy for democracy?" Sacramento Bee. June 3.

Vanessa Williamson. 2012. "Veiled threat to the land of the free." Review of *The* Submerged State, by Suzanne Mettler. Times Higher Education. January 24.

Theda Skocpol and Vanessa Williamson. 2011. "Whose Tea Party is it?" New York Times 'Campaign Stops' blog. December 26.

AWARDS AND

Center for American Political Studies, Program on the American Republic Fellowship,

HONORS

Fall 2013.

Institute for Global Law and Policy, Program on the Study of Capitalism Research Fellowship, Fall 2013.

Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation Fellowship, 2012-2013 (declined).

Scholars Strategy Network Graduate Fellow, 2012-2013.

Multidisciplinary Program Grant in Inequality and Social Policy, 2012.

Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Spring 2012.

Tobin Project Democracy and Markets Fellowship, 2012.

National Science Foundation IGERT Inequality and Social Policy Fellowship, 2011.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

San Quentin State Prison, Patten College

"Introduction to American Government," sole instructor. Fall 2013.

Harvard University

"Sophomore Tutorial in Government," teaching fellow. Spring 2012.

"Foundations of Comparative Politics," teaching fellow. Fall 2012.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

APSA 2013. MPSA 2013, 2012. SSHA 2012.

Columbia University, Graduate School of Journalism, October 2012.

McCormick Specialized Reporting Institute, CSU Fullerton. September 2012.

Berlin Colloquium, Europäiche Akademie Berlin. May 2012.

Columbia University, Institute for Social and Economic Research, March 2012.

Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Institute of Politics, October 2011.

Allegheny College, Center for Political Participation, September 2011.

House of Representatives Committee on Veterans Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, July 2008.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

California Community Foundation, 2009.

Author, Supporting Our Troops, Veterans, and their Families: Future Opportunities for Philanthropy, an analysis of over \$250 million in grant making.

Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America

Research and Policy Director, 2006-2009.

Led DC office, with primary responsibility for legislative agenda. Author of seven reports on issues facing new veterans, including traumatic brain injury, unemployment and homelessness.

Field Director, 2005-2006.

Wrote successful proposals for over \$1 million in grants. Built a base of members for media, events, and advocacy. Organized multiple online legislative campaigns.