

Faculty Curriculum Vitae

1. Tanya Rhodes Smith

2. Degree information:

MSW, University of Connecticut School for Social Work, Social Work (May/2000)
BA, University of Connecticut, Economics (May/1988)

3. Academic appointments:

University of Connecticut School of Social Work
Instructor in Residence
Hartford, CT
(July/2018 – Present)

University of Connecticut School of Social Work
Visiting Instructor
Hartford, CT
(July/2015 – July/2018)

University of Connecticut School of Social Work
Director, Nancy A. Humphreys Institute for Political Social Work
Hartford, CT
(July/2015 – Present)

University of Connecticut School of Social Work
Adjunct Professor/Advisor
West Hartford, CT
(September/2012 – June/2015)

4. Professional post-baccalaureate and post-master's social work experience:

Leadership Development Roundtable
Facilitator and Coach
Fairfield, CT
(September/2013 – June/2016)

duBay Horton Associates
Consultant, Program Evaluation and Strategic Planning
Bridgeport, CT
(October/2007 – December/2011)

The Center for Women and Families of Eastern Fairfield County, Inc.
Program Director (Federal demonstration grant for children exposed to violence)
Consultant

Bridgeport, CT
(February/2004 – June/2006)

The Bridgeport Child Advocacy Coalition (BCAC)
Legislative Liaison and Lobbyist
Bridgeport, CT
(January/2000 – February/2002)

The Center for Connecticut Studies
Researcher
New Haven, CT
(June/2000 - September/2000)

Hewitt Associates
Consultant, Manager
(April/1988 – August/1996)

5. List your current professional, academic, community-related, and scientific memberships:

2014 - Present	National Association of Social Workers (NASW)
2015 – Present	ACOSA
2016 – Present	Influencing Social Policy
2016 – Present	Council on Social Work Education
2015 – Present	Social Venture Partners
2016 – Present	League of Women Voters

6. List your community service responsibilities and activities for the last 3 years:

2015- Present	Social Venture Partners Connecticut (SVP-CT)
2016- 2019	Connecticut Association for Human Services (CAHS)
2009- 2017	Bridgeport Child Advocacy Coalition (BCAC)

7. List special awards, fellowships, grants, or any other recognition you have received during the last 3 years:

The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving (2019)
Your vote is yOUR power
Role: Principle Investigator
Amount: \$25,000

UConn School of Social Work Office of Research and Scholarship: Center Research
Activation Grant (2017)
Bridgeport Votes
Role: Principle Investigator

Amount: \$5,000

The Fund for Social Policy Education and Practice, New York Community Trust (2015, 2017)

Voter Empowerment: Developing a Model for Schools of Social Work

Role: Principle Investigator

Amount: \$40,000 total

Office of the Provost, University of Connecticut

Recognized for Teaching Excellence (2015 - 2019)

8. List your professional presentations presented during the last 5 years:

Hill, K., Smith, T.R., Lane, S.R. & Shannon, S. (forthcoming, May 2020). Giving a voice to those with felony convictions: A call to action. Macro Conference 2020, St. Louis, MO.

Powers, J., Smith, T.R., Lane, S.R. & Pritzker, S. (October 2019). Continuing the political social work legacy of Nancy A. Humphreys. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Denver, CO.

Smith, T.R., Ostrander, J. & Lane, S.R. (October 2019). Education for equity and justice: Embedding community-based voter engagement in online courses. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Denver, CO.

Hill, K., Abramovitz, M., Lewis, B., Mizrahi, T., Okuda, K. & Rhodes Smith, T. (November 2018). "Voting is Social Work": The National Social Work Voter Mobilization Campaign. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Orlando, FL.

Rhodes Smith, T. & Sandler, A. (November 2018). Voter Engagement: Bridging the Micro and Macro Divide. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Orlando, FL.

Powers, J., Ostrander, J., Lane, S.R., & Smith, T.R. (July 2018). Social work's role in democracy: A model for implementing voter engagement into professional education. Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development. Dublin, Ireland.

Rhodes Smith, T., Mizrahi, T., Hill, K., Abramovitz, M. & Lewis, C. (June 2018) Amplifying voices of clients and constituencies: Social work roles in voter empowerment and civic engagement. National Conference, National Association of Social Workers. Washington, D.C.

Hill, K., Lane, S.R., Hubley, D. & Smith, T.R. (June 2018). Notes from the field: Social work's important role in voter turnout. Policy Conference 2.0, St. Louis, MO.

Rhodes Smith, T., Lewis, C., Klein, S., Pritzker, S. & Ostrander, J.A. (October 2017). Social work is political: Preparing students for careers in political settings. Leadership Development Institute, Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Dallas, TX.

Smith, T. R., Lane, S.R. & Ostrander, J.A. (October 2017). Voter Engagement in Social Work Field Education: Toward Equal Opportunity and Justice. Field Directors' Institute Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Dallas, TX.

Rhodes Smith, T., Lane, S.R., Ostrander, J. & Powers, J. (June 2017) Voter Engagement in BSW and MSW Curriculum: Bridging the Macro and Micro Divide Policy Conference 2.0, St. Louis, MO.

Rhodes Smith, T., Lane, S.R., Ostrander, J. & Powers, J. (May 2017). Amplifying marginalized voices: Social workers' advocacy role with voter turnout. National Association of Social Workers-Connecticut Annual Conference, Cromwell, CT.

Lane, S.R., Rhodes Smith, T. Ostrander, J. & Hylton, M. (November 2016). Bringing voter engagement to your campus. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA.

Hylton, M., Rhodes Smith, T., Lane, S.R., Ostrander, J. (November 2016). The power of Three: Strategies for involving BSW students in voter engagement. Poster presentation. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA.

Smith, T. R. (June 2016). Strategies for Teaching Political Advocacy, Policy Teaching Institute, Policy 2.0 Conference, St. Louis, MO

Lane, S.R., Ostrander, J., Rhodes Smith, T. (June 2016). "Politics is social work with power;" Training social workers for elected office. Policy Conference 2.0, St. Louis, MO

Rhodes Smith, T., Hylton, M., Lane, S.R., Ostrander, J. & Loveland, E. (June 2016). Voting is social work: Expanding social work's impact through nonpartisan voter empowerment. Policy Conference 2.0, St. Louis, MO

Rhodes Smith, T., Lewis, C., Holmes, K, & Plitt Donaldson, L. (October 2015). Wanted: Social Workers on the Hill. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Denver, CO

Rhodes Smith, T., Lane, S.R. & Ostrander, J.A. (October 2015). "Politics is social work with power;" Training social workers for elected office. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Denver, CO

9. List your professional publications for the last 5 years. Include the title of the publication or journal, the month and year it was published and the city and state of the publisher:

Invited Submissions

Abramovitz, M, Sherraden, M., Hill, K., Rhodes Smith, T., Lewis, B., & Mizrahi, T. (2019) Voting is social work: Voices from the National Social Work Voter Mobilization Campaign, Journal of Social Work Education.

Refereed Articles:

Sandler, A., Hylton, M.E., Ostrander, J. & Smith, T. (accepted). The three-legged stool of voter engagement: Social work's role in mobilizing the vote among marginalized communities. Critical Social Work

Hylton, M., Lane, S.R., Smith, T.R., Ostrander, J. & Powers, J. (accepted). The Voter Engagement Model: Preparing the next generation of social workers for political practice. Submitted to the Journal of Social Work Education in February 2020.

Hill, K., Smith, T.R., Lane, S.R. & Shannon, S. (in press, September 2020). Commentary: Giving a voice to those with felony convictions: A call to action. Social Work.

McClendon, J., Lane, S.R., Ostrander, J. & Smith, T.R. (2020). Training social workers for political engagement: Exploring regional differences in the United States. Journal of Teaching in Social Work.

Hill, K., Lane, S.R., Powers, J. & Smith, T.R. (2019). From the Empire State to the North Star State: Voter engagement in the 2016 election. Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare, 46(1), 91-112.
<https://scholarworks.wmich.edu/jssw/vol46/iss1/7/>

Lane, S.R. Hill, K., Ostrander, J., Powers, J., Smith, T.R. & Hylton, M.E. (2019). Creating a culture of voting in direct and generalist practice: Training field instructors. Advances in Social Work.

Hylton, M., Rhodes Smith, T., Powers, J., Ostrander, J. & Lane, S.R. (2018). The Power of Three: Infusing voter engagement in lower level BSW courses. Journal of Baccalaureate Social Work/

Lane, S.R., Ostrander, J.A. & Rhodes Smith, T. (2018). "Politics is social work with power": Training social workers for elected office. Social Work Education.

Ostrander, J., Lane, S.R., McClendon, J., Hayes, C. & Rhodes Smith, T. (2017). Collective power to create political change: Increasing the political efficacy and engagement of social workers. Journal of Policy Practice.

Ostrander, J., Lane, S.R., McClendon, J., Hayes, C. & Rhodes Smith, T. (2017). Collective power to create political change: Increasing the political efficacy and engagement of social workers. *Journal of Policy Practice*.

Lane, S.R., Ostrander, J.A. & Rhodes Smith, T. (2018). "Politics is social work with power": Training social workers for elected office. *Social Work Education*, 37(1).

Ostrander, J.A., Bryan, J.K., Sandler, A.K., Nieman, P., Clark, M., Smith, T. R., Loveland, E. (2018). The Political Participation of First Year Social Work Students: Does Practice Specialization Matter? Submitted to *The Journal of Sociology & Social Welfare*.

10. Include any other relevant information below or as a separate attachment:

Invited Lectures and Professional Service:

Rhodes Smith, T. & Wallen, P. (2019, September). Voter turnout, political power and community well-being. National Coalition of 100 Black Women. Bridgeport, CT.

Rhodes Smith, T. (2019, August). Beyond Registration: Creating a Culture of Voting in Communities. Fairfield County's Community Foundation Voter Grantee Kickoff Meeting. Bridgeport, CT.

Rhodes Smith, T. (2019, September). From helping profession to empowerment: how organizations can support political participation and power in the communities they serve. University of Mississippi School of Social Work All School Conference. Oxford, MS.

Smith, T. R. (2019, March). Social Work is a Political Profession. Presentation for the Southern CT State University Student Lobby Day at the Capitol, Hartford, CT.

Smith, T. R.; Tobin, H. J.; Reisch, M. (2018, June). NASW Voter Engagement Teach-In on Capitol Hill. Presentation for the National Association of Social Workers Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

Smith, T. R. (2018, June). Voting is Social Work: Overview of National Social Work Voter Mobilization Campaign. Presentation for the National Webinar for Field Directors, Faculty and Agencies.

Smith, T. R. (2018, June). Voting is Social Work: Overview of National Social Work Voter Mobilization Campaign. Presentation for the National Webinar for Field Directors, Faculty and Agencies.

Hill, K.; Lane, S.; Hubley, D.; Smith, T. R. (2018, June). Notes from the Field: Social Work's Important Role in Voter Turnout. Presentation for the Policy 2.0, St. Louis, MO.

Smith, T. R.; Abramowitz, M.; Hill, K. (2018, June). Plenary Session: News from the Profession, National Social Work Voter Mobilization Campaign. Panel for the Policy 2.0, St. Louis, MO.

Smith, T. R. (2018, April). Social Work Is Political: Preparing Students for Careers in Political Settings. Keynote/Plenary Address for the Social Work, Empowerment and Collective Organizing, Dusseldorf.

Smith, T. R. (2018, March). Voting: Mission, Vision and Health Communities. Keynote/Plenary Address for the North Central Area Agency on Aging Annual Meeting, Bloomfield, CT.

Smith, T. R. (2018, March). Creating a More Inclusive Democracy. Presentation for the Southern CT State University Student Lobby Day at the Capitol, Hartford, CT.

Smith, T. R. (2018, March). Social Work and Political Power. Keynote/Plenary Address for the Student Advocacy Day on the Hill, Washington, DC.

Smith, T. R. (2018, February). Social Work is a Political Profession. Presentation for the National Association of Social Workers, Virginia Chapter, Student Lobby Day, Richmond, VA.

Smith, T. R. (2017, December). Voting is Social Work. Presentation for the Southern Adventist University School of Social Work Voter Engagement Conference, Chattanooga, TN.

Rhodes Smith, T. (2017, November) Creating a More Inclusive Democracy. Westport League of Women Voters Annual Meeting. Westport, CT.

Rhodes Smith, T. (September 2017) Integrating voter engagement into social service delivery. North Central Area Agency on Aging. Hartford, CT

Rhodes Smith, T. (July 2017). The Future of Political Social Work. Plenary Speaker, Political Boot Camp for Social Workers, Washington, DC

Rhodes Smith, T. (June 2017). Effective Advocacy in Divided Times: National Change through Local Action. Plenary Speaker, Policy Conference 2.0, St. Louis, MO

Rhodes Smith, T. (April 2017). Social Work is a Political Profession. St. Joseph's University, West Hartford, CT

Smith, T. R. (April 2017). Adding Political Action to Social Work Practice. Lobby Day, Southern Connecticut State University, Hartford, CT

Smith, T. R. (April 2017). The Connection between Voter Turnout and Community Well-being. League of Women Voters Community Action Event, Windham, CT

Smith, T. R. and Lane, S.R. (March 2017). Social Work Is a Political Profession. Continuing Education Seminar. West Chester University, Philadelphia, PA

Smith, T. R. and Lane, S.R. (March 2017). Being a candidate for elected office. Student Advocacy Day, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work and Policy, Washington, D.C.

Smith, T. R. (November 2016). Ethics and Politics. National Association of Social Workers Connecticut Chapter, Rocky Hill, CT

Smith, T. R. (October 2016). Voting is Social Work. Student Action Day, Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven, CT

Smith, T. R. (October 2016). Social Work and Politics: Empowering Clients & Communities, and Empowering Ourselves, All Student Luncheon, Western New England University, Springfield, MA.

Smith, T. R. (April 2016). Political Social Work. Lobby Day, Southern Connecticut State University, Hartford, CT

Smith, T. R. (March 2016). Social Work Career Panel, Eastern Connecticut State University, Willimantic, CT

Smith, T. R. (March 2016). Policy & Politics Symposium, Social Work Day on the Hill, National Press Club, Washington, D.C.

Smith, T. R. (April 2015). Political Social Work. Queens Community College, City University of New York, Flushing, NY

University Teaching Experience:

Masters Level:
Program Planning, Development and Evaluation
Political Advocacy
Political Social Work
Field Instruction

University Service:

UConn SSW: Field Education Advisory Committee
UConn SSW: Educational Review Committee