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Political Science.
Peer-Reviewed Publications
Anderson, Mary, Liv Coleman, and Kathryn VanderMolen. “Partisanship and Elections in
Florida.” Government and Politics in Florida, 4th edition. Forthcoming.
VanderMolen, Kathryn and Clint Swift. 2021. “Marginalization and Mobilization: The Roots of
Female Legislators’ Collaborative Advantage.” State Politics & Policy Quarterly.
VanderMolen, Kathryn. 2017. “Stealth Democracy Revisited: Reconsidering Preferences for Less
Visible Government.” Political Research Quarterly. 70:3 (687-698).
VanderMolen, Kathryn and Jeffrey Milyo. 2017. “Public Confidence in the Redistricting Process:
The Role of Independent Commissions, State Legislative Polarization, and Partisan Preferences.”
State & Local Government Review.

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Learning Enrichment Grant (LEG) for Civic Engagement, 2019-2020.
Professional Development Award for Spring 2019.
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Research Innovation and Scholarly Excellence Award (RISE), 2018-2019.
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Excellence in Teaching Award. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri, 2014.
Dean L. Yarwood Scholarship for Excellence in American and Policy Research. University of
Missouri, 2014.
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Conference Presentations
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Courses Taught
PSC 309 State Politics
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PSC 269 & 270 Research Methods
PSC 100 Introduction to Government and World Affairs
PSC 321 The Presidency and Executive Power
PSC 405 Congress and Legislative Politics
PSC 312 Politics of Money
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Journal Referee:
Legislative Studies Quarterly
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