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Professional Preparation

Ph.D. in Public Administration & Policy, University at Albany, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, 2011

M.A. in Public Policy, University at Albany, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, 2000

B.A. in History and Political Science, Franklin Pierce University, 1996

Appointments

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration and Policy, University at Albany, Fall 2024 - present

Senior Lecturer, College of St. Rose, Albany, NY, August 2022 - December 2023

Senior Lecturer, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY, August 2021 - December 2023

Research Associate, Center for Policy Research, Albany, NY, June 2018 - present

Research Assistant, Center for Policy Research, University at Albany, January 2004 – May 2006

Regional Planning Fellow, Hudson River Valley Greenway, Albany, NY, June 2000 - November 2000

Fellow, Center for Women in Government, Albany, NY, January 2000 - June 2000

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Papers

- Noh, I. H., Cho, B., Roggio, A. M., & Luna-Reyes, L. F. *The Impacts of Leaders' Social Capital on Policy Success in Local Food Systems*. Submitted to the **American Review of Public Administration**; accepted and undergoing final revision.
- Roggio, A. M. *Policy in Action: Improvisation, Role-Play, and the Creative Use of AI in Public Policy Classrooms*. Submitted to **Politics**; accepted and undergoing final revision
- Cho, B., Noh, I. H., Roggio, A. M., & Luna-Reyes, L. F. (2023). *Exploring the impact of collaboration processes on policy network success: A case study of food policy councils*. **Public Management Review**, 1-32.
- Evans, J., & Roggio, A. (2023). *The college campus as a living laboratory for meaningful food system transformation*. **Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development**, 12(2), 11-23.
- Roggio, A. M., & Evans, J. R. (2022). *Will Participatory Guarantee Systems Happen Here? The Case for Innovative Food Systems Governance in the Developed World*. **Sustainability**, 14(3), 1720.
- Kang, H., Roggio, A. M., & Luna-Reyes, L. F. (2022). *Governance of local food systems: Current research and future directions*. **Journal of Cleaner Production**, 130626.
- Roggio, A. M. (2019). *A systems thinking approach to the integration of food insecurity policy*. **Journal of Public Affairs**, 19(3), e1862.

Under Review.

- Arenberg, M., Buyantuev, A., & A. Roggio. *Successful Governance? Evaluating the state of phosphorus management in the United States. A case study of the Hudson-Hoosic, New York watershed community*. Under review to **Ecology and Society**
- Fletcher, K., Roggio, A., Sepello, B., Nelson, M. & C. Simpson. *Simulating Sustainability: The Role of Games and Simulations in Transforming Higher Education for Climate Action* (AMLE-2025-0350-RES) Submitted to **Academy of Management Learning & Education**.
- Roggio, A. M., Ano, S., & Evans, J. *Food System Localization Efforts in United States Communities: Projects, practices and possibilities for enhanced community-scale food security*. Submitted to the **Journal of Rural Studies**.
- Roggio, A., Torres, M., Noh, I., Kim, S., Cho, B., Evans, J., & Luna-Reyes, L. *Locked Out or Lifted Up? The Dynamics of Regional Development Funding in New York*. Submitted to **Sustainability**, September 30, 2025.
- Roggio, A., Noh, I., Kim, S., Cho, B., Evans, J., & Luna-Reyes, L. *Governance Infrastructure and the Limits of Localism in Regional Food Systems*. Submitted to **Land**, September 30, 2025.

Working Papers and Research Projects

- Roggio, A., Pine, S., & McKinney, J. *Getting High in New York State: The challenges and opportunities of cannabis legalization*.
- Miesing, P., & Roggio, A. M. *Local food systems: Preconditions, evolving infrastructure, and responsive entrepreneurship: A comparison of regional food systems in Chile and the United States*.

- Arenberg, M. Nuer, A., Evans, J., Roggio, A. Hands-On Sustainability: Project-Based Learning as a Catalyst for Innovation in Higher Education.
 - Miesing, P. F. & Roggio, A. *How to Avoid Getting Blindsided: Toward a Systems-Informed Framework for Strategic Preparation in Black Swan Environments.*
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Selected Conference Presentations (2021–2025)

- **2025 ASFS/AFHVS Meetings** - *Leaving Good Ruins: A Research Agenda for Food System Infrastructure in an Uncertain Future*
 - **ASPA 2025** – *How New York's Regional Economic Development Council (REDC) Supports Rural Entrepreneurship.*
 - **ASPA 2025** – *Conflict as a Legitimate Component of Collaboration: The Impact of Conflict on Legitimacy in Collaborative Governance.*
 - **PMRC 2025** – *How New York's REDC Supports Entrepreneurship.*
 - **IRSPM 2025** – *Civic Engagement and Social Capital in Contemporary Public Administration: Facing the Challenges of Social Equity and Environmental Sustainability.*
 - **ISDC 2021, 2024, 2025** – Presentations on *phosphorus governance, regional economic development, and cocoa supply chain resilience.*
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Teaching Experience

- **Program Evaluation** (Graduate course), University at Albany, Visiting Assistant Professor, Spring 2025
- **Introduction to Public Policy** (Undergraduate course), University at Albany, Visiting Assistant Professor, Fall 2024
- **Methodological Tools for Public Policy** (Undergraduate), University at Albany, Fall 2025
- **Statistics for Public Managers and Policy Analysts** (Graduate course), University at Albany, Visiting Assistant Professor, Fall 2024, Spring 2025 & Fall 2025
- **Introduction to Data Management and Analysis** (Undergraduate course), Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Senior Lecturer, Fall 2023
- **Statistical Methods** (Undergraduate course), Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Senior Lecturer, Fall 2021, Fall 2022, & Fall 2023
- **Organizational Behavior** (Undergraduate course), College of St. Rose, Senior Lecturer, Fall 2022
- **Business Communications** (Undergraduate course), College of St. Rose, Senior Lecturer, Fall 2023

- **Judgment and Decision Making** (Graduate Seminar), University at Albany, Guest Lecturer, Spring 2008
 - **Biodiversity and Conservation** (Graduate Seminar), University at Albany, Guest Lecturer, Spring 2005
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Synergistic Activities

Fulbright Scholar Recipient, March 2024 - June 2024, Universidad Tecnica Federico Santa Maria, Valparaiso, Chile

Junior Faculty Research Award, University at Albany, May 2023

Principal Investigator, Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, Knowledge Challenge: Investing in rural economic development in New York State, January 2023 - December 2025

Principal Investigator, New York State Health Foundation Competitive Grants Program, An Investigation of Food System Localization Efforts in New York Municipalities, January 2022 - June 2023

Co-recipient, University at Albany SEED Grant: “Food Systems in Crisis: Dynamic Local Foodsheds As Safety Nets,” Summer 2020

Graduate and Postdoctoral Advisors

- Thomas Stewart (Research Professor Emeritus; University at Albany)
 - George P. Richardson (Professor Emeritus; University at Albany)
 - Jeryl Mumpower (Professor; Texas A&M)
 - Elise Axelrad (Principal Analyst, Innovative Decisions, Inc)
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Current Collaborators

- Luis Luna-Reyes (University at Albany, NY, US; Chair, Public Administration and Policy)
- Jason R. Evans (Johnson & Wales University, RI, US; Dean, Food Innovation and Technology)
- Alexander Buyantuev (University at Albany, NY, US; Chair, Department of Geography and Planning)
- Eliot Rich (University at Albany, NY, US; Chair, Business Analytics)
- Paul Miesing, (University at Albany, emeritus, NY, US)
- Mary Arenberg (State University of New York, Cobleskill, NY, US)

- Sophie Ano (State University of New York, Cobleskill, NY, US)
- Beomgeun Cho (Singapore Management University, Singapore)
- In Hae Noh (Doctoral candidate, University at Albany, NY, US)
- Seunghwa Kim (Doctoral candidate, University of Albany, NY, US)
- Jonathon McKinney (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, NY, US)
- Kevin Fletcher (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, NY, US)
- Pablo Isla Madariaga (USM Santiago, Chile)
- Alex Nuer (University of Cape Coast, Ghana)
- Roberto Protil (Federal University of Viçosa, Brazil)