

# Shauna Fisher

Comparative Law and Society Studies Graduate Fellow  
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## Education

Candidacy for PhD, Political Science, University of Washington (June 2008)  
Committee: Michael McCann (chair), George Lovell, and Bryan Jones  
Fields: Public Law, American Politics, and Political Methodology

M.A., Political Science, University of Washington (October 2006)  
Committee: Michael McCann (chair), George Lovell, and Bryan Jones  
Fields: Public Law and American Politics  
Thesis: “It Takes (at least) Two to Tango: Fighting With Words in the Conflict Over Same-Sex Marriage”  
–*Won the Stuart Scheingold Prize for Best Paper in Public Law*

Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, University of Michigan (July 25-August 19, 2005)  
Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

B.A., Political Science, University at Albany: State University of New York, *Summa Cum Laude*  
(May 2003)

## Publications

### Published Peer-Review Articles

- Barclay, Scott and Shauna F. Fisher. 2003. “The States and Differing Impetus for Divergent Paths on Same Sex Marriage, 1990-2001” in *Policy Studies Journal* 31:3. (Finalist for the 2003 Bailey Prize, APSA)
- Barclay, Scott and Shauna F. Fisher. 2003. “Said and Unsaid: State Legislative Signaling to State Courts over Same Sex Marriage 1990-2004” in *Law & Policy* 30:2.

### Edited Volumes

- Barclay, Scott and Shauna F. Fisher. 2006. “Cause Lawyers and Social Movements, Failure and Success: Comparing the Two Waves of Same Sex Marriage Litigation” in Austin Sarat and Stuart Scheingold (eds), *Cause Lawyers and Social Movements*. Palo Alto: Stanford University Press.

- Fisher, Shauna F. forthcoming. “It Takes (At Least) Two to Tango: Fighting With Words in the Conflict Over Same-Sex Marriage” in Mary Bernstein, Anna-Maria Marshall, and Scott Barclay (eds), *The Challenge of Law: Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Social Movements*. New York: New York University Press.

## Fellowships and Grants

Clifford C. Clogg Scholarship Award, Summer 2005  
Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan

Donald R. Matthews Graduate Fellowship in Political Science, 2003-2004  
University of Washington

## Conference Presentations and Participation

“Framing the Same-Sex Marriage Debate in California.” 2008. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Montreal, Quebec.

“It Takes (at least) Two to Tango: Fighting With Words in the Conflict Over Same-Sex Marriage.” 2007. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Berlin, Germany. Also presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas.

Chair and Discussant, panel entitled “Mobilizing the Law for Social Change” at the Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Baltimore, 2006.

“Fighting with Words: The Contestation of Public Terms of Discourse About Same-Sex Marriage.” 2006. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Baltimore.

“A Comparative Study of Counter-Mobilization: The Responses to Judicial Action Over Same-Sex Marriage in Canada.” 2006. With Scott Lemieux. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago. Also presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Las Vegas, 2005.

“Statements and Signaling, Said and Unsaid: State Legislative-Judicial Interactions over Same Sex Marriage, 1990-2004.” 2006. With Scott Barclay. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Albuquerque.

“Cause Lawyers and Social Movements, Failure and Success: Comparing the Two Waves of Same Sex Marriage Litigation.” 2005. With Scott Barclay. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Las Vegas. Also presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Oakland and the UCLA Conference on Cause Lawyers and Social Movements, Los Angeles.

“Give and Take: The Elimination of State Sodomy Laws and the Introduction of Anti-Same Sex Marriage Laws.” 2004. With Scott Barclay. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago. Also presented at the Annual Meeting of the

Law & Society Association, Chicago and the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Portland.

“You’re Not in Kansas Anymore, Dorothy: State Residency Patterns and the Political Visibility of Gays, Lesbians, and Bisexuals.” 2003. With Scott Barclay. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago. Also presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Denver and the Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, Pittsburgh.

“The Level of Legislative Controversy over the State DOMAs: Same Sex Marriage in the 50 States, 1990-2001.” 2003. With Scott Barclay. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago. Also presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Denver.

“The States and Differing Impetus for Divergent Paths on Same Sex Marriage, 1990-2001.” 2002. With Scott Barclay. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston.

### **Research Experience**

Research Assistant. July 2005 - September 2007. NSF funded project. Professor Michael McCann, University of Washington (with Professor Bill Haltom, University of Puget Sound).

### **Teaching - Graduate Teaching Assistant**

- POLS/LSJ 367 (Professor Rachel Cichowski): Comparative Law and Courts, Autumn 2004
- CSSS/SOC/STAT 536 (Professor Chris Adolph): Logistic Regression and Log-Linear Models, Winter 2005
- POLS/CSSS 503 (Professor Chris Adolph): Advanced Quantitative Political Methodology, Spring 2005
- POLS/LSJ 360 (Professor George Lovell): Introduction to U.S. Constitutional Law, Autumn 2007
- POLS 319 (Professor Jack Turner): American Political Thought II, Winter 2008
- POLS/CSSS 503 (Professor Mike Ward): Advanced Quantitative Political Methodology, Spring 2008
- POLS/CSSS 360 (Professor Theresa Squatrito): Introduction to U.S. Constitutional Law, Autumn 2008

### **Teaching - Instructor**

- POLS/LSJ 363: Law in Society, Summer 2008
- POLS 205: Political Science as a Social Science, scheduled for Winter and Spring 2009

## **Professional Service**

*Graduate student representative*, Graduate Admissions Committee, Winter 2008

## **Professional Memberships**

- Law & Society Association
- Western Political Science Association
- American Political Science Association