

# Wes Grooms, Ph.D.

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

Ph.D. – Urban and Public Affairs, 2018, University of Louisville  
MUP – Urban Planning, 2014, University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee  
B.S. – Business Management, 1990, Wright State University

### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2014-Present University of Louisville  
- Online Course Development – Principles of Real Estate (Spring 2019)  
- Instructor, Dept. of Geography and Geosciences (Fall 2018)  
- Instructor, Dept. of Political Science (Spring 2018)  
- Co-Instructor, Dept. of Urban and Public Affairs (Spring 2017; Fall 2018)  
- Research Assistant, Dept. of Urban and Public Affairs (Fall 2014-Spring 2018)

2012-2014 University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee  
- Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Urban Planning (Fall 2012-Spring 2014)

### TEACHING & RESEARCH SPECIALIZATIONS

Administrative and Planning Theory; Urban and Environmental Policy; Performance Measurement and Program Evaluation; Cultural Competency and Social Equity; Governance; Public Administration and Management; Non-quantitative Research Methods.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & COMPETENCIES

2005-2012 Residential Realtor®, Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage – Wash., DC.  
2003-2005 Vice President – Public Sector Relationship Management, US Bank – Wash. DC.  
1996-2003 Vice President – Public Sector Relationship Management, JPMorgan – Wash. DC.  
1994-1996 Associate – Fine Writing Paper Div., American Forest & Paper Assoc. – Wash. DC.

Established, managed, and grew individual, member, and government client relationships through client needs assessment, product solution development, and product work processing improvement. Negotiated and ensured compliance with government and real estate contracts. Other responsibilities included proposal and grant writing, market and regulatory environment analysis, staff and budget management, and technical and policy research.

### REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

#### **In Review / Revision**

*R & R* **W. Grooms.** Bridging Program Evaluation Praxis to Accredited Education  
*in review* Assessments: Results and Recommendations from a Pilot Opinion Survey.  
*Journal of Planning Education and Research.* Revision resubmitted 1-28-19.

#### **Published Online / In Print**

2018 A. Rollins and **W. Grooms.** Public Administrator Practice as Recognition: A Philosophical Case for Public Sector Cultural Competence. *Administrative Theory & Praxis. Online*, 1-20. DOI: 10.1080/10841806.2018.1512336.

- 2018 **W. Grooms** and DJ Biddle. Dogs and Crime: Reduced Rates of Property Crime in Homes with Dogs in Milwaukee, WI. *Society & Animals*, 26(1), 34-53. DOI: 10.1163/15685306-12341465.
- 2017 **W. Grooms** and E. Frimpong Boamah. Toward a Political Urban Planning: Learning from Advocacy Planning and Growth Machine to 'Plannitize' Urban Politics. *Planning Theory*, 17(2), 213-233. DOI: 10.1177/1473095217690934.
- 2017 A. Perry, A. Rollins, **W. Grooms**, and R., Sabree. Mothers and Fathers' Report of Coparenting Relationship Quality, Attitudes Toward Father Involvement and Paternal Prioritized Roles. *Urban Social Work*, 1(2), 165-182. DOI: 10.1891/2474-8684.1.2.165
- 2016 A. Perry, A. Rollins, R. Sabree, and **W. Grooms**. Promoting Paternal Participation in Maternal and Child Health Services. *Human Service Organizations, Management, Leadership & Governance*, 40(2), 170-186. DOI: 10.1080/23303131.2015.1124821.
- 2015 J. Gilderbloom, **W. Grooms**, J. Mog, and W. Meares. The Green Dividend of Urban Biking? Evidence of Improved Community and Sustainable Development. *Local Environment*, 21(8), 991-1008, DOI: 10.1080/13549839.2015.1060409.

### **In Development**

**W. Grooms** and J. Kelly. Embracing Rather Than Enduring (Re-)Accreditation in Public Administration and Urban Planning Education. Target Journal: *Journal of Public Affairs Education*.

**W. Grooms**. Whither Social Justice and Equity in Planning Education? Results and Recommendations from an Examination of Accreditation Self-Study Reports. Target Journal: *Journal of Planning Education and Research*.

**W. Grooms**. Politics as Public Administrator and Urban Planner Practice: The Interviews. Target Journal: *Journal of Urban Affairs*.

**W. Grooms**. Toward a Public Service Education. Target Journal: *Journal of Public Affairs Education*.

**W. Grooms**. 'Recognizing' the Moral Imperative for Social Justice and Equity in the Public Sector. Target Journal: *Journal of Urban Affairs*.

**W. Grooms**. Using Program Logic Models to Visualize Social Justice and Equity in Planning Education. *Journal of Planning Education and Research*.

**W. Grooms**. Advocacy Planning as Political Campaigning and Policy Debate. Target Journal: *Journal of Planning Theory & Practice*.

**W. Grooms.** Viewpoints: Planning as a Science and Practice of Cities. For *Journal of the American Planning Association*.

**W. Grooms,** M. Ruther, DJ Biddle, and D. Simpson. The Bow Wow Effect? The Relationship of Property Crime Rates to Dog Breed in Milwaukee, WI. Target Journal: *Society & Animals*.

E. Frimpong Boamah, M. Walker, and **W. Grooms.** The Ecology of Postcolonial Land Tenure Corruption. Target Journal: *Geoforum*.

E. Frimpong Boamah and **W. Grooms.** Water Brokerage and Household Water Needs in Urban Accra, Ghana. Target Journal: *Journal of Environmental Policy & Planning*.

### **NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Book Reviews**

2015 **W. Grooms.** Review of “Race and Social Equity: The Nervous Area of Government” by Susan T. Gooden. *Journal of Public Affairs Education*, 21(3), 467-468. DOI: 10.1080/15236803.2015.12002210.

2015 **W. Grooms.** Learning to See Again: Understanding How Colorblindness Leaves Us in the Dark. Invited review of “The Color Bind: Talk (and not Talking) About Race at Work” by Erica Gabrielle Folder and Tamara R. Buckley. *Public Administration Review*, 75(3), 497-500. DOI: 10.1111/puar.12371.

#### **Professional Reports**

2014 J. Gilderbloom, K. Wresinski, **W. Grooms,** and W. Meares. *From Blighted to Beautiful: Hope VI Evaluation Report Year Four*. Louisville, KY: Center for Sustainable Urban Neighborhoods.

#### **Book Chapters or Sections**

2014 **W. Grooms.** Case Studies: Live-Work, (pp. 15-16). *INNER HARBOR Milwaukee: Focus on the Grand Trunk*. Milwaukee, WI: University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, SARUP.

2014 **W. Grooms.** Case Studies: The Art + Ecology of Public Space (pp. 19-20). *INNER HARBOR Milwaukee: Focus on the Grand Trunk*. Milwaukee, WI: University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, SARUP.

#### **Monographs**

2018 **W. Grooms.** Whither the War on Poverty: Urging a New Understanding, Measurement, and Definition of Poverty. Self-published. CC by NC-ND 4.0. DOI: 10.13140/RG.2.2.19919.12969

#### **Opinion Pieces**

*forthcoming* **W. Grooms.** Viewpoint: Planning is Governing. Let’s ‘Plan’ Accordingly. *Planning Magazine*, June 2019.

## Poetry and Prose

*forthcoming* **W. Grooms**. Rurbanulization. *Critical Planning*, 25.

*forthcoming* **W. Grooms**. Whither the Region? *Critical Planning*, 25.

2018 **W. Grooms**. Gonna die. *disClosure: A Journal of Social Theory*, 27, 44-47.  
DOI: 10.13023/disclosure.27.08

## Manuscripts in Ideation

Professionalism, Neoliberal Urbanism, and Radicalism in Planning (Article).

Since Planning *IS* Everything, Maybe Planning Should Be Governing (Article).

Canines in the Community: Real or Imaginary Creators of Increased Safety? (Article).

‘Recognizing’ the Moral Imperative for Social Justice and Equity in the Public Sector (Article).

Community-based Planning as Comprehensive Planning? (Article).

Under the yoke of nomotopism: Usos y costumbres and stool/land skins. (Article).

Current Thoughts on Planning Education from Long-Time Planning Educators (Edited Book).

E Pluribus Unum: Toward an Exceptionally American Polis for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (Book).

The Bow Wow Effect? Dogs’ in Urban Environments (Book).

## PRESENTATIONS

### Academic Papers

2018 **W. Grooms**. Recommendations from a Pilot Opinion Survey for Using Program Evaluation Praxis in Planning Education Evaluations. Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, 2018 Annual Conference. Buffalo, NY.

2018 A. Rollins and **W. Grooms**. “Culturally Competent Public Administrator Practice as Provision of Recognition.” Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists, 2018 Annual Conference, Nashville, TN.

2017 **W. Grooms**. “Evaluating the Planning Education Program: A Program Logic Model Proposal.” Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, 2017 Annual Conference. Denver, CO.

2017 **W. Grooms**. “Advocacy Planning in the Growth Machine: Toward a Political Urban Planning.” Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning, 2017 Annual Conference. Denver, CO.

2015 **W. Grooms** and A. Rollins. “A Comparison of Cultural Competency Attributes to Recognition Theory Self-Formation Axes.” National Academy of Public Administration, 2015 Annual Social Equity Leadership Conf., Nashville, TN.

2015 J. Gilderbloom, **W. Grooms**, J. Mog, and W. Meares. “Urban Biking: Does it Increase and Improve Green Community Development in Neighborhoods?” Urban Affairs Association (UAA), Annual Conference, Miami, FL.

### **Panel Discussant**

- 2018 Invited Panelist. “Revitalization and Gentrification: How to Bring Prosperity to a Neighborhood and Protect Current Residents, Home Owners, and Renters.” Organizer: Louisville Urban League.
- 2017 M. Frisch, P. Doan, *W. Grooms*, and B. Gauger. “Planning Beyond the Gender Binary.” Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP), 2017 Annual Conference. Denver, CO.

### **Posters, Guest Lectures, and Other Presentations**

- 2019 *W. Grooms*. Invited Lecture. “Urban Political Economy and the Question of Agency.” UPA680 – Advanced Urban Studies. University of Louisville
- 2018 *W. Grooms*. Pre-Recorded Presentation. “Politics as Planning Practice.” Alternatives to the Present: A Conference on Architecture, Urbanism, Sociology, Development, and Planning. Cleveland, OH.
- 2018 *W. Grooms*. Invited Lecture. “Politics as Planning Practice.” PLAN601 – Planning History and Theory. University of Louisville
- 2018 *W. Grooms*. Invited Lecture. “Dogs and Property Crimes in Milwaukee, WI.” HON441 – Dogs in Society. University of Louisville
- 2017 *W. Grooms* and DJ Biddle. Poster. “The Bow-Wow Effect? The Role of Dog Breed and Proximity on Property Crime Rates in Milwaukee, WI.” Living with Animals Biennial Conference, Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY.
- 2014 *W. Grooms*. Presentation. “Wage Whimsy, Not Bore: Increasing Walkability with Whimsical Infrastructure.” German Village Society and Walkable Neighborhoods, Great Placemakers Walkability Lab, Columbus, OH.

### **MERIT AWARDS AND HONORS**

- 2017 Marsha Ritzdorf Award for 2017 Best Student Paper on Diversity, Social Justice, and the Role of Women in Planning for “Advocacy Planning in the Growth Machine: Toward a Political Urban Planning.” Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Faculty Women’s Interest Group. Conf. Reg. of \$285 + \$100 cash.
- 2015 Laverne Burchfield Award for 2015 Best Book Review for “Learning to See Again: Understanding How Colorblindness Leaves Us in the Dark.” Review of “The Color Bind: Talk (and not Talking) About Race at Work” by Erica Gabrielle Folder and Tamara R. Buckley. *Public Administration Review*.

### **EDUCATION GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2018 Public Administration Theory Network (PAT-Net) Fellows. Full Conf. Reg. \$125.
- 2018 Doctoral Dissertation Completion Award: School of Interdisciplinary and Graduate Studies, University of Louisville. \$4,500 stipend, benefits and fees.

- 2015-2018     Doctoral Student Conference Presentation Travel Awards: Univ. of Louisville:  
 - Urban Affairs Association 2015 Annual Conference, \$500.  
 - Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning 2017 Conference, \$500.  
 - Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists 2018 Conference, \$500.
- 2012-2014     Graduate Teaching Assistantship. Department of Urban Planning, University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee. Full tuition remission and stipend.

## **RESEARCH ACTIVITIES**

### **Grants In Process**

*Under the yoke of nomotopism: Usos y costumbres and stool/land skins.* National Science Foundation. \$TBD for study of nomotropic land tenure governance in Mexico and Ghana. Collaboration with Dr. M. Walker, Univ. of Louisville, and Dr. E. Frimpong Boamah, SUNY Buffalo.

*Canine Fostering Pre-Test Survey.* Maddie’s Fund. \$5,000 - \$8,000. Surveying Louisville Metro Animal Services (LMAS) volunteers to study outcomes of LMAS ‘fieldtrip’ program. Collaboration with Dr. D. Simpson, Bob Forbes, and DJ Biddle, University of Louisville.

### **Grant Applications**

(2018) *Measuring and Increasing Civic Engagement in the Louisville, KY Homeless Community.* The Corporation for National and Community Service: Community Conversations Research Project. \$100,000. Collaboration with Dr. A. Rollins and Dr. A. Perry, University of Louisville. *Not funded.*

(2018) *Canines in the Community: Real or Imaginary Creators of Increased Safety?* The Laura J. Niles Foundation. \$5,000. Collaboration with Dr. D. Simpson, Dr. M. Ruther, and DJ Biddle. University of Louisville. *Not funded.*

### **Affiliations**

2019-present   Human-Canine Dynamics Research Laboratory. University of Louisville.  
 Department of Urban and Public Affairs.

## **SERVICE**

### **Professional**

2018-present   Social Equity Task Force, American Planning Association.

2017-2018     *Urban Affairs Review* peer reviewer.  
*Administrative Theory & Praxis* peer reviewer.

### **Department**

2017-Present   Student Recruitment. Department of Urban Planning, UWM SARUP Alumni Association, University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee.

2015-Present   Student Recruitment. Department of Urban and Public Affairs, Ph.D. Program, University of Louisville.

- 2014-2016 Volunteer, University of Louisville Urban and Public Affairs Horticulture Zone.
- 2014-2015 President. Department of Urban and Public Affairs PhD Student Association, University of Louisville.
- 2013-2014 Treasurer. Milwaukee Student Planning Association, Department of Urban Planning, University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee.

### **Community**

- 2003-2004 Advisory Neighborhood Commission. Washington, DC.  
Served as an appointed member of the Subcommittee on Alcohol Sales, held community meetings to solicit input from residents and business owners, and developed recommendations for the commissioners.
- 2002-2003 Block Safety and Beautification Initiative. Washington, DC.  
Led collaborative effort with Neighborhood Commissioner, Dept. of Trans. Officials, and neighbors to replace sidewalks and install trees through grants.

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & DIVERSITY INITIATIVES**

- 2018 Doctoral Candidate Workshop Participant, Public Administration Theory Network Annual Conference, Cleveland, OH.
- 2018 Participant, Emerging Planning Scholars Workshop: Emotions in Planning. Buffalo, NY.
- 2015-2018 University of Louisville:
- Louisville Sustainability Council: 2018 Sustainability Summit.
  - DelphiU: Part-time Faculty Institute on Active Learning and Student Engagement.
  - DelphiU: Quality Matters™ Workshop & Online Course Certification Program.
  - Woodford R. Porter Scholars Symposium: Black Representation in Politics.
  - Buchanan v. Warley Centennial Symposium: Race & Zoning.
  - Engaging Diverse Voices in Writing and Reading Assignments Roundtable.
  - Faculty Cultural Competency Research Group.
  - Faculty Inclusive Teaching Circle.
  - LGBTQ Campus Ally.

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Planning Association  
 American Political Science Association  
 American Society for Public Administration  
 Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning  
 Congress for New Urbanism  
 Planners Network  
 Public Administration Theory Network  
 Urban Affairs Association