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#### Education

Ph.D., Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, 2014, Philanthropic Studies Professional Master, University of Bologna, 2007, International Studies of Philanthropy and Social Entrepreneurship Laurea Quadriennale, University of Bologna, 2005, History

#### Summary

Peter Weber is an associate professor of philanthropy and nonprofit studies and program coordinator of the Philanthropy and Nonprofit Studies (PNPS) Program at Auburn University. He holds a doctorate in Philanthropic Studies from the Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, as well as a Master in History and a Master in International Studies in Philanthropy and Social Entrepreneurship, both from the University of Bologna in Italy. His research focuses on the way individuals participate in public affairs through voluntary organizations and philanthropic practices. His latest research project investigates the emergence of philanthropic innovations through the lenses of program-related investments (PRIs) by private as well as community foundations. He has published extensively in peer-reviewed journals, including *Voluntas*, *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, Journal of Civil Society, Nonprofit Policy Forum, Global Society, Journal of Public Affairs Education*, and *Journal of Nonprofit Education and Leadership*. He has taught graduate and undergraduate courses at the Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Murray State University, and Auburn University. Among others, his teaching interests focus on grant-making practices, nonprofit management and governance, nonprofit advocacy and public policy, and community engagement. In recognition of his service to the field of nonprofit studies, he was recognized by the 2013 ARNOVA Emerging Scholar Award and selected as a Future Philanthropic Educator Fellow by the Learning by Giving Foundation (2015). At the national level, he serves on the board of the Nonprofit Academic Centers Council (NACC), which is the international membership organization of nonprofit and philanthropic research centers and education programs.

### Selected Publications (recent):

- Weber, P. C., Krawczyk, K., Ezeonu, B. & Tuggle, F. (2023). Developing Context-Specific Capacity Building Training for Civil Society Organizations: Insights from Action Research. *Nonprofit Policy Forum* (OnlineFirst). <u>https://doi.org/10.1515/npf-2022-0041</u>
- Weber, P. & Ji, C. (2022). Social innovation in the heartland. In G. Witkowski (Ed.), *Hoosier Philanthropy* (pp. 312-338). Bloomington: Indiana University Press.
- Weber, P. & Brunt, C. (2022). Building Nonprofit Studies in the US: The Role of Centers and Institutes in New Academic Disciplines. *Journal of Public and Nonprofit Affairs*, 8(1), 1-26. <u>https://doi.org/10.20899/jpna.8.1.1–26</u>
- Weber, P. (2022). Institutionalization interrupted: The evolution of the field of Philanthropic and Nonprofit Studies. In W. Brown & M. Hale (Eds.), *Preparing Leaders of Nonprofit Organizations* (pp. 3-24). New York: Routledge.
- Weber, P. & Long R. (2021). Assessing Philanthropic Impact: How the W.K. Kellogg Foundation's Building Bridges Initiative supported the field of Philanthropic and Nonprofit Studies. *The Foundation Review*, *13*(3), 47-66. <u>https://doi.org/10.9707/1944-5660.1578</u>.
- Weber, P. (2021). Cross-partisanship and the Vulnerability of Democracy: How Civility and Nonpartisanship Undermined Civil Society in Interwar Germany. *Journal of Civil Society*, *17*(2), 179-198. <u>https://doi.org/10.1080/17448689.2021.1943854</u>.
- Weber, P. (2021). In Search of Civil Society: Disentangling associational practices and civil society conceptions in Germany. *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*, 50(4), 778-796. <u>https://doi.org/10.1177/0899764020983915</u>.
- Weber, P. & Brunt, C. (2021). Mapping Nonprofit Academic Centers Council (NACC) Centers: The Past and Future Trajectory of Academic Nonprofit Centers and Institutes. *Journal of Nonprofit Education and Leadership*, 11(3), 66-93. <u>https://doi.org/10.18666/JNEL-2020-10241</u>

#### Funded Projects (selected):

- Krawczyk, K. (PI), King, B. (CO-PI), Tuggle, F. (CO-PI), & Weber, P. C. (CO-PI). (January 2022). Measuring the Impact of Civil Society on Political Participation in Liberia. Auburn University, Research Support Program (RSP), Office of Vice President for Research and Economic Development. Auburn University, \$45,999.50.
- Weber, P. C. (2021). *Philanthropic Innovations: How Program-Related Investments Expand Philanthropic Foundations' Social Impact.* Auburn University, College of Human Sciences, Office of Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education, \$10,000.
- Weber, P. C. (CO-PI) & Long, R. (CO-PI). (2019-2021). *The Building of a New Field: Past, Present, and Future of Nonprofit and Philanthropic Studies*. Battle Creek Community Foundation, \$70,000.

**Professional Memberships:** Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA); International Society for Third Sector Research (ISTR)

#### Selected Honors and Awards since 2015:

VP of Governance of Nonprofit Academic Centers Council (NACC) (2023-present); Board Secretary of Nonprofit Academic Centers Council (NACC) (2020-2023); Board Member of Nonprofit Academic Centers Council (NACC) (2018-2024); New Executives to Kentucky, Leadership Kentucky and the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development (2017); Service-Learning Mentor of the Year, Murray State University (2016); Future Philanthropic Educator Fellow, Learning by Giving Foundation (2015)