

Summary CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

- **Doctor of Philosophy:** University of Minnesota: Organization Theory and Administration. 1981.
- **Master of Arts Industrial Relations:** University of Minnesota, Carlson School. 1978

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- **Professor Emeritus**, Department of Public Affairs, Henry W. Bloch School of Management, University of Missouri - Kansas City. 2019 to present.
- **Beth K. Smith/Missouri Chair in Nonprofit Leadership**, Henry W. Bloch School of Management, University of Missouri - Kansas City. (Highest Rank: Professor, as of Fall 2012) 2000 to 2019.
- **Associate Professor of Nonprofit Leadership**, Henry W. Bloch School of Business & Public Administration, University of Missouri - Kansas City. 1993 to 2000.

EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

- **Director Emeritus, Midwest Center for Nonprofit Leadership.** Henry W. Bloch School of Management, University of Missouri - Kansas City. 2021 to present.
- **Director, Midwest Center for Nonprofit Leadership.** Henry W. Bloch School of Management, University of Missouri - Kansas City. 1993 to 2021.
- **Chair: Department of Public Affairs**, Henry W. Bloch School of Management, University of Missouri - Kansas City, Kansas City, Missouri. 2003-2004, 2008 to 2017.
- **Executive Director:** Clearinghouse for Midcontinent Foundations, Kansas City MO. 1993 to 1999.
- **Executive Director:** Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities, St. Paul, Minnesota. 1987 to 1991.
- **Assistant Commissioner for Administration:** State of Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry, St. Paul, Minnesota. 1983 to 1987.

ARTICLES & PUBLICATIONS FOR PRACTITIONERS (past 15 years)

- Renz, D.O., and E. Ireland, "Nonprofit Effectiveness." In Encyclopedia of Nonprofit Management, Leadership, and Governance. (K. P. Kearns & W.J. Wang, eds.) Cheltenham, U.K. Edward Elgar Publishing. 2023.
- Renz, D. O., and E. Ireland. "Nonprofit Management." In International Encyclopedia of Civil Society. (Second Ed.) (R. List, H. K. Anheier, & S. Toepler, eds.) New York: Springer Publications. 2022.
- "Reframing Governance III." The Nonprofit Quarterly. 17:4. Fall 2020. (Revision of articles initially published in The Nonprofit Quarterly in 2010 and 2006.)
- "Making Sense of Conflicts of Interest in Today's (and Tomorrow's) Charitable Nonprofit World." Nonprofit Quarterly. Fall 2019.
- "Who Really Governs and How: Considering the Impact of the Dominant Coalition." (with F. O. Andersson) Nonprofit Quarterly. Fall 2019.
- "How Effective Is Your Board? And How Effective Could It Be?" Board Matters: A Newsletter for Nonprofit Boards. (Australian publication) 18:4. March 2019.
- "Networked Governance: Gaining Insights into This Unique Approach to Leadership." Nonprofit Quarterly. 25:1. Spring 2018.
- "From Risk Management to Risk Leadership: A Governance Conversation with David Renz." Nonprofit Quarterly. 24:2. Summer 2017.

- Column in KC Cares: “What is the Point? What is the Work of the Board?” “Welcome to the Board.” “The Passion to Serve: Finding the Right Board for You.” “Boards and the Work of Fundraising. The Art of the Ask.” “Making the Most of a Valuable Resource: The Care and Feeding of Volunteers.”
- “Adding a Few More Pieces to the Puzzle: Exploring the Practical Implications of Recent Research on Boards.” The Nonprofit Quarterly. 18:1. Spring 2011.
- “The U.S. Nonprofit Infrastructure Mapped.” The Nonprofit Quarterly. 15:4. Winter 2008.

ACADEMIC AND SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS (past 15 years)

Renz's publications (many of which have been coauthored with UMKC colleague, Robert Herman) have been used widely in the field, and many of these scholarly publications are extensively cited. Google Scholar reports 5174 citations to date for the 60 publications that it lists.

- Renz, D. O., W. A. Brown, & F. O. Andersson. “The Evolution of Nonprofit Governance Research: Reflections, Insights, and Next Steps.” Nonprofit & Voluntary Sector Quarterly, 52(1_suppl), 241S-277S. 2023.
- Bozskik, F., Shook, R. Wilson, E., Carlson, J., Markenson, D., Meissen-Sebelius, Emily, Summar, S., and Renz, D. "Characterization of a Regional Childhood Obesity Prevention and Treatment System" Childhood Obesity. 17:4. May 2021.
- Willems, J., F.O. Andersson, M. Jegers, and D.O. Renz. “A Coalition Perspective on Nonprofit Governance Quality: Analyzing Dimensions of Influence in an Exploratory Comparative Case Analysis.” Voluntas. 28:4. 2017.
- Renz, D. O. “Governance Beyond the Board: Growing Some Backbone? Network Governance and the Washtenabe Regional Homelessness Assistance Network.” Journal of Nonprofit Education and Leadership. Special Issue 2. Fall, 2017.
- Herman, R. D., and D. O. Renz. "Advancing Nonprofit Organizational Effectiveness Research and Theory: Nine Theses." Reprinted in 2017 Pantheon of Nonprofit Management and Leadership. Virtual Special Issue. Issued February 2017. (Originally published in 18:4, Summer 2008).
- Renz, David O., and Fredrik Andersson. “Nonprofit Governance: A Review of the Field.” In Cornforth, C., & W. Brown (Eds.). Nonprofit Governance: Innovative Perspectives and Approaches. Abingdon, Oxon, United Kingdom: Routledge. 2013.
- Renz, David O. “Introduction to the Special Issue on Nonprofit Governance and Boards.” Nonprofit Management and Leadership. 22:4, June 2012.
- O’Bannon, D., L. Garavalia, D. Renz, and S. McCarther. “Successful Leadership Development for Women STEM Faculty.” Leadership and Management in Engineering. 10. September 2010.
- Taylor, Marilyn, Theresa Coates, Robert Strom, David Renz, and Rhonda Holman. “The Entrepreneur’s Evolution to Philanthropist: Insights From the Experience of Ewing Marion Kauffman.” Journal of Leadership and Organizational Studies. 15:1. August 2008.
- Herman, R. D., & D. O. Renz. "Advancing Nonprofit Organizational Effectiveness Research and Theory: Nine Theses." Nonprofit Management and Leadership. 18:4. Summer 2008. (Recipient of Editor’s Prize for Best Scholarly Article 2008)
- Herman, R. D., & D. O. Renz. “Nonprofit Management Alumni Knowledge, Skills, and Career Satisfaction in Relation to Nonprofit Academic Centers Council Curricular Guidelines” Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly. 36:4. December, 2007.

BOOKS & BOOK CHAPTERS (past 15 years)

Renz is editor of the 2024, 2016 and 2010 editions of The Jossey-Bass Handbook of Nonprofit Leadership and Management, one of the most widely used books in nonprofit studies graduate degree and certificate programs in the US and many other parts of the world (724 citations per Google Scholar).

- Renz, D.O., and F. O. Andersson. “Who Really Governs and How: Power, Influence, and Dominant Coalitions in Arts Organizations.” (in R. Rentschler, W. Reid, & C. C. Donelli) Routledge Companion on Governance, Leadership, and Philanthropy in the Arts. Forthcoming, 2024.

- The Jossey-Bass Handbook of Nonprofit Leadership and Management. Fifth Ed. (D.O. Renz, Sr. Ed.) with W. A. Brown & F. O. Andersson (Eds.) San Francisco: Jossey-Bass. 2024, including 3 chapters:
 - “Chapter Five: Leadership, governance, and the work of the board.”
 - “Chapter Ten: Understanding nonprofit effectiveness.” (with Robert Herman).
 - “Conclusion: The future of nonprofit leadership & management.”
- Anderson, F.O., and D.O. Renz. “Who Really Governs? Nonprofit Governance, Stakeholder Theory and the Dominant Coalition Perspective.” In Research Handbook on Nonprofit Governance. (G. Donnelly-Cox, M. Meyer, and F. Wickstrom, eds.) Edward Elgar Publishing. 2021. 196-219.
- Renz, D.O. “Foreword” Reframing Nonprofit Organizations: Democracy, Inclusion, and Social Change. In A. Eikenberry, R. Mirabella, & B. Sandberg, (Eds.) Irvine CA: Melvin & Leigh. 2019.
- Renz, D. O., L. Roza, and F.J. Simons. “Governance Challenges in Corporate Foundations.” in L. Roza, S. Bethman, L. Meijs, and G. von Schnurbein (Eds.) Research Handbook on Corporate Foundations: Corporate and Civil Society Perspectives. Bern: Springer. 2019. 17-37.
- The Jossey-Bass Handbook of Nonprofit Leadership and Management. Fourth Ed. D. Renz (Ed.) San Francisco: Jossey-Bass. 2016, including author of three chapters.
- “Foreword.” Understanding Nonprofit Organizations: Governance, Leadership, and Management. Third Ed. (L.A. Dicke, J.S. Ott, & C.K. Meyer, eds.) Boulder, Colorado: Westview Publishing. 2015.
- “Nonprofit Governance.” (with Fredrik Andersson) In Melvin J. Dubnick & Domonic A. Bearfield (Eds.). Encyclopedia of Public Administration & Public Policy (3rd edition). New York: Taylor & Francis. 2015.
- Strom, R., M. Taylor, and D. Renz (Eds.) Handbook of Research on Entrepreneurs’ Engagement in Philanthropy: Perspectives. Cheltenham, United Kingdom: Edward Elgar. 2014.
- "Multiple Constituencies and the Social Construction of Nonprofit Organization Effectiveness." (with Robert Herman) in J. Steven Ott (ed.) Understanding Nonprofit Organizations: Governance, Leadership, and Management. Westview Publishing, New York. 2000. (publication of 1997 article from Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly; also republished in 2011 edition).

Renz also has written more than 130 white papers, monographs, research reports, and technical reports for university, foundation, community and governmental organizations and programs since 1993.

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS AT ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

Renz has prepared and presented more than 100 research papers and presentations at academic and professional conferences since 1993; approximately 60 percent of these were peer-reviewed.

COURSES DEVELOPED & TAUGHT (All Graduate School level)

Supervision, Performance Leadership, and Human Resource Management	Directed Studies on Nonprofit Organizations
Corporate Social Responsibility and Social Entrepreneurship	Directed Studies in Leadership and Management
Global Issues in Public Service (South Africa EMPA Residency)	Directed Studies in Urban Administration
Leadership for Public Service	Public Management
Innovations in Nonprofit Management and Leadership	Governance, Leadership, and the Nonprofit Sector
Legal Framework & Financial Management of Nonprofit Organizations	Energy, Resource Use, and Systems Change
Seminar on Social Entrepreneurship	Introduction to Nonprofit Management
Strategic Management of Nonprofit Organizations	Doctoral and Dissertation Research in Public Affairs and Administration
Leading and Managing the 21 st Century Nonprofit	Doctoral Seminar: Literature of Public Administration: Organization Theory and Behavior
	Leading Organizational and System Change
	Public Service and Business

GRANT AND DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT

Renz has successfully secured more than \$7 million in foundation and government grants to support

nonprofit capacity building projects and programs since 1993. More than \$6 million of this funding supported nonprofit leadership and capacity building in the Midwest.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND OFFICES (past 15 years)

Renz has served in an extensive number of executive, board and service roles in a range of academic and professional leadership organizations, societies, and associations, including as an officer and board member for the prominent nonprofit research association, the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA), and played multiple leadership roles for the Nonprofit Academic Centers Council and the United Philanthropy Forum (formerly the Forum of Regional Associations of Grantmakers). He has served as a faculty tenure reviewer for a dozen universities, conducted six graduate degree program external reviews, and been a state council reviewer for the National Endowment for the Humanities.

CONFERENCE LEADERSHIP

Renz has served as director or co-director for more than 20 academic and professional development conferences in the Midwest, and he has served in conference planning roles for six national conferences. Half of these conferences have been convened to provide nonprofit leader development and capacity building for Kansas City and Midwest nonprofit organizations and their leaders.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS, WORKSHOPS, AND PROGRAMS

Renz regularly speaks at conferences and programs serving nonprofit leaders and executives; for the past twenty years Renz has delivered about fifteen workshops, speeches and professional development programs annually to nonprofits and associations. Further, Renz regularly facilitates board development initiatives; throughout his career, Renz has advised more than 250 nonprofit and governmental boards and commissions.

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP: MIDWEST CENTER FOR NONPROFIT LEADERSHIP

A pivotal element of Renz's work during his 30 years with UMKC has been to develop, grow, and sustain the work of the Midwest Center for Nonprofit Leadership to ensure that it is a valued contributor to the nonprofit leadership community of Kansas City and a respected member of the academic and research community, in the U.S. and beyond. Since 1993, the center has served nearly 100,000 nonprofit leaders, executive and volunteer (e.g., board members), and has become known as among the most community-engaged of university-based nonprofit academic centers in the U.S.

HONORS AND RECOGNITION

Among the recognition and honors Renz has received for his work are:

- “Special Lifetime Achievement Award,” Nonprofit Connect. Kansas City, Missouri. May, 2019.
- “Resolution of Recognition” from City Council, City of Kansas City Missouri, for 25 years of exemplary service in support of Kansas City’s nonprofit community. May 2019.
- “Award for Distinguished Achievement in Leadership in Nonprofit and Voluntary Action Research,” Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA). 2017.
- “2016 Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP)/Skystone Partners Research Prize for Excellence in Academic Research” (with M. Taylor & R. Strom) for the book, Entrepreneurs’ Engagement in Philanthropy: Perspectives. March 19, 2016.
- “Dr. Jerzy Hauptmann Academic Leadership Award” by Kansas City chapter of ASPA. 2013.
- Article “Advancing Research on Nonprofit Effectiveness: Nine Theses.” awarded (with R. Herman) “Editor’s Prize for Best Scholarly Article for 2008” by Nonprofit Management and Leadership. 2009.
- “Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Community Engagement,” from University of Missouri – Kansas City, Fall 2005.
- “Distinguished Community Leadership Award,” KC Society of Association Executives, 2004.
- “Pierson Award for Teaching,” awarded by University of Missouri – Kansas City, October, 2003.