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About Dr. Steven Windmueller

Dr. Steven Windmueller has spent nearly twenty years at HUC, first directing its School of Jewish Communal Service (now the School of Jewish Nonprofit Management) and then serving for four years (2006-10) as the dean of the Los Angeles campus. This past year, Dr. Windmueller has represented the College-Institute in launching a major new initiative of the Reform Movement: a Think Tank on the Future of Reform Judaism.



Prior to coming to HUC-LA, Dr. Windmueller served for more than thirty years in a number of prominent positions in the Jewish community. Most recently, he served for ten years as the Executive Director of the Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation of Los Angeles. Dr. Windmueller had previously served for twelve years as a federation director in upstate New York. He began his professional career on the staff of the American Jewish Committee in Washington, D.C.

A specialist on political issues and American Jewish affairs, Dr. Windmueller holds a doctorate in International Relations from the University of Pennsylvania, and has held academic appointments at several major institutions of higher learning. During his professional service, Dr. Windmueller has consulted with government officials and political candidates and has appeared on nationally syndicated media, offering commentaries on Jewish public affairs matters. His writings have appeared in such publications as the Los Angeles Times, Sh'ma Magazine, the Jerusalem Letter, the Journal of Jewish Communal Service, and an array of Anglo-Jewish newspapers.

Dr. Windmueller received a grant in 1999 from the John Randolph Haynes Foundation to undertake the first major study of Latino-Jewish relations in Los Angeles. Key elements of this research have appeared in various publications, including a recent book, *California Jews* (Brandeis, 2003). His Pew-funded research on the major national Jewish community relations agencies appeared in a recent publication, *Jewish Polity and American Civil Society: Communal Agencies and Religious Movements in the American Public Square* (Roman and Littlefield, 2002). In 2004, he produced a textbook on the practice of Jewish community relations titled *You Shall Not Stand Idly By*, published by the American Jewish Committee. In early 2005, Dr. Windmueller collaborated with Professor Gerald Bubis in producing the first study on the formation of the UJC (United Jewish Communities), titled *Predictability to Chaos: How American Jewish Leaders Reinvented their National Jewish Communal System*.

Dr. Windmueller is currently writing about Jewish political behavior and voting patterns, including a December 2003 article titled "Are American Jews Becoming Republican, Insights into Jewish Political Behavior," which was released by the Jerusalem Center. His work in 2007 on

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“The Second American Jewish Revolution” has appeared in several different publications; this research was followed by a 2008 article titled “A Jewish Perspective on the Global Economic Revolution,” which was published by USC’s Casden Institute. That same year, the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs, where Dr. Windmueller serves as a Fellow, released his study on “Jewish Communities of the West.” Dr. Windmueller has since published two new books: *In This Time and In This Place* (Amazon, 2014) and *The Quest for Power: A Study in Jewish Political Behavior and Practice* (Amazon, 2014), both of which explore different elements of Jewish power, politics and religion. The first, released in January, features a comprehensive collection of Dr. Windmueller's insights and observations on Jewish institutional behavior and global social trends, while the latter, released in May, explores the Jewish people's journey to political sovereignty and the state of Jewish power today.

For a complete posting of Dr. Windmueller’s writings, visit the [Publications and Articles](#) page of this site. Steven Windmueller is married to Dr. Michelle Pearlman Windmueller.

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