

Jerry V. Graves, Ph.D., MPA

Education

Ph.D., Urban Studies (concentration in Urban Affairs), University of New Orleans (2012). “Risk, Hazards, and Vulnerability: The Industrial Canal and the Lower Ninth Ward”

Master of Public Administration (concentration in Hazard Policy), University of New Orleans (2007)

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science (minor in English), University of Louisiana at Lafayette (2003)

Professional Experience

2015 – Present

Owner and Principal Consultant
Graves Public Services, LLC

- Providing planning, policy, and funding consulting services to state and local agency clients in the public sector; and
- Securing federal and state grant awards from agencies such as the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), US Treasury, and Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

2015 – Present

Adjunct Instructor
Tulane University

- Currently teaching Environment and Infrastructure (DRLS 6040, Disaster Resilience Leadership Academy, School of Social Work);
- Currently teaching Environmental Policy (MPAD 7400, Master of Public Administration Program, School of Professional Advancement); and
- Previously taught Critical Infrastructure Protection (HMLS 7600 and 3600) and Emergency Management (HMLS 6150) (Emergency and Security Studies Program, School of Professional Advancement).

2019 – Present

Adjunct Instructor
University of New Orleans

- Currently teaching Public Budgeting (PADM 6110, Master of Public Administration Program) and Nonprofit Finance (AADM 6223, Master of Art Administration Program);
- Serving as a part-time Master of Public Administration Program faculty member.

2013 – 2016

Director of Land Stewardship
New Orleans Redevelopment Authority

- Developed and implemented alternative land use projects ranging from municipal pocket parks to large-scale green infrastructure interventions;
- Managed the disposition and maintenance of over 5,000 publicly-owned properties; and
- Managed property leases and code enforcement matters on behalf of the agency.

2004 – 2013

Chief Administrative Officer (2012 – 2013)
Director of Community Development (2008 – 2010)
Planner (2004 – 2008)
St. Bernard Parish Government

- As chief administrative officer, managed all aspects of the organization during its ongoing recovery from Hurricane Katrina and the BP Oil Spill, including overseeing eight departments (finance, fire, public works, human resources, community development, recreation, homeland security, and housing and redevelopment) and oversaw special projects, including workforce development, code enforcement, and comprehensive planning;
- As director of community development, managed the offices of safety and permits, planning and zoning, and coastal zone management, instituted the State of Louisiana's uniform construction code, managed the demolition of storm-damaged structures, and served as the municipal floodplain manager; and
- As planner, wrote and managed several grants on behalf of the organization, including the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and EPA Community Action for a Renewed Environment program.

2003

Intern
Lafayette Parish Consolidated Government

- Worked as an intern in the City's Office of Planning and Zoning and conducted research and analysis regarding land-banking alternatives associated with the Interstate 49 Corridor Extension project.

Boards and Commissions

Board Member, St. Bernard Sports Hall of Fame (nonprofit organization) (2010-2018)

Founding Board Member, Natural Hazard Mitigation Association (nonprofit organization) (2008-2011)

Chairman, St. Bernard Housing, Redevelopment, and Quality of Life Commission (2012-2013)

Chairman, St. Bernard 911 Communications District (2012-2013)

Secretary, St. Bernard Planning Commission (2008-2010)

Secretary, St. Bernard Board of Zoning Adjustments (2008-2010)

Publications

Graves, J. (2012). Intergovernmental Relations and Hazard Mitigation. In A. Jerolleman & J. Kiefer (Eds.), *Natural Hazard Mitigation*. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press.

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