

# **Donijo Robbins, PhD**

## Curriculum vitae

Professor

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## **Education**

PhD, *Rutgers University*, Newark, New Jersey, 1998, Public Administration, High Honors

MA, *Rutgers University*, Newark, New Jersey, 1995, Economics, Honors

BS, *Central Michigan University*, Mount Pleasant, Michigan, 1994, Economics and Political Science

## **Teaching Experience**

8/01-present    *Faculty*, School of Public, Nonprofit, & Health Administration, Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, Michigan  
(Part-time faculty: Jan. 2011- Jan. 2013; LOA: May 1, 2014 – Jan. 4, 2015)

11/10-12/12    *City Comptroller*, City of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Appointed by City Commission, Nov. 2010. Elected with 60% of vote, Nov. 2011

8/98-7/01    *Assistant Professor*, Department of Public Administration, University of Maine, Orono, Maine

## **Recent Research**

Robbins, D. (2017). The endless appeal to rethink public administration. *Public Administration Review*, 77.

Robbins, D. (2017). A 20<sup>th</sup> Century wage for a 21<sup>st</sup> Century economy: Putting a square peg in a round hole. West Michigan Chamber of Commerce Business Forum, Grand Rapids, MI. March 27.

Robbins, D. (2017). Emergency management: Considering the alternatives. Michigan's Local Financial Emergency Law, MSU Center for Local Government & Policy, Okemos, MI. November 13.

Robbins, D. (with GJ Miller) (2016). Achieving productivity through budgeting. In M. Dubnick & D. Bearfield (Managing Editors), *The Encyclopedia of Public Administration and Public Policy*, pp. 2068-2072. New York: Taylor & Francis.

Robbins, D. (with N. Buckwalter). (2015). State emergency financial management policies for local governments: Where do special districts fit? Paper presented at the annual conference for the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management. Washington, DC. October 1-3.

Robbins, D. (with H. Carpenter). (2014). Weathering fiscal and economic storms. Paper presented at the annual conference for the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management. Grand Rapids, MI. October 2-4.

Robbins, D. (with A. Crosby) (2013). Mission impossible: Monitoring fiscal sustainability and stress in Michigan. *Journal of Public Budgeting, Accounting, & Financial Management*, 25(3), 522-555.

For a full list of all research, visit profile on [Google Scholar](#).

### **Service to the Community**

2019-present	Member, Mel Trotter Capital Campaign Committee
2019-present	Member, National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems Committee
2018-present	Trustee, Grand Rapids Police and Fire Retirement System Board
2018-present	Trustee, Grand Rapids General Retirement System Board
2015-present	Member & Treasurer, Mel Trotter Ministries Board of Directors
2013-2018	Member & President, ISJ Academy School Board

### **Professional Affiliations**

- National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems, member since 2018
- Michigan Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems, member since 2018
- Government Finance Officers Association, member since 2009
- The American Society of Public Administration, member since 1995
- The Association for Budgeting and Financial Management, member since 1995
- The National Honor Society for Public Affairs and Administration, Pi Alpha Alpha, member since 1998

### **Continuing Professional Education**

- Trustee Educational Seminar (TEDS) for public pensions, May 18-19, 2019, 10 CPE hours
- One day seminar series, Michigan Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems, March 2, 2018, 8 CPE hours
- Continuous Auditing, April 27, 2011, 8 CPE hours
- Auditing Third Party Relationships, April 28, 2011, 4 CPE hours
- Ethics, April 28, 2011, 4 CPE hours
- Planning and Executing a Fraud Investigation, September 8, 2011, 1 CPE hour