PROMOTION RECOMMENDATION
The University of Michigan
Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

Joy Rohde, assistant professor of public policy, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and assistant professor of history, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, is recommended for promotion to associate professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and associate professor of history, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.

Academic Degrees

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Professional Record

2014 – present  
Assistant Professor, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, University of Michigan

2013 – present  
Assistant Professor, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan

2010 – 2013  
Assistant Professor, Trinity University, San Antonio, TX

2007 – 2008  
Visiting Scholar, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Cambridge, MA

2007 – 2008  
Research Associate, Harvard Humanities Center, Cambridge, MA

Summary of Evaluation

Teaching: Professor Rohde has an impressive teaching record. Her course evaluations have consistently earned her a place on the Ford School Honor Roll. She is teaching both required and elective courses in her areas of research expertise. Professor Rohde's classes assist students in their ability to understand societal problems and policy responses through the important lenses of history, values and ethics, and to think deeply and critically about public policy, how it is informed and created, and its role in modern society. In a school in which evidence-based policy is greatly valued and all of our degree programs are heavily focused on analytic and technical skills, the expertise of Professor Rohde, as an historian of the use of scientific knowledge in public policy and governance, is an important and essential contribution to the teaching mission.

Research: Professor Rohde has published a peer-reviewed book, three peer-reviewed journal articles, and two peer-reviewed chapters in edited volumes. She also has published eight articles without peer review and ten book reviews. Professor Rohde conducts research at the intersection of the history of the social sciences, intellectual history, policy history, and science and technology studies. Her work is primarily directed at increasing understanding of how political processes and expert social scientific knowledge influence each other, and the evolution of this relationship in modern U.S. history. Her first book, Armed with Expertise: The Militarization of American Social Research During the Cold War (Cornell University Press, 2013), probes deeply
into a pivotal time in the history of social scientific research in American military policy and national security strategy.

**Service:** Professor Rohde’s service is exemplary and meets the expectations of a junior faculty member. At the Ford School, she has served on the Master’s and B.A. program committees, on the admissions committee for the B.A. program, the Joint Public Policy-Sociology Ph.D. admissions committee and on the statistics lecturer search committee. In the broader university, she was a member of the Science, Technology, and Society steering committee from 2014 to 2016, and co-chaired the Speaker Series. She also helped organize a public colloquium as part of the LSA bicentennial celebration that discussed the history of military-sponsored research at the University of Michigan. Within her profession, she reviews manuscripts and grants, and organizes panels for and serves as a discussant at conferences.

**Recent and Significant Publications**


**External Reviewers**

Reviewer A: “I have worked with dozens [of] students from the top graduate programs in the country who are completing their Ph.D. on political topics understood from an historical perspective. Joy stands out among this impressive group as a scholar of exceptional talent and promise...Her current project will propel her to the first rank of tenured scholars in her field.”

Reviewer B: “A book [in] Cornell University Press and article in a disciplinary flagship journal is *prima facie* evidence of high quality...In Rohde’s case, it has been widely and favorably reviewed by distinguished scholars in a number of disciplines. Indeed, the number and enthusiasm of these reviews strike me as extraordinary for such a [junior] scholar.”

Reviewer C: “Dr. Rhode is among the top of her cohort of historians of social science; her work exhibits the originality and academic excellence – all with a mind to contemporary policy – that should be of great interest to nationally ranked policy programs like the Ford School.”

Reviewer D: “Professor Rohde’s work distinguishes itself in its clarity of argument and general expression, and her ability to motivate ‘why Science and Technology Studies matters.’...The
community of scholars in Science and Technology Studies talks a lot about reaching across
disciplines; it appears Professor Rohde’s research, teaching and other activities are doing this
very well.”

Reviewer E: “Her account of the twists and turns in the use of social science knowledge and the
very role of social scientists in national security policy during the 1960s is in my view the
definitive account.”

Reviewer F: “Joy Rohde has an excellent record of achievement and strong evidence of great
promise for future work. From where I sit, she looks like an outstanding exemplar of the policy-
oriented historian and STS scholar.”

Reviewer G: “Moreover, the history of science and technology and the history of U.S. foreign
relations exist at some arms[-]length from each other – Rohde is one of the few [junior] scholars
to bridge the two, and the best other work that does so has been done by more senior scholars.
At the ‘intersection’ she identifies, Rohde is a top [junior] scholar.”

Reviewer H: “I can report that Dr. Rohde has written some of the most important (and
persuasive) work on the relationship between social scientists and policy-makers during the Cold
War…Her research, and I am certain her teaching, prepare students for the intellectual
frameworks they will encounter, and the enduring dilemmas they will confront, in leadership
positions.”

Reviewer I: “Professor Rohde has made exceptionally strong contributions to the historical
analysis of the social sciences as they inform national security policy, with an outstanding first
book, an array of excellent and well-placed articles, and a professional profile befitting a history-
trained scholar working in a leading public policy school.”

Summary of Recommendation
Professor Rohde is a distinguished scholar of the history of public policy, an excellent teacher,
and an engaged public servant to the University and the nation. We are pleased to recommend
Joy Rohde for promotion to associate professor of public policy, with tenure, Gerald R. Ford
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Science, and the Arts.

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Andrew D. Martin, Dean
Professor of Political Science and Statistics
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

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