## Dr. Marvin McNeese Jr.



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- Ph.D., Rice University (Political Science)
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## Bio

Marvin McNeese Jr. has been teaching at CBS since the fall of 2004. Following an interest in politics that God awakened in his youth, Marvin's professional experience regularly had him serving in financial administration while serving the Lord. His training in political science and economics began at Albion College in Michigan and continued at the LBJ School of Public Affairs and the Teresa Lorenzo Long Institute of Latin American Studies at the University of Texas at Austin, where he earned two master's degrees. He earned his Ph.D. in Political Science from Rice University.

Marvin married his college sweetheart (much later) and they have four children. Most of his career has been spent in higher education, though He has helped several churches to develop and raise funds for their social service and charitable activities. Marvin highly values international missions, having served as a missionary to Panama, and has participated in other short mission trips to Brazil, Honduras and the Philippines. Committed to serving through the local body, he is a deacon at Houston's First Baptist Church.

Marvin is Chair for the General Education Department and has served as a grant writer in the Development Department. He has a passion for helping believers take up God's challenge to meet social needs in Jesus' name and to participate in government based on biblical principles. His coursework clearly explains, according to the scriptures, the relevance and rightful place of government in our lives and a Christians' responsibility in light of this.

## **Selected Publications and Presentations**

- "Evangelicals and Social Action." in Evangelical America: An Encyclopedia of Contemporary American Religious Culture. Edited by Timothy Demy and Paul R. Shockley. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 201
- "Win the War to Win the Battle: Putting the Venue in Interest Group Venue Shopping". Rice University, 2015 (Dissertation).
- "Policy Outcomes and Political Venues: Policy Debates and Outcomes on Hydraulic Fracturing" with Robert M. Stein and Seonghui Lee. "The Shale Revolution" Conference, James Baker III Institute for Public Policy, October 30, 2014.