

Political Affairs Lecture Series: Practical Politics and Policymaking



Career Reflections: Government Affairs

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Ally Isom was named deputy chief of staff, communications director, and spokesperson for Utah Governor Gary R. Herbert in December 2010. Prior to this appointment, Isom served for thirteen months as government affairs director for the Utah Department of Workforce Services (DWS) and for four and a half years as deputy director of the Utah Department of Community and Culture (DCC). Before her public sector roles, Isom worked for the Salt Lake City Government and Public Affairs Division of R&R Partners, a regional integrated marketing communications firm. She also managed the first two statewide campaigns of Utah Attorney General Mark Shurtleff, in addition to consulting on or managing numerous legislative, county, and municipal races, and has served on the Kaysville city council. A graduate of Brigham Young University, Isom majored in political science and minored in communications. She and her husband, Eric C. Isom, a government affairs director for Century Link/Qwest, are the parents of four children ages nine to twenty.

Lecture will be followed by a Q&A session that will conclude at 5:30 P.M.