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Academic Positions

Current:

Associate Professor, Political Science and International Affairs, George Washington University, 2018 - Present.

Past:

Assistant Professor, Political Science and International Affairs, George Washington University, 2013 - 2018.

Affiliated Senior Research Fellow, Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen, 2015 - 2018.

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance, Princeton University, 2012-2013.

Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of California-San Diego, 2012.

M.A., Political Science, University of California-San Diego, 2009.

J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 2002.

B.A., Economics and Government, Georgetown University, 1999.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

1. "Violence, Non-Violence, and the Effects of International Human Rights Law." Forthcoming, *American Journal of Political Science* (with Geoffrey P.R. Wallace).
2. "The Strength of Weak Review: National Courts, Interpretive Canons, and Human Rights Treaties." Forthcoming, *International Studies Quarterly* (with Pierre-Hugues Verdier and Mila Versteeg).
3. "Inferring Mechanisms for Global Constitutional Progress." *Nature Human Behaviour*, Vol. 2 (2018), pp. 592-599 (with Alex Rutherford, Manuel Cebrian, Iyad Rahwan, Brad LeVeck, and Manuel Garcia-Herranz).
4. "Is There More Violence in the Middle?" *American Journal of Political Science*, Vol. 62, No. 3 (2018), pp. 652-667 (with Zachary M. Jones).

5. "Collective Action and Constraints on Repression at the Endgame." *Comparative Political Studies*, Vol. 41, No. 8 (2018), pp. 1042-1073 (with Tiberiu Dragu).
 6. "The Networked Peace: Intergovernmental Organizations and International Conflict." *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol. 54, No. 6 (2017), pp. 833-848 (with Brian Greenhill).
 7. "Clubs of Clubs: Fragmentation in the Network of Intergovernmental Organizations." *International Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 61, No. 1 (2017), pp. 181-195 (with Brian Greenhill).
 8. "Do Arms Control Treaties Work? Assessing the Effectiveness of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty." *International Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 60, No. 3 (2016), pp. 530-539 (with Matthew Fuhrmann).
 9. "Why Do States Join Some Universal Treaties but not Others? An Analysis of Treaty Commitment Preferences." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, Vol. 60, No. 7 (2016), pp. 1219-1250.
 10. "Team of Former Rivals: A Multilateral Theory of Nonaggression Pacts." *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol. 53, No. 3 (2016), pp. 344-358 (with Paul Poast).
 11. "Power Sharing, Protection, and Peace." *Journal of Politics*, Vol. 78, No. 2 (2016), pp. 512-526 (with Scott Gates, Benjamin Graham, Håvard Strand, and Kaare Strøm).
 12. "Legislative Veto Players and the Effects of International Human Rights Agreements." *American Journal of Political Science*, Vol. 59, No. 3 (2015), pp. 578-594.
 13. "The Informative Power of Treaty Commitment: Using the Spatial Model to Address Selection Effects." *American Journal of Political Science*, Vol. 57, No. 4 (2013), pp. 912-925.
 14. "Best Evidence: The Role of Information in Domestic Judicial Enforcement of International Human Rights Agreements." *International Organization*, Vol. 67, No. 3 (2013), pp. 469-503.
 15. "Trading Communities, the Networked Structure of International Relations and the Kantian Peace." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, Vol. 57, No. 6 (2013), pp. 1011-1042 (with Vincent Traag).
- Winner of the Bruce Russett Award for best article published in the *Journal of Conflict Resolution* in 2013.
16. "Strategic Citations to Precedent on the U.S. Supreme Court." *Journal of Legal Studies*, Vol. 42, No. 1 (2013), pp. 151-186 (with James H. Fowler).
 17. "International Judicial Legitimacy: Lessons from National Courts." *Theoretical Inquiries in Law*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (2013), pp. 437-454.
 18. "Still Looking for Audience Costs." *Security Studies*, Vol. 21, No. 3 (2012), pp. 391-397 (with Erik Gartzke).
 19. "Precedent in International Courts: A Network Analysis of Case Citations by the European Court of Human Rights." *British Journal of Political Science*, Vol. 42, No. 2 (2012), pp. 413-439 (with Erik Voeten).
 20. "Trading on Preconceptions: Why World War I Was Not a Failure of Economic Interdependence." *International Security*, Vol. 36, No. 4 (Spring 2012), pp. 115-150 (with Erik Gartzke).

Reprinted in *World War I: A Batch from International Security*. MIT Press.

21. "Political Science Research on International Law: The State of the Field." *American Journal of International Law*, Vol. 106, No. 1 (January 2012), pp. 47-97 (with Emilie M. Hafner-Burton and David G. Victor).

Other Publications

1. "Beyond Physical Integrity." *Law and Contemporary Problems* (2019) (with Kevin Cope and Charles Crabtree).
2. "Explaining Human Rights Abuses: Comparing Contemporary Factors and Historical Factors." *Virginia Journal of International Law* (2016).
3. "Rules, Gaps and Power: Assessing Reform of the U.N. Charter." *Berkeley Journal of International Law* (2006).
4. "The Wiretap Act and Web Monitoring: A Breakthrough for Privacy Rights?" *Virginia Journal of Law & Technology* (2004).
5. "Retroactive Application of the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act: Landgraf Analysis and the Political Question Doctrine." *UCLA Journal of International Law & Foreign Affairs* (2003) (with Clay Risen).
6. "International Law and the Waters of the Euphrates and Tigris." *Georgetown International Environmental Law Review* (2001).

Papers Under Review

1. "Does Technology Undermine Authoritarian Governments?" (with Tiberiu Dragu). Invited to revise and resubmit.

Work in Progress

1. "The Repression-Dissent Nexus and Authoritarian Signaling in International Crises" (with Scott Wolford).
2. "The Relationship between the Forms of Repression and Violent Dissent" (with Livio DiLonardo).
3. "Tactics of Repression and Dissent in Jerusalem" (with Evgeny Finkel, Dan Miodownik, and Chagai Weiss).
4. "Untangling the Web of Conflict Actors: Creating Global Actor-centric Network Models to Forecast Conflict Onset" (with Mihai Croicu and Håvard Hegre).

Grants and Awards

- National Science Foundation, Law & Social Sciences Program, "Violence, Non-Violence and the Effects of Human Rights Laws," SES-1627079 (\$72,789) 2016-2019
- Early Career Scholar Award, George Washington University, 2018

- Columbian College Facilitating Fund, George Washington University (\$7,385), 2017-2018
- Best Paper Award, APSA Human Rights Section, for “Collective Action and Constraints on Repression at the Endgame,” 2016
- University Facilitating Fund, George Washington University (\$5,000), 2016-2017
- Shapiro Policy Research Scholar, George Washington Institute of Public Policy, George Washington University (\$12,000), 2015-2016
- University Facilitating Fund, George Washington University (\$7,500), 2015-2016
- Columbian College Facilitating Fund, George Washington University (\$9,915), 2014-2015
- Research Fellow, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Summer 2013
- National Science Foundation, Political Science Program, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, SES-1064108 (\$12,000), 2011-2012
- Stuart A. Bremer Award for the best graduate student paper given at the 2011 Peace Science Conference, awarded for “Best Evidence: The Role of Information in Domestic Judicial Enforcement of International Human Rights Agreements”
- Edmund G. Brown Sr. Fellowship, University of California-San Diego, 2007-2011

Invited Talks and Workshops

2018: Virginia (Law); Kentucky (Political Science); MIT Media Lab; Uppsala (Peace and Conflict Research).

2017: Lehigh (International Relations); Virginia (Law); Uppsala (Peace and Conflict Research); Torcuato di Tella (Political Science).

2016: Virginia (Politics); NYU (Politics); UC-Merced (Political Science); Northwestern (Political Science); Uppsala (Peace and Conflict Research); Rice (Political Science); Bar-Ilan (Law).

2015: Georgetown (Government); Wisconsin (Political Science); American (Political Science); Emory (Political Science); Illinois (Political Science); Northwestern (Political Science); Maryland (Political Science).

2014: St. Gallen (Political Science); Graduate Institute of Geneva; EAWAG (Zurich); Chicago (Law); Tufts (Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy).

2013: Rutgers (Political Science); Dartmouth (Government); Dartmouth (Interdisciplinary Networks Research Group); Princeton (Politics); McGill (Political Science); Duke (Law); Yale (Political Science); Columbia (Political Science); Temple (Political Science); Peace Research Institute Oslo; University of Oslo (Law); University of Copenhagen (Law); Emory (Law); Michigan (Political Science); Florida State (Political Science); USC (School of International Relations).

2012: Tel-Aviv (Law); Hebrew University of Jerusalem (Law); Copenhagen (Law); Princeton (Politics); Harvard (Law).

2011: Statistical and Applied Mathematical Sciences Institute.

Conference Presentations

- American Political Science Association: 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2016
- International Studies Association: 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018
- Peace Science Society: 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017
- American Society of International Law Research Forum: 2011, 2013, 2014
- International Political Economy Society: 2013
- International Studies Association ISSS-ISAC: 2013
- American Society of International Law Annual Meeting: 2012
- Southern Political Science Association: 2012, 2014
- European Peace Science Society: 2012
- Political Methodology: 2011
- Political Networks: 2010, 2011
- IGCC Southern California Symposium: 2011
- Standing Group on International Relations: 2010
- Midwest Political Science Association: 2009
- Conference on Empirical Legal Studies: 2008

Teaching

At GW:

- PSC 1000/2994: Conflict and Commerce (Undergraduate)
- PSC 2115: Constitutional Law (Undergraduate)
- PSC 2444: Public International Law (Undergraduate)
- PSC 8185: Network Analysis (Graduate)
- PSC 8454: Domestic Politics and International Relations (Graduate)

At UCSD:

- POLI 140A: International Law and Organizations (Undergraduate)

Service

Conferences and Workshops Organized:

- “International Relations Workshop,” 2017 - Present, George Washington University
- “Intrastate Conflict and Violence Workshop,” 2014 - 2017, George Washington University
- “Bridging Comparative and IR Perspectives on Intrastate Conflict and Violence,” November 12, 2015, in conjunction with the Peace Science Society Annual Meeting

- “GW Pre-APSA Workshops,” August 27, 2014, George Washington University
- “The Domestic Politics of Human Rights Agreements,” November 8-9, 2013, Princeton University
- “Network Analysis and the Study of International Security,” September 27-28, 2013, George Washington University

Conference Participation:

- Section Chair
 - International and Comparative Law, MPSA 2014
- Discussant
 - “Monitoring and Enforcing Human Rights,” APSA 2016
 - “Rebel Groups and the Laws of War,” APSA 2016
 - “Design of Dispute Settlement,” APSA 2014
 - “Why Cooperate? Determinants of International Agreements and Cooperation,” ISA 2014
 - “The Politics of International Institutions,” SPSA 2014
 - “Conflict and US Foreign-policy Decision-making,” SPSA 2014
 - “Human Rights Norms and Practices: Potential and Limits of International Diffusion,” SPSA 2012
 - “Networks in International Political Economy,” APSA 2011
 - “Mechanisms of Political Mobilization: Political Networks,” APSA 2010
- Panel Chair
 - “International Courts and Their Rulings,” ISA 2017
 - “Beyond Ratification: The Diverse Ways in which the International Legal System Matters,” ISA 2015
 - “New Methodological Approaches to International Relations Research,” ISA 2015
 - “International Elements of Domestic Human Rights Behaviors,” ISA 2014
 - “Life-cycles of War: Onset, Duration and Termination,” APSA 2013
 - “Process of Internal Conflict,” APSA 2013
 - “Friends? Enemies? Frenemies? Exploring Alliance Politics,” ISA 2011
- Panel Organizer
 - “New Methodological Approaches to International Relations Research,” ISA 2015
 - “Research Frontiers in the Analysis of International Networks,” ISA 2013
 - “The Networked Structure of International Relations,” ISA 2011
 - “When do International Institutions Affect State Behavior?,” APSA 2011

Referee: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, *International Organization*, *International Security*, *International Sociology*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *International Studies Review*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies*, *Journal of Law and Courts*, *Journal of Legal Studies*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Journal of Politics*, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Public Choice*, *Research & Politics*, *Review of International Organizations*, *Social Networks*, *World Politics*.

Additional Training

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models, Washington University in St. Louis, 2011

Workshop on Research Design for Causal Inference, Northwestern University, 2011

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University, 2010

Other Employment

Associate, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, Washington, DC, 2002-2008

Professional Associations and Licenses

American Political Science Association

International Studies Association

Peace Science Society

American Society of International Law

New York State Bar

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