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Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Wisconsin–Madison (expected 2021)

Fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics, Political Methodology (minor)

Dissertation: The Idea of Terror: A Critical Approach to Consequences of the "Terrorist" Classifier

Committee: Andrew Kydd (chair), Helen Kinsella, Jon Pevehouse, Jonathan Renshon, Jessica Weeks

M.A., Political Science, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2016

B.A., International Relations and Modern Languages (German; French), Knox College, 2013
summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, with College Honors

Faculty Scholarship Prize, 2012 (highest academic honor, awarded once annually)

Language immersion semester, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, 2011

Honors thesis: The Role of Societal Ideology in Diaspora-Related Terrorism: An Examination of Terrorist Activity in France, Germany, and the United States

Research

Peer-Reviewed

"The Impact of Emotion on War Initiation and Termination." In *The Oxford Handbook of Behavioral Political Science*, eds. Alex Mintz and Lesley Terris. (forthcoming; with Jonathan Renshon)

In Progress

"The Idea of Terror: Institutional Reproduction in Government Responses to Political Violence" (revise & resubmit)

"Terror is What (the United) States Make of It: A Social-Constructivist Perspective on the Concept of Terrorism" (under review; with Amélie Godefroidt)

"The Effects of State-Level Discourse on Terrorist Recruitment" (presented at the 2019 meeting of the International Studies Association)

"Emotions in International Relations" (with Jonathan Renshon)

"Bargaining as a Process of Legitimation: A Theoretical Framework for State-Terrorist Negotiations" (presented at ISA 2018)

Public Engagement

“White Supremacist Violence in the U.S. and Europe.” Guest lecture at Global Affairs & the Media, Capitol Lakes Retirement Center, February 26, 2020.

“Identity, Law, and How Political Elites Define Terrorism.” *Political Violence at a Glance*, October 18, 2019. <https://bit.ly/2P7ef71>

“Why do Facebook and Twitter’s anti-extremist guidelines allow right-wingers more freedom than Islamists?” *The Monkey Cage*, August 1, 2019. <https://wapo.st/2KhUFm5>

“Terrorism expert: Cudahy woman’s arrest highlights growing ISIS presence on social media.” Interview, WTMJ-TV Milwaukee, June 14, 2018. <https://bit.ly/2LGtzmX>

Presentations

Conferences

American Political Science Association (2018, 2019); **International Studies Association** (2018, 2019); **International Studies Association–Northeast Division** (2019); **Midwest Political Science Association** (2017); **Society for Terrorism Research** (2019; also panel chair); **Southern Political Science Association** (2020)

Invited

Workshop on Right-Wing Terrorism and Critical Terrorism Studies, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, United Kingdom, June 16, 2020.

Internal

“Domestic Law and the International Terror Narrative: The Case of the Soleimani Strike.” International Relations Colloquium, University of Wisconsin–Madison, April 14, 2020.

“The Idea of Terror: A Critical Approach to Consequences of the ‘Terrorist’ Classifier.” International Relations Colloquium, University of Wisconsin–Madison, February 19, 2019.

“Vindicating Violence: Norms, Discourse, and Participation in Counterhegemonic Resistance.” International Relations Colloquium, University of Wisconsin–Madison, January 23, 2018.

Experience

Research assistance:

2019: Professors Nils Ringe (computational text analysis) and Erica Simmons (edited volume work)

2018: Professors Nadav Shelef (German-English translation) and Eleanor Powell (big data coding)

2017: Professor Helen Kinsella (literature reviews)

2016: Professor Eleanor Powell (data collection management and codebook development)

Professional:

Faculty Research Assistant, National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START), 2014–2015

- Managed team of coders for the Global Terrorism Database (GTD); conducted research on terrorist targets worldwide for State Department and DHS clients

General Associate, National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START), 2014

- Triaged primary source data on terrorist attacks for the Global Terrorism Database (GTD)

Communications Associate, Project on Government Oversight (POGO), 2012

- Researched and wrote on DoD weapons acquisition, the military-industrial complex, and government accountability issues

Other Training

Summer Workshop on Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (SWAMOS), Ithaca, NY, July 2018

Machine Learning for the Analysis of Text as Data, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, Chapel Hill, NC, June 2017

Awards and Grants

Alternate, College of Letters & Sciences Teaching Fellowship, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2020

Jean Monnet European Center of Excellence Research Assistantship, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2020

Future Faculty Partner, University of Wisconsin–Madison Teaching Academy, 2019–2020

Summer Initiative Grant, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2017, 2018, 2019

Wisconsin Project on International Relations Grant, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2017, 2018, 2019

Department Nominee, Innovation in Teaching Award, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2018

Department Nominee, Early Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2017

International Relations Fellowship, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2016

Robert F. Seibert Prize in International Relations, Knox College, 2013

Richter Grants (4), Knox College, 2012–2013

Faculty Scholarship Prize, Knox College, 2012

Ford Foundation Fellowship, Knox College, 2011–2012

Teaching

As guest lecturer:

“Gender in International Law.” PS 356: Principles of International Law, December 3, 2019.

“Global Terrorism.” PS 347: Terrorism, October 1, 2018.

“Migration and Refugees.” PS 350: International Political Economy, August 6, 2018.

As teaching assistant:

Principles of International Law, University of Wisconsin–Madison, fall 2019

Terrorism, University of Wisconsin–Madison, fall 2017 and 2018

International Political Economy, University of Wisconsin–Madison, summer 2018 (online)

Introduction to Survey Research, University of Wisconsin–Madison, spring 2018

Introduction to International Relations, University of Wisconsin–Madison, fall 2015

Survey of International Relations, Knox College, fall 2012

American National Government, Knox College, spring 2012

As grader:

Introduction to International Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison, summer 2019 (online)

Introduction to Political Psychology, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2016, 2018

Course design and preparation:

Introduction to International Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2019, 2020 (online)

Service

To the discipline:

Reviewer: *American Political Science Review*, *International Organization*, *Political Research Quarterly*

Representative, APSA Committee on the Status of Graduate Students in the Profession, 2019–2021

Student Coordinator, 2017 Society for Political Methodology Annual Meeting

At UW–Madison:

Organizer, Gender and International Relations Reading Day, 2020

Political Science Department TA Mentor, 2019–2020

Organizer, Diversity in International Relations Undergraduate Conference, 2019

Student Co-Coordinator, International Relations Colloquium, 2017–2019

Student Coordinator, Experimental Politics Workshop, 2017–2019

Student Representative, Graduate Program Committee, 2016–2018

Tutor, Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, 2015–2017

Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association, 2015–present

International Studies Association, 2016–present

Southern Political Science Association, 2019–present

Miscellaneous

Software: R, Stata, L^AT_EX, Python (beginner)

Languages: German (C1), French (B1)

Last updated: March 7, 2020