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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Pennsylvania State University

Political Science Board of Visitors Early Career Professor of Political Science, July 2024- Present

Professor, July 2025- Present

Associate Professor, July 2019- June 2025

Peace Research Institute of Oslo (PRIO), Norway

Research Professor, July 2025- Present

Senior Researcher, May 2023- June 2025

Global Fellow, January 2017- Present

Fulbright Scholar, August- December 2014

Visiting Scholar, June- August 2008

Indiana University

Associate Professor, July 2018- July 2019

Assistant Professor, August 2015-June 2018

US Holocaust Memorial Museum, Simon-Skjodt Center for the Prevention of Genocide

Leonard and Sophie Davis Fellow, June 2016- May 2017

West Virginia University

Assistant Professor, August 2011- July 2015

Kroc Institute of International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame

Visiting Researcher, August 2009- August 2011

EDUCATION

Ph.D., May 2011 University of Maryland, College Park, Government and Politics

First Field: International Relations (with Distinction)

Second Field: Comparative Politics (with Distinction)

M.A., May 2008 University of Maryland, College Park, Government and Politics

M.A., May 2004 Stockton University, Holocaust and Genocide Studies

B.A., May 2002 Smith College, Government with 5-College Certificate in International Relations

BOOKS

“Escaping Justice: State Impunity in the Age of Accountability”. *Forthcoming with Cambridge University Press (September 2025)*.

“Climate Governance by Rebel Groups” with Kathleen Cunningham, Reyko Huang, Danielle Jung, Elisabeth Gilmore, and Leonardo Fernandes. *Cambridge University Press Elements in ‘Organizational Responses to Climate Changes: Businesses, Governments’*. (July 2025)

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

28. “Depoliticizing Rebels: Government Use of Civilian Trials During Armed Conflict” with Liana Eustacia Reyes and Justin Conrad. *Forthcoming in Conflict Management and Peace Science*.

27. “Armed rebel groups engage in climate governance” with Elisabeth Gilmore, Kathleen Cunningham, Reyko Huang, Daniel Jung, and Leonardo Fernandes. 2025. *Climactic Change*. 178(54).

26. “Academic Cooperation between the Global North and the Global South” with Seden Akcinaroglu. 2024. *All Azimuth*. DOI: 10.20991/allazimuth.1590826
25. “The Legacies of Rebel Rule in Southeast Turkey” with Ilayda Onder. 2024. *Comparative Political Studies*. 57(11): 1771-1803.
24. “Messaging and Mobilization: Rebel Groups, Social Media Communication, and Audience Engagement” with Samuel Bestvater. 2023. *Journal of Peace Research* <https://doi.org/10.1177/00223433231201448>
23. “Justice Now and Later: How measures take to address wrongdoings during conflict affect post-conflict justice” with Helga Malmin Binningsbø and Bård Drange. 2023. *International Journal of Transitional Justice*. 17(2): 212-232.
22. “Rebel Courts and Rebel Legitimacy” *International Politics*. 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41311-023-00473-5>
21. “New Directions in Rebel Governance Research” with Kathleen Gallagher Cunningham, Reyko Huang and Danielle Jung. *Perspectives on Politics*. 21(1): 264-276. 2023.
20. “Revolt and Rule: Lessons about governance from rebel groups” with Jessica Maves Braithwaite, Kathleen Gallagher Cunningham, Reyko Huang, R. Joseph Huddleston, Danielle F. Jung, Michael A. Rubin, and Megan A. Stewart. 24(4): December 2022.
19. “Rebel Justice during Armed Conflict” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 65(1): 108-134. 2021.
18. “Introduction to the Special Feature on Dynamic Process of Rebel Governance” with Kathleen Gallagher Cunningham. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 65(1): 3-14. 2021
17. “Defending Democracy: Taking Stock of the Global Fight Against Digital Repression, Disinformation, and Election Insecurity” with Scott J. Shackelford, Angie Raymond, and Abbey Stemler. *Washington and Lee Law Review*. 77 (4): 1747-1809. 2020.
16. “Some Left to Tell the Tale: Finding perpetrators and understanding violence in Rwanda” with Christian Davenport. *Journal of Peace Research*. 57(4): 507-520. 2020.
 - Honorable mention for 2020 Nils Petter Gleditsch *Journal of Peace Research* Article of the Year Award
15. “#rebel: Rebel communication strategies in the age of social media” with Samuel Bestvater. *Conflict Management and Peace Science*. 36(6): 570-590. 2019.
14. “Justice during armed conflict: A new dataset on government and rebel strategies” with Helga Malmin Binningsbø. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 26(2). 2018.
13. “Transitional Justice and Political Order in Rwanda.” *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. 41(4). 2018.
 - Reprinted in James Hughes and Denisa Kostovicova ed. (2018) *Rethinking Reconciliation and Transitional Justice After Conflict*. Routledge.
12. “Post-Conflict Justice and Conflict Recurrence: Addressing Motivations for Sustainable Peace” with Benjamin Appel. *International Studies Quarterly*. 61(3). 2017.
11. “Research under fire: Conflict Studies and Researcher trauma” with Alicia Simoni. *PS: Political Science and Politics* 50(1). 2017.
10. “Overcoming Research Obstacles in Hybrid Regimes: Lessons from Rwanda” *Social Science Quarterly* 97(4). 2016.

9. “Transitional InJustice: Subverting Justice in Transition and Post-Conflict Societies” with Christian Davenport. *Journal of Human Rights* 15(1) 2016.
8. “The Northern Ireland Research Initiative: Data on the ‘Troubles’ from 1968-1998” with Christopher Sullivan and Christian Davenport. *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 31(1). 2014.
7. “Armed Conflict and Post-Conflict Justice, 1946-2006: A Dataset” with Helga Malmin Binningsbø, Jon Elster and Scott Gates. *Journal of Peace Research* 49(5). 2012.
6. “The Economic Benefits of Justice: Post-Conflict Justice and Foreign Direct Investment” with Benjamin Appel. *Journal of Peace Research* 49(5). 2012.
5. “The Coercive Weight of the Past: Temporal Dependence in the Conflict-Repression Nexus” with Christopher Sullivan and Christian Davenport. *International Interactions* 38(4). 2012.
4. “The States Must be Crazy: Dissent and the Puzzle of Repressive Persistence” with Christian Davenport. *International Journal of Conflict and Violence* 6(1). 2012.
3. “Why Men Participate: A Review of Perpetrator Research on the Rwandan Genocide” *Journal of African Conflicts and Peace Studies* 1(2). 2009.
2. “A Calamity in the Neighborhood: Women’s Participation in the Rwanda Genocide” with Reva Adler and J. Globerman. *Genocide Studies and Prevention* 2(3). 2008.
1. “Transforming Men Into Killers: Attitudes leading to hands-on violence during the 1994 Rwandan genocide” with Reva Adler, J. Globerman and E. Larson. *Global Public Health: An International Journal for Research, Policy and Practice* 3(3) 2008.

Book Chapters and Encyclopedia Articles

- “Patterns of Injustice” with Christian Davenport. In *The Oxford Handbook of Transitional Justice*. *Forthcoming with Oxford University Press*.
- “Digital Repression and Cyber Peace” with Jessica Steinberg and Federica Carugati. In *Cyber Peace: charting a path toward a sustainable, stable, and secure cyberspace*. Cambridge University Press (2021).
- “Fieldwork in ‘Restrictive’ Environments: Contrasting Methodologies” with Alyson Smith and Haley Swedlund. *Sage Research Methods Cases* (January 2019). DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.4135/9781526466631>
- “Rwanda’s Gacaca Courts: Instrument of Reconciliation? An Ongoing Controversy.” In *Genocide: A Critical Bibliographic Review. Volume 11: Controversies in the Field of Genocide Studies*. Routledge (2017)
- “Understanding Government Behavior During Armed Conflict.” Encyclopedia Article. *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*. (August 2017). DOI:10.1093/acrefore/9780190228637.013.532
- “Transitional Justice During Armed Conflict.” Encyclopedia Article. *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*. (March 2017). DOI: 10.1093/acrefore/9780190228637.013.218
- “Transitional Justice and Injustice: The Uses and Misuses of the Liberal Peace” with Christian Davenport. In George Andreopoulos and Zehra Arat ed. *The Uses and Misuses of Human Rights: A Critical Approach* Palgrave Macmillan (2014)
- “Determinants of Transitional Justice” in Lavinia Stan and Nadya Nedelsky ed. *Cambridge Encyclopedia of Transitional Justice*. Cambridge University Press (2013).

“Restorative vs. Retributive Justice” in Lavinia Stan and Nadya Nedelsky ed. *Cambridge Encyclopedia of Transitional Justice*. Cambridge University Press (2013).

“Data Limitations as Impediment to Genocide Intervention” with Christian Davenport. In Sam Totten ed. *Impediments to the Prevention and Intervention of Genocide*. Transaction Press (2012).

Blog Posts, Newsletters, Reports, and Reviews

“The Sensitive Politics of Information for Digital States” with Federica Carugati and Jessica Steinberg. Noēma Magazine. March 14, 2023. <https://www.noemamag.com/the-sensitive-politics-of-information-for-digital-states/>

Book Review. June 2022. Arbitrary State: Social Control and Modern Authoritarianism in Museveni’s Uganda. By Rebecca Tapscott. *Perspectives on Politics* 20(2): 743-744.

“The Lost Nazis: Missing Perpetrators of Genocide” Political Violence @ a Glance. May 31, 2021. <https://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2021/05/31/the-lost-nazis-missing-perpetrators-of-genocide/>

“To fight US racism, research prescribes a nationwide healing process” with Benjamin Appel. The Conversation. June 24, 2020. <https://theconversation.com/to-fight-us-racism-research-prescribes-a-nationwide-healing-process-140679>

- Reprinted in Yes! Magazine. June 29, 2020. <https://www.yesmagazine.org/social-justice/2020/06/29/racial-healing-reparations-truth-reconciliation/>

“How to get research to impact policy” with Kathleen Cunningham and Joe Young. Political Violence @ a Glance. May 24, 2018. <http://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2018/05/24/how-to-get-research-to-impact-policy/>

“The Organization of Rebellion: A New Research Program on Rebel Governance and Legitimacy” with Kathleen Cunningham and Joe Young. Political Violence @ a Glance. March 18, 2018. <http://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2018/03/16/the-organization-of-rebellion-new-research-program-on-rebel-governance-and-legitimacy/>

“Trauma and Conflict Studies” Political Violence @ a Glance. April 21, 2017. <http://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2017/04/21/10188/>

“Understanding and Preventing Mass Atrocities by Nonstate Actors” Political Violence @ a Glance. July 13, 2016. <https://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2016/07/13/understanding-and-preventing-mass-atrocities-by-non-states/>

“Amnesty, the ICC and Complications with the Dominic Ongwen Case” Political Violence @ a Glance. March 23, 2015. <https://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2015/03/23/amnesty-the-icc-and-complications-with-the-dominic-ongwen-case/>

“Research under fire: Researcher trauma and Conflict Studies” Political Violence @ a Glance. October 30, 2014. <http://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2014/10/30/research-under-fire-researcher-trauma-and-conflict-studies/> [reposted at PRIO Blog. November 20, 2014. <http://blogs.prio.org/2014/11/research-under-fire-researcher-trauma-and-conflict-studies/>]

“Can Transitional Justice Prevent Conflicts?” USAID Impact Blog. January 24, 2013. <http://blog.usaid.gov/2013/01/can-transitional-justice-prevent-conflicts/>

“Awareness, Creativity and Respect: Overcoming Research Obstacles in Rwanda” *APSA/CD: Comparative Democratization Newsletter* 9(2) May 2011.

Book Review. Nalepa, Monika. Skeletons in the Closet: Transitional Justice in Post-Communist Europe. *Journal of Peace Research* 2011 48(4).

Book Review. Peskin, Victor. International Justice in Rwanda and the Balkans: Virtual Trials and the Struggle for State Cooperation. *Journal of Peace Research* 2009 42(2).

Book Review. Gormley-Heenan, Cathy. Political Leadership and the Northern Ireland Peace Process: Role, Capacity and Effect. *Journal of Peace Research* 2009 46(1).

“The Conflict-HIV/AIDS Nexus: An Empirical Assessment” with Christian Davenport. SSRC/ASCI Research Report #21, Summer 2009

RESEARCH GRANTS

Co-PI, “Climate Change and Alternative Governance” with Kathleen Gallagher Cunningham, Reyko Huang, Danielle Jung, and Elisabeth Gilmore. US Department of Defense. Minerva Research Initiative. \$1,565,732. March 2022-May 2025. [Terminated February 2025 by Executive Order]

PI, “Legacies of Racial Violence” with Christian Davenport, Adrian Arellano, Yara Asi, and Helga Malmin Binningsbø. Research Council of Norway 12,000,000 NOK (approx. \$1,307,000 USD). December 2021-December 2025.

Co-PI, “All is fair in law and war: Judicial behavior in conflict-affected societies” with Helga Malmin Binningsbø and Scott Gates. Research Council of Norway 9,000,000 NOK (approx. \$1,070,000 USD). January 2019-December 2022.

Co-PI, “An Organizational Approach to State Repression” with Christian Davenport and Christopher Sullivan. National Science Foundation #1555442. \$503,100.00. September 2015- August 2019.

- Supplemental Award. August 2019-2020

Co-PI, “The Organization of Rebellion- Understanding Rebel Group Governance and Legitimacy” with Kathleen Cunningham. National Science Foundation #1656398. \$49,949. August 2017- December 2018.

Collaborator, “Empirical studies of International Criminal Law in armed conflict” with Helga Malmin Binningsbø. PRIO Strategic Initiative Fund. \$10,000. October- December 2016.

Fulbright Scholarship Grant, Norway. 90,000 NOK (approx. \$11,250 USD) August- December 2014.

Leiv Eiriksson Mobility Grant, Norway. 104,000 NOK (approx. \$13,000 USD) August- December 2014.

PI, ADVANCE Sponsorship Grant for work with Margaret Levi (Stanford University). 2013- 2014. National Science Foundation. \$15,000.00

PI, “Strategic Justice During Civil Conflict” 2013- 2015. United States Institute of Peace. \$109,182.46.

PI, “Strategic Justice During Civil Conflict” 2012-2015. National Science Foundation #1227985. \$74,575.00.

- Additional Support from West Virginia Higher Education Policy Initiative, \$60,000.00

WORK IN PROGRESS

Book Manuscripts

“Rules of Rebellion: Contested Authority in Times of War”

Under Review

“Amnesty as a Weapon of War: Government Strength and Justice Processes During Conflict” with Scott Gates and Helga Malmin Binningsbø. *Revise and Resubmit at Conflict Management and Peace Science*.

“Attribution and Management of Climate Change in Mozambique” with Kathleen Cunningham, Reyko Huang, Danielle Jung, Elisabeth Gilmore, and Leonardo Fernandes.

“Words at War: Shifting Issue Frames during the Northern Ireland Civil War” with Valerie Li.

“Prosecution, Punishment, or Persecution? Gacaca, Justice, and the Elimination of Rwandan Political Challengers” with Christian Davenport, and Brandon Bolte.

Working Papers

“No Justice, No Peace: The Applicability and Challenges of Transitional Justice in the United States” with Ray Block.

“Laws and Order: The Impact of Rebel Governance on Post-Conflict Rule of Law”

“Justice or Peace at War: the impact of government judicial tactics on conflict termination” with Helga Malmin Binningsbø.

“Digital Technologies and the State: State Capacity in the 21st Century” with Jessica Steinberg and Federica Carugati.

AWARDS AND HONORS

McKay Donkin Award for Faculty Advancement, PSU, 2024

Department of Political Science Seed Grant, PSU, 2022 (\$15,000.00)

Center for Security Research and Education Seed Grant, PSU, 2020-2021 (\$10,000.00)

McCourtney Institute for Democracy, PSU, Summer 2020 (\$4000.00)

IU Department of Political Science Trustee Teaching Award, Spring 2017 (\$2500.00)

WVU Faculty Senate Research Award, Summer 2013 (\$7270.00)

Eberly College Mini-Grant for Summer Research, WVU, Summer 2012 (\$5000.00)

WVU Senate Travel and Development Grant, Summer 2012 (\$3500.00)

FACDIS Travel Grant, WVU, April 2012 (\$1000.00)

Faculty Travel Grant, WVU, October 2011 (\$600.00)

College Development Grant, WVU, September 2011 (\$800.00)

Graduate Student Travel Grant, APSA Annual Meeting, August 2010

Research Grant, IR Subfield, University of Maryland, April 2009 (\$950.00) and April 2010 (\$850.00)

Research Grant, Harrison Program on the Future Global Agenda, UMD, April 2009 (\$1000.00)

Harrison Fellowship, Harrison Program on the Future Global Agenda, UMD, 2008-2009

Graduate Fellowship, University of Maryland, 2005-2009

RESEARCH AND CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

International Advisory Board, African Transitional Justice Comparative Study, Center for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation (CSVR), South Africa (2016-18)

Instructor, US State Department, Foreign Service Institute (2012, 2103, 2014)

Instructor, US Institute of Peace, Rule of Law Practitioner Course (5/2012, 10/2012, 5/2013, 6/2014)

Co-Director, Northern Ireland Research Initiative, with Christian Davenport (9/2009-Present)

Project Coordinator, Genodynamics, with Christian Davenport (9/2004-8/2009)

Research Assistant, Insurgency and Terrorism Project, with Paul Huth (5/2007-2/2010)

Project Consultant, Inclusive Security: Women Waging Peace, Kigali Rwanda (5/2005)

Project Coordinator, Fulbright Project, with Reva Adler (PI), Rwanda (9/2004-4/2005)

Documentation Centre Coordinator, Aegis Trust/Kigali City Council, Rwanda (1/2004-7/2004)

FIELD WORK

Mozambique (2023, 2024, 2025)
Nepal (2014, 2022)
Northern Ireland (2008, 2009, 2010)

Rwanda (2004, 2005-2006, 2009, 2010, 2013)
Turkey (2014, 2022)
Uganda (2012, 2013, 2020)

INVITED TALKS

2024. Bilkent University, Turkey, March 6.
2022. Uppsala University, Sweden, April 21.
2020. German Development Institute, November 10.
2020. Princeton University, February 12.
2019. University of Toronto, October 4-5.
2019. Southwest Workshop on Mixed Methods Research (SWMMR), ITAM, Mexico City, Mexico, October 24-25.
2019. US Holocaust Memorial Museum. May 20-21.
2019. University of Michigan, April 2.
2018. UC Santa Barbara, September 27-28.
2018. Institute for Qualitative and Mixed Methods Research (IQMR), Syracuse University, June 26.
2018. The Pennsylvania State University, February 19.
2018. University of Kentucky, February 14.
2017. Syracuse University, November 9.
2017. United Nations Academic Impact, UN Headquarters, New York, April 26.
2017. Center for Constitutional Democracy, Indiana University Mauer School of Law, February 9.
2017. George Washington University, February 14.
2016. Ethics in Political Science Research, West Virginia University, May 17-18.
2016. London School of Economics, May 12.
2016. Georgetown University, October 31.
2015. Georgia State University, October 28-29.
2015. U.S. Institute of Peace, Washington DC, June 16.
2014. Peace Research Institute Oslo, Dec. 9.
2014. Rights and Legal Institutions Working Group, CMI, Bergen Norway, December 3.
2012. U.S. State Department for the Office of the Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy and Human Rights and the Office of Global Criminal Justice, May 24.
2012. US Institute of Peace, May 16-17.
2011. Minerva Center for Human Rights, Hebrew University, November 12-15.
2010. University of Essex, England, September 16-17.
2009. Dan Bar-on Holocaust and Genocide Studies Lecture Series, Stockton University, December 8.
2006. Expert Participant, Rwanda Roundtable on Gender and Government, Inclusive Security Initiative: Women Waging Peace, Washington DC, January.
2004. Stockton University, November.
2004. University of British Columbia, October.

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

2024. “Nonstate actor governance and climate change: Outlining a research agenda” International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Network of European Peace Scientists Annual Meeting.
2021. “Legacies of Contested Governance: Evidence from rebel rule in Southeast Turkey” Presented at the Online Peace Science Colloquium, December 2, 2021.
2021. “Laws and Order: The Impact of Contested Governance on Post-Conflict Rule of Law,” Presented at APSA Annual Meeting. Seattle, WA. September 29- October 3.
2020. “Laws and Order: The Impact of Rebel Governance on Post-Conflict Rule of Law” Presented at the Online Peace Science Colloquium, September 25.
2019. “Rebel Courts and State Legitimacy”. Presented at the Functional Governance/ Welfare Non-state Workshop. University of Toronto, October 4-5.

2019. "Ruling Rebellions: Learning about governance from rebel groups." Presented at Ostrom Workshop, Indiana University, October 14.
2019. "Rebel Judiciaries During Armed Conflict," Presented at APSA Annual Meeting, Washington, DC. August 29-Sept 1.
2019. "Justice During Armed Conflict: Addressing Grievances and Projecting State Strength" Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, March 27-30.
2019. "The Impact of Government Judicial Processes on Conflict Trajectory" with Helga Malmin Binningsbø. Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, March 27-30.
2019. "Research-related Trauma in Conflict Research" Presented at the Harvard Workshop on Ethics in Conflict Research, Harvard University, July 8-10.
2018. "Associational Networks and Information Dissemination Across Rebel Organizations" with Sam Bestvater. Peace Science Society International. UT Austin, November 9.
2017. "Northern Ireland and the Framing of Post-Conflict Justice" Presented at APSA, September 2.
2017. "Amnesty as a Weapon of War: Government Strength and Justice Processes During Conflict" ISA, Feb. 23.
2016. "Without a Trace: Enforced Disappearance as a Strategy During Armed Conflict" Peace Science Society International Annual Conference, October 21-22.
2016. "Prosecution, Punishment, or Persecution? Gacaca, Justice, and the Elimination of Rwandan Political Challengers" APSA, Sept. 1-4.
2016. "Justice During Armed Conflict: Addressing Grievance and Opportunities for Rebellion" APSA, Sept. 1-4.
2016. "Without a Trace: Enforced Disappearance as a Strategy During Armed Conflict" ISA, March 16-19.
2016. "Gun Smoke and Mirrors: Transitional justice as conflict behavior in Uganda" ISA, March 16-19.
2015. "Amnesty as a Weapon of War: Government Strength and Justice Processes During Conflict" Presented at the Peace Science Society International Annual Conference, November 13.
2015. "Gun Smoke and Mirrors: Transitional Justice Implementation During Armed Conflict in Uganda" Presented at the University of Dayton Human Rights Conference, October 2, 2015.
2015. "Transitional Justice During Armed Conflict in Uganda" ISA, February 18-21, 2015.
2014. Organized Panel and Presentation, "Justice during armed conflict from 1949 through 2011: A new dataset" with Helga Malmin Binningsbø. Presented at International Studies Association, March 26-29.
2014. "Post-Conflict Justice and Conflict Recurrence: Addressing Motivations and Opportunities for Sustainable Peace" with Benjamin Appel. Presented at International Studies Association, March 26-29.
2013. "Determinants of Post-Conflict Justice Adoption: An Empirical Assessment" with Benjamin Appel. Presented at the Peace Science Society Annual Conference, October 25-26.
2013. "Gunsmoke and Mirrors: transitional justice implementation during conflict." ISA, April 3-6.
2013. "Determinants of Post-Conflict Justice Implementation: An Empirical Assessment" with Benjamin Appel. Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Conference, April 3-6.
2012. "The Strategic Use of Truth Commissions: Political Exclusion and Transitional Justice" Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, September.
2012. "Offers of Justice and Peace: The Strategic Use of Justice During Conflict" ISA, April 1- 5.
2011. "Some Left to Tell the Tale: Finding Perpetrators and Understanding State Sponsored Violence" Presented at the Politics and Protest Workshop, City University of New York, October 13.
2011. "Peace and/or Justice: Post-Conflict Justice and Conflict Reoccurrence" Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, August.
2011. "Violence Begets Violence, but When?: Evidence from the Troubles of Northern Ireland, 1968-1974" Presented at International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada, March.
2010. "Bearing the Troubles: Northern Ireland and the Microfoundations of Justice" Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August.
2010. "Justice on Every Hill: The Microfoundations of Rwanda's Gacaca Process" ISA, New Orleans, February.
2009. "Some Left to Tell the Tale: Finding Perpetrators and Understanding Political Violence" Presented at the Social Movements and Politics Workshop, University of Notre Dame, September 19.
2009. "Transitional Injustice: Rwanda, Overcoming Violence and the Dark Side of Post-Conflict Studies" Presented at Columbia Human Rights Seminar, Columbia University, February 2.
2008. "Transitional Injustice: Rwanda, Overcoming Violence and the Dark Side of Post-Conflict Studies" Presented at Protest and Politics Workshop, City University of New York, October 23.

2008. “Preconditions of Truth: Building a Model of Post-Conflict Accountability” Presented at Georgetown University, Graduate Student International Relations Conference, May.

2007. “Short Term Promises of Lasting Peace: Truth Commissions, Credible Commitment and Civil War Resolution” Presented at DC Area Workshop on Contentious Politics, University of Maryland, January.

TEACHING

Civil Wars [Undergraduate]

IU, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2019

WVU, Spring 2015

Contentious Politics [Graduate]

WVU, Spring 2013, Spring 2015

PSU, Spring 2020, Fall 2022

Global Pathways [Undergraduate], PSU, Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2023, Spring 2025

Politics of Human Rights [Undergraduate], PSU, Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024

Human Rights and Transitional Justice [Graduate and Undergraduate]

WVU, Fall 2012, Spring 2014

IU, Fall 2105, Spring 2017, Spring 2018

Introduction to Comparative Politics [Undergraduate], WVU, Spring 2012

Politics of Africa [Graduate and Undergraduate], WVU, Spring 2012, Spring 2014

State Repression and Human Rights [Graduate]

IU, Spring 2016, Fall 2017

PSU, Fall 2021, Fall 2024

Theories and Methods in Comparative Politics [Graduate], WVU, Fall 2011, Fall 2012

PhD Students

Mai Atta, PSU

Samuel Bestvater, PSU (Defended January 2022) (Pew Research Center)

Gillian Beach, WVU (Defended March 2017) (Emmes)

Maya Dalton, PSU

Mikaela Karstens, PSU (Defended July 2022) (Penn State Berks, Post-Doc)

Wynand Kastart, IU (Defended July 2019) (Ministry of Education, Netherlands)

Taegyeon Kim, PSU (Defended June 2022) (Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology)

Sangyeon Kim, PSU (Defended June 2023) (Indiana University, Post-Doc)

Yanran Li, PSU

Yehuda Magid, IU (Defended May 2019) (USAID)

Brandon Miliate, IU (Defended April 2019) (US State Department)

Ilayda Onder, PSU (Defended April 2024) (Texas A&M)

Emel Tugdar, WVU (Defended July 2013) (University of Alberta)

Bekeh Utietiang, WVU History Department (Defended April 2014) (SUNY Cortland)

Christopher Willis, PSU (Defended May 2023) (Lehigh University, Post-Doc)

SERVICE

To Pennsylvania State University

Director, University Faculty Writing Program, 2024-Present

Director, College of Liberal Arts Faculty Writing Program, 2020-Present

Chair, Department Committee on Diversity and Inclusion, 2019-2024

Member, Department Strategic Planning Committee, 2024- 2025

Member, Department Mentoring Committee, 2023-2024

Member, CLA Dean’s Committee for PLCS Head Selection, 2023-2004

Member, Comparative Politics Search Committee, 2022

Member, Department Personnel Committee, 2020-22

Member, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2019-20

To Indiana University

Facilitator, VPFAA Scholarly Writing Group, 2017-18
Member, Ad Hoc IR Search Committee, 2017
Member, Department Strategic Planning Committee, 2017
Coordinator, Contentious Politics Working Group, 2016-17
Member, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2015-16

To West Virginia University

Member, Comparative Politics Search Committee (2 positions), 2014
Member, Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2015
Member, Admissions Committee, 2013-14
Member, Eberly College Task Force on Creation of New School of Politics and Policy, 2013
Chair, Graduate Student Professionalization Committee, 2012-13
Department Social Justice Liaison, Spring 2012
Member, Graduate Student Professionalization Committee, 2011-12

To the Profession

Executive Council, Peace Science Society (International), 2023-2027
Section Panel Chair, APSA Conflict Processes Section, 2024
Treasurer, APSA Conflict Processes Section, 2021-Present
Nominating Committee, APSA QMMR Section, 2019
Committee Member, Stewart Bremer Award Selection Committee, Peace Science Society (International), 2022
Committee Member, Will H. Moore Award Selection Committee, Peace Science Society (International), 2019
Committee Member, Online Speaker Series, Peace Science Society (International), 2015-2017
Panel Chair: American Political Science Association (2019, 2012), International Studies Association (2020, 2017, 2014, 2013), Peace Science Society International (2020)
Panel Discussant: American Political Science Association (2019), International Studies Association (2013, 2021), Midwest Political Science Association (2010)
Paper Discussant: Online Peace Science Colloquium (2020, 2017), Virtual Workshop on Authoritarian Regimes (VWAR) (2018)
Poster Discussant: Peace Science Society (2016, 2013), American Political Science Association (2022)

Associate Editor: Global Studies Quarterly (2023-)

Editorial Board: Global Studies Quarterly (2020-2023), Journal of Politics (2019-2022)

Book Proposal Referee: Columbia University Press, IB Tauris, Taylor and Francis

Referee: American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, British Journal of Criminology, Comparative Political Studies, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Foreign Policy Analysis, Global Studies Quarterly, International Interactions, International Journal of Transitional Justice, International Journal of Peace and Development, International Organizations, International Peacekeeping, International Studies Review, International Studies Perspective, International Studies Quarterly, Irish Political Studies, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Human Rights, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Politics, Law and Society, Mobilization, Perspectives, Political Research Quarterly, Racial and Ethnic Studies, Security Studies, Third World Quarterly

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