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CONTACT INFORMATION

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CURRENT POSITION

April 2022– present Associate Professor, Graduate School of Economics, Osaka Metropolitan University

POSITIONS HELD

October 2018– March 2022 Assistant Professor (tenured in October 2021), Hiroshima University

April 2016– September 2018 Research Fellow, National Institutes for the Humanities (NIHU)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Substantive: Armed conflicts, historical legacies, repression, state and nation building
Methodological: Applied econometrics, causal inference, field experiments, geographic information system (GIS), spatial analysis

EDUCATION AND DEGREES

Ph.D. (2018) Advanced Social and International Studies, University of Tokyo
M.A. (2012) Advanced Social and International Studies, University of Tokyo
B.A. (2010) Policy Management, Keio University

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

In English

- [9] Harada, Masataka, **Gaku Ito**, and Daniel M. Smith. 2025. “Using Cell-phone Mobility Data to Study Voter Turnout.” *Political Behavior*. 47: 991–1014.
- [8] Harada, Masataka, **Gaku Ito**, and Daniel M. Smith. 2024. “Destruction from Above: Long-Term Legacies of WWII Tokyo Air Raids.” *Journal of Politics*. 86(2): 782–797.
- [7] Kubota, Yuichi, **Gaku Ito**, and Masataka Harada. 2023. “Making Sense of Violence in Semi-Technologized Conventional Civil War: Evidence from Nineteenth-Century Japan.” *International Interactions* 49(3): 401–423.

- [6] **Ito, Gaku**. 2021. “Why Does Ethnic Partition Foster Violence? Unpacking the Deep Historical Roots of Civil Conflicts.” *Journal of Peace Research* 58(5): 986–1003.
Winner: The *Journal of Peace Research* Best Visualization Award 2021
- [5] **Ito, Gaku**, and Kaisa Hinkkainen Elliot. 2020. “Battle Diffusion Matters: Examining the Impact of Microdynamics of Fighting on Conflict Termination.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 64(5): 871–902.
- [4] **Ito, Gaku**, and Susumu Yamakage. 2015. “From KISS to TASS Modeling: A Preliminary Analysis of the Segregation Model Incorporated with Spatial Data on Chicago.” *Japanese Journal of Political Science* 16(4): 553–573.

In Japanese

- [3] 伊藤 岳 (**Ito, Gaku**). 2016. 「内戦における暴力行使の帰結：空間計量経済／統計モデルによるアプローチ」『レヴァイアサン』第 59 号: 131–169 頁.
- [2] 伊藤 岳 (**Ito, Gaku**). 2015. 「2 つの集計化と非集計化：内戦研究の微視的転回, その含意と課題」『国際関係論研究』第 31 号: 73–99 頁.
- [1] 伊藤 岳 (**Ito, Gaku**). 2013. 「国際関係論におけるシミュレーション技法の展開：理論研究と実証研究の架橋」『国際関係論研究』第 30 号: 43–63 頁.

UNPUBLISHED MANUSCRIPTS

- [6] **Ito, Gaku**. “On the Persistent Effects of the Slave Trade on Postcolonial Politics in Africa.” Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3714585>. Revise and Resubmit (with minor revision), *Journal of Peace Research*.
- [5] **Ito, Gaku**, Duc Tran, and Yuichiro Yoshida. “Not Gone with the Wind: Long-Run Impact of Herbicidal Warfare in Vietnam.” Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=4512129>. Revise and Resubmit, *World Development*.
- [4] **Ito, Gaku**, Duc Tran, Hiroto Sawada, Ghulam Dastgir Khan, and Yuichiro Yoshida. “Pain, Attitudes, and (In)Action: Divergent Legacies of Herbicidal Warfare in Vietnam.” Available at SSRN: [SSRN:https://ssrn.com/abstract=5397061](https://ssrn.com/abstract=5397061). Under Review.
- [3] **Ito, Gaku**. “Escalation with Relocation: Unpacking the Local Geography of Aid and Battle Intensity in Civil Conflicts.” Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3555769>.
- [2] **Ito, Gaku**. “Modeling the Determinants of Insurgent Violence in Afghanistan.” Dissertation Chapter.
- [1] **Ito, Gaku**. “How Do You Strike Me? Decomposing the Determinants of Selective and Indiscriminate Violence in Civil Conflicts.” Dissertation Chapter. Available at: https://gaku-ito.github.io/files/working_papers/disaggregate_v2.pdf.

BOOK CHAPTERS

In English

- [4] **Ito, Gaku**. 2021. “On the Electoral Consequences of Increasing Chinese Imports: Insights from the Japanese Lower House General Elections, 2009–2017.” In Jun Ma and Masashi Yamamoto (eds.), *Growth Mechanism and Sustainability: An Economic Analysis of the Steel Industry in East Asia*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, Chapter 11.

In Japanese

- [3] 伊藤 岳 (Ito, Gaku). 2021. 「国際制度としての国境の計量分析：国境画定がもたらす民族紛争への影響」 鈴木基史・飯田敬輔編著『国際関係研究の方法：解説と実践』東京大学出版会, 第6章.
- [2] 伊藤 岳 (Ito, Gaku). 2018. 「国際貿易の実証分析：データセットと推定法」 馬駿ほか編著『東アジアの森林・木材資源の持続的利用：経済学のアプローチ』農林統計協会, 第11章.
- [1] 伊藤 岳 (Ito, Gaku). 2014. 「拡大と疲弊の相互作用が生む戦争規模の法則性」 山影進編著『アナーキーな社会の混沌と秩序：マルチエージェント国際関係論のフロンティア』書籍工房早山, 第7章.

NON-PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES AND POPULAR OUTLETS**In Japanese**

- [5] 伊藤 岳 (Ito, Gaku). 2025. 「内戦」 日本比較政治学会編『比較政治辞典』丸善出版
- [4] 伊藤 岳 (Ito, Gaku). 2025. 「空間分析」 日本比較政治学会編『比較政治辞典』丸善出版
- [3] 伊藤 岳 (Ito, Gaku). 2022. 「政治的暴力はその後の社会にどのような影響を及ぼすのか？」『経済セミナー』(特集 いま, 政治の問題を考える) 728号 (2022年10・11月号)
- [2] 伊藤 岳 (Ito, Gaku)・山影 進 (Susumu Yamakage). 2018. 「実証的シミュレーションの『作法』：現実との接合と説明力の検証」 *Aoyama Journal of International Studies* No.5: 247–267.
- [1] 伊藤 岳 (Ito, Gaku)・山影 進 (Susumu Yamakage). 2016. 「社会科学における実証的シミュレーション：シェリングの分居モデルの拡張と空間データとの接合例」『青山国際政経論集』第96号: 101–124.

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS**External Grants (Total: JPY 48,990,000 since 2015)**

- [8] PI (研究代表者). Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (Fund for the Promotion of Joint International Research, International Collaborative Research) (国際共同研究加速基金, 海外連携研究), Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, JPY 20,800,000 (2024–2030; Grant Number: 24KK0025)
- [7] PI (研究代表者). Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (B) (基盤研究 B), Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, JPY 16,250,000 (2020–2025 (extended); Grant Number: 20H01466)
- [6] PI (研究代表者). Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (C) (基盤研究 C 特設分野研究), Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, JPY 4,290,000 (2018–2021; Grant Number: 18KT0054)
- [5] PI (研究代表者). Grant-in-Aid for Young Scientists (B) (若手研究 B), Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, JPY 4,160,000 (2017–2020; Grant Number: 17K13686)
- [4] PI (研究代表者). Grant-in-Aid for Research Activity Start-Up, JPY 2,990,000 (2016–2018; Grant Number: 16H06819)
- [3] PI (研究代表者). Research Grant (humanities and social science), Konosuke Matsushita Memorial Foundation, JPY 500,000 (2015–2016)

Fellowships

- [2] Japan Society for the Promotion of Science Research Fellowship for Young Scientists, DC1 (2012–2015)

Awards

- [1] The *Journal of Peace Research* Best Visualization Award 2021

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Executive Editor	<i>International Relations of the Asia-Pacific</i>
Occasional reviewer	<i>American Political Science Review, Comparative Political Studies, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Defence and Peace Economics, European Journal of International Relations, International Relations of the Asia-Pacific, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Politics</i>

TEACHING (SELECTED)

Graduate	International Relations, Microfoundations of Armed Conflicts, Quantitative and Analytical Social Science (in English, Hiroshima University), International Corporation (国際協力論, in Japanese, Osaka Metropolitan University)
Undergraduate	Applied Game Theory (応用ゲーム理論), International Corporation (国際協力論, in Japanese, Osaka Metropolitan University), International Relations (国際関係論, in Japanese, University of Toyama), Introduction to Causal Inference (因果推論入門, in Japanese, Osaka Metropolitan University), Quantitative Analysis with R (Rによる計量分析, in Japanese, University of Toyama), War and Peace (戦争と平和 B, in Japanese, Kobe University)

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