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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Postdoctoral Fellow, Political Science Department University of Nevada, Reno	2013-present
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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Department of Political Science, University of Oregon Major Comprehensive Exam in International Relations Minor Comprehensive Exam in Formal Theory and Methodology Minor Field in International Organizations	December 2012
MS, Department of Political Science, University of Oregon	December 2009
MA, John C. Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations, Seton Hall University	May 2006
BS, Department of Political Science, University of Iowa	May 2002

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“The Use and Abuse of Authority in International Relations Scholarship,” *European Review of International Studies* (forthcoming).

WORKING PROJECTS

“The Strategic Use of Norms: The U.S. and the UN Security Council in Iraq,” in preparation.

“The Role of Norms in the Variation of U.S. International Authorization Requests,” in preparation.

“Eventful and Critical Junctures: Was the End of the Cold War Critical for the UNSC?” in preparation.

Storming the Security Council: The Revolution in UNSC Authority Over the Projection of Military Force (Book Project).

States have requested international authorization for the projection of military force more often after 1989 than before. Why and under what conditions do states request international authorization for the projection of military force? The end of the Cold War is not a sufficient explanation as there is still variance during both time periods. From competing perspectives, I derive hypotheses involving material power, burden-sharing, informational signaling, and international norms. I assess the ability of these hypotheses to explain the observed increase in states requesting authorization from IOs through evidence from over 150 cases of the projection of military force by a wide range of states and through a more detailed evaluation of the United States behavior, including the justifications offered by its leaders. The U.S. provides a strong test case for the theories being evaluated, since it is a powerful state that should be least susceptible to pressures for requesting international authorization, and yet it does so more frequently after 1989. I find the normative expectation that states should request international authorization emerged after the U.S. set a precedent for such requests during the Persian Gulf War in 1990-1991. The end of the Cold War created a context which changed the perceived “viability” of different strategies for projecting military force for U.S. policy-makers making authorization from the UN a plausible alternative. This book increases our understanding of the relationship, and particularly the role of authority, between states and international organizations.

BOOK REVIEWS

2006. "Advances in Understanding State Socialization." Review of Trine Flockhart, ed. *Socializing Democratic Norms: The Role of International Organizations for the Construction of Europe. The Whitehead Journal of Diplomacy and International Relations*, Summer-Fall. VII (2): 125-127.

2005. "From Community to Science." Review of Amitai Etzioni, *From Empire to Community: A New Approach to International Relations. The Whitehead Journal of Diplomacy and International Relations*, Winter/Spring. V (1): 219-221.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

"The Role of Norms in Explaining the Variation of U.S. International Authorization Requests" Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2014 in Washington, DC.

"International Approval for Military Intervention: When Do IOs Support The Projection of Military Force?" Paper presented at the International Studies Association Annual Convention, 2014 in Toronto, on a Junior Scholar Symposium Panel.

"Eventful and Critical Junctures: What is the Difference and Why is it Important?" Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2013 in Chicago, IL.

"The U.S. and the UNSC Politics of International Authorization Over Iraq." Paper presented at the 54th International Studies Association Annual Convention, 2013 in San Francisco, CA.

"The United States and the Projection of Military Force: Assessing the Authority of the UNSC." Paper presented at the 54th ISA Annual Convention, 2013 in San Francisco, CA.

"The Norm of Seeking International Authorization: Establishing Practice." Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, August 31, 2012 in New Orleans.

"The Norm of Seeking International Authorization: Challenging and Consolidating Practice, 1998-2011." Paper presented at the 3rd Annual Terrorism & Global Security Conference: What Constitutes a Legal War in the 21st Century?, May 30, 2012 in Washington, DC.

"Seeking International Authorization for the Projection of Military Force." Paper presented at the 107th Annual Meeting of the APSA, September 2, 2011 in Seattle, WA.

"Historical Junctures in U.S. Foreign Policy Toward the UN Security Council: Is the End of the Cold War Critical?" Paper presented at the 107th Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 3, 2011 in Seattle, WA.

"Global Governance and the Use of International Force since 1945." Paper presented at the 52nd Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, March 17th, 2011 in Montreal.

"International Organizations and the Use of International Force since 1945." Paper presented at the ISSS of the ISA and ISAC Section of APSA's Annual Conference, International Security Beyond 9/11, October 16, 2010 in Providence, RI.

"Legitimacy in International Relations: The United Nations Security Council and the Use of Force." Paper presented at the 51st Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, February 19, 2010 in New Orleans, LA.

"The United Nations Security Council, the Use of Force, and Institutional Legitimacy." Paper presented at the 49th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, March 28, 2008 in San Francisco, CA.

"Globalization and Sovereignty: The Persistence of an International Norm." Paper presented at the 64th Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association April 20, 2006, 2006 in Chicago, IL.

"The European Union and the Limits of Accession: Romania and Poland in Comparative Perspective." Paper presented at the 47th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association March 23, 2006 in San Diego.

"Democratic Diffusion: The Spread of International Norms in Central and Eastern Europe." Paper presented at the 46th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, March 5, 2005 in Honolulu, Hawaii.

ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

John L. and Naomi Luvaas Graduate Fellowship

2011-2012

College of Arts and Sciences, University of Oregon

Rozanne Emerson Junker Graduate Scholarship

2010

Department of Political Science, University of Oregon

Graduate Teaching Fellowship

Department of Political Science, University of Oregon

Winter and Spring 2006; Fall 2006-Spring 2007; Fall 2007-Spring 2008 (declined); Fall 2008-Spring 2009; Fall 2009-Spring 2010; Fall 2010-Spring 2011; Fall 2011-Spring 2012; Fall 2012.

Oregon Consortium of International and Area Studies, University of Oregon

Fall 2007-Spring 2008; Fall 2008.

TRAVEL AWARDS

Awarded by the ISA to defray travel costs to the ISA 2011 & 2014 Conference.

Awarded by the APSA to defray travel costs to the 2011 Annual Meeting.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Relations, International Law, International Organization, International Security, Foreign Policy, and the United Nations Security Council.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor (sole responsibility for the course)

Political Science Department, University of Nevada, Reno

PSC211: Comparative Government & Politics (Introduction to Comparative Politics) Fall 2013

PSC231: World Politics (Introduction to International Relations) Fall 2013, Spring 2014

PSC336: International Community (International Organization) Fall 2014

PSC405D/605D: U.S. Foreign Policy Summer 2014

IAF300R: Model United Nations Spring 2014; 2015

2014 UNR Delegations representing Rwanda and the United Kingdom won Slanczka Awards for Diplomatic Excellence at MUN Far West.

PSC784: Qualitative Research Methods (Graduate Seminar) Spring 2015

Department of Political Science, University of Oregon

PS326: U.S. Foreign Policy I Summer, 2010 & 2011; Fall, 2011; Spring, 2012

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Oregon

Introduction to U.S. Government and Politics (twice) Modern World Governments

U.S. Foreign Policy I (4 times) Genocide in the Modern Era

Introduction to International Relations (3 times) U.S. Interventions in Developing Countries

International Organization (twice)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Editorial Positions

Managing Editor

August 2007—December 2008

InterNationality: A Journal of Critical Global Studies

Oregon Consortium for International and Area Studies, University of Oregon

Executive Editor

2004—2005

The Whitehead Journal of Diplomacy and International Relations (Formerly *The Seton Hall*

Journal of Diplomacy and International Relations)

Senior Editor for Content

2003—2004

The Seton Hall Journal of Diplomacy and International Relations

Research Assistant

University of Oregon, Department of Political Science,

Prof. Regina Baker (Spring 2006), Prof. Dennis Galvan (Fall 2008).

University of Iowa, Department of Political Science,

Prof. Rodney Bruce Hall (Fall 2002).

Research Internship

February—July 2005

International League of Human Rights

ADDITIONAL TRAINING, INVITATIONAL CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

Bosch Foundation Archival Seminar for Young Historians,

September 4-16, 2011

American History in Transatlantic Perspective

The German Historical Institute, the Bosch Foundation and the University of Chicago,

Department of History. Funded by the Bosch Foundation for travel and accommodations.

Institute for Qualitative Research Methods,

January 2-12, 2007

Consortium on Qualitative Research, Arizona State University

Funded by the Department of Political Science, University of Oregon

Public Choice Outreach Conference,

Summer 2004

Center for the Study of Public Choice, George Mason University

SERVICE

Rules Committee, Model United Nations Far West

2014-2015

Graduate Student Representative on the Department of

Spring 2010-Spring 2011

Political Science Sub-Committee for Graduate Program Reform

Qualitative Research Method 'Brown Bag' Discussion Leader

2007

Department of Political Science, University of Oregon

Graduate Council Representative

2006-2007

Department of Political Science, University of Oregon

Whitehead Academic Colloquia Planning Committee

Spring 2005

The Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Political Science Association; International Studies Association; Academic Council on the United Nations System; Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations

REFERENCES

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