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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science 2020–
Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., U.S.A.
• *The Local Politics of Border Control: Transnational Communities and Resistance* (dissertation expected 2026)
• Committee: Michael R. Kenwick (chair), Summer Lindsey, Jack Levy, Christopher Blair (Princeton University)
• Fields: International Relations, Research Methodology, Comparative Politics

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow 2021-2026
National Science Foundation, Alexandria, V.A., U.S.A.

B.A. Political Science, History, and Arabic with Honors 2015-2019
Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, F.L., U.S.A.

UNDER REVIEW *The Local Politics of Border Control: Transnational Communities and Resistance.*

WORKS IN PROGRESS

The Local Politics of Border Control. Dissertation.
– This book-length project studies the intersection of borders, human security, and state-making in international politics, with a focus on the proliferation of border control measures. I take up the challenge of theorizing borderlands as unique geopolitical spaces and local communities as central actors. The theory explains local resistance against hardening, how local populations psychologically adapt to changing borders, and the influence of bottom-up demands on the content of state policies. The multi-method design encompasses quantitative analyses with original geospatial data, qualitative fieldwork at the United States–Mexico border, and observational and experimental survey tests.

“We’ve always had a separation:” *The Local Psychology of Border Walls.*

Gender and Public Demands for Border Security (with Michael R. Kenwick and Summer Lindsey).

International Border Lengths Dataset.

BOOK REVIEWS *Borderland Battles: Violence, Crime, and Governance at the Edges of Colombia’s War* by Annette Idler, 2019, *Oxford University Press*. 2021. *Democracy and Security* Vol. 17, No. 1.

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Graduate Assistant, Borders & Boundaries Project Spring 2021–Present
• Data management and analyses
• Supervision of undergraduate coder groups on multiple projects

Research Assistant, Summer Lindsey Spring 2021

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data management and analyses | |
| TEACHING EXPERIENCES | <i>Introduction to International Relations (Online)</i> | Summer 2024 |
| | <i>Teaching Assistant, Summer Institute in Computational Social Science–Rutgers University</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designed and led a unit on geospatial data • Assisted attendees with learning materials | Summer 2022 |
| | <i>Introduction to L^AT_EX Workshop</i> Department of Political Science Rutgers University | February 2025 |
| GRANTS AND AWARDS | <i>Research and Travel Award, \$1341</i> Lyon, William & Meredith Porte Peace Fund, Rutgers University | Spring 2025 |
| | <i>Prestage-Cook Travel Award, \$300</i> Southern Political Science Association | Fall 2024 |
| | <i>Spring Centennial Center Research Grant, \$2400</i> American Political Science Association | Summer 2024 |
| | <i>Research and Travel Award, \$1000</i> School of Graduate Studies, Rutgers University | Spring 2024 |
| | <i>Research and Travel Award, \$2000</i> Lyon, William & Meredith Porte Peace Fund, Rutgers University | Spring 2024 |
| | <i>Travel Award, \$141</i> Conflict Processes Section, American Political Science Association | Fall 2023 |
| | <i>Research Grant, \$4500</i> Center for the Experimental Study of Politics and Psychology, Rutgers University | Spring 2022 |
| | <i>Research Grant, \$2480</i> Summer Institutes in Computational Social Science | Fall 2021 |
| PRESENTATIONS | <i>Annual Meeting</i> American Political Science Association “The Local Politics of Border Control: Transnational Communities and Resistance.” | Fall 2025 |
| | <i>Borders and Migration Conference within a Conference</i> Southern Political Science Association “The Local Politics of Border Control: Transnational Communities and Resistance.” | Spring 2025 |
| | <i>Annual Meeting (Poster)</i> American Political Science Association “The Local Politics of Border Control: Transnational Communities and Resistance.” | Fall 2024 |
| | <i>Speaker Series</i> Department of Politics and Public Administration University of Konstanz, Germany “The Local Politics of Border Control: Transnational Communities and Resistance.” | Summer 2024 |
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| | <i>Annual Meeting</i> American Political Science Association “Gender and Public Demands for Border Security” (with Michael R. Kenwick and Summer Lindsey). | Fall 2023 |
| | <i>Conference on International Borders in a Changing World</i> (Poster) Perry World House University of Pennsylvania “Gender and Public Demands for Border Security” (with Michael R. Kenwick and Summer Lindsey). | Spring 2023 |
| | <i>Borders and Migration Conference within a Conference</i> Southern Political Science Association “Gender and Public Demands for Border Security” (with Michael R. Kenwick and Summer Lindsey). | Spring 2023 |
| AFFILIATIONS | American Political Science Association: Conflict Processes Group, Qualitative and Multi-methods Research Group Southern Political Science Association: Borders and Migration Group Borders and Boundaries Project, Perry World House at University of Pennsylvania and Rutgers University Northeast Workshop in Empirical Political Science (Session 17) | |
| SERVICE | <i>Discussant for Emerging Scholars Research Conference</i> Department of Political Science Rutgers University | Spring 2024 |
| | <i>Discussant for Emerging Scholars Research Conference</i> Department of Political Science Rutgers University | Spring 2023 |
| | <i>Discussant for Visiting Speaker</i> Department of Political Science Rutgers University | Fall 2022 |
| | <i>Member of 25th Anniversary Film Team</i> Women’s Caucus of International Studies International Studies Association | Spring 2021 |
| REVIEWER | <i>International Studies Quarterly</i> | |
| SKILLS | R; RStan; Qualtrics; L ^A T _E X | |
| FIELDWORK | Arizona, United States border with Mexico (1 month) | Fall 2024 |