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EDUCATION

Sep 2017 - Oct 2019

MA Political Science, University of Mannheim · Mannheim, Germany

- Quantitative methods concentration
- Master's thesis: "Efficacy of Third-Party Airstrikes in Counterinsurgencies: Evidence from Yemen"

Aug 2012 - May 2016

BA Political Science, University of Arizona · Tucson, AZ, United States

- International relations concentration; Middle Eastern studies minor
- Honors thesis: "Impact of Third-Party Intervention and Rivalries on Intrastate Conflict Outcomes"
- Graduated summa cum laude (highest academic distinction)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Oct - Dec 2019

Research Intern, Peace Research Institute Frankfurt · Frankfurt, Germany

- 'International Security' research department under the supervision of Dr. Niklas Schörnig
- Assisting on issues related to cybersecurity, lethal autonomous weapon systems, and arms control; pursuing own project on cyber defense strategies

Sep 2018 - July 2019

Research Assistant, Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES), University of Mannheim · Mannheim, Germany

Project: Pre-Electoral Coalition Strategies
 Department: European Political Systems and their Integration

Aug 2018

Summer School in Computational Social Science on Conflict, participant,

Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences · Bremen, Germany

 Conducted original research with coauthors on armed conflict and violence against civilians; forthcoming publication in 2020

Sep 2015 - May 2016

Undergraduate Research Fellow, School of Government & Public Policy at the University of Arizona · Tucson, AZ, United States

Assisted Dr. Faten Ghosn's research on Islamist groups and ideology

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

May 2016 - present

Web Designer/Developer, College of Humanities, Computing Services, University of Arizona · Tucson, AZ, United States

 Designed and developed Drupal websites and maintained web content for departments full time for one year; part-time since 2017 assisting in design implementation and maintenance

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming R (proficient)
Languages Python (basic)

JavaScript/jQuery (basic)

Markup Languages HTML, CSS (advanced)

LaTeX (basic)

Software RStudio (proficient)

STATA (basic)

Microsoft Office (proficient) Photoshop (proficient)

QGIS (basic)

Content Management

Systems (Web)

Drupal 7 (advanced)
Wordpress (proficient)

Quantitative Methods OLS regression analysis

Maximum Likelihood Estimation

Multilevel modeling

Computational text analysis

Foreign Languages English (native)

German (conversational, B1)

PUBLICATIONS AND WORKING PAPERS

Book Chapter

 Salvi, Andrea, Mark Williamson, and Jessica Draper. 2020. "On the Beaten Path: Violence Against Civilians and Simulated Conflict Along Road Networks." In Deutschmann, Emanuel, Jan Lorenz, Adalbert Wilhelm, Davide Natalini, and Luis Gustavo Nardin (eds.), Computational Conflict Research. Springer Nature.

Working Papers

- "Efficacy of Third-Party Airstrikes in Counterinsurgencies: Evidence from Yemen." MA Thesis
- "Who Wants to Trade? Determinants of Supporting the International Regulation of Conventional Arms."

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- May 2019 Executive Training Seminar, participant, Academy of Global Governance, European University Institute · Florence, Italy Attended three-day training seminar on the topic, "Does Europe need a grand strategy? Exploring competing visions for the EU's role in the world" Sep 2018 Annual Conference, participant, Peace Research Institute Frankfurt · Frankfurt, Germany Attended two-day conference on the topic, "Verification in Crisis – the Crisis of Verification. New Technology as a Hurdle to and an Enabler of Verification in Arms Control" Mar 2018 DataFest Germany, participant, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität · Munich, Germany Analyzed log data from a TÜV SÜD honeynet system to identify cyber-attacks and suspicious behavior in a friendly team competition over the course of two and a half days 2012 - 2015President and Founder, Secular Student Alliance at the University of Arizona, University of Arizona · Tucson, AZ, United States
 - Organized social events; led weekly meetings and thoughtful discussions; scheduled guest speakers; engaged in community service and outreach