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Professional Positions

RAND Corporation

Associate Political Scientist 2022– Summer Associate 2021

Michigan State University

Postdoctoral Fellow, Institute For Public Policy and Social Research
Assistant Professor (Fixed-Term), Department of Political Science
2021–2022

Education

Michigan State University

Ph.D., Political Science

M.A., Political Science

2018

Graduate Certificate, Computational Modeling

2018

University of Kentucky

B.A., International Studies 2012

Emphases: International Relations and the Middle East

Departmental Honors, Summa Cum Laude

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Academic

- 2. Caleb Lucas, Benjamin Appel, and Alyssa Prorok (2022). Not Too Distant: Opportunity, Grievance, and the Onset of Civil War. *Civil Wars* 24(4), 497–523.
- 1. Kevin Greene and Caleb Lucas (2020). Once More, with Feeling: Using Sentiment Analysis to Improve Models of Relationships between Non-State Actors. *International Interactions* 46(1), 150–162.

Public RAND Reports

- "Australia's Guided Weapons and Explosive Ordnance Enterprise." Andrew Dowse, Christopher A.
 Mouton, Marigold Black, Timothy Conley, John P. Godges, Adam R. Grissom, Thomas Hamilton,
 Caleb Lucas, Joanne Nicholson, Joel Predd, Lyndal Thompson, Austin Wyatt
- "Establishing a Sovereign Guided Weapons Enterprise for Australia: International and Domestic Lessons Learned." Christopher A. Mouton, Carl Rhodes, Mark V. Arena, Paul DeLuca, Andrew Dowse, John P. Godges, Adam R. Grissom, Caleb Lucas, Erik Silfversten.

Submitted Manuscripts

Revise and Resubmit

- 3. Tactics, Targets and State Legitimacy in Afghanistan (with Amira Jadoon)
- 2. Mere Puffery or Convincing Claims? Rebel News and Civilian Perceptions of Group Strength
- 1. Deadly Dates: The Relationship Between Holy Days and Terrorism

Under Review

1. Group Salience, Inflammatory Rhetoric, and the Persistence of Hate Against Religious Minorities (with Will Hobbs, Nazita Lajevardi, and Xinyi Li)

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Software

cspp and csppData: R Packages for the Correlates of State Policy Project Data (with Josh McCrain)
Associated Web App for the Correlates of State Policy Project Dataset (link)
congress and congressData: R Packages for CongressData
Associated Web App for the CongressData Dataset (link)

Skills

Formal Arabic, LATEX, Python, R, Web Scraping/Social Media APIs

Additional Training

ICPSR Summer Program: Applied Bayesian Models for Social Scientists Workshop	2020
Beirut Politics Exchange Annual Workshop (Beirut, Lebanon)	2019
Academic Research on Conflict and Contention Workshop (London School of Economics)	2018
Formal Arabic: Morocco	2011, 2017
Syria	2009, 2010

Grants & Awards

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS)
Summer Fellowship, Advanced Formal Arabic, Morocco (\$8,500)

Michigan State University
University Distinguished Fellowship
Cloud Computing Fellowship
2016–2021
2019-2020

Fieldwork

Beirut, Lebanon 2019

Teaching

Instructor (Graduate)

PLS 801: Quantitative Techniques in Public Policy and Political Science 2021 Programming in R for Political Scientists Summer Course (Co-instructor) 2020, 2021

Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate)

PLS 202: Introduction to Data Science 2020
PLS 100: Introduction to American Politics 2017

Workshops: ¹Social Media Mining in R: Collecting and Analyzing Twitter Data, ²Cleaning Messy Text Using R: How to Get Your Data Ready for Analysis, ³Computational Text Analysis: An Introduction using R, ⁴Building Static Websites Using GitHub Pages

Conference & Workshop Presentations

International Studies Association	$2020^{\dagger}, 2021, 2022$
American Political Science Association	2019, 2021
Muslim Studies Conference on Global Islamophobia in the Media (MSU)	2021
Political Networks Conference	2021
Midwest Regional Peace and Conflict Conference	2019, 2020
Midwest Political Science Association	2017, 2018, 2019
Minnesota Political Methodology Colloquium	2018, 2019
International Studies Association - Midwest	2019
Boston International Security Graduate Student Conference	2018
†Canceled due to COVID-19	

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