

# Matthew DiLorenzo

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## Employment

**Old Dominion University**, Norfolk, VA  
Associate Professor, Department of Political Science & Geography (July 2024 – )  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science & Geography, GPIS (July 2018 – July 2024)

**William & Mary**, Williamsburg, VA  
Research Analyst, AidData; Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Government (July 2016 – July 2018)

## Education

**Vanderbilt University**, Nashville, TN  
Ph.D., Political Science (International Relations, Political Methodology) (August 2016)  
Committee: Brett Benson, Josh Clinton, Daniel Nielson, James Lee Ray, Hye Young You

**University of New Hampshire**, Durham, NH  
M.A., Political Science (2011); Graduate Certificate in Sustainability Politics & Policy (2011)

**Salem State University**, Salem, MA  
B.S., Political Science (2009) (*summa cum laude*)

## Research interests

domestic politics and IR; international conflict; institutions; international political economy; foreign aid

## Peer-reviewed publications (<sup>†</sup> = GPIS student)

14. Knack, Stephen, Bradley C. Parks, Ani Harutyunyan, and Matthew DiLorenzo. Forthcoming. “How Does the World Bank Influence the Development Policy Priorities of Low-Income and Lower-Middle Income Countries?” *Political Studies Review*.
13. DiLorenzo, Matthew and Bryan Rooney. 2025. “Leader Similarity and International Conflict.” *Journal of Peace Research* 62(1):102–118.
12. DiLorenzo, Matthew. 2023. “International Politics and the Subnational Allocation of World Bank Development Projects.” *Political Studies Review* 21(2): 400–411.
11. BenYishay, Ariel, Matthew DiLorenzo, and Carrie Dolan. 2022. “The Economic Efficiency of Aid Targeting.” *World Development* 160(106062): 1–19.
10. DiLorenzo, Matthew and Talor Stone.<sup>†</sup> 2022. “Term Limits and Environmental Treaty Commitments.” *International Studies Quarterly* 66(2): sqab072.
9. Rooney, Bryan and Matthew DiLorenzo. 2021. “Political Turnover, Regime Type, and Investment Behavior.” *International Interactions* 47(4): 777–793.
8. DiLorenzo, Matthew. 2021. “Trade Layoffs and Hate in the United States.” *Social Science Quarterly* 102(2): 771–785.

7. Masaki, Takaaki, Bradley C. Parks, Jörg Faust, Stefan Leiderer, and Matthew DiLorenzo. 2021. "Aid Management, Trust, and Development Policy Influence: New Evidence from a Survey of Public Sector Officials in Low-Income and Middle-Income Countries." *Studies in Comparative International Development* 56(3): 364-383.
6. DiLorenzo, Matthew and Bryan Rooney. 2021. "International Constraints, Political Turnover, and Voting Consistency in the United Nations General Assembly." *Foreign Policy Analysis* 17(1): 162-186.
5. DiLorenzo, Matthew and Mengfan Cheng. 2019. "Political Turnover and Chinese Development Cooperation." *The Chinese Journal of International Politics* 12(1): 123-151.
4. DiLorenzo, Matthew. 2019. "Leader Survival, Sources of Political Insecurity, and International Conflict." *Political Research Quarterly* 72(3): 596-609.
3. DiLorenzo, Matthew, Becca McBride, and James Lee Ray. 2019. "Presidential Political Ambition and US Foreign Conflict Behavior, 1816-2010." *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 36(2): 111-130.
2. DiLorenzo, Matthew and Bryan Rooney. 2018. "Domestic Uncertainty, Third-Party Resolve, and International Conflict." *Journal of Peace Research* 55(4): 445-459.
1. DiLorenzo, Matthew. 2018. "Bypass Aid and Unrest in Autocracies." *International Studies Quarterly* 62(1): 208-219.

### **Book review**

DiLorenzo, Matthew. 2022. "Review of *States, Markets, and Foreign Aid* by Simone Dietrich. New York: Cambridge University Press." *Perspectives on Politics* 20(3):1145-1146.

### **Working papers and work in progress**

"Polarization, Political Turnover, and the Stability of Democratic Foreign Policy." Article manuscript.

"Ex Ante Delegation in Humanitarian Aid." In progress.

"Consenting to Pre-War Mediation." In progress.

### **Teaching experience and training**

*At ODU:*

IS 722/822: Democracy and International Relations (Fall 2024)

IS 740/840: Political Economy of Development (Spring 2022 – 2024)

IS 795/895: Development and the Politics of Poverty (MA/PhD, Spring 2020 – 2021)

IS 741/841: Globalization and Social Change in the World System (MA/PhD, Fall 2019 – 2023)

IS 713/813: Global Political Economy (MA/PhD, Spring 2019)

POLS 445: Globalization: Dynamics and Implications (Fall 2018)

POLS 308 / GEOG 308: Research Design (Spring 2019 – )

POLS 100S: Introduction to International Politics (Fall 2018)

*As Adjunct Lecturer at William & Mary:*

PUBP 602: Quantitative Methods I (graduate, Fall 2017)

GOVT 204: Introduction to International Politics (Spring 2017, Spring 2018)

*As Teaching Assistant at Vanderbilt University:*

PSCI 8357: Statistics for Political Research II (graduate). 2016 (Brenton Kenkel)  
Math Camp for incoming PhD students (graduate). 2015 (Hye Young You, Brenton Kenkel)  
PSCI 229: Strategy and International Politics. 2014 (Brett Benson).  
PSCI 102: Introduction to International Politics. 2012-2013 (Carol Atkinson, Brett Benson).

*Training:*

Vanderbilt University Center for the Integration of Research, Teaching, and Learning (CIRTL) Evidence-based Teaching Workshop (Associate level). Summer 2015.

### **Grants, fellowships, honors, and awards**

ODU College of Arts & Letters Summer Research Grant. Summer 2019. (\$3000)  
Vanderbilt University Graduate School Travel Grant. 2013, 2014, 2015. (Total of \$2000)  
Vanderbilt University Graduate Fellowship, 2011–2016  
UNH Political Science Department, 2011 M.A. Student of the Year Award  
UNH Department of Political Science Full-Tuition Scholarship 2010–2011

### **Service**

*ODU:*

Coordinator for GPIS International Development Certificate (2021 – )  
Coordinator for GPIS Professional Development Program (2020 – )  
Adjunct Portfolio Review for Political Science Committee (2019 – )  
Resources Committee (2020– )  
GPIS WEAVE Sub-committee (2019 – )  
College of Arts & Letters Scholarship Committee (2019 – 2022)  
College of Arts & Letters Faculty Awards Committee (2023 – 2024)  
Department of Political Science & Geography Promotion & Tenure Committee (2024 – )

*To profession:*

Reviewer for *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *Democratization*, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, *International Interactions*, *International Political Science Review*, *International Politics*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Contemporary Central and Eastern Europe*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Journal of Politics*, *National Science Foundation*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*, *Terrorism and Political Violence*, *World Development*

### **Graduate advising in GPIS**

*Current students*

Allen Hammerquist (PhD, chair)  
John Rose (PhD, chair)

*Former students*

Joseph Skertic (PhD, chair, March 2021)  
Alex Fretz (PhD, committee member, November 2021)  
Madison Gonzalez (MA, committee member, October 2021)  
Shelby Mertens (MA, committee member, defended March 2021)  
Mackenzie Clark (MA, committee member, defended October 2020)  
William Virgili (MA, committee member, defended May 2020)

Lora Pitman (PhD, committee member, defended June 2019)  
Eduardo Landaeta Feo (PhD, committee member, defended April 2023)  
Mila Savage (PhD, committee member, defended July 2023)  
Mahfoudha Sid'Elemine (PhD, committee member, defended July 2023)  
Mouse Devon Bennett (PhD, committee member, defended October 2023)

### Conference papers and participation

2024. "Polarization, Political Turnover, and the Stability of Democratic Foreign Policy." Paper presented virtually at the Annual Meeting of MPSA, April 5, 2024. Discussant for the Domestic Politics and International Political Economy panel at the Annual Meeting of the MPSA, April 4, 2024.
2023. Chair of the "IR and Domestic Politics" section at the annual meeting of the MPSA.
2022. "External Trade Dependence, Trade Competition, and International Conflict." Poster presented at virtual summer meeting of SPSA. Discussant at William & Mary's *Separating Fact from Fiction: China's Growing Global Influence and its Implications* conference, June 2022.
2021. "Birds of a Feather: Leader Similarity and International Conflict." Paper presented at annual meeting of APSA (virtual). Discussant for "IOs & Opinions" panel at The 14th Annual Conference of The Political Economy of International Organization (February 8, 2021).
2020. "Did the Millennium Development Goals Influence International Aid Priorities? Evidence From a Mid-Campaign Adjustment." (with Mouse Devon Bennett\*) Presented virtually at APSA 2020.
2019. Participation at annual meeting of APSA, Washington, DC: "Import Competition and Hate in the United States" (paper presentation); "International Politics and Internal Aid Allocation" (poster); Discussant for "Foreign Aid and Domestic Politics in Recipient Countries" panel; Co-discussant for "New Perspectives on International Collaboration" panel; Chair for "New Perspectives on Central Banking" panel.
2018. "Political Turnover and Chinese Development Cooperation." (with Mengfan Cheng) Paper presented at SAIS-CARI 4th Annual Conference, "Matters of State: Politics, Governance, & Agency in China-Africa Engagement," April 19-20, Washington, DC.
2017. "International Politics and Internal Aid Allocation." Paper presented at APSA, San Francisco, CA.
2016. Participation at annual meeting of the APSA Philadelphia, PA: "The Design of International Institutions for Humanitarian Aid" and "Bypass Aid and Unrest in Autocracies" (paper presentations); "Bypass Aid and Autocratic Survival." Paper presented at annual meeting of the ISA, Atlanta, GA.
2015. "Leader Survival, Natural Disasters, and International Conflict." Poster presented at annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA; "Aid Bypass and Regime Survival." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the SPSA, New Orleans, LA.
2014. "Leader Survival, Natural Disasters, and International Conflict." Paper presented at MPSA.

### References

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