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Education

Binghamton University Binghamton, NY	Ph.D., Political Science 2007-2013
Binghamton University Binghamton, NY	Master of Political Science 2009
Potsdam College (SUNY) Potsdam, NY	B.A. Politics, B.A. History 2006

Academic Appointments

Kansas State University Department of Political Science	Director of Security Studies 2021-Present
Kansas State University Department of Political Science	Associate Director of Security Studies 2020-2021
Kansas State University Department of Political Science	Associate Professor 2018-Present
Kansas State University Department of Political Science	Assistant Professor 2014-2018
University of Alabama Department of Political Science	Postdoctoral Fellow 2013-2014

Research Interests

Political economy of conflict and security, military deployments, foreign policy, conflict studies, international security, human rights issues, domestic politics, non-governmental organizations, multilevel modeling, Bayesian modeling, causal inference, social network analysis

Publications

Citations: 429 | h-index: 12 | i10-index: 13

Book

- Allen, M. A., Flynn, M. E., Machain, C. M., & Stravers, A. (2022). *Beyond the wire: Public opinion and US military deployments*. Oxford University Press.

Articles

- Allen, M., Flynn, M., & Machain, C. M. (2021). US global military deployments, 1950-2020*. *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, 7388942211030885.

2. Allen, M., Flynn, M., Machain, C. M., & Stravers, A. (2020). Outside the wire: US military deployments and public opinion in host states. *American Political Science Review*, 114(2), 326–341.
3. Flynn, M. (2020). Before the dominos fall: Regional conflict, donor interests, and US foreign aid. *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, 37(1), 39–57.
4. Flynn, M., Machain, C. M., & Stoyan, A. (2019). Building trust: The effect of US troop deployments on public opinion in peru. *International Studies Quarterly*, 63(3), 742–755.
5. Zingher, J., & Flynn, M. (2019). Does polarization affect even the inattentive? Assessing the relationship between political sophistication, policy orientations, and elite cues. *Electoral Studies*, 57(131142).
6. Allen, S., & Flynn, M. (2018). Donor government ideology and aid bypass. *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 14(4), 449–468.
7. Bell, S., Flynn, M., & Machain, C. M. (2018). UN peacekeeping forces and the demand for sex trafficking. *International Studies Quarterly*, 62(3), 643–655.
8. Zingher, J., & Flynn, M. (2018). From on high: The effect of elite polarization on mass attitudes and behaviors, 1972-2012. *British Journal of Political Science*, 48(1), 23–45.
9. Allen, M., Flynn, M., & VanDusky-Allen, J. (2017). Regions of hierarchy and security: US troop deployments, spatial relations, and defense burdens. *International Interactions*, 43(3), 397–423.
10. Flynn, M., & Fordham, B. (2017). Economic interests and threat assessment in the US congress, 1890-1914. *International Interactions*, 43(5), 744–770.
11. Allen, M., VanDusky-Allen, J., & Flynn, M. (2016). The localized and spatial effects of US troop deployments on host-state defense spending. *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 12(4), 674–694.
12. Barry, C., Bell, S., Clay, K., Flynn, M., & Murdie, A. (2015). Choosing the best house in a bad neighborhood: Location strategies of human rights INGOs in the non-western world. *International Studies Quarterly*, 59(1), 86–98.
13. Barry, C., Clay, K., Flynn, M., & Robinson, G. (2014). Freedom of foreign movement, economic opportunities abroad, and protest in non-democratic regimes. *Journal of Peace Research*, 51(5), 574–588.
14. Flynn, M. (2014). The international and domestic sources of bipartisanship in US foreign policy. *Political Research Quarterly*, 67(2), 398–412.
15. Flynn, M. (2014). Military leadership, institutional change, and priorities in military spending. *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 10(2), 103–126.
16. Barry, C., Clay, K., & Flynn, M. (2013). Avoiding the spotlight: Human rights shaming and foreign direct investment. *International Studies Quarterly*, 57(3), 532–544.
17. Allen, M., & Flynn, M. (2013). Putting our best boots forward: US military deployments and host-country crime. *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, 30(3), 263–285.

Book Chapters

1. Flynn, M. E. (2016). Battlestar galactica and foreign policy. In M. A. Allen & J. Vaughn (Eds.), *Poli sci fi: An introduction to political science through science fiction*. Routledge Press.

Grants and Awards

- Jones Family Faculty Award for Eastern European Studies, \$5,000. 2021.
- U.S. Department of Defense, Minerva Research Initiative. \$1,200,000. “The Political, Economic, and Social Effects of the United States’ Overseas Military Presence.” Active January 2018–January 2022.
- Department of Political Science Speaker Series. \$2,000. Kansas State Department of Political Science. 2015.
- Junior Faculty Enhancement Grant. \$10,000. Kansas State University College of Arts and Sciences. 2015.
- Research Incentive Grant. \$5,000. Kansas State Department of Political Science. 2015.

Op-Eds & Analysis

1. Allen, M. A., Flynn, M. E., Martinez Machain, C., & Stravers, A. (2019). The Implications of 5,000 troops to Colombia. In *The Duck of Minerva*.

2. Allen, M. A., Flynn, M. E., Martinez Machain, C., & Stravers, A. (2019). Understanding How Populations Perceive U.S. Troop Deployments. *The Owl In the Olive Tree*.
3. Allen, M. A., Flynn, M. E., Martinez Machain, C., & Stravers, A. (2019). UN Peacekeeping and the Demand for Sex Trafficking. In *Political Violence @ a Glance*.
4. Machain, C. M., Allen, M. A., & Flynn, M. E. (2019). Why does the US pay so much for the defense of its allies? 5 questions answered. *The Conversation*.
5. Flynn, M., Allen, M., & Machain Martinez, C. (2019). Trump wants South Korea and Japan to pay more for defense. *The Washington Post*.
6. Flynn, M. (2017). Are transgender military members more suicidal than others? A careful look at the data puts that in doubt. *The Washington Post*.
7. Flynn, M. (2014). The bipartisanship of appointments to the foreign policy bureaucracy is more affected by domestic factors than international. *LSE American Politics and Policy*.

Software

- troopdata: Tools for Analyzing Cross-National Military Deployment and Basing Data
 - Version Links: CRAN; Development/GitHub
 - Total Downloads: 4973
- greenbook: Tools for Analyzing US Foreign Policy Spending Data
 - Version Links: Development/GitHub

Data

- "U.S. Global Military Deployments, 1950–2020" with Michael E. Flynn and Carla Martinez Machain. Last updated: February 19th, 2021.
- "Survey on The Political, Economic, and Social Effects of the United States' Overseas Military Presence, 2018-2019." with Michael E. Flynn, Carla Martinez Machain, and Andrew Stravers. Last updated: February 26th, 2021.
- "U.S. Military Construction Geocoded Data." with Michael E. Flynn, Carla Martinez Machain, and Andrew Stravers. Last updated: December 10th, 2020.
- "U.S. Military Expenditures to Countries Data." with Michael E. Flynn, Carla Martinez Machain, and Andrew Stravers. Last updated: December 10th, 2020.
- "Crime Data for The Political, Economic, and Social Effects of the United States' Overseas Military Presence Wave 1.0 ." with Michael E. Flynn, Carla Martinez Machain, and Andrew Stravers. Last updated: March 4th, 2020.
- "Survey on The Political, Economic, and Social Effects of the United States' Overseas Military Presence, 2018-2019." with Michael E. Flynn, Carla Martinez Machain, and Andrew Stravers. Last updated: February 14, 2020.
- "Protest Data for The Political, Economic, and Social Effects of the United States' Overseas Military Presence." with Michael E. Flynn, Carla Martinez Machain, and Andrew Stravers. Last updated: January 16th, 2020.
- "Survey on The Political, Economic, and Social Effects of the United States' Overseas Military Presence, 2018." with Michael E. Flynn, Carla Martinez Machain, and Andrew Stravers. Last updated: June 29th, 2019.

Conference Participation

American Political Science Association: 2011, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
 International Studies Association: 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
 Peace Science Society International: 2019
 Department of Defense Minerva Initiative Program Conference: 2019, 2020
 Network of European Peace Scientists: 2018
 Midwest Political Science Association: 2011, 2012, 2014

International Studies Association Midwest: 2015, 2019
International Studies Association West: 2018, 2019
Political Networks Conference: 2011
Binghamton University Conference on Immigration Politics: 2011

Invited Talks and Workshops

- “Overseas military deployments and crime.” 2021. Virtual workshop organized and hosted by Asif Efrat, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel
- “The lifecycle of military basing.” Peace Science Society International Annual Meeting, 2019.
- “Hegemonic Leadership, Security Commitments, and Integration in the Liberal International Order.” (with Michael A. Allen and Colin M. Barry). Presented at the University of Georgia Department of International Affairs’ Colloquium Series, Athens, GA.

Teaching

Undergraduate

- Introduction to World Politics
- American Foreign Policy
- Political Economy of Conflict
- Domestic Politics and International Relations

Graduate

- International Security
- Comparative Foreign Policy
- Security Studies Research Methods
- Research Design in Security Studies

Service

Disciplinary

- Organizer, Troop Deployment Workshop, Peace Science Society International, 2021 (Cancelled).
- Editorial Board, International Interactions. 2019–Present.
- Book Award Committee, Foreign Policy Analysis section, International Studies Association, 2018.
- Organizer, junior faculty spotlight series, Quantitative Peace, 2020-2021
- Contributing writer at the Quantitative Peace, 2009–Present.
- Consultant, Combat Aviation Brigade (CAB), First Infantry Division, United States Army, Fort Riley, KS, 2015–2016.

University

- Chair, Planning Committee, Graduate Faculty Council, 2021
- Member, Planning Committee, Graduate Faculty Council, 2020-Present
- Member, Graduate School Ft. Leavenworth Project Coordinator hiring committee, 2021.
- Research Office mentorship luncheon for junior faculty, 2020.
- Guest lecture on Cold War foreign policy, College of Education, 2018.
- Faculty Advisor, Kansas State University International Relations Club, 2016–Present.

Department

- Chair, Security Studies Executive Committee, 2020–2021.
- Chair, Faculty Evaluation Committee, 2020–2021.
- Rank and Tenure Committee, 2020–2021.

- Diversity Committee, 2020–2021.
- Department Faculty Evaluation Committee, 2018–2019.
- Graduate Admissions Committee, 2016–2018.
- Security Studies Executive Committee, 2016–2018.
- MA Program Committee, 2015–2017.
- Faculty Hiring Committee, 2015–2016.
- Department Ph.D. Exam Committee, 2014–2015, 2018–2019.
- Department Events and Outreach Committee, 2014–2015.

Journal Reviewer

American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, British Journal of Political Science, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Foreign Policy Analysis, Political Research Quarterly, International Interactions, Journal of Development Studies, International Studies Perspectives, International Studies Review, Journal of Global Security Studies, Review of International Organizations, New England Journal of Political Science, International Relations of the Asia-Pacific

Computer Skills

- R (Advanced)
- Stata (Advanced)
- LaTeX (Advanced)