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Academic Positions

U.S. Naval War College, Newport, RI

Assistant Professor of National Security Affairs, 07/2023 - present

Education

Yale University, New Haven, CT

Ph.D., Political Science with University Distinction, 05/2023

Dissertation: Essays on Leadership, Domestic Politics, and Diplomacy Committee: Alexandre Debs (chair), Sarah Bush, Elizabeth Saunders,

and Nuno Monteiro

Fields: International Relations, Quantitative Methods, and

Comparative Politics

Stanford University, Stanford, CA M.A., International Policy, 06/2015

Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA

B.A., International Relations with Honors, 05/2012

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Goldfien, Michael A., Michael F. Joseph, and Roseanne W. McManus. "The Domestic Sources of International Reputation." *American Political Science Review* 117, no. 2 (2023): 609-628.

Bowen, Tyler, Michael A. Goldfien, and Matthew H. Graham. "Public Opinion and Nuclear Use." *The Journal of Politics* 85, no. 1 (2023): 345-350.

Goldfien, Michael A. and Michael F. Joseph. "Perceptions of Leadership Importance: Evidence from the CIA's President's Daily Brief." *Security Studies* 32, no. 2 (2023): 205-238.

Goldfien, Michael A., Michael F. Joseph, and Dan Krcmaric. "When Do Leader Backgrounds Matter? Evidence from the President's Daily Brief." Conflict Management and Peace Science 41, no. 1 (2024).

Goldfien, Michael A. "Just Patronage? Familiarity and the Diplomatic Value of Non-Career Ambassadors." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 68, no. 7-8 (2024): 1417–1442.

Book Projects

Political Ornithology and Peace: Hawks, Doves and the Politics of Rapprochement.

The Roots of Reputation: How International Reputation Accrues across

Multiple Policy Domains (with Michael Joseph & Roseanne McManus). Supported by NSF Grant No. 2342950 (Security and Preparedness Program).

Work in Progress

"Hawks, Doves, and Regime Type in International Rivalry and Rapprochement." *Draft available upon request.*

"The Domestic Sources of International Trust" (with Michael Joseph and Roseanne McManus). Draft available upon request.

"Multidimensional Reputation in International Politics" (with Tyler Pratt and Keren Yarhi-Milo). Draft Available on Request.

"Nuclear Politics and Conventional War: Evidence from Elite Military Opinion" (with Tyler Bowen, Patrick Hulme, and So Jin Lee). Draft Available on Request.

"An Expert Survey of Political Leader Beliefs and Worldviews" (with Soyoung Lee). Early stage.

"Burning Reputations" (with Tyler Pratt, Ryan Powers, and Jonathan Renshon). Early stage.

Service

Reviewer for: American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, Journal of Experimental Political Science, Security Studies, Journal of Conflict Resolution International Studies Quarterly, Government & Opposition

Co-founder, Junior Scholars in International Security, Etc. (JSISE) Member, Junior IR/Security Working Group

Fellowships and Grants

National Science Foundation Grant, Security and Preparedness Program (No. 2342950)

Yale Nuclear Security Fellowship (2023-24)

Notre Dame Hans J. Morgenthau Fellowship (2023-24)

Yale International Security Studies Graduate Fellowship (2018-19)

Honors and Awards

James G. March Award (best dissertation in Political Science), Yale University, 2023

Frederic M. Jablin Doctoral Dissertation Award

(outstanding dissertation from any discipline on leadership), International Leadership Association & the University of Richmond Jepson School of Leadership, 2023

Commencement Speaker for Stanford M.A. in International Policy, 2015

Conference Presentations

APSA (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024); ISA (2022, 2023); MPSA (2019); Peace Science (2023); Brown Bureaucracy & IR Conference (2022); Duke-UNC New Faces Conference (2022) Princeton Niehaus Workshop on Diplomats & Bureaucrats (2023)