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EDUCATION

University of Rochester

PhD, Political Science

Currently

Fields: International Relations, Political Methodology, Formal Theory

Duke University

MA, Political Science (*En route to PhD*)

2024

Fields: International Relations, Political Methodology

Queen Mary University of London

MRes, International Relations (Distinction, Top 5% of the cohort)

2020

– *J. Ann Tickner Prize for the Best Master Thesis in International Relations*

– *Nominated for Postgraduate Thesis Prize, Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science*

Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam

BA, International Relations (with Honors)

2019

– *Specialized/Major GPA: 3.84/4.0*

– *Top 10 Outstanding Honor Theses in International Relations (Grade: 9.3/10)*

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Complex Global Value Chains and Economic Interdependence: A New Look at the Opportunity Costs Argument (with Melle Scholten), *Review of International Political Economy*, 2026, [Link](#)

Staying or Leaving? How Businesses Take Action Towards Economic Sanctions: Evidence from the Russia - Ukraine War, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 2025, 21(3), [ora020](#). [Link](#)

SELECTED WORKING PAPERS

Network Spillover: Global Value Chains, Economic Security and the Emergence of Defense Cooperation Agreements (with Haoming Xiong)

Primaries, Caucuses, and Momentum: Theory and Evidence from 48 Years of Presidential Nomination Campaigns (with John Aldrich, Jim Granato, Arvind Krishnamurthy, M.C Sunny Wong).

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTER

“Deterrence in the Early Stages of Crisis” (with Kyle Beardsley, Jonnathan Wilkenfeld, Corinne DeFrancisci, Diana Partridge, and Megan Rutter) in Kyle Beardsley, Patrick James, and Jonathan Wilkenfeld (eds.) *A Century of International Crises, 1918-2019*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, *Forthcoming*.

SELECTED RESEARCH IN-PROGRESS

Re-examining the Peaceful Interdependence: How Interconnected Production Network Incentivizes Economic Conflict?

Can Effective Legislators be Effective Enforcers? Linking the Legislative Effectiveness with Environmental Enforcement (with Lawrence Rothenberg)

Strategic versus Myopic: Multinational Corporations under Geopolitical Uncertainties and Evidence from the World War II

Tariffs, Geoeconomics and Political Cleavages: Evidence from American High-Tech Companies (with Randall Stone)

SELECTED POLICY WRITING & OP-EDS

“Escalation Management in the Early Stages of International Crisis.” (with Kyle Beardsley, Jonnathan Wilkenfeld, Corinne DeFrancisci, Diana Partridge and Megan Rutter), Report Prepared for the Strategic Deterrence Framework Project of the Strategic Multilayer Assessment Office, U.S. Department of Defense, 2024.

“How American Firms Give the US an Edge Over China in Southeast Asia”, *The Diplomat*, Oct 25 2022, [Link](#)

“G7 Russia Oil Ban: Not as Simple as Advertised”, *Geopolitical Monitor*, May 17 2022, [Link](#)

“Why Vietnam Needs to Adopt a Biological Defense Strategy”, *The Diplomat*, June 07 2021, [Link](#)

AWARDS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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| Travel Grant, International Political Economy Society | 2025 |
| Fellowship, The Clements Center for National Security, University of Texas - Austin | 2025 |
| Lloyd and Lilian Vasey Fellowship, Pacific Forum | 2024 |
| Young Geoeconomist Grant, David A. Baldwin Fund, Geoeconomics Society | 2024 |
| Editorial Grant, Bassi Foundation, Editing Press | 2023 |
| Conference Support Award, Hayek Fund for Scholars, Institute for Humane Studies | 2023-2025 |
| Travel Award, International Studies Association | 2023 |
| Scholarship, Democracy, Institutions, and Political Economy Program, Duke University | 2023 |
| Bradley Fellowship, The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation | 2023 |
| Walter T. Molano Endowment, Department of Political Science, Duke University | 2022 |
| (Declined) Merit Fellowship, School of Global Policy and Strategy, UC San Diego | 2021 |
| (Nominated) Postgraduate Thesis Prize, London School of Economics and Political Science | 2020 |
| J. Ann Tickner Master Thesis Prize, Queen Mary University of London | 2020 |
| Top 10 Outstanding Honor Theses, Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam | 2019 |
| AmCham Scholarship (Runner Up), American Chamber of Commerce | 2019 |
| ABG Young Leaders Scholarship, Vietnam Asia-Pacific Economic Center | 2019 |
| Academic Excellence Scholarship, Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam | 2016 - 2019 |

PRESENTATIONS

Conferences & Workshops

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| International Political Economy Society | 2023, 2025 |
| American Political Science Association | 2024, 2025 |
| Summer Seminar in History and Statecraft, The Clements Center for National Security | 2025 |
| Midwest Political Science Association | 2025 (Cancelled), 2026 |
| International Studies Association | 2024, 2026 |
| Graduate Students in International Political Economy | 2024 |

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| Junior Scholars Symposium, The Cato Institute, DC | 2023 |
| Sanctions, Globalization, War and Peace, Institute for Humane Studies, Los Angeles | 2023 |
| International Relations Workshop, Department of Political Science, Duke University | 2023 |
| Graduate Student Colloquium, Department of Political Science, Duke University | 2022 |
| Invited Talks | |
| Research Frontiers of Economic Sanctions Workshop, Philadelphia | 2024 |
| Department of International Affairs, University of Georgia | 2024 |
| Center for International Trade and Security, University of Georgia | 2022 |
| (Cancelled due to COVID) World Forum for Democracy, The European Council | 2020 |
| Vietnam Embassy and Vietnamese General Union, Paris, France | 2020 |

PAST & PRESENT EXPERIENCE

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| Department of Political Science, University of Rochester | |
| <i>Research Assistant</i> | 2025- |
| Professor Randall Stone | |
| Professor Lawrence Rothenberg | |
| Project on International Security, Commerce, and Economic Statecraft, Center for Policy Research, University at Albany | |
| <i>Research Consultant</i> | 2024-2025 |
| Laber Labs, Department of Statistical Science, Duke University | |
| <i>Machine Learning Research Analyst</i> | 2024-2025 |
| Pacific Forum | |
| <i>Non-Residential Fellow</i> | 2024-2025 |
| Department of Political Science, Duke University | |
| <i>Research Assistant</i> | 2021-2024 |
| Professor John Aldrich | |
| Professor Kyle Beardsley | |
| Professor Edmund Malesky | |
| <i>Teaching Assistant</i> | 2023-2024 |
| POLSCI 233: Nuclear Weapons | |
| POLSCI 145: Introduction to Political Economy | |
| E-International Relations | 2020 - 2021 |
| <i>Features Associate Editor</i> | |
| European Student Thinktank | 2020 - 2021 |
| <i>Ambassador</i> | |
| Asia Group Advisor | May 2019 - August 2019 |
| <i>Intern Analyst</i> | |
| Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam | 2017 - 2019 |
| <i>Research Assistant, Institute for Foreign Policy and Strategic Studies</i> | |

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

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| Workshop on Research Design for Causal Inference, Northwestern University | 2023 |
| The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR), Syracuse University | 2023 |

SERVICES

Duke University

Coordinator: Graduate Student Colloquium, Department of Political Science

Security, Peace and Conflict Subfield Representative, Department of Political Science

Chair & Discussant: ISA 2024; Graduate Student in International Political Economy Conference 2024

Reviewer: *Journal of Asian Security and International Affairs, Vietnam Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities*

Membership: American Political Science Association, International Political Economy Society, Peace Science Society, International Studies Association

SKILLS

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| Languages | Vietnamese (Native), Chinese (intermediate) |
| Software & Tools | R, Python, STATA, ArcGIS, QGIS, L ^A T _E X |