

# Rachel D. Van Nostrand

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## EDUCATION

**Ph.D. Government and Public Policy**, University of Arizona, 2023 (expected).  
*Dissertation:* "Cruelty Confined: Locating Concentration Camps in Governments' Repertoires of Repression"  
*Committee:* Alex Braithwaite (Co-Chair), Faten Ghosn (Co-Chair), Jessica Maves Braithwaite, Javier Osorio

**M.A. Government and Public Policy**, University of Arizona, 2020.

**B.A. Political Science**, MENAS Minor, University of Arizona, 2018.  
*Summa Cum Laude* with Honors

**B.A. French**, University of Arizona, 2018.  
*Summa Cum Laude*

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Cox, Joseph M., and Rachel Van Nostrand. 2022. "Wielding the Gavel or Balancing the Scales? Domestic Legal Systems and Post-Conflict Justice". *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00220027221110581>

## BOOK CHAPTERS

Volgy, Thomas and Rachel Van Nostrand. 2022. "Regions and World Order Preferences." *Regions, Power and Conflict: Constrained Capabilities, Hierarchy, and Rivalry*.

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

Roark, P. DeAnne, Matthew Rains, and Rachel Van Nostrand. "Deterring Abuse with Gendered Justice? Women's Role in Truth Commissions."

Van Nostrand, Rachel. "Courts and Concentration Camps: Judicial Constraints on the Use of Repression."

Van Nostrand, Rachel, Daniel Solomon, and Alex Braithwaite. "Correlates of Concentrated Cruelty: Explaining State Administration of Concentration Camp Systems." *Revise and Re-submit - Global Studies Quarterly*.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Research Assistant.** PI: Dr. Alex Braithwaite. Data lead for the CCamp data project. Collecting data on individual concentration camps cross-nationally and managing a team of undergraduate RAs. University of Arizona. August 2022 - Present.

**Research Assistant.** PI: Dr. Faten Ghosn. Continuing research on political violence refugee movement in Lebanon for a Minerva grant. University of Arizona. August - December, 2020.

**Research Assistant.** PI: Dr. Faten Ghosn. Collected data on the presence and protection of vulnerable populations in social science research. Vulnerable Populations Project. June - September, 2020.

**Research Assistant.** PI: Dr. Alex Braithwaite. Created a comprehensive database on concentration camp systems from 1900 to the present. University of Arizona. August 2019 - May

2020.

**Undergraduate Research Fellow.** PI: Dr. Thomas Volgy. Created a database of regional NGOs to estimate the impact of major powers on their formation. University of Arizona. January - May, 2018.

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

**Instructor of Record**, POL 202: International Relations, University of Arizona, 2021-2022.

**Teaching Assistant**, POL 204: Political Thought, Dr. Suzanne Dovi, University of Arizona, Spring 2019.

**Teaching Assistant**, SGPP 300B: Politics, Policy, and Governance: Comparative and International Perspectives, Dr. Thomas Volgy, Fall 2018.

SKILLS

*Languages* Intermediate proficiency in spoken, written, and conversational French

*Coding Experience* R, Markdown, Stata, ArcGIS Online, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

*Quantitative Statistics* Data Collection and Analysis, Regression, Causal Inference, Experiments, Social Network Analysis

DATA PROJECTS

CCamp V.1: Global Data on Concentration Camp Systems (with Alex Braithwaite).

CCamp V.2: Camp-Level Data (with Alex Braithwaite and Daniel Solomon).  
National Science Foundation (NSF) # 2213615.

CONFERENCE  
PARTICIPATION

Peace Science Society Conference, Denver, Colorado, November 2022: "Cruelty Confined: Locating Concentration Camps in Governments' Repertoires of Repression."

American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, September 2022: "Cruelty Confined: Locating Concentration Camps in Governments' Repertoires of Repression."

TransResearch Consortium Annual Meeting, Claremont, CA, August 2022: "Cruelty Confined: Locating Concentration Camps in Governments' Repertoires of Repression."

International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, April 2022: "Mapping out regional support for the liberal world order" with Thomas Volgy.

International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, April 2022: "Contained and Constrained: Judicial Constraints on the Use of Repression".

Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX, January 2022: "Contained and Constrained: Judicial Constraints on the Use of Repression".

International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Online, April 2021: "Violence Against Refugees and the Role of Foreign Aid".

International Studies Association Annual Meeting, March 2020: "Wielding the Gavel or Balancing the Scales? Domestic Legal Systems and Post-Conflict Justice" with Joseph M. Cox. (*Accepted*).

INVITED WORKSHOPS	Peace Science Society. Responsible Public Engagement Workshop, Denver, Colorado, November 2022.
AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS	<p>Dissertation Fellowship, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, University of Arizona, \$7,500, 2022.</p> <p>Michael P. Sullivan Graduate Research Award in International Relations, School of Government &amp; Public Policy, University of Arizona, \$750, 2021.</p> <p>Summer Research Fellowship, School of Government &amp; Public Policy, University of Arizona, \$2,800, 2019-2020.</p> <p>Richard A. Harvill Graduate Fellowship, University of Arizona, \$12,000 and One Year of Funding, 2018.</p> <p>Graduate Access Fellowship, University of Arizona, \$8,000, 2018.</p> <p>International Scholarship, Benjamin A. Gilman Foundation, \$2,000, 2016.</p> <p>Global Award Fund Scholarship, School of International Languages, Literatures, &amp; Cultures, University of Arizona, \$1,500, 2016.</p> <p>Africana Studies Scholarship for Arizona in the French Caribbean, University of Arizona, \$6,000, 2016.</p> <p>Study Abroad Scholarship, Honors College, University of Arizona, \$1,000, 2016.</p> <p>Victor B. Kelley Scholarship, School of Government &amp; Public Policy, University of Arizona, \$750, 2016.</p> <p>Laura and Arch Brown Scholarship, Honors College, University of Arizona, \$500 each, awarded four times, 2016 - 2018.</p> <p>Wildcat Excellence Scholarship, University of Arizona, \$5,500 per year, 2014 - 2018.</p>
TRAVEL & CONFERENCE GRANTS	<p>American Political Science Association Travel Grant. \$150, 2022.</p> <p>TransResearch Consortium Travel Grant, \$730, 2022.</p> <p>Southern Political Science Association Prestage-Cook Travel Award, \$300, 2022.</p> <p>International Studies Association Travel Grant, \$700, 2021.</p> <p>University of Arizona Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grant, \$760, 2021.</p> <p>Travel Grant, School of Government &amp; Public Policy, University of Arizona, \$1,000, 2016.</p>
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	<p>Vice President. SGPP Graduate Student Association. 2021-2022.</p> <p>Search Committee Member. Human Rights in the Middle East and North Africa. 2021-2022.</p> <p>Committee Member. SGPP Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee. 2021-2022.</p>
ADDITIONAL TRAINING	<p>Foundations of Open Science Skills. CyVerse. February-April, 2021.</p> <p>ArcGIS Online Certificate Program. ESRI. August-September, 2020.</p>

Graduate TA Online Teaching Bootcamp. University of Arizona. May-June, 2020.  
Collaborative Teaching Workshop. University of Arizona. May 2019.  
L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X Crash Course. University of Arizona. February 2019.

PROFESSIONAL  
MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association  
International Studies Association  
Peace Science Society (International)  
Phi Beta Kappa

REFERENCES

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