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EDUCATION

University of Arizona. Tucson, AZ.

Ph.D. Government and Public Policy. exp. 2023.

Concentrations: International Relations and Political Methodology

M.A. Government and Public Policy. 2020.

B.A. Political Science (Foreign Affairs). 2018.

Minor in Middle Eastern and North African Studies

Summa Cum Laude with Honors

B.A. French (Language, Literature, and Cultures). 2018.

Summa Cum Laude

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Human Rights: Concentration Camps, Repression

Conflict: Post-Conflict Justice, Civil War, Legacies of Violence

BOOK CHAPTERS

"Regional Attitudes Toward the Liberal World Order" with Thomas J. Volgy in *Regions, Power and Conflict: Constrained Capabilities, Hierarchy, and Rivalry* (forthcoming 2023).

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Courts and Concentration Camps: Judicial Constraints on the Use of Repression".

"Correlates of Concentrated Cruelty: Explaining State Administration of Concentration Camp Systems" with Alex Braithwaite and Daniel Solomon. *Revise and Resubmit - Global Studies Quarterly*.

"Wielding the Gavel or Balancing the Scales? Domestic Legal Systems and Post-Conflict Justice" with Joseph M. Cox. *Conditional Accept - Journal of Conflict Resolution*.

"Violence Against Refugees and the Role of Foreign Aid". Master's Thesis.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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, University of Arizona

Introduction to International Relations (Undergraduate).
Spring, Summer, Fall 2021; Spring 2022.

Teaching Assistant, University of Arizona

Political Thought. Spring 2019.

Politics, Policy, and Governance: Comparative and International Perspectives. Fall 2018.

SKILLS

Languages Intermediate proficiency in spoken, written, and conversational French

Coding Experience R, Stata, ArcGIS, L^AT_EX

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

DATA PROJECTS

Global Data on Concentration Camp Systems (with Alex Braithwaite).

CONFERENCE
PARTICIPATION

"Contained and Constrained: Judicial Constraints on the Use of Repression". Saguaro Symposium Graduate Student Conference. April, 2022.

"A Ladder of Violence? The Strategic Use of Concentration Camp Systems". International Studies Association Annual Conference. April 2022.

"Introducing New Global Data about Concentration Camp Systems" with Alex Braithwaite and Daniel Solomon. Participant and Panel Chair. International Studies Association Annual Conference. April 2022.

"Mapping out regional support for the liberal world order" with Thomas Volgy. International Studies Association Annual Conference. April 2022.

"Contained and Constrained: Judicial Constraints on the Use of Repression". Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference. January 14, 2022.

"Violence Against Refugees and the Role of Foreign Aid". International Studies Association Annual Conference. April 8, 2021.

"Wielding the Gavel or Balancing the Scales? Domestic Legal Systems and Post-Conflict Justice" with Joseph M. Cox. International Studies Association Annual Conference. March 22, 2020. (*Accepted*).

"Violence Against Refugees and the Role of Foreign Aid". Saguaro Symposium Graduate Student Conference. March 20, 2020. (*Accepted*).

GRANTS &
FELLOWSHIPS

External Grants and Fellowships

Prestage-Cook Travel Award. Southern Political Science Association. \$300. 2022.

Travel Grant. International Studies Association. \$700. 2021.

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship. \$2,000. 2016.

Internal Grants and Fellowships

Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grant. \$762. 2021

SGPP Summer Research Fellowship. \$2,833. 2020.

SGPP Summer Research Fellowship. \$2,708. 2019.

Richard A. Harvill Graduate Fellowship. \$12,000 and 1 Year of Funding. 2018.

Graduate Access Fellowship. \$8,000. 2018.

SGPP Textbook Scholarship. \$500. 2016.

SILLC Global Award Fund Scholarship. \$1,500. 2016.

Africana Studies Scholarship for Arizona in the French Caribbean. \$6,000. 2016.

SGPP Travel Grant. \$1,000. 2016.

University of Arizona Study Abroad Grant. \$2,000. 2016.

Honors College Study Abroad Scholarship. \$1,000. 2016.

SGPP Victor B. Kelley Scholarship. \$750. 2016.

Laura and Arch Brown Scholarship. \$500 each, awarded four times. 2016 - 2018.

Honors College Fee Grant. \$500 each, awarded four times. 2014 - 2017.

Wildcat Excellence Scholarship. \$5,500 per year. 2014 - 2018.

AWARDS

Michael P. Sullivan Graduate Research Award in International Relations. \$750. 2021.

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE

Vice President. SGPP Graduate Student Association. 2021-2022.

Search Committee Member. Human Rights in the Middle East and North Africa. 2021-2022.

Committee Member. SGPP Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee. 2021-2022.

WORKSHOPS AND
TRAININGS

Foundations of Open Science Skills. CyVerse. February-April, 2021.

ArcGIS Online Certificate Program. ESRI. August-September, 2020.

Graduate TA Online Teaching Bootcamp. University of Arizona. May-June, 2020.

Collaborative Teaching Workshop. University of Arizona. May 2019.

L^AT_EX Crash Course. University of Arizona. February 2019.

PROFESSIONAL
MEMBERSHIPS

International Studies Association

Southern Political Science Association

Four Corners Conflict Network

Peace Science Society

Phi Beta Kappa

REFERENCES

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