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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science and International Affairs Expected May 2027

University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia USA

Major Field: International Relations

Minor Field: Political Methodology

Third Field: Comparative Politics

M.A., Political Science May 2018

San Diego State University, San Diego, California USA

Emphases: International Relations and Comparative Politics

B.A., International Security and Conflict Resolution (ISCOR) May 2014

San Diego State University, San Diego, California USA

cum laude, ΦBK

Specialization: Cooperation, Conflict, and Conflict Resolution

Minor: Islamic and Arabic Studies

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Georgia

Center for the Study of Global Issues (GLOBIS) Graduate Research Assistant:

- Supervisor: Dr. K Chad Clay: Spring 2024; Fall 2023; Summer 2023; Spring 2023

Department of International Affairs Graduate Research Assistant:

- Supervisor: Dr. Jeffrey Berejikian: Spring 2024; Fall 2023; Fall 2022

Human Rights Measurement Initiative (HRMI)

Research Assistant:

- Supervisor: Dr. K Chad Clay: Spring 2024; Fall 2023; Summer 2023; Spring 2023

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Michigan

ICPSR Summer Program Teaching Assistant:

- Maximum Likelihood Estimation II: Advanced topics
 - Dr. Desmond Wallace: Summer 2024

University of Georgia

Department of International Affairs Graduate Teaching Assistant:

- INTL 3200 Introduction to International Relations (Undergraduate)
 - Dr. Maryann Gallagher: Fall 2023; Spring 2023; Fall 2022
 - Dr. Gulcan Saglam: Spring 2023

San Diego State University

Department of Political Science Undergraduate and Graduate Teaching Assistant:

- POLS 101 Introduction to American Politics in Global Perspective (Undergraduate)
 - Dr. J.T. Smith: Fall 2017; Spring 2017
 - John Mercurio, M.A.: Spring 2017; Fall 2016
- POLS 102 Introduction to American and California Government and Politics (Undergraduate)
 - Dr. J.T. Smith: Spring 2018; Fall 2017
 - John Mercurio, M.A.: Spring 2017; Fall 2016; Spring 2016; Fall 2015
 - Dr. Carole Kennedy: Spring 2016; Fall 2015
- POLS 375 Introduction to International Relations (Undergraduate)
 - Dr. G. Allen Greb: Fall 2013; Fall 2012

Department of ISCOR Undergraduate and Graduate Teaching Assistant:

- ISCOR 200 Introduction to ISCOR (Undergraduate)
 - Dr. G. Allen Greb: Fall 2016; Fall 2014
- ISCOR 300 Global Systems (Undergraduate)
 - Dr. G. Allen Greb: Spring 2015
- ISCOR 310 Our Global Future (Undergraduate)
 - Dr. David Larom: Spring 2017
- ISCOR 320 International Security in the Nuclear Age (Undergraduate)
 - Dr. G. Allen Greb: Spring 2018; Fall 2017; Spring 2017; Spring 2016; Fall 2015; Spring 2014; Spring 2013

CONFERENCE AND COLLOQUIUM PARTICIPATION

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| 2024 | Panel Discussant , "Terrorism and Conflict: Strategies and Mitigating Factors," School of Public and International Affairs Undergraduate Research Colloquium, University of Georgia, April 19. |
| 2023 | Panel Discussant , "Contemporary Security Issues: Sanctions, Immigration, and Sexual Violence in Conflict," School of Public and International Affairs Undergraduate Research Colloquium, University of Georgia, April 14. |

HONORS, AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

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| 2024 | Academic Grant , Sawtooth Software (\$4900) |
| 2023 | Scholarship for Political Science Research , ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan (\$2600) |
| 2022-2023 | Graduate Student Research Grant , Department of International Affairs, University of Georgia (\$2500) |
| 2022-2027 | University Graduate Assistantship , University of Georgia |
| 2022-2027 | Full Tuition Scholarship , University of Georgia |
| 2022-2023 | Earl F. Ziemke Graduate Fellowship , University of Georgia (\$3000) |
| 2015-2016 | Terhune Fellowship , Department of Political Science, San Diego State University (\$3000) |
| 2012 | John and Jane Adams Endowment for the Humanities Scholarship , San Diego State University (\$500) |
| 2011-2013 | Dean's List Honors , College of Arts and Letters, San Diego State University |

METHODOLOGICAL TRAINING

University of Georgia

- Research Design; Ordinary Least Squares (OLS); Text as Data; Maximum Likelihood Estimation

(MLE); Computational Data Analysis; Applied Bayesian Modeling

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program

- 2024: Bayesian Modeling II; Causal Inference II; Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE) II; Time Series Analysis II
- 2023: Machine Learning; Multilevel Models I; Regression Analysis III; Time Series Analysis I

San Diego State University

- Research Design and Analysis; Scope and Methods of Political Science

PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

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| 2024 | Shaping the Future of Learning: Active Learning in Higher Education , 2nd Annual Active Learning Summit, University of Georgia, February 15-16. |
| 2023 | Early Career Scholar Training in Active Learning Strategies , Department of International Affairs, University of Georgia, May 10. |

SKILLS

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| Software | R, L ^A T _E X, Stata (beginner) |
| Languages | Arabic (beginner) |

PROFESSIONAL AND HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

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| 2023 | Peace Science Society (International) |
| 2023 | SouthEastern Rights Network (SERN) , <i>formerly Georgia Area Human Rights Network (GAHRNet)</i> |
| 2014 | Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society , San Diego State University |
| 2012 | Golden Key International Honour Society , San Diego State University |
| 2011 | Sigma Alpha Lambda National Leadership and Honors Organization , San Diego State University |

SERVICE

University of Georgia

To the University:

- 2024
 - Judge, Intrasociety Debate, Phi Kappa Literary Society, April 25.

To the School of Public and International Affairs:

- 2024
 - Participant, "Ask a Grad Student" Panel, Departments of Political Science and International Affairs Visit Day, March 1.

EVENT ATTENDANCE

- 2024** **SouthEastern Rights Network Spring Workshop**, Georgia State University, May 3.
Conference on Measuring and Predicting Political Violence, University of Georgia, April 24-25.
HRMI Spring 2024 Team Retreat, University of Georgia, February 25-28.
- 2023** **SouthEastern Rights Network Fall Workshop**, Emory University, December 1.
Data Visualization and Presentation Workshop, University of Georgia, May 15.
SouthEastern Rights Network Spring Workshop, University of Georgia, May 5.