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- Academic Positions** Assistant Professor, Political Science, Emory University 2013 -  
College Fellow, Department of Government, Harvard University 2011-2013  
Instructor, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester, spring 2011
- Education** Ph.D. Political Science, University of Rochester, 2013  
fields: International Relations *with distinction*, Comparative Politics, Formal Theory  
M.A. Political Science, University of Rochester, 2009  
B.A. Political Science, Boston University 2002
- Dissertation** **“Accountability and International Conflict”**  
Committee: Hein Goemans (Chair), Mark Fey, Gretchen Helmke
- Publication** **“Influence in Terrorist Networks: From Undirected to Directed Graphs”**  
with Steven J. Brams and Hande Mutlu in *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism*. 29(7),  
Oct-Nov 2006: 703-718.
- Working Papers** **“Secret Talks, Public Agreements: Israeli-Palestinian Diplomacy since 1993”**  
  
**“Mediation Onset, Success and Leader Survivability: Testing the Robustness of Domestic Political Cover”**  
  
**“Power Sharing, Elite Culpability and War”**  
Presented at Peace Science Society, Los Angeles 2011; European Political Science Association, Dublin 2011; Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 2011 and 2010.  
  
**“Diplomatic Flexibility in the Shadow of an Audience: The Benefits of Private Mediation”**  
Presented at the 12th Annual New Faces in International Conflict Conference, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill 2011; American Political Science Association, Seattle 2011; European Political Science Association, Dublin 2011; Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 2011; Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans 2011; Watson Center for International Conflict, University of Rochester 2010; Women in International Conflict Studies Meeting, University of Iowa 2010.  
  
**“The Rationality of Audience Costs: A Formal Model of National Honor”**  
Presented at Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 2011.  
  
**“Learning in Repeated Crises: Adaptive Belief Formation and WWI”** with Jeremy Kedziora, University of Rochester, NY.  
  
**“Three Mechanisms for Mediation: Information Transmission, Side Payments and Audience Costs”**  
Presented at Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago 2010, and 2009.

## **“The Political Opposition and Diversionary War”**

Previous version “Diversionary War: Competence and Circumstance” presented at University of Rochester as Second Year Paper fulfillment, 2008.

### **Fellowships and Awards**

- Star Family Prize for Excellence in Advising Nominee, Harvard University, 2013.
- Weatherhead Center for International Affairs Research Award, Harvard University, 2011-2012.
- College Fellow Postdoctoral Fellowship, Harvard University, 2011-2012.
- Tower Center Postdoctoral Fellowship, Southern Methodist University, 2011-2012 *declined*.
- Derek Bok Center Certificate of Teaching Excellence for Cycles of War and Peace, Harvard University, 2011.
- Arts, Sciences and Engineering Honored Graduate Student Developing Researcher, University of Rochester, 2011-2012.
- Honored Faculty, Take Five Scholars Program, University of Rochester, 2011.
- Harrell Rodgers Graduate Student Scholarship, Policy Studies Organization and Midwest Political Science Association, 2011.
- Graduate Student Organization Research Funding Award, University of Rochester, 2011.
- Charles E. Lanni Summer Research Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2010.
- Summer Research Assistant Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2010.
- Political Science Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award, University of Rochester, 2008.
- Second Year Paper Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2008.
- Charles E. Lanni Summer Research Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2007.
- Provost’s Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2005-2010.
- University Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2005-2010.

### **Additional Research Experience**

#### **Field Research**

- *Ecuador, summer 2008*: Interviewed government and military officials, experts, journalists, etc. regarding conflict and resolution between Peru and Ecuador.

#### **Research Assistant**

- For Gretchen Helmke, University of Rochester, 2009 - 2011. Conducted statistical analyses of domestic interbranch conflicts in Latin America. Assisted with development of crisis bargaining theoretical model to study institutional instability and political power. Collected data on Latin American elections, constitutions, and political parties. Assisted with organization of Comparative Politics Division for the 2010 American Political Science Association meeting.
- For Curtis Signorino, University of Rochester, 2007. Investigated structural and strategic estimation models when there are multiple equilibria.
- For Kevin Clarke, University of Rochester, 2007. Investigated structural and strategic estimation model differences.
- For Steven J. Brams, New York University, 2004 - 2005. Developed computational simulations of bargaining methods and outcomes to investigate properties such as efficiency and fairness.

### **Teaching**

#### **Courses Taught**

- Applied Game Theory, graduate, spring 2014.
- Security, graduate, fall 2013.
- Cycles of War and Peace, undergraduate, spring/fall 2011, spring 2013.
- American Foreign Policy, undergraduate and online, spring 2012, fall 2012.
- Civil-Military Relations in an Age of Terrorism, directed reading, spring 2012.

- Health and Human Security in Post-Conflict Regions, directed reading, spring 2011.

### Study Abroad/Other

- Mentoring Faculty in Residence, EITM Summer Institute, U.C. Berkeley 2013, Duke 2014
- Study Abroad Faculty Leader, Washington, D.C., The Washington Center Security Seminar June 2013, Presidential Inauguration Seminar January 2013.
- Arts, Sciences and Engineering Experienced TA Training Seminar Leader, University of Rochester, 2009. Nominated by Political Science department to lead TA training. Developed and led ten 30-minute guided discussions on topics such as: university resources, gender issues, mental health issues, and academic honesty. Led a 90-minute Q&A for new TAs.

### Advising

- Emory Ph.D.: Maya Wilson
- Emory B.A./M.A. thesis: Tyler Shuman
- EITM Ph.D.: Joseph Florence (Cornell University), Johannes Kleibl (Essex), Felipe Nunes (UCLA), Andrey Tomashevskiy (UC Davis)
- Harvard University senior thesis: Ethan Lyle, Gabriel Lloyd, Alexander Rose

### Teaching Assistant

- Theories of International Relations with Professor Randall Stone, University of Rochester, fall 2007, spring 2010.
- Introduction to International Relations with Professor Hein Goemans, University of Rochester, spring 2008, spring 2009, spring 2010.
- Introduction to Comparative Politics with Professor G. Bingham Powell, University of Rochester, fall 2006.

### Service

- *International Diplomacy Project*, Director/Organizer, Emory University, 2013 - present. Organizing a student conference joint with Morehouse College and the Daisy Alliance.
- *Emory Journal of International Affairs*, Faculty Advisor, Emory University, 2013-2014.
- *Atlanta Peace Consortium*, Representative/Organizer for Emory University, 2013-2014. Consortium between Georgia Tech, Georgia State, Morehouse College, Emory, and the Daisy Alliance. We are organizing a conference in April 2014 in which students will simulate interstate negotiations for a Weapons of Mass Destruction Free Zone in the Middle East.
- *Undergraduate Student Committee*, Emory University, 2013-2014.
- *Watson Center Graduate Student Roundtable Series*, University of Rochester, 2010 - 2011. Founded and led a monthly workshop to foster the constructive exchange to support the entire research and writing process for political science graduate students.
- *Multinational Corporations in World Politics Conference*, University of Rochester, 2010. Organized a weekend conference where political science graduate students served as discussants for invited speakers.
- *Watson Center for International Conflict Seminar*, University of Rochester, 2008 - 2010. Organized weekly and bi-weekly talks for graduate students, faculty, and invited speakers.
- *The David T. Kearns Center for Leadership and Diversity*, University of Rochester, 2010-2011. Served on a panel in a 90-minute Q&A for low-income, first-generation college, and minority students interested in graduate school. Hosted incoming

	<p>students. Generated ideas for and participated in: diversity workshops, Q&amp;A sessions with diverse faculty, and graduate student-faculty development events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewer: Conflict Management and Peace Studies, Congressional Quarterly Press.</li> </ul>
<b>Professional Development</b>	<p>2nd Annual Diversity Conference, University of Rochester, 2011          Future Faculty Workshop Series, University of Rochester, 2010-2011          Women in International Conflict Studies, Journeys in World Politics Conference, 2010          Fellowships and Grants Workshop, University of Rochester, 2010</p>
<b>Invited Talks and Conferences</b>	<p>Princeton University, Formal Models of International Conflict, May 9-10, 2013          University of Rochester Political Science department, March 18, 2013          Presidential Inauguration Seminar, The Washington Center, January 12 - 22, 2013          International Studies Association Annual Meeting, 2012          American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2011, 2012 (conference canceled)          Peace Science Society Annual Conference, 2011, 2012          Triangle Institute for Security Studies, New Faces in International Conflict Conference, Chapel Hill, NC, 2011          Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2009, 2010, 2011          Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2011          European Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2011          Women in International Conflict Studies Journeys in World Politics, 2010          Watson Center for International Conflict Seminar Series, 2010          Public Choice Society Annual Meeting, 2005, 2010          4th Conference on Mathematical Models in Counterterrorism, 2007</p>
<b>Professional Affiliations</b>	<p>Institute for Quantitative Theory and Methods, Emory University, 2013 -          Institute for Quantitative Social Sciences, Harvard University, 2011 - 2013          Center for Geographic Analysis, Harvard University, 2012-2013          Visiting Scholar, Policy Studies Organization, D.C., summer 2012          American Political Science Association, 2009 -          Midwest Political Science Association, 2009 -          European Political Science Association, 2011 -          Peace Science Society, 2011 -          Public Choice Society, 2005 -          Watson Center for International Conflict, 2005 - 2013          Wallis Institute for Political Economy, 2005 - 2013          Southern Political Science Association, 2010 - 2012          Women in International Conflict Studies, 2010 -          American Association of University Women, 2009 - 2011</p>
<b>Research and Teaching Interests</b>	<p><b>International Relations</b>          Conflict, Security, Peace Studies          Terrorism, American Foreign Policy</p> <p><b>Comparative Politics</b>          Democratization, Representation, and Accountability          Political Institutions</p> <p><b>Formal Theory/Methods</b>          Formal Theory          Empirical Testing of Theoretical Models/Research Design</p>

**Technical Skills**    R, Stata, C/C++, WinBUGS, Maple, TeX

**References**

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