

# Steven V. Miller

Docent, Department of Economic History and International Relations

📍 Universitetsvägen 10A · Stockholm University · 114 18 Stockholm, Sweden

✉ [steven.miller@su.se](mailto:steven.miller@su.se) 📠 [svmiller](mailto:svmiller) 🌐 [svmiller.com](http://svmiller.com) | Updated: 21 Sep 2025

## EMPLOYMENT

---

<b>Stockholm University</b>	Stockholm, Sweden
<i>Docent</i>	2023–Present
<i>Universitetslektor</i>	2022–2023
<b>Clemson University</b>	Clemson, SC, USA
<i>Associate Professor</i>	2019–2022
<i>Assistant Professor</i>	2013–2019
<b>University of Illinois</b>	Urbana, IL, USA
<i>Visiting Lecturer</i>	2012–2013

## EDUCATION

---

<b>University of Alabama</b>	Tuscaloosa, AL, USA
<i>Ph.D., Political Science</i>	2012
<b>The Ohio State University</b>	Columbus, OH, USA
<i>B.A., Political Science</i>	2006

## PUBLICATIONS

---

Citations: 808 | *h-index*: 14 | *i10-index*: 17

### Journal Articles

- Gibler, Douglas M., and Steven V. Miller. 2024. “[The Militarized Interstate Events \(MIE\) Dataset, 1816–2014](#).” *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 41(4): 463–81.
- Gibler, Douglas M., and Steven V. Miller. 2024. “[The Militarized Interstate Confrontation Dataset, 1816–2014](#).” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 68(2–3): 562–86.
- Miller, Steven V. 2023. “[Economic Anxiety or Ethnocentrism? An Evaluation of Attitudes Toward Immigration in the U.S. From 1992 to 2017](#).” *The Social Science Journal* 60(4): 818–37.
- Miller, Steven V. 2022. “[A Random Item Response Model of External Territorial Threat, 1816–2010](#).” *Journal of Global Security Studies* 7(4): ogac012.
- Gibler, Douglas M., and Steven V. Miller. 2022. “[An Appraisal of Project Mars and the Divided Armies Argument](#).” *International Studies Quarterly* 66(2): sqac011.
- Miller, Steven V. 2022. “[peacesciencer: An R Package for Quantitative Peace Science Research](#).” *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 39(6): 755–79.
- Curtis, K. Amber, and Steven V. Miller. 2021. “[A \(Supra\)nationalist Personality? The Big Five’s Effects on Political-Territorial Identification](#).” *European Union Politics* 22(2): 202–26.
- Miller, Steven V., and Nicholas T. Davis. 2021. “[The Effect of White Social Prejudice on Support for American Democracy](#).” *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics* 6(2): 334–51.

- Gibler, Douglas M., Steven V. Miller, and Erin K. Little. 2020. "The Importance of Correct Measurement." *International Studies Quarterly* 64(2): 476–79.
- Miller, Steven V. 2019. "What Americans Think about Gun Control: Evidence from the General Social Survey, 1972–2016." *Social Science Quarterly* 100(1): 272–88.
- Miller, Steven V. 2018. "External Territorial Threats and Tolerance of Corruption: A Private/Government Distinction." *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy* 24(1): 20170043.
- Miller, Steven V. 2017. "The Effect of Terrorism on Judicial Confidence." *Political Research Quarterly* 70(4): 790–802.
- Miller, Steven V. 2017. "Economic Threats or Societal Turmoil? Understanding Preferences for Authoritarian Political Systems." *Political Behavior* 39(2): 457–78.
- Miller, Steven V. 2017. "Individual-Level Expectations of Executive Authority Under Territorial Threat." *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 34(5): 526–45.
- Gibler, Douglas M., Steven V. Miller, and Erin K. Little. 2016. "An Analysis of the Militarized Interstate Dispute (MID) Dataset, 1816–2001." *International Studies Quarterly* 60(4): 719–30.
- Gibler, Douglas M., and Steven V. Miller. 2014. "External Territorial Threat, State Capacity, and Civil War." *Journal of Peace Research* 51(5): 634–46.
- Miller, Steven V. 2013. "Territorial Disputes and the Politics of Individual Well-Being." *Journal of Peace Research* 50(6): 677–90.
- Gibler, Douglas M., and Steven V. Miller. 2012. "Quick Victories? Territory, Democracies, and Their Disputes." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 57(2): 258–84.
- Gibler, Douglas M., and Steven V. Miller. 2012. "Comparing the Foreign Aid Policies of Presidents Bush and Obama." *Social Science Quarterly* 93(5): 1202–17.
- Gibler, Douglas M., Marc L. Hutchison, and Steven V. Miller. 2012. "Individual Identity Attachments and International Conflict: The Importance of Territorial Threat." *Comparative Political Studies* 45(12): 1655–83.
- Miller, Steven V., and Douglas M. Gibler. 2011. "Democracies, Territory, and Negotiated Compromises." *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 28(3): 261–79.

### Chapters in Edited Volumes

- Miller, Steven V. 2022. "Territorial Disputes." In *Encyclopedia of Violence, Peace, & Conflict*, ed. Lester R. Kurtz. Oxford: Academic Press, 210–17.
- Gibler, Douglas M., and Steven V. Miller. 2021. "The Territorial Peace: Current and Future Research." In *What Do We Know about War?*, eds. Sara McLaughlin Mitchell and John A. Vasquez. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 158–70.
- Miller, Steven V., Jaroslav Tir, and John A. Vasquez. 2020. "Geography, Territory, and Conflict." In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Studies*, Oxford University Press.

### Book Reviews and Other Publications

- Miller, Steven V. 2020. "Power Without Victory: Woodrow Wilson and the American Internationalist Experiment." *Congress & the Presidency* 47(2): 275–76.
- Miller, Steven V. 2020. *NEPC Review: "School Sector and Satisfaction: Evidence from a Nationally Representative Sample"*. Boulder, CO: National Education Policy Center.

Miller, Steven V. 2018. “[National Identity and Territory in a World of Changing Scale](#).” *International Studies Review* 20(4): 728–30.

#### WORKING PAPERS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

---

“External Territorial Threat and Attitudes Toward Redistribution.”

*How Social Intolerance Undercuts Democracy*. (with [Nicholas T. Davis](#))

“Prioritizing Defense: Territorial Threat and Attitudes Toward Defense as National Priority.”

“Understanding Carrots and Sticks in U.S. Aid Allocation: The Case of the Middle East.”

“U.S. Presidents, Human Rights, and Economic Aid from Truman to Obama: A Mixed Effects Approach.”

“Convergence or Divergence? The Unique Effect of Territorial Threats on Attitudes toward Authoritarian Leaders.”

“Pro-Government Violence and Support for Authoritarian Governments”

“When and Where is the Democratic Peace?”

#### GRANTS AND AWARDS

---

##### External Grants

Co-Principal Investigator (with [Douglas M. Gibler](#) and [Jessica Maves Braithwite](#)). “[Ghosts in the Machine: Militias and Paramilitaries in Militarized Interstate Conflicts](#).” *National Science Foundation*, 2021–2024, \$352,026 (\$99,504 to Clemson University).

\* Project participation terminated in Aug. 2022 after move to Stockholm University.

Co-Principal Investigator (with [Douglas M. Gibler](#)). “[What Do Leaders Want?: Collecting and Coding Issue Positions and Demands in the Militarized Interstate Dispute \(MID\) Data, 1816–2010](#).” *National Science Foundation*, 2017–2021, \$342,012 (\$92,787 to Clemson University).

##### Awards and Distinctions

“[Professor of the Game](#)”, Clemson University, Oct. 28, 2017

Artinian Travel Award, Southern Political Science Association, January 2016

John C. Morse Award of Academic Excellence (for *The Pendulum*), Clemson University, April 2015

40 Under 40: Professors Who Inspire, May 2014

Graduate Student Spotlight (University of Alabama), Nov. 20, 2012

Lex Arden Fikes, Jr. Award, Department of Political Science, University of Alabama, April 2010

Pi Sigma Alpha, Omicron Chapter, The Ohio State University, June 2006.

##### Internal Grants

Stockholm Center for Global Asia, Stockholm University, 2024 (30 000 SEK)

University Research Grant Committee Completion Grant, Clemson University, 2016 (\$3,000)

Graduate Council Research/Creative Activity Fellowship, University of Alabama, 2010–2011

## Student Supervision

Primary supervision of PhD students noted with \*, where applicable.

*Undergraduate Theses*: 14

*Master's Theses*: 5

*PhDs*: Sarah Beadle (Clemson University [Psychology], 2021), Lukas Hegele (Stockholm University [Political Science], 2024)

## Data Sets Created/Maintained

### International Conflict Data

A suite of logically-consistent, correctly-coded data sets that identify all threats, displays, and uses of force between states from 1816 to 2014. Data jointly created/maintained with Douglas M. Gibling.

### Territorial Change

This Correlates of War data set records all peaceful and violent changes of territory from 1816-2018.

## Software Created

*R Programming Language*<sup>1</sup>

**codename**: generate code names for projects (comes in various styles, like Ubuntu and Wu-Tang)

**dragracer**: learn R functions around data from RuPaul's Drag Race

**fpsim**: calculate various measures of association/similarity, with IR applications

**isard**: overflow data for **peacesciencer**

**peacesciencer**: data generation tools for quantitative peace science

**simqi**: simulate quantities of interest for regression models

**stevedata**: miscellaneous data sets I use for in-class instruction

**stevemisc**: various helper functions (esp. for mixed models and BTSCS models)

**steveproj**: academic project management with Make and R Markdown

**stevetemplates**: write R Markdown documents with [my suite of templates](#)

**stevetemes**: a collection of themes and theme elements for plots in R

**sTSD**: simulate time series diagnostics, and other time series things

## Professional Service

Tenure and promotion reviewer for University of Liverpool (2023)

Manuscript reviewer for *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Politics Research*, *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*, *Chinese Journal of International Politics*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *Congress & the Presidency*, *Defence and Peace Economics*, *Democratization*, *Economic Anthropology*, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, *Human Rights Review*, *International Interactions*, *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, *International Journal of Public Opinion Research*, *International Politics*, *International Political Science Review*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *International Studies Review*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Global Security Studies*, *Journal of International Relations and Development*, *Journal of Open Source Software*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*, *Justice Quarterly*, *Latin American Research Review*, *Mass Communication and Society*, *Mobilization*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Research*

---

<sup>1</sup>My R packages have been downloaded on CRAN 159,661 times since 5 November 2020.

*Quarterly, Political Science Research and Methods, Public Opinion Quarterly, Sociological Inquiry, Social Problems, Social Science Journal, Social Science Quarterly, Social Science Research, Violence and Victims*

Section chair for 75th annual Midwest Political Science Association conference (2017, Peace Science), 92nd annual Southern Political Science Association (2021, International Politics: Conflict and Security), 28th IPSA Political Science Association World Congress (2025, Quantitative International Politics).

Panel chair, discussant at conferences for Midwest Political Science Association (2012, 2013, 2017, 2018\*), International Studies Association (2015), Peace Science Society (International) (2016, 2017), Southern Political Science Association (2015, 2016).

\* Discussant in Junior Scholar Symposium

Discussant at [Online Peace Science Colloquium](#), Peace Science Society (International). Feb. 12, 2016.

### **University Service**

Research Advisory Board, Clemson University, 2017–2018, 2019–2020.

Fulbright Campus Committee Evaluation, Clemson University, 2013.

### **College Service**

Research Committee, College of Behavioral, Social and Health Sciences, Clemson University, 2016–2022.

### **Department Service**

Secretary of IR Subject Council, Department of Economic History and International Relations, Stockholm University 2023–present.

Curriculum Committee, Department of Political Science, Clemson University, 2016–2022.

Chair of Search Committee for Assistant Professor in Comparative Politics, 2017.

Chair of Search Committee for Visiting Assistant Professor in Comparative Politics/International Relations, 2017.

*Summer in the Balkans* study-abroad program, 2015

Advisor to *The Pendulum*, Clemson University, 2014–2017.

Advisor to Pi Sigma Alpha (Eta Lambda), Clemson University, 2013–2022.

### **Invited Presentations**

Ewha Woman's University, 2025

University of Maryland, 2023

University of Gothenburg, 2022

Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla, 2020

University of South Carolina, 2015

### **Workshops**

*New Developments Within the Study of Conflict and Political Violence*, Leiden University, 2024

*Conflict and the Natural World*, Peace Science Society International, 2020

*International Conflict Workshop*, University of Alabama, 2020 (canceled due to COVID-19)

*What Do We Know About War?*, University of Iowa, 2019

*Trade and Conflict Workshop*, University of South Carolina, 2019

*Korea's Rise in Comparative Perspective Conference*, Clemson University, 2014  
*Militarized Interstate Disputes/Incidents (MID/MIDI) Workshop*, University of California, Davis, 2014  
*Research Academy Conference on Territory, Rivalry, and Domestic Politics*, University of Alabama, 2009

## MEDIA

---

Invited commentary in *Clemson Newsstand* ([March 10, 2014](#)), *Data for Progress* ([Oct. 25, 2018](#)), *iOnGreenville* ([Nov. 9, 2020](#)), *The Monkey Cage* (*Washington Post*) ([Dec. 24, 2015\\*](#); [Oct. 3, 2017](#)), *South Carolina Public Radio* ([Nov. 13, 2020](#)), *Vox* ([July 2, 2018](#))

\* Reprinted in Sides, John and Henry Farrell. 2016. *The Science of Trump: Explaining the Rise of an Unlikely Candidate*. The Monkey Cage.

Podcast interview with *Break it Down Podcast* ([Oct. 24, 2017](#)), *This Is Hell!* ([June 9, 2018](#))

Radio interview with *BBC Radio 5 Live* ([Feb. 19, 2018](#)), *Morning Wave in Busan* ([Mar. 20, 2014](#)), *WBAI Radio 99.5FM NYC* ([July 3, 2018](#)), *WRNN 99.5 - Hot Talk* ([May 20, 2020](#); [Nov. 4, 2020](#)), *WBZ's NightSide* ([July 13, 2018](#))

Sourced in *Bloomberg BusinessWeek* ([Oct. 11, 2017](#)), *Correio Braziliense* ([Feb. 16, 2018](#)), *Clemson Newsstand* ([Feb. 18, 2020](#); [May 18, 2020](#)), *CNN* ([Nov. 10, 2018](#)), *Greenville News* ([Oct. 25, 2016](#); [May 18, 2020](#)), *MacLean's* ([March 10, 2016](#)), *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* ([Aug. 8, 2019](#)), *Mother Jones* ([July 11, 2018](#)), *NBC News* ([Dec. 15, 2017](#); [May 27, 2018](#)), *New York Times* ([May 24, 2018](#)), *Newsweek* ([May 19, 2020](#)), *Salon* ([Aug. 2, 2018](#)), *The State* ([May 18, 2020](#)), *ThinkProgress* ([June 4, 2018](#)), *Washington Post* ([Oct. 2, 2017](#); [July 10, 2018](#))

Video interview with *WYFF (NBC)* ([Oct. 3, 2017](#); [Jan. 3, 2020](#); [Jan. 21, 2020](#); [Feb. 26, 2020](#); [Nov. 4, 2020](#)), *WSPA (CBS)* ([May 18, 2020](#))

## TEACHING

---

Classes annotated by level, either undergraduate (U) or graduate (G), and (for Stockholm University, when applicable) "course-responsible" status (†).

### Stockholm University

Introduction to International Cooperation<sup>U</sup>, Introduction to International Security<sup>U</sup>, International Cooperation Towards Global Challenges<sup>U†</sup>, New Approaches to European Security Cooperation<sup>U†</sup>, Research Methods<sup>U</sup>, Quantitative Methods in the Study of International Relations<sup>U†</sup>, Analyzing Text and Numbers: R for Social Scientists<sup>U</sup>, International Institutions and International Cooperation<sup>G</sup>, Quantitative Methods<sup>G†</sup>, Advanced Quantitative Methods<sup>G†</sup>

### Clemson University

Introduction to International Relations<sup>U</sup>, International Politics in Crisis<sup>U</sup>, Quantitative Methods in Political Science<sup>U</sup>, Tracking Political Attitudes in Latin America<sup>U</sup>, U.S. Foreign Policy<sup>U</sup>, Foundations of Social Science Research for Public Policy<sup>G</sup>

### University of Illinois

Democracies and Peace<sup>U</sup>, Introduction to International Security<sup>U</sup>, International Organization<sup>U</sup>, International Conflict<sup>U</sup>

### University of Alabama

Introduction to American Politics<sup>U</sup>, America and the World (Foreign Policy Decision-Making)<sup>U</sup>, Scope of Political Science<sup>U</sup>, Political Science Methods<sup>U</sup>, Introduction to Comparative Politics<sup>U</sup>, Introduction to In-

ternational Relations<sup>U</sup>, Interstate Conflict<sup>U</sup>, Political Economy of Security<sup>U</sup>

#### LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

---

English (native), Spanish (B1), Swedish (A2)

#### REFERENCES

---

*Available upon request*