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## EDUCATION

<b>Vanderbilt University</b>	Aug. 2021 – present
Ph.D. in Political Science (ABD)	
M.A. in Political Science	
<b>Uppsala University</b>	Aug. 2017 – June 2019
MSSc. in Peace and Conflict Studies	
<b>Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University</b>	Sep. 2012 – Sep. 2016
BSSc. in International Relations and Peace Studies	

## PUBLICATIONS

- “Domains of dominance: Political territorial control and conflict-related violence in postwar Abidjan” (with Sebastian van Baalen) *Political Geography* (2025)
- “The urban-rural divide in police trust: insights from Kenya” (with Emma Elfverson and Kristine Höglund) *Policing and Society* (2022)
- “Resentment, Status Dissatisfaction and the Emotional Underpinnings of the Japanese Conservatives’ Security Policy Agendas” (with Linus Hagström) *International Relations in the Asia Pacific* (2022)
- “Geocoding as a Method for Mapping Conflict-Related Violence” (with Elfverson, Emma, Ivan Gusic, Marie-Therese Meye). In *The Palgrave Encyclopaedia of Peace and Conflict Studies*, edited by Oliver Richmond and Gëzim Visoka. Cham: Palgrave Macmillan
- “Everyday Perspectives on Security and Insecurity in Japan: A Survey of Three Women’s Organizations” (with Linus Hagström and Dan Öberg). “ *Social Science Japan Journal* (2021)

## WORKING PAPERS

- “Migration Opportunities and Civilian Protests in Civil Wars” (presented at ISA2024, APSA2024, Peace Science Society International 2024, MPSA2025)
- “How Ceasefires Aggravate Violence in Highly Competitive Civil Conflicts”
- “Undercutting Protest by Lowering Its Cost” (with Brenton Kenkel) “Networked Peace? The Role of Peacekeepers in Complex Conflict Systems” (with Cassy Dorff and Shahryar Minhas)

## RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP

<b>Vanderbilt University</b> with Brenton Kenkel	May – July 2025
<b>Vanderbilt University</b> with Cassy Dorff	May – July 2025
<b>Vanderbilt University</b> with Erin York	Dec 2022 – May 2023
<b>Vanderbilt University</b> with Emily H. Ritter	May – July 2022
<b>Uppsala University</b> with Kristine Höglund, Emma Elfverson	May 2021 – Aug. 2021
Project “Urban-rural dynamics of community-based conflict management”	
<b>Uppsala University</b> with Emma Elfverson and Ivan Gusic	Sep. 2020 – Aug. 2021
Project “The Continuation of Conflict-related Violence in Postwar Cities: Mapping violence at the street level”	
<b>Uppsala University</b> with Lisa Hultman and Deniz Cil	Feb. 2020 – Dec. 2020
Project: “The Geocoded Peacekeeping Operations (Geo-PKO) Dataset”	
<b>Uppsala University</b> with Isak Svensson	Sep. – Dec. 2019
Project “Resolving Jihadist Conflicts”	
<b>Swedish Defence University</b> with Linus Hagström	Sep. 2018 – Aug. 2019
Various projects on Japanese security policies.	

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND ASSISTANTSHIP**

Quantitative Political Science I: Computing	Fall 2024
US Military	Spring 2024
Math Camp for Political Science	2023, 2024
Causes of War	Fall 2022
Intro to International Politics	Fall 2021, Spring 2022
English Language Courses	Apr. 2015 – July 2016
Global Issues and Politics	Apr. 2016 – May 2016
Intro to Japanese Tutor Sessions	Sep. 2015 – Apr. 2016

**ADDITIONAL TRAINING**

<b>Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models - University of Michigan</b>	Aug. 2025
<b>Bridging the Gap - NEW ERA</b>	Oct 2024
<b>Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research</b>	June 2024
Open-pool applicant	
<b>Comparative Analyses Using Multi-Source Databases Workshop - Ohio State University</b>	May 2023
Short workshop on multilevel modeling	
<b>Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis</b>	August 2022
Workshop on time-series cross-sectional models	
<b>ICPSR - Michigan University</b>	June 2022
Workshop on Spatial Econometrics	
<b>Göttingen University</b>	Aug. 2018
Summer School in Data Science	
<b>Central European University</b>	July 2018
Summer School in “The Biological and the Social between 1900 and Today”	

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

Vanderbilt International Researchers Alliance, Symposium Organizing Team	Spring 2025 Co-president,
Political Science Graduate Student Association	2023-2025
Student Experiences Survey Team, Vanderbilt Graduate Student Council	2022-2024
Department Co-representative, Vanderbilt Graduate Student Council	2022-2023

**AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

<b>APSA Conflict Section Travel Award</b>	Sep. 2024, Sep. 2025
<b>Graduate School Conference Travel Grant</b>	Feb. 2024
<b>Tennessee Language Center - Rasmussen Scholarship</b>	Jan. 2024
<b>Vanderbilt University A&amp;S Summer Training Grant</b>	June 2022
<b>Vanderbilt University</b>	from Jan. 2021
College of Arts & Science Fellowship for PhD Study	
Russell G. Hamilton Scholarship	
<b>Marianne and Marcus Wallenberg Foundation Scholarship</b>	Jan. 2019
Research grant within the project “Power Shift in East Asia” - SEK35,000	
<b>Central European University Summer School</b> (tuition & accommodation)	July 2018
<b>Uppsala University IPK Tuition Scholarship</b>	Aug. 2017 – Aug. 2019
<b>Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University</b>	Sep. 2016
Excellence in Academic Achievement	
<b>Consulate General of Vietnam in Fukuoka</b>	Sep. 2016
Recognized for contributions to Vietnamese cultural exchange activities in Japan.	
<b>Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University</b> , 100% tuition scholarship	2012 – 2016

## SKILLS

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<b>Languages</b>	Vietnamese (native), English (fluent), Japanese (working proficiency), Spanish (intermediate), Swedish (intermediate), German (beginner)
<b>Computer</b>	R, Python, QGIS, Git, Qualtrics