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EDUCATION	<b>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</b> , Department of Political Science Ph.D. Candidate, Security Studies and Quantitative Methods Subfields Teaching Certificate Candidate, MIT Teaching + Learning Lab  <b>Georgetown University</b> , Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service M.A. Security Studies, Military Operations Concentration B.S. Foreign Service, <i>summa cum laude</i>	Anticipated: 2023      2016–2018 2013–2017
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	The RAND Corporation, Adjunct Staff (former Summer Associate) • Conducted research and wrote reports on U.S. grand strategy and military posture • Developed Indo-Pacific defense-planning scenarios and assessed force planning options  MIT, Graduate Research & Teaching Assistant • Contributed to research on the alt-right, political disinformation, and insurgencies • Analyzed and visualized data, drafted book chapters, and conducted literature reviews  Middlebury Institute of International Studies, East Asia Nonproliferation Intern • Conducted research and wrote reports on Chinese and North Korean nuclear programs	2021–present      2020–present   2016
PUBLICATIONS	<i>Do Alliances and Partnerships Entangle the United States in Conflict?</i> Miranda Priebe, Bryan Rooney, Caitlin McCulloch, and Zachary Burdette (Santa Monica, CA: RAND), 2021.	
WORKS IN PROGRESS	<i>The Emerging Military Balance in Space: Satellites, Anti-Satellites, and the U.S.-China Contest for Command of the Commons</i>  <i>Trading with the (Potential) Enemy: How Great Powers Manage Economies Ties to Security Competitors</i>  <i>How Disinformation Influences U.S. National Security</i>  <i>Analogies at (Cold) War: What is the U.S.-China Competition 'Like?'</i>	
AWARDS	Distinction, MIT Security Studies Program Distinction (awarded to 2 of 108 students), Georgetown Security Studies Program Summa Cum Laude (awarded to the top 5% of students), Georgetown University Phi Beta Kappa, Georgetown University Edmund A. Walsh Medal (awarded to 1 student), Georgetown University	2020 2018 2017 2017 2017
GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS	Graduate Fellowship, MIT Department of Political Science Merit Scholarship, Georgetown Security Studies Program Ellsworth Bunker Research Fellowship, Georgetown University	2018–2023 2018 2016–2017
UNIVERSITY SERVICE	Tutor, MIT English as a Second Language Program for Service Employees Adviser, MIT Political Science Diversity Application Mentorship Program Mentorship & Social Committees, MIT Political Science Graduate Student Council	2021–present 2020–present 2018–2021
SKILLS	Software: R (advanced), Python (basic), L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X (Human) Languages: Arabic (media proficiency   language immersion in Amman, Jordan) French (intermediate reading   language immersion in Tours, France)	