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Current position

2018 - 2019 Minerva / Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar, United States Institute of Peace

Education

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Expected 2020 *PhD in Political Science*

2016 *MA in Political Science*

Dissertation: "The Strategic Logic of Political Kidnapping"

Committee: Alex Downes (chair), Evgeny Finkel, and Cynthia McClintock

Exam fields: Comparative Politics, major (2015), Quantitative Methodology, minor (2015)

THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS

2009 *MSc in Comparative Politics: Nationalism & Ethnicity*

Thesis: "No Going Back: Explaining the Distinctive Character of Palestinian Women's Nationalism"

YALE UNIVERSITY

2008 *BA in Ethics, Politics, & Economics*

Thesis: "A House Divided: Determinants of National Identity in the Split Village of Barta'a"

Fellowships, grants & awards

EXTERNAL AWARDS

2018 - 2019 Minerva Research Initiative & United States Institute of Peace Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar Dissertation Fellowship (\$20,000)

2018 Research Grant on U.S. Hostage Policy, The James W. Foley Legacy Foundation (\$3,000)

2017 Cosmos Scholars Award, The Cosmos Club Foundation, Washington, DC (\$3,000)

2016 Bridging the Gap Summer Fellowship, sponsored by The Carnegie Corporation of New York (\$3,000)

2016 Middlebury Summer School Merit Scholarship – *declined*

2014 S. Daniel Abraham Summer Research Grant, S. Daniel Abraham Center for Middle East Peace (\$1,500)

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

- 2018 - 2019 Shirley H. and Robert L. Richards Endowment Scholarship (\$4,972)
2018 - 2019 PhD Candidate-in-Residence, Institute for Security & Conflict Studies (unfunded position)
2018 Conference Presentation Grant for the Peace Science Society (International) Conference (\$700)
2018 Political Science Graduate Research Fund Fieldwork Grant (\$500)
2017 Conference Presentation Grant for the 75th Annual Midwest Political Science Association (\$700)
2014 - 2015 Teaching "Writing in the Disciplines" Workshop Grant (\$600)
2014 Institute for Middle East Studies Travel Research Grant (\$500)
2013 - 2018 Graduate Assistantship, Tuition, and University Fellowship (\$23,000 per year)

YALE UNIVERSITY

- 2008 George Hume Senior Essay Prize in Ethics, Politics & Economics, for the best thesis (\$500)
2006 Les Aspin Class of 1960 Summer Research Fellowship (\$2,500)
2006 Georg W. Leitner Program in International and Comparative Political Economy Grant (\$3,500)
2006 Sudler Fund for the Fine Arts, Photo Exhibition Grant (\$200)

Work in progress

- "The Oxygen of Publicity: Variation in U.S. Media Coverage of International Kidnapping"
"The Strategic Logic of Political Kidnapping: Correlates of Kidnapping, 1970 - 2015"
"We Don't Negotiate with Terrorists: Variation in National Hostage Policy"

Publications

REVIEW ARTICLES

- 2018 "Terrorism by Any Other Name." *Terrorism & Political Violence*, forthcoming.
2017 "Organized Violence Between War and Peace." *Terrorism & Political Violence*, 29(2): 377-383 (2017).

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2018 Review of Kidd, Dustin, *Social Media Freaks: Digital Identity in the Network Society, Terrorism & Political Violence*, forthcoming.
2017 Review of De La Calle, Luis, *Nationalist Violence in Postwar Europe*, H-Nationalism, H-Net Reviews, (November 2017).

POLICY ARTICLES

- 2018 "Will Colombia's next president be a former left-wing guerrilla?" Monkey Cage, *The Washington Post*, online (June 15, 2018).
2018 "How a Decade of the iPhone Changed Global Kidnapping," *War on the Rocks*, (January 4, 2018).
2008 "Right of Reply: Tolerance is Not Dangerous," *Jerusalem Post*, (December 22, 2008).

Conference & workshop presentations

- 2019 "The Strategic Logic of Political Kidnapping: Evidence from Colombia." International Studies Association Annual Convention, Toronto, Canada (accepted)
2018 "The Strategic Logic of Political Kidnapping." Peace Science Society Annual Meeting, University of Texas at Austin

- 2018 “The Logic of Coercive Kidnapping: Theory.” George Washington University Political Science Department’s Comparative Politics Workshop
- 2018 “The Strategic Logic of Political Kidnapping.” Minerva/ Jennings Randolph Peace Scholars’ Conference, United States Institute of Peace
- 2018 “Weapon of the Week: A Brief History of Political Kidnapping.” APSA Dissertation Workshop on Militaries and Security Forces, Boston, Massachusetts
- 2017 “The Logic of Extractive Kidnapping.” George Washington University Political Science Department International Relations Retreat
- 2016 “The Oxygen of Publicity: Variation in U.S. Media Coverage of International Kidnapping.” George Washington University Political Science Department’s American Politics Workshop
- 2016 “Mission First, People Always? The Role of Reputation in Response to Civilians Kidnapped Overseas.” The International Studies Association conference panel
- 2015 “A House Divided: Marriage, Citizenship, and Nationalism in the Split Village of Barta’a.” George Washington University’s Institute for Middle East Studies PhD Workshop
- 2014 “Eulogizing National Violence, Affirming Divine Right, or Glorifying Liberal Values? Explaining Variation in National Anthem Types.” The Association for the Study of Nationalities 19th Annual Convention, Columbia University, New York
- 2014 “No Going Back: Explaining the Distinctive Character of Palestinian Women’s Nationalism.” Institute for Middle East Studies PhD Workshop

Teaching experience

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

- 2019 *Instructor*, PSC 2338: Nationalism and Nation-Building
- 2018 *Instructor*, PSC 2338: Nationalism and Nation-Building
- 2014 *Teaching Assistant*, PSC 1001: Introduction to Comparative Politics with Professor Bruce Dickson
- 2013 *Grader*, PSC 2338: Nationalism and Nation-Building with Professor Harris Mylonas

CERTIFICATIONS & CAMPUS LECTURES

- 2014 - 2015 *Writing in the Disciplines (WID) Teaching Certification*, George Washington University
- 2013 - 2018 *Various campus lectures*: “Nationalism and Political Violence,” “Women and Nationalism,” “Nationalism and Identity Cascades,” “Islam and Politics,” “The Gender Ironies of Nationalism”

Invited talks & presentations

- 2018 “Fireside Chat: Effective Advocacy.” Panelist for 2018 CARE National Conference opening plenary, Washington, DC
- 2018 “Designing the U.S. Hostage Policy Review.” Invited presentation for the Hostage Advisory Board of the James W. Foley Legacy Foundation, Washington, DC
- 2017 “Civil War and Insurgency.” Sam Nunn School of International Affairs at Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA
- 2017 “The Oxygen of Publicity: Variation in U.S. Media Coverage of International Kidnapping.” Economics Department of La Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá Colombia
- 2013 “Congressional Staff and Issue Advocacy.” Panelist for the Jewish Federation of Chicago, Student Leadership Annual Advocacy Conference, Washington, DC
- 2011 “The Role of Congress in U.S. Foreign Policy.” Panelist for the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), 20th Annual Saban Leadership Seminar, Washington, DC

2007 “A House Divided: Determinants of National Identity in the Split Village of Barta’a.” Invited fellowship awardee presentation for the Yale College Class of 1960 Reunion, Les Aspin ’60 Fellowship Review of Alumni Association Fellowship and Awards, Boston, Massachusetts

Research experience

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

2014 - 2018 Research and Program Assistant to Michael Barnett, University Professor of Political Science and International Affairs

THE COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

2008 Research Associate and Project Manager to Dan Senor, Senior Fellow in Middle East Studies, for his *New York Times* bestselling book, *Start Up Nation*

2007 Research Intern for Dr. Benn Steil, Director of International Economics, for his book *Money, Markets, and Sovereignty*, winner of the Hayek prize

Political experience

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, WASHINGTON DC

2013 *Senior Legislative Assistant and Appropriations Associate*, State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Subcommittee

2009 - 2012 *Legislative Assistant, Foreign Policy Advisor, and Speechwriter*, Office of FL-20. Responsible for broad portfolio including foreign policy, national security, health care, women’s and economic issues

ORGANIZING FOR AMERICA AND THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE, WASHINGTON DC

2012 *National Jewish Community Liaison and Regional Jewish Outreach Director*, Political and Surrogates Departments

Research skills

LANGUAGES

Spoken: Spanish (research proficient), Hebrew (conversational), Arabic (conversational)
Computer: Stata, R, L^AT_EX, Microsoft Office Suite

FIELDWORK

Colombia (2017, 2018)
Israel and the West Bank (2006)

Additional training

2015 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) – Syracuse University
2014 Middlebury College Intensive Arabic Summer Immersion School – Mills College
2014 New Era Foreign Policy Conference – American University School of International Service
2013 Truman National Security Project Congressional Scholars – U.S. House of Representatives
2005 Haifa University Intensive Hebrew Summer Program – Haifa University

Service to the profession

- 2016 - present *Reviewer, Terrorism & Political Violence* journal
- 2016 *Mentor, Elliott School Undergraduate Research Scholars program*
- 2016 *Judge, George Washington University Research Days*
- 2015 - present *Fellow, Bridging the Gap, New Era Workshop*
- 2015 - present *Discussant, George Washington University International Relations Workshop and Intrastate Conflict and Violence Workshop*
- 2014 - 2016 *Co-Chair, George Washington University Political Science Graduate Student Caucus*
- 2009 *Co-Chair, Association for the Study of Nationalism and Ethnicity (ASEN) Fundraising and Publishing Committee, "Nationalism and Globalisation" conference at LSE*
- 2007 *Senior Interviewer, Yale University Undergraduate Admissions Office*

Community service & leadership

- 2017 - present *Founding Councilmember, CARE Action Advisory Council*
- 2016 - present *Big Sister, Big Brothers Big Sisters Program*
- 2013 - 2017 *Vice Chair of the Board of Directors, Young Invincibles*
- 2010 - 2011 *Jeremiah Fellow, Jews United for Justice, Washington, DC social justice advocacy*
- 2007 - 2008 *Business Manager, Whim 'n Rhythm of Yale University, a cappella*
- 2005 - 2007 *Business Manager and Tour Manager, The New Blue of Yale University, a cappella*

Professional associations

American Political Science Association
Association for the Study of Nationalities
Bridging the Gap Project
International Studies Association
Peace Science Society (International)