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Professional Experience

Assistant Professor, Loyola University Chicago, 2008- present.

Education

Ph.D. Political Science, University of California, Davis, June 2008
Dissertation: "Strategic Peacemakers: A Study of the Occurrence and Effects of Third Party Management in Militarized Conflicts"
Major Field of Study: International Relations
Secondary Field of Study: Methodology
M.A. Political Science, University of California, Davis, June 2005.
B.A. Political Science, University of Georgia, December 2001.

Distinctions

Dean's Funding for Special Projects, Loyola University Chicago, \$1500, 2009
National Residence Hall Honorary Faculty Member of the Month (student nominated), 2009
Folke Bernadotte Academy Research Grant, \$7277, 2007
Institute of Government Affairs Dissertation Improvement Award, 2007
International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis Travel Award, 2007
Graduate Council Graduate Student Travel Award, UC Davis, 2007
American Political Science Association Travel Grant, 2005
Full Departmental Fellowship, UC Davis, Fall 2002
Hope Scholarship, full undergraduate scholarship, University of Georgia, 1999-2001
Baldwin Scholarship, Mary Baldwin College, 1998-1999

Publications

"Jumping into the Fray: Alliances, Power, Institutions, and the Timing of Conflict Expansion." (with Michael Koch). Forthcoming in *International Interactions*.

"Incentives for Talking: Accepting Mediation in International and Civil Wars" (with Isak Svensson). 2009. *International Interactions* 35 (3): 249-271.

"Assessing Outcomes: Conflict Management and the Durability of Peace" (with Scott Gartner). 2008. *Sage Handbook on Conflict Resolution*. Edited by Jacob Bercovitch, Victor Kremenyuk, and I. William Zartman. Thousand Oaks: Sage Press.

Under Review

"Three's Company: The Impact of Triadic Relationships on Conflict Management." Revise and resubmit.

"It Takes Two to Fight but Three to Mediate: Analyzing the Occurrence of Third Party Conflict Management" (with Scott Gartner and Jacob Bercovitch). Under review.

Papers and Presentations

"The Long Haul: The Impact of Management Occurrence on the Durability of Peace." 2010. Presented to the

Working Group on Conflict Prevention, New York University.

"Fear of Commitment: The Opposing Causes of Third Party Intervention and Management." 2009. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, Canada.

"Incentives for Talking: Accepting Mediation in International and Civil Wars" (with Isak Svensson). 2009. Presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association, New York, New York.

"Admitting You Have a Problem: Understanding the Conditions of Mediation Acceptance." 2008. Presented to the Working Group on Conflict Prevention. Emory University, December 5-7, 2008.

"Who Manages? Analyzing the Identity of Third Parties." 2007. Presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Chicago, IL.

"Do Conflicts Matter? Analyzing Third Party Choice of Intervention in Conflicts." 2006. With Scott Gartner and Jacob Bercovitch. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.

"Short Lived Settlements and Dispute Mediation." 2005. With Scott Gartner and Jacob Bercovitch. Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois.

"A Time for War and a Time for Peace: The Issue of Timing and the Expansion of Militarized Interstate Disputes." 2005. Presented at the joint meeting of the International Studies Association and the World International Studies Committee, Istanbul, Turkey.

"Is There Method in the Madness of Mediation?: Lessons from Quantitative Studies of International Mediation." 2005. With Scott Gartner and Jacob Bercovitch. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C..

"The Opposing Effects of Mediation on Conflict Settlement Durability." 2004. With Scott Gartner and Jacob Bercovitch. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois.

Related Work Experience

Graduate Research Assistant, Zeev Maoz, UC Davis, 2006.

Graduate Research Assistant, Scott Gartner, UC Davis, 2004 - 2005.

Graduate Research Assistant, Donald Rothchild, UC Davis, 2003.

Research Assistant, Loch Johnson, University of Georgia, 2000.

Research Assistant, Center for International Trade and Security, University of Georgia, 1999.

Teaching Experience

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Loyola University Chicago, August 2008-present.

Conflict Management (upper division), spring 2010

Scientific Study of War (upper division), spring 2009

Introduction to International Relations, fall 2008, spring 2009, fall 2009, spring 2010

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, UC Davis, July 2003-June 2008.

Quantitative Methodology (graduate level)

Math Camp (graduate level)

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Introduction to International Relations
Recent US Foreign Policy (upper division)
The Scientific Study of War (upper division)
National Security Policy (upper division)
International Law (upper division)
The Political Economy of Inequality (upper division)
Introduction to Political Science

Invited Presentations and Workshops

Working Group on Conflict Prevention, Department of Politics, New York University, New York, New York, January 15-16, 2010.

Philip Merrill Center for Strategic Studies Teachers' Workshop, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), Vergennes, Vermont, June 8-12, 2009.

Working Group on Conflict Prevention Workshop, Department of Political Science, Emory University, December 5-7, 2008.

SAGE Handbook on Conflict Resolution Workshop, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, Vienna, Austria, June 30- July 2, 2007.

Working Group on Conflict Prevention Workshop, Department of Political Science, George Washington University, March 9-10, 2007.

TA Consultant Spring Workshop Series: Transforming TA to Teacher, UC Davis, Spring 2007.

Journeys in World Politics, Department of Political Science, University of Iowa, March 2006.

Economy, Justice, and Society Workshop, Department of Economics, Sonoma, California, Fall 2005.

Interconsortium for Political Science Research, University of Michigan, summer 2004.
Training in advanced linear models and maximum likelihood estimation.

Winter Institute on Decision Theory, Department of Political Science, Texas A&M, January 2004.

Service

Panel Chair, Working Group on Conflict Prevention Workshop, New York University, January 15-16, 2010.

Panel Chair, Working Group on Conflict Prevention Workshop, Emory University, December 5-6, 2008.

Referee

Foreign Policy Analysis Editorial Board
International Studies Quarterly
Introductory IR Textbook prospectus for Oxford University Press
Journal of International Affairs

Member

American Political Science Association
International Studies Association
Peace Science Society
Midwest Political Science Association
Working Group on Conflict Resolution
Philip Merrill Center for Strategic Studies