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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
Department of Political Science
University of Massachusetts Boston

FALL 2015-present

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW
Watson Institute for Public and International Affairs
Brown University

SUMMER 2016-2017;
SUMMER 2014-2015

EDUCATION

PH.D. POLITICAL SCIENCE
Major field: International Relations
Minor field: Comparative Politics

FALL 2008-SUMMER 2014
The George Washington University

Dissertation: *Boomerang or Buckshot? Blame Diffusion in International Anti-Hunger Campaigns*

M.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE
Global Politics Concentration

FALL 2006-SPRING 2008
California State University, Los Angeles

MA Thesis: *Political Dimensions of Hunger: The Accountability of National Governments*

B.A. ENGLISH
Minor: Spanish
Summa Cum Laude

FALL 2001-SPRING 2005
Smittcamp Family Honors College
California State University, Fresno

PUBLICATIONS

“Getting a Seat at the Table: The Origins of Universal Participation and Modern Multilateral Conferences,” *Global Governance*, 20, no. 3 (2014): 361-373 (with Martha Finnemore).

Publically engaged scholarship (non peer-reviewed):

“[Venezuela has solved its hunger problem? Don’t believe the U.N.’s numbers.](#)” (September 21, 2016) *The Washington Post* (Monkey Cage).

“[Food is a Human Right](#)” (October 15, 2015) *Duck of Minerva* blog post in honor of World Food Day.

BOOK MANUSCRIPT

Feeding the Hungry: Blame Diffusion in International Anti-Hunger Advocacy (under contract with Cornell University Press)

- International Studies Association, Northeast Book Circle Honoree, 2016

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

“What isn’t a norm? Redefining the conceptual boundaries of ‘norms’ in the human rights literature”

- 2018 Best Paper Award, ISA International Law Section (for a paper presented in 2017)

“The Politics of Aspiration” (with Martha Finnemore)

“Economic and Social Rights and the Arab Spring: Precursors to Popular Mobilization in Tunisia” (with Dina Bishara and Robert Griffin)

SELECTED AWARDS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

BEST PAPER AWARD

INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION, INTERNATIONAL STUDIES ASSOC. 2018

Award “recognizes outstanding contributions to the field of international law” for a paper presented at any regional or national convention in 2017. Awarded for paper “What isn’t a norm? Redefining the conceptual boundaries of ‘norms’ in the human rights literature.”

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY POLICY FELLOWSHIP

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE Fall 2017-Summer 2018

Awarded a one year fellowship from AAAS with a placement in the Office of Food for Peace, Policy and Technical Division at USAID. This national fellowship program selects scientists with expertise of use to the US Government and embeds them in Executive Branch agencies for one year to share their expertise and research as well as learn from the policy community.

WATSON COLLABORATIVE GRANT

BROWN UNIVERSITY

Fall 2016 (awarded)

Awarded \$10,000 to fund a project (co-directed with Dina Bishara) “Economic and Social Rights and the Arab Spring: Precursors to Popular Mobilization in Tunisia.” The funds will be used towards a survey conducted in Tunisia to assess the relative importance of four different types of economic insecurity in encouraging popular mobilization: food insecurity, insufficient health care, unemployment and access to education.

VENTURE RESEARCH GRANT

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES ASSOCIATION

Fall 2016 (awarded)

Awarded \$15,330 as a part of the ISA’s Venture Grant program to “provide support to innovative and pioneering research.” Grant will fund a workshop (co-organized with Melissa Lee) which will bring together scholars from around the world focusing on cutting edge research on economic and social rights norms and sovereignty norms. Workshop will be held in March 2017 at Brown University.

WORKSHOP GRANT, UNITED NATIONS ACADEMIC IMPACT OFFICE
and the INTERNATIONAL STUDIES ASSOCIATION

Summer 2016 (awarded)

Co-organized a human security workshop selected for the "ISA at UNAI" program. Workshop will bring together academics and UN practitioners to discuss contemporary human security challenges (including hunger and environmental sustainability), problem definitions, and proposed solutions. Workshop will take place at the UN Headquarters in New York City in July 2017.

HONOREE, NORTHEAST CIRCLE Spring 2016
One honoree is selected by the International Studies Association, Northeast each year from an individual who is working on a first book project in international relations or comparative politics, broadly defined. As a part of this award, ISA NE will host a book workshop for my manuscript during the annual conference in Fall 2016.

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP Summer 2014-2015;
Summer 2016-2017
Two-year fellowship awarded at The Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs at Brown University. Fellowship years do not need to be taken consecutively.

SUMMER DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP Summer 2013
The George Washington University

LOUGHRAN FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT Summer 2012
 DISSERTATION RESEARCH GRANT

HOFFMAN CONFERENCE TRAVEL GRANT Spring 2012
Institute for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies (GW)

ISA TRAVEL GRANT Spring 2012
International Studies Association

AMERICAN CONSORTIUM ON EU STUDIES Summer 2011
 PRE-DISSERTATION GRANT

MILLAR STUDENT SUMMER TRAVEL Summer 2011
Institute for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies (GW)

DEPARTMENT FELLOWSHIP Fall 2008-present
The George Washington University

AAUW SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT Spring 2006
American Association of University Women, Fresno Branch

PRESIDENT'S SCHOLAR Fall 2001-Spring 2005
Smittcamp Family Honors College at California State University, Fresno
Full scholarship (tuition, housing, book allowance)

RECENT INVITED TALKS, WORKSHOPS & PRESENTATIONS

United States Agency for International Development (USAID) November 2018 (expected)
Organizer for a joint academic-practitioner workshop on new monitoring methods for sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) in humanitarian operations. Workshop is funded by USAID.

Johns Hopkins School of Advanced and International Studies (SAIS) October 2018 (expected)
Paper presentation for the Politics and Political Economy speaker series

United States Agency for International Development (USAID) August 2018

Presentation to the Office of Food for Peace of food security research findings from focus groups and interviews with food aid recipients in three refugee camps
Northwestern University/American Bar Foundation June 2017
Invited participant for the IO/IL workshop "Global order: Same as it ever was?"
The University of Alabama November 2016
Paper presentation for the Department of Political Science
The Ohio State University October 2016
Paper presentation for the Department of Political Science's Research in International Politics series.
Harvard University March 2016
Presentation for the Weatherhead Center of International Affairs Workshop on the Sustainability of the World's Food and Farming Systems
University of California Riverside February 2016
Paper presentation in the Political Science department
Occidental College February 2016
Paper presentation sponsored by the U.N. Fund and the Department of Politics
Social Justice and Human Rights Symposium
Amnesty International August 2015
Invited participant for a one-day workshop on economic and social rights advocacy held at the Amnesty International Secretariat office in London, UK.
Transnational Advocacy Networks:
Reflecting on 15 years of Evolving Theory and Practice May 2015
Invited participant to two-day workshop on transnational advocacy, hosted by Peter Evans and Cesar Rodriguez-Garavito and held at Brown University
University of Southern California April 2015
One of four junior international relations scholars nationwide invited to participate in the USC Junior Scholars Research Symposium sponsored by the Center for International Studies
Reed College February 2015
Public lecture co-sponsored by the Department of Sociology and the Department of Political Science
Guest speaker, Amnesty International (Brown Chapter) Film Series November 2014

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

BRIDGING THE GAP
INTERNATIONAL SUMMER POLICY INSTITUTE June 2015
Invited participant for a week long institute to help junior scholars bridge the gap between the policy and academic worlds with their research. Hosted by American University and the Carnegie Corporation

INSTITUTE FOR QUALITATIVE AND MULTI-METHOD RESEARCH June 2011
The Consortium for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University

SUMMER INSTITUTE ON CONDUCTING ARCHIVAL RESEARCH May 2011
The George Washington University (funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation)

POLICY EXPERIENCE

AAAS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FELLOW Sept. 2017-Aug. 2018

Office of Food for Peace
United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

FOOD SECURITY, TECHNICAL TEAM VISIT
MALAWI

June 2017

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
Met with government officials, INGOs, and conducted focus groups and individual interviews with women and youth for USAID's Office of Food for Peace.

EMERGENCY PROGRAMMING, TECHNICAL TEAM VISIT
DJIBOUTI

April 2017

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
Conducted focus groups and individual interviews with women and youth in three refugee camps to inform gender and youth considerations in emergency food security programming at USAID's Office of Food for Peace.

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMING, TECHNICAL TEAM VISIT
ZIMBABWE

November 2017

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
Assisted the gender and youth technical team for USAID's Office of Food for Peace in conducting interviews and focus groups with development program participants in various regions of Zimbabwe.

REFINE AND IMPLEMENT WORKSHOP
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

October 2017

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
Assisted the gender and youth technical team for USAID's Office of Food for Peace in a workshop refining multi-year assistance projects in DRC.

SELECTED PARTICIPANT, YOUNG LEADERS CONFERENCE

November 2010

U.S. Department of State and the Institute for International Education
Fully funded participant—one of 48 American "future leaders" selected to attend a week-long conference with 150 Central and Eastern European future leaders in Prague, Czech Republic

WHITE HOUSE INTERN

Sept. 2005-Dec. 2005

Office of Presidential Scheduling
Executive Office of the President of the United States of America

SCHOLAR INTERN

Spring-Summer 2005

Kenneth L. Maddy Institute for Public Affairs
Office of Congressman George Radanovich in his Fresno, CA and Washington, DC offices.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

International Studies Association, Annual Meeting	2018; 2017; 2016; 2015; 2014; 2013; 2012; 2011
American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting	2017; 2011; 2010
International Meeting on Law and Society (Mexico City)	2017
International Studies Association, Northeast	2016; 2015; 2014; 2013
Joint ISSS-ISAC Conference: Bridging the Academic/Policy Divide	2013
Annual Lilly Conference on College and University Teaching	2013

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

University of Massachusetts Boston

Human Security (graduate)
The Politics of Food Security (undergraduate)
Introduction to International Relations (undergraduate)
International Relations: Theories & Concepts (graduate)

Brown University

The Politics of Food Security (undergraduate)

The George Washington University

Human Rights (undergraduate)

California State University, Los Angeles

American Government & Society (undergraduate)

Teaching Award

HONORABLE MENTION, PHILIP AMSTERDAM GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT AWARD
FOR OUTSTANDING TEACHING

Spring 2010

The George Washington University

Additional Experience

FUTURE FACULTY PROGRAM

Sept-December 2013

The George Washington University

Selected participant in a weekly workshop series designed to prepare future professors to engage in active learning techniques, effective student assessment, and course design.

WRITING IN THE DISCIPLINE:

WORKSHOP SERIES ON THE TEACHING OF WRITING

Sept 2012-May 2013

The George Washington University

Selected participant in a six seminar workshop series designed to prepare future professors to teach writing to undergraduate students in the discipline

GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT

Fall 2008-Spring 2013

Introduction to International Relations &

Introduction to Comparative Politics

The George Washington University

Served as GTA at the Columbian College for Fall 2008 and Spring 2009 and at the Women's Leadership Program from Fall 2009-Spring 2013.

ENGLISH TUTOR

Oct. 2006-April 2008

Los Angeles Unified School District

Weekly tutor in South Central, Los Angeles to students from federally designated "failing" schools

SERVICE

<i>International Studies Association, International Law Section</i> Best Paper Award Committee Chair	Fall 2018-Spring 2019
<i>University of Massachusetts Boston</i> Department Personnel Committee	Fall 2018-present
Alamgir Lecture and Award Committee	Fall 2018-present
Faculty Board for the MPA in International Relations	Spring 2016-present
Department Curriculum Committee	Fall 2015-Spring 2016
Political Science Forum Committee	Fall 2015-Spring 2016
Undergraduate Student Advising	Fall 2015-Spring 2016
Undergraduate Thesis Committees	Fall 2015-Spring 2016
<i>Brown University</i> Undergraduate Thesis Committees	2014-2017
BIARI Alumni Grant Committee	Fall 2016
<i>The George Washington University</i> Co-Chair of the Graduate Student Caucus (Political Science Dept.)	Winter 2010-Spring 2012

REFERENCES

Available upon request.

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