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### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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**Assistant Professor (9/01/2014 – present)**

Department of Political Science, University of Portland

**Associate Professor (4/6/2014 – 07/15/2014)**

College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University

**Director of the South and Central Asia Program (09/01/13 – 07/15/14)**

College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University

**Assistant Professor (08/01/11 – 04/05/2014)**

College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University

**Lecturer/Adjunct Lecturer/Writing Fellow (09/01/2007 – 07/01/2011)**

Department of Political Science and Global Security Studies M.A. Program, The Johns Hopkins University

**Visiting Lecturer (02/09 – 06/09)**

Social Science Department, University of Mannheim, Germany

### EDUCATION

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**Ph.D. in Political Science**, December 2011

Department of Political Science, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland

Specializations: International Relations and American Politics

Dissertation Title: “Power and Restraint: Liberal Theory and Rising Power Foreign Policy”

**Master of Environmental Science and Management**, June 2001

Donald Bren School of Environmental Science and Management

University of California, Santa Barbara

Specialization: Government and Corporate Environmental Management

**Bachelor of Arts in Ecological Studies with a minor in Biology**, June 1999

Ecological Studies Department, Seattle University, Seattle Washington

## RESEARCH

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### Books

*Power and Restraint: The United States as a Rising Power, 1898-1941* (Georgetown University Press, 2015).

### Edited Books

*Shona ba Shona: Professional Reflections of U.S. Officers* (editor) (National Defense University, 2014).

### Articles and Book Chapters

“From Anarchy to Civil War: The Escalation of Violence in Iraq, 2003-2006,” (with Lydia Heye, and Kelsie McKee), *Special Operations Journal* Vol. 4, No. 1 (2018), 63-83.

“Ends + Ways + Means = (Bad) Strategy,” *Parameters: U.S. Army War College Quarterly*, Vol. 46, No. 4 (Winter 2016-2017), 81-91,

[https://ssi.armywarcollege.edu/pubs/Parameters/Issues/Winter\\_2016-17/Vol46No4.pdf](https://ssi.armywarcollege.edu/pubs/Parameters/Issues/Winter_2016-17/Vol46No4.pdf).

“Liberalism,” in Stephen McGlinchey, Rosie Walters and Christian Scheinpflug (eds.), *International Relations Theory*. (E-International Relations Publishing, 2017),

<http://www.e-ir.info/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/International-Relations-Theory-E-IR.pdf>.

“Civil Military Relations and the Dynamics of American Military Expansion,” *Air and Space Power Journal–Africa & Francophonie*, Vo. 7, No. 4 (Winter 2016), 5-23,

[http://www.airuniversity.af.mil/Portals/10/ASPJ\\_French/journals\\_E/Volume-07\\_Issue-4/2016\\_4\\_e.pdf](http://www.airuniversity.af.mil/Portals/10/ASPJ_French/journals_E/Volume-07_Issue-4/2016_4_e.pdf).

“Introduction,” in *Shona ba Shona: Professional Reflections of U.S. Officers* (National Defense University, 2014),

[https://www.academia.edu/36121618/Shona\\_ba\\_Shona\\_Professional\\_Reflections\\_of\\_U.S.\\_Officers\\_in\\_Afghanistan](https://www.academia.edu/36121618/Shona_ba_Shona_Professional_Reflections_of_U.S._Officers_in_Afghanistan).

“American Exceptionalism” (with Daniel H. Deudney), in Michael Cox and Doug Stokes (eds.), *U.S. Foreign Policy 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed.* (Oxford University Press, 2008, 2012, 2018).

“Race and the Dual State in Antebellum America” (with Richard P. Young), in Joseph Lowndes, Julie Novkov, and Dorian Warren (eds.), *Race and American Political Development* (Routledge, 2008).

### Book Reviews and Other Publications

“Strategic Theory is Neither Strategic Nor a Theory” (with Sitara Nath), (submitted for publication)

“History and Theory of American National Security Strategy,” *Texas National Security Review* (forthcoming 2018)

Review of *America Abroad: The United States' Global Role in the 21st Century*, Perspectives on Politics, Volume 15, Issue 3 (September 2017) 930-931.

Review of David Belz, *Carnage and Connectivity: Landmarks in the Decline of Conventional Military Power*, Joint Forces Quarterly No. 83 (4th Quarter 2016), 107.

Review of Christopher McKnight Nichols, *Promise and Peril: America at the Dawn of a Global Age*, *New Global Studies*, Vol. 9, No. 3 (December 2015), pp. 355-357, <http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/ngs.ahead-of-print/ngs-2015-0023/ngs-2015-0023.xml>.  
“The Dilemma of an African Soldier,” *War on the Rocks*, January 26, 2015, <http://warontherocks.com/2015/01/the-dilemma-of-an-african-soldier/>.

### **Selected Conference Papers**

- “What Are Rising Powers?” Presented at the 2017 International Studies Association Conference, February 22-25, Baltimore, MD.
- “The Moral Factor in War: Understanding Variation in American Military Effectiveness,” Presented at the 2016 ISSS/ISAC Conference November 4-6, South Bend, IN and at the 2016 PNWPSA Conference November 11-12, Portland, OR
- “Civil Military Relations and the Dynamics of American Expansion,” Presented at the ISA Annual Conference, February 2015, New Orleans, USA.
- “E + W + M = (B) S: A Critique of the American Way of Strategy,” Presented at the ISSS/ISAC Annual Meeting, November 2014, Austin, TX.
- “American Under-Expansion in the Early Twentieth Century: Explaining the Non-Annexation of Mexico,” Presented at the ISA Annual Conference, March 2014, Toronto, CA.
- “Escalatory Political Violence and the Causes of the Iraq Civil War, 2004-2008.” Presented at the ISSS-ISAC Annual Meeting, October 2013, Washington, D.C.
- “Grand Strategies of Rising Powers: Comparing China, India and Brazil” (with Rameez Abbas and Ralph Espach). Presented at the International Studies Association-Northeast Annual Meeting, November 2012, Baltimore, MD.
- “Civil War Theory and the Iraq Civil War, 2006-2008.” Presented at the ISSS/ISAC Annual Meeting, October 2010, Providence, RI.
- “Power and Restraint: Liberal Foreign Policy Theory and America’s Rise, 1898-1941.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 2010, Washington, D.C.
- “Are Rising Powers Always Revisionist? Examining the American Case, 1898-1941.” Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting, February 2010, New Orleans, LA.
- “Strategic Restraint in an Era of Expansion: American Foreign Policy from 1898 to 1941.” Presented at the International Studies Association-Northeast Annual Meeting, October 2009, Baltimore, MD and the International Security Studies Section Annual Meeting, October 15-17, 2009, Monterey, CA.
- “State Action and the Material Context of American Exceptionalism.” Presented at the Nagoya American Studies International Graduate Student Seminar, July 2008, Nanzan University, Nagoya, Japan.
- “The Rhetoric and Reality of Civil War: From the American Civil War to the Iraq Civil War and Back Again.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, March 2008.
- “Memories of War: Civil War Theory and the American Civil War.” Presented at the Joint Annual Meeting of the Northeast Political Science Association and Northeast International Studies Association, November 2007, Philadelphia, PA.

- “Developmental Paradoxes of the Anglo-American State” (with Richard P. Young). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August/September 2007, Chicago, IL.
- “Race and the Dual State in Antebellum America” (with Richard Young). Presented at the Race and US Political Development Conference. Eugene, OR. May 2006.

### **Invited Talks and Media Appearances**

- “ISIS Beheadings,” Interview on KATU News, 10/03/2014
- “Homegrown Terrorism,” Interview on The Mark and Dave Show, KPAM AM 860, 01/09/2015
- “Homegrown Terrorism,” Interview on FM News 101 KXL, 1/14/2015
- Craig Whitlock and Adam Goldman, “How a reviled African ruler survived a coup hatched in the United States,” *Washington Post*, May 31, 2015, [https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/how-a-reviled-african-ruler-survived-a-coup-hatched-in-the-united-states/2015/05/31/a9fc1772-0485-11e5-8bda-c7b4e9a8f7ac\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/how-a-reviled-african-ruler-survived-a-coup-hatched-in-the-united-states/2015/05/31/a9fc1772-0485-11e5-8bda-c7b4e9a8f7ac_story.html). (Quoted in the story)
- “White Powder Mailed to Oregon Sheriffs,” Interview on KGW News, 7/27/2015
- “American Exceptionalism Revisited,” Keynote Speech for the Annual Meeting of the Political Science Section of the German Association for American Studies, November 13-14, 2015, Pfalz-Akademie in Lambrecht, Germany.
- “Geopolitics of Energy,” Interview with Ofelia Alemán García, *Siempre!* (Mexican news magazine), 02/23/2016
- Stuart Reid, “Let’s Go Take Back Out Country,” *The Atlantic*, March 2016, <http://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2016/03/lets-take-back-our-country/426852/>. (Quoted in the story)
- “Terrorist Attacks in Brussels,” Interview on KATU News, 03/22/2016
- “Missile Defense on the West Coast,” Interview for KATU News, 12/05/2017 (never aired)

### **Awards and Fellowships**

- Faculty Development Grant, 2018, Israel Institute
- Provost Initiative on Undergraduate Research Grant, Spring 2018, University of Portland
- Summer Undergraduate Research Grant 2017, University of Portland
- Diversity and Inclusion Grant Fall 2016, University of Portland
- Butine Faculty Development Award Fall 2016, University of Portland
- Shepard’s Shepherd, 2016-2017
- Dundon-Berchtold Institute Fellowship in Applied Ethics, 2015-2016, University of Portland
- The Johns Hopkins University Dean’s Teaching Fellowship, 2009
- Landesstiftung Baden-Württemberg Stipendium, University of Mannheim, 2008
- Johns Hopkins University Departmental Fellowship, Political Science, 2005 – 2011

## **TEACHING**

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### **Assistant Professor, University of Portland (9/01/2014 – present)**

- Geopolitics of Energy and the Environment
- Introduction to US Politics
- American Foreign Policy

- Frontline of Global War
- Strategies of War and Peace
- American Way of War
- Survival
- Politics of Hip Hop
- World Politics
- Realist International Relations Theory (directed study)

**Assistant/Associate Professor, College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University (8/11 – 7/14)**

- Methods of Analysis and Argumentation
- American Way of War
- Frontline of Global War: South Asia Since 1979
- Strategic Thought

**Lecturer/Adjunct/Writing Fellow, The Johns Hopkins University, (09/01/2007 – 07/01/2011)**

- American National Security in the 21st Century
- Energy and Environmental Security
- American Foreign Policy
- Government and Politics

**Visiting Lecturer (02/09 – 06/09), University of Mannheim**

- American Foreign Policy

**Teaching Assistant (9/06 – 6/08), The Johns Hopkins University**

- American Foreign Policy
- Introduction to American Politics
- The American Presidency

**Teaching Assistant and Reader (4/00 – 3/01), Black Studies Department, University of California, Santa Barbara**

- Introduction to Caribbean Studies
- Introduction to Black Studies
- The Civil Rights Movement

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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**University Service**

Participant, Diversity and Inclusion Grant Recipients, University of Portland Faculty Development Day, May 2018.

Assistant Marshal for University of Portland Commencement, 2017, 2018

Presidential Advisory Committee on Sustainability, 2017-2018

Guest Speaker, University of Portland AFROTC “Dining-In,” December 5, 2017

Participant, “Trump and Truth,” Philosophy Club Panel Discussion, March 24, 2017.

Honors Mentor, 2017-2018  
Participant, Mock Interview Panel, Rhodes Scholarship, 2016  
Participant, Mock Interview Panel, Fulbright Scholarship, 2017  
Participant, Mock Interview Panel, Truman Scholarship, 2017-2018  
Guest Lecture, "Civil Military Affairs," MSL 401, AROTC, November 29, 2016  
Faculty Advisor to the Roosevelt Institution Undergraduate Student Think Tank, Fall 2016-present.  
Faculty Mentor, AY 2016-2017.  
Member, Army ROTC Scholarship Board, April 15, 2016, November 21, 2016, December 1, 2017.  
Participant, Vote UP Election Panels, Fall 2016  
Participant, "Elections 2016: What you need to know!" Political Science Department Panel Discussion, March 15, 2016.  
Speaker, "Constitutional Foundation of American Foreign Policy," Constitution Day Lecture, September 17, 2015.  
Participant, Security Studies Panel, University of Portland Faculty Development Day, May 2015.

#### **Reviewer/Editor**

Editor, *Academica.edu* (9/2016 – present)  
Peer reviewer, Rowman and Littlefield, 2017 (book proposal)  
Peer reviewer, Georgetown University Press, 2016 (book proposal)  
Peer reviewer, Routledge, 2014 (book proposal).  
Peer reviewer, *Cambridge Journal of International Affairs* (article manuscript).

#### **Conference Panel Discussant/Chair/Organizer**

Participant: Roundtable on David Hendrickson's *Republic in Peril: Empire and the Liberal Tradition*, APSA Annual Meeting, August 31–September 3, 2017, San Francisco, CA.  
Chair: "What Impacts Public Opinion?," ISSS/ISAC Annual Meeting November 4-6, 2016 South Bend, IN.  
Discussant/Chair: "The Foreign Policies of the Great Powers," International Studies Association-Northeast Annual Meeting, 2012  
Discussant/Chair: "Systems Theories and Great Powers," International Studies Association-Northeast Annual Meeting, 2012  
Organizer: "Liberal States and Liberal Orders," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2-5, 2010, Washington, D.C  
Organizer: "Liberal States and Liberal Orders," Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, March 16-18, 2011, Montreal, Quebec.