

## Ayal Kenny Feinberg, Ph.D. Candidate

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science, University of North Texas (*Ph.D. expected May 2019*)  
Fields: International Relations (*with distinction*), Comparative Politics and Methods

Dissertation: *Explaining the Homeland-Diaspora Nexus: Israel Motivated Anti-Semitism and its Consequences*

Committee: Marijke Breuning (chair), Regina Branton, J. Michael Greig and John Ishiyama

M.A., Government (*magna cum laude*), Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, 2013  
Fields: Diplomacy and Conflict Studies

B.A., International Studies, Trinity College, 2010  
Focus: Middle Eastern Studies

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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Middle Eastern Politics  
Diaspora Affairs  
Ethnicity, Nationalism & Migration Studies  
Politics and Religion  
Human Security & Human Rights

### TEACHING INTERESTS

Far-Right Parties & Ideologies  
Conflicts of the Contemporary Middle East  
Religion and Foreign Policy  
Politicalization of Prejudice  
Ethnic Conflicts in International Relations

### PUBLICATIONS

**Feinberg, Ayal** and Brandon Stewart. Forthcoming. "How Holocaust History and Far-Right Parties Explain Antisemitic Incidents" *Contemporary Jewry*

Breuning, Marijke, **Ayal Feinberg**, Benjamin Gross, Melissa Martinez, Ramesh Sharma, and John Ishiyama. Forthcoming. "How International is Political Science? Patterns of Submission and Publication in the APSR" *PS: Political Science & Politics*

Breuning, Marijke, Benjamin Gross, **Ayal Feinberg**, Melissa Martinez, Ramesh Sharma, and John Ishiyama. Forthcoming. "Clearing the Pipeline? Gender and Publishing in the APSR" *PS: Political Science & Politics*

**Feinberg, Ayal** and Daphne Richmond-Barak. 2016. "The Irony of the Iron Dome: Intelligent Defense Systems, Law and Security." *Harvard National Security Journal* 7(2).

Meernik, James, Nenad Golcevski, **Ayal Feinberg**, Kimi King, Roman Krastev, and Melissa McKay. 2016. "Social Distance, Education and Reconciliation in the Formal Yugoslavia." *Journal of Southeast European and Black Sea Studies*

#### **MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW**

"Homeland Violence & Diaspora Insecurity: An Analysis of Israel and American Jewry" *under review*

"Explaining Ethnoreligious Hate in America" *under review*

"Ethnic Kin-Groups Connections and Mediation of Territorial Disputes" (with J. Michael Greig) *under review*

#### **MEDIA AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**

Ayal Feinberg. December, 2016. "These four factors trigger anti-Semitism in the U.S." *The Monkey Cage, The Washington Post*

Ayal Feinberg. February, 2015. "A dangerous game of chicken" *The Hill*

Ayal Feinberg. July, 2014. "Israel and Gaza: a silver lining?" *The American Thinker*

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

"New Anti-Semitism Explored: Does Conflict in Israel Determine Diaspora Insecurity?" invited to IAS Annual Conference, Berkeley, California, June 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

"How International Factors Affect Domestic Hate Crime: An Analysis of Israel and the US Jewish Diaspora" invited to ISA 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, San Francisco, California, April 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

"Do Bombs in Gaza Create Swastikas in New Jersey? A Novel Analysis of Anti-Semitism in the United States" invited to MPSA 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 6-9, 2017.

"Far-Right Parties and Anti-Semitic Social Conflict" invited to MPSA 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April 6-9, 2017. (co-presenter: Brandon Stewart)

“Does the Distribution of Ethnic Kin-Groups Explain Third-Party Mediation Initiation in Territorial Conflict?” invited to ISA 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Baltimore, Maryland, February 22-25, 2017. (co-presenter: J. Michael Greig)

“Social Distance, Education and Reconciliation in the Former Yugoslavia” invited to ISA/IPSA/ECPR/APSA Joint Conference on Human Rights and Justice, The Hague, June 8-10, 2015. (co-presenters: Kimi King, Roman Krastev, Melissa McKay, and James Meernik)

“The Irony of the Iron Dome: Intelligent Defensive Systems Under IHL” invited to the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Minerva Conference of International Humanitarian Law of the International Committee of the Red Cross/Minerva Center for Human Rights, Jerusalem, November 24-25, 2013. (co-presenter: Daphne Richmond-Barak)

### **SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS**

“Comparing Anti-Semitism across Europe” *preparation for submission*

“All Quiet on the Twitter Front? Congressional Tweets on Israel” *preparation for submission*

“The Alt-Right’s (((Anti-Semitism)))” *preparation for submission*

“Emotion in Intractable Conflict: The Curiously Hopeful Relationship between Political Ideology and Despair in Israel” *preparation for submission*

“Examining anti-Semitic Incidents on Campus” *preparation for submission*

### **RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS**

Dr. Idean Salehyan - (Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Summer 2018, Fall 2018)

Dr. Ashley English - (Fall 2016, Spring 2017)

Castleberry Peace Institute - (Summer 2015)

Dr. James Meernik - (Fall 2014, Spring 2015)

Dr. Daphne Richmond-Barak - (Spring 2013, Fall 2013)

International Institute for Counter-Terrorism - (Fall 2012)

### **TEACHING FELLOW (INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD)**

Introduction to Political Science Research, University of North Texas, Spring 2019

U.S. National Government, Texas Woman’s University, Fall 2018

The Political Weaponization of Anti-Semitism, University of North Texas, Spring 2018

U.S. National Government, Texas Woman’s University, Fall 2017

Contemporary Conflicts in the Middle East, University of North Texas, Summer 2017

## **INVITED LECTURES**

“Modern Anti-Semitism in the United States” invited to Trinity College, Connecticut, March 24, 2017.

“Explaining Anti-Semitic Incident Variation in the United States” invited to Castleberry Peace Institute Human Security Workshop, Denton, Texas, March 22, 2017.

## **TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS**

Dr. Regina Branton: Introduction to Political Science Research 2300 - (Fall 2018)

Dr. Ashley English: American Government: Law and Institutions 2306 - (Fall 2017)

Dr. T. David Mason: Introduction to Peace Studies 3500 - (Spring 2017)

Dr. Gloria Cox: American Politics 1040 - (Fall 2016)

Dr. Kimi King: American Politics 1040 - (Spring 2015)

Dr. John Ishiyama: American Politics 1040 - (Fall 2014)

## **HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

Howard H. Schultz Scholarship in Jewish and Israel Studies, University of North Texas, 2017-2018 & 2018-2019

Jay and Kathy Wolens Scholarship in Jewish and Israel Studies in Memory of Max and Florence Wolens, University of North Texas, 2017-2018 & 2018-2019

Schultz Family Scholarship in Jewish and Israel Studies, University of North Texas, 2017-2018 & 2018-2019

Watt Family Endowment Scholarship in Jewish and Israel Studies, University of North Texas, 2017-2018 & 2018-2019

Wisch Family Scholarships in Jewish and Israel Studies, University of North Texas, 2017-2018 & 2018-2019

Lou E. and Evelyn Pelton Jewish and Israel Studies Scholarships in Memory of Samuel Pelton, University of North Texas, 2017-2018 & 2018-2019

Graduate Assistantship Tuition Scholarship, University of North Texas, 2014-2019

Steven C. Poe Scholarship, University of North Texas, 2017-2018

Willingham Peace Scholarship, University of North Texas, 2014-2016

Tate Political Science Scholarship, University of North Texas, 2014-2016

Ragonis Foundation Scholarship, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism, 2013-2014

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

*American Political Science Review*, Editorial Assistant, 2015-2016

Institute for National Security and Counter-Terrorism and International Institute for Counter-Terrorism, Blog Editor, 2013-2014

## **PROPOSAL REFEREE**

*Politics and Religion* (2018), *Contemporary Jewry* (2018), *Scientia Militaria: South Africa Journal of Military Studies* (2017)

## **SERVICE EXPERIENCE**

Political Science Graduate Student Association, Vice President of Department Relations, 2017-Present

Political Science Graduate Student Association, President, 2016-2017

Political Science Graduate Student Association, Vice President of Socialization, 2015-2016

## **ACADEMIC ASSOCIATIONS**

American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Israel Studies Association, Midwestern Political Science Association, American Society of International Law

## **REFERENCES**

### Political Science

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