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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Visiting Lecturer, Department of Political Science, Clemson University (August 2017-)

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Political Science, University of North Texas (2017).
Fields: Comparative Politics and International Relations
Dissertation Title: “Crossing Over: Essays on Ethnic Parties, Electoral Politics, and Ethnic Social Conflict”
Committee: Idean Salehyan (Chair), John Ishiyama (Co-Chair), Jae-Jae Spoon, Jacqueline H.R. DeMeritt
- M.S. International Affairs, Florida State University (2012).
- B.A. Political Science, Florida Gulf Coast University (2009).

Additional Training

- Inter University Centre, Dubrovnik, Croatia (summer 2011)
Course: “Regional Security and Cooperation in South East Europe.”

RESEARCH

Peer-Reviewed

- 2017. “The Quantitative Turn in Transitional Justice Research: What Have We Learned About Impact?” (with Eric Wiebelhaus-Brahm). *Transitional Justice Review* 1(5): 97-133.
- 2017. “Political Mobilization and Government Targeting: When Do Dissidents Challenge the State?” (with Idean Salehyan). *Comparative Political Studies* 50(7): 963-991.
- 2016. “Does Conflict Lead to Ethnic Particularism? Electoral Violence and Ethnicity in Kenya 2005-2008” (with John Ishiyama and Amalia Pulido Gomez). *Nationalism and Ethnic Politics* 22(3): 300-321.

Other Publications

- 2017. “Slovakia.” In *Political Handbook of the World 2016-2017*, Tom Lansford (ed). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.
- 2014. “Understanding the Targets of Social Conflict” (with Idean Salehyan). *Climate Change and African Political Stability Program*. Research brief no. 23.

Current Projects

- “From Adversaries to Allies: Ethnic Gerrymandering and Ethnic Party Behavior in Local Elections in Macedonia” (*Revise and Resubmit*).
- “The Divergent Effects of Social Conflict on Ethnic Bloc Voting” (*Revise and Resubmit*).
- “Far Right Parties, Secondary Anti-Semitism, and Anti-Semitic Social Conflict” (with Ayal Feinberg, *Revise and Resubmit*).
- “Ethnic Parties and Target Selection in Social Conflict.”
- “Let My People Go: Structural Inequality and Ethnic Bloc Voting” (with Ronald McGauvran).
- “Reactions to Russian Aggression from Eastern European Parties” (with John Ishiyama and Christopher E. Pace).
- “Are Former Rebel Parties More Likely to use Violence during Elections?” (with John Ishiyama and Michael C. Marshall).
- “Organization, Supply, and the Structure of Opportunities: Understanding Ethnic Minority Party Success in Post-Communist East, Central and Southeast European politics” (with John Ishiyama).

Conference Presentations

- “Reactions to Russian Aggression from Eastern European Parties.” With John Ishiyama and Christopher E. Pace. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, California, September 2, 2017.
- “Targeting Dynamics in Ethnic Social Conflict.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 6, 2017.
- “Far-Right Parties and Anti-Semitic Social Conflict.” With Ayal Feinberg. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 7, 2017.
- “Ethnic Social Conflict and Voting Behavior: Does the Empirical Record Match the Anecdotal Evidence?” Paper presented at the University of Texas, Dallas, November 3, 2016.
- “Ethnic Social Conflict and Voting Behavior: Does the Empirical Record Match the Anecdotal Evidence?” Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Peace Science Society, Notre Dame, Indiana, October 22, 2016.
- “Ethnic Violence and Voting Behavior: Does the Empirical Record Match the Anecdotal Evidence?” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 9, 2016.

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- “Let My People Grow: Relative Disparity and Support for Ethnic Parties.” With Ronald J. McGauvran. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 9, 2016.
- “Political Mobilization and Government Targeting: When Do Dissidents Challenge the State?” With Idean Salehyan. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Peace Science Society, Oxford, MS, November 14, 2015.
- “Beasts of Burden? Refugees, Economic Grievances, and Social Conflict.” With Michael Widmeier and Jeremy Backstrom. Paper presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV, April 3, 2015. Panel: “Violence and the State.”
- “Quantitative Approaches to Societal-Level Transitional Justice Impact: What Have We Learned?” With Eric Wiebelhaus-Brahm. Paper presented at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, April 5, 2013. Panel: “Reflections on Transitional Justice.”
- “Lynching, Outsiders, and the Paradox of Fear in Guatemala.” Paper presented at the International Studies Association Midwest Conference, St. Louis, MO, November 11, 2011. Panel: “Violence and Political Unrest in Latin America.”
- “The Limits of Agency: Theoretical Understandings of Albanian/Serbian Relations, NATO Integration, and the Kosovo Air Campaign.” Paper presented at the Inter University Centre, Dubrovnik, Croatia, June 24, 2011.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

- *Introduction to Peace Studies*, University of North Texas: summer 2015.
- *Governments and Politics around the World*, University of North Texas: spring 2016.
- *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, Clemson University: fall 2017.
- *Introduction to International Relations*, Clemson University: fall 2017.

Teaching Assistantships

- *American Government*, University of North Texas: fall 2012, spring 2013, fall 2013, spring 2014, spring 2015, fall 2015, summer 2016, fall 2016, spring 2017.
- *Introduction to International Relations*, University of North Texas: fall 2015.
- *Introduction to Peace Studies*, University of North Texas: spring 2016.
- *Governments and Politics around the World*, University of North Texas: fall 2016.

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Graduate mentor, *National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates*. University of North Texas: summer 2013, summer 2014, summer 2017.
- Graduate student representative, Department of Political Science Comparative Politics/International Relations Search Committee. University of North Texas: November 2016.
- Manuscript reviewer, *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties, Conflict Management and Peace Science*.

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

- Idean Salehyan, *Social Conflict Analysis Database*, University of North Texas: summer 2013, fall 2013, spring 2014, summer 2014, fall 2014.
- Glen Biglaiser, University of North Texas: spring 2015, fall 2015.
- Andrew Enterline, University of North Texas: spring 2017.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Passed comprehensive exams in comparative politics and international relations with distinction, University of North Texas, January 2015.
- Pender Award for the Best Graduate Paper in Political Science, 2015.
- Dissertation Research Award, spring 2016, \$1,500.
- Peace Science Society Graduate Student Travel Grant, fall 2016, \$200.

ACADEMIC ASSOCIATIONS

- American Political Science Association
- Peace Science Society

REFERENCES

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