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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

U.S. Naval Academy
Department of Political Science
Assistant Professor (tenure track)

Annapolis, MD
August 2013 – present

Harvard University
Dept. of Government, College Fellows Program
Post-Doctoral Fellow

Cambridge, MA
AY 2012-13

Yale University
Dept. of Political Science, Program on Order, Conflict and Violence (OCV)
Pre-Doctoral Fellow

New Haven, CT
AY 2011-12

EDUCATION

Harvard University
Ph.D. and M.A, Department of Government

Cambridge, MA
November 2012

Dissertation: *How Rebellion Begins: Insurgent Group Formation and Viability in Uganda*

- Awarded Best Dissertation from the African Politics Conference Group of the American Political Science Association (APSA).
- Awarded Senator Charles Sumner Prize for best dissertation "... tending toward the prevention of war and the establishment of universal peace" from the Harvard Government Department.

Stanford University
M.A. in International Policy Studies
B.A. (with Honors) in Political Science

Palo Alto, CA
June 2001
June 2001

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

"Rumors, Kinship Networks, and Rebel Group Formation" (with Jennifer Larson). Forthcoming at *International Organization*.

"How Does Ethnic Rebellion Start?" 2017. *Comparative Political Studies*. 50(10): 1420-1450.

- Awarded James Caporaso Best Paper Award, for best paper published in *CPS* in 2017.

"Ethnic Networks" (with Jennifer Larson). 2017. *American Journal of Political Science* 61(2): 350-364.

- Awarded Best Article published in *AJPS* in 2017.
- Awarded Best Conference Paper by the Political Networks section of APSA (2016).

"When Decentralization Leads to Recentralization: Subnational State Transformation in Uganda." 2014. *Regional & Federal Studies*. 24(5): 571-588.

"Administrative Unit Proliferation" (with Guy Grossman). 2014. *American Political Science Review*. 108(1): 196-207.

- Awarded the Kellogg/Notre Dame award for best article in comparative politics, Midwest Political Science Association (2014)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

How Insurgency Begins: Rebel Group Formation and Failure in Uganda. (Book manuscript, Under Review.)

"Measuring Networks in the Field" (with Jennifer Larson). Conditional acceptance at *Political Science Research and Methods*.

"From Chatter to Action: How Social Networks Inform and Motivate in Rural Uganda" (with Jennifer M. Larson and Pedro Rodriguez). *Under Review*.

"State Capacity, Information, and Deterring Aspiring Rebels" Article in progress.

"Rebel Group Formation in Central and East Africa." Dataset in progress.

SELECTED POLICY PUBLICATIONS

"The Democratic Republic of Congo might break up its provinces. Then what?" with Guy Grossman. *The Monkey Cage* blog of *The Washington Post*. June 4, 2015.

"Developing an Army Strategy for Building Partner Capacity for Stability Operations" with Jefferson P. Marquis et al. Monograph. Santa Monica: The RAND Corporation, June 2010.

"Poverty and Conflict: What Policymakers Need to Know" with Susan E. Rice and Corinne Graff. *Working Paper Series on Global Economy and Development*, #02, Washington, D.C.: The Brookings Institution, December 2006.

"Terrorist Financing: U.S. Agencies Should Systematically Assess Terrorists' Use of Alternative Financing Mechanisms." (contributing author) Washington, D.C.: U.S. GAO, November 2003.

HONORS AND GRANTS

2018: James Caporaso Best Paper Award, for best paper published in *Comparative Political Studies* in 2017, for "How Does Ethnic Rebellion Start?"

2018: Best Article Award, for best article appearing in *American Journal of Political Science* in 2017, for "Ethnic Networks" (with Jennifer Larson)

2016-17: Minerva R-DEF research grant to build dataset on rebel formation in Africa (\$55,090)

2016: Best conference paper, Political Networks section of APSA, for “Ethnic Networks” (with Jennifer Larson)

2014, 2015, 2016, 2018: Naval Academy Research Council summer research grant

2014: Best Paper in comparative politics presented at conference in 2013, the Kellogg/Notre Dame award of the Midwest Political Science Association, for “Administrative Unit Proliferation” (with Guy Grossman)

2013: Best Dissertation Award, African Politics Conference Group of APSA

2013: Senator Charles Sumner Dissertation Prize, Harvard University Dept. of Government

2013: Certificate for Distinction in Teaching, Harvard College, for “Security and Development Interventions in Fragile States”

2012: Harvard Institute for Quantitative Social Science (IQSS) research grant

2012, 2010: Certificates for Distinction in Teaching, Harvard, *Ethnic Politics and Conflict*

2011-12: Harry Frank Guggenheim (HFG) Dissertation Fellowship

2010-11: Hartley R. Rodgers Dissertation Fellowship, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University

2010-11: Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC), Stanford University, (declined)

2009-10: U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP) Randolph Jennings Dissertation Fellowship

2009: National Science Foundation (NSF) Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant (#0921550)

2009: Smith Richardson Foundation World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship

2008-09: Arthur Lehman Merit Fellowship, Harvard University

2008: Certificate for Distinction in Teaching, Harvard, *Introduction to Comparative Politics*

2008: Jennifer Oppenheimer Grant for summer research, Harvard Committee on African Studies

2007-11: Selected as Graduate Student Associate, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs

2000-01: Graduate Fellow, Center on Conflict and Negotiation (SCCN), Stanford University

1999: U.S. Department of Education National Security Education Program (NSEP) grant for study in the Cape Flats, South Africa (University of Western Cape)

1999: Dorot Foundation grant for undergrad thesis fieldwork in Israel, Gaza, and the West Bank

TEACHING

- *Ethnic Politics and Conflict*, *Politics in Africa*, *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, *Introduction to International Relations*, and *Political Science Methods*, USNA (2013-present)
- Designed and taught advanced undergraduate seminars *Ethnic Politics and Conflict* (2010, 2012) and *Security and Development Interventions in Fragile States* (2013), Harvard University.
- Teaching Fellow, *Introduction to Comparative Government*, taught by Prof. Steven Levitsky (2007, 2008), Harvard University.
- Honors Thesis Advisor, three Harvard students (2007-11), six USNA students (2014-present)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

- APSA (2017; 2015; 2014; 2013; 2011; 2010)
- ASA (2014; 2011)
- IPSA (2014)
- ISA (2019 scheduled; 2017; 2015; 2013; 2011)
- MPSA (2017; 2013)
- NEPSA (2010)
- George Washington University, Comparative Politics Workshop (2017)
- Workshop on “Networks of Resistance” (invited participant), Peace Science Society (2017)
- Georgetown University, Capital Area Africanist Workshop (2015)
- Olympia Summer Academy, Greece (2015)
- Duke University, Conflict Peace and Security Workshop (2014)
- H.F. Guggenheim Foundation (2014)
- World Bank, Working Group on African Political Economy (2013)
- Uppsala University, Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Sweden (2012)
- Johns Hopkins University, Government Analytics program (2012)
- Yale University, Program on Order, Conflict and Violence (2011)
- Harvard-MIT Civil Conflict Workshop (2013; 2011; 2009)
- Makerere University, Uganda (2009)
- RAND Corporation (2007)

RELATED EXPERIENCE

U.S. Institute of Peace

Instructor

May 2012

Uganda

Provided training on engaging civilians to a Ugandan military unit prior to their deployment with the African Union peacekeeping mission in Somalia (AMISOM).

The RAND Corporation

Summer Associate

Summer 2007

Arlington, VA

Conducted research for a RAND study on the effectiveness of the U.S. Army and Department of State’s Building Partner Capacity programs, which train African militaries in peacekeeping skills.

The Brookings Institution

Consultant

Summer 2006; Spring 2008

Washington, DC

Conducted research and co-authored paper with Susan Rice, who later became U.S. National Security Adviser, on the transnational security implications of global poverty.

U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO)

Analyst, International Affairs and Trade

2001 to 2005

San Francisco, CA and Washington DC

Conducted research on the effectiveness of various U.S. government international programs.

Seeds of Peace

Instructor and Counselor

Summers 1998-2003

Maine, Greece, Croatia

Taught conflict resolution program to youth leaders from the Middle East and Balkans.

SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

- Manuscript reviewer, *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *International Security*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Journal of Politics*, *Security Studies*, and *World Politics*
- Section Chair, International Relations, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) 2018 Annual Meeting
- Awards Committee Member, Sage Award for best paper using or developing qualitative methods, Qualitative and Mixed Methods Section of APSA (2017)
- Awards Committee Member, Best Paper Award from the Political Networks Section of APSA (2017)
- Member, APSA and ISA
- Affiliate, Harvard Institute for Quantitative Social Science (2010-2013)
- Executive Committee Member (2010-11) and Graduate Student Associate (2007-11), Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
- Affiliate, Makerere University Institute for Social Research and the Center for Basic Research, Kampala, Uganda (2009-2012)
- Co-Coordinator, Harvard Workshop on Civil Conflict and Political Violence (2006-2008); initiated the (now annual) Harvard-MIT-Yale conflict conference