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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

George Washington University
Department of Political Science
Assistant Professor

Washington, DC
August 2019 - present

United States Naval Academy (USNA)
Department of Political Science
Assistant Professor

Annapolis, MD
August 2013 - July 2019

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 AND AWARDS

BOOK:

How Insurgency Begins: Rebel Group Formation in Uganda and Beyond. Forthcoming in 2020 at Cambridge University Press, Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics Series.

ARTICLES:

"Measuring Networks in the Field." 2019. (with Jennifer M. Larson). *Political Science Research and Methods*. DOI: 10.1017/psrm.2019.5

"Rumors, Kinship Networks, and Rebel Group Formation" (with Jennifer M. Larson). 2018. *International Organization*. 72(Fall): 871-903.

- Alexander L. George Award for best article or chapter developing or applying qualitative methods published in 2018 from the Qualitative and Mixed Methods Section of APSA.

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

- James Caporaso Award for best article published in *CPS* in 2017.

"Ethnic Networks" (w/ 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 in 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.

- Kellogg/Notre Dame Award for best article in comparative politics presented at the 2013 annual meeting, Midwest Political Science Association.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

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

"Varieties of Civil Conflict Onset"

Rebel Group Formation in Sub-Saharan Africa (Dataset in progress.)

GRANTS AND OTHER HONORS

2018-19: Ernst Volgenau research grant (intra-USNA competitive grant)

2016-17: Minerva R-DEF research grant to build dataset on rebel formation in Africa

2014, 2015, 2016, 2018: USNA Research Council summer research grant

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

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.

TEACHING AND ADVISING

- Courses taught at GWU (undergrad and Ph.D.-level courses, 2019-2020) *Political Violence*
- Courses taught at USNA (undergrad courses, 2013-2019): *Ethnic Politics and Conflict*, *Politics in Africa*, *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, *Introduction to International Relations*, and *Political Science Quantitative Methods*
- Courses taught at Harvard as sole instructor (undergrad seminars): *Ethnic Politics and Conflict* (2010, 2012) and *Security and Development Interventions in Fragile States* (2013).
- Courses taught at Harvard as Teaching Fellow (2007, 2008): *Introduction to Comparative Government*
- Honors Thesis Advisor, three Harvard students (2007-11), six USNA students (2013-2019)
- Academic adviser to 12-25 USNA political science majors per year (2013-19)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

- APSA (2017; 2015; 2014; 2013; 2011; 2010)
- ISA (2020; 2019; 2017; 2015; 2013; 2011)
- MPSA (2017; 2013)
- ASA (2019; 2014; 2011)
- IPSA (2014)
- NEPSA (2010)
- Johns Hopkins School for Advanced Studies' African Studies Program (2020)
- Advancing Research on Conflict (ARC) Workshop panelist (2019)
- United States Naval Academy, honorary address during commissioning week to midshipmen inducted into Phi Sigma Alpha honors society (2019)
- Duke University, Conflict Peace and Security Workshop (2019)
- Temple University, Comparative Politics Workshop (2019)
- 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 (invited instructor), 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

Co-led training on engaging civilians to soldiers in the Ugandan military (UPDF) prior to their deployment with the African Union 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 on the transnational security implications of global poverty for Susan Rice, who later became U.S. National Security Adviser.

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

- 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*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Security Studies*, and *World Politics*
- Section Chair, International Relations, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) 2018 Annual Meeting
- Award Committee Member, Sage Award for best paper using or developing qualitative methods, Qualitative and Mixed Methods Section of APSA (2017)
- Award Committee Member, Best Paper Award from the Political Networks Section of APSA (2017)
- External Review Committee Member, USNA Politics Science Department (2015-2016)
- Executive Committee Member (2010-11), Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
- Co-Coordinator, Harvard Workshop on Civil Conflict and Political Violence (2006-2008); initiated the (now annual) Harvard-MIT-Yale conflict conference