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Appointments Louisiana State University 2015-
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

Research Interests human rights, political order, conflict, violence, inequality, policing

Education University of Michigan
Ph.D. (with Distinction) in Political Science, 2014
University of Notre Dame
M.A in Political Science, 2010
University of Maryland
M.A in Government and Politics, 2008
Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam
M.S. in Political Science, 2006
Binghamton University
B.A. in Political Science, 2005

Peer Reviewed Publications 2017. "The Rebel Alliance Strikes Back: Understanding the Politics of Backlash Mobilization." *Mobilization*. 22(2): TBA. (with Christian Davenport)

2016. "Political Repression and the Destruction of Dissident Organizations: Evidence from the Guatemalan Police Archives." *World Politics*. 68(4): 645-676

2016. "Undermining Resistance: Mobilization, Repression, and the Enforcement of Political Order." *The Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 60(7): 1160-1190

2015. "Doing Harm by Doing Good: The Negative Externalities of Humanitarian Aid Provisions during Civil Conflict." *The Journal of Politics*. 77(3): 736-748. (with Reed Wood)

2014. "The (In)Effectiveness of Torture for Combating Insurgency" *The Journal of Peace Research*. 51(3):388-404.
(runner up – Nils Peter Gleditsch 2014 JPR Article of the Year Award)

2014. "The Northern Ireland Research Initiative: Data on the Troubles from 1968-1998." *Conflict Management and Peace Science*. 31(1): 94-106. (with Cyanne Loyle and Christian Davenport).

2012. "Blood in the Village: Local-Level Determinants of State Massacres" *Conflict Management and Peace Science*. 29(4): 373-396.

2012. "The Coercive Weight of the Past: Temporal Dependence in the Conflict-Repression Nexus" *International Interactions*. 38(4):426-442. (with Cyanne Loyle and Christian Davenport).

<i>Grants and Fellowships</i>	National Science Foundation An Organizational Approach to State Repression (Co-PI SES-1555460, \$556,000)	2015-2017
	Institute for Social Research Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Political Studies	2014-2015
	New York University Residential Scholar, Center for Human Rights and Global Justice	2014-2015
	Yale University Predoctoral Fellow, Program on Order, Conflict, and Violence	2013-2014
	National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (PI SES-1123055, \$11,750)	2011-2012
	Social Science Research Council International Dissertation Research Fellowship (PI, \$16,350)	2010-2011

Book Project *Why not Rebel? The Micro-foundations of Political Order*

Working Papers "Repression and the Death of Radical Politics: Evidence from Guatemala" (Under Review)

 "A Million Deaths is a Statistic: New Findings from the Archives of Political Conflict"
(with Laia Balcells)

 "State Surveillance, Movement Adaptation, and the Survival of an Urban Insurgency"
(with Christian Davenport)

 "Crime and Governance: Rethinking the Relationship between Courts and Human Rights"

 "The Puzzle of Democratic Repression: The Case of the British Security Forces in Northern Ireland, 1969-1998" (with Christian Davenport and Cyanne Loyle)

 "Who Rats? An Empirical Analysis of Defection During Political Arrests" (with Christian Davenport and Kraig Beyerlein)

 "Using a Natural Experiment to Examine How Enforcement Affects Compliance with Political Authority" (with Zach O'Keefe)

 "Killing in the Name of: An Analysis of the Transfer of Policing Power from Public to

Private Authority” (with Matthew Vallasik)

“Organized Chaos: Revolutionary Politics, Design, and Architecture”

Dissertation *Undermining Resistance: Mobilization, Repression, and the Enforcement of Political Order*
Committee: Christian Davenport, Allan Stam, Mark Beissinger (Princeton), Kiyoteru Tsutsui (Department of Sociology)
Fields: Comparative Politics, International Relations, Political Methodology

Teaching Experience

- Order and Inequality in World Politics
Graduate Course – LSU, Spring 2017
- Honors Seminar in Human Rights
Undergraduate Course – LSU, Fall 2016
- International Human Rights
Undergraduate Course – LSU, Spring 2016
- International Human Rights
Graduate Course – LSU, Fall 2015
- Political Violence
Undergraduate Course – LSU, Fall 2015
- Analytic Skills
Guest Lecturer – New York University, 2015
- Advanced Studies of State Repression
Guest Lecturer – University of Michigan, 2013
- Poverty and Public Health in Guatemala
Teaching Assistant - University of Guelph, Antigua, Guatemala, 2011
- International Human Rights
Guest Lecturer – University of Notre Dame, 2010
- Intro to International Relations
Teaching Assistant - University of Maryland, 2007

Field Research

- Guatemala
National Police Archives, Guatemala City 2009-2011
- United Kingdom
Kew National Archives, London; Public Records Office, Belfast 2008-2009

Additional Training

- Causal Inference for the Social Sciences
ICPSR - University of Michigan, 2010
- GIS for Peace and Conflict Studies
Department of Geography - Trondheim University, 2009
- Intensive Spanish
ICA Language School - Quetzaltenango, Guatemala, 2009
- Qualitative and Multi-Method Research
IQMR - University of Arizona, 2008

Identity, Conflict, and Violence

Yale Program on Order, Conflict and Violence - Olympia, Greece, 2007

Social Network Analysis

European Consortium for Political Analysis – University of Konstanz, 2007

Other Awards

Kellogg Institute for International Studies

Conference Travel Grant, 2011

Dissertation Research Grant, 2009-2010

Notebaert Fund

Professional Development Grant, 2011

Nanovic Institute for European Studies

Graduate Initiatives Grant, 2010

Center for the Study of Social Movements and Social Change

Research Grant, 2009

Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts

Project Grant, 2009

Downes Memorial Fund

Graduate Travel Grant, 2009, 2011

University of Maryland

Graduate Fellowship, 2006-2008

Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam

Rutgers Fellowship, 2005-2006

Invited

Presentations

Center for Human Rights and Global Justice, NYU

Workshop on Intrastate Conflict and Violence, George Washington University

Protest and Politics Workshop, CUNY

Peace Research Institute, Oslo

Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University

Program on Order, Conflict and Violence, Yale University

Conference

Presentations

“Challenger Demands and Human Rights Improvements in Highly Repressive

Regimes” – Yale Program on Order, Conflict and Violence, Conference on 20th
Century Conflicts – New Haven, CT (April 2016)

“Doing Harm by Doing Good? Humanitarian Aid and Civilian Victimization during Civil
Conflict” – International Studies Association – New Orleans, LA (February 2015)

“Who Rats? An Empirical Analysis of Defection During Political Arrests” – Peace
Science Society North American Conference 2013 – Knoxville, TN (October,
2013)

“Undermining Resistance: Mobilization, Repression and Political Order” – New Face
Conference, Triangle Institute for Security Studies 2013 – Chapel Hill, NC

(September 2013)

- “Shooting First: Political Repression and the Dismantling of Opposition Organizations.”
– American Political Science Association Conference 2013 – Chicago, Illinois
(August 2013)
- “Pacifying Politics: Repression, Dissent and Claimsmaking” – International Studies
Association Conference 2013 – Chicago, Illinois
- “Shooting First: Understanding the Effects of Preemptive Repression on Behavioral
Challenges.” – Jan Tinbergen Peace Science Society Conference 2012 – Berlin,
Germany
- “Organizing Oppression: Government and the Preemptive Violation of Human Rights”
– Peace Science Society North American Conference 2011 – Los Angeles,
California
- “Organizing Oppression: Government and the Preemptive Violation of Human Rights”
– American Political Science Association Conference 2011 – Seattle,
Washington
- “An Empirical Analysis of Massacres in a Counter-Insurgency Campaign” –
International Association of Genocide Scholars Conference 2011 – Buenos
Aires, Argentina
- “Methods for Correcting Sample Selection Bias in Human Rights Research” – Human
Rights Data Analysis Group Workshop 2011 – Notre Dame, Indiana
- “Violence Begets Violence, But When? An Empirical Examination of New Data on
Northern Ireland’s Troubles” – International Studies Association Conference
2011 - Montreal, Canada
- “The (In)Effectiveness of Torture” Households in Conflict Workshop - Bogota,
Colombia
- “One Step Forward, Two Steps Back: Repression, Adaptation and the Difficulties of
Achieving Successful Counter-Movement Outcomes” – Peace Science Society
North American Conference 2010 - Fort Worth, Texas
- “All Genocide is Local: An Empirical Analysis of Massacres in a Counter-Insurgency
Campaign” – Households in Conflict Conference on the Behavioral and Cultural
Consequences of Violence 2010 - Lisbon, Portugal
- “The (In)Effectiveness of Torture in Combating Insurgency” – Network of European
Peace Scientists Conference 2010 - Amsterdam, Netherlands
- “State Surveillance and State Violence in Guatemala” – Center for the Study of Social
Movements and Social Change Young Scholars Conference 2010 - Notre Dame,
Indiana
- “Does Torture Work? An Empirical Investigation of the Effects of State Torture in
Guatemala” – International Studies Association Conference 2010 - New Orleans,
Louisiana
- “The De-Escalation of Political Violence in Northern Ireland: Armed Force and
Negotiated Settlement” – Western Political Science Association Conference
2010 - Vancouver, Canada
- “Hearts, Minds or Souls? The Spatial Variation of Genocidal Violence in a Counter-
Insurgency Campaign” – International Studies Association Conference 2009 -
New York, New York
- “Hearts, Minds or Souls? The Spatial Variation of Genocidal Violence in a Counter-
Insurgency Campaign” – Peace Science Society North American Conference

2008 - Claremont, California

Language Skills Spanish
Proficient
French
Beginner

Software Skills Statistics
R, Stata
Spatial Analysis
GIS
Social Network Analysis
Visone, UCInet

Disciplinary Service Managing Editor
The Journal of Conflict Resolution, 2008-2012
Reviewer
The American Political Science Review, The American Sociological Review, The American Journal of Political Science, The Journal of Politics, World Politics, The Journal of Conflict Resolution, The Journal of Peace Research, International Studies Quarterly, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Mobilization, International Area Studies Review, Terrorism and Political Violence, European Journal of Political Research, Global Change, Peace, and Security
Panel Organizer
American Political Science Association, International Studies Association
Workshop Organizer
Peace Science Association (International), International Studies Association
Member
American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Peace Science Society (International)

References

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