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Education:

- Ph.D. (Political Science), August 2016. University of North Texas.
Dissertation: *“Clenching the Fists of Dissent”*: Political Unrest, Repression, and the Evolution to Civil War.
Committee: Idean Salehyan (Chair), T. David Mason (Chair), Jacqueline H.R. DeMeritt, and John Ishiyama.
- M.A. (Political Science), 2004. Villanova University.
- B.S. (Political Science and History), 2001. Texas A&M University-Commerce.
(cum laude- with High Honors)
Honors Thesis: *A Kurdish Nation: Myth or Reality? A Case Study in Political Mobilization.*

Teaching Interests:

Comparative Politics
International Relations
Conflict (Interstate and Intrastate)
Human Rights
Peace Science
Revolutions and Political Violence
Middle East Politics
African Politics

Research Interests:

Civil Conflict and Political Violence
Human Rights and State Repression
Revolutions and Political Unrest
Conflict Management
Ethnic Politics
Authoritarian Political Institutions

Peer Reviewed Publications:

- 2015. “Review Fatigue? Why Scholars Decline to Review their Peers’ Work” (with Marijke Breuning, Jeremy Brannon, Ben Gross, and Michael Widmeier) *P.S. Political Science & Politics* 48(4): 595-600.
- 2014. “Patterns of Protest in the People's Republic of China: A Provincial Level Analysis” (with Victor Cheung Yin Chan and T. David Mason) *Asian Affairs: An American Review* 41(3): 91-107.
- 2011. “Reconciliation and Conceptual Complexity: The Case of Post Conflict Kenya” (with John Ishiyama) *African and Asian Studies* 10(4): 366-386.

Non- Peer Reviewed Publications:

- 2016. “Overburdened Reviewers and the Future of Peer Review.” *European Science Editing* 42(2): 42.

- 2010. “American Foreign Policy,” in *21st Century Political Science: A Handbook*, 1st edition. 2 volumes. John Ishiyama and Marijke Breuning, editors. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, pp. 822-830.

Working Papers:

- “‘Appetite for Destruction’? Institutional Survival and Political Unrest.’ Dissertation Chapter.
- “‘Legacy of Brutality’: How Low Level Political Violence Evolves into Civil War.’ Dissertation Chapter.
- “‘Beasts of Burden: Refugees, Economic Grievances, and Social Conflict,’” with Brandon Stewart and Michael Widmeier
- “‘Does a Punishment in U.S. Foreign Aid Generate an Improvement in Human Rights Violations?’,”
- “‘Female Participation in Rebel Groups,’” with Brooke E. DeSipio.
- “‘Gender Violence during Civil Wars,’” with Brooke E. DeSipio.
- “‘Gender Violence during Political Unrest,’” with Brooke E. DeSipio.
- “‘Institutions and Ethnic Unrest in Emerging Democracies,’” with John Ishiyama.
- “‘Insurgencies, Peace Processes, and Rebel Goals,’” with Christopher Linebarger.
- “‘Political Violence and Regime Response in Africa,’” with Emily Stull.
- “‘Women as Peacemakers? The Effect of Female Legislators on Regime Repression,’” with Emily Stull.
- “‘Regime Type and Methods of Repression,’” with Emily Stull, Steven Liebel, and Benjamin Gross.
- “‘Teaching International Relations,’” with Emily Stull, Steven Liebel, and Michael Widmeier.

Conference Presentations:

- “‘Beasts of Burden: Refugees, Economic Grievances, and Social Conflict.’” Presented with Brandon Stewart and Michael Widmeier at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association in Las Vegas, NV, April 2015.
- “‘Legacy of Brutality: How Low Level Political Violence Evolves into Civil War.’” Presented at the 2013 Peace Science Society Annual Meeting in Knoxville, TN, October 2013.
- “‘Only the Strong Survive? Regime Survival and Political Unrest.’” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Chicago, IL, August-September 2013.
- “‘Should I Stay or Should I Go: The Determinants of Dissident Reaction to Regime Repression and Reform during Political Unrest.’” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association in San Francisco, CA, April 2012.
- “‘Protests and Government Repression in Africa.’” Presented with Emily Stull at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, IL, April 2012.
- “‘Regime Responses to Political Unrest.’” Presented at the 2012 Peace Science Society Annual Meeting in Savannah, GA, October 2012.

- “Political Institutions and Ethnic Unrest in Emerging Democracies.” Presented with John Ishiyama at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association in San Diego, CA, April 2012.
- “Patterns of Protest in the People’s Republic of China: A Provincial Level Analysis.” Presented with T. David Mason and Cheung Yin Chan at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association in San Diego, CA, April 2012.
- “Insurgency, Peace Processes, and Rebel Goals.” Presented with Christopher Linebarger at the Annual Meetings of the Northeastern Political Science Association in Philadelphia, PA, November 2011.
- “Insurgency, Peace Processes, and Rebel Goals.” Presented with Christopher Linebarger at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association- Midwest in St. Louis, MO, November 2011.
- “Reconciliation, Parliamentary Debates, and Conceptual Complexity: The Case of Post Conflict Kenya.” Presented with Dr. John Ishiyama at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, LA, January 2011.
- “Talking It Over: Parliamentary Debates, Conceptual Complexity and Post-Conflict Kenya.” Presented with Dr. Marijke Breuning and Dr. John Ishiyama at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association in New Orleans, LA, February 2010.
- “Talking It Over: Parliamentary Debates and Post-Conflict Kenya.” Presented with Dr. John Ishiyama at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association-Midwest in St. Louis, MO, November 2009.
- “A Kurdish Nation: Myth or Reality? A Case Study in Political Mobilization.” Presented at the Association of Third World Studies Conference in Savannah, GA, October 9-13, 2001.
- “The Iraqi Sanctions: Prospects for Political Change.” Presented at the 23rd Annual Third World Studies Conference in Omaha, NE, October 6-8, 2000.

Invited Talks:

- Guest Speaker at the University of North Texas Founder’s Circle Dinner in Dallas, TX, November 16, 2013.
- “The Arab Spring and the Diversity of Regime Response.” Special Lecturer for *The Politics of the Middle East*, Spring 2012, University of North Texas.
- “Iraq: From the Ottoman Empire to the Hussein Regime.” Special Lecturer for *The Politics of the Middle East*, Spring 2012, University of North Texas.
- “Zionism and the Origins of the Modern Middle East.” Special Lecturer for *Historical Geography*, Summer 2008, Texas A&M University-Commerce.
- “Terrorism” Participant in a roundtable discussion on terrorism, September 2001, Texas A&M University-Commerce.

Professional Experience:

- **Associate**
Global Terrorism Database, National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START), University of Maryland: May 2016- December 2016.

- **Junior Researcher**
Global Terrorism Database, National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START), University of Maryland: May 2015- May 2016.
- **Editorial Assistant**
American Political Science Review: July 2012- September 2014.
John Ishiyama (Lead Editor), Marijke Breuning, Steven Forde, Valerie Martinez-Ebers
- **Graduate Program Mentor**
National Science Foundation- Research Experience for Undergraduates (NSF-REU) Program in Civil Conflict Management and Peace Science, University of North Texas: Summer 2010 and Summer 2011.
John Ishiyama (Director) and J. Michael Greig (co-Principal Investigator).
- **Research Assistant**
Issues Correlates of War (ICOW). University of North Texas: Summer 2009- Spring 2012. Paul Hensel (Director)

Teaching Experience:

- **Albright College:**
Global Responses to Terrorism, Spring 2016.
International Politics, Spring 2016.
Comparative Politics, Fall 2016.
- **Montgomery County Community College**
Introduction to Political Science, Spring 2015.
American National Government, Spring 2015.
- **University of North Texas:**
Revolutions and Political Violence, Summer 2013.
- **Brookhaven College**
U.S. and Texas Government, Spring and Summer 2012.
- **Texas A&M University- Commerce**
Middle East Politics, Spring 2008.
U.S. and Texas Government, Spring 2008.

Other Instruction:

- *Stata IC Workshop*, NSF-REU Program in Civil Conflict Management and Peace Science, University of North Texas. Summer 2010 and Summer 2011.

Teaching Assistantships:

- University of North Texas: Fall 2008- Spring 2010.

Honors and Awards:

- American Political Science Association Travel Grant, 2013.
- Graduate Assistantship Tuition Scholarship, University of North Texas: 2012-2013.
- Toulouse Graduate Student Travel Grant, 2013.
- University of North Texas Student Government Association Raupe Travel Grant, 2013.
- ICOW Data Project Scholarship, University of North Texas: 2011-2012.
- Department of Political Science Travel Grant, University of North Texas: 2012, 2013.
- Graduate Student Support Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, University of North Texas: 2011, 2012.
- Competitive Scholarship Waiver, University of North Texas: 2008-2009, 2009-2010.
- Claude and Ethel Hall Scholarship, Texas A&M University-Commerce: 2001.
- Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities: 2001-2002.
- USAA All-American Scholar.

Reviewer Service:

- *International Interactions*, 2012.

Military Service:

- United States Air Force, Security Police. E-4 (Senior Airman), August 1993-August 1997.

Professional Affiliations:

- American Political Science Association
- Alpha Chi
- International Studies Association
- Peace Science Society (International)
- Pi Sigma Alpha

References

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