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## Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Wisconsin–Madison (expected 2021)

*Fields:* International Relations, Comparative Politics, Political Methodology (minor)

*Dissertation:* The Idea of Terror: A Critical Approach to Consequences of the "Terrorist" Classifier

*Committee:* Andrew Kydd (chair), Helen Kinsella, Jon Pevehouse, Jonathan Renshon, Jessica Weeks

M.A., Political Science, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2016

B.A., International Relations and Modern Languages (German; French), Knox College, 2013  
*summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, with College Honors

Faculty Scholarship Prize, 2012 (highest academic honor, awarded once annually)

Language immersion semester, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, 2011

*Honors thesis:* The Role of Societal Ideology in Diaspora-Related Terrorism: An Examination of Terrorist Activity in France, Germany, and the United States

## Research

### *Peer-Reviewed*

"The Impact of Emotion on War Initiation and Termination." In *The Oxford Handbook of Behavioral Political Science*, eds. Lesley Terris and Alex Mintz. (forthcoming; with Jonathan Renshon)

### *Public Scholarship*

"Why do Facebook and Twitter's anti-extremist guidelines allow right-wingers more freedom than Islamists?" *The Monkey Cage*, August 1, 2019. <https://wapo.st/2KhUFm5>

### *In Progress*

"The Idea of Terror: A Critical Approach to Consequences of the 'Terrorist' Classifier" (to be presented at APSA 2019)

"Data are Not the Problem: Conceptual Discord at the Frontiers of Terrorism Research" (presented at the 2019 meeting of the Society for Terrorism Research)

"The Effects of State-Level Discourse on Terrorist Recruitment" (presented at ISA 2019)

"Bargaining as a Process of Legitimation: A Theoretical Framework for State-Terrorist Negotiations" (presented at MPSA 2017 and ISA 2018)

"Emotions in International Relations" (with Jonathan Renshon)

## Presentations

### *Conferences*

**American Political Science Association** (2018, 2019 (scheduled)); **International Studies Association** (2018, 2019); **Midwest Political Science Association** (2017); **Society for Terrorism Research** (2019)

### *Invited Talks, Internal Presentations, and Media Interviews*

“The Idea of Terror: A Critical Approach to Consequences of the ‘Terrorist’ Classifier.” International Relations Colloquium, University of Wisconsin–Madison, February 19, 2019.

“Global Terrorism.” Guest lecture, PS 347: Terrorism, October 1, 2018.

“Migration and Refugees.” Guest lecture, PS 350: International Political Economy, August 6, 2018.

“Terrorism expert: Cudahy woman’s arrest highlights growing ISIS presence on social media.” TV interview, WTMJ-TV Milwaukee, June 14, 2018. <https://bit.ly/2LGtzmX>

“Vindicating Violence: Norms, Discourse, and Participation in Counterhegemonic Resistance.” International Relations Colloquium, University of Wisconsin–Madison, January 23, 2018.

## Experience

### *Research assistance:*

**2019:** Professor Nils Ringe (computational text analysis)

**2018:** Professor Nadav Shelef (German-English translation), Professor Eleanor Powell (big data coding)

**2017:** Professor Helen Kinsella (literature reviews)

**2016:** Professor Eleanor Powell (data collection management and codebook development)

### *Professional:*

Faculty Research Assistant, National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START), 2014–2015

- Managed team of coders for the Global Terrorism Database (GTD); conducted research on terrorist targets worldwide for State Department and DHS clients

General Associate, National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START), 2014

- Triaged primary source data on terrorist attacks for the Global Terrorism Database (GTD)

Communications Associate, Project on Government Oversight (POGO), 2012

- Researched and wrote on DoD weapons acquisition, the military-industrial complex, and government accountability issues

## Other Training

Summer Workshop on Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (SWAMOS), Ithaca, NY, July 2018

Machine Learning for the Analysis of Text as Data, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, Chapel Hill, NC, June 2017

## Awards and Grants

Summer Initiative Grant, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2017, 2018, 2019  
Wisconsin Project on International Relations Grant, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2017, 2018, 2019  
Department Nominee, Innovation in Teaching Award, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2018  
Department Nominee, Early Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2017  
International Relations Fellowship, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2016  
Robert F. Seibert Prize in International Relations, Knox College, 2013  
Richter Grants (4), Knox College, 2012–2013  
Faculty Scholarship Prize, Knox College, 2012  
Ford Foundation Fellowship, Knox College, 2011–2012

## Teaching

*As teaching assistant:*

Principles of International Law, University of Wisconsin–Madison, fall 2019  
Introduction to International Studies, University of Wisconsin–Madison, summer 2019 (online)  
Terrorism, University of Wisconsin–Madison, fall 2017 and 2018  
International Political Economy, University of Wisconsin–Madison, summer 2018 (online)  
Introduction to Survey Research, University of Wisconsin–Madison, spring 2018  
Introduction to International Relations, University of Wisconsin–Madison, fall 2015  
Survey of International Relations, Knox College, fall 2012  
American National Government, Knox College, spring 2012

*As grader:*

Introduction to Political Psychology, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2016, 2018

## Service

*To the discipline:*

Reviewer: *American Political Science Review*, *International Organization*  
Representative, APSA Committee on the Status of Graduate Students in the Profession, 2019–2021  
Student Coordinator, 2017 Society for Political Methodology Annual Meeting

*At UW–Madison:*

Political Science Department TA Mentor, 2019–2020

Organizer, Diversity in International Relations Undergraduate Conference, 2019

Student Co-Coordinator, International Relations Colloquium, 2017–2019

Student Coordinator, Experimental Politics Workshop, 2017–2019

Student Representative, Graduate Program Committee, 2016–2018

Tutor, Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, 2015–2017

## Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association, 2015–present

International Studies Association, 2016–present

## Miscellaneous

*Software:* R, Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Bash, Python (beginner)

*Languages:* German (C<sub>1</sub>), French (B<sub>1</sub>)

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