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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh (2012-Present)
Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh (Sep 2006- Sep2012)

EDUCATION

Rice University: Ph.D. in Political Science, May 2006

Dissertation Title: *Information, Bias, and Mediation Success: Evaluating the Effectiveness of Mediation of International Conflicts*

Dissertation Committee: Brett Ashley Leeds (Chair), Richard Stoll, Bill Reed, and Devika Subramanian (Computer Science)

M.A. in Political Science, May 2003

University of Pittsburgh: M.A. in Political Science, May 2001

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor: Senior Year as Exchange Student, majored in Political Science, 1998-1999

Middle East Technical University (METU), Ankara, Turkey: B.A. in International Relations, June 1999, *High Honors*

OTHER EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Participant in Summer School in International Politics (IBEI, Spain, 2009)
- Participant in Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute, (2004)
- Participant in the Texas A&M Winter Institute in Mathematical Modeling: Program in Foreign Policy Decision-Making (2003)
- Participant in the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program (2000, 2002)

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

“Exogenous Shocks, Foreign Aid, and Civil War” *International Organization*. 66: 363-393 (with Daniel Tirone)

“Foreign Aid, Democratization, and Civil Conflict: How does Democracy Aid Affect Civil Conflict?” 2011. *American Journal of Political Science*. 55: 233-246. (with Daniel C. Tirone)

“Information, Agreement Design and the Durability of Civil War Settlements.” 2010. *American Journal of Political Science*. 54: 511-524. (with Michaela Mattes).

“Democracy, Foreign Policy, and Terrorism” 2009. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 53: 878- 904. (with Brian J. Phillips)

“Fostering Peace after Civil War: Commitment Problems and Agreement Design” 2009. *International Studies Quarterly* 53: 733-755. (with Michaela Mattes)

“Information, Bias, and Mediation Success” 2008. *International Studies Quarterly* 52:25-47.

“Terminating Alliances: Why do States Abrogate Agreements?” 2007. *Journal of Politics* 69: 1118-1132. (with Brett Ashley Leeds)

Published Chapters in Edited Volumes

“Mediator Types and the Effectiveness of Information Provision Strategies in the Resolution of International Conflict” in *New Approaches to Mediation*. 2009. Jacob Bercovitch and Scott Gartner (eds.). Routledge, pp.96-114.

Book Reviews

Crafting Peace: Power-Sharing Institutions and the Negotiated Settlement of Civil Wars, by Caroline Hartzell and Matthew Hoddie. 2008. *Political Science Quarterly* 123(3).

Working Papers

“Exogenous Shocks, Bargaining Problems, and the Onset of Civil War” (with Scott Cook). *Under Review*.

“Defective Democratization: Prior Regimes and Civil Conflict” (with Scott Cook). *Under Review*.

“Foreign Aid as a Counterterrorism Tool: Aid Delivery Channels, State Capacity and NGOs” (with Jude Hays)

“Elections and Civil War” (with José Antonio Cheibub and Jude Hays)

“When Autocracies Give Aid” (with Victor Asal and Amira Jadoon)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Conflict Management & Conflict Resolution

Civil Wars

Terrorism

Foreign Aid

International Conflict

International Relations

COURSES TAUGHT

World Politics (U)

Conflict Management and Resolution (U)

Durability of Peace and Post-war Recovery after Civil Wars (U)

Civil Wars (U, G)

International Conflict (U)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

“Elections and Civil War” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Peace Science Society (International), Los Angeles, October 2011 (with José Antonio Cheibub and Jude Hays)

“Authoritarian Regimes, Democratization, and Civil Conflict” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Peace Science Society (International), Los Angeles, October 2011 (with Scott Cook).

“Authoritarian Regimes, Democratization, and Civil Conflict” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 2011 (with Scott Cook).

“Exogenous Shocks, Bargaining Problems, and the Onset of Civil War” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 2010 (with Scott Cook).

“Exogenous Shocks, Foreign Aid, and Civil Conflict” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Peace Science Society (International), Chapel Hill, October 2009 (with Daniel Tirone).

“Democracy Aid, Democratization, and Civil War: How does Democracy Aid Affect Civil War?” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, September 2009 (with Daniel Tirone).

“Democracy Aid, Democratization, and Civil War: How does Democracy Aid Affect Civil War?” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Peace Science Society (International), Claremont, October 2008 (with Daniel Tirone).

“Democracy, Foreign Policy, and Terrorism.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008 (with Brian J. Phillips).

“Information, Agreement Design and the Durability of Civil War Settlements.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, March 2008 (with Michaela Mattes).

“Fostering Peace after Civil War: Commitment Problems and Agreement Design.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Peace Science Society (International), Columbia, November 2007 (with Michaela Mattes).

“The Optimal Design of Civil War Settlements: Insights from Bargaining Theory.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2007 (with Michaela Mattes).

“Information, Bias, and Mediation Success.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Peace Science Society (International), Columbus, November 2006.

“Information, Bias, and Mediation Success.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Diego, March 2006.

“Issue Salience and the Costs of War: Testing Predictions Derived from a Bargaining Framework.” Paper presented at the Poster Session of the Annual Meeting of the Peace Science Society (International), Houston, November 2004.

“The Way We Were: Explaining Decisions to Terminate Alliances.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2004 (with Brett Ashley Leeds).

“Reexamining Alliance Termination.” Paper presented at the Texas A&M Graduate Student Conference, College Station, January 2003.

“An Analysis of Dispute Duration, 1945-1992.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, March 2002 (with Renato Corbetta).

“An Empirical Assessment of Militarized-Interstate Dispute Duration.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2001 (with Renato Corbetta).

“Third Party Interventions in Civil Wars.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, November 2000 (with David Barker)

Other Conference Participation

Discussant:

Economics and Civil War. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 2011.

Third Parties in Civil Wars. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 2010.

Mediation and Conflict Management. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, September 2009.

Asymmetric Conflict and Violence. Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, New York, February 2009.

Economic Sources of Civil Conflict. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008.

Domestic Politics and Conflict. Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, March 2008.

Conflict Mediation. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2006.

Chair:

The Politics of Aid and Disaster. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 2011.

Economics and Civil War. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 2011.

Third Parties in Civil Wars. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 2010.

Mediation and Conflict Management. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, September 2009.

Asymmetric Conflict and Violence. Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, New York, February 2009.

Economic Sources of Civil Conflict. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008.

Domestic Politics and Conflict. Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, March 2008.

Conflict Mediation. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2006.

INVITED TALKS and WORKSHOPS

Visions in Methodology Conference, Penn State University, 2012.
Conference on Terrorism and Policy, University of Texas at Dallas, 2011.
Visions in Methodology Conference, Ohio State University, 2011.
Program on International Conflict and Cooperation, Texas A&M University, 2010.
Journeys in World Politics, University of Iowa, 2008.
Summer Workshop on Teaching about Terrorism, University of Oklahoma, 2007.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Hewlett International Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Fall 2011
Faculty Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Summer 2008
Travel Grant, International Studies Association, March 2006
EITM Stipend Recipient, Summer 2004
Rice University Summer Funding - ICPSR Methods Consortium (2002)
Graduate Fellowship, Rice University, (Fall 2001- Spring 2006)
Research Assistantship, University of Pittsburgh, (Fall 2000 and Spring 2001)
University of Pittsburgh Summer Funding - ICPSR Methods Consortium (2000)
Faculty of Arts and Sciences Fellowship Award, University of Pittsburgh (1999-2000)
Exchange Scholarship, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (1998-1999)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Peer Reviewer

National Science Foundation
American Political Science Review
American Journal of Political Science
Journal of Politics
British Journal of Political Science
World Politics
International Studies Quarterly
Journal of Conflict Resolution
Journal of Peace Research
Conflict Management and Peace Science
International Interactions
World Development
Terrorism and Political Violence

Discipline

American Political Science Association. *Conflict Processes Section Co-Organizer*. 2011-Current.

American Political Science Association. Conflict Processes Section. *Lifetime Achievement Award Committee Member*. 2011.

Peace Science Society. *Nominating Committee Member*. 2009 – 2011.

Department

Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2012-Present

Member, International Relations Search Committee, 2011-2012

Member, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2011-2012

Member, Undergraduate Committee, 2011-2012

Member, Chair Selection Committee, 2011

Member, European Politics Search Committee, 2010-2011

Member, International Relations Search Committee, 2009-2010

Member, Awards Committee, 2008-2009

Member, International Relations Search Committee, 2007-2008

Member, Formal Theory Search Committee, 2006-2007

Co-organizer, Research in International Politics Speaker Series, 2007-Current.

Dissertation Committees Served:

Member, Kate Floros: PhD. 2007.

Member Hideaki Ashitate: PhD, 2009.

Member Art Maxwell (GSPIA): PhD, 2010.

Member, Shawna Metzger, 2011: Defended overview in August 2011.

Chair, Dan Tirone: PhD. 2012 (Assistant Professor of Political Science, LSU)

Chair, Brian Phillips: PhD. 2012 (Assistant professor at the Center for Research and Teaching in Economics (CIDE), Mexico City)

Association Memberships

American Political Science Association

International Studies Association

Midwest Political Science Association

Peace Science Society International

References

Available upon request

