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Curriculum Vitae

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University of Pittsburgh
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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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

EDUCATION

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

Rice University: 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 Summer Workshop on Teaching about Terrorism, University of Oklahoma, (2007)
- 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

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

**Graduate Student*

Savun, Burcu. “Refugee Flows, Refugee Rights, and Political Violence” *International Studies Quarterly*. Conditional Acceptance.

Donno, Daniela, Kelly Morrison* and **Burcu Savun.** Forthcoming (2022). “Not all Elections are Created Equal: Election Quality and Civil Conflict”. *Journal of Politics*

Braithwaite, Alex, Michael Frith, **Burcu Savun,** and Faten Ghosn. Forthcoming (2022). “Government Targeting of Refugees in the Midst of Epidemics”. *Perspectives on Politics*

Savun, Burcu and Christian Gineste* 2019. “From Protection to Persecution: Threat Environment & Refugee Scapegoating” *Journal of Peace Research*. 56(1): 88-102.

Gineste, Christian* and **Burcu Savun.** 2019. “Introducing POSVAR: A Dataset on Refugee-Related Violence” *Journal of Peace Research*. 56(1): 134-145.

Bormann, Nils-Christian and **Burcu Savun.** 2018. “Reputation, Concessions, and Territorial Civil War: Do Ethnic Dominoes Fall, or Don’t They?” *Journal of Peace Research* 55(5): 671–686.

Savun, Burcu and Daniel Tirone. 2018. “Foreign Aid as a Counterterrorism Tool: More Liberty, Less Terror?” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 62(8): 1607-1635 [**Lead Article**]

Cook, Scott and **Burcu Savun.** 2016. “New Democracies and the Risk of Civil Conflict: The Lasting Legacy of Military Rule” (with Scott Cook). *Journal of Peace Research* 53: 745-757. [**Lead Article**]

Savun, Burcu and Daniel Tirone*. 2012. “Exogenous Shocks, Foreign Aid, and Civil War” *International Organization* 66: 363-393. [**Lead Article**] -*The recipient of the Robert O. Keohane Award year for the best research article published in International Organization by an untenured scholar-*

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

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

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

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

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

Leeds, Brett Ashley and **Burcu Savun**. 2007. "Terminating Alliances: Why do States Abrogate Agreements?" *Journal of Politics* 69: 1118-1132.

Published Chapters in Edited Volumes

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

Other Publications

2019. "Refugees, Forced Migration, and Conflict: Introduction to Special Issue" *Journal of Peace Research* 56(1): 5-11 (with Alex Braithwaite and Idean Salehyan)

2017. "Foreign Aid and Counterterrorism", June 2017 *Sustainable Security* (with Daniel Tirone)

2017. "What Will Taught us about Refugees and Forced Migrants", May 2017 *Political Violence @ a Glance* (with Alex Braithwaite, Kerstin Fisk, Idean Salehyan, Thorin Wright)

2016. "How to get tenure?: (If you are a Woman)" *Foreign Policy*, April 2016. (with Erica Chenoweth, Kathleen Cunningham, Page Fortna, Sara Mitchell, and Jessica Weeks)

Book Reviews

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

Under Review/ Working Papers

- "Refugee Flows, Refugee Rights, and Political Violence" (Revise and Resubmit)
- "The Goldilocks Principle of Civil War Peacekeeping" (with William Spaniel and Dongju Lee*) (Revise and Resubmit)
- "Civil War Violence and Women's Post-War Political Participation" (with Caroline Hartzell, Lindsay Reed, Jessica Stanton)
- "Do Ethnic Dominoes Fall or Don't They?: The Role of Strategy of Resistance in Self-Determination Movements" (with Nils-Christian Bormann)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Conflict Management & Conflict Resolution

Civil Wars

Terrorism

Foreign Aid
Democratization
Forced Migration and Refugees

COURSES TAUGHT

World Politics (U)
Conflict Management and Resolution (U)
Peacemaking and Peacekeeping (U, G)
Civil Wars (U, G)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Paper Presentations

“Reputation Effects and Strategy of Resistance in Self- Determination Movements

- American Political Science Society, September 2020
- Peace Science Society, November 2020

“Electoral Incentives and Violence against Refugees”

- European Peace Science Conference, Belfast, June 2019
- American Political Science Association, Washington DC, September 2019

“The Goldilocks Principle of Civil War Peacekeeping”

- Peace Science Society, Austin, November 2018

“Not all Elections are Created Equal: Election Quality and Civil Conflict”

- International Studies Association, Toronto, March 2019
- American Political Science Association, Boston, September 2018
- European Peace Science Conference, Verona, Italy, June 2018

“Civil War Violence and Women’s Post-War Political Participation”

- American Political Science Association, Boston, September 2018
- American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2017

“From Protection to Persecution: The Determinants of State Violence against Refugees”

- American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2017
- International Studies Association, Baltimore, February 2017
- Peace Science Society (International), South Bend, November 2016
- American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016

“Welcoming the Unwelcome: Refugee Flows, Integration, and Political Stability”

- International Studies Association, Atlanta, March 2016

- Peace Science Society (International), Oxford, November 2015
- American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2015

“Foreign Aid as a Counterterrorism Tool: More Liberty, Less Terror?”

- International Studies Association, Atlanta, March 2016, March 2014
- Peace Science Society (International), Philadelphia, October 2014
- American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 2013

“Multiplying Conflict: Do Power-Sharing and Power-Dividing Institutions Beget New Conflict?”

- Peace Science Society (International), Savannah, October 2012

“Elections and Civil War”

- Peace Science Society (International), Los Angeles, October 2011

“Authoritarian Regimes, Democratization, and Civil Conflict”

- Peace Science Society (International), Los Angeles, October 2011
- American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 2011

“Exogenous Shocks, Bargaining Problems, and the Onset of Civil War”

- American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 2010

“Exogenous Shocks, Foreign Aid, and Civil Conflict”

- Peace Science Society (International), Chapel Hill, October 2009

“Democracy Aid, Democratization, and Civil War: How does Democracy Aid Affect Civil War?”

- American Political Science Association, Toronto, September 2009
- Peace Science Society (International), Claremont, October 2008

“Democracy, Foreign Policy, and Terrorism.”

- American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008

“Information, Agreement Design and the Durability of Civil War Settlements.”

- International Studies Association, San Francisco, March 2008

“Fostering Peace after Civil War: Commitment Problems and Agreement Design.”

- Peace Science Society (International), Columbia, November 2007

“The Optimal Design of Civil War Settlements: Insights from Bargaining Theory.”

- American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2007

“Information, Bias, and Mediation Success.”

- Peace Science Society (International), Columbus, November 2006
- International Studies Association, San Diego, March 2006

“Issue Salience and the Costs of War: Testing Predictions Derived from a Bargaining Framework.”

- Peace Science Society (International), Houston, November 2004

“The Way We Were: Explaining Decisions to Terminate Alliances.”

- Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2004

“An Analysis of Dispute Duration, 1945-1992.”

- International Studies Association, New Orleans, March 2002
- Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2001

“Third Party Interventions in Civil Wars.”

- Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, November 2000

Other Conference Participation

Discussant (D)/ Chair (C):

Disaggregating Conflict-induced Migration. International Studies Association, April 2021. **C**

The Political Economy of Internal Conflict. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2019. **C**

Foreign Aid in the Shadow of Violence. Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 2018. **D**

The Politics of Responses to Forced Migration. Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Baltimore, February 2017. **C**

Negotiations, Conflict Resolution, and Post-Conflict Outcomes. Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Baltimore, February 2017. **D**

Comparative Perspectives on Individual Participation in Conflict. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016. **C**

Foreign Aid and Transnational Terrorism: The Role of International Counter-terrorism Agreements. Online Peace Science Colloquium, April 2016. **D**

Beyond the State: The Micro-dynamics of Aid and Conflict. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2015 **D/C**

Countering Violent Extremism in the United States and the European Union. Organized by Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, April 9-10 2015, Pittsburgh. **C**

Disaggregation in Terrorism Studies. Annual Meeting of Peace Science Society, Philadelphia, October 2014. **D**

New Directions in Empirical Research on Terrorism and Political Violence. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington DC, August 2014. **D**

Rights, Repression, Regime-Types and Terrorism. Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Toronto, March 2014. **D**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Conflict Mediation. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2006. **D/C**

INVITED TALKS and WORKSHOPS

University of Tennessee, 2021

American University, 2018

University of Maryland, 2017

University of Arizona, 2017

Uppsala University, Sweden, 2015

Carlos III-Juan March Institute (IC3JM), Madrid, Spain, 2014

AidData Research Consortium, William & Mary, 2014

University of Houston, 2013

Penn State University, 2013

Duke University, 2013

Emory University, 2012

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.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Hewlett International Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Spring 2019
ISA Catalyst Workshop Grant, Spring 2018 (with Alex Braithwaite and Idean Salehyan)
Hewlett International Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Spring 2018
Hewlett International Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Spring 2017
Hewlett International Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Fall 2016
Hewlett International Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Fall 2015
Global Studies Center Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Spring 2013
Hewlett International Grant, University of Pittsburgh, Fall 2012
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

Discipline

Journals

Co-Editor, *International Interactions*, 2019-Present
Associate Editor, *International Interactions*, 2013-2018
Editorial Board Member, *American Political Science Review*, 2020-Present
Editor Selection Committee Member, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, 2014
Editorial Board Member, *American Journal of Political Science*, 2012-2014
Editorial Board Member, *International Interactions*, 2012-2014

Professional Associations

Chair, Lifetime Achievement Award Committee. Conflict Processes Section. *American Political Science Association*, 2021
Treasurer, *Peace Science Society (International)*, 2019-Present
Member, Nominating Council. *International Studies Association*, 2017-Present
Council Member, *Peace Science Society*, 2014-2017 (elected)
Chair, Best Dissertation Award Committee. *Peace Science Society (International)*, 2016
International Security Section Organizer. *Midwest Political Science Association*, 2015
Member, Conflict Processes Section Council. *American Political Science Association*, 2012-14
Member, Best Paper Award Committee. Conflict Processes Section. *American Political Science Association*, 2013
Conflict Processes Section Organizer. *American Political Science Association*, 2012

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

Nominating Committee Member. *Peace Science Society (International)*, 2009 – 2011.

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 Organization, International Studies Quarterly,
Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Peace Research,
Conflict Management and Peace Science, International Interactions,
World Development, Terrorism and Political Violence

University of Pittsburgh

GSPIA, Personnel Committee, 2019-2021

Dietrich Arts and Sciences Tenure and Promotion Council Member, 2016- 2019

Provost Advisory Committee on Undergraduate Programs (PACUP), 2016-Present

Dietrich Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Council Member, 2013-2016

University Senate Anti-Discriminatory Policies Committee Member, 2013-2016

University Faculty Assembly Member, 2013-2014

University Senate Council Member, 2013-2014

Department of Political Science

Director of Graduate Studies, 2018-Present

Chair, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2018-Present

Chair, Graduate Education Committee, 2018-Present

Chair, Graduate Awards Committee, 2018-Present

Member, Computational Social Science Search Committee, 2019-2020.

Co-Organizer, Human Rights and Migration Seminar (HUMS), 2019-2020.

Member, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2017-2018

Member, Dietrich Chair Search Committee, 2016-2017.

Member, Dietrich Chair Search Committee, 2015-2016.

Chair, IR Search Committee, 2015-2016.

Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2012-2015

Chair, Undergraduate Education Committee, 2012-2015

Co-Organizer, Global Politics Seminar (GPS), 2014-2019

Co-Organizer, Symposium in Political Violence (SPV), 2012-2014.

Chair, Post-Doc Selection Committee, 2015.

Member, Post-Doc Selection Committee, 2014.

Member, Dietrich Chair Search Committee, 2014-2015.

Member, Environmental Politics Search Committee, 2013-2014.

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, 2007-2012.

Ph.D. Dissertation Committees Served:

Chair, Hyunjung Park: ABD
Chair, Kelly Morrison: ABD
Co-Chair: Leonardo Fernandes: ABD
Co-Chair, Sara Fox: ABD
Co-Chair, Dong Ju Lee: PhD 2020, Assistant Professor at Musashi University, Japan
Co-Chair, Scott Cook: PhD 2014, Associate Professor of Political Science, Texas A&M
Chair, Dan Tirone: PhD. 2012, Associate Professor of Political Science, LSU
Chair, Brian Phillips: PhD. 2012, Senior Lecturer, University of Essex

Member, Jungmin Han: ABD
Member, Cigdem Unal: ABD
Member, Huseyin Ilgaz, PhD 2020
External Member, Tyler Evans, PhD 2019: American University
External Member, Tatjana Stankovic, PhD 2016: University of Oslo
External Member, Nils-Christian Bormann, PhD 2014, ETH Zurich: Senior Lecturer, Essex
Member, Shawna Metzger, PhD 2013: Assistant Professor, University of Virginia
External Member, Member Art Maxwell (GSPIA), PhD 2010
Member Hideaki Ashitate, PhD, 2009, Assistant Professor, Kyoto Sangyo University, Japan
Member, Kate Floros, PhD, 2007, Clinical Assistant Professor, University of Illinois, Chicago

Association Memberships

American Political Science Association
International Studies Association
Peace Science Society (International)

References

Available upon request