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Education

Indiana University, PhD 2002

St. Mary's College of Maryland, B.A. 1998 (summa cum laude)

Academic Employment

William S. Dietrich II Chair of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh, 2017-Current.

Faculty Affiliate, Institute for Cyber Law, Policy and Security, University of Pittsburgh, 2017-Current.

Director, Social Science Data Analytics initiative, College of Social Science, 2015-2017.

Professor, Department of Political Science, Michigan State University 2013-2017.

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Michigan State University, 2008-2013.

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado-Boulder, 2008.

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Michigan State University, 2004-2008.

Post-Doctoral Fellow, Department of Politics and International Relations, Oxford University, 2003-2004.

Post-Doctoral Fellow Mershon Center, Ohio State University, 2002.

Publications

Books

Colaresi, Michael. 2014. *Democracy Declassified: The Secrecy Dilemma in National Security*. Oxford University Press.

Colaresi, Michael, Karen Rasler and William R. Thompson. 2007. *Strategic Rivalries in World Politics*. Cambridge University Press.

Colaresi, Michael. 2005. *Scare Tactics: The Politics of International Rivalry*. Syracuse University Press.

Articles

Greene, Kevin, Baekkwon Park and Michael Colaresi. Forthcoming. "Machine Learning Human Rights and Wrongs: How the Successes and Failures of Supervised Learning Algorithms Can Inform the Debate About Information Effects." *Political Analysis*.

Colaresi, Michael. 2017. "Fighting Abroad, Fighting at Home (and Vice Versa): Identifying the Relationship Between Civil and Interstate Conflict with Fewer Assumptions." *Encyclopedia of Empirical International Relations Theory*.

- Colaresi, Michael and Zuhair Mahmood. 2017. "Do the Robot: Lessons from Machine Learning to Improve Conflict Forecasting" *Journal of Peace Research* 54(2).
- Colaresi, Michael. 2016. "Preplication, Replication: A Proposal to Efficiently Upgrade Journal Replication Standards" *International Studies Perspectives* 17 (4): 367-378.
- Carey, Sabine, Michael Colaresi and Neil Mitchell. 2016. "Risk Mitigation, Regime Security, and Militias: Beyond Coup-proofing" *International Studies Quarterly* 60 (1): 59-72.
- Carey, Sabine, Michael Colaresi and Neil Mitchell. 2015. "Governments, Informal Links to Militias, and Accountability". *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 59(5): 850-876.
- Colaresi, Michael. 2014. "With Friends Like These, Who Needs Democracy: The Effect of Transnational Support from Rivals on Post-conflict Democratization." *Journal of Peace Research* 51(1): 65-79.
- Park, Johann and Michael Colaresi. 2014. "Safe Across the Border: The Continued Significance of the Democratic Peace When Controlling for Stable Borders." *International Studies Quarterly*.
- Colaresi, Michael. 2012. "A Boom with Review: How Retrospective Oversight Increases the Foreign Policy Ability of Democracies". *American Journal of Political Science* 56(3):671-689.
- Quinn, Kevin, Burt Monroe, Michael Colaresi, Michael Crespin and Dragomir Radev. 2010. "How to Analyze Political Attention with Minimal Assumptions and Costs". *American Journal of Political Science* 54(1):209-228.
- Monroe, Burt, and Michael Colaresi and Kevin Quinn. 2009. "Fightin' Words: Lexical Feature Selection and Evaluation for Identifying the Content of Political Conflict". *Political Analysis* 16(4):372-403.
- Brandt, Patrick and Michael Colaresi and John Freeman. 2008. "The Dynamics of Reciprocity, Accountability and Credibility". *The Journal of Conflict Resolution* 52(2):343-374.
- Colaresi, Michael and Sabine Carey. 2008. "To Kill or to Protect: Security Forces, Domestic Institutions and Genocide". *The Journal of Conflict Resolution* 51(1):39-67.
- Colaresi, Michael. 2007. "The Benefit of the Doubt: Testing an Informational Theory of the Rally-Effect". *International Organization* 61(1): 99-144.
- Colaresi, Michael and William R. Thompson. 2005. "Alliances, Arms Buildups and Recurrent Conflict: Testing a Steps-to-War Model". *Journal of Politics* 67(2): 345-364.
- Colaresi, Michael. 2004. "Aftershocks: Post-War Leadership Tenure, Rivalry, and Regime Dynamics". *International Studies Quarterly*. 48(4): 713-727.
- Colaresi, Michael. 2004. "When Doves Cry: Unreciprocated Cooperation and Leadership Tenure". *American Journal of Political Science* 48(3):555-570.
- Colaresi, Michael and William R. Thompson. 2003. "The Democracy-Economic Development Nexus: Does the Outside World Matter?". *Comparative Political Studies* 36(4): 381-403.
- Colaresi, Michael and William R. Thompson. 2002. "Hot Spots or Hot Hands: Serial Crises, Escalating Risks, and Strategic Rivalry". *Journal of Politics* 64(4): 1175-1198.
- Colaresi, Michael and William R. Thompson. 2002. "Protracted Conflict and Strategic Rivalry". *Journal of Peace Research* 39(3): 263-287.
- Cornwell, Derek and Michael Colaresi. 2002. "Holy Trinities and Rivalries: A Hazard Analysis of Rivalry Escalation and Termination". *International Interactions* 28(4): 325-354.
- Colaresi, Michael. 2001. "Shocks to the System: Great Power Rivalry and the Leadership Long-cycle". *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 45(5): 569-59.

Research Interests

International Relations

National security oversight, conflict prediction, interaction between domestic and international politics, human rights

Methodology

Bayesian modeling, Machine learning, Text-as-data, Time series, and Dynamic panel data models.

Comparative Politics

Comparative foreign policy institutions and democratization.

Awards and Grants

Best Visualizations Award from the Journal of Peace Research for “Do the Robot: Lessons from Machine Learning to Improve Conflict Forecasting“, with Zuhaib Mahmood, 2018

National Science Foundation Grant, Analyzing NGO Communications to Understand Contestation and Collaboration with Governments Across Human Rights Issues (\$156,000), PI with Baekkwon Park as co-PI. 2017-2019.

Shortlisted for the Conflict Research Society Book Prize, Democracy Declassified: The Secrecy Dilemma in National Security, 2015.

Guest Professorship in Methodology, University of Mannheim, Summer 2013.

National Science Foundation Grant, Opposition, Rhetoric, and Democratic-Styled Institutions in the Middle East and North Africa (\$ 404,916, total), Co-PI with Burt Monroe, Kevin Quinn and Ellen Lust-Okar. SES-0924260.

Gosnell Prize for Excellence in Political Methodology, American Political Science Association, Methodology Section (with Kevin Quinn, Burt Monroe, Michael Crespin and Dragomir Radev.), 2006.

National Science Foundation Grant, The Dynamics of Political Representation and Political Rhetoric (\$749,724, total), Co-PI with Burt Monroe, Dragomir R. Radev, Steven Abney, and Kevin Quinn. BCS 05-27513, DHB.

IRGP Grant, The Secrecy Dilemma: Information, Institutions and International Relations (\$27,200). Michigan State University.

Katherine C. Greenough Dissertation Award, Indiana University, 2003.

Gillespie Award for Methodology, Indiana University, 2002.

John Lovell Graduate Student Award, Indiana University, 2001.

ICPSR Summer Workshop Grant, Indiana University, 2000.

Greenough Memorial Grant, Indiana University 1999, 2000, 2001.

Departmental Fellowship, Indiana University, 1998, 1999.

Phi Beta Kappa, St. Mary’s College of Maryland, 1998.

Political Science Department Award, St. Mary’s College of Maryland, 1998.

Working Papers and Manuscripts

“Stuck in the Middle with 2 (on the Polity Scale): International Monitoring and the Incentives for Anocracy”
(with Sabine Carey)

“Learning from Human Rights and Wrongs: Using the Text of Human Rights Reports to Understand Information Effects”

“Dynamic Lexical Ideal Points from the United Nations” (with Zuhaib Mahmood)

“Routes of Rendition: Using Flight Paths to Illuminate National Security Oversight of Intelligence” (with Lora DiBlasi)

“The Secrecy Dilemma and Bias in the Bargaining Model of War”

“Early Views: A Prototype Violence Early Warning System” (with Håvard Hegre and Jonas Nordkvelle)

“How to Estimate Inefficient Defense Spending and Where to Look for It”

Journal Editor

International Interactions. January 2014-December 2018, co-editor with Gerald Schneider.

Editorial Board Membership

International Studies Quarterly (2014-Current)

International Studies Perspectives (2014-Current)

American Journal of Political Science (2012-2013)

Political Science Research and Methods (2012-Current)

Foreign Policy Analysis (2011-Current)

International Interaction (2011-2013)

Service as Reviewer

National Science Foundation

American Political Science Review

American Journal of Political Science

Journal of Politics

International Organization

International Studies Quarterly

Journal of Conflict Resolution

Journal of Peace Research

British Journal of Political Science

International Interactions

Foreign Policy Analysis

Conflict Management and Peace Science

Cambridge University Press

Lynne Reiner Press

Chaired Dissertation Committees

- Petra Hendrickson (2015), Centre College
- Brian Crothers (2014, United States Air Force
- Hyun-Jin Choi (2013), Kyung Hee University
- Johann Park (2011), Mississippi State
- David Dreyer (2008), Lenoir-Rhyne
- Kristopher Grady (2008), University of Louisville

Recently Taught Courses

Text-as-Data (planned for 2019)

Bayesian Statistics (2018)

Introduction to Computational Social Science (2017, MSU)

Introduction to Social Science Data Analytics (2015, 2016, MSU)

Advanced Bayesian Time Series Analysis (University of Mannheim, Grad)

Introduction to Time Series Analysis (University of Mannheim, Grad)

Regression Analysis (PLS 802, Grad, MSU)

Writing Seminar on Theories of War and Peace (PLS 422, Undergrad, MSU)

Introduction to International Relations (PLS 160, Undergrad, MSU)

Proseminar in International Relations (PLS 860, Grad, MSU)

International Conflict (PLS 960, Grad, MSU)

Time Series Analysis (PLS 900, Grad, MSU)

Formal Theory (Grad, University of Oxford)

References

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