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CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITION

Simon Fraser University **Vancouver, BC**
Simons Foundation Canada Post-Doctoral Fellow, School for International Studies
(September 2022-August 2024)

PREVIOUS ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Harvard University **Boston, MA**
Visiting Scholar, Department of Government (April-May 2023)

University of Notre Dame **Notre Dame, IN**
Post-Doctoral Research Associate, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies
(September 2021-August 2022)

University of Michigan **Ann Arbor, MI**
Teaching Assistant, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research
ICPSR (Summer 2020, 2021, 2022)

Universidad de los Andes **Bogota, Colombia**
Visiting Scholar, Department of Political Science (May-August 2019)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed

6. “Proto-insurgencies, State Repression, and Civil War Onset” (with Jason M. Quinn, T. David Mason, and Mustafa Kirisci). 2023. *Peace and Defense Economics* (in press). [link](#).
5. “Agents with Principles? Preventing Conflict-Related Sexual Violence with Human Rights Laws and Norms” (with Kathryn Overton). 2023. *Human Rights Quarterly* (in press). [preprint](#).
4. “Can the Rebel Body Function without its Visible Heads? The Role of Mid-Level Commanders in Peacebuilding.” 2022. *International Peacekeeping* (September). [link](#).
3. “How Wartime Bonds Affect Ex-Combatant Political Attitudes: A Natural Experiment with the FARC.” 2022. *Terrorism and Political Violence* (February). [link](#).
2. “Predicting the End of the Syrian Conflict: From Theory to the Reality of a Civil War.” 2021. *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism* 44(4): 326-345. [link](#).
1. “A Critical Review of Evidence from Ex-Combatant Re-Integration Programs.” 2018. Politics of Return Project. London, UK: Social Science Research Council. [link](#).

Editor-Reviewed

- 2022 “Ethiopia’s Peace May Depend on Post-Conflict Plans for Tigray Soldiers.” *The Washington Post* (18 November). [link](#).
- 2022 “Can Peace Agreements Alone Maintain Peace After Rebel Victory?” (with Madhav Joshi). Peace Accords Matrix (PAM) Policy Brief Series. [link](#).
- 2022 “How to Canton Ex-Combatants: Inclusive Peacebuilding with the FARC.” Peace Accords Matrix (PAM) Policy Brief Series. [link](#).
- 2022 “Patterns of Armed Conflict Recurrence among Peace Agreement Signatories” (with Jason M. Quinn). Peace Accords Matrix (PAM) Policy Brief Series. [link](#).
- 2020 "How Robust is the Authoritarian Social Contract? Social Dissent during Iran’s COVID-19 Outbreak." *POMEPS Studies* 39. [link](#).
- 2020 “Book Review: When Movements Become Parties: The Bolivian MAS in Comparative Perspective by Santiago Anria.” LSE Review of Books. [link](#).
- 2019 “The Art of Winning a Peace Agreement: The Case of the FARC” (with Dayron Yegrail). *Political Violence at a Glance* (16 September). [link](#).

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

“When do Demobilized Rebels Rearm? Introducing the DDR-40 Dataset (1980-2020)” [Poster](#)
Under review

"Subnational Variation in Building Peace: Why Only Some Demobilization Camps Succeed.” [Abstract](#)
Under review

“When does Civil War Recur after Rebel Victory?” [Abstract](#)
Under review

WORK IN PROGRESS

Rebel Remobilization After Civil War (Book manuscript)
Manuscript available upon request

Mid-Level Commander Defection in Post-Conflict Transitions: A Social Network Analysis (with Dayron Yegrail at Fundación Ideas para la Paz)
Manuscript available upon request

Violent Peace After Civil War? The Logic of Collective Self-Protection Against Post-Conflict Crime (with Julio Cesar Zuluaga Jimenez at Universidad Javeriana de Cali)
Manuscript available upon request

Peacebuilding as Statebuilding? The Local Dynamics of Post-Conflict Wealth Redistribution
Data collection completed

Consequences of Delegative Governance: The Assassination of Social Leaders in Colombia (with
Francy Carranza-Franco at Universidad de los Andes)
Data collection completed

EDUCATION

Graduate Center, City University of New York **New York, NY**

Ph.D. in Political Science, 2015-2021

Dissertation: Demobilizing and Reintegrating Ex-Combatants:

Explaining Success and Failure on the National and Subnational Levels

Major Field: Comparative Politics; *Minor Field:* International Relations

Committee: Thomas G. Weiss, Till Weber, Mark Ungar

Université Nanterre Paris X, University of Leuven **Paris, France**

MPhil in Ethics, Social, and Political Philosophy, 2013-2015, *Magna Cum Laude*

Thesis: Does Europe Have a Philosophical Problem?

Marcel Gauchet and Jürgen Habermas on the European Project

Advisor: Antoon Braeckman

Freie Universität Berlin; University of Leuven **Berlin, Germany**

MA, Philosophy, 2011-2013, *Magna Cum Laude*

Thesis: The Ontological Argument: An Historical-Critical Analysis of its Viability

Advisor: Andrea Robiglio

Katholieke Universiteit Leuven **Leuven, Belgium**

BA, Philosophy, 2011

TEACHING

As Instructor of Record

State Fragility and Reconstruction, Simon Fraser University, Fall 2022

Introduction to Comparative Politics, Baruch College, Spring 2021

The United States in the Age of Globalization, Baruch College, Winter 2020, Winter 2021

Civil Wars and Peacebuilding, Baruch College, Fall 2019

Democracy and its Critics, Lehman College, Fall 2017, Fall 2018

Politics and Culture, Lehman College, Fall 2016, Fall 2017

As Teaching Assistant

Regression III – Advanced Methods [Prof. David Armstrong], ICPSR, Summer 2022

Simultaneous Equation Models [Prof. Sandy Marquart-Pyatt], ICPSR, Summer 2021, 2022

Causal Inference [Prof. Jake Bowers], ICPSR, Summer 2020

Maximum Likelihood Estimation [Prof. Robert Lupton], ICPSR, Summer 2020

AWARDS AND GRANTS

Mitacs Globalink Research Award for Social and Scientific Innovation, 2023 (\$6,000)

Joseph Murphy Award for best conference paper, CUNY Graduate Center (2021)

Smith Richardson Foundation World Politics & Statecraft Fellowship, 2020 (\$7,500)

Center for Place, Culture, and Politics Dissertation Award, 2020 (\$10,000)

Provost's Digital Innovation Implementation Grant, CUNY Graduate Center, 2020 (\$6,000)

Doctoral Student Research Grant, CUNY Graduate Center, 2020 (\$1,000)

Graduate Center Dissertation Year Fellowship, 2020 (\$15,000)

Open Pedagogy Fellowship, Graduate Center, CUNY, 2020 (\$2,000)

Ivo Duchasek Award for best publication, Graduate Center, CUNY (2019)

Scholarship for Political Science Research, Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), 2019 (\$5,200)

Dissertation Research Travel Award, Center for Latin American, Caribbean & Latino Studies (CLACLS), 2019 (\$900)

Doctoral Student Research Grant, CUNY Graduate Center, 2018 (\$1,000)

Provost's Digital Innovation Training Grant, CUNY Graduate Center, 2018 (\$1,000)

EITM Certification Scholarship, 2018 (\$8,200)

Doctoral Student Research Grant, CUNY Graduate Center, 2018 (\$1,000)

NASP Young Investigator Training Program in Political Studies, 2017 (€4,000)

Dissertation Research Travel Award, Center for Latin American, Caribbean & Latino Studies (CLACLS), 2016 (\$1,000)

Five-Year Doctoral Fellowship, CUNY Graduate Center, 2015-2020

POLICY POSITIONS

- Social Science Research Council (SSRC)** **New York, NY**
Consultant in Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration
(February 2017 – April 2017)
- United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA)** **New York, NY**
Political Affairs Intern (May – September 2016)
- Ralph Bunche Institute for International Studies** **New York, NY**
Research Assistant (New York, August 2015 – May 2016)

FIELD RESEARCH AND SKILLS

International Field Research

- Colombia (January 2023; March 2022; April-August 2019; January 2018; January 2017)
Bolivia (November 2019)
Iran (January 2022; May – June 2018)
France (August 2014 – June 2015)
Belgium (September 2013 – June 2014)

Software: R, SPSS, GIS

Languages: English (native speaker), Persian (native speaker), German (fluent), French (fluent), Spanish (fluent), Classical Arabic (intermediate), Urdu (conversational)

INVITED TALKS

- 2023 Panel Speaker at the event “Are Militaries and Military Institutions Inherently Dysfunctional” at Simon Fraser University, Canada
- 2022 Guest Lecturer for the seminar “When are Conflicts Ripe for Resolution? Timing, Interests, and Spoilers” at Leiden University, the Netherlands
- 2022 Presenter at the School for International Studies Colloquium at Simon Fraser University, Canada
- 2021 Panelist at Paz Territorial: A 5 Años de Implementación del Acuerdo de Paz del Teatro Colón [Territorial Peace: Five Years after the Implementation of the Colombian Peace Accord] at the Universidad de los Andes, Colombia
- 2021 Presenter at the Kroc-Kellogg Peace, Conflict, Crime and Violence Workshop at the University of Notre Dame
- 2016 Keynote speaker at Reading Terror: Representations and Resistance conference at the Graduate Center, City University of New York

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 International Studies Association: “Rebel Defection in Transitions from Civil Conflict: Why do Mid-Level Commanders Rearm?”
- 2023 Latin American Peace Science Society: “Violent Peace After Civil War? The Logic of Collective Self-Protection Against Post-Conflict Crime”
- 2022 American Political Science Association: “When Does Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration Fail to Keep Peace? Introducing DDR-40 Dataset”
- 2022 International Studies Association: “When does Civil War Recur after Rebel Victory”
- 2021 International Studies Association: “How Wartime Bonds Affect Ex-Combatant Political Attitudes: A Natural Experiment with the FARC”
- 2020 American Political Science Association: “Why are Some Demobilization and Reintegration Camps more Successful than Others? A Subnational Theory of DDR with the FARC”
- 2020 Four Corners Conflict Network: “Agents with Principles? The Role of Domestic Human Rights in Stopping Conflict-Related Sexual Violence”
- 2019 American Political Science Association: “What Makes Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration Programs Successful? Introducing the DDR-18 Dataset (1980-2018)”
- 2018 Annual Political Science Graduate Student Conference, The Graduate Center, CUNY: “DDR and CVE, A Match Made in Heaven or False Friends in Combat? The Case of Somalia”
- 2017 Annual Political Science Graduate Student Conference, The Graduate Center, CUNY: “Predicting the End of the Syrian Civil War: From Theory to Reality”

SERVICE TO THE FIELD

Reviewer for *World Politics, Conflict, Security & Development, Peace & Change*, and *Dynamics of Asymmetric Conflict*

Reviewer for Palgrave Macmillan Books

New Books in Political Science podcast host

Elected member of Diversity Promotion Committee, Graduate Center, CUNY (2019-2020)

Elected member of Student Committee, Graduate Center, CUNY (2017-2018)

Mentor for incoming PhD students, Graduate Center, CUNY (2016-2021)

Organizer of the Annual Political Science Graduate Student Conference, The Graduate Center, CUNY (2016)

Discussant at the Comparative Politics Workshop, The Graduate Center, CUNY (2016-2021)

Discussant at the Peace, Conflict, Crime, and Violence Workshop at the University of Notre Dame (2021-2022)