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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

The University of Texas at Austin
Associate Professor, Department of Government 2018 –
Business, Government, and Society, McCombs School (by courtesy) 2013 –
Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies 2013 –
Assistant Professor, Department of Government 2013 – 2018
Co-Director, Innovations for Peace and Development Research Lab 2018 –

Princeton University 2012 – 2013
Postdoctoral Research Associate
Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance, Woodrow Wilson School

EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2006 – 2012
Ph.D. Political Science

The London School of Economics and Political Science 2004 – 2005
M.Sc. with Distinction, European Political Economy: Transition

The University of Arizona, Honors College (*Summa cum laude*) 2000 – 2004
B.A. Economics
B.A. English, with Honors
B.A. Interdisciplinary Studies (Russian Studies, German Studies, Political Science)

BOOKS

2. *The Shield of Nationality: When Governments Break Contracts with Foreign Firms*. Cambridge University Press. 2015.
Received the International Political Economy Society award for the best book published in 2015-2017.
1. *Production in the Innovation Economy* (Co-editor with Richard M. Locke). MIT Press. 2014.
Chinese translation: 2019.

ARTICLES

15. "International Investment Law and Foreign Direct Reinvestment." 2019. *International Organization* 73(4): 839-858.

14. "Contingent Advantage? Sovereign Borrowing, Democratic Institutions, and Global Capital Cycles." 2019. (with Cameron Ballard-Rosa and Layna Mosley) *British Journal of Political Science*. DOI: 10.1017/S0007123418000455.
13. "Judicial Economy and Moving Bars in International Investment Arbitration." 2019. (with Leslie Johns and Calvin Thrall*) *Review of International Organizations*. DOI: 10.1007/s11558-019-09364-y.
12. "How Government Reactions to Violence Worsen Social Welfare: Evidence from Peru." 2019. (with Renard Sexton and Michael G. Findley) *American Journal of Political Science* 63(2): 353-367.
11. "How a Retreat from Global Economic Governance May Empower Business Interests." 2019. (with Leslie Johns and Krzysztof J. Pelc) *Journal of Politics* 81(2): 731-738.
10. "International Law, Territorial Disputes, and Foreign Direct Investment." 2019. (with David B. Carter and Paul Huth) *International Studies Quarterly* 63(1): 58-71.
9. "Sovereignty, Law, and Finance: Evidence from American Indian Reservations." 2017. *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 14(4): 405-436.
8. "The Political Economy of US Territories and Indian Country." 2017. *PS: Political Science & Politics* 50(2): 510-514. [Peer-reviewed symposium contribution]
7. "Under One Roof: Supply Chains and the Protection of Foreign Investment." 2016. (with Leslie Johns) *American Political Science Review* 110(1): 31-51.
Received the 2017 American Political Science Association Michael Wallerstein Award for the best article in political economy published in the previous year.
Early draft named the Best Paper in International Relations by the Midwest Political Science Association in 2014.
6. "Recent Trends in Investor-State Dispute Settlement." 2016. *Journal of International Dispute Settlement* 7(1): 117-135. [Peer-reviewed special issue]
5. "Withdrawing from Investment Treaties but Protecting Investment." 2016. (with Clint Peinhardt) *Global Policy* 7(4): 571-576.
4. "Bondholders v. Direct Investors? Competing Responses to Expropriation." 2015. *International Studies Quarterly* 59(4): 750-764.
3. "Investor-State Disputes: When Can Governments Break Contracts?" 2015. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 59(2): 239-261.

2. "Innovation in Tow: R&D FDI and Investment Incentives." 2013. *Business and Politics* 15(4): 467-491.
1. "Aspects of the Political Economy of Development and Synthetic Biology." 2009. (with Gautam Mukunda) *Systems and Synthetic Biology* 3(1): 115-123. 2009. [Peer-reviewed special issue]

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

5. "Foreign Direct Investment." Entry, *Oxford Handbook of International Political Economy* (Editors: Jon Pevehouse and Leonard Seabrooke) Forthcoming 2020.
4. Brief for the Supreme Court of the United States as Amicus Curiae. (with Tim Samples et al) "Argentine Republic v. Petersen Energia Inversora S.A.U. and Petersen Energia S.A.U." and "YPF S.A. v. Petersen Energia Inversora S.A.U. and Petersen Energia S.A.U." (Nos. 18-581 and 18-575). 2018.
3. "Integrity Systems and the Rule of Law in Armenia: An Evidence Review." 2019. (with Michael Denly*, Vepa Rejepov*, and Michael Findley) United States Agency for International Development (USAID).
2. "Governance in Armenia: An Evidence Review." 2019. (with Michael Denly*, Michael Findley, and John Gerring) United States Agency for International Development (USAID).
1. "The Intellectual Commons and Property in Synthetic Biology." 2009. (with Kenneth Oye) Chapter in Markus Schmidt (editor), *Synthetic Biology: The Technoscience and its Societal Consequences*, Springer Academic Publishing.

WORKING PAPERS

"Global Production Networks and Regulatory Convergence: Evidence from Investor-State Dispute Settlement." (with Carolina Moehlecke* and Calvin Thrall*) Revise and Resubmit, *Economics & Politics*.

"The Price of Doing Business: How Startup Costs Improve Government Treatment of Foreign Firms." (with Leslie Johns) Revise and Resubmit, *Economics & Politics*.

"Coming to Terms: The Politics of Sovereign Bond Denomination." (with Layna Mosley and Cameron Ballard-Rosa) Revise and Resubmit, *International Organization*.

The Politics of Sovereignty in the Global Economy. Book manuscript, in progress.

"Endorsements and Public Support for Foreign Direct Investment: Experimental Evidence from

an American Indian Nation.” (with Calvin Thrall* and Donna Feir, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis) in progress.

* Denotes graduate student co-author.

RESEARCH GRANTS

“Survey Research on Access to Capital in Indian Country.”

Ongoing collaboration with the Center for Indian Country Development at the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis. \$27,000 to date.

UT Austin Vice President for Research Associate Professor Experimental Initiative (with Ken-Hou Lin). 2018. \$100,000.

Provost Author’s Travel Fellowship, UT Austin. 2019. \$3,500.

“The Distributional Effects of Foreign Investment on Political Risk.” IC² Institute Insight to Innovation Grant. 2017-2018. \$25,000.

“The Political Economy of American Indian Reservations.” UT Austin Office of the Vice President for Research Grant. 2014. \$6,000.

“The Shield of Nationality.” Eurasia Program, Social Science Research Council. 2013. \$6,100.

AWARDS

International Political Economy Society Best Book Award (published 2015-17)	2018
APSA Wallerstein Award for Best Paper in Political Economy (with Leslie Johns)	2017
College Research Fellowship, UT Austin	2015, 2018
MPSA Award for Best Paper in International Relations (with Leslie Johns)	2014
Summer Research Assignment Award, UT Austin	2014
APSA Mancur Olson Award for Best Dissertation in Political Economy	2012
Lucian Pye Award for Best Dissertation, MIT Department of Political Science	2012
MIT Task Force on Production in the Innovation Economy, Pre-doctoral Fellow	2011 – 2012
SSRC Eurasia Program, Dissertation Fellowship	2010 – 2011
Dissertation Research Grant, SSRC Eurasia Program	2011
NSF Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship Fellowship	2006 – 2009
Dissertation Research Grant, Harvard Center for European Studies	2009
Dissertation Research Grant, MIT Center for International Studies	2009
Ithiel de Sola Pool Fellow, MIT Department of Political Science	2007
Awarded annually to one outstanding first year doctoral student.	
MIT Presidential Fellowship	2006 – 2007
University of Arizona Robie Gold Medal for Outstanding University-wide Senior	2004
University of Arizona Outstanding Honors College Senior	2004
University of Arizona Outstanding Economics Senior	2004
University of Arizona <i>Summa cum laude</i> and Phi Beta Kappa	2004
National Security Education Program, Boren Undergraduate Scholar	2002 – 2003
United States Presidential Scholar	2000

Arizona Flinn Scholar

2000 – 2004

Full undergraduate funding and support for foreign study.

PRESENTATIONS

Harvard University, Political Economy of International Finance Research Group (2020*)
University of Pennsylvania, “Transatlantic Disruption: Challenges and Opportunities” (2020*)
MIT (2020*)
Georgetown, McDonough School of Business (2020*)
Columbia (2020*)
Tulane (discussant) (2020*)
University of Oregon (discussant) (2020*)
University of California, Berkeley (2019)
University of Minnesota (discussant) (2019)
National University of Singapore (2019)
University of Zürich (2019)
University of California San Diego (2019)
University of Wisconsin-Madison (2018)
University of Houston, “Political Economy of Conflict and Cooperation” Workshop (2018)
Cornell University (2018)
Texas A&M University (2018)
University of Southern California, “The Political Economy of Security” Workshop (2018)
Yale University (2017)
Emory University (2017)
San Antonio Business and Economics Society (2017)
Johns Hopkins, School of Advanced International Studies (2017)
Georgetown University (2017)
University of Pittsburgh (2017)
University of Montreal, Political Risk Analysis Workshop (2017, 2016)
Duke University (2016)
University of Virginia (2016)
Princeton University, “The Politics of Multinational Firms” Workshop (2016)
Hebrew University, “Nature and Implications of the Global Investment Regime” Workshop (2016)
University of Houston, “The Political Economy of Risk” Workshop (2016)
University of California, Los Angeles (2016)
University of Pennsylvania (2015)
University of Chicago (2015)
Center for Research and Teaching in Economics (CIDE) FDI Workshop, Mexico City, Mexico (2015)
Texas A&M University (2014)
Princeton University (2013)
Khazar University and Caucasus Research Resource Center, Baku, Azerbaijan (2013)
Danyliw Research Seminar in Contemporary Ukrainian Studies, University of Ottawa (2010)
“Resources in Eurasia: Wealth, Scarcity, or Curse?” Workshop, SSRC Eurasia/Georgetown (2009)

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Synthetic Biology 4.0 Conference (2008)
UC Berkeley, Synthetic Biology Engineering Research Center Conference (2008, 2007)
University of Zurich, Synthetic Biology 3.0 Conference, Zurich, Switzerland (2007)
Atlanta Conference on Science, Technology, and Innovation, Georgia Tech (2007)

At the University of Texas at Austin:

USMCA Panel: Mexican, Canadian, and American Perspectives (2020*)
Capital of Texas Undergraduate Research Conference (2019)
General Education in the US Program (2019)
International Affairs Society (2019, 2018)
Senate of College Councils, Faculty Affairs (2018)
314 Action (STEM/science-in-politics advocacy organization) (2018)
Liberal Arts Honors Council (2017)
Women in International Relations Society (2014)
Center for Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies (various)

Conferences:

International Political Economy Society (2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013)
American Political Science Association (2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2011, 2010)
International Studies Association (2020,* 2018, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012)
Political Economy of International Organizations (2020, 2018)
Midwest Political Science Association (2014, 2010)
Texas Triangle International Relations Conference (2020, 2017, 2015, 2014)
Southern Political Science Association (2019)

* *Delayed due to travel restrictions.*

MEDIA AND POLICY

Occasional contributor, Monkey Cage column at *The Washington Post*.

“This is what will happen if financial markets panic about Trump.” (with Cameron Ballard-Rosa and Layna Mosley) 2 March 2017.

“Should corporations be able to sue foreign governments? The US could owe billions.” (with Clint Peinhardt) 3 November 2016.

“A Dutch court said Russia doesn’t have to pay Yukos’s investors. Will Russia have to pay anyway?” 27 April 2016.

“Investors have controversial new rights to sue countries. Here’s why this matters for the US.” 30 November 2015.

“People are freaking out about the Trans Pacific Partnership’s investor dispute settlement system. Why should you care?” 26 March 2015.

“If Ukraine expropriates Russian firms, other multinationals probably won’t care.” 26 March 2014.

“Reactions to Terrorism Can Bring Serious Harm.” (with Renard Sexton and Mike Findley), *Political*

Violence @ a Glance. 2 May 2019.

“How expansive responses to terrorism can cost civilian lives.” (with Renard Sexton and Mike Findley), *Axios*. 22 February 2019.

Commentator, C-SPAN2 book talk, *Inequality and Instability* by James Galbraith (2012)

Media Interviews and Coverage: National Public Radio “All Things Considered,” National Geographic, Bloomberg, LA Times, TIME Magazine, Moyers & Company, Hearst Newspapers DC, Washington Post, Texas Public Radio, Spectrum News Capital Tonight (Austin), Houston Chronicle, Texas Tribune, San Antonio Express-News, UT Austin Daily Texan, Southeast Asia Globe, Internet Brands Automotive, Axios, CBS Austin News, Fox 7 Austin News, Page One Podcast

TEACHING AND ADVISING

Graduate teaching:

International Political Economy
Research in International Politics

Undergraduate teaching:

International Political Economy
Science, Technology, and Politics (First-year interdisciplinary “signature” course)
- Course selected for observation by Provost’s Teaching Fellows
- Course Development Funds Award, UT Austin (\$1500)
US in the World Economy (Honors, writing-intensive seminar)

Ph.D. supervision:

Carolina Moehlecke (Chair), Assistant Professor, Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV), Brazil
Omar Awapara (Co-Chair), Director Académico of Political Science major, Universidad Peruana de Ciencias Aplicadas (UPC), Peru
Yuval Weber (Member), Kennan Institute Associate Professor of Russian and Eurasian Studies, Daniel Morgan Graduate School of National Security
Anne Jamison (University of Wisconsin-Madison, Outside Member, in progress)
Kai Stern (UNC Chapel Hill, Outside Member, in progress)

Masters supervision:

Kathryn Quinn O’dowd (Center for Russian, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies)
Erica Mirabitor (Government)
Harshal Zalke (LBJ School of Public Policy, in progress)

Undergraduate research mentorship:

UT Austin Innovations for Peace and Development research lab (2015 –)
Government (Department Honors Thesis (Supervisor x2)
Government, Economics, and Plan II Honors Theses (Second reader x7)
College of Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (2017, 2019)

Government Department Undergraduate Research Internship (2018 –)
UT Austin Bridging Disciplines Program (2014 –)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Steering Committee, International Political Economy Society (2019 – 2021)
Co-host, International Political Economy Society (with Nathan Jensen), IPES Meeting (2017)
Steering Committee, Virtual International Political Economy Society (2015 – 2018)
Executive Committee, Political Economy Section, American Political Science Assoc. (2015 – 2018)
Chair, International Political Economy, American Political Science Association (2018)
William H. Riker Book Award Committee (2017)
Mancur Olson Dissertation Prize Committee (2014)
Chair, Distinguished Senior Scholar committee, International Political Economy section of the
International Studies Association (2020), Member (2018 – 2021)
Co-chair, International Politics: Global Issues and IPE, Southern Political Science Association (2019)

Discussant, Panel Chair, and/or Panel Organizer:

Professional meetings: American Political Science Assoc., International Studies Assoc., Midwest
Political Science Assoc., Southern Political Science Assoc. (various, 2010 –)

Conferences and workshops: Book workshop, Jane Sumner, University of Minnesota (2019); Virtual
International Political Economy Society (2015 –); Texas Triangle IR conference (2013 –);
Princeton “European Integration” workshop (2013), Princeton “Chinese Investment in
Europe” (2013); MIT Industrial Performance Center and IBM, “Globally Integrated
Enterprises” (2007); Univ. of Oxford, “Student Loans in Russia: Report to the Russian
Federation” (2006)

At the University of Texas at Austin:

Government Department Executive Committee (2019 – 2020)
Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Scholarship Committee, CREEES (2019)
College of Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research Scholarship Committee (2018 – 2021)
Selection Panel, Office of the Vice President of Research, Research and Creative Grants
Competition (2017, 2015)
Undergraduate Teaching Committee, Dept. of Government (2016 – 2017)
Organizer, International Relations Speaker Series, Government Department (2016 – 2018)
MacDonald Fellowship Committee, Government Department (2016)
Committee on Gender, Government Department (2015 – 2016)
Financial Aid Committee, Government Department (2015)

Reviewer: *American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, Journal of
Politics, International Organization, World Politics, International Studies Quarterly, Comparative
Political Studies, British Journal of Political Science, Review of International Organizations, Review
of International Political Economy, International Interactions, Business and Politics, Perspectives on
Politics, PS: Political Science & Politics, Political Research Quarterly, Regulation and Governance,
Foreign Policy Analysis, European Journal of Political Economy, Journal of European Public Policy,*

Journal of Experimental Political Science, Systems and Synthetic Biology, Journal of Economic Surveys, European Journal of Law and Economics, Journal of Comparative Economics, British Journal of Politics and International Relations, Canadian Journal of Political Science, Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics, Oxford University Press (book), Routledge (book), University of Toronto Press (book), Columbia University Press (book), Columbia Global Reports (book), University of Chicago (book), University of Michigan Press (book), OECD Investment Division, Swiss National Science Foundation

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Politics and Economics of International Finance (PEIF) Research Group Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University	2015 –
USAID Armenia Mission: Integrity Systems/Rule of Law Evidence Review	2019
Academic Exchange Mission to Israel and the Palestinian Authority	2015
US Young Scholar Delegation to Taiwan	2013
Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Institute	2010
Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research	2008
ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods	2007
Graduate Resident Tutor, Next House MIT Undergraduate Residence	2007 – 2012
Business Development; Editor and Contributor, <i>Global Risk Outlook 2006</i> , Exclusive Analysis Ltd. (London, UK)	2005 – 2006
Irkutsk State Technical University, Russian language study (Irkutsk, Russia)	2002 – 2003
National Security Education Program, Boren Undergraduate Scholar	
Writing Tutor, University of Arizona Writing Center	2001 – 2004

Languages: German (advanced); Russian (intermediate)

Fieldwork: American Indian tribes (2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2015); South Africa and Namibia (2018); Azerbaijan and Russia (2013); Ukraine, Romania, Moldova, and Germany (2011, 2009); France and China (2008).