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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

The University of Texas at Austin
Associate Professor, Department of Government 2018 – present
By courtesy: Business, Government, and Society, McCombs School of Business
Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies
Center for European Studies
Assistant Professor, Department of Government 2013 – 2018

Georgetown University, McDonough School of Business 2021 – 2022
Visitor, Strategy, Economics, Ethics, and Public Policy Area

Princeton University, School of Public and International Affairs 2012 – 2013
Postdoctoral Associate, Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance

EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2006 – 2012
Ph.D. Political Science
American Political Science Assoc. Olson Award for Best Dissertation in Political Economy

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

The University of Arizona, Honors College 2000 – 2004
B.A. Economics
B.A. English, with Honors
B.A. Interdisciplinary Studies (Russian Studies, German Studies, Political Science)
Robie Medal for Outstanding University-wide Graduate

Irkutsk State Technical University, Russian language (Irkutsk, Russia) 2002 – 2003
US National Security Education Program, Boren Undergraduate Scholar

BOOKS

2. *The Shield of Nationality: When Governments Break Contracts with Foreign Firms*. Cambridge University Press. 2015.
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

22. "Data Sovereignty and Development: How do Native Americans view data sharing by tribal governments?" (with Donn Feir) *PS: Political Science & Politics*. Forthcoming.
21. "Stakeholder Cues, National Origin, and Public Opinion Toward Firms: Evidence in the Context of the First Bank in an American Indian Nation." (with Donn Feir and Calvin Thrall*) *Business and Politics* 1-26. 2024.
20. "Global Value Chains as a Constraint on Sovereignty: Evidence from Investor-State Dispute Settlement." (with Carolina Moehlecke and Calvin Thrall*) *International Studies Quarterly* 67:1. 2023.
19. "Political Risk and International Investment Law." (with Carolina Moehlecke) 2022. *Annual Review of Political Science*. 25: 1-23. [Editor-reviewed invited contribution]
18. "Coming to Terms: The Politics of Sovereign Bond Denomination." (with Cameron Ballard-Rosa and Layna Mosley) 2022. *International Organization*. 76(1): 32-69.
17. "Contingent Advantage? Sovereign Borrowing, Democratic Institutions, and Global Capital Cycles." (with Cameron Ballard-Rosa and Layna Mosley) 2021. *British Journal of Political Science*. 51(1): 353-373.
16. "The Price of Doing Business: Why Replaceable Foreign Firms Get Worse Government Treatment." (with Leslie Johns) 2021. *Economics & Politics*. 33(2): 209-243.
15. "Incorporating Indigenous Nations into International Political Economy." 2021. *Global Perspectives*. 2(1): 221-251.
14. "Judicial Economy and Moving Bars in International Investment Arbitration." (with Leslie Johns and Calvin Thrall*) 2020. *Review of International Organizations*. 15(4): 923-945.
13. "International Investment Law and Foreign Direct Reinvestment." 2019. *International Organization*. 73(4): 839-858.
12. "How Government Reactions to Violence Worsen Social Welfare: Evidence from Peru." (with Renard Sexton* and Michael G. Findley) 2019. *American Journal of Political Science*. 63(2): 353-367.
11. "How a Retreat from Global Economic Governance May Empower Business Interests." (with Leslie Johns and Krzysztof J. Pelc) 2019. *Journal of Politics*. 81(2): 731-738. [Editor-reviewed invited contribution]

10. "International Law, Territorial Disputes, and Foreign Direct Investment." (with David B. Carter and Paul Huth) 2019. *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." (with Leslie Johns) 2016. *American Political Science Review*. 110(1): 31-51.
Michael Wallerstein Award for Best Paper in Political Economy, American Political Science Association (2016); Early draft awarded Best Paper in International Relations, Midwest Political Science Association (2014)
6. "Withdrawing from Investment Treaties but Protecting Investment." (with Clint Peinhardt) 2016. *Global Policy*. 7(4): 571-576.
5. "Recent Trends in Investor-State Dispute Settlement." 2016. *Journal of International Dispute Settlement*. 7(1): 117-135. [Peer-reviewed special issue]
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." (with Gautam Mukunda*) 2009. *Systems and Synthetic Biology*. 3(1): 115-123. 2009. [Peer-reviewed special issue]

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

9. "Waste Not, Want Not: Tariffs as Environmental Protection in the Global Waste Trade." Working paper, U of California Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation. 23 Aug 2023.
8. "How do Native Americans view data sharing by tribal governments?" (with Donn Feir) Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Center for Indian Country Development. 20 Jul 2023.
7. "Foreign Direct Investment." Entry, *Oxford Handbook of International Political Economy* (Editors:

Jon Pevehouse and Leonard Seabrooke). 2021.

6. "Ownership and Trust in Banks: Evidence from the First Bank in an American Indian Nation." (with Donn Feir and Calvin Thrall*) 2021. *American Economic Association (AEA) Papers and Proceedings*. 111: 227-232.
5. "The Promise of Economic Integration: Evidence from the First Bank in an American Indian Nation." (with Donn Feir and Calvin Thrall) Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, CICD Working Papers 2021-01. 2021.
4. "Bipartisan Spoilers Targeting EU Investment Policy: Continuity from Trump to Biden." Prepared for: Trans-Atlantic Disruption: Challenges and Opportunities. Shapiro Geopolitics Workshop, Perry World House, The University of Pennsylvania. 25-26 January 2021.
3. "Integrity Systems and the Rule of Law in Armenia: An Evidence Review." (with Michael Denly*, Vepa Rejepov*, and Michael Findley) 2019. United States Agency for International Development (USAID).
2. "Governance in Armenia: An Evidence Review." (with Michael Denly*, Michael Findley, and John Gerring) 2019. United States Agency for International Development (USAID).
1. "The Intellectual Commons and Property in Synthetic Biology." (with Kenneth Oye) 2009. Chapter in Markus Schmidt (editor), *Synthetic Biology: The Technoscience and its Societal Consequences*, Springer Academic Publishing.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Multinational Corporations and Political Risk

- "Exiting Russia." (with Boliang Zhu) *Under review*.
- "Adjudicating While Fighting: Political Implications of the Ukraine-Russia Bilateral Investment Treaty." (with Clint Peinhardt) *Revise and Resubmit*.

Garbage (Political Economy of International Trade in Waste and Scrap)

- "Tariffs as Environmental Protection: Evidence from the Global Waste Trade." *Under review*.
- *Garbage in International Economic Relations*. (Book manuscript, in progress)

Expanding the Scope of IPE Research

- *Variations in Sovereignty: The International Political Economy of Reserved Lands, Territories, and Dependencies*. (Book manuscript, in progress)
- *Scientific Uncertainty and International Coordination*. (Cambridge Element monograph, intended as undergraduate teaching resource; under contract/in progress)

GRANTS

“Multinational Corporation Behavior in Time of War.”

National Science Foundation RAPID grant #2234189 (with Boliang Zhu). 2022. \$126,000.

UT Austin Vice President for Research Special Research Grant. 2023. \$1,000.

“Compliance Politics and International Investment Disputes.”

Norwegian Research Council. 2021-2024. Total award: NOK 12 million (approx. USD 1.4 million). Interdisciplinary team hosted by PluriCourts at the University of Oslo.

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

Center for Indian Country Development, Federal Reserve. 2019. \$40,000.

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

Provost Author’s Fellowship, UT Austin. 2019 and 2020. \$6,500.

Vice President for Research Grant, UT Austin. 2014. \$6,000.

“Understanding the New Governance of Waste Trade.”

Vice President for Research Grant, UT Austin. 2020. \$10,000.

Dr. Cécile DeWitt-Morette France-UT Endowed Excellence Fund (with Jean-Baptiste Velut, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle). 2020. \$10,000.

“Foreign Investment and Political Risk.”

IC² Institute Insight to Innovation Grant. 2017-2018. \$25,000.

Eurasia Program, Social Science Research Council. 2013. \$6,100.

AWARDS

Top-cited author, Economics & Politics Journal	2021 – 2022
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
MPSA Award for Best Paper in International Relations (with Leslie Johns)	2014
Humanities Institute Faculty Fellows Seminar, UT Austin (declined)	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 Medal for Outstanding University-wide Graduate	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
US National Security Education Program, Boren Undergraduate Scholar	2002 – 2003
United States Presidential Scholar	2000
Arizona Flinn Scholar	2000 – 2004

Full undergraduate funding and study abroad support (20 recipients statewide).

INVITED TALKS

Speaker Series + Academic Audiences:

NYU Abu Dhabi (2025)
 London School of Economics (2024)
 University of Texas at Dallas (2024)
 Penn State (2023)
 UCLA, “Political Economy of Climate and the Environment Mini-Conference” (2023)
 Université Sorbonne Nouvelle (2023)
 Yale University (2023)
 Harvard University, Political Economy of International Finance Research Group, Keynote (2022)
 MIT (2022)
 George Washington University (2022)
 George Washington University, School of Business (2022)
 University of Maryland (2022)
 Georgetown, Political Economy Seminar (2022)
 Georgetown, McDonough School of Business (2021)
 University of Pennsylvania, “Transatlantic Disruption: Challenges and Opportunities” (2021)
 Florida State University (2021)
 Michigan State University (2020)
 Columbia University (2020)
 Global Research in International Political Economy (GRIPE) webinar (2020)
 University of California, Berkeley (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” (2018)
 Cornell University (2018)
 Texas A&M University (2018)
 University of Southern California, “The Political Economy of Security” (2018)
 Yale University (2017)

Emory University (2017)
Johns Hopkins, School of Advanced International Studies (2017)
Georgetown University (2017)
University of Pittsburgh (2017)
University of Montreal, "Political Risk Analysis" (2016, 2017)
Duke University (2016)
University of Virginia (2016)
Princeton University, "The Politics of Multinational Firms" (2016)
Hebrew University, "Nature and Implications of the Global Investment Regime" (2016)
University of Houston, "The Political Economy of Risk" (2016)
University of California, Los Angeles (2016)
University of Pennsylvania (2015)
University of Chicago (2015)
Center for Research and Teaching in Economics (CIDE), Mexico City, Mexico (2015)
Texas A&M University (2014)
Princeton University (2013)
University of Ottawa, Danyliw Research Seminar in Contemporary Ukrainian Studies (2010)
SSRC Eurasia/Georgetown, "Resources in Eurasia: Wealth, Scarcity, or Curse?" (2009)

Presentations to Policymakers and Community Outreach:

Federal Reserve Board + McCombs School of Business: Dallas Business Outlook (2024)
OECD Environment Directorate (2023)
EU Directorate-General for Environment (2023)
Lake Travis Community Library (Austin, TX): "High Seas Treaty" (2024), "Global Famine" (2023),
"Industrial Policy" (2022), "The End of Globalization?" (2021)
San Antonio Business and Economics Society (2017)
Khazar University and Caucasus Research Resource Center, Baku, Azerbaijan (2013)

Talks at UT Austin:

International Relations and Global Studies Council (2023)
General Education in the US Program, for visiting Chinese scholars (2019)
International Affairs Society (2018, 2019, 2023)
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)
Various, Center for Russian, Eurasian, and East European Studies (2013-present)

Professional Conferences:

International Political Economy Society (2013-2021, 2023)
Political Economy of International Organizations (2018, 2020, 2023)
American Political Science Association (2010-2011, 2013-2018, 2020-2023)
International Studies Association (2012-2016, 2018, 2020-2023)

Midwest Political Science Association (2010, 2014, 2023)
“Wastelands,” European Association for American Studies (2022)
ASSA/American Economic Association (2021)
Texas Triangle International Relations Conference (2014, 2015, 2017, 2020)
Southern Political Science Association (2019)
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Synthetic Biology 4.0 Conference (2008)
UC Berkeley, Synthetic Biology Engineering Research Center Conference (2007, 2008)
University of Zurich, Synthetic Biology 3.0 Conference, Zurich, Switzerland (2007)
Atlanta Conference on Science, Technology, and Innovation, Georgia Tech (2007)

MEDIA AND OPINION PIECES

“Episode 50: Rachel Wellhausen.” *Clauses and Controversies: A Podcast about International Finance, Contract Clauses, and the Controversies Surrounding These Clauses*, by Mitu Gulati and Mark Weidemaier. August 2021.

“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.

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.

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.

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

Interviews and Coverage: National Public Radio “Marketplace,” National Public Radio “All Things Considered,” NPR/KUT “ATXplained,” Vox.com, 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-

First placement: Director Académico of Political Science major, Universidad Peruana de Ciencias Aplicadas (UPC), Peru

Zhizhen Lu, Government, 2021-present. (Committee member)

Calvin Thrall, Ph.D. in Government, 2022. (Committee member)

First placement: Princeton post-doc; Assistant Professor, Columbia University

Anne Jamison, 2022. (University of Wisconsin-Madison, Outside member)

First placement: Assistant Professor, Copenhagen Business School

Yuval Weber, Government, 2014. (Committee member)

First placement: Research Assistant Professor, Texas A&M Bush School

UT Austin Master's thesis supervision:

Government (x4)

LBJ School of Public Policy (x1)

Center for Russian, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies (x1)

Economics ([informal] x1)

UT Austin undergraduate honors thesis supervision:

Plan II Honors (x2)

Special recognition: Avery Leake, Plan II Model Thesis (2021)

Special Honors in Humanities (x1)

Special recognition: Jessica Zhang, Rapoport King Scholarship (supervisor: \$1000) (2021)

Government Honors (x4)

Special recognition: Jack Chapman, Honorable mention, Outstanding thesis (2021)

Economics Honors (x1)

Liberal Arts Honors Capstone (x1)

Environmental Science Program Capstone (x2)

Second reader (x10): Plan II Honors, Government, Economics, IR and Global Studies

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Associations:

International Political Economy Society

Steering Committee (2019-present)

Book Award Subcommittee Chair (2024)

Co-host (with Nathan Jensen), IPES Annual Meeting (2017)

Steering Committee, Virtual IPES (2015-2018)

American Political Science Association

IPE Section Chair (2018)

Executive Committee, Political Economy Section (2015-2018)

William H. Riker Book Award Committee (2017)
Mancur Olson Dissertation Award Committee (2014)
Midwest Political Science Association IPE Section Chair (2023)
International Studies Association
Society for Women in IPE (SWIPE) Mentor Award Committee (2023-present)
Distinguished Senior Scholar committee, IPE Section: Chair (2022), Member (2018-2021)
Southern Political Science Association International Politics Section Co-Chair (2019)

Editorial Boards:

American Political Science Review (2024-present)
American Journal of Political Science (2021-present)
Business and Politics (2023-present)

Service at UT Austin:

Government Department:

Executive Committee [elected] (2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2023-2024)
Graduate Fellowship Committee (2022, 2023, 2024)
Organizer, International Relations Speaker Series (2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2024-2025)
Undergraduate Teaching Committee (2016-2017)
MacDonald Fellowship Committee (2016)
Committee on Gender (2015)
Financial Aid Committee (2015, 2017)
Restricted Regions Review Team, International Oversight Committee (2023-present)
Dr. Cécile DeWitt-Morette France-UT Endowed Excellence Fund Committee (2023-2024)
Office of the Vice President of Research Grant Selection Panel (2015, 2017, 2022, 2023)
College of Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research Scholarship Committee (2018-2021)
CREES Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Scholarship Committee (2019)

Reviewer:

National Science Foundation Proposal Review Committee

- Directorate for Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences (2021-2024)
- Future Manufacturing (2024)

Ad hoc reviews (since 2011): *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *International Organization*, *Journal of Politics*, *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*, *Journal of International Business*, *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*, *Security Studies*, Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics,

National Science Foundation, Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland, OECD Investment Division, Swiss National Science Foundation, Columbia Global Reports, Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Columbia University Press, University of Michigan Press, University of Chicago Press, Stanford University Press, Routledge, De Gruyter, University of Toronto Press

Service as Discussant and/or Chair, Panels and Workshops:

Professional conferences (APSA, ISA, MPSA, SPSA) (various)
 Texas Triangle International Relations Conference (2017, 2020, 2024)
 Book workshop, Haillie Na-Kyung Lee (2024)
 Czech and Slovak Association (2024)
 China Politics Research Group (2023)
 Texas Methods Meeting/TexMeth (2022)
 Frances McCall Rosenbluth Junior Workshop, APSA (2022)
 Japanese Politics Online Seminar Series, Harvard University (2022)
 PluriCourts, University of Oslo, "Compliance Politics" (2022)
 University of Oslo PhD evaluation committee, outside member (2021)
 Hoover Institution, "Governance, Liberty, and Prosperity for American Indians" (2021)
 Post-Pandemic Investment and Development Workshop, Indiana University (2021)
 Book workshop, Xander Slaski, Tulane University/Leiden University (2021)
 Book workshop, Jane Sumner, University of Minnesota (2019)
 Capital of Texas Undergraduate Research Conference (2019)
 Princeton "European Integration" and "Chinese Investment in Europe" workshops (2013)
 MIT Industrial Performance Center and IBM, "Globally Integrated Enterprises" (2007)
 Univ. of Oxford, "Student Loans in Russia: Report to the Russian Federation" (2006)

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Associate Professor, University of Oslo Faculty of Law, PluriCourts	2022-2025
National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity	
Re-thinking Mentoring workshop	2024
Building a Publishing Pipeline workshop	2023
Teaching Toolkit Program: New course design	2022
Contributor, Collaborative Multiracial Post-Election Survey	2020
Contractor, Federal Reserve System	2019-present
Politics and Economics of International Finance (PEIF) Research Group	2015-present
Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University	
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> ,	2005-2006

Exclusive Analysis Ltd. (London, UK)
Writing Tutor, University of Arizona Writing Center

2001-2004

Languages:

German: approx. B2.2/C1 [unofficial]

Russian: Rusty (intermediate-high ACTFL OPI, 2003)

Fieldwork:

American Indian Nations (2015, 2017, 2019-2021); South Africa, Namibia (2018);
Azerbaijan, Russia (2013); Ukraine, Romania, Moldova (2009-2011, 2013); France, China
(2008); Germany (various); additional travel to approx. 50 countries