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## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Yale University  
Senior lecturer of Political Science, 2021-present  
Lecturer of Political Science, 2016-2021  
Research Associate, Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies,  
2015-present  
Henry Hart Rice Visiting Assistant Professor, MacMillan Center, 2014 – 2015  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Assistant Professor of Political Science, 2012 – 2015

## EDUCATION

Ph.D. (2012), M.A. (2005), Political Science  
The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL  
B.A. *Cum Laude* (2001), Political Science  
The College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative Politics: Political violence, Insurgency, Post-conflict politics, Minority Rights  
International Relations: Terrorism  
Political Methodology: Qualitative fieldwork, Survey experiments, Spatial data

## RESEARCH

April 2019. [“Brexit and a Border Town: Trouble Ahead in Northern Ireland?”](#) *The New York Review of Books*.  
*What Comes Next: The Aftermath of Conflict in Northern Ireland* (book project)  
“The Trap of Sectarian Politics” (working paper; with Milan Švolík)  
“Minority Rights Provisions in Divided Societies” (working paper)

## ORIGINAL DATA COLLECTION AND SURVEYS

Sectarianism and Voting Preferences in Northern Ireland (ongoing)  
Do Linguistic Minority Rights Make a Difference? Hungarian Minorities in Slovakia  
The Politics of Paramilitaries qualitative interview data in the case of “The Troubles” in

Northern Ireland, Ireland, England, and the United States  
Spatial Data on Political Violence during the Troubles in Northern Ireland 1968-1998  
Counterinsurgency in Northern Ireland: Arrests under Special Legislation, Length of  
Detentions, and Releases without Charge, 1990-2009

## TEACHING

Yale University

Civil Conflict; Terrorism; War and Peace in Northern Ireland; EP&E Senior Essay

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Political Violence; Terrorism

## SENIOR ESSAYS ADVISED

2021: Kimberley Cruz; 2020: Mbella Beseka, Moses Cho, Jacqueline Hayre-Perez, Chloe Prendergast, Collett Preston, Minseung Yoo; 2019: Louis Abrassard, Jade Chowning, Esteban Elizondo, Chandler Lindstrand, Joseph Sessa, Luke Stevens; 2018: Otis Baker, Jonathan Kovac, John Tigh; 2017: Alexandra Butler, Jeffrey Cimbalista, Samuel Downey, Joseph Garcia, Delaney Herndon, Brian Pratt, Madeline Skrocki; 2016: Shane Carr, Curran Boyce, Henry Guild, Hanna Karimipour, Tess McEvoy

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND ORGANIZED EVENTS

Northern Ireland: Peacebuilding after Brexit (November 2020-February 2021) Yale Program on  
Peace and Development and National Committee on American Foreign Policy

Bridging the Atlantic conference (November 2020) Georgetown University, University College  
Dublin, Queens University Belfast

Conference series on Democracy, Identity, and Civil Society (Autumn 2020) Yale Program on  
Peace and Development, Washington Ireland Program, and Centre for Democracy and  
Peacebuilding

Greenberg World Fellows speaker (December 2019 and October 2020) Yale University

Panel Series on Brexit (October and December 2019) Yale University

“ISIS After the Fall of Al-Baghdadi” (November 2019) Yale University

“Local Peacebuilding: Peacebuilding at a Community-Level” (October 2019) Alliance for  
Peacebuilding (Washington, DC)

“Twenty Years of Peace: Progress and Possibilities in Northern Ireland” (November 2018) Yale  
University

“Survey and Qualitative Methods in the Field” (October 2017) George Mason University, The  
School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution

“A Farewell to Arms? Decommissioning and the Political Transformation of Armed Groups”  
(November 2015) George Mason University, The School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution

“The Good Friday Peace Accords” (October 2010) Case Western Reserve University, Cox Center  
for International Law

“How to Make Peace: Former combatants' views of the Good Friday Agreement process” (May  
2010) The University of Chicago, Center for International Studies

“Local Variation in Repressive Violence: The Case of the Troubles in Northern Ireland”

(November 2009) University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois Informatics Institute

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Edward J. and Dorothy Clarke Kempf Faculty Award, 2018-2019  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2009-2014  
    Research Board Research Support Award, 2014  
    William and Flora Hewlett International Research Travel Grant, 2013  
    Scholar's Travel Fund, Campus Research Board, 2009-2012  
    Incomplete List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent (with Outstanding Ratings), Spring  
        2010, Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014  
Smith Richardson Foundation, 2008-2010  
    World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship, 2009-2010  
    World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship, 2008-2009  
The University of Chicago, 2002-2010  
    Norman Waits Harris Fellowship, Center for International Studies, 2009-2010  
    Michael and Ling Markovitz Dissertation Fellowship  
    Orin Williams Grant  
    Overseas Dissertation Research Grant  
    Grodzins Prize Lectureship  
    Social Sciences Doctoral Scholarship  
    Program on International Security Policy (PISP) Research Grant

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

2013-14: American Political Science Association, European Political Science Association, and  
Midwest Political Science Association annual conferences  
2010-2012: Midwest Political Science Association annual conference, the University of Chicago  
Comparative Politics Workshop  
2008-2010: International Studies Association and Midwest Political Science Association annual  
conferences; the University of Chicago Program on International Security Policy  
2007-2008: Midwest Political Science Association annual conference, the University of Chicago  
Comparative Politics Workshop

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

Founding Co-Director: [The Program on Peace and Development](#) at Yale University  
Director of Undergraduate Studies: Program on Ethics, Politics, and Economics at Yale University  
Member: American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association,  
    International Studies Association, European Political Science Association  
Board Member: Peaceful Schools International  
Disciplinary Service (Discussant): MPSA, The University of Chicago Comparative  
    Politics Workshop, The University of Chicago Program on  
    International Security Policy