

# Christopher Chiego

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## Education

### University of Pennsylvania

Ph.D Candidate in Political Science, (Ph.D Expected Spring 2019)

*Dissertation Project: "Explaining Decisiveness in War"*

*Committee: Alex Weisiger (Chair), Michael Horowitz, Edward Mansfield*

Exam Fields: International Relations (High Pass) and American Politics

### University of California-San Diego

M.A. Political Science (2012)

### University of Georgia

B.A. History (2010), B.A. International Affairs (2009)

*Summa Cum Laude with Highest Honors*

## Working Papers

"Casualties, Success Perceptions, and Public Support for Military Operations" [with Chris Liu]  
*Under Review*

"The Effect of Political Violence on Political Partisanship: Evidence from Alabama and Texas in the American Civil War"

## Presentations

**2018 Online Peace Science Colloquium** (Peace Science Society, Nov. 30th 2018)

"How Wartime Experiences Affect Beliefs About Military Power: Evidence from the 2008 Russo-Georgian War"

**2018 International Studies Association Annual Convention** (San Francisco, CA)

Panel Presentation: "The Rally Round the Troops Effect: How Casualties and Success Impact Approval of Military Operations" [with Chris Liu]

*Research grant from the Christopher H. Browne Center for International Politics, Spring 2018 (\$560)*

**2017 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference** (Chicago, IL)

Panel Presentation: "How Does Fighting Convince? An Empirical Analysis of Factors That Make Wars More Decisive"

*Graduate and Professional Student Association Travel Grant, Spring 2017 (\$300)*

**2016 ISSS-ISAC Conference** (South Bend, IN)

Panel Presentation: "Defining Decisiveness"

*Graduate and Professional Student Association Travel Grant, Fall 2016 (\$310); Dean's Travel Subvention Grant (\$500)*

**2015 Peace Science Society Conference** (Oxford, MS)

Poster Presentation: "The Effect of Political Violence on Political Partisanship: Evidence from Alabama in the American Civil War"

*Graduate and Professional Student Association Travel Grant, Fall 2015 (\$315)*

## Teaching Experience

**Instructor, University of Pennsylvania, 2018**

- American Foreign Policy (Summer 2018)
  - Developed syllabus and course content, including a National Security Council simulation
  - Taught seminar-style in the evenings during a 5-week accelerated summer session

**Teaching Assistant, University of Pennsylvania, 2015-2017**

- American Foreign Policy (Spring 2016, Spring 2017)
- Introduction to International Relations (Fall 2015, Fall 2016)
  - Led 3-4 discussion sections of approximately 17 students each semester
  - Graded course materials and developed discussion section content

**Teaching Assistant, University of California-San Diego, 2010-2013**

- Introduction to International Relations (Fall 2010, Spring 2011), Statistical Inquiry (Fall 2012)
  - Led two discussion sections of approximately 35 students each quarter
  - Graded course materials and developed discussion section content
- Humanities Writing Seminars I and II (Winter 2012, Spring 2012)
  - Led two twice-weekly discussion sections of interdisciplinary freshman writing course
  - Graded and provided detailed feedback on approximately five papers from each student
- U.S. Foreign Policy, Weapons of Mass Destruction, Politics and Film
  - Graded, held office hours, and organized review sessions

**Social Studies Teacher, Shelby County Schools, 2013-2014**

- Honors and Standard World Geography, Germantown High School
  - Taught approximately 185 students at a majority-minority public high school
  - Developed daily presentations and appropriate methods of assessment for each class

## Awards/Honors

Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship, 2018-2019 (\$2000)

Benjamin Franklin Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania Political Science Department, 2014

Teaching Assistant Excellence Award, University of California-San Diego Political Science Department, 2011

Warren Fellowship, University of California-San Diego Political Science Department, 2009

Foundation Fellowship, University of Georgia, 2005

## Additional Workshops and Training

American Political Science Association Pedagogy Workshop, August 2018

Penn Center for Teaching and Learning Teaching Certificate, 2017

Summer Workshop on Military Operations and Strategy (SWAMOS), Summer 2017

Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Summer 2012  
— Courses in Maximum Likelihood Estimation and Advanced Game Theory

## Professional and Community Service

**Outreach Director**, Penn Quiz Bowl Team (2015-2018)

- Advised undergraduate team leadership on directing tournaments and team logistics
- Visited and helped start academic quiz bowl teams at over a dozen schools in Philadelphia
- Mentored students and coaches of local teams across the region

**Graduate Fellow**, UCSD International House, Model United Nations Team (2011-2012)

- Organized travel logistics and aided in hosting home conference

**Co-Chair**, UCSD Associated Residential Community Housing Advisory Committee (2010-2012)

**Political Science Department Representative**, UCSD Graduate Student Association (2009-2011)

## Teaching Interests

Introduction to International Relations  
International Security  
Modern Warfare  
Civil Wars  
Introduction to Political Analysis

Introduction to American Government  
American Foreign Policy  
National Security Strategy  
Regional Security Issues (Europe, Africa, or the Middle East)

## References

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