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Positions
Professor of Politics and International Affairs, Princeton, 2016-
Associate Professor of Politics and International Affairs, Princeton, 2014-2016
Assistant Professor of Politics and International Affairs, Princeton, 2008-2014
Managing Director, Empirical Studies of Conflict Project, 2019-21, 2023-
Co-Director, Empirical Studies of Conflict Project, 2009-2019
Director, Accelerator Initiative, 2023-

Education
Ph.D., Stanford University, Department of Political Science, October 2007.
M.A., Stanford University, Economics Department, August 2007.
B.A. with Honors, University of Michigan, Department of Political Science, May 1997.

Books
Small Wars, Big Data: The Information Revolution in Modern Conflict. With Eli Berman

Foundations of the Islamic State: Management, Money, and Terror in Iraq. With Patrick
Johnston, Howard J. Shatz, Benjamin Bahney, Danielle F. Jung, Patrick K. Ryan, and

The Terrorist’s Dilemma: Managing Violent Covert Organizations. Princeton University

Peer-Reviewed Articles
49. “Choosing Ungoverned Space: Pakistan's Frontier Crimes Regulation.” With Michael
Callen, Saad Gulzar, and Arman Rezaee. Economica (Accepted).

48. “Mining Competition and Violent Conflict in Africa: Pitting Against Each Other.”
With Anouk S. Rigterink, Tarek Ghani, and Juan S. Lozaon. Journal of Politics
(Accepted).

47. “Chinese Investment and Elite Sentiment in Southeast Asia: An Event Study of
Influence Along the Belt and Road.” With Ethan B. Kapstein and Yining Sun. Research
and Politics (Accepted).


**Conference and Workshop Proceedings**


**Non-Peer-Reviewed Articles**

9. “INS special forum on David Sherman’s ‘An Intelligence Classic That Almost Never Was – Roberta Wohlstetter’s Pearl Harbor: Warning and Decision.’ With James J. Wirtz,


**Book Chapters**


Research Reports/Policy Analysis


70. “Now the Taliban is at war with itself.” Los Angeles Times, August 27, 2021.


**Select Working Papers and Book Manuscripts**


“Cultural Events Shape Nationalism.” With Dejan Kovac and Manu Singh. (R&R Economic Journal)

“Using Website Referrals to Identify Misinformation Rabbit Holes.” With Kevin T. Greene, Mayana Pereira, Nilima Pisharody, Rahul Dodhia, and Juan Lavista Ferres. (R&R Behavior and Information Technology)


**Field research projects and field experiments**

2017-21. RCT-based evaluation of police reforms in Pakistan, including different forms of Community & Problem Oriented Policing involving surveys (n=2,400) and high-resolution administrative data. With Ali Cheema and Ali Hasanaian. Part of EGAP Community Policing Metaketa Project.

2016-17. Study of crime patterns in Lahore combining administrative data and geospatial mapping with original crime victimization work (n=5,040). With Ali Cheema and Zulfiqar Hameed.

2016. Study of candidate preferences in local government elections in Pakistan involving survey experiment (n=5,000) and observational work using candidate-level data. With Michael Callen, Ali Cheema, Adnan Khan, Asad Liaqat, and Farooq Naseer.

2015-16. High-Resolution Development Indicators, study links bi-weekly household economic surveys with cell phone records to enable high-precision measurement of economic activity. Includes experimentally-induced variation in income (n=1,200). With Joshua Blumenstock, Michael Callen and Tarek Ghani.


2011-2016. Colombia Responde, panel study of the impact of Colombian government efforts to consolidate political control in former rebel areas (n=150 municipalities). With Abbey Steele and Juan F. Vargas.

2011-2019. Punjab Economic Opportunity Program (PEOP), RCT-based evaluation of political and economic impacts of a large-scale vocational training program in Pakistan. Includes 7 distinct experiments to date (n=40,000 to date). With Ali Cheema, Asim Khwaja, and Farooq Naseer.

2011-2012. Support for Militancy in Pakistan, survey experiment on sources of support for militant organizations (n=16,000). With C. Christine Fair, Kosuke Imai, and Neil Malhotra.

2009. Support for Militancy in Pakistan, survey experiment on sources of support for militant organizations (n=6,000). With C. Christine Fair and Neil Malhotra.

**Grants and Gifts**

Microsoft, “Seed funding for Institute for the Information Environment,” 2022. $1M.


Office of Naval Research, “Understanding China's Influence Along the Belt and Road,” 2020. Lead PI with three co-PIs, $961,695.


National Science Foundation, "ATD: Collaborative Research: Efficient Sampling for Real-time Detection and Isolation of Threats in Networks," 2017. PI (two other PIs separately funded), $80,000, over 3 years.
International Growth Centre (IGC), "Bidding for Roads: Top-up Proposal," 2017. PI with two co-PIs, 26,360 GBP, over 1.25 years.


International Growth Centre (IGC) – Central India, “Connecting the Red Corridor: Infrastructure Provision in Conflict Zones,” 2014. Lead PI with one co-PI, $59,310, one year.

Office of Naval Research (ONR), “State-building at the Community Level: Evaluating the Impact of Colombia’s Consolidation Program,” 2013. Lead PI with two co-PIs, $939,276, three years.


Army Research Office/Harvard University, “Measuring, Understanding, and Responding to Covert Social Networks,” 2010. Co-PI, $564,000, five years.

International Growth Center, “Political Violence in Pakistan – Understanding Subnational Patterns,” 2010. Lead PI, $77,000, two years.


National Science Foundation, “Robust Socio-Technological Networks: An Inter-Disciplinary Approach to Theoretical Foundation and Experimentation,” 2009. Co-PI, $275,000, four years.

**Research Agreements**


**Graduate Students**

- Elsa Voytas, 2021. Assistant Professor, IE University (2022).
- Saurabh Pant, 2018. Assistant Professor, University of Essex (2020).
- Christoph Mikulaschek, 2017. Assistant Professor, Harvard University (2021).
- Andrew Shaver, 2017. Assistant Professor, UC Merced.
- Peter Schram, 2016. Assistant Professor, Vanderbilt University.
- Austin Wright, 2016. Assistant Professor, Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago.
- Thomas Scherer, 2015. Program Director, United States Institute of Peace.
- Raymond Kuo, 2014. Assistant Professor, SUNY Albany.
- Oriana Mastro, 2012. Assistant Professor, Georgetown University.

Fellowships, Honors, and Professional Affiliations

Class of 1934 University Preceptor. 2013-2016.

Associate Fellow, Institute of Development and Economic Alternatives (IDEAS). 2013-.

Faculty Associate, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies. 2013-.

Faculty Fellow, Association for Analytic Learning about Islam and Muslim Societies. 2012-.

Term Member, Council on Foreign Relations. 2011-2016.

Research Fellow, Center for Economic Research in Pakistan. 2010-.

Harmony Fellow, Combating Terrorism Center, United States Military Academy. 2006-2008.

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University, Fall 2007.


Graduate Fellow, Stanford Center on International Conflict and Negotiation, 2005-2006.

Organizational Learning Fellow, Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University, 2004-2005.

Professional Service
Advisory Boards:
- RecollectiV, Board of Directors, 2021-.
- Twitter, Academic Advisory Board, 2020-22.
- Twitter, Birdwatch Advisory Group, 2020-22.
- Facebook, Data Transparency Advisory Group, 2018-9.
- Advisory Board, Global Terrorism Dataset, 2013-22.

Editorial Boards:
- Editorial Board, Defense and Peace Economics, 2020-.
- Contributing Editor, Parameters, 2020-.
- Editorial Board, Terrorism and Political Violence, 2017-.
- Editorial Board, Journal of Conflict Resolution, 2015-.
- Associate Editor, Studies in Conflict and Terrorism, 2013-.
- Associate Editor, World Politics, 2009-.

University Service:
- Faculty Council, School of Public and International Affairs, 2023-.
- Executive Committee, Data Driven Social Sciences Initiative, 2021-22, 2023-.
- Steering Committee, Princeton Center for the Decentralization of Power Through Blockchain Technology (DeCenter), 2023-.
- Faculty Search Committee, Decenter, 2023.
- Co-Chair, PhD Review Committee, School of Public and International Affairs, 2023.
- Chair, MPP Review Committee, School of Public and International Affairs, 2023.
- Curriculum Committee, Keller Center for Innovation in Engineering Education, 2023-.
- Entrepreneurship Certificate Executive Committee, Keller Center for Innovation in Engineering Education, 2020-.
- Director, Masters in Public Policy (MPP) Program, 2018-2020.
- International Relations Search Committee, Princeton University, 2019.
- Conflict of Interest in Research Panel, 2018-present.
- MPP Admissions Committee, Woodrow Wilson School, 2015-16.
- Formal and Quantitative Search Committee, Princeton University, 2015.
- Admissions Committee, Department of Political Science, Stanford, 2006.

Reviewer:

Guest Editor:
Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences

Grant and Proposal Reviewer:

Teaching

“Violent Politics.” Undergraduate Lecture, Politics Department, Princeton University. Spring 2011, Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2023.


“Military Instrument of Foreign Policy.” Undergraduate Seminar, Politics Department, Princeton University, Fall 2015, Fall 2016.


“Theories of International Relations.” Ph.D. Seminar, Politics Department, Princeton University. Spring 2009.


Executive Education


Academic Workshops

Instructor
- Proposal Feedback Workshop, IGC and Duke University, October 2021.
- Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM), Princeton University, July 2012.
- Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM), University of Chicago, July 2011.

Student
- Institute for Qualitative Research Methods (IQRM), January 2005.
- Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, June-August 2003.

**Broadcast Media**
NBC, MSNBC, Facebook Live, BBC, Al Jazeera

**Selected Professional Talks and Presentations**


“Russian Information Operations Caused Hate Crimes.” University of South Carolina, February 2021.


“Content-Based Detection of Online Political Influence Operations.” University of California, Berkeley, September 2020.


“Why Promoting Positive Political Development is So Damn Hard Even When We Agree on What Should be Done.” Conference on Foreign Assistance and Political Development in Fragile States, University of Chicago, May 2020.

“Detecting Foreign Influence Operations Content on Social Media.” New York University, October 2019.


“Crossing Boundaries: Experimental Evidence on Skills Acquisition Access Constraints for Rural Women in Pakistan.” For 1st IZA/DFID GLM-LIC Research Conference on


“The Terrorist’s Dilemma: Managing Violent Covert Organizations.” Furniss Book Award Lecture, Mershon Center, Ohio State University, October 2015.


“Confronting the New Era of Conflict.” University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy, September 2015.


“Micro Events and Macro Dynamics.” For Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 2015.


“Explaining Local Variation in Insurgency and Urban Conflict.” Invited Presentation, Harris School of Public Policy, March 2014.

Development Research Group, April 2014; Applied Economics Seminar, Hebrew University, May 2014; and ESOC-USIP Workshop on Effective Development in Conflict Zones, May 2014.


“Explaining Local Variation in Intrastate Conflict.” Invited Presentation, Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan, February 2014.


“The Terrorist’s Dilemma: Organizational Constraints on Terrorist Organizations.” Invited Presentation for the U.S. State Department Bureau of Intelligence and Research, September 2013.


“Long-run Consequences of Civil War on Militant Capabilities.” For Five Eyes on Threat Finance: Countering Post Arab Spring Trends in Extremist Support, National Counterterrorism Center, June 2013.

“Modernization, Military Performance, and Sample Paths in World History.” For Workshop on Approaches to Historical Research in Political Science, Colombia University, May 2013.


“Understanding Support for Militancy in Pakistan.” For Department of Peace and Conflict Research Speaker Series, Uppsala University, March 2013.


“Understanding Support for Militancy in Pakistan.” For Macmillan International Relations Workshop, Yale University, October 2012.

“Telecommunications and Insurgent Violence.” For PSAC Seminar, Cornell University, October 2012.


“Telecommunications and Insurgent Violence.” For International Relations Seminar, Emory University, September 2012.


“Terrorist Ideologies and Organizations, the State of the Field.” For 2nd Annual Minerva Research Initiative Conference, September 2011.


“Can Hearts and Minds Be Bought? The Economics of Counterinsurgency in Iraq.” For International Relations Seminar, University of Wisconsin, October 2010.

Invited Speaker. USAID Evidence Summit on “Development to Counterinsurgency.” September 2010.


“Patterns of Terror: Using Organizational Changes to Evaluate Counterterrorism.” For Terrorist Organizations: Social Science Research on Terrorism, University of California Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation, May 2007.


**Professional Experience**


Distinguished Scientist, 2019-2022 Giant Oak, Inc.

President, 2016-2019. Giant Oak, Inc.


Naval Reserve Officer, 2002-2005. Office of Naval Intelligence and Naval Warfare Development Command.
