Robert L. Maxwell

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EDUCATION

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Expected 2027

Department of Political Science, PhD Student

Fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics, Methods

University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

August 2021

Master of Arts, Committee on International Relations, with Honors

Fields: International Security Studies, Methods, Comparative Politics

Thesis: "Wargaming to Win: The Influence of Tactical Learning Centers on Military Innovation

(advised by Professor John Mearsheimer)

Temple University, Japan Campus, Minato, Tokyo, Japan

May 2019

Bachelor of Arts, International Affairs

INTERESTS

Information Warfare, Military Innovation, Civil Military Relations, International Security

WORKING PAPERS

"Tactical Learning Centers and Military Innovation"

"Geography, Black Ships, and Japan's Industrial Revolution"

"Bringing Information Back In: Russia and the Pursuit of Limited Aims"

CONFERENCES AND TALKS

International Studies Association- International Security Studies October 2023

"Bringing Information Back In: Russia and the Pursuit of Limited Aims"

International Studies Association- Asia Pacific August 2023

"Bringing Information Back In: Russia and the Pursuit of Limited Aims"

Midwest Political Science Association

April 2021

"Wargaming to Win: The Influence of Tactical Learning Centers on Military Innovation"

International Studies Association Midwest Conference November 2020

"Tactical Learning Centers and Military Innovation"

Connections Wargaming Conference July 2020

Wargaming and Education Working Group

Workshop on International Politics, University of Chicago July 2020

"Tactical Learning Centers and Military Innovation"

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Associate, Center for Strategic and International Studies

August 2021-September 2022

Data collection, editing, and administration support of projects related to grand strategy, US military forces, and international security. Used Rstudio to examine large datasets to generate reports comparing the rates of COVID-19 infection in the US military and US civilian population. Using military subject matter and wargaming expertise in support of forthcoming project simulating the defense of Taiwan.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant,	University	of Washington
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Introduction to International Relations	Fall 2022
International Conflict	Winter 2023
Introduction to Comparative Politics	Spring 2023
Introduction to Comparative Politics	Fall 2023

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Second Year Specialization, University of Chicago	2020-2021
Highly selective, Full Tuition Waiver	
Yellow Ribbon Grant, University of Chicago	2019 – 2021
\$35,000 awarded in recognition of national service	

MILITARY EXPERIENCE

SONAR Technician, United States Navy

2006-2017

Successively a technician, technical leader, and tactical subject matter expert on SONAR systems and undersea warfare across 3 forward-deployed US Navy Destroyers.

Military Awards

Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal; Sea Service Deployment(7); Overseas Service(8); Good Conduct Medal(3)

SKILLS

Languages: Japanese (Elementary Proficiency)

Computational Tools: R, STATA, LATEX, Excel, QGIS, Tableau

Methods Experience: Comparative Case Studies, Computational Social Science, Comparative Historical Analysis, Geographic Information Systems, Survey Methods

AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

International Studies Association Midwest Political Science Association