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EDUCATION

PhD Political Science (ABD)

Expected 2021

University of Washington

Fields: International Relations – Political Economy – Quantitative Methodology

Center for Statistics and Social Sciences Field Certificate, 2016

Committee: Jon Mercer (Chair), Caitlin Ainsley, Mark Smith

MA Political Science

2016

University of Washington

Fields: International Relations – Quantitative Methodology

MA International Politics and Europe (with Merit)

2013

University of Warwick (UK)

BA Interdisciplinary Studies (with Distinction)

2012

California State University, Monterey Bay

Concentration in Finance and Government

Study Abroad

2010 - 2011

California State University, Florence Italy

Areas of Study: Italian Language, European Politics, Italian Politics and History

TEACHING

Instructor

2018-Present

University of Washington

Seattle, WA

- Intro to International Relations
- Intro to Political Economy

Graduate Teaching Assistant

09/2013 - Present

University of Washington

Seattle, WA

- Intro to Political Theory;
- Intro to International Relations;
- Intro to Political Economy;
- American Foreign Policy;
- Strategy and War;
- Comparative Law and Courts;
- Law and Politics of International Human Rights;
- Government and the Economy;
- Media, Society, and Political Identity.

Associate Faculty

01/2018-Present

Edmonds College

Lynwood, WA

- Intro to Political Theory
- Intro to International Relations

- Intro to American Politics

Associate Faculty

Pierce College

09/2019-Present

Lakewood, WA

- Intro to Politics
- Intro to American Politics
- Intro to International Relations

Instructional Student Assistant

California State University, Monterey Bay

01/2009-06/2012

Seaside, CA

- Finite Mathematics;
- Finite Mathematics II

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND SERVICE

Chair and Discussant of panel “International Political Economy”, Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, San Diego, CA, Apr. 2019.

Chair and Discussant of panel “Political Consequences of Financial Crises”, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, Apr. 2019.

Discussant for Prof. Craig Parsons, “Polanyian Muscles in Hayekian Brussels: The European Union’s Economic Authority in Comparative and Theoretical Perspective”, UW International Security Colloquium, Feb. 2019.

“The Bridge to Populism: Economic and Refugee Crises Across Europe,” Washington State Council for the Social Studies Spring Meeting, Skamania, WA Mar. 2018

Discussant and Chair of Panel, “EU Policies and Regulation”, Claremont-UC Berkeley Undergraduate Research Conference on the European Union, Claremont, CA, Apr. 2017

“The Currency of Crisis: Economic Beliefs, Reputation, and the Saliency of Debt,” UW International Security Colloquium, Seattle, WA Mar. 2017

Lecture Series *“Contemporary Crises in Europe: Brexit, the Refugee Crisis, and the Failed Coup in Turkey,” Edmonds Community College, Edmonds, WA Feb-March 2017*

“A Collapsing Europe? The Eurozone Crisis and its Implications for the European Union,” Washington State Council for the Social Studies Spring Meeting, Lake Chelan, WA Mar. 2016

Discussant for Prof. Jonathan Kirshner, “Classical Realism in World Politics”, UW International Security Colloquium, Nov. 2015

Discussant for Prof. Brian Rathbun, “Variation in Rationality in Foreign Policy Decision-Making”, UW International Security Colloquium, Nov. 2014

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

“The False Promise of Learning: Preference Assimilation and Inter-Group Conflict,” MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL Apr. 2019

“The Great Divide: Empathy and Post-Crisis Trade Protectionism,” Western US Graduate Workshop on the EU, Seattle, WA May. 2018

“The Great Divide: Empathy and Post-Crisis Trade Protectionism,” ISA Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA Apr. 2018

“Ideology and Policy Preferences: The “isms” and Crisis Response in Europe,” ISA Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD Feb. 2017

“A Tale of Two Crises: Economic and Security Cooperation in Europe,” Western US Graduate Workshop on the EU, Seattle, WA Apr. 2016

“A Social Europe: The European Court of Justice and the Creation of a European Social Sphere,” MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL Apr. 2016

“States, Crises, and Frames: Attribution Theory and Europe’s Sovereign Debt Crisis,” MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL Apr. 2016

“The Great Divide: Emotions and Preference Formation in Political Economy,” ISA Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA Mar. 2016

“States, Crises, and Frames: Attribution Theory and Europe’s Sovereign Debt Crisis,” ECPR Annual Conference, Montreal, QC Aug. 2015

“States, Institutions, and Crises: An Investigation of European Economic Cooperation,” ISA Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA Feb. 2015

“(Dis)Embeddedness and Crisis in the European Monetary Union,” University of Pittsburgh Graduate Conference on the European Union, Pittsburgh, PA Feb. 2014

“European Expansion: The Case of Turkey,” Claremont-UC Berkeley Undergraduate Research Conference on the European Union, Claremont, CA Apr. 2012

MEMBERSHIPS AND COMMITTEES

Committees Grade Appeals, California State University, Monterey Bay
Dean Search Committee, California State University, Monterey Bay
Undergraduate Program Committee, University of Washington

Memberships International Studies Association
Midwest Political Science Association
European Consortium for Political Research
Western Political Science Association
Sigma Iota Rho International Studies Honors Society

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Fellowship University of Washington International Security Colloquium

Grants Travel Grant (flight and hotel) – European Union Centre of Excellence
\$400 Travel Grant – International Studies Association
\$1,000 Travel Grant – Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences
\$480 Travel Grant – International Studies Association
\$750 Small Event Grant – Council on European Studies

Achievements and Service Eagle Scout
Adviser, UW Model EU
Co-organizer West Coast Model EU
Co-organizer Western US Graduate Workshop on the EU
Political Science Representative to UW’s Graduate Student Senate
Volunteer Tax Preparer, United Way of King County

STRENGTHS

Computer Languages *R, STATA, L^AT_EX, PYTHON*

Languages English (native), Italian (proficient), German (novice),
Spanish (novice), French (beginner)

REFERENCES

Available upon request