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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  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
Assistant Professor of Political Science, 2012-2015

## VISITING APPOINTMENTS and FELLOWSHIPS

Henry Hart Rice Visiting Assistant Professor, Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, Yale University, 2014-2015  
Visiting Scholar, Senator George J. Mitchell Institute for Global Peace, Security, and Justice, Queen's University Belfast, 2022-2025

## EDUCATION

Ph.D. (2012), 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, post-conflict politics  
International Relations: Terrorism  
Political Methodology: Qualitative fieldwork, Survey experiments, Spatial data

## RESEARCH and PUBLICATIONS

March 16, 2022. "[A U.S. Special Envoy to Northern Ireland would help preserve the peace.](#)" *The Hill*.  
December 2021. "[From Revolutionary to Poet.](#)" *Irish Voice*.

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 Ethnic Politics” (working paper; with Milan Švolík)

“Minority Rights Provisions in Divided Societies” (working paper)

## ORIGINAL DATA COLLECTION AND SURVEYS

Sectarianism and political behavior in Northern Ireland

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

2023: Joanna Ding, Deirdre Flanagan; 2022: Sarah Grube, Ella Cox, Kimberley Cruz; 2021: Kurt Nowak, Lucy Wilkins, Shannon Guerra; 2020: Mbella Beseka, Moses Cho, Jacqueline Hayre-Perez, Chloe Prendergast, Collett Preston, Minseung Yoo, Matthew Foley; 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 EVENTS and CONFERENCES

Troubled Democracies: Lessons learned from N. Ireland (April 2023) New York University

Violence and Democratic Decline (March 2023) George Mason University

Lessons from Peace: Northern Ireland and Colombia (April 2022) Yale University

Yale Young Global Scholars (June 2019, June 2020, July 2021, July 2002)

Taking Stock: The Process of Peace in Colombia (December 2021) Yale University

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

Using Research to Inform Pedagogy—Teaching Conflict Resolution (April 2021) Yale University  
Poorvu Center for Teaching and Learning

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

Jackson Institute 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) The School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution at George Mason University

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

American Political Science Association, European Political Science Association, and Midwest Political Science Association annual conferences (2013-14)

Midwest Political Science Association annual conference, the University of Chicago Comparative Politics Workshop (2010-2012)

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

International Studies Association and Midwest Political Science Association annual conferences; the University of Chicago Program on International Security Policy (2008-2010)

Midwest Political Science Association annual conference, the University of Chicago Comparative Politics Workshop (2007-2008)

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Edward J. and Dorothy Clarke Kempf Faculty Award, Yale University, 2018-2022

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 and 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

## 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 (July 2021-present)

Member: American Political Science Association, European Political Science Association, Ad Hoc Committee to Protect the Good Friday Agreement

Board Member: Peaceful Schools International