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RESEARCH INTERESTS	International organizations, United Nations, climate politics, agenda setting, legislative politics, public opinion, American foreign policy, experimental methods, text analysis	
ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS	Lehigh University Bethlehem, PA. Assistant Professor of International Relations	2024-Present
	Princeton University Princeton, NJ. Postdoctoral Fellow <i>Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance</i>	2023-2024
EDUCATION	University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, PA. Ph.D., Political Science <i>Dissertation Committee:</i> Beth Simmons (<i>Chair</i>), Edward Mansfield, Julia Gray, Daniel Hopkins	2023
	Columbia University New York, NY. M.A. Political Science	2016
	Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey New Brunswick, NJ. B.A. Political Science and Philosophy <i>Summa cum Laude</i> and <i>Highest Honors</i>	2014
PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS	<p>[5] "Power by Proxy: Participation and Influence in Global Governance" (with Richard Clark and Ayse Kaya) <i>Accepted, Review of International Organizations</i>.</p> <p>[4] "The textual dynamics of international policymaking: A new corpus of UN resolutions, 1946-2018" <i>Accepted, Journal of Peace Research</i>.</p> <p>[3] "In the Eye of the Storm: Hurricanes and Climate Migration Attitudes." 2024. <i>American Political Science Review</i> 118 (4): 1593-1613. (with Christopher W. Blair)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cover article <p>[2] "Who Securitizes? Climate Change Discourse in the United Nations." 2022. <i>International Studies Quarterly</i> 66 (2): 1-13.</p> <p>[1] "Changing Tides: Public Attitudes on Climate Migration." 2022. <i>Journal of Politics</i> 84 (1): 560-567. (with Christopher W. Blair)</p>	
UNDER REVIEW	<p>[5] "Digital Diplomacy and Consensus-Building in International Organizations"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Revise & Resubmit, Journal of Politics</i> (Registered report). <p>[4] "Think Globally, Act Locally: The Determinants of Local Policymakers' Support for Climate Policy" (with Joshua A. Schwartz).</p>	

- Best Graduate Student Paper Award, ISA Environmental Studies Section
- [3] "Who Sets the Agenda? Diplomatic Capital and Small State Influence in the United Nations"
- Lawrence S. Finkelstein Best Paper Prize, ISA International Organization Section
- [2] "Risk and Responsibility: Climate Vulnerability and IMF Conditionality" (with Richard Clark)
- [1] "China's Leadership of IOs: Reputational Gains and Institutional Legitimacy" (with Rachel Ann Hulvey)
- WORKING PAPERS
- [4] "Everything Old is New Again: Textual Recycling in UN Resolutions"
- [3] "Gender and Climate Policy" (with Christopher W. Blair and Joshua A. Schwartz)
- [2] "Proximity Matters: Exploring the Impact of Physical Arrangement on Diplomatic Interactions" (with Fiona Bare)
- [1] "Navigating Climate Currents: Unraveling the Regime Complex for Climate Migration Governance" (with Christopher W. Blair and Meghan M. Garrity)
- BOOK PROJECTS
- Diplomatic Giants: How Small States Shape International Organizations' Agendas*
- Honorable Mention, Best Dissertation Award, APSA International Collaboration Section
- Changing Climate, Moving Minds: The Origins and Consequences of Public Opinion on Climate Migration* (with Christopher W. Blair)
- IN PREPARATION
- [3] "Influencer Diplomacy: Non-Traditional Actors in Public Diplomacy" (with Lotem Bassan-Nygate)
- [2] "Breaking Commitments: Public Reactions to Withdrawals from International Climate Agreements" (with Lotem Bassan-Nygate)
- [1] "Populism and IO Appointments" (with Richard Clark and Allison Carnegie)
- DATASETS
- The IO Project Database.* Country-year data on projects of 11 UN agencies, including funding, topic, participants, and funders (with Rachel Ann Hulvey).
- UN Legislative Activities Dataset.* Data on all 1,500 items proposed for inclusion on the General Assembly's agenda over 1946-2019 and 8,899 side meetings held between 2003-2017. Metadata includes topics, countries involved, contestation, and outcomes.
- UN Resolutions Dataset.* Text and metadata of all UN General Assembly and Security Council Resolutions, including citations and topics. 17,324 observations over 1946-2018.
- BOOK REVIEWS
- Review of *Advocacy and change in international organizations: communication, protection, and reconstruction in UN peacekeeping*. 2024. *International Affairs*. 100 (4): 1775-1776.
- Review of *Theater of State: A Dramaturgy of the United Nations*. 2022. *International Affairs* 98 (5): 1795-1797.

POLICY
COMMENTARY &
REPORTS

"Exposure to extreme weather events increases public support for climate migrants." *London School of Economics American Politics and Policy Blog*. June 28, 2024. (with Christopher W. Blair).

"The UN Security Council Declined to take up Climate Change as a Security Problem. Why?" *Columbia-SIPA Multilateralism in Action Blog*. October 11, 2022.

"Americans agree with their state and local officials on climate action" *The Washington Post Monkey Cage*. July 26, 2022. (with Joshua A. Schwartz)

"Changing Climate, Changing Migration: Are Climate Migrants Treated Differently than Other Migrants?" *Migration Policy Institute Podcast*. March 29, 2022. (with Christopher W. Blair)

"The Biden administration is planning for climate migration. Do Americans support helping climate migrants?" *The Washington Post Monkey Cage*. March 5, 2021. (with Christopher W. Blair)

"The United Nations at 75: Coronavirus and Competition" *Perry World House Colloquium Report*. Fall 2020. (with Meghan M. Garrity)

"Changing Tides: Public Attitudes on Climate Change and Climate Migration." *Kleinman Center Policy Digest*. December 18, 2019. (with Christopher W. Blair)

"A Changing Climate, A Changing World: Policy Challenges and Opportunities in Migration and Urbanization" *Perry World House Colloquium Report*. Spring 2019. (with Meghan M. Garrity)

RESEARCH GRANTS	Center for the Study of Contemporary China Research Grant, University of Pennsylvania (with Rachel Ann Hulvey), \$6,000	2022
	GAPSA-Provost Award for Interdisciplinary Innovation, University of Pennsylvania (with Rachel Ann Hulvey), \$6,000	2022
	Kleinman Center for Energy Policy Research Grant, University of Pennsylvania (with Joshua A. Schwartz), \$6,025	2021
	Wharton Risk Management Center Russell Ackoff Doctoral Student Fellowship University of Pennsylvania (with Joshua A. Schwartz), \$2,500	2021
	Social and Behavioral Science Initiative Small Grant, University of Pennsylvania (with Joshua A. Schwartz), \$3,000	2021
	Social and Cultural Evolution Working Group Research Grant, University of Pennsylvania (with Michael Weisberg), \$3,500	2019
	Kleinman Center for Energy Policy Research Grant, University of Pennsylvania (with Christopher W. Blair), \$11,440	2018
	Browne Center for International Politics Research Grant, University of Pennsylvania, \$7,160	2017-2022

SELECTED AWARDS
& FELLOWSHIPS

International Studies Association Dissertation Completion 2022

Fellowship, \$4,650

NYAAPOR & PANJAAPOR Young Public Opinion Scholar, \$500 2022

Climate Leaders @ Penn Graduate Fellow, University of Pennsylvania 2021-2022

Margaret E. Galey Award, Browne Center for International Politics 2021
\$2,000, Awarded to top female graduate student in IR

Robert A. Fox Fellow, University of Pennsylvania 2017-2018
\$3,000

Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship, U.S. Department of State 2015

INVITED TALKS

2025: Columbia University

2024: Princeton University; University of Chicago; Workshop on “Climate Conundrum: Bridging the Gap between Science and Security,” American Academy of Arts & Sciences

2023: Center for the Study of Contemporary China, University of Pennsylvania

2022: University of Arizona; Institute for Immigration Research Climate Change and Migration Webinar, George Mason University

2021: Wharton Risk Center Seminar for Early Career Research; Wharton "Three Degree" Climate Working Group

2020: Kleinman Center for Energy Policy

2019: Conference on Borders and Boundaries, University of Pennsylvania

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

2025: Conference on the Political Economy of International Organizations (PEIO); International Studies Association Conference; Individuals in International Policy Workshop, University of Texas at Austin

2024: International Studies Association Conference; Conference on the Political Economy of International Organizations (PEIO); American Political Science Association Conference; Workshop on the International Political Economy of Climate Change, Princeton University; Workshop on International Financial Institutions, Villanova School of Business

2023: International Studies Association Conference; University of Pennsylvania IR Workshop; Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance Workshop on Diplomats and Bureaucrats in IR, Princeton University; The Dimensions of Great Power Competition Workshop, University of Surrey; Princeton Research in Experimental Social Science (PRESS) Workshop, Princeton University

2022: American Political Science Association Conference; International Studies Association Conference; Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (POL-METH); Climate Pipeline Project, Harvard University; Conference on Environmental Politics & Governance, Pennsylvania State University; Energy Policy Seminar, Harvard Kennedy School Belfer Center; Graduate Students in International Political Economy (GSIFE) Workshop; Constructing and Deconstructing International Law Workshop,

Arizona State University; Workshop on Surveys and Experiments in International Law, University of Toronto Scarborough's Public Law Working Group; Academic Council on the United Nations System - United Nations Workshop; Change and Resilience in International Law Workshop, Geneva Graduate Institute; Midwest Political Science Association Conference; Southern Political Science Association Conference; University of Pennsylvania IR Workshop

2021: American Political Science Association Conference; New Directions in Text as Data; Academic Council on the United Nations System Annual Meeting; University of Pennsylvania IR Workshop

2020: American Political Science Association Conference; NYU CESS Conference on Experimental Political Science; Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (POLMETH); Southern Political Science Association Conference; University of Pennsylvania IR Workshop

2019: New Directions in Text as Data; PolTEXT; Immigration: Research Frontiers and Policy Conference; Midwest Political Science Association Conference; University of Pennsylvania IR Workshop

2018: New Directions in Text as Data; University of Pennsylvania IR Workshop

TEACHING

Undergraduate:

Introduction to International Relations, Instructor	Fall 2024, Spring 2025
Individuals and Diplomacy in International Politics, Instructor	Spring 2025
International Security, TA (<i>Instructor: Fiona Cunningham</i>)	Spring 2023
American Foreign Policy, TA (<i>Instructor: John Gans</i>)	Spring 2020
Introduction to International Relations, TA (<i>Instructor: Alex Weisiger</i>)	Fall 2019
International Law and Institutions, TA (<i>Instructor: Mark Pollack</i>)	Spring 2019
Introduction to Data Science, TA (<i>Instructor: Daniel Hopkins</i>)	Fall 2018
Research Methods in Political Science, Instructor (<i>Supervisor: Patrick Shea</i>)	2013

Graduate:

Behavioral Science: Theory and Application of Experimental Methods, CA (<i>Instructor: Eugen Dimant</i>)	Fall 2020-Spring 2022
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Other Teaching:

English Language, High School Instructor (<i>SMK Inderapura, Malaysia</i>)	2015
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SKILLS

Language: Spanish (High working proficiency), French (limited working proficiency), Malay (basic proficiency)

Technology: R, Python, L^AT_EX, Excel, SPSS, Qualtrics, Lucid, mTurk, SQL, Sawtooth

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Center for Teaching and Learning Certificate in College and University Teaching	2021
DREAM Lab Digital Humanities Training Institute (<i>Text Analysis</i>)	2019
Inter-University Consortium on Political and Social Research (ICPSR)	2018
Summer Program in Quantitative Methods (<i>Regression III, Multilevel Models</i>)	

SERVICE

Department:

Governance Committee	2024-2025
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University:

Coordinator, International Relations Internal Workshop	2021-2022
Representative, Graduate Student Government (SASGov)	2018-2019
Committee Member, Political Science Graduate Student Conference	2017-2018

Professional:

Founder/Organizer, Junior IO Scholars Workshop	2022-2023
Reviewer, <i>American Journal of Political Science</i> , <i>World Politics</i> , <i>International Organization</i> , <i>Review of International Organizations</i> , <i>Perspectives on Politics</i> , <i>International Studies Quarterly</i> , <i>Foreign Policy Analysis</i> , <i>International Interactions</i> , <i>Political Geography</i> , <i>Cambridge Review of International Affairs</i> , <i>European Journal of International Relations</i> , <i>Journal of European Public Policy</i> , <i>International Studies Perspectives</i>	

PROFESSIONAL
MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association, International Studies Association, International Political Science Association, Society for Political Methodology, International Political Economy Society, Text as Data Association, National Women's Caucus for Political Science, Academic Council on the United Nations System