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EDUCATION

- 2020 (expected) Ph.D. in Political Science
The Graduate Center, City University of New York
Advisor: Mark Ungar. Readers: Uday Mehta, Kenneth Erickson
Dissertation title: *Narco-Messages, Criminal Influence and Citizen Insecurity in Mexico*.
- 2017 M.A. in Political Science
The Graduate Center, City University of New York
- 2012 M.A. in International Education
New York University
- 2004 B.A. (Honors I) in English
University of Sydney

MANUSCRIPTS IN SUBMISSION

“From the *Cuartel* to the Cartel: Linking Military Origins to Violent Outcomes for Criminal Groups.” *Global Crime*.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

“Can the Cartel Speak? Reading Mexican Narco-Messages as Speech Acts.”

PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 “Can the Cartel Speak? Reading Mexican Narco-Messages as Speech Acts.” Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, San Diego (accepted).
- 2019 “Message in a Battle: Contesting Territory and Controlling Local Populations Through Narco-Messages.” International Studies Association Conference, Toronto (accepted).

- 2018 “Counterinsurgency Without Insurgency: How Narco-Messages Frame Violence in Mexico.” Conflict Research Society Annual Conference, University of Birmingham.
- 2018 “Message in a Battle: Preliminary Findings on Narco-Communication in Mexico.” Comparative Politics Workshop, The Graduate Center, CUNY.
- 2017 “From the *Cuartel* to the Cartel: Armed Groups, State Institutions, and Extreme Violence.” Conflict Research Society Annual Conference, Pembroke College, Oxford.
- 2017 “From the *Cuartel* to the Cartel: Origins, Organization, and Violence Among Vanguard Groups.” Comparative Politics Workshop, The Graduate Center, CUNY.
- 2017 “Returning to the Battlefield for the First Time: Discipline and Recidivism at Guantánamo Bay.” Law and Society International Meeting, Mexico City.
- 2017 “Life Stripped Bare and Death Covered Up: Thresholds of Violence at Guantánamo Bay.” Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, Vancouver.
- 2017 ““It Remains Unclear How These Deaths Benefit the Zetas’ A Logic of Mass Killing in Mexico.” Political Science Student Conference, The Graduate Center, CUNY.
- 2016 “Fear and Loathing in Guantánamo Bay: How Strategic Failure Causes Violence Without Accountability.” Social & Political Theory Student Association Conference, The Graduate Center, CUNY.
- 2016 “Fear and Loathing in Guantánamo Bay: Producing the Ideal Camp Guard.” Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, San Diego.
- 2016 “Fear and Loathing in Guantánamo Bay: How Strategic Failure Causes Violence Without Accountability.” Political Science Student Conference, The Graduate Center, CUNY.
- 2015 “Fear and Loathing in Guantánamo: Violence and Victimhood in the Memoirs of Camp Personnel.” Alliance for Historical Dialogue and Accountability Conference, Columbia University.
- 2015 “Guantánamo Bay: State of Exception, Emblem of Terror, Fun in the Sun.” Comparative Politics Workshop, The Graduate Center, CUNY.
- 2015 “Guantanamo Bay: State of Exception, Site of Terror, Fun in the Sun.” Northeastern Political Science Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia.

- 2015 “Letting the Bodies Hit the Floor: Reading Sovereign Violence at Guantánamo Bay.” Comparative Literature Conference, The Graduate Center, CUNY.
- 2015 “Guantánamo Bay: State of Exception, Emblem of Terror, Fun in the Sun.” Social & Political Theory Student Association Conference, The Graduate Center, CUNY.
- 2015 “*Narcos Without Borders: Expansion of Mexican Drug Trafficking Organizations into Central America.*” Political Science Student Conference, The Graduate Center, CUNY.
- 2014 “The Good Old Days at Guantánamo: Using Memory to Understand a Black Site.” Alliance for Historical Dialogue and Accountability Conference, Lund University.
- 2012 “Cuban *Balseros* at GTMO: Safe Haven or Prison Camp?” Alliance for Historical Dialogue and Accountability Conference, Columbia University/New York University.

AWARDS & GRANTS

The Graduate Center, CUNY

- 2014-2019 Graduate Center Fellowship
- 2018 Center for Latin American, Caribbean and Latino Studies Travel Fellowship
- 2018 Doctoral Student Research Grant
- 2017 Provost’s Pre-Dissertation Research Award
- 2017 Advanced Research Collaborative Praxis Fellowship
- 2017 Conference Presentation Support Award
- 2016 Doctoral Student Research Grant
- 2015 Conference Presentation Support Award
- 2014 Conference Presentation Support Award

New York University

- 2013 International Student Leadership Award

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Instructor of Record, Hunter College

Undergraduate Courses

Politics and Government of Central America (Fall 2018)

Terrorism (Fall 2017)

American Government: A Historical Introduction (Fall 2017)

Writing Across the Curriculum, Hunter College

WAC Fellow, Academic Center for Excellence in Research and Teaching (2018-2019)

Teaching Assistant, Hunter College

Undergraduate Courses

Introduction to Politics: Democracy, Anarchy, and State (Fall 2016, Spring 2017)

American Government: A Historical Introduction (Fall 2015, Spring 2016)

RESEARCH & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

King's College London

2018-Present Series Editor, *Strife* Blog

The Graduate Center, CUNY

2015-Present Research Assistant to Prof. Peter Beinart

2014-2016 Research Assistant to Prof. Uday Mehta

New York University

2013-2014 Junior Research Scientist

Columbia University

2012-2015 Online Editor, Guantánamo Public Memory Project

ACADEMIC SERVICE

The Graduate Center, CUNY

2017-Present Organizing Committee, Comparative Politics Workshop

2016-Present Curriculum Committee, Dept. of Political Science

2016-Present Chair, Students of the State, Chartered Student Organization

2015-2017 Program Representative, Doctoral Students' Council

2016-2017 Executive Committee, Dept. of Political Science

2015-2016 Faculty Selection Committee, Dept. of Political Science

2015-2016 Elections Committee, Dept. of Political Science

New York University

2012 Chair, Human Rights and Education Colloquium

OTHER TRAINING

2018 Writing Across the Curriculum Training
Hostos Community College, CUNY

2017 Digital Research Institute
The Graduate Center, CUNY
2017 Teach@CUNY Summer Institute
The Graduate Center, CUNY

FIELD EXPERIENCE

2018 Mexico City, Field work
2017 Mexico City, Preliminary field work
2009-2011 Guadalajara, Mexico, Elementary school teacher