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RESEARCH FOCUS

International and Comparative Political Economy, paradiplomacy, subnational governments, economic development, mixed-method analysis, network analysis, OECD, developed economies

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. ABD Political Science (expected May 2023)
Dissertation: “Subnational Government Internationalization and the Global Economy”
Committee Members: Mark Vail, Thomas Oatley, Patrick Egan, and Patrick Testa
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States
- M.A. Political Science, 2021
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States
- M.Sc. Political Science (Cum Laude), 2012
Thesis: “Insecurity over Africa: The Nature of the UN-AU Peacekeeping Partnership”
Advisors: Kwame Nimako and Courtney Vegelin
University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- B.A. International Relations (with Distinction), 2011
University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, Canada

WORKS UNDER REVIEW

“Gendered Impact of Corruption on Public Services in Emerging Democracies”
Co-authored with Ruth Carlitz
Gender and Corruption in Democracies: A Handbook, Edward Elgar Publishing (publication in 2023)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Who Gains Access to Public Services? Social Bargaining, Corruption and Street-Level Service Provision”
Co-authored with Monika Bauhr and Ruth Carlitz
QoG Institute Working Paper (2023:2): <https://www.gu.se/en/quality-government/publications/working-papers>

“Prairie Paradiplomacy: How Canadian Prairie Provinces Compete for Foreign Direct Investment”
Expanding on my existing dissertation research

“Unexpected Growth: The Impact of COVID-19 on Subnational Government Internationalization”
Expanding on my existing dissertation research

CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION

Pedagogy in Higher Education (expected May 2023)
Center for Engaged Learning and Teaching (CELT)
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, 2020
Courses: R Statistical Computing, Mathematics, Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Network Analysis
Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, United States

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM), 2020
Courses: Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Network Analysis
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, United States

Development and Security: A European Perspective, 2012
European School on Development and Security (ESDAS)
Scoula Superiore Sant'Anna, Follonica, Italy

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Dissertation Completion Fellowship, April 2022
Granted by Tulane's School of Liberal Arts Dean's Office

Graduate Student Summer Write-Up and Research Fellowship, April 2022
Granted by the Tulane School of Liberal Arts

Murphy Institute Graduate Fellowship, April 2021
Granted by Tulane's Center for Ethics and Public Affairs

Graduate Student Summer Research and Write-Up Fellowship, April 2021
Granted by the Tulane School of Liberal Arts

Haas Fund Fellowship, January 2021
Granted by the European Union Studies Association

Janet Box-Steffensmeier Scholarship, June 2020
Granted by The Society for Political Methodology

Summer 2019 Research Award, April 2019
Granted by the Tulane Political Science Department's Graduate Studies Committee

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

International Studies Association (ISA) – Corruption Workshop (virtual), 2022
Co-presenting Research Paper: “Beyond Buildings: Street-Level Discretion and Effective Access to Public Services” with co-authors Monika Bauhr and Ruth Carlitz

Council for European Studies (CES), 2018
Presenting Research Paper: “Nationalist Movements in the Developed World: Diffusion of Autonomy”
Chicago, Illinois, United States

Graduate Student Conference on the European Union (GSCEU), 2017
Presented Research Paper: “Brexit: A New Chapter in British Exceptionalism”
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record, Spring 2023
POLC 2300 – Introduction to Comparative Politics
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States

Teaching Assistant, 2017-2020
Courses: Introduction to International Relations, Comparative Politics, Scope and Methods
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States

Personal Tutor, 2005-2014
Calgary Tutoring Centre Ltd.
Calgary, Alberta, Canada

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Vice President of European Horizons Chapter, 2017 – present
European Horizons
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States

Graduate Student Representative, 2019-2020
Graduate Student Committee, Department of Political Science
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States

Political Science Graduate Studies Student Association (GSSA) Representative, 2019
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Graduate Student Member, 2022 – present
Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA)

Graduate Student Member, 2021 – present
American Political Science Association (APSA)

Political Science Editorial Committee, 2018 – present
EuropeNow Journal
Columbia University, New York, New York, United States

Graduate Student Member, 2017 – present
Council for European Studies (CES)

Graduate Student Member, 2017 – present
Southern Political Science Association (SPSA)

WORK EXPERIENCE

OISS Student Summer Worker, 2018
Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS)
Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, United States

Business Development Associate – Foreign Direct Investment, 2012-2016
UK Trade & Investment (UKTI), British Consulate-General Calgary
Calgary, Alberta, Canada

Research and Administrative Intern, 2011
Canada Institute, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars (WWICS)
Washington, D.C., United States

Trade Commissioner Assistant, 2010
Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD)
Calgary, Alberta, Canada

International Student Programs Coordinator, 2010
Centre for International Students and Study Abroad (CISSA)
University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, Canada

STATISTICAL COMPUTER SKILLS

- Proficient in Stata and RStudio
- Beginner in NVIVO

LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Fluent in English, Slovak, and Czech
- Intermediate in French
- Elementary in Swedish and Dutch