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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, Department of Political Science
PhD in Political Science (Expected) Knoxville, TN
July 2013 - May 2018
• International Relations; Comparative Politics; Public Policy

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, Department of Government
Master of Arts in Conflict Resolution Washington, DC
May 2012
• Thesis: US Political Transition Policy and Post-2003 Violence in Iraq

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
Bachelor of Arts in English Literature, Cum Laude Seattle, WA
June 2007

INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION
National Security Education Program David L. Boren Fellowship Amman, Jordan
Aug 2016 - Aug 2017
• Research on Arab civil-military relations; intensive Arabic study

US DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program (Arabic) Ibbi, Oman
June 2016 - Aug 2016

US DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program (Arabic) Madaba, Jordan
June 2015 - Aug 2015
• Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) Score: Intermediate-High

AWARDS & MEMBERSHIPS

UT William G McCall Award for Dissertation Research April 2016
UT Dept of Political Science Best Graduate Student Conference Paper April 2015
UT Graduate School Conference Paper Travel Award Nov 2014
Tunis Exchange Program, Tunisia: Scholarship June 2013
Georgetown University Master's Comprehensive Examination: Distinction May 2012
Beirut Exchange Program, Lebanon: Scholarship Jan 2012
PHI BETA KAPPA: Member Dec 2006
Golden Key International Honor Society: Member June 2006
University of Washington & Bellevue College: Dean's List 2004 - 2007

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE Knoxville, TN
Teaching Associate (Instructor of Record) July 2013 - Present
• Intro to Political Science; American Government; International Relations
• Lecture; design/grade assignments, papers, quizzes, and tests

UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE Washington, DC
Online Instructional Designer Nov 2012 - June 2013
• Curriculum design and course development (<http://www.usip.org/education-training>)
• Testing, verification, and quality control assessments of online training materials

UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE Washington, DC

Assistant Site Manager

Dec 2011 - Sept 2012

- Assistant Site Manager for USIP's PeaceMedia website (<http://peacemedia.usip.org/>)
- Managed team of 6 students, located and curated videos, promoted new content
- Helped increase traffic by roughly 20%, doubled number of Facebook and Twitter followers

WASHINGTON PEACE CENTER

Washington, DC

Intern

Sept 2011 - Dec 2011

- Provided research support for staff examining local, national, and global social justice issues
- Organized and edited content for the Center's website, weekly email, and quarterly peace letter

Berkley Center For Religion, Peace & World Affairs Washington, DC**Research Assistant** for Dr. Eric Patterson

Sept 2010 - June 2011

- Designed five film teaching guides for university level students
- Conducted Afghan Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) Simulations at U.S. Naval Academy

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

Middle East Studies Association (MESA)

Nov 2014

- Post-2003 Violence in Iraq: Prioritizing Elite-Level Engagement

Master's Thesis Presentation

May 2012

- Oral Defense of Master's Thesis, Georgetown University

Iran: Religious Elements of the 1979 Islamic Revolution

June 2011

- Published by the Berkley Center for Religion, Peace & World Affairs (<http://berkeleycenter.georgetown.edu/publications/iran-religious-elements-of-the-1979-islamic-revolution>)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION & WORKSHOPS

APSA Teaching and Learning Conference

Nov 2014

- Discussant, Teaching Conflict Analysis and Resolution

UT Best Practices in Teaching Certification

Fall 2013

- 10 seminars addressing professional development and effective teaching techniques

Tunis Exchange Program, Tunisia

June - Aug 2013

- Immersion experience in Tunisian politics, NGOs, academics, and colloquial Arabic

Beirut Exchange Program, Lebanon

Jan 2012

- Immersion experience in Lebanese politics, NGOs, academics, colloquial Arabic and refugee issues

Technology for Crisis Response and Effective Governance, Techchange Nov 2011

- Workshop training in digital mapping, mobile messaging and social media in conflict management, conflict analysis, and peacebuilding

From Conflict to Peace 2011 Conference, Georgetown University

Sept 2011

- Student planning committee member, helped design national essay and poster contests
- Moderated student panel discussion, logistical planning, outreach, and record keeping

Proposal Writing, Dr. Michael Morfit

Jan 2011

- Workshop training in successfully managing proposal processes, including procurement processes, cost Request for Proposals (RFP) and Request for Applications (RFA)
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ADDITIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

BUSINESS LANGUAGE SOLUTIONS

English Teacher, working professionals

- Designed weekly business curriculum for corporate managers

Mexico City, Mexico
July 2009 - July 2010

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Volunteer English Teacher, grades 2 - 6

- Designed weekly curriculum for two classes of thirty students

Jalisco, Mexico
Dec 2008 - July 2009

SEATTLE'S UNION GOSPEL MISSION

Volunteer Tutor, adult males

- Worked one-on-one with students to improve literacy capabilities

Seattle, WA
May 2007 - Oct. 2007

MERCER ISLAND HIGH SCHOOL

Teaching Assistant, International Studies Department, grades 10 - 12

- Taught writing workshops, graded papers

Seattle, WA
Sept 2006 - May 2007

SKILLS/ INTERESTS

Languages: Arabic (Intermediate-High); Spanish (Intermediate-High); French (Novice-High)

Computer Skills: Microsoft Office Suite, Photoshop, iMovie, HootSuite, Constant Contact

Travel Experience: Oman, Jordan, Tunisia, Lebanon, Greece, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, Holland, Belgium, France, England, Anguilla, Belize, Honduras, Guatemala, Mexico