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Education

Political Science, Doctoral Degree 2010- 2016
University at Buffalo, SUNY
Field Exams: Comparative Politics, International Relations
Title of Dissertation: “UN Responsiveness to Wartime Sexual Violence”

The Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer 2014
(ICPSR) Summer Program
Courses Taken: Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE), Game Theory, Linear Regression II

Political Science, Master’s Degree 2010-2012
University at Buffalo, SUNY
Title of Thesis: “Ideology and Gender Equality: The Impact of Social Democratic Ideology on Promoting Gender Equality”

Political Science, Bachelor's Degree (*Summa Cum Laude*) 2006- 2010
City University of New York (CUNY) - Queens College
Minors: Psychology; Anthropology

Teaching Experience

SUNY Buffalo State

Visiting Lecturer

- PSC 101: Introduction to Government and Politics Fall 2015
- PSC 230: Introduction to International Relations Fall 2015 and Spring 2016
- PSC 305: Environmental Politics Spring 2015 and 2016
- PSC 308: International Organizations and Law Fall 2015
- PSC 340: Politics of Developing Nations Spring and Fall 2015, Spring 2016
- PSC 342: Russian Politics Spring 2015 and 2016 (online)

Instructor

- PSC 103: Great Political Issues Spring 2014

University at Buffalo, SUNY

Instructor

- PSC 101: Introduction to American Politics Winter 2016 (online), Winter (online) and Summer 2014 (online)
- PSC 103: Introduction to Comparative Politics Spring 2016
- PSC 371: Middle Eastern Politics Fall 2014, Summer 2015 (online), Fall 2015, and Summer 2016 (online)
- PSC 378: Politics of Gender Summer and Fall 2013, Spring 2015

University at Buffalo, SUNY

Recitation Instructor

- UGC 112LR: World Civilizations since 1500 Spring 2013

Professional Experience

Department of Political Science, SUNY Buffalo State January 2015 - Present
Visiting Lecturer

Department of Political Science, University at Buffalo January 2012 - 2016
Research and Teaching Assistant

Pillar Processing LLC October 2011 - February 2012
Administrative Assistant

Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) May 2010 – September 2010
Translator

- Wrote subtitles for *Women, War, and Peace*: a documentary on the role of women in conflict and state development in Afghanistan

Women for Afghan Women May 2009 - August 2010
Office Assistant

- Conducted research on public policy issues related to women's rights in Afghanistan
- Served as co-director of the Girls Leadership Program
- Responsible for volunteer coordination
- Drafted articles for organization's quarterly e-newsletter
- Taught ESL and computer classes
- Served as translator for non-English speaking clients and students

Publications

2016. Civilian Intervention. In *The Sage Encyclopedia of Political Behavior*, forthcoming.

Manuscripts in Preparation and Under Review

“Sexual Violence and Biased Military Interventions in Civil Conflict” (with Karin Johansson, Uppsala University). *Revise and resubmit status at Conflict Management and Peace Science*.

“United Nations Effectiveness in Addressing Wartime Sexual Violence” *Under Review*

“Descriptive Representation, Gender Quotas, and Women’s Role in Politics: Why Gender Quotas Do Not Increase Women’s Representation in Africa.” *Under review*

"Power Relations, Domestic Ideological Polarization, and IGO Membership (with Dr. Mayra Velez, University of Puerto Rico, and Dr. Kyeonghi Baek, SUNY Buffalo State)

"Gender and Academic Merit Evaluation” (with Dr. Dinissa Duvanova, Lehigh University)

Sexual Violence Data Project, 1977-2014 (with Adam Johnson, University at Buffalo)

Conference Participation

Biased UN Peacekeeping Operations and Wartime Sexual Violence.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL, April 2016.

"Power Relations, Domestic Ideological Polarization, and IGO Membership” (with Dr. Mayra Velez, University of Puerto Rico, and Dr. Kyeonghi Baek, SUNY Buffalo State) Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL, April 2016.

“United Nations Effectiveness in Addressing Wartime Sexual Violence” Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Conference in Atlanta, GA, March 2016.

“Ideological Commitments and UN Responsiveness to Wartime Sexual Violence.” Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Conference in Atlanta, GA, March 2016.

“United Nations Effectiveness in Addressing Wartime Sexual Violence” Presented at the Annual Political Science Association Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA, September 2015.

“United Nations Effectiveness in Addressing Wartime Sexual Violence.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, April 2015.

“Ideology and UN Responsiveness to Wartime Sexual Violence.” Presented at the

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, April 2015.

“Power Relations and Wartime Sexual Violence.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Washington D.C., August 2014.

“Descriptive Representation, Gender Quotas, and Women’s Role in Politics: Why Gender Quotas Do Not Increase Women’s Representation in Africa.” Presented at the New York State Political Science Association Annual Meeting in New York, NY, April 2014.

“UN Personnel Commitments and Sexual Violence in Civil Conflict.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, April 2014.

“Biased Interventions and Sexual Violence in Civil Conflict.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, April 2014.

“Gender, Peacekeeping, and Sexual Violence: Where Are UN Women Personnel Deployed To?” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, September 2013.

“Descriptive Representation, Gender Quotas, and Women’s Role in Politics: Why Gender Quotas Do Not Increase Women’s Representation in Africa ” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, April 2013.

“Party Ideology and Childcare: The Impact of Social Democratic Ideology on Promoting Childcare Services to Improve Gender Equality.” Presented at the New York State Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Syracuse, New York, April 2013.

“Social Democracies and Women’s Rights: The Impact of Social Democratic Governments on Fostering the Progression of Women’s Rights.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL, April 2012.

Invited Talks

“U.S. Immigration Policies and International Students/Scholars Today.” Guest speaker at bi-monthly International Student Advisory Council meeting held at Buffalo State College, SUNY in March, 2015.

“UN Responsiveness to Wartime Sexual Violence.” Talk given at the 2014 Samuel Efron Lecture Series held at Lehigh University, November 2014.

“International Conflicts and Global Issues.” Talk given at the 2014 InFocus Series held at the University at Buffalo, November 2014 (with Dr. Claude Welch).

“ Women’s Representation in the Media and Politics.” Guest Speaker at the UB Girl Effect Movie Night Series, October 2014.

“Turkey’s Challenges.” Talk given at the 2014 Great Decisions Discussion Series held in

Buffalo, NY, March 2014.

Academic Honors, Achievements, and Awards

Isabel S. Marcus International Research Fellowship (2014-2015)(\$3000)
Paul D. Senese Teaching Assistantship (2014-2015) (\$250)
University at Buffalo Graduate Student Excellence in Teaching Award (2013-2014)
GSEU Professional Development Award (2013; 2015)
Member of Phi Beta Kappa since 2011
Member of Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science Honor Society since 2009
Member of Golden Key International Honor Society since 2007

Department Discipline and Service

Undergraduate Thesis Advising: Gabrielle Montebiano (2016) Ashley D'Amico (2015)
University at Buffalo Graduate Student Grievance Committee Member (Fall 2014-present)
Faculty Advisor of Model European Union Club (Fall 2014-present)
Vice President, Political Science Graduate Student Association (Fall 2014-Spring 2015)
Secretary, Political Science Graduate Student Association (Fall 2013-Spring 2014)
Thesis Advising: Guyin Wu (Honors College Thesis committee member, University at Buffalo) (2012-2013)

Professional Affiliations

American Political Science Association
Midwest Political Science Association
New York State Political Science Association
Association International Studies Association
Peace Science Society

Additional Skills

Languages: Farsi, Spanish
Statistical programming: STATA

References

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