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### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

#### **University of California, Santa Barbara**

Assistant Professor, Department of Global Studies, 2018 –  
Affiliated Faculty, Political Science; Latin American and Iberian Studies

#### **University of Denver, Josef Korbel School of International Studies**

Postdoctoral Fellow, Sié Chéou-Kang Center for International Security and Diplomacy, 2018-19

### **EDUCATION**

**Harvard University**                      PhD in Government, 2018  
Certificate in Latin American Studies, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies  
**Harvard University**                      MA in Government, 2015  
**University of Cape Town**              MSc in Sociology, 2011 (with distinction)  
**Yale University**                          BA in Political Science, 2009 (*cum laude*, with distinction in the major)

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### ***Book***

*When Rebels Win: Ideology, Statebuilding, and Power after Rebel Victory in Civil Wars*. Under contract with Cornell University Press. Publication planned for 2025.

#### ***Articles***

2024. “Levels of Analysis and Variation in Civil War Violence and Restraint: Ideology and Contestation in Nicaragua,” *Journal of Global Security Studies* 9(2): ogae018.
2024. “Statebuilding and Indigenous Rights Implementation: Political Incentives, Social Movement Pressure, and Autonomy Policy in Central America,” *World Development* 175: 106468 (with Giorleny Altamirano Rayo and Eric Mosinger).
2023. “Framing Police Violence: Repression, Reform, and the Power of History in Chile,” *Journal of Politics* 85(4): 1198-1213 (with Lisa Mueller and Eric Mosinger).
2022. “Rebel Mobilization through Pandering: Insincere Leaders and Exploitation of Popular Grievances,” *Security Studies* 31(3): 351-380.
2022. “Taking Responsibility and Tying Hands: The Case for Limiting U.S. Relationships with Armed Groups,” *Harvard International Law Journal Online* 63: 1-34.
2022. “Nicaragua: Doubling Down on Dictatorship,” *Journal of Democracy* 33(2): 133-146 (with Eric Mosinger).
2022. “Delegation, Sponsorship, and Autonomy: An Integrated Framework for Understanding Armed Group-State Relationships,” *Journal of Global Security Studies* 7(1): ogab026.
2022. “Civil Resistance in the Shadow of the Revolution: Historical Framing in Nicaraguan’s Sudden Uprising,” *Comparative Politics* 54(2): 253-277 (with Eric Mosinger, Diana Paz García, and Charlotte Fowler).
2021. “Military Integration and Intelligence Capacity: Informational Effects of Incorporating Former Rebels,” *Political Research Exchange* 3(1): 1-21.

2021. “Reflexivity and Temporality in Researching Violent Settings: Problems with the Transparency and Replicability Regime,” *Geopolitics* 26(1): 18-44.
2018. “Has Liberia Turned a Corner?” *Journal of Democracy* 29(3): 156-170 (with Benjamin Spatz).
2017. “Nicaragua: A Return to Caudillismo.” *Journal of Democracy* 28(2): 157-169.
2017. “Mixed Methods Research in the Study of Political and Social Violence and Conflict.” *Journal of Mixed Methods Research* 11(1): 59-76.
2016. “Dynamique et diversité des armées africaines: État des connaissances.” *Afrique Contemporaine* 2016/4(260): 27-44 (with Jason Warner).
2014. “Socioeconomic Conditions and Violence in Cape Town, South Africa.” *Economics of Peace and Security* 9(2): 34-42 (with Jeremy Seekings).
2012. “Ideology and Violence in Civil Wars: Theory and Evidence from Mozambique and Angola.” *Civil Wars* 14(4): 546-567.
2012. “Foreshadowing Future Slaughter: From the Indonesian Killings of 1965-66 to Genocide in East Timor.” *Genocide Studies and Prevention* 7(2/3): 204-222.
2009. “Avoiding the Abyss: Finding a Way Forward in Guinea-Bissau.” *Portuguese Journal of International Affairs* 1(2): 3-14.

### **Edited Special Issue**

2022. “Challenging Autocracy and Impunity in Central America,” *Democracy and Autocracy* 20(2) (co-editor with Luciana Chamorro).

### **Book Chapters**

2022. “Nicaragua: Populist Performance and Authoritarian Practice during Covid-19” in Nils Ringe and Lucio Renno (eds.), *Populists and the Pandemic: How Populists Around the World Responded to COVID-19*, pp.184-195 (Routledge) [with Rachel Schwartz].
2021. “Nicaragua and Covid-19: Authoritarian Indifference” in Jan Nederveen Pieterse, Haeran Lim, and Habibul Khonder (eds.), *Covid-19 and Governance: Crisis Reveals*, pp.229-241 (Routledge).
2019. “Mixed methods in violence studies,” in Walter S. DeKeseredy, Callie Marie Rennison, and Amanda K. Hall-Sanchez (eds.), *The Routledge International Handbook of Violence Studies*, pp.19-29 (Routledge).
2018. “U.S. Action and Inaction in the Massacre of Communists and Alleged Communists in Indonesia,” in Samuel Totten (ed.), *Dirty Hands and Vicious Deeds: The US Government’s Complicity in Crimes Against Humanity and Genocide*, pp.23-69 (University of Toronto Press).
2013. “Brazil, Biofuels, and Food Security in Mozambique,” in Renu Modi and Fantu Cheru (eds.), *Agricultural Development and Food Security in Africa: The Impact of Chinese, Indian and Brazilian Investments*, pp.145-158 (Zed Books).

### **Peer-Reviewed Reports**

- Forthcoming “Ideology, Recruitment, and Armed Group Violence,” *NCITE Reports*. National Counterterrorism Innovation, Technology, and Education Center. 37pp.
2022. “Political Repression, State-Sponsored Violence, and Risks to Government Opponents in Nicaragua under the Ortega-Murillo Regime,” *CeMeCA’s Regional Expert Paper Series*. Columbia University Center for Mexico and Central America. 27pp.
2012. *Armed Violence: The Untold Story* (with Rashmi Thapa). Handicap International, 62pp.

### **Other Scholarly Publications**

2024. “Reflexivity and Openness in Conducting and Presenting Research: What Should We Share and When?” *Qualitative and Multi-Method Research* 22(1): forthcoming.

2024. “Reflexivity from Theory to Practice: Introduction to the Symposium,” *Qualitative and Multi Method Research* 22(1): forthcoming (with Elin Bjarnegård, Susanna Campbell, Kristine Eck, Amanda Lanigan, and Chiara Ruffa).
2022. “Editors’ Introduction,” *Democracy and Autocracy* 20(2): 2-13 (with Luciana Chamorro).
2021. Review of *Political Leadership in Africa: Leaders and Development South of the Sahara* by Giovanni Carbone and Alessandro Pellegata (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020). *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* 52(2): 296-298.
2021. Review of *Gambling with Violence: State Outsourcing of War in Pakistan and India* by Yelena Biberman (New York: Oxford University Press, 2019). *Political Science Quarterly* 136(3):588-89.
2019. “Roundtable 11-3 on *Ethnic Politics and State Power in Africa: The Logic of the Coup–Civil War Trap*.” *H-Diplo/ISSF Roundtable* 11(3): 12-16.
2018. “Correspondence: Ideological Extremism in Armed Conflict,” *International Security*, 43(1): 186-190 (with Jonathan Leader Maynard).
2016. “How Do Rebels Rule When They Win?” *Centerpiece* 31(1): 10-12 (Weatherhead Center)
2015. Review of Stephen A. Emerson, *The Battle for Mozambique: The Frelimo-Renamo Struggle, 1977-1992* (Solihull, England: Helion & Company, 2014), *War in History* 22(4): 571-573.

### **WORK SUBMITTED**

- “Civil Wars as Critical Junctures: Theoretical Grounding and Empirical Potential” – revise and resubmit at *Review of International Studies*
- “Stumbling out of the Gates: Security Strategy and Military Weakness after Revolutionary Victory” – revise and resubmit at *Security Studies*
- “Bringing the Military Back In: Conceptualizing Militaries’ Roles During Democratic Erosion” (with Risa Brooks)
- “From Insurgent to Incumbent: Ideology, Rebel Governance, and Statebuilding after Rebel Victory in Civil Wars”
- “From snapshots to panoramas: Navigating power, space, and time in the study of armed groups” (with Sean Ashley and Antonia Juelich)

### **WORKING PAPERS**

- “Autocracy’s Other Wing: Cold War Leftism and Contemporary Global Autocratization” (with Dan Slater)
- “Criminal gangs, violence, and political contestation of state power: from peace to ‘internal armed conflict’ in Ecuador” (with Galo Mayorga)
- “Disentangling African Insurgent Ideologies” (with Jason Warner)
- “Ideology, Misperception, and Security Policy in a Revolutionary State: The Nicaraguan Case”
- “Ideology, Recruitment, and Armed Group Violence in Mozambique and Nicaragua”
- “The Paradox of Revolutions: How Can We Isolate the Causal Effects of Transformative Events?” (with Marika Landau-Wells)

### **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

- Left-Wing Authoritarian Regimes: Origins, Evolution, and Contemporary Development* (with Dan Slater)
- “Abuses of power and popular protest in contemporary Africa” (with Aubrey Schipper)
- “Protest, press coverage, and policing in Chile: Media framing and the 2019-20 *Estallido Social*” (with Miguelangel Coria-Cornejo)
- “Rebel Victory: A Research Agenda” (with Victor Bouemar and Romain Malejacq)
- “Understanding Regional International Organization Responses to Mass Protests and Repression”

## **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2023-24 Fellow (non-resident), Centre for the Comparative Study of Civil War, University of York
- 2022 National Science Foundation Ethical and Responsible Research, grant 2220798 (\$399,998, co-PI with Jennifer Jacobs and Tobias Höllerer)
- 2022 Hellman Family Faculty Fellowship (\$46,239)
- 2022 UCSB Faculty Career Development Award (course release for 2022-23)
- 2021 UCSB Academic Senate Faculty Research Grant (\$11,200)
- 2021 UCSB Carsey-Wolf Center Faculty Research Support Grant (\$5,000)
- 2021 UCSB Social Sciences Deans' Intersectional Justice Research Grant (\$2,000)
- 2021 UC Humanities Research Institute Junior Faculty Manuscript Workshop Grant (\$1,600)
- 2020 UCSB Institute for Social, Behavioral, and Economic Research Social Science Research Grant (\$8,000)
- 2020 UCSB Academic Senate Faculty Research Grant (\$7,254)
- 2017 Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation Dissertation Fellowship (\$20,000)
- 2017 Samuel P. Huntington Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Harvard University
- 2016 Democracy Doctoral Fellowship, Ash Center for Democratic Governance, Harvard Kennedy School (\$30,000)
- 2015 Frederick Sheldon Traveling Fellowship, Harvard University (\$24,000)
- 2014 National Security Graduate Research Fellowship, The Tobin Project (\$1,500)
- 2013 National Security Graduate Research Fellowship, The Tobin Project (\$1,500)
- 2011 Microcon Mobility Fund Grant (€3,000)
- 2009 DGARQ/FLAD Investigation Fellowship, Portuguese Directorate General of Archives and Luso-American Development Foundation (€3,550)

## **MAJOR CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- African Studies Association Annual Meeting: 2016-2018
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting: 2013-2022, 2024 (scheduled)
- European Consortium for Political Research General Conference: 2009, 2011, 2015, 2020
- International Studies Association Annual Convention: 2014-2024
- Latin American Studies Association: 2018-2019, 2021-2022

## **TEACHING AND ADVISING**

### **University of California, Santa Barbara**

*Global 120*: Global Ideologies and World Order

*Global 124*: Peace, Conflict and Violence in Global Perspective

*Global 224* (graduate): Research Methods

*Global 292*: Contemporary Global Conflict: Nonviolent and Violent Resistance and Repression

*PhD Committee*: Sonya Akhgar (PoliSci), James Altman, Maisnam Arnapal (Feminist Stds), Ana María Cárdenas (Media Arts & Technology), Taft Crowley (PoliSci), Galo Mayorga (PoliSci), Vitória Moreira, Alena Shalaby, Annjulie Vester (PoliSci)

*MA Committee*: Taylor Horton (2019), Majed Altaian (2022, co-chair), Genesis Herrera (2023), Jean-Michel Ricard (2023); Vidisha Rai

### **Boston University Pardee School of Global Studies**

Lecturer, *Intl Relations 367/Poli Sci 360*: Latin American Politics and International Relations, fall 2017

### **Harvard University**

*Government 62*: Research Practice in Qualitative Methods, TA for Gwyneth McClendon, spring 2015

*Government 20*: Foundations of Comparative Politics, TA for Steven Levitsky, fall 2014

*Government 1295: Comparative Politics of Latin America*, TA for Steven Levitsky, spring 2014  
*Thesis Adviser*: Chloe George, Hilary Higgins, Jason Kwon, Charles Orta, Delany Sisiruca, Ben Cashin

### **INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND SYMPOSIA**

- 2024 “When Rebels Win: Ideology, Statebuilding, and Power after Rebel Victory in Civil Wars,” Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota
- 2024 “Autocracy’s Other Wing: Cold War Leftism and Contemporary Global Autocratization” (with Dan Slater), School of Politics and Global Studies, Arizona State University
- 2024 “Bringing the Military Back In: Conceptualizing Militaries’ Roles During Democratic Erosion,” International Relations Speaker Series, Dept. of Political Science, UC Berkeley
- 2023 “Protest and Repression in the Shadow of History in Nicaragua and Chile,” Center for Inter-American Policy and Research, Tulane University
- 2023 “When Rebels Win: Ideology, Statebuilding, and Power after Rebel Victory in Civil Wars,” Center for International Conflict Analysis and Management, Radboud University Nijmegen
- 2023 “Ideology, Recruitment, and Armed Group Violence,” Conference on Terrorist Organization Recruitment and Operational Behavior, University of Maryland School of Public Policy
- 2023 “Stumbling out of the Gates: Security Strategy and Military Weakness after Revolutionary Victory,” University of California Conference on International Cooperation, UC Davis
- 2022 “Populists and the Pandemic” (workshop participant), Jean Monnet European Union Center of Excellence for Comparative Populism, University of Wisconsin, Madison
- 2022 “Managing Risks and Ensuring Accountability in US Security Partnerships,” Security Partnerships with States and Non-State Armed Groups workshop, Bridging the Gap New Voices in National Security initiative (American University) and University of Pennsylvania Perry World House (Washington, DC)
- 2022 “From Rebel to Ruler” (roundtable), United States Institute of Peace Afghanistan Program
- 2022 “When the Rebels Win: State Power and Public Interests after Civil War,” Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University
- 2021 “International Implications of Nicaragua’s 2021 Elections,” Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies, University of Michigan
- 2021 “Nicaragua’s Collapse into Dictatorship” (roundtable), David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies (DRCLAS) Seminar on Latin American Politics, Harvard University
- 2021 “Populism, personalism or political calculation? Covid-19 pandemic responses under authoritarianism and democratic erosion,” Populism in Latin America and Beyond, King’s College London and University of London
- 2020 “Organización para participar en elecciones fraudulentas: Caso de las Filipinas y Georgia,” United States Institute of Peace
- 2020 “COVID-19 in an Authoritarian Regime: The Case of Nicaragua,” Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Ottawa
- 2020 “Contextualising Conflict: Comparison, Specificity, and Public Engagement in Conflict & Violence Research,” Department of Methodology, London School of Economics
- 2019 “Levels of Analysis and Theories of Violence in Civil Wars: Ideology and Contestation in Nicaragua,” Conference on Ideology and Political Violence, Texas A&M University
- 2019 “Rebel Victories and Comparative Perspectives on the Nicaraguan Revolution,” Nicaragua 1979-2019, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University
- 2019 “Resistance and Repression: One Year on From Nicaragua’s Civil Uprising,” DRCLAS, Harvard University

- 2018 “Civil Wars as Critical Junctures: Theoretical Grounding and Empirical Applications,” Southwest Workshop on Mixed Methods Research, University of California, Santa Cruz
- 2018 “Strategic Pandering and Rebel Mobilization,” Korbel School, University of Denver
- 2018 “When the Rebels Win: Power and Interests after Civil Wars,” Symposium: The Micro dynamics of Armed Conflict, Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals
- 2018 “Nicaragua’s April Uprising: Understanding the Protests and Repression” (roundtable), DRCLAS, Harvard University
- 2017 “When the Rebels Win: State Building and Service Provision in Revolutionary Nicaragua,” DRCLAS, Harvard University
- 2017 “When the Rebels Win: Leadership, Preferences, and State Building After Civil Wars,” Program on Order, Conflict, and Violence, Yale University
- 2015 “Daniel Ortega and the Erosion of Democracy in Nicaragua,” DRCLAS, Harvard University
- 2013 “Revolutionary Regimes, Security, and Strategic Myopia: Mistakes in Military Development in Revolutionary Nicaragua and Iran,” Instituto de Historia de Nicaragua y Centroamérica, Universidad Centroamericana, Nicaragua (in Spanish)
- 2011 “Foreshadowing Future Slaughter: From the Indonesian Killings of 1965-66 to Genocide in East Timor.” University of Southern California
- 2010 “Revolutionary Restraint? Marxism-Leninism and Violence Against Civilians in Mozambique and Angola.” IPRI/LSE IDEAS Working Seminar, Lisbon, Portugal

## **PUBLIC WRITING**

- 2024 “Is Central America Doomed?” *Journal of Democracy* Online, March 14 (with Mateo Jarquín and Rachel Schwartz).
- 2024 “Nicaragua released imprisoned priests, but repression is unlikely to relent – and the Catholic Church remains a target,” *The Conversation*, January 18 / “Continúa la implacable represión contra la iglesia en Nicaragua,” *Christianity Today*, March 1 [translation].
- 2023 “US Policy on Nicaragua Needs a Reset, Not Just More Sanctions,” *The Hill*, June 11.
- 2023 “Nicaragua’s Political Repression Will Continue Despite Prisoner Release,” *Lawfare*, March 5.
- 2021 “Afghan Insurgents Are a Dead End: Rebuilding U.S. standing requires an end to backing militants abroad.” *Foreign Policy*, November 23.
- 2021 “Why Nicaragua’s slide toward dictatorship is a concern for the region and the US, too,” *The Conversation*, November 9.
- 2021 “Mozambique’s Islamist insurgents are on the run. Integrating former rebel fighters could help usher in peace,” *Washington Post* Monkey Cage, August 27.
- 2021 “To replace autocrats of Nicaragua, think beyond this fall’s election,” *Los Angeles Times*, August 24, print page A11 (with Ryan Berg).
- 2021 “Ortega and Murillo’s Two-Level Game” / “El juego a dos niveles de Ortega y Murillo” / “O jogo a dois niveis de Ortega e Murillo,” *Latinoamérica21*, June 28.
- 2021 “Statement of Concern About Increasing Political Repression in Nicaragua Ahead of the 2021 Elections / Carta abierta sobre la escalada de represión política en Nicaragua antes de las elecciones de 2021” (June 2021), <https://sites.google.com/view/nicaragua2021letter/>. [Drafted and administered open letter signed by over 800 academics and researchers. Covered in *Confidencial* (Nicaragua), *La Prensa* (Nicaragua), *Boston Globe*, and *El País* (Spain)].
- 2021 “The 2021 Elections and Uganda’s Crisis of Continuity,” *Epicenter*, March 31.
- 2020 “Two years after Nicaragua’s mass uprising started, why is Daniel Ortega still in power?” *Washington Post* Monkey Cage, May 1 (with Mateo Jarquín).
- 2020 “Nicaragua is Stumbling into a Coronavirus Disaster.” *Foreign Policy*, April 17.
- 2019 “Violence is Sometimes the Answer.” *Foreign Policy*, December 5.

- 2019 “Repression and Resilience in Nicaragua: How Daniel Ortega Weathered 2018 Storm...and What Comes Next.” *ReVista: Harvard Review of Latin American Studies* (Spring/Summer), August 28 (with Eric Mosinger).
- 2019 “Authoritarian Resilience: Why Bouteflika and Bashir Fell, but Ortega Remains,” *Political Violence @ a Glance*, April 30.
- 2019 “Flying Blind in Crisis Time: The US Strategic and Human Foreign Policy Deficit,” *Duck of Minerva*, February 28.
- 2019 “Resisting Democratic Erosion in Latin America and Beyond,” *Political Violence @ a Glance*, January 15.
- 2018 “Aid and Diplomacy, Not Tear Gas: How to Address the Central American Migrant Crisis,” *Duck of Minerva*, November 27.
- 2018 “Peacekeeping’s Perverse Effects: Bolsonaro and Brazil’s Remilitarized Politics,” *Duck of Minerva*, October 16.
- 2018 “Repression, Regime Consolidation, and Latin America’s Authoritarian (Re)Turn,” *Political Violence @ a Glance*, September 25.
- 2018 “In massive street protests, Nicaraguans are using Ortega’s revolutionary symbols against him,” *Washington Post* Monkey Cage, May 14 (with Yerling Aguilera and Eric Mosinger).
- 2018 “A New Nicaraguan Revolution? Understanding This Week’s Popular Protests” *Political Violence @ a Glance*, May 3 (with Eric Mosinger).
- 2018 “Nicaragua protests threaten an authoritarian regime that looked like it might never fall,” *The Conversation*, May 2 (with Eric Mosinger).
- 2016 “Hurricane Mary,” *Roads and Kingdoms*, February 17.
- 2015 “Fifty years ago today, American diplomats endorsed mass killings in Indonesia. Here’s what that means for today.” *Washington Post* Monkey Cage, December 2.

### **MEDIA APPEARANCES AND INTERVIEWS**

- 2024 *La Presse* (Canada)
- 2023 *La Presse* (x2), *Christian Science Monitor*, Al Jazeera
- 2022 Radio-Canada, NBC News
- 2021 *La Presse* (x2), BBC, Al Jazeera, Raport o Stanie Świata (Poland), Background Briefing (KPFK-Los Angeles), 95bFM (New Zealand)
- 2020 Infobae (Argentina), *CQ Researcher*, *La Presse*, The World Unpacked (Carnegie Endowment for International Peace), Hanoi Philosophy Forum
- 2019 Radio-Canada
- 2018 BBC, France24, *Gazeta do Povo* (Brazil, x2)

### **FURTHER TRAINING**

- 2023 Bridging the Gap International Policy Summer Institute
- 2010 Olympia Summer Seminars/Microcon Summer School, Advanced Research Methods in Conflict-Affected Countries

### **VISITING AFFILIATIONS**

- 2016 Makerere Institute of Social Research, Makerere University, Uganda
- 2016 Centre for Basic Research, Uganda
- 2011 Centro de Estudios sobre Desarrollo Económico, Universidad de los Andes, Colombia
- 2009 Portuguese Directorate-General of Archives (DGARQ), Portugal

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

### *External Service*

March 2023-2026 Governing Council Member, International Security Studies Section, ISA

*Article Reviewer:* American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review; British Journal of Political Science; Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies; Civil Wars; Comparative Politics; Comparative Political Studies; Conflict Management and Peace Science; Ethnopolitics; European Journal of Development Research; European Journal of International Relations; Foreign Policy Analysis; Genocide Studies International; Global Studies Quarterly; Government and Opposition; International Security; International Studies Quarterly; International Studies Review; Journal of Global Security Studies; Journal of Modern African Studies; Journal of Mixed Methods Research; Journal of Peace Research; Journal of Politics; Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics; Public Administration Review; Revista de Ciencia Política (Chile); Security Studies; Territory, Politics, Governance; Third World Quarterly; War and Society; World Politics

*Book Manuscript Reviewer:* Palgrave, Princeton University Press, University of Michigan Press

### *University Service*

2020-present Advisory Board member, Program in Latin American and Iberian Studies, UCSB

2019-present Consultative Council, Orfalea Center for Global and International Studies, UCSB

2020-2021 Diversity Officer, Program in Latin American and Iberian Studies, UCSB

### *UCSB Global Studies Department Service*

2020 – Undergraduate Program Committee

2019 – President’s Postdoctoral Fellow Faculty Recruitment Committee (chair 2021-23)

2023 Global Studies Colloquium co-convenor

2019-20 Graduate Program Committee

2019 Search Committee, Global Race/Ethnicity and Inequality

### *Conference Service*

Conference co-organizer, “Research in Conflict Zones: The Untold Practices, Methods, and Ethics of Fieldwork,” February 2017, Harvard Kennedy School

Conference panel discussant: APSA 2018; ISA 2020-2021, 2023-2024

Conference panel chair: ISA 2021; LASA 2021

## **INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE**

*Foreign Languages:* Fluent Spanish; proficient French and Portuguese

*Interviews:* South Africa (2010), Nicaragua (2015, 2016, 2017), Liberia (2015), Uganda (2016)

*Archival Research:* Portugal (2008, 2009), Nicaragua (2013, 2015, 2017), Uganda (2016), Chile (2022)

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Country conditions expert witness: working on the cases of Nicaraguan asylum seekers, 2018 –

Social Impact: external Institutional Review Board member, 2022 –

Freedom House: Africa civil liberties and press freedom analyst, 2013-2018

Handicap International: research consultant for project on impacts of armed violence, 2011-12

Centre for Social Science Research, University of Cape Town: researcher on violence, 2010-11

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Conflict Research Society, African Studies Association, Latin American Studies Association, Households in Conflict Network