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Placement:

Assistant Professor of Political Science
School of History and Social Sciences (College of Liberal Arts)
Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana

Education:

- 2021: **Ph.D.**, Political Science and International Relations
University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware
- Dissertation:
Everyday Digital Practices and Performances in the Emergence of Collective Subjectivity
Claire Rasmussen, chair; Kyong-Min Son, David P. Redlawsk, Lindsay Hoffman, readers
- 2013: **M.A.**, Political Science and International Relations
University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware
- 2011: **M.A.**, Political Science
Virginia Polytechnic and State University (Virginia Tech), Blacksburg, Virginia
- 2008: **B.A.**, Political Science & International Studies, **Phi Beta Kappa**, *Summa Cum Laude*
McDaniel College, Westminster, Maryland
Honors Program Graduate

Research Interests:

Social Media and Politics; International Relations Theory; Political Theory; Political Communication; International Communication (Diplomacy); Political Psychology

Peer-Reviewed Book:

- 2020: *A Citizen's Guide to the Political Psychology of Voting*. Coauthored with David P. Redlawsk. Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781315639055>

Peer-Reviewed Publications:

- 2025: "From Tweets to Trucks: Vaccine Disinformation and Anti-Government Protest During the 2022 Canadian "Freedom" Convoy." In *Misinformation, Disinformation, and Democracy in the Digital Age: A Canadian Perspective*, Shelly Ghai Bajaj and Bessma Momani, eds. University of Toronto Press. Coauthored with Tobias Lemke.
- 2022: "Foreign Interference and Social Media Networks: A Relational Approach to Studying Contemporary Russian Disinformation." In *JOGSS: Journal of Global Security Studies* 7(2). Co-authored with Tobias Lemke. <https://doi.org/10.1093/jogss/ogac004>
- 2020: "Diplomat or Troll? The Case Against Digital Diplomacy." In *Digital Diplomacy and International Organisation: Autonomy, Legitimacy, and Contestation*, Corneliu Bjola and Ruben Zaiotti, eds. Routledge. Coauthored with Tobias Lemke.

- 2017/18: "A Master Institution of World Society? Digital Communications Networks and the Changing Dynamics of Transnational Contention." In *International Relations*. Coauthored with Tobias Lemke. <https://doi.org/10.1177%2F0047117817747666>
- 2016: "Wedding Imagery and Public Support for Gay Marriage." In *Journal of Homosexuality* 63(8): 1041-1051. Coauthored with Paul R. Brewer and David C. Wilson. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00918369.2016.1150023>
- "Interactivity Between Candidates and Citizens on a Social Networking Site: Effects on Perceptions and Vote Intentions." In *Experimental Political Science* 3(1): 84-96. Coauthored with Paul R. Brewer, Ruby Harrington, Lindsay H. Hoffman, Philip Edward Jones, and Jennifer L. Lambe. <https://doi.org/10.1017/XPS.2014.29>
- 2015: "Tweets on Television News: The Nature and Effects of Campaign Coverage of Twitter." In *Electronic News* 9(4): 257-269. Coauthored with Tyler Lefky and Paul R. Brewer. <https://doi.org/10.1177/2F1931243115604884>
- 2013: "The European Union as a Peace Actor." In *Review of European Studies* 5(3), 4-20. Coauthored with Yannis A. Stivachtis and Chris Price. <http://dx.doi.org/10.5539/res.v5n3p4>
- 2011: "The OSCE as a Regional International Society." In *International relations, culture and global finance*, 35-60. Akis Kalaitzidis, ed. Athens, Greece: Athens Institute for Education and Research. Coauthored with Yannis A. Stivachtis.
- "The Council of Europe: The Institutional Limits of Contemporary European International Society?" In *Journal of European Integration* 33(2), 157-177. Coauthored with Yannis A. Stivachtis. <https://doi.org/10.1080/07036337.2011.543524>
- Terrorism: historical roots and contemporary forms; The challenge of asymmetrical warfare; Human security: connecting the global and the local; and The global context of security. In *Human and state (in)security in a globalized world*. Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt. Coauthored with Yannis A. Stivachtis.
- 2010: Order and justice in international relations. In *Human and state (in)security in a globalized world*, 105-125. Dubuque, IA: Kendall Hunt. Coauthored with Yannis A. Stivachtis.

Invited Research Presentations:

- 2023: "From Tweets to Trucks: Vaccine Disinformation and Anti-Government Protest during the 2022 Canadian 'Freedom' Convoy." *The Weaponization of Disinformation in Canada*. University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. April 27-28. Invited workshop speaker and participant.
- 2020: "Computational Analyses of Social Texts-As-Data." *Computational Social Science Symposium*, University of Delaware. 2 October. Invited workshop speaker.
- 2019: "Diplomat or Troll? The Case Against Digital Diplomacy." Jean Monnet European Union Center of Excellence, *Dalhousie University*, Nova Scotia, Canada. Invited workshop speaker and participant. April 24.

Conference Papers:

- 2025: "Bored Citizens, Ambitious Leaders: Cosmopolitan Moral Entrepreneurship in Strong Democracies and Weak States." Paper presented for the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), *Chicago*. 3-6 April.

- “Digital Diplomacy in Crisis: Tracing Official Twitter in the Russian Invasion of Ukraine.” Paper prepared for the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), *Vancouver, BC*. 11-14 September.
- 2024: “Social Media and Disinformation during the 2022 Canadian ‘Freedom’ Convoy.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), *Philadelphia*. 5 September.
- 2022: “Digital Diplomacy in Wartimes: Tracing Official Twitter Activity during the Russian Invasion of Ukraine.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Northeast (ISA-NE), *Baltimore*. 4 November.
- “Do People Really Read the Tweets? Understanding the Efficacy of Digital Diplomacy through Twitter Replies.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), *Nashville*. 29 March.
- 2021: “Going Down in the Mentions: Understanding the Efficacy of Political Party Outreach Campaigns through Twitter Replies.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Northeast (ISA-NE), *Virtual*. 6 November.
- “Exploring Populist Communication & Performances Online: A Multi-Method Approach.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), *Virtual*. 30 September.
- 2020: “Diplomat or Troll? The Case against Digital Diplomacy.” Coauthored with Tobias Lemke. Paper prepared for the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), *Honolulu* (cancelled).
- 2019: “What do Populists Tweet? Interrogating Competing Frames in the #Chemnitz Protest.” Coauthored with Tobias Lemke. Paper prepared for the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), *Washington, DC*. 30 August.
- “Social Media and Right-Wing Populism: The Case of Euro-Skepticism Among AfD-Affiliated and Non-Affiliated Twitter Users in Germany.” Coauthored with Tobias Lemke. Paper prepared for the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), *Toronto, Ontario*. 29 March.
- “‘We, the Pepes’: Trolling and Owning on Social Media and the Diffusion of Political Agency Across Borders.” Paper prepared for the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA) *Toronto, Ontario*. 28 March.
- “I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag Emoji: Performing Populism Online in France, Germany and the U.S.” Coauthored with Tobias Lemke. Paper prepared for the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association-Northeast Region (ISA-NE), *Providence, Rhode Island*. 8 November.
- 2018: “Disrupter in Chief: Twitter Diplomacy and Trolling Practices in the Age of Trump.” Coauthored with Tobias Lemke. Paper prepared for the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association-Northeast Region (ISA-NE), *Baltimore*. 2 November.
- “Retweeting Populism: Mass Media, Social Networks & Adversarial Hybrid Diplomacy.” Coauthored with Tobias Lemke. Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (ISA), *Boston*. 31 August.

“Retweeting Populism: Right Wing Social Networks and Adversarial Hybrid Diplomacy.” Coauthored with Tobias Lemke. Paper presented at the Conference “Democracy in Decline? The Challenge of Global Populism,” *University of Delaware*. 3 May.

“Disruptive Networks: Digitally-Mediated Practices, Social Media, and the Hybridization of Diplomacy.” Coauthored with Tobias Lemke. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), *San Francisco*. 5 April.

2017: “Russia Did It: Adversarial Hybrid Diplomacy and the Changing Pathways for Transnational Contention.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association-Northeast Region (ISA-NE), *Providence, Rhode Island*. 3 November.

“‘We the Sharers’? Subjectivity, the Public Sphere, and Everyday Practices.” Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), *San Francisco*. 31 August.

“Global-Digital Communication Networks: A Primary Institution of World Society?” Coauthored with Tobias Lemke. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), *Baltimore, Maryland*. 23 February. The paper was also presented at the Graduate Student Forum, *University of Delaware*. 13 April.

“Why is the Iranian Government Monitoring Kim Khardashian’s Instagram Account? Transnationalism, Everyday Practices, and Change in World Politics.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), *Baltimore*. 25 February.

2016: “Liberal Means, Illiberal Ends? Re-Imagining Democratic Subjectivity through ISIL.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association-Northeast Region (ISA-NE), *Baltimore*. 5 November.

“Tweets Against the State: The Role of Everyday Practices in Transnationalizing Contention and Cooperation.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), *Atlanta*, as part of the Junior Scholars Symposium. 18 March.

2015: “Walking the Boundless Digital City: Countering Officializing Strategies and Forming New Subjectivities.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association-Northeast Region (ISA-NE), *Providence, Rhode Island*. 7 November.

“The Institutional Structure of Regional Cooperation: Formality and Informality in Europe and (South) East Asia.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), *New Orleans*. 20 February.

“‘Like’, ‘Dislike’, or ‘Ignore’? Examining Popular and Scholarly Discourses on the Political and Social Meaning of the Internet.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association (WPSA), *Las Vegas*. 3 April.

“Facebook Lies and Social Ties across Boundaries: Forming Political Communities through Global Communication Practices.” Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference (MPSA), *Chicago*. 17 April.

2014: “Transnational Argumentation and Deliberation: the Contribution of Identity to Conceptions of Order.” Paper presented at the International Studies Association Northeast Annual Conference (ISA-NE), *Baltimore*. 7 November.

“The Balance of Non-State Power: The Pope, the Empire, and Competition in the High Middle Ages European System.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), *Toronto, Ontario*. 20 March.

“#WorldSociety: English School Theory and Global Political Communication: A Master Institution of World Society?”, with Tobias Lemke. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), *Toronto, Ontario*. 22 March.

2013: “Escaping European International Society? The Critical Deployment of the Expansion Narrative: Toward a Critical English School.” Paper presented at the International Studies Association Northeast Annual Conference (ISA-NE), *Providence, Rhode Island*. 8 November.

“#WorldSociety: English School Theory and Global Political Communication: A Master Institution of World Society?”, with Tobias Lemke. Paper presented at the International Studies Association Northeast Annual Conference (ISA-NE), *Providence, Rhode Island*. 9 November.

“Escaping Historical Bias: Toward a Critical English School.” Paper presented at the 2013 mini-conference on critical IR theory, *University of Delaware*. 26 April.

Teaching Experience:

2024-current: Assistant Professor of Political Science, Louisiana Tech University

Social Media and Social Inequalities (CMTX 557 – Graduate Level)

Comparative Foreign Governments (POLS 302)

National Government in the U.S. (POLS 201)

Scope and Methods in Social Sciences (POLS 345)

International Relations (POLS 350)

American Foreign Policy (POLS 355)

2023: Instructor, *Introduction to Global Politics* (POSC 240)

English Language Institute

University of Delaware

2015 - 2018: Instructor, *Politics of Developing Nations* (POSC 311)
Department of Political Science and International Relations
University of Delaware

2018: Instructor, *Model United Nations* (POSC 475)
Department of Political Science and International Relations
University of Delaware

2016: Instructor, *Politics and the Media* (POSC-COMM 340)
Department of Political Science and International Relations
University of Delaware

2011 – 2013: Graduate Teaching Assistant
Department of Political Science and International Relations, University of Delaware
Courses: *American Political System* (Fall 2011); *Data Analysis for Political Scientists* (Spring 2012); *Research Methods for Political Science* (Fall 2012); *Political Thought II* (Spring 2013).

2009 – 2011: Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant
Department of Political Science, Virginia Polytechnic and State University
Courses: *European Political Systems* (Fall 2009); *Honors Comparative Government and Politics*

(Fall 2009); *Senior Seminar in International Relations* (Spring 2010); *Introduction to World Politics* (Fall 2011).

2007 – 2008: Peer Tutor, August 2007 - May 2008
McDaniel College Writing Center, Westminster, MD

2008: Instructor, *International Simulation - United Nations*
McDaniel College, Westminster, MD

Invited Guest Lectures:

2018: “How to survive comprehensive exams and defending your prospectus.” *The Colloquium on Global Governance*, University of Delaware. 16 February. Co-presented with Andrew Jenks and Xinhua Jiang.

2017: “What is critical thinking and how can I get my students to do it?” *Teaching Assistant Orientation*, The Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Delaware. 21 August. Co-presented with Rose Muravchick.

“TA-ing in the Social Sciences.” *Teaching Assistant Orientation*, The Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Delaware. 21 August. Co-presented with representatives from other departments.

2016: “How to survive comprehensive exams and defending your prospectus.” *The Colloquium on Global Governance*, University of Delaware. 12 February. Co-presented with Tobias Lemke and Samantha Kelley.

Fellowships, Awards, and Honors:

2014-15: Awarded the William P. Frank Fellowship in Political Communication.

Awarded a grant to participate in the *Dissertation Boot Camp* held at the University of Delaware. 20-30 January 2015.

Selected to participate in The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR)’s *Summer Institute* held at Syracuse University. 16-27 June 2014.

2013-14: Awarded the William P. Frank Fellowship in Political Communication.

2008: Robert Joseph Weber Award for Excellence in Political Science and International Studies – Given annually to a graduating senior who demonstrates academic distinction in the field of political science, is involved in on and off campus activities, and contributes to the community.

Alumni Citizenship Award – Given annually to one senior man and woman to recognize and honor those that have exemplified the qualities associated with outstanding citizenship and alumni service. They must be universally respected members of the community.

College Scholar, McDaniel College – Completed all the requirements of the honors program.

Formal Training:

2014: The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR)’s Summer Institute, *Syracuse University*. 16-27 June 2014.

Skills:

Software: R – data retrieval, sentiment analysis, network analysis, computer-assisted textual analysis
SPSS – bivariate to multivariate and logit and experience with syntax

Excel – highly experienced in data manipulation and statistical calculation
 Familiarity with STATA, python, mySql, php, html, rss and various Content Management Systems
 Heavy experience with Google Suite, including Looker Studio for Data Visualization

Software as a Service (SaaS): Peoplesoft (expert level), Workday, EAB (expert level), Slate

Languages:

English
 German (intermediate)

Service:

2026: Section Chair, International Security, *Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association* (MPSA)

2025: Chair, Assistant Professor of Political Science Search Committee, *School of History and Social Sciences*, Louisiana Tech University

2017: Member, Senior Americanist Search Committee, *Department of Political Science and International Relations*, University of Delaware

2014-2017: Instructor, “Politics and the Economy”, *Governor’s School*, University of Delaware

2012-2016: Vice President, *Global Governance Student Association*, University of Delaware

2009-2011: Delegate, *Graduate Student Assembly*, Department of Political Science, Virginia Tech
 Departmental Representative to the Faculty, Department of Political Science, Virginia Tech

2006-2008: Phi Beta Kappa
 Pi Sigma Alpha
 Omicron Delta Kappa (President)
 Pi Gamma Mu (Secretary)
 Phi Sigma Iota
 Alpha Lambda Delta
 Theta Alpha Kappa
 Society for Collegiate Journalists (Co-President)

Co-Editor in Chief, *McDaniel Free Press* (mcdanielfreepress.com)
 Peer Mentor Advisory Board, *First Year Program*, McDaniel College
 Head Delegate, *Harvard Model United Nations*, McDaniel College Delegation

Professional Experience:

2023-2024: Academic Advisor II
 Honors College, *University of Delaware*, Newark, DE

2018-2020: Editorial Assistant
The International Journal of Public Opinion Research (IJPOR)

Employment:

2008 – 2009: Media Communication and Program Coordination Assistant
 ACTION Health, Danville, PA (now currently located at Geisinger Health Systems)
AmeriCorps, CORE Susquehanna, Selinsgrove, PA (coresusquehanna.org)
 Position: Worked with local volunteers, medical professionals, health officials, legislators, human

services agencies and students to address unmet health needs in the five-county area for a non-profit health organization.

Professional Memberships:

American Political Science Association
International Studies Association
Midwest Political Science Association
ISA-South
NACADA

References:

Available upon request