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Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor May 2020 - present
Professor of Strategy and Security Studies,
School of Advanced Air & Space Studies

Assistant Professor August 2018 - May 2020
Center for Strategic Deterrence Studies,
Air War College

Postdoctoral Research Fellow & Nuclear Proliferation Fellow August 2016 - July 2018
Chicago Project on Security and Threats
The University of Chicago, Department of Political Science

Education

University of South Carolina

Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science, May 2016

Dissertation: "Leaders in Search of the Bomb: Institutional Incentives for Going Nuclear"

Master of Arts, International Studies, August 2014

Fields: International Relations & Comparative Politics

University of North Carolina Wilmington

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, May 2009

Areas of Specialization

International Security, Nuclear Security, Strategic Deterrence, Research Methods

Research

Book Project

Bribing the Bomb: How States Respond to Inducements for Arms Control, Book Project. *Under review*

Journal Publications

Terry, Nathan and **Cone, Paige**. forthcoming, May 2020. "Hypersonic Technology as an Evolution in Nuclear Weapon Delivery Technology," *Strategic Studies Quarterly* Summer 2020.

Cone, Paige and Mehta, Rupal N. December 2019. "Inducements in Interstate Relations," *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*. Oxford University Press.

Cone, Paige. "Think Positive: How to get North Korea to Rollback its Nuclear Weapons Activity," 2017. *The Bulletin of Atomic Scientists*, October 20, 2017. *Awarded as one of the seven freshest perspectives on nuclear weapons in 2017*

Other Publications

Invited review of Fred Kaplan, *The Bomb: Presidents, Generals, and the Secret History of Nuclear War*, for The Strategy Bridge. June, 2020.

Invited review of Frank Sauer, *Atomic Anxiety: Deterrence, Taboo and the Non-Use of U.S. Nuclear Weapons*. H-War, H-Net Reviews. September, 2018.

Invited review for Brad Roberts, *The Case for US Nuclear Weapons in the 21st Century*. Print: 352 pp. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2015. February 2016. H-War, H-Net Reviews.

“Gender, Diversity, and Inclusiveness Track Summaries,” with Marcus Allen, Andreas Broscheid, and Joseph DeLorenzo. July 2015. *PS: Political Science & Politics*

In Progress

“United States Case Study,” in *Strategy and Negotiations for Denuclearizing North Korea: Was There Ever a Window of Opportunity*, Invited Contributor to Book Project funded by the Korea Foundation.

“Do as I Say, not as I Do: The Impact of Divergent Rhetoric and Policy on Nuclear Reversal,” with Molly Berkemeier.

“Too Fast, Too Furious? The Challenges of Hypersonic Missiles for Crisis Bargaining,” with Rupal N. Mehta.

“The Power of the Positive: Effectiveness of Positive Inducements in Counterproliferation.”

“Counterproliferation and Nuclear Latency,” with Molly Berkemeier, Rupal Mehta, and Rachel Whitlark.

“Where You Sit is Where You Stand? How Societal Roles Influence Deterrence Views,” with Molly Berkemeier and Rachel Whitlark.

“Reversing Nuclear Programs, Reversing Power? Explaining Post-tenure Fate of Leaders Who Seek, But Fail to Acquire, the Bomb.”

“Plausible Proliferators: Institutional Incentives for Going Nuclear.”

Grants & Awards

Moody Research Grant, Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation 2017

University of South Carolina ‘Bridge the Humanities Corps’ Teaching Fellowship, 2016 - 2017 (*Declined*)

Winner of the Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher Award
–Presented by USC Department of Political Science, 2015.

Winner of the Best Paper Award
–Presented at the PSGSO Inaugural Graduate Student Conference, 2013.

Winner of the Best Poster Presentation in the Social Sciences Award
–Presented at the University of South Carolina’s Graduate Student Day, 2013.

West Forum Fellowship
–University of South Carolina, Department of Political Science, 2013.

Invited Talks

Invited Panelist. University of Hawai'i at Hilo. "North Korea Negotiations." May 2020.

Invited Talk. Air Command and Staff College: "The Future of Air Power and Deterrence," November 2019.

Invited Talk. Air War College National Security Decision Making: "US use of Inducements," October 2019.

Invited Talk. Air War College Nuclear Proliferation Elective: "The Paradox of Proliferation," August 2019.

Invited Talk. Air War College Arms Control Elective: "The Future of Arms Control," April 2019

Invited Panelist. National Security Forum, "Assessing North Korea's Nuclear Weapons Program," Air War College May 2019.

Invited Participant. 5th Annual LLNL Deterrence Workshop, "Multi-Domain Strategic Competition: Rewards and Risks," November 2018.

Panel Organizer. International Studies Association: "New Issues in Nuclear Studies: A Mixed-Methods Approach," April 2018.

Invited Participant. International Studies Association: "The Making and Breaking of Extended Deterrence: Interest, Rules and Power in Nuclear Alliances," April 2018.

Invited Panelist. The University of Chicago: "A Safer or More Dangerous World? Nuclear Weapons in Today's Global Community," January 2018.

–Featured on CSPAN: <https://www.c-span.org/video/?440203-2/nuclear-weapons>

Invited Participant. American Political Science Association Workshop: "Novel Nuclear Knowledge via Multi-Method Means," August 2017.

Invited Participant. New Era Foreign Policy conference, March 2017.

Invited Participant. Peace Science Society Workshop: "A Mixed-Method Approach to the Study of Nuclear Weapons," South Bend, IN, October 2016.

Invited Talk. PISP Workshop, The University of Chicago, October 2016.

Invited Talk. CPOST Summer Series, The University of Chicago, September 2016.

Invited Participant. Journeys in World Politics, March 2015.

Invited Moderator, Career and Gender Discussion. Journeys in World Politics, 2015.

Select Conference Presentations

"How do Leaders Signal Intent? The Role of Rhetoric in Nuclear Inducements," with Molly Berkemeier. MPSA Annual Conference 2020 and APSA Annual Conference 2020.

"Bribing the Bomb: How States Respond to Inducements," *CPOST and Pearson Institute: Compliance in Security Institutions Conference* 2017.

"Nuclear Reversal and Leader Fate: What Happens to Leaders who Fail to Acquire the Bomb?" *International Studies Association* 2017.

“Strength in Arms? How Nuclear Weapons Influence Regime Stability,” *International Studies Association* 2017.

“Strategic Choice and Nuclear Reversal: Why Do Some Leaders ‘Press Pause’ on Proliferation?” *International Studies Association* March 2016.

“Gender Differences and Classroom Participation,” with TJ Kimel. Presented at the 2015 *American Political Science Association Teaching and Learning Conference*, January 2015.

“To Nuclearize or Not to Nuclearize? Leaders and Their Audiences: A Model of Capability and Choice” Presented at the 2014 *International Studies Association* Annual Meeting, March 2014; Presented at the 2013 *Peace Science Society* Annual Meeting, October 2013.

“Institutional Incentives for Nuclear Decisions,” with Lee D. Walker. Presented at the *University of South Carolina Political Science Graduate Research Conference*, February 2014.

“Non-democratic Institutions and Nuclear Weapons: A Model of Choice,” Presented at the University of South Carolina Graduate Student Day, April 2013.

“Nuclear Proliferation, Non-democracies, and Political Survival: An Institutional Perspective” Presented at the *USC PS Graduate Research Conference*, February 2013.

Teaching

Primary Instructor

SAASS: Foundation of International Politics, Fall 2020; Space Power, Spring 2020

Air War College: Advanced Deterrence Concepts, Fall 2018 - present; Arms Control and Nonproliferation, Spring 2020

University of South Carolina: Introduction to International Relations, Fall 2013 - 2015; Conduct of US Foreign Policy, Spring 2014 - 2016

Additional Training

Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Program, University of South Carolina, April 2015.

Principles of Higher Education Course, University of South Carolina, December 2014.

Service

Reviewer, *JOP*, *SS*, *IS*, *CMPS*, *SSQ*

Discussant, 2020 MPSA Annual Conference; 2016 ISA Annual Conference

Panel Organizer, 2018 *International Studies Association* Annual Conference

International Relations Search Committee Graduate Student Liason, Fall 2013

President, Sigma Iota Rho, Fall 2013 - Spring 2014

Vice President, Political Science Graduate Student Association, 2013 - 2014

Additional Training & Technical Skills

Methodological Coursework, University of South Carolina

Advanced OLS Regression, Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE), Time Series Analysis, Advanced MLE: Monte Carlo Experiments, Qualitative Methodologies

Inter-University Consortium of Political and Social Research, MI, 2013

Introduction to Applied Bayesian Modeling for the Social Sciences; Introduction to Game Theory;
Advanced Bayesian Models for the Social Sciences

Computing Skills

STATA, L^AT_EX, R (familiar)

References available upon request.

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