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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Brigham Young University

Associate Professor, 2023-Present
Assistant Professor, 2016-2023
Visiting Assistant Professor, 2014-2016

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles

Ph.D., Political Science, June 2014
Fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics

Columbia University, New York, NY

M.A., Political Science
Fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics

Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

B.A., Philosophy
Minors: Political Science, International Development

BOOK

Revolutionary Contagion and International Politics (Oxford University Press, 2022)

- Winner, The Robert Jervis Best International Security Book by a Non-tenured Faculty Member, American Political Science Association

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

“Fears of Revolution and International Cooperation: The Concert of Europe and the Transformation of European Politics.” *Security Studies* 32:2 (2023), 338-370.

“Revolution and War: Saddam’s Decision to Invade Iran.” *The Middle East Journal* 72:2 (2018), 246-276.

“Why the Great Powers Permitted the Creation of an American Hegemon.” *Political Science Quarterly* 132:4 (2017-18), 685-718.

“The Evolution of Norms: American Policy toward Revolution in Iran and Egypt.” *Journal of Human Rights* 16:4 (2017), 494-515.

“The Attenuation of Revolutionary Foreign Policy” (with Arthur Stein). *International Politics* 52:5 (2015), 626-636.

BOOK CHAPTER

“Ideology and Revolutions” in *Routledge Handbook on Ideology and International Politics*, ed. John Leader Mayer and Mark Haas (Routledge, 2023).

WORKING PAPERS

“Changing the Game: Transformative Escalation and War Termination in the Iran-Iraq War” (with Tom Dolan).

“War to Preserve Internal Order or Undermine it? Rethinking the Relationship between Domestic Instability and International Conflict” (with Drew Horne).

“Structural-Materialist Theories, their Rivals, and the Iranian Revolution.”

“American Exceptionalism and American Foreign Policy: A Geographical Perspective.”

BOOK PROJECT

The Dissipation of Revolutionary Fervor in the Foreign Policy of Revolutionary States

CONFERENCE PAPERS and PRESENTATIONS

“War as a Means to Preserve Internal Order or Undermine it? Rethinking the Relationship between Domestic Instability and International Conflict.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Los Angeles, September 2023.

“What is Revolutionary Foreign Policy, When Does It End, and Why?” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association*, Montreal, March 2023.

“Revolutionary Contagion and International Politics.” Invited book talk at the University of Central Florida, October 2022.

“Changing the Game: Transformative Escalation and War Termination in the Iran-Iraq War.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Montreal, September 2022.

“War as a Means to Preserve Internal Order or Undermine it? Rethinking the Relationship between Domestic Instability and International Conflict.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association*, Nashville, March 2022.

“Changing the Game: Transformative Escalation and War Termination in the Iran-Iraq War.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association*, Portland, March 2022.

“Revolutionary Contagion and Communist and Fascist Revolutions in Europe.” Presented as panel, “International Politics and the Role of Ideology in Revolutions,” at *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Seattle, October 2021.

“Revolutionary Contagion and International Politics.” Presented as panel, “Domestic and International Responses to Revolutionary Regime Change,” at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, online, September 2020.

“The Concert and Restraint.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the Four Corners Conflict Network*, Salt Lake City, April 2019.

“The Concert and Restraint.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association*, Toronto, March 2019.

“Revolutionary Contagion and the Islamic Revolution in the Middle East.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Security Studies Section of the International Studies Association*, Purdue, November 2018.

“Revolutionary Contagion and the Islamic Revolution in the Middle East.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Boston, September 2018.

- Received “Foreign Policy Section Best Paper Award” – honorable mention.

“Revolutionary Contagion and the Islamic Revolution in the Middle East.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association*, San Francisco, April 2018.

“Italian Fascist and Russian Communist Revolutions as Platforms and Models.” Presented at *Reflections of the Revolution: The October Revolution and Global Order, 1917-2017*, University of Montana, October 2017.

“Revolutionary Contagion and the Reaction to the Russian Revolution.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, San Francisco, September 2017.

“War, Revolution, and the Transformation of European Politics.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Philadelphia, September 2016.

“‘My Foresight does not Embrace Such Remote Fears’: Time Horizons and the Response to the Rise of the United States.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Philadelphia, September 2016.

“Structural Theories and the Iranian Revolution.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association*, Atlanta, March 2016.

“War, Revolution, and the Transformation of European Politics.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association*, Atlanta, March 2016.

“The Great Power Response to the American Civil War in Context.” Presented at a workshop on “The American Civil War and International Relations” at the *Annual Meeting of the Peace Science Society*, Oxford, Mississippi, November 2015.

“Revolutionary Waves: The International Effects of Threatened Domestic Order.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, San Francisco, September 2015.

“The Evolution of Norms: American Policy toward Revolution in Iran and Egypt.” Poster at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, San Francisco, September 2015.

“The Evolution of Norms?: American Policy toward Revolution in Iran and Egypt.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association*, New Orleans, February 2015.

“‘My Foresight does not Embrace Such Remote Fears’: Britain, France, and the Rise of American Hegemony.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association*, Toronto, March 2014.

“Revolutionary Waves: The International Effects of Threatened Domestic Order.” Presented at the *York Symposium*, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, November 2013.

“Revolution and War: Saddam’s Decision to Invade Iran.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association West*, Pasadena, September 2013.

“Revolution and War: Saddam’s Decision to Invade Iran.” Presented as panel, “War Initiation and Termination: Insights from Captured Iraqi Records” at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association*, San Francisco, April 2013.

“Revolutionary Contagion and International Politics: The Ancien Régime and the Concert of Europe Compared.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association*, San Francisco, April 2013.

“Demonstration Effects and the American Revolution.” Presented at the *Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, April 2012.

FELLOWSHIPS

- Herbert F. York Global Dissertation Fellowship, Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation, 2013-2014
- Collegium of University Teaching Fellowship, UCLA, 2012-2013

COURSES TAUGHT AT BYU

- *International Conflict*
- *National Security Affairs*
- *Research Seminar on Revolutions and International Politics*
- *International Relations of the Middle East*
- *Capstone Seminar in International Security*

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

- Maxwell School, Syracuse University: Summer Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, 2012
- Institute for Global Conflict and Cooperation, University of California: Public Policy and Nuclear Threats summer course, 2007
- University of Washington: Intensive Persian Language Program, 2002