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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Amsterdam

Associate Professor (UD1), Department of Political Science, 2023-present
Assistant Professor (UD2), Department of Political Science, 2021-2023
Board member, Amsterdam Research Centre for Gender and Sexuality (ARC-GS)
Faculty affiliate, Amsterdam Centre for Conflict Studies (ACCS)

Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences

Fellow (residential), 2023-2024

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2018-2021
Fellow, Interdisciplinary Studies Institute, 2019-2020

Modern War Institute, United States Military Academy at West Point

Fellow (non-residential), 2019-2020

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Washington, 2018
M.A. Political Science, University of Washington, 2014
B.A. Political Science and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, The College of Wooster, 2012

BOOK MANUSCRIPTS

Women, Gender, and Rebel Governance (expected 2024, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge Elements in Gender & Politics Series)

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

2024. "Women's Wings in Rebel Organisations: Prevalence, Purposes, and Variations," *Civil Wars*, OnlineFirst (with Hilary Matfess)
2023. "Race and Racial Exclusion in Security Studies: A Survey of Scholars," *Security Studies* 23(4-5: Race and Security): 593-621 (with Kelebogile Zvobgo, Arturo Sotomayor, Maria Rost Rublee, George Karavas, and Constance Duncombe)
2023. "Introducing the Women's Activities in Armed Rebellion (WAAR) Project 1946-2015," *Journal of Peace Research*, OnlineFirst (with Hilary Matfess)
2022. "Queering Gender-Based Violence Scholarship: An Integrated Research Agenda," *International Studies Review* 24(4): 1-22 (with Jamie J. Hagen)
2022. "Non-Combat Participation in Rebellion: A Gendered Typology," *International Security* 47(1): 139-170

6. 2022. "Women's Participation in Violent Non-State Organizations," in the *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Studies*, Oxford University Press (with Hilary Matfess)
7. 2021. "'Both Needed and Threatened:' Armed Mothers in Militant Visuals," *Security Dialogue* 52(1): 21-44
8. 2018. "Deploying Justice: Strategic Accountability for Wartime Sexual Violence," *International Studies Quarterly* 52(4): 751-764 (with Milli Lake and Kate Cronin-Furman)
9. 2018. "Explaining Extremism: Western Women in Daesh," *European Journal of International Security* 3(1): 45-68 (with Anna Zelenz)
10. 2017. "Rethinking Rape: The Role of Women in Wartime Violence," *Security Studies* 26(1): 60-92

EDITOR-REVIEWED ARTICLES AND BOOK REVIEWS

1. 2023. Review of "Women and the Lebanese Civil War: Female Fighters in Lebanese and Palestinian Militias" (Palgrave Macmillan) by Jennifer Philippa Eggert, *Critical Studies on Terrorism* 16(4): 792-793
2. 2021. "Using Images as Data in Political Violence Research," *Journal of Human Rights* 20(3): 373-379
3. 2014. "#BringBackOurGirls and the Invisibility of Imperialism," *Feminist Media Studies* 14(6): 1100-1101

WORK UNDER REVIEW

"Gendering Rebel Origins: Women as First Movers in Civil War," *under review following an invitation to revise and resubmit*

"Gender Inequality and Women's Participation in Rebellion," (with Changwook Ju and Hilary Matfess), *in progress*

Women's Mobilisation in Civil Society During and After War (with Jenny Hedström, Hilary Matfess, and Elizabeth Olivius)

Narrating Rebel Governance: Propaganda and Legitimacy During Civil War, *in progress*

ESSAYS, ANALYSIS, AND OTHER WRITING

2023. "It's Time To Take Women's Role in Armed Conflict Seriously," *World Politics Review* (with Hilary Matfess)

2020. "Why Race Matters in International Relations," *Foreign Policy*, Summer (print issue) (with Kelebogile Zvobgo)

- Re-published in *International Politics: Classic and Contemporary Readings* (2nd edition) Robert Person, ed. 2021. SAGE Publishing and CQ Press
- Listed in the *New York Times*' 'The Interpreter' "What We're Reading"

2020. “Marine Corps Gender Desegregation is Overdue and Only the First Step,” *Modern War Institute*, January
2019. “The West Needs to Take the Politics of Women in ISIS Seriously,” *Foreign Policy*, March (with Kanisha D. Bond, Kate Cronin-Furman, Milli Lake, Sarah Parkinson, and Anna Zelenz)
2019. “Gendered Violence and Political Agendas,” *Political Violence @ a Glance*, February (with Hilary Matfess and Robert U. Nagel)
2018. “No, Your Trump-is-gay-for-Putin Jokes Aren’t Funny,” *The Washington Post* (print issue, Outlook)
2016. “Why do Western Women Join Daesh?” *Sustainable Security*, Oxford Research Group, July (with Anna Zelenz)

GRANTS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

- 2022-2025 National Counterterrorism Innovation, Technology, and Education Center (NCITE), “Understanding the Link Between the Recruitment and Operational Behavior of Terrorist Organizations,” (with Evan Perkoski and Alec Warsnop) (514, 222 USD)
- 2021 Small Grants Program, Women, Gender & Politics Research Section of APSA, “Introducing the Women’s Activities in Armed Rebellion (WAAR) Project 1946-2015,” (with Hilary Matfess)
- 2017-2018 Presidential Dissertation Fellowship, University of Washington
- 2017-2018 Richard B. Wesley Endowed Fellowship in Comparative Politics, University of Washington
- 2016 Peter May Graduate Research Grant, University of Washington
- 2015-2016 Richard B. Wesley Endowed Fellowship in International Security, University of Washington

RECENT INVITED TALKS

- 2024 Uppsala University
- 2024 Swedish Defence University
- 2024 University College Dublin, Centre for Peace and Conflict Research
- 2023 Charles Stuart University, Australian Graduate School of Policing and Security
- 2023 University of Washington International Security Colloquium
- 2022 Queen’s University Belfast
- 2021 University of Minnesota International Relations Colloquium
- 2021 University of Wisconsin International Security Colloquium
- 2020 Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies at Indiana University
- 2020 United States Senate Staff National Security Discussion Group
- 2020 Bridging the Gap Project, American University
- 2020 Boston University
- 2019 Harvard University Women and Public Policy Program
- 2019 Yale University MacMillan Center
- 2018 Wesleyan University Allbritton Center for the Study of Public Life

RECENT WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

Conflict Research Society Annual Conference: 2022, 2023

International Studies Association Annual Convention: 2016, 2017, 2019, 2021, 2023

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting: 2018

2024	FemWars, Finnish Institute of International Affairs
2023	Understanding the Link Between the Recruitment and Operational Behavior of Terrorist Organizations, University of Maryland (convener)
2022	Women Waging War, City University of New York
2022	Under-Researched Aspects of Gender and Security, University of Amsterdam (convener)
2022	Feminist Takes on Rebel Warfare and Civil War Workshop, Swedish Defence University
2020	Peacekeeping, Human Security, and Violence Workshop, University of Maryland
2020	The New Directions in the Quantitative Study of Gender and Peace Science, Peace Science Society
2019	Conference on Ideology and Political Violence, Texas A&M University
2019	Women Waging War, Columbia University Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Studies and City University of New York's Politics of Sexual Violence Initiative
2019	Conflict, Violence and Security Workshop, University of Massachusetts Amherst
2017	Workshop on Measuring Inclusion, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver
2016	The Conceptualization and Measurement of Female Combatants Workshop, School of International Service, American University

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2019	<i>International Policy Summer Institute (IPSI)</i> , Bridging the Gap Project
2019	<i>College and University Educators Workshop</i> , Council on Foreign Relations
2019	<i>Researching and Teaching Security</i> , Alliance to Advance Liberal Arts Colleges
2017	<i>Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy</i> , Columbia University

TEACHING

2020-2021	Nominee, University of Massachusetts, Amherst Distinguished Teaching Award
2019-2020	Finalist, University of Massachusetts, Amherst Distinguished Teaching Award
2017-2018	Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Washington
2013-2016	Commendations for excellence in teaching, University of Washington

Courses taught

International Relations (graduate)
Gender and Armed Conflict (graduate, undergraduate)
Political Violence (undergraduate)
World Politics (undergraduate)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2023	Co-Chair, <i>10th European Workshops in International Studies</i> (12-14 July), European International Studies Association, University of Amsterdam
2022-2025	Editorial Board, <i>Politics & Gender</i>
2022-2023	Committee, Small Grants Program, <i>Women, Gender & Politics Research Section</i> , American Political Science Association

Reviewer/referee

International Security, International Organization, American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Politics, Conflict Management and Peace Science, British Journal of Political Science, European Journal of International Security, European Journal of International Relations, Research & Politics, Security Studies, Comparative Political Studies, International Studies Review, International Interactions, The International Centre for Counter-Terrorism – The Hague (ICCT), International Feminist Journal of Politics, Journal of Global Security Studies, International Affairs, Swiss National Science Foundation, National Science Foundation, and Oxford University Press

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

International Studies Association (ISA), European International Studies Association (EISA), The Empirical Study of Gender Research Network (EGEN), The Rebel Governance Network, Conflict Research Society (CRS), Women in International Security – Netherlands

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