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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities and Social Sciences

Fellow (residential), 2023-2024

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)

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 2023, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge Elements Gender & Politics Series)

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

1. 2023. "Race and Racial Exclusion in Security Studies: A Survey of Scholars," *Security Studies*, OnlineFirst, (with Kelebogile Zvobgo, Arturo Sotomayor, Maria Rost Rublee, George Karavas, and Constance Duncombe)
2. 2023. "Introducing the Women's Activities in Armed Rebellion (WAAR) Project 1946-2015," *Journal of Peace Research*, OnlineFirst (with Hilary Matfess)
3. 2022. "Queering Gender-Based Violence Scholarship: An Integrated Research Agenda," *International Studies Review* 24(4): 1-22 (with Jamie Hagen)

4. 2022. “Non-Combat Participation in Rebellion: A Gendered Typology,” *International Security* 47(1): 139-170
5. 2022. “Women’s Participation in Violent Non-State Organizations,” in the *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Studies*, Oxford University Press (with Hilary Matfess)
6. 2021. “‘Both Needed and Threatened:’ Armed Mothers in Militant Visuals,” *Security Dialogue* 52(1): 21-44
7. 2018. “Deploying Justice: Strategic Accountability for Wartime Sexual Violence,” *International Studies Quarterly* 52(4): 751-764 (with Milli Lake and Kate Cronin-Furman)
8. 2018. “Explaining Extremism: Western Women in Daesh,” *European Journal of International Security* 3(1): 45-68 (with Anna Zelenz)
9. 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*, Ahead of Print
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 IN PROGRESS

“Women’s Wings in Rebel Organizations: Prevalence, Purposes, and Variations,” (with Hilary Matfess), *revision under review*

“Gendering Rebel Origins: Women as First Movers in Civil War,” *under review*

“Does Gender Inequality Influence Women’s Rebel Recruitment During Civil Wars?: Cross-National Evidence (1946-2015),” (with Changwook Ju and Hilary Matfess), *in progress*

Narrating Rebel Governance: Propaganda and Legitimacy in 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)

2017. “Will Integrating Women Into Armed Groups Prevent Rape?” *Political Violence @ a Glance*, January

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

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

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 *International Policy Summer Institute (IPSI)*, Bridging the Gap Project
2019 *College and University Educators Workshop*, Council on Foreign Relations
2019 *Researching and Teaching Security*, Alliance to Advance Liberal Arts Colleges

2017 *Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy*, 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, *10th European Workshops in International Studies* (12-14 July), European International Studies Association, University of Amsterdam
2022-2025 Editorial Board, *Politics & Gender*
2022-2023 Committee, Small Grants Program, *Women, Gender & Politics Research Section*, American Political Science Association

Reviewer/referee

International Security, 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)

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