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APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2021- present
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 at the United States Military Academy at West Point

Fellow (non-residential), 2019 – 2020

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Washington, 2018

Dissertation: *Women in War: Militancy, Legitimacy, and Rebel Success*

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 (in progress)

Gendering Rebel Legitimacy in Civil War (in progress)

JOURNAL

PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming. "Non-Combat Participation in Rebellion: A Gendered Typology," *International Security*

Conditionally accepted. "Introducing the Women's Activities in Armed Rebellion (WAAR) Project 1946-2015," *Journal of Peace Research* (with Hilary Matfess)

Forthcoming. "Women's Participation in Violent Non-State Organizations and Terrorism," in the Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Studies, *Oxford University Press* (with Hilary Matfess)

Conditionally accepted. "Race and Racial Exclusion in Security Studies: A Survey of Scholars," *Security Studies* (with Kelebogile Zvobgo, Arturo Sotomayor, Maria Rost Rublee, George Karavas, and Constance Duncombe)

2021. "Using Images as Data in Political Violence Research," *Journal of Human Rights* 20(3): 373-379

2020. "'Both Needed and Threatened': Armed Mothers in Militant Visuals," *Security Dialogue* 52(1): 21-44

2018. "Deploying Justice: Strategic Accountability for Wartime Sexual Violence," *International Studies Quarterly* 52(4): 751-764 (with Milli Lake and Kate Cronin-Furman)

2018. "Explaining Extremism: Western Women in Daesh," *European Journal of International Security* 3(1): 45-68 (with Anna Zelenz)

2017. "Rethinking Rape: The Role of Women in Wartime Violence," *Security Studies* 26(1): 60-92

2014. "#BringBackOurGirls and the Invisibility of Imperialism," *Feminist Media Studies* 14(6): 1100-1101

**WORK IN
PROGRESS**

"Violence Against Gender and Sexual Minorities During Civil Conflict," *invitation to revise and resubmit, International Studies Review* (with Jamie Hagen)

"Women's Wings in Rebel Organizations: Prevalence, Purpose, and Variations" (with Hilary Matfess)

"Gendering Rebel Origins: Women as First Movers in Civil War"

"The Visual War: Militant Messaging in Civil Conflicts"

"Race, Gender, and Perceptions of Agency in the United States of America's Daesh-Related Prosecutions" (with Jenna Norosky)

"Gender and Violence in the Contemporary American Militia Movement" (with Kanisha D. Bond)

**PUBLIC
ENGAGEMENT**

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

- Re-published in *International Politics: Classic and Contemporary Readings* (2nd edition) Robert Person, e.d. forthcoming 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 2016 (with Anna Zelenz)

INVITED TALKS

University of Minnesota International Relations Colloquium, “Violence Against Gender and Sexual Minorities During Civil Conflict,” 2021

University of Wisconsin International Security Colloquium, “Women in Rebel Organizations,” 2021

Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies at Indiana University, “Gender and Power in Global Affairs,” 2020

United States Senate Staff National Security Discussion Group, “Race and Racism in Foreign Policy,” 2020

Bridging the Gap Project, American University, “Rethinking How We Teach IR,” 2020

Boston University, “Women in Terrorism: Visibility, Legitimacy, and Accountability in Modern War,” 2020

Harvard University Women and Public Policy Program, “Women and Gender in Right-Wing Armed Groups,” 2019

Yale University MacMillan Center, “What Happens Now?: Displacement and Return in the ‘Post-‘Caliphate’ World,” 2019

Wesleyan University Allbritton Center for the Study of Public Life: “Militant Women: Rebels and Terrorists in Modern Wars,” 2018

WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

International Studies Association Annual Convention: 2016, 2017, 2019, 2021
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting: 2018
Law and Society Association: 2015

Feminists Takes on Rebel Warfare and Civil War Workshop, Swedish Defence University, “Women’s Wings in Rebel Organizations: Prevalence, Purpose, and Variations,” 2022

Peacekeeping, Human Security, and Violence Workshop, University of Maryland, “Women in Rebel Organizations,” 2020

The New Directions in the Quantitative Study of Gender and Peace Science, Peace Science Society, “Women in Rebel Organizations: Introducing the WIRO Dataset, 1960-2020,” 2020

Centre for the Analysis of the Radical Right Annual Conference, “Women and Gender in the Contemporary American Militia Movement,” 2020 (cancelled due to the covid19 pandemic)

Conference on Ideology and Political Violence, Texas A&M University, “Women, Gender, and Iconography in the Contemporary American Militia Movement,” 2019

Women Waging War, Columbia University Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Studies and City College's Politics of Sexual Violence Initiative: "'Invisible' Wars: Women's Organizational Support in Civil Conflicts," 2019

International Policy Summer Institute (IPSI), Bridging the Gap Project, American University, 2019

University of Massachusetts Amherst Conflict, Violence and Security Workshop: "Women, Gender, and Gender Order in Conflict Visuals," 2018

Workshop on Measuring Inclusion, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver: "Measuring Women's Participation in Civil Conflict," 2017

Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy, Columbia University, 2017

The Conceptualization and Measurement of Female Combatants Workshop, School of International Service, American University: "Rethinking Rape: The Role of Women in Wartime Violence," 2016

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Women, Gender & Politics Research Section of APSA small grants program, 2021

Graduate School Presidential Dissertation Fellowship, University of Washington, 2017-2018

Richard B. Wesley Endowed Fellowship in Comparative Politics, University of Washington, 2017-2018

Peter May Graduate Research Grant, University of Washington, 2016

Richard B. Wesley Endowed Fellowship in International Security, University of Washington, 2015-2016

TEACHING

Professional development: College and University Educators Workshop, Council on Foreign Relations, 2019; Researching and Teaching Security, Alliance to Advance Liberal Arts Colleges, 2019

Courses taught:

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

Teaching accolades:

University of Massachusetts, Amherst Distinguished Teaching Award

- Finalist, 2019-2020
- Nominee, 2020-2021

University of Washington Excellence in Teaching Award

- Finalist, 2017-2018

University of Washington College of Arts & Sciences commendation for excellence in teaching, 2013-2014 and 2015-2016

**REFEREE
SERVICE**

Reviewer, *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*, *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*