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Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Missouri, Summer 2019 - Present (expected by Summer 2024)
Concentrations: International Relations and Comparative Politics
Committee: Stephen L. Quackenbush (co-chair), Laron K. Williams (co-chair), Bryce W. Reeder, and Bradley J. Nichols

B.S., Political Science and History, Truman State University, May 2019
Magna Cum Laude, Departmental Honors in Political Science, Departmental Honors in History

Additional Training

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute, hosted by University of California, Berkeley, Summer 2022

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan, Summer 2021
Multilevel Models I: Introduction and Application, EITM Certified
Multilevel Models II: Advanced Topics, EITM Certified
Data Visualization, EITM Certified
Simultaneous Equation Models, EITM Certified

IPSA-USP Summer School in Concepts, Methods, and Techniques in Political Science, Public Policy, and International Relations, University of São Paulo, Brazil, January 2020
Essentials of Time Series Analysis for Time Series Cross-Section Analyses
Fundamentals of Time Series Cross-Section Analyses
Advanced Time Series Cross-Section Analyses

Research Interests

International conflict, domestic determinants and consequences of international conflict, public opinion and foreign policy, issue ownership, parties, and political methodology

Publications

Kopp, Heather M., Bryce W. Reeder, and Thorin M. Wright. "International Conflict Involvement, Domestic Repression, and the Escalation of Civil Conflict." *Political Research Quarterly*, Forthcoming.

Rudy, Michael, and Heather M. Kopp. 2021. "Quality and Quantity: Government Quality, Capitalist Peace, and Dispute Escalation." *Midsouth Political Science Review* 21: 57-88.

Conference Presentations and Invited Talks

2023. "Foreign Policy Issue Ownership and Audience Costs." Will present at the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, MO, November.
2023. "Issue Ownership on the Severity of Audience Costs." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, April.
2022. "The Diffusion of Peace? UN Peacekeeping in Conflict Neighborhoods." With Yu Bin Kim and Bryce W. Reeder. Presented at the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, MO, November.
2022. "Into the Gray Zone: The Space Between Peace and War in the Russia-Ukraine Crisis." With Michael Rudy. Invited to present for the Global Issues Colloquium, Truman State University, October.
2022. "Extreme Party Movement and Party Proximity on Voter Certainty in New Democracies." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, April.
2021. "The Diffusion of Peace: How UN Peacekeeping Missions Prevent the Onset of Militarized Interstate Conflict." With Yu Bin Kim and Bryce W. Reeder. Presented virtually at the American Political Science Association Conference, Seattle, WA, October.
2021. "Rebel Group Dynamics and Civil War-Interstate Conflict Linkages." With Yu Bin Kim. Presented at the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, MO, November.
2019. "An Empirical Examination of the Space Between Peace and War: The Gray Zone." With Michael Rudy. Presented at the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, MO, November.
2019. "You Can Lead a State to Crisis, and You Can Make It Fight: Violent Non-State Actors and Crisis Escalation." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, April.
2018. "Violent Non-State Actors and Crisis Escalation." Presented at the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, MO, November.
2018. "Purchasing Peace: A Capitalist Peace and Conflict Escalation Study." With Michael Rudy. Presented at the Great Plains Political Science Association Conference, Maryville, MO, October.
2017. "Cheap Talk or Walking the Walk: An Examination of Escalation to Violence After Displays of Force." With Michael Rudy, Nathan Fajkus, Andrea Otte, and Benjamin Sherman. Presented at the International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, MO, November.

Research Assistant

Laron K. Williams, University of Missouri, Summer 2022

Assisted in updating the Seki-Williams Government and Ministers Data

Bryce W. Reeder, University of Missouri, Summer 2020 and Summer 2021

2021: Conducted research on the relationship between UN peacekeeping and interstate conflict

2020: Conducted research on interstate conflict, government repression, and civil war linkages

Heather-Leigh K. Ba, University of Missouri, Summer 2019

Coded and managed a dataset of daily presidential activities during U.S. foreign policy crises

Teaching Experience

Graduate Instructor

POL 1400: "International Relations," University of Missouri (Spring 2024)

POL 2700: "Comparative Political Systems," University of Missouri (Fall 2023)

POL 4410: "Politics and War," University of Missouri (Summer 2023)

POL 4411: "Genocide, Terrorism, and Civil War," University of Missouri (Fall 2022)

Department Workshops

Geospatial Modeling in R, University of Missouri, Truman School of Government and Public Affairs (Spring 2022)

Teaching Assistant

Olga Chyzh and Mark Nieman, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, University of Michigan

Categorical Data Analysis: Models for Categorical, Ordinal, and Count Outcomes (Summer 2023)

Heather-Leigh K. Ba, University of Missouri

POL 4540: "U.S. Foreign Policy" (Spring 2022)

POL 4420: "Politics of International Economic Relations" (Fall 2019)

Bryce W. Reeder, University of Missouri

POL 1400: "International Relations" (Fall 2021)

Laron K. Williams, University of Missouri

POL 3000W: "Intro. to Political Research" (Fall 2020 and Spring 2021)

Stephen L. Quackenbush, University of Missouri

POL 4410: "Politics and War" (Spring 2020)

Teaching and Pedagogy Workshops Attended

Leveraging Active-Learning to Deepen Student Learning workshop, University of Missouri, Teaching for Learning Center, Columbia, MO, February 2023.

St. Louis Political Science Pedagogical Conference, Washington University, St. Louis, MO, February 2023.

Learning Science and Purposeful Use of Tech workshop, University of Missouri, Teaching for Learning Center, Columbia, MO, October 2022.

Creating an Environment of Trust and Belonging workshop, University of Missouri, Teaching for Learning Center, Columbia, MO, September 2022.

The Missouri Plan for Shared Instructional Resources for Introductory Political Science Courses Conference, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO, August 2022.

Implicit Bias and Safe Space Training workshops, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO, August 2022.

Awards

Graduate Assistantship, Truman School of Government and Public Affairs, University of Missouri
Fall 2019 - Present

G. Ellsworth Huggins Fellowship, Graduate School, University of Missouri
Fall 2019 - Present

J.G. Heinberg Award, Truman School of Government and Public Affairs, University of Missouri
Spring 2022

EITM Certification Scholarship for ICPSR Summer Program 2021
Spring 2021

Paul Wallace and Robin Remington Graduate Research Scholarship, Truman School of
Government and Public Affairs, University of Missouri
Spring 2021

Missouri Excellence in Political Science Teaching Award, Department of Political Science,
University of Missouri
Spring 2020

National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates Fellow (Civil Conflict
Management and Peace Science), University of North Texas, Denton, TX
Summer 2018

Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association
International Political Science Association
International Studies Association
Midwest Political Science Association

Technical Skills

Stata, R, L^AT_EX, Jupyter Notebook, GeoDa, and ArcGIS Pro

Last updated: 9/8/23