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## Education

### University of Missouri

Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science

Subfields: International Relations, Comparative Politics

Area of Interest: Effects of external intervention on rivalries between subnational militias

Expected graduation in 2022 | Columbia, Missouri

### Brunel University

M.A. Intelligence and Security Studies

Graduated with Merit 2013 | London, United Kingdom

Thesis: "Cycles of Progress: The Lack of Timely Self-Evaluation and Adaptation within the US Intelligence Community"

### North Carolina State University

B.S. Aerospace Engineering

Graduated magna cum laude 2010 | Raleigh, North Carolina

Minor in Japanese Language

## Peer Reviewed Publications

"US Strikes in Somalia and Targeted Civilian Killings by Al-Shabaab: An Empirical Investigation," co-authored with Dr. Bryce Reeder. 2018. *Foreign Policy Analysis*, forthcoming.

## Teaching Experience

### Teaching Assistant

*Introduction to Political Research (Writing Intensive)*. Fall 2018, Dr. Jennifer Selin, University of Missouri.

*Politics of War*. Spring 2017, Dr. Stephen Quackenbush, University of Missouri.

*Genocide, Terrorism, and Civil War*. Fall 2017, Dr. Christopher Patane, University of Missouri.

*Politics of the World Economy*. Fall 2017, Dr. Christopher Patane, University of Missouri.

*Introduction to Unity Computing*. Fall 2008 – Spring 2012, Department of Computer Science, North Carolina State University.

*Experiments in Aerodynamics Lab*. Fall 2010, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, North Carolina State University.

## Awards

*Robin Remington Award* (\$500), Spring 2018, University of Missouri.

*Excellence in Japanese Language Study Award*, Spring 2010, North Carolina State University

*NC Space Grant Senior Design Research Grant Recipient, Fall 2009, North Carolina State University*

*NC Space Grant Undergraduate Research Grant Recipient, Summer 2009, North Carolina State University*

*NC Japan Center Scholarship Recipient for Study Abroad in Japan, Summer 2008, North Carolina State University*

*Dean's List (Fall 2005, Spring 2006, Spring 2007, Fall 2007, Spring 2010), North Carolina State University*

*National Merit Scholar, 2005*

*West Carteret High School Valedictorian, Spring 2005*

## **Fellowships and Assistantships**

Research Assistantship, Summer 2017, Dr. Bryce Reeder, University of Missouri

Teaching Assistantship, Fall 2017, Dr. Christopher Patane, University of Missouri

Teaching Assistantship, Spring 2018, Dr. Stephen Quackenbush, University of Missouri

Research Fellowship, Summer 2018, Dr. Bryce Reeder, University of Missouri