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Employment:

2018 - Professor, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland
2009 - 2018 Associate Professor, Department of Government and Politics, University of Maryland
2010 -2018 Research Director, Center for International Development and Conflict Management
University of Maryland
2010 - Director, All Minorities at Risk Data. Center for International Development and
Conflict Management, University of Maryland
2007-2009 Assistant Professor, Department of Government and Politics, Research Fellow
Center for International Development and Conflict Management, University of Maryland
2007-2008 Postdoctoral Fellow, National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism. University of
Maryland
2006-2007 Postdoctoral Fellow, The National Academies Research Council, University of Maryland
2001-2007 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, State University of New York at
Buffalo

Affiliations:

2017 - Affiliate, Program for the Prevention of Mass Violence, George Mason University
2016 Visiting professor, Faculty of Political Science, University of Iceland
2008 - Research Associate, National Center for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to
Terrorism (START Center). University of Maryland

Education:

2001 Ph.D, Political Science. University of California, Los Angeles.
1998 M.A., Political Science. University of California, Los Angeles.
1993 B.A. Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, University of California, Irvine.

Other training:

2017 LaTeX, QGIS, R
2017 A course on presenting data and information. Edward Tufte.
2013 Certified Photographer. New York Institute of Photography.

2007 SWOTT. Summer Workshop on Teaching about Terrorism. University of Maryland.
1989 Spanish and Mexican History. Universidad de Guanajuato, México.

Publications:

Monographs:

Under contract *Alternatives in Mobilization: Religion, Ethnicity and Conflict* (with Nil Satana).
Cambridge University Press.

2007 *Ethnicity and Electoral Politics*. Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University
Press. (Paperback edition 2009.)

Edited volumes:

2017 *Ethno-Political Violence: State of the Field and New Directions for Research*. (Ed. with
Erika Forsberg and Christian Davenport.) Routledge. United Kingdom.

Refereed articles:

2018 “Cultural Imprinting, Institutions, and the Organization of New Firms.” (With David
Waguespack and Eric Dunford). *Strategy Science*.

2018 “Voting in the Shadow of Violence: Violence and Electoral Politics in Peru.” (With
Anita Ghodes). *Journal of Global Security Studies*. 3(2): 181–197.

2018 “Introducing the AMAR (All Minorities at Risk Data.” (With David Laitin; Jonathan
Wilkenfeld; David Waguespack; Agatha Hultquist; Ted Gurr). *Journal of Conflict
Resolution*. 62(1):

2017 “Ethnicity and Conflict” (Guest editor special issue on the state of the field
with Erika Forsberg and Christian Davenport), *Ethnopolitics*. 16(1).

2015 “Socially Relevant Ethnic Groups, Ethnic Structure and AMAR” (with Jonathan
Wilkenfeld, James Fearon, David Laitin, Ted Gurr, Stephen Saideman, Dawn Brancati,
Amy Pate and Agatha Hultquist.) *Journal of Peace Research*. 52:105-109.

2014 “A Voice in the Process: A Cross-national Look at Ethnic Inclusion and Economic
Growth in the World.” (with Eric Dunford). *Development*. 57(2):55-64.

2013 “Religion and Legislative Coalitions.” (With Nil Seda Şatana.) *Comparative Political
Studies*. 46(1):3-30.

2013 “Religion, Legislative Coalitions and Terrorism.” (With Nil Seda Şatana and Molly
Inman) *Terrorism and Political Violence*. 25(1):29-52.

2011 “Economic Policy and Relevant Ethnic Groups.” (With David Waguespack).
Party Politics. 17(2): 243-260.

2010 “Where are the Disgruntled Voters? Testing the Voter-Parties Relationship Implication of
the Cartel Party Model.” *Party Politics*. Vol. 16(1): 29-49.

2007 “Divergence in Diversity? The Dissimilar Effects of Cleavages on Electoral Politics in
New Democracies.” *American Journal of Political Science*. 51(3):602-619.

- 2007** “Disunity in Diversity: Party System Fragmentation and the Dynamic Effect of Ethnic Heterogeneity on Latin American Legislatures.” (With Donna Lee Van Cott). *Latin American Research Review*. Vol. 42(1):97-123.
- 2005** “Public Venture Capital and Party Institutionalization.” *Comparative Political Studies*. 38(8):915-938.
- 2005** “Technological Development and Political Stability: Patenting In Latin America and the Caribbean”, (with David M. Waguespack and Jeff Schroeder). *Research Policy*. 34(10): 1570-1590.
- 2005** “Foreignness and the Diffusion of Ideas.” (With David M. Waguespack). *Journal of Engineering and Technology Management*. 22(1-2):31-50.
- 2004** “Stabilizing Party Systems and Excluding Segments of Society? The Effects of Formation Costs on Representation in Latin America.” *Studies in Comparative International Development*. 39(3):3-28.

Refereed chapters:

- 2017** “Ethnic Politics.” (With Agatha Hultquist). In Sandy Maisel. Ed. *Oxford Bibliographies in Political Science*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2013** “Religion, Legislative Coalitions and Terrorism.” (With Nil Seda Şatana and Molly Inman) Reprinted in Mary Beth Altier, Suzanne Martin and Leonard Weinberg, eds. *Violence, Elections and Party Politics*, Routledge (2013).
- 2008** "Party Regulation in Eastern Europe and Latin America: The effect on minority representation and propensity for conflict." In Per Nordlund and Ben Reilly eds. *Political Party Development/Regulation in Conflict Prone Democracies*. United Nations University Press.
- 2004** “Institutionalizing the Party System.” In Henry Carey ed. *Romania since 1989: Politics, Economics and Society*. Lexington books. Lanham

Other:

- 2018** “Understanding insurgent violence in the context of elections.” *Political Violence @ A Glance*. <http://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2018/04/16/understanding-insurgent-violence-in-the-context-of-elections/>
- 2017** “Ethnopolitics and Nationalism” in Peter Burnell; Vicky Randall and Lise Rakner eds *Politics in the Developing World*. New York: Oxford University Press. (With James Scarritt).
- 2017** Review: Michael Stohl, Mark I. Lichbach and Peter Nils Grabosky eds, *States and Peoples in Conflict: Transformations of Conflict Studies*. New York NY. Routledge. *Journal of Peace Research*. Book Notes at www.prio.org/JPR/BookNotes/
- 2016** “Is diversity inherently dangerous?” (With Christian Davenport and Erika Forsberg). The Monkey Cage. https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2016/12/16/is-diversity-inherently-dangerous/?utm_term=.0cdf5659011b
- 2011** The enduring theoretical relevance of Rabushka and Shepsle’s “Politics in Plural Societies”. American Political Science Association. *Comparative Politics Newsletter*. 22(1): 14-16.

- 2010** “Romania 20 years after the transition.” In Lavinia Stan and Lucian Turcescu eds. 1989-2009 Incredibila Aventura a Democratiei Dupa Comunism.” Iasi: Romania. Editura Institutul European.
- 2009** “Party Regulation in Central and Eastern Europe.” *Sfera politicii*. Nr. 138: 13-28.
- 2008** Review: Erin Jennie's "Ethnic Bargaining: The Paradox of Minority Empowerment." *Slavic Review*. 67(3):756-757.
- 2007** Review: Stathis Kalyvas' "The Logic of Violence in Civil War". *Comparative Political Studies*. 40(11): 1395-1398.
- 2006** Review: Steven Wilkinson's “Votes and Violence: Electoral Competition and Ethnic Riots in India.” *Nationalism and Ethnic Politics*. 12(1):112 – 117.
- 2006** “Etnicitate și politică electorală în România.” *Sfera politicii*. Nr. 124 – 125: 46-58.

Work in progress:

Under review:

Articles:

“Ethnic Organizations in the Middle East” (With Agatha Hultquist and Victor Asal).

“Alternatives in Mobilization: Ethnicity, Religion and Conflict.” (With Nil Satana and Katherine Sawyer).

“Gender and Violence in a Virtual World.” (with David Waguespack)

Internal proposals:

Internationalizing the GVPT undergraduate experience: A proposal to make international education a part of every student’s carrier.

External proposals:

“Religion and Strategic Tactical Choice” funding proposal. (With Dan Byman, David Cunningham, Kathleen Cunningham, John McCauley, and Chris Meserole). (Revising for re-submission)

Grants and Awards:

- 2019-2020** “Gender and violence across the world: Indonesia” (with David Waguespack). Folke Bernadotte. 245,438SEK (US\$ ~ 27K)
- 2018** Office of the associate Provost for International Affairs, the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, Department of Government and Politics. Support to implement the first phase of Internationalizing the GVPT undergraduate experience.

- 2018** College of Behavioral and Social Science Deans Research Initiative to establish an “Interdisciplinary Laboratory in Computational Social Science.” (With Ernesto Calvo and David Waguespack.) \$16K.
- 2017-2018** Global Religion Research Initiative Book Leave Award. University of Notre Dame: Alternatives in Outbidding. \$70K
- 2018** Research And Scholarship Award. University of Maryland: Alternatives in Outbidding.
- 2016** Cultural Competence Course Development Award. Diversity General Education Faculty Board. University of Maryland. \$3K.
- 2016** Sabbatical: Consequences of Gender Roles Across Cultures and Within a Person.
- 2015** Advance: Interdisciplinary and Engaged Research Seed Grant. The Causes and Consequences of Gender Roles Across Cultures and Within a Person. \$20K
- 2014** Comparative Political Studies Outstanding Reviewer Award (As one of 2 awards for CPS editorial board members.)
- 2012-2016** “One God For All: Fundamentalism and Radicalization.” (With Nil Satana). \$206,220 National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Response to Terrorism. University of Maryland.
- 2012-2013** Support for graduate fellow for integration of A-MAR, GTD and organizational ethnic data. National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Response to Terrorism. University of Maryland.
- 2008-2010** "The social determinants of terrorist organizations' resilience in Latin America." (With Ramon Pajuelo at CBC, Peru). \$197,649. National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Response to Terrorism. University of Maryland.
- 2007-2010** "Minorities at Risk: Addressing Selection Bias Issues and Group Inclusion Criteria for Ethnopolitical Research." (With Jonathan Wilkenfeld and consultants Ted Gurr, James Fearon, David Laitin, Stephan Saideman, Dawn Brancati.) \$169,774. The National Science Foundation.
- 2007-2008** Postdoctoral Fellowship. Department of Homeland Security Research Opportunity Program at the National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Response to Terrorism. University of Maryland.
- 2008** Elmer Plischke Award, Department of Government and Politics. University of Maryland (Annual award given to the Government and Politics faculty member with the most outstanding research record for the previous academic year).
- 2008** "Simulating the comparative challenges of confronting terrorism domestically." Center For Teaching Excellence, the Office of Undergraduate Studies, and the Department of Government University of Maryland.
- 2006-2007** National Academies Research Council. Department of Homeland Security Resident Research Associateship at the National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Response to Terrorism. University of Maryland.
- 2006** Dr. Nuala McGann Drescher Leave Program. University at Buffalo.
- 2005** Baldy Center, University at Buffalo. Grant for data work for the paper on “Formation Rules in Eastern Europe: The Roma.”
- 2004-2005** Julian Park Fund. University at Buffalo. Grant for manuscript development.
- 2003-2004** Baldy Center, University at Buffalo. Grant for field research in Peru.
- 2003-2004** Baldy Center, University at Buffalo. Grant for research assistance to complete the remaining data work for “Ethnicity and Electoral Politics”.

- 2002-2003** Institute for Research and Education on Women and Gender, University at Buffalo. Grant for research assistance and course development.
- 2002-2003** Baldy Center, University at Buffalo. Grant for research assistance to gather data about minority participation in legislative coalitions. “Ethnicity and Electoral Politics”.
- 2002** Baldy Center, University at Buffalo. Grant for field research in Romania.

Presentations:

- 2018** Invited: “Alternatives in Mobilization.” (with Nil Satana and Katherine Sawyer). Conference on Political Violence and Terrorism. Washington University St. Louis.
- 2018** “Gender norms and behavior” (with David Waguespack) American Political Science Association Annual Conference.
- 2018** Invited: “Alternatives in mobilization: Ethnicity, Religion and Conflict.” (With Satana). Department of Peace and Conflict Research. Uppsala University.
- 2018** Invited: “Power sharing is (half) dead! Long live power sharing.” (With Eric Dunford Steve Saideman and Will Moore (in memoriam). Folke Bernadotte academy Stockholm.
- 2018** Invited: “Alternatives in mobilization”. Workshop on multiculturalism. University of Austin Texas.
- 2018** Alternatives in Mobilization. Annual Conference of the International Studies Association. San Francisco.
- 2018** Invited: “Gendered interpretations of militarized behavior.” Folke Bernadotte Academy. Oslo, Norway.
- 2017** Invited: “Alternatives in Mobilization.” (With Satana). Political Science Department Speaker Series. George Washington University.
- 2017** What do we know about ethnic conflict? Roundtable based on the recent Ethnopolitics edited volume. International Studies Association.
- 2017** The politics of co-option: Ethnopolitical minority organizations and authoritarian elections in the Middle East. (With Agatha Hultquist) International Studies Association.
- 2017** All in the Family? The Impact of Religious Sect vs. Religious Families on Discrimination against Ethnoreligious Minorities. (With Nil Satana) International Studies Association.
- 2016** Invited: POEMPS. Discussant for Dr. Mak: “Institutional Legacies and Ethnic Conflict in Iraq.” Princeton University.
- 2016** Invited. “Measuring Ethnic Identity.” Juan March. Madrid Spain.
- 2016** Invited: Social Scientists Study EVE (with David Waguespack). EVE Fanfest. Reykjavík Iceland. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N8awYDP6W_M (Also on <https://www.twitch.tv/ccp/v/62309292> min 01:17:30).
- 2016** Religion and Peace: Possibilities, Challenges and Prospects Workshop on religion International Studies Association.
- 2016** Invited. “Alternatives in Outbidding: Ethnicity, Religion and Conflict.” Department of Political Science. University of Michigan (with Nil Satana and Katherine Sawyer).
- 2016** Ethno-Religious Minority Groups: Violent or Peaceful? International Studies Association (with Nil Satana and Katherine Sawyer).
- 2016** The online Media Revolution in Political Science. Roundtable Participant. International Studies Association.

- 2016** Invited. Samspil Þjóðernis og Trúar í Átökum (Political Transition Constructed: Ethnicity, Religion and Conflict) (with David Waguespack). Stjórn málafræðideild og Stofnun stjórnsýslufræða og stjórnmála. University of Iceland.
- 2016** Invited. Menning, Kyn og Ofbeldi í Leikjaveröld. (Culture, Gender and Violence in Gaming.) Stjórn málafræðideild og Stofnun stjórnsýslufræða og stjórnmála. University of Iceland.
- 2015** The Causes and Consequences of Gender Roles Across Cultures and Within a Person. (with David Waguespack) Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association.
- 2015** Invited. Patuxent Defense Forum on religion and civil society. Center for the Study of Democracy St. Mary's College of Maryland. Ethno-Religious Groups: Violent or Peaceful? (with Nil Satana)
- 2015** Invited. SMA Technical Lecture Series, Pentagon. Socially Relevant Identity and Ethno-Religious Groups: Violent or Peaceful?
- 2015** Ethno-Religious Groups in Restrictive Religious Markets: Violent or Peaceful? (with Nil Satana). Annual Conference of the Midwestern Political Science Association.
- 2014** Religion and Ethnic-Minority Groups: Does Cultural Proximity Engender Violence? (with Nil Satana). Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association.
- 2014** Presidential Roundtable: Best Practices in the Collection of Conflict Data. International Studies Association Annual Conference.
- 2014** Invited. “Ethno-Religious Minority Groups: Violent or Peaceful?” Workshop on Nonviolence/Violence, Ethnicity, and Religion in Eurasia. Peace Studies Program of the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters. Florida Atlantic University.
- 2014** Invited. “Voting in the Shadow of Violence.” Comparative Politics Workshop. George Washington University.
- 2014** Invited. Workshop on “Data Integration and Political Violence.” National Consortium for The Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism. University of Maryland.
- 2013** Invited “Voting in the Shadow of Violence”. Latin American Studies Center. University of Maryland.
- 2013** “Voting against Violence”. Annual conference of the American Political Science Association.
- 2013** “Ethnic Organizations and Electoral Politics in the Middle East” American Political Science Association (with Agatha Hultquist and Victor Asal)
- 2013** Invited. “Sources and Notes”. Conflict Consortium: Best Practices in Conflict Data Collection. Institute for Social Research. University of Michigan.
- 2013** Invited. “Voting against Violence”. Seminar on Political Conflict. Florida State University.
- 2012** Invited. “Maiming the Movement”. Conference on Ethnic Politics and Electoral Democracy. University of Zurich.
- 2012** Invited. “A-MAR”. Conflict Prevention Workshop. Folke Bernadotte Academy and Penn State University.
- 2012** Invited. “A-MAR”. Workshop on Ethnicity and Conflict. Uppsala University.
- 2012** Militant and Democratic? A Study of Violent Ethno-Political Minority Organizations in the Middle East. (with Agatha Hultquist and Victor Asal.) International Studies Association Annual Conference.

- 2012** “A-MAR and the Effects of Institutions on Ethnic Conflict.” (with Stephen Saideman) International Studies Association Annual Conference.
- 2012** Invited. “Religion and Violence.” Symposium on Religious Freedom and Religious Extremism. Berkeley Center. Georgetown University.
<http://www.c-span.org/Events/Symposium-Examines-Religious-Freedom-Extremism-in-the-Arab-World/10737429108/>
- 2012** Invited. “A-MAR”. Workshop on Ethnicity Datasets. University of California Los Angeles.
- 2012** Invited. “Why we still don’t know “Why Groups Rebel”: Introducing the A-MAR data. International Relations Workshop (with working group). Political Science. Stanford.
- 2011** Invited. Berkeley Center Seminar on Religious Freedom & Extremism. Georgetown University.
- 2011** Invited workshop on Improving Analysis of Political Violence through Collaboration with Human Rights Organizations. Notre Dame, South Bend.
- 2011** “Terrorism and religion.” (With Nil Satana) International Studies Association.
- 2011** Participant. Roundtable on Simulations. International Studies Association.
- 2011** Invited workshop on Conflict Prevention. “E-MAR and Conflict Prevention”. Folke Bernadotte Academy. New York.
- 2010** Invited workshop on Improving Analysis of Political Violence through Collaboration with Human Rights Organizations. Yale University, New Haven.
- 2010** Workshop on Collaborative Partnerships in Peace and Conflict Studies. Co-organizer (With Paul Huth). Center for International Development and Conflict management (CIDCM) University of Maryland, College Park.
- 2010** “Ethnic Mobilization, Parties and Violence.” (With Molly Inman). Invited Working Group on Political Parties and Civil Peace. Centre for the Study of Civil War. Peace Research Institute (PRIO) Oslo, Norway.
- 2010** Data in research about ethnic groups. Roundtable. Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2010** “Extreme violence and electoral politics. The case of Peru.” Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2010** “Fundamentalist Religious Groups and Terrorism. International Studies Association.
- 2009** “Indigenous Political Parties in Peru.” Invited Conference on Indigenous Politics in the Andean Region. Center for Strategic and International Studies. Washington D.C.
- 2009** “Ethnic violence and electoral politics.” Invited workshop on democratization and conflict. Center for Comparative and International Studies at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology and the University of Zurich.
- 2009** Minorities at Risk Organizational Behavior Latin America. “The data collection: The social determinants of terrorist group organizational resilience.” START annual conference.
- 2009** “Terrorism and Electoral Politics.” American Political Science Association.
- 2009** “One god for all: Fundamentalist Religious Groups and Terrorism.” (With Nil Seda Satana). International Studies Association.
- 2009** Invited Roundtable. "Dialogue, Identity and Democratic Development." Club de Madrid. United Nations headquarters. New York.

- 2008** Organized panel: Institutional Constraints on the Policy Process. Paper presented: "Voters and Inequalities Under Conditions of Extra Constitutional Alternatives." American Political Science Association.
- 2008** Invited Working Conference. "The Shared Societies Project". Club de Madrid. London.
- 2008** "Concepts Across Contexts." DC Area Fieldwork Symposium. University of Maryland.
- 2008** "The Turnaround of Terror." Comparative Politics Workshop. Department of Political Science. Yale University.
- 2008** Minorities at Risk: The Selection Bias Project. Department of Political Science. Yale University.
- 2008** "Constituent Groups and Terrorism." Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2008** "Fundamentalist Religious Groups and Terrorism." (With Nil Seda Şatana.) International Studies Association.
- 2008** Minorities at Risk Organizational Behavior Latin America. "Preparing the project: The social determinants of terrorist group organizational resilience." START annual conference.
- 2007** Invited Roundtable. "Dialogue, Identity and Democratic Development." Club de Madrid. Madrid Spain.
- 2007** Organized panel: The paradox of political terrorism: an interdisciplinary approach (with Victor Asal). Paper presented: "Institutional alternatives to terrorism in democracy." American Political Science Association.
- 2007** "Ethnic Electoral Politics and Minorities at Risk Organizational Behavior." Summer Training Program in International Migration and Population Statistics. Department of Homeland Security.
- 2007** "Party Regulation in Eastern Europe and Latin America." Invited conference on Political Party Development in Conflict-Prone Societies. Centre for Democratic Institutions. Australian National University, Canberra.
- 2007** "The turnaround of terror: A game theoretic approach". DC Area Workshop on Contentious Politics. University of Maryland.
- 2007** "Religion and Violence." (With Nil Seda Şatana.) International Studies Association.
- 2006** "The paradox of political terrorism in democracy." Hot Topic Speaker. Department of Homeland Security Scholars and Fellows Orientation Meeting. Washington D.C.
- 2006** "Party Regulation in Eastern Europe and Latin America." Invited conference on Political Party Development in Conflict-Prone Societies. The Clingendael Institute in The Hague.
- 2006** Organized panel: "The Power of Religion." Paper: "Religious Minorities and Violence" (With Nil Seda Şatana.). American Political Science Association.
- 2006** "Where are the Disgruntled Voters? Testing the Voter-Parties Relationship Implication of the Cartel Party Model." American Political Science Association.
- 2006** "Economic Policy and Relevant Ethnic Groups." (With David Waguespack). Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2006** "Economic Policy and Relevant Ethnic Groups." (With David Waguespack). Latin American Studies Association Conference.
- 2005** Invited roundtable. "Recent highlights in the literature on democratization." CENTRA Washington D.C.

- 2005** Organized panel: "Party Formation Barriers and their Effect on Ethnic Party Building and Success in New Democracies." Paper: "Formation Rules in Eastern Europe and Former Soviet Republics: The Roma." American Political Science Association.
- 2004** "The Ethnic Effect" book manuscript workshop organized by the Baldy center. University at Buffalo. Commentators: David Laitin and G. Bingham Powell.
- 2004** "Disunity in Diversity: Party System Fragmentation and Ethnic Heterogeneity in Latin America." (With Donna Lee Van Cott). Latin American Studies Association Conference.
- 2004** "Intellectual Property Policy Stability." (With David Waguespack). Latin American Studies Association Conference.
- 2004** "Testing the Party Model." Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2004** "Legislative Coalitions and Religious Minorities." (With Nil Seda Şatana.) International Studies Association.
- 2003** "Patents and Political Stability", with David M. Waguespack. Latin American Studies Association Conference.
- 2002** "Ethnic Politics and Access." American Political Science Association.
- 2001** "The Ethnic Effect". American Political Science Association.
- 2001** "The Effect of Institutional Exclusion of Ethnic Groups. The case of Peru." Grupo de Análisis para el Desarrollo (GRADE). Lima, Peru.
- 2000** "Structural Sources of Volatility: State Funding and Party Systems in Eastern Europe – The Case of Romania". American Political Science Association.
- 2000** "The Effect of Inclusion on the Stabilization of the Andean Political Party Systems" Latin American Studies Association Conference.
- 1999** "Latent Stability of Electoral Preferences through Institutional Changes: Ecuador and Representation of Indigenous Communities" American Political Science Association.
- 1998** "Explaining Party Consolidation in Central Eastern Europe". Association For the Studies of Nationalities.
- 1998** "Explaining the Consolidation of Party Systems in Eastern Europe". Western Political Science Association.

Other Professional Activities:

Editorial, Executive and Advisory Board Memberships:

- 2016-2018** Executive board IPSA RC-23 Elections, Citizens, and Parties.
- 2014-** Advisory board member. Michael Nicholson Centre for Conflict and Cooperation, University of Essex.
- 2013-2016** Editorial Board Member. Comparative Political Studies.
- 2012-present** Editorial Board Member. Stjórnmal og Stjórnsýsla.
- 2006-present** Advisory Board Member. Minorities at Risk Project.
- 2007-present** Advisory Board. "The Shared Societies Project: Democratic Leadership for Dialogue, Diversity and Social Cohesion." Club de Madrid.

Referee for:

British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Politics, World Politics, Journal of Politics, National Science Foundation, American Political Science Review, Politics and Policy, Comparative Political

Studies, American Journal of Political Science, Cambridge University Press, Journal of Peace Research, European Journal of Political Research, Wadsworth Press, CQ Press, Department of Homeland Security and Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education Scholarship and Fellowship Program, Political Research Quarterly, Party Politics, International Studies Compendium, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation), Rannsóknarsjóður Háskóla Íslands. Routledge, Research and Politics, Journal of Global Security Studies.

Other Professional Service:

- 2017** Comparative hiring committee. Political Science. University of Iceland.
- 2017-2018** Elected Program Chair ENMISA, International Studies Association.
- 2017-2018** Elected Vice Chair ENMISA, International Studies Association.
- 2016** ENMISA Outstanding ISA Paper Award 2016, Chair.
- 2015** Founded the DC-Area Comparative Politics Workshop (with Harris Mylonas). First annual conference held at the University of Maryland spring 2015.
- 2013-2016** Best paper award committee. Comparative Political Studies.
- 2013** J. David Singer Data Innovation Award. Conflict Processes section of the American Political Science Association.
- 2012** Gregory Luebbert Article Award. Comparative Politics section of the American Political Science Association.
- 2009-2010** Section chair: Ethnicity and Nationalism. Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2007-2008** Section chair: Ethnicity and Nationalism. Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2007** Data Set Award Committee of the American Political Science Association Comparative Politics Section.
- 2006** Board Member. Latin American Political Institutions Section. Latin American Studies Association.

Conferences:

- 2017** Chair: Roundtable What do we know about Ethnic Conflict. International Studies Association.
- 2016** Discussant: Conflict Consortium's virtual workshop. Hosted at Arizona State University.
- 2015** Chair: Religious Identity, Ideology, and Political Confrontation. Annual Conference of the Midwestern Political Science Association.
- 2014** Discussant: Conflict Consortium's virtual workshop. Hosted at Florida State University.
- 2012** Chair: Roundtable MAR in the 21st Century: The Future of Empirical Analysis of Ethnic Politics. International Studies Association.
- 2011** Chair: Roundtable on Simulations. International Studies Association.
- 2010** Chair: Religion, Ethnicity and Electoral Politics. International Studies Association.
- 2008** Chair and Discussant: Governance in Latin America. American Political Science Association.
- 2008** Chair and Discussant: Influence, Inequality and the Design of Violent Opposition. American Political Science Association.
- 2008** Chair and Discussant. Politics of Immigrants and Migration. Midwest Political Science Association.

- 2008** Chair and Discussant. Sociology of the International Relations Discipline. International Studies Association.
- 2007** Discussant. Religion, Human Rights, and Justice. American Political Science Association.
- 2007** Chair. Low Level Ethnic Conflict. International Studies Association.
- 2006** Discussant. Ethnicity and Institutions. Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2006** Chair. Actors and Processes in Economic Policy Making. Latin American Studies Association.
- 2005** Discussant. Mobilizing Conflict or Cooperation: The Impact of Political Competition Upon Ethnic Conflict. American Political Science Association.
- 2005** Chair. Mobilizing Conflict or Cooperation: The Impact of Political Competition Upon Ethnic Conflict. American Political Science Association.
- 2004** Discussant. The Effects of Micro-Nationalist Movements on Electoral Institutions and Party Strategies. Midwest Political Science Association.
- 2003** Discussant. Ethnic Parties and Voters in Comparative Perspective. American Political Science Association.
- 2002** Chair. The Romanian Studies Association Panel. American Political Science Association.
- 1999** Discussant. Roundtable on Economic and Political Developments in Romania since 1996. American Political Science Association.

Public:

- 2016** START annual conference “A-Religion” brief. Washington D.C.
- 2011** Short course for government employees: International Terrorism: The Arab World and Beyond. Organized by L-3 Stratis.
- 2009** START briefing for DHS S&T's International Programs office, MAROB Latin America
- 2008** Reviewer Department of Homeland Security Fellowship and Scholarship Program.
- 2007** "Minorities at Risk Organizational Behavior." Department of Homeland Security. Briefings for the Chief of staff to the undersecretary for science and technology, and the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (OIA).
- 2003** University and the World Lecture Series. University at Buffalo. The "Ethnic Effect": Ethnic Politics in New Democracies

University of Maryland:

University Service

- 2016-2017** University Honor's Council
- 2013-2015** Education Abroad Advisory Committee
- 2013-2015** Education Abroad proposal Review Committee
- 2014** Search Committee for the Vice President and Chief Information Officer

College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

- 2014** Dean's Representative Sociology Dissertation (S. Albrecht).

2014 BSOS commencement. GVPT representative.
2013 Latin American Studies Center Review Committee.
2012 BSOS commencement. GVPT representative.
2011 Faculty housing study focus group
2010-2013 Adviser BSOS Undergraduate Research Opportunities (Students: A. Kaufman; J. Parker; T. Wentz; M. de los Angeles Kaufmann; C. Paul; S. Kojoyan; S. Kerby; A. Axthelm; S. Likier; R. Plechnin; D. Thompson; C. Knowlton; R. Kenigsberg.)
2010 Dean's Representative Journalism Dissertation (H. Epkins).
2009 BSOS commencement. GVPT representative.
2008 BSOS commencement. GVPT representative.

Department of Government and Politics.

2017 Department of Government APT committee
2016 Department of Government APT committee
2015 Merit Committee, Chair
2014-2015 Graduate Recruitment Committee
2014 Methods Subcommittee to Evaluating Graduate Offering of Research Methods (700)
2014 Endowed Professorship Selection Committee
2014 Department of Government APT committee
2013-2014 Graduate Recruitment Committee
2012-2013 Graduate Recruitment Committee
2011-2012 Executive committee
2011-2012 Comparative Field Coordinator
2011-2012 Comparative Workshop Coordinator
2011-2012 Undergraduate Studies Committee
2011 Comparative Hiring Committee
2010-2011 Merit Pay Committee
2010-2011 Executive committee
2010-2011 Comparative Field Coordinator
2010-2011 Comparative Workshop Coordinator
2010-2011 Undergraduate Studies Committee
2010 Department of Government APT committee
2009-2010 Comparative Hiring Committee
2009-2010 Graduate Recruitment Committee
2009-2010 Executive committee
2009-2010 Comparative Workshop Coordinator
2009-2010 Comparative Field Coordinator
2008-2009 Graduate Recruitment Committee
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2008-2009 Comparative Workshop Coordinator
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2012 Global Studies Minor Admissions Committee
2011 Assistant Director Hiring Committee
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National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism.

2010 START Graduate Fellowship Committee
2009 START Graduate Fellowship Committee
2008 START Dissertation Award Committee
2007 Department of Homeland Security and National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START) faculty mentor

Teaching and advising:

Chair 8 dissertation committees (N. Şatana Co-chair with Frank Zagare; C. Loyle Co-chair with Christian Davenport, M. Inman A. Hultquist, A. Fruge, A. Patch, E. Dunford, A. Ozkan, H. Augustsson)
 Member of 15 dissertation committees Political Science (R. Davtian, B.Chou, A. Hasan, S. Jurek, Z. Liu, A. Bugday, B. Zic, M. Schneider, A. Berland, C. Johnson, S. Macek, D. Armstrong; M. Lebson;, J. Torrealday, A. Gomez, T. Billing).
 Chair 2 Undergraduate Honors Thesis. (M. Meek; T. Wentz)
 Member of 3 Undergraduate Honors Theses Committees (S. Azmi, F. Haqqi, E. Morrissey)
 Mentorship committee (2 junior faculty)
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Courses:

GVPT301 Identity and Conflict. (Gen ed course.)
 GVPT888T Political Violence
 GVPT831 Formal theory
 GVPT100 Research Methods (Scholarship in Practice Gen ed. Course)
 BSOS330 Terrorist Motivations and Behaviors
 BSST330 Terrorist Motivations
 BSST332 The Practice of Terrorism Studies
 GVPT888E Political Violence
 GVPT459D Terrorism as a political strategy
 GVPT888D Terrorism.
 GVPT309N Study of Conflict in Scandinavia

Field Work:

2015 and 2016 Iceland (CCP)
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Summer 2009 Peru
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