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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2019-present *University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA*. Postdoctoral Fellow, Perry World House.

EDUCATION

2013-present *Yale University, New Haven, CT*. PhD Candidate, Political Science (Expected May 2020).

Dissertation Project: *Money or Blood? Why States Allow Illicit Economies*

Advisors: Frances Rosenbluth - Yale; Margaret Peters - UCLA; Susan Hyde - UC Berkeley

Field Certifications: International Relations, Comparative Politics, Quantitative Methods

MPhil & MA, 2015.

2006-10 *University of Georgia, Athens, GA*.

MPA, 2010.

AB, summa cum laude, with highest honors, International Affairs, 2010.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed journal articles

Peter M. Aronow, Jonathon Baron, and Lauren E. Pinson. "A Cautionary Note on Dropping Experimental Subjects who Fail a Manipulation Check." *Political Analysis* First View (2019).

Peter M. Aronow, Dean Karlan, and Lauren E. Pinson. "The Effect of Images of Michelle Obama's Face on Trick-or-Treaters' Dietary Choices: A Randomized Control Trial." *PLOS ONE* 13(1) (2018), e0189693.

Peter M. Aronow, Molly Offer-Westort, Lauren E. Pinson, and Ana Perez-Gea. "Information and Access to United Nations Diplomatic Missions." *Applied Economic Letters* 24(9) (2016), pp. 594-597.

Gary A. Ackerman and Lauren E. Pinson. "Speaking Truth to Sources: Introducing a Method for the Quantitative Evaluation of Open Sources in Event Data." *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism*, 39(7-8) (2016), pp. 617-640.

Gary A. Ackerman and Lauren E. Pinson. "An Army of One: Assessing CBRN Pursuit and Use by Lone Wolves and Autonomous Cells." *Terrorism and Political Violence*, 26(1) (2014), pp. 226-245.

Peer-reviewed book chapters

Ronald Breiger and Lauren E. Pinson. "A New Approach for Identification of Multiple Threat Scenarios to Counter CBRN Networks." In *Illuminating Dark Networks: The Study of Clandestine Groups and Organizations*, ed. Luke Gerdes. Cambridge University Press, 2015.

Selected policy papers

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, “Making a case for evidence-based action to counter the illicit trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition.” (In progress). Solicited issue paper prepared for UNODC’s Global Firearms Programme.

WORKING PROJECTS

“Bullets Over Borders: Why States Allow Illicit Trafficking.”

“Bullet-Proof Beliefs: How Exposure to U.S. Gun Violence Influences Perspectives on Gun Control.”

“Microfoundations of Perceptions of Border Security.” With Beth Simmons.

“Busting Smuggling Assumptions: An Empirical Analysis of the Overlap between Drug Trafficking and Small Arms Trafficking.” With Nicholas Marsh.

“Introducing the Illicit Small Arms Seizures Dataset.” With Nicholas Marsh.

“From Policy to Practice: Considering the Role of Gender in Combating Illicit Small Arms Trafficking.”

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

External

2019-20 Perry World House Postdoctoral Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania
2014-19 National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship
2018-19 P.E.O. Scholar Award
2019 ISA Annual Convention Travel Grant
2018 APSA Annual Meeting Travel Grant
2018 NSF Graduate Research Opportunities Worldwide - Mexico
2016-17 NSF Graduate Research Opportunities Worldwide - Norway
funds from NSF and Research Council of Norway (Norges forskningsråd)
2016-17 Peace Research Institute of Oslo, internal grant

Under Review

Consortium member, Terrorism Prevention and Counterterrorism Research (TPCR) Center of Excellence, Georgetown University, Co-PI with James Walsh, “Violence and Migration in Mexico.” \$200,000.

Project grant, Co-PI with Nicholas Marsh, “Preventing Violent Extremists from Obtaining Arms.” 4.5 million NOK.

Yale University

2013-19 Yale University Graduate Fellowship
2019 MacMillan International Dissertation Research Fellowship
2018-19 Institution for Social and Policy Studies Graduate Policy Fellow
2017-18 University Dissertation Fellowship
2017-18 Frank M. Patterson Fellow
2017 MacMillan-Geneva Exchange Fellowship

University of Georgia

2006-10 Bernard Ramsey Honors Scholar
2006-10 UGA Honors Program
2006-10 HOPE Scholar
2009 Carl Vinson Institute Fellow
2005-09 Watson-Brown Merit Scholar
2008 Security Leadership Fellow, Center for International Trade and Security
2006 National Merit Scholar

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019 Consultant, *United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime, Global Firearms Programme*, Austria
2019 International consultants roster on combating illicit trafficking in SALW, including gender mainstreaming aspects, *Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe*, Austria
2016-17 Visiting Researcher, *Peace Research Institute of Oslo*, Norway
2017 Junior Visiting Fellow, *Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies*, Switzerland
2010-13 Senior Researcher/Project Manager, *National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START) at the University of Maryland*, USA

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

International Borders in a Globalizing World, 2019, 2020 (scheduled), Philadelphia, PA
Perry World House Wednesday Seminar, 2019, Philadelphia, PA
State of Grace, SUNY at Albany, 2019, Albany, NY
Yale International Relations Workshop, 2017, 2018, 2019, New Haven, CT
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2017*, 2018*, 2019*
Yale IR-CP-PE Student Workshop, 2019, New Haven, CT
International Studies Association Annual Conference, 2012*, 2013, 2014*, 2015, 2019†
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime-Migration Policy Centre,
International Academic Conference on Organized Crime and Gender, 2018, Florence, Italy
Midwest Political Science Association, 2018, Chicago, IL
International Political Economy Society Annual Meeting, 2017, Austin, TX
European Consortium for Political Research General Conference, 2017*, Oslo, Norway
PRIO Brown Bag, 2016, 2017, Oslo, Norway
Harvard-MIT-Yale Political Violence Conference, 2016, Boston, MA
Yale Summer American Politics and Public Policy Workshop, 2015, New Haven, CT
Yale Political Science 2nd Year Conference, 2015, New Haven, CT
ISSS/ISAC Annual Conference, 2012, Chapel Hill, NC
*organized panel(s), † organized roundtable

PRACTITIONER PRESENTATIONS

Brainstorming Workshop on Research Methodologies to Profile Small Arms Ammunition,
2019, Lima, Peru
Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe, Forum for Security Co-operation,
2017, Vienna, Austria
CBRN Symposium, 2013, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
Understanding the Psychological/Behavioral Effects of Advanced Weaponry Summit,
2012, Fort Sam Houston, TX
Lone Wolf and Autonomous Cell Terrorism Conference, 2012, Uppsala, Sweden
Defense Threat Reduction Agency Annual Review (poster session) 2011, 2012, 2013

TEACHING & RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Teaching assistant

- Spring 2016 GLBL 256/PLSC 156: International Organizations, Susan Hyde
Fall 2015 GLBL 247/PLSC 128: Development Under Fire, Jason Lyall

Guest lectures

- 2016 Two threats to impact evaluations: Spillover and attrition
2015 Illicit cross-border flows and global governance
2011, 2012 Terrorism in North America

Research assistant

Margaret Peters - UCLA (2014-16); Susan Hyde - UC Berkeley (2014-15); Jason Lyall - Dartmouth (2014-15); Peter Aronow - Yale (2014-15); Patricia Sullivan - UNC Chapel Hill (2007-10)

FIELDWORK

Mexico City (March-July 2018); Jamaica and Grenada (January 2019); Bosnia and Herzegovina (March 2019); Solomon Islands (June 2019)

EXTERNAL COURSES

- 2020 Sié Center, Denver, CO: Responsible Public Engagement Institute (scheduled)
2018 Teaching About Political Violence Using Simulations and Games (APSA short course)
2018 Bridging the Gap, Washington, D.C.: New Era Workshop (3-day workshop)
2017 Research School on Peace and Conflict, Oslo, Norway: Qualitative Methods and the Study of Civil War (4-day course)
2016 Research School on Peace and Conflict, Oslo, Norway: Gender, Peace, and Security (3-day course)
2016 New York University, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates: Winter Experimental Social Sciences Institute (2-week course on experimental methods)
2010-11 University of Maryland, College Park, MD: START Certificate in Terrorism Analysis (4 courses)
2009 Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, NY: Nuclear Nonproliferation, Safeguards, and Security in the 21st Century (90-hour course)
2010-11 Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina Maymester Study Abroad (two month-long courses on national identity and ethnic conflict)

SERVICE

- 2019 Discussant for Political Violence and Its Legacies Workshop
2015-2018 Order, Violence, and Conflict - Student Affiliate
2015-16 Graduate and Professional Students Senate - Social Sciences Senator
2015-16 Co-Coordinator of Graduate Student International Relations Workshop
2015-16 Discussant for Order of Conflict and Violence Workshop x3
Spring 2015 Doctoral Student Co-Coordinator for Reconsidering Regime Type in International Relations Conference

REFERENCES

References available from Frances Rosenbluth (Yale), Margaret Peters (UCLA), Susan Hyde (Berkeley), Beth Simmons (UPenn), and Nic Marsh (PRIO) upon request.