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EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT

Duke University

Douglas and Ellen Lowey Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science 2022-present
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science 2021-2022
Assistant Research Professor, Department of Political Science 2020-2021

Stanford University

Ph.D. in Political Science (defense: April 2021) 2015-2021
Dissertation Committee: Kenneth Schultz (Chair), Michael Tomz, Jeremy Weinstein, Jonathan Rodden

- Winner of the 2022 Merze Tate Dissertation Award (formerly Helen Dwight Reid Award) from the American Political Science Association for best dissertation in international relations, law, and politics.
- Winner of the 2022 John McCain Dissertation Award from the Munich Security Conference for best dissertation in political science, history, or public policy with an emphasis on transatlantic relations.

University of Oxford

Rhodes Scholar 2013-2015
M.Phil. in International Relations with Distinction

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Morehead-Cain Scholar 2009-2013
B.A. in Political Science and Global Studies with Highest Honors & Highest Distinction

BOOK PROJECT

Partisan Polarization and International Politics (under review)

ACADEMIC ARTICLES

12. Myrick, Rachel and Chen Wang. 2024. "Domestic Polarization and International Rivalry: How Adversaries Respond to America's Partisan Politics." *Journal of Politics* 86(1): 141-157. ([link](#))
 11. Revkin, Mara, Ala' Alrababa'h, and Rachel Myrick. 2024. "Evidence-Based Transitional Justice: Incorporating Public Opinion into the Field, with New Data from Iraq and Ukraine." *Yale Law Journal*, Volume 133.
 10. Myrick, Rachel. 2024. "Public Reactions to Secrecy in International Negotiations." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 68(4): 703-729. ([link](#))
 9. Myrick, Rachel. 2023. "Searching For Progressive Foreign Policy in Theory and in Practice." *Security Studies* 32(2): 389-395. ([link](#))
 8. Myrick, Rachel. 2022. "The Reputational Consequences of Polarization for American Foreign Policy." *International Politics* 59: 1004-1027. Special issue on "Polarization and US Foreign Policy." ([link](#))
- Scheduled to be reprinted in *The Polarization of U.S. Foreign Policy: When Politics Crosses the Water's Edge*. Ed. by Jordan Tama and Gordon Friedrichs. Palgrave MacMillan, 2024.

7. Myrick, Rachel and Jeremy Weinstein. 2022. "Making Sense of Human Rights Diplomacy: Evidence from a US Campaign to Free Political Prisoners." *International Organization* 76(2): 379-413. ([link](#))
6. Jee, Haemin, Hans Lueders, and Rachel Myrick. 2022. "Towards a Unified Approach to Research on Democratic Backsliding." *Democratization* 29(4): 754-767. ([link](#))
5. Myrick, Rachel. 2021. "Do External Threats Unite or Divide? Security Crises, Rivalries, and Polarization in American Foreign Policy." *International Organization* 75(4): 921-958. ([link](#))
 - Winner of the Robert O. Keohane Award from *International Organization*.
 - Winner of the Stuart Bremer Award from the Peace Science Society.
 - Winner of the Best Graduate Student Paper Award in the American Political Science Association, Foreign Policy Section.
 - Honorable mention for the Patricia Weitsman Award from the International Studies Association, International Security Studies Section.
4. Myrick, Rachel. 2021. "Reflections for Using Annotation for Transparent Inquiry (ATI) in Mixed-Methods Research." *PS: Political Science & Politics* 54(3): 492-495. ([link](#))
3. Myrick, Rachel. 2020. "Why So Secretive? Unpacking Public Attitudes Towards Secrecy and Success in US Foreign Policy." *Journal of Politics* 82(3): 828-843. ([link](#))
 - Winner of the Alexander George Award from the International Studies Association, Foreign Policy Analysis Section.
 - Runner-up for the American in the World Consortium (AWC) Best Research Article Award.
2. Alrababa'h, Ala', Rachel Myrick, and Isaac Webb. 2020. "Do Donor Motives Matter? Investigating Perceptions of Foreign Aid in the Donbas." *International Studies Quarterly* 64(3): 748-757. ([link](#))
1. Reid, Lindsay, Rachel Myrick, Kelly Kadera, and Mark Crescenzi. 2020. "Conflict Environments and Civil War." *The Journal of Global Security Studies* 6(2). ([link](#))

WORKING PAPERS & PROJECTS

"Today Ukraine, Tomorrow Taiwan? Assessing Transferability of US Reputation for Resolve Across International Crises" (with Chen Wang).

"Where's the Party in Foreign Policy?" (with William Marble and Carl Gustafson).

"Toward the Extremes: The Impact of Domestic Polarization on International Cooperation."

"To Pardon or To Prosecute? Attitudes towards Post-Conflict Justice in Eastern Ukraine" (with Ala' Alrababa'h).

- Runner-up for the 2018 Kenneth E. Boulding Award from the International Studies Association, Peace Studies Section.

"Permission to Secede? The Impact of Foreign Powers on Separatist Movements" (with Stephanie Wright and Ala' Alrababa'h)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

"Countering Partisanship and Threat Inflation in US-China Policy" (with Catherine Eng and Zoe Weinberg). 2022. *On the Rise: Perspectives on Foreign Policy*. Aspen Strategy Group. ([link](#))

"America is Back—But for How Long?" June 14, 2021. *Foreign Affairs*. ([link](#))

- Featured on the *Foreign Affairs* “Best of 2021” Reading List

“Democrats and Republicans seem to agree on one foreign policy point: Getting tough on China. But research suggests that US concerns about a rising China won’t bring Democrats and Republicans closer together.”

June 4, 2021. *Monkey Cage Blog at The Washington Post*. ([link](#))

SELECTED HONORS & FELLOWSHIPS

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| Douglas and Ellen Lowey Assistant Professorship, Duke University | 2022-present |
| Aspen Strategy Group Rising Leader Program | 2021-2022 |
| George P. Shultz Graduate Student Fellow in Economic Policy, Stanford University | 2019-2020 |
| Ric Weiland Graduate Fellow in the Humanities & Sciences, Stanford University | 2018-2020 |
| Junior Scholar, Carnegie International Policy Scholar Consortium and Network | 2017-2019 |
| Graduate Fellow, Stanford Center for International Conflict & Negotiation (SCICN) | 2017-2018 |
| Sakurako & William Fisher Family Graduate Fellow, Stanford University | 2015-2018 |
| Rhodes Scholarship, University of Oxford | 2013-2015 |
| Morehead-Cain Scholarship, UNC Chapel Hill | 2009-2013 |

RESEARCH AWARDS

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| Merze Tate Award, American Political Science Association | 2022 |
| Robert O. Keohane Award, International Organization | 2022 |
| John McCain Dissertation Award, Munich Security Conference | 2022 |
| Best Graduate Paper in Foreign Policy, American Political Science Association | 2021 |
| Patricia Weitsman Award (honorable mention), International Studies Association | 2021 |
| Best Research Article Award (runner-up), America in the World Consortium (AWC) | 2020 |
| Stuart Bremer Award, Peace Science Society | 2019 |
| Kenneth E. Boulding Award (runner-up), International Studies Association | 2018 |
| Alexander George Award, International Studies Association | 2018 |
| L. Richardson Preyer Award for Excellence in Political Science, UNC Chapel Hill | 2013 |

GRANTS

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|---|-----------|
| <i>Social Science Research Institute Grant</i> , Duke University (\$18,000) | 2023-2024 |
| <i>Global Course Enhancement Grant</i> , Duke University (\$4,500) | 2022-2023 |
| <i>Josiah Charles Trent Memorial Endowment Fund</i> , Duke University (\$2,500) | 2022 |
| <i>America in the World Consortium Research Grant</i> , joint with Chen Wang (\$15,000) | 2022 |
| <i>Shultz Graduate Student Fellowship</i> , Stanford University (\$6,600) | 2019 |
| <i>Goldsmith Research Grant</i> , Stanford University, (\$2,500) | 2019 |
| <i>Europe Center Graduate Student Grant</i> , Stanford University (\$3,000) | 2018 |

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| <i>Freeman Spogli Institute Grant, Stanford University (\$500)</i> | 2018 |
| <i>Graduate Research Opportunity Grant, Stanford University (\$5,000)</i> | 2018 |
| <i>Diversity Innovation Fund, Stanford University (\$6,000)</i> | 2018-2020 |
| <i>Institute for Research in the Social Sciences (IRiSS) Grant, Stanford University (\$1,000)</i> | 2018 |
| <i>Europe Center Student Grant, joint with Ala' Alrababa'h, Stanford University (\$2,890)</i> | 2017 |
| <i>Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research Grant, joint with Ala' Alrababa'h (\$15,300)</i> | 2016 |
| <i>Cyril Foster Award, University of Oxford (£745)</i> | 2015 |

RESEARCH TALKS

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| University of Minnesota, International Relations Colloquium | November 2023 |
| University of Virginia, Seminar on Global Politics | October 2023 |
| Dartmouth College, International Relations Seminar Series | May 2023 |
| Vanderbilt University, Conflict Workshop | April 2023 |
| Northwestern University, Workshop on International Politics | March 2023 |
| University of Chicago, International Relations Speaker Series | March 2023 |
| Duke University, Security, Peace, & Conflict Workshop | March 2023 |
| George Washington University, International Relations Workshop | November 2022 |
| Texas A&M, Political Economy, Political Violence, and Policy Series | April 2022 |
| UNC Chapel Hill, Triangle Institute for Security Studies Workshop | April 2022 |
| University of Georgia, Global Decisions Speaker Series | March 2022 |
| Cornell University, Politics Workshop | February 2022 |
| George Washington University, Security Policy Workshop | January 2022 |
| Georgetown University, International Relations Workshop | November 2021 |
| Emory University, International Relations Seminar | February 2021 |
| Yale University, MacMillan International Relations Seminar Series | February 2021 |
| University of Wisconsin at Madison, International Relations Colloquium | October 2020 |

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

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|---|----------------|
| Peace Science Society Annual Meeting (St. Louis, MO) | November 2023 |
| Workshop on Threats and Promises in International Politics (Brown University) | October 2023 |
| America in the World Consortium Policy Conference (Middleburg, VA) | April 2023 |
| Peace Science Society Annual Meeting (Denver, CO) | November 2022 |
| American Political Science Association Conference (Montreal, Canada) | September 2022 |
| International Studies Association Annual Conference (Nashville, TN) | April 2022 |
| Aspen Security Forum (Washington, D.C.) | November 2021 |

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| Carnegie International Policy Scholars Workshop (Syracuse University) | Summer 2018, 2021-2023 |
| Aspen Rising Leaders Program Workshop (Washington, D.C.) | August 2021 |
| America in the World Consortium Policy Conference (Greenbriar, WV) | June 2021 |
| Workshop on Domestic Polarization and US Foreign Policy (Heidelberg University) | November 2020 (virtual) |
| Southern Workshop in Empirical Political Science (co-organizer, Duke University) | October 2020 (virtual) |
| American Political Science Association Conference (San Francisco, CA) | September 2020 (virtual) |
| America in the World Consortium Policy Conference (Greenbriar, WV) | June 2020 (virtual) |
| International Studies Association Annual Conference (Honolulu, HI) | March 2020 (canceled) |
| Peace Science Society Annual Meeting (Manhattan, Kansas) | November 2019 |
| American Political Science Association Conference (Washington, D.C.) | August 2019 |
| International Studies Association Annual Conference (Toronto, CA) | March 2019 |
| International Relations Workshop (Stanford University) | February 2019 |
| International Policy Scholars Consortium & Network Workshop (Washington, D.C.) | December 2017, 2018 |
| Annotation for Transparent Inquiry Challenge Workshop (New York, NY) | December 2018 |
| Peace Science Society Annual Meeting (Austin, TX) | November 2018 |
| Journeys in World Politics (University of Iowa) | October 2018 |
| International Studies Association Annual Conference (San Francisco, CA) | March 2018 |
| American Political Science Association Annual Conference (San Francisco, CA) | September 2017 |

TEACHING

Duke University

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|---|------------------------|
| Instructor, <i>POLSCI 763 / POLSCI 590S-3: Foundational Scholarship in IR</i> | Fall 2023 |
| Instructor, <i>POLSCI 362 / PUBPOL 319: International Security</i> | Fall 2021, Spring 2023 |
| Instructor, <i>POLSCI 668S: Theory and Practice of International Security</i> | Fall 2021, Spring 2023 |

Stanford University

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| Teaching Assistant, <i>The Science of Politics</i> | Winter 2017, 2018, 2019 |
| Teaching Assistant, <i>Introduction to International Relations</i> | Fall 2016, Summer 2017, Spring 2018 |
| Teaching Assistant, <i>International Negotiation</i> | Summer 2017, 2018 |

University of Oxford

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| Instructor, <i>Politics and Economics</i> , Oxbridge Academic Programs | Summer 2015 |
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PEER REVIEWER

American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Foreign Policy Analysis, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, International Organization, International Studies Perspectives, International Studies Quarterly, International Studies Review, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Politics, National Science Foundation, Political Behavior, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Review of International Organizations, World Politics

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

America in the World Consortium, American Political Science Association, Carnegie International Policy Scholar Consortium and Network, Duke Program in American Grand Strategy, International Studies Association, Peace Science Society International, Triangle Institute of Security Studies

UNIVERSITY & DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

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| Committee Member, Comparative Ethnic Politics Junior Faculty Search | 2023-2024 |
| Committee Member, Behavior & Identities Junior Faculty Search | 2022-2023 |
| Organizer, Security, Peace, and Conflict Lab, Duke University | 2021-2023 |
| Organizer, Political Science General Speaker Series, Duke University | 2021-2022 |
| Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee in Political Science, Duke University | 2021-2022 |
| Central Selection Committee, Morehead-Cain Scholarship, UNC Chapel Hill | 2020-2021 |
| Co-President, Political Science Graduate Student Association, Stanford University | 2018-2019 |
| Co-Chair, Female Academics in Foreign Policy (FAFP), Stanford University | 2018-2021 |
| Teaching Mentor, Mentors in Teaching (MiNT) Program, Stanford University | 2018-2020 |
| Selection Committee, Rhodes-Marshall Scholarship, Stanford University | 2017-2019 |
| Semifinalist Selection Committee, Morehead-Cain Scholarship, UNC Chapel Hill | 2017-2021 |
| Graduate Mentor, Stanford Summer Undergraduate Research College | 2016-2017 |
| Co-Chair, Graduate Joint Consultative Committee, University of Oxford | 2014-2015 |