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## Education

**PhD, Political Science and IR** | University of Delaware (UD) Expected  
05/2024 Fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics Newark,  
DE

**MA, International Affairs** | Geneva Graduate Institute  
2014  
Fields: Global Integration, Conflict & Peacebuilding Geneva,  
Switzerland

**BA, International Relations and French** | College of Wooster  
2012  
Study abroad in Paris, France (Fall 2010) Wooster,  
OH Washington Summer Semester: Foreign Policy (2011)

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## Research & Teaching Interests

International relations and comparative politics of East Asia, Chinese foreign policy, small states, peace and conflict, regionalism, developing nations, and research methods

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## Dissertation

“Managing Cambodia’s Relations and Territorial Conflict in Mainland Southeast Asia”

- Committee: Dr. Alice Ba (chair), Dr. Matthew Weinert, Dr. Kara Ellerby
  - 13 months of fieldwork in Cambodia (8/2021-9/2022)
  - 2 field trips to Thailand (7/2022 & 9/2022) and 1 to Vietnam (8/2022)
  - Conducted 50 in-depth interviews with current and former government officials and foreign policy experts
  - Created an original dataset of bilateral meetings (1993-2023)
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**Awards,  
Grants &  
Fellowships**

**EXTERNAL**

Travel Award | American Political Science Association  
2023

GRADNAS Methods Travel Award | Australia National University  
2023

Fulbright Research Award | Cambodia (\$10,500)  
2021-2022

Dissertation Research Fellowship | Center for Khmer Studies (\$15,250)  
2021-2022

Tuition Award | Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute  
2020

**UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE**

Summer Doctoral Fellowship | Graduate College (\$7,444)  
2023

Field Research Travel Award | Graduate College (\$1,500)  
2022

Doctoral Fellowship | Graduate College (\$28,000)  
2020-2021

IQMR Scholarship | Dept. of Political Science & IR  
2021

Teaching Assistant Fellowship | Dept. of Political Science & IR  
2017-2020

Professional Development Award | Graduate College  
2019

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**Current  
Projects &  
Publications**

**WORKING PAPERS**

- “Facing Neighbors: Territorial Conflict Irresolution as Relational Management”
- “Bringing Nuances Back: The Limits of Political Dichotomy in Fieldwork Abroad,” with Xinhui Jiang
- “The Double-Edged Sword of Neoliberal Reforms in Cambodia”

**WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

- “Learning through Fiasco: Cambodia’s Cultivation of Chair Powers in ASEAN,” with Alice Ba
- “The Role of ASEAN in Sub-Regionalism in the Mekong,” with Alice Ba

**WEB-BASED PUBLICATIONS**

- “Navigating the Uncertainty of In-Person Fieldwork in a Pandemic.”  
London  
School of Economics, Field Research Methods Lab Blog,  
2023.
- “Book Review: Rivers of Iron and Chinese Power in Southeast Asia.”  
London  
School of Economics, Southeast Asia Blog, 2022.

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**Conference  
&  
Workshop  
Presentations**

“Facing Neighbors: Territorial Conflict Irresolution as Relational Management.”  
*American Political Science Association*, Los Angeles, CA, forthcoming 2023.

“Bringing Nuances Back: Teaching Fieldwork as an Immersive Experience.” with  
Xinhui Jiang, *American Political Science Association*, Los Angeles, CA, forthcoming 2023.

“Conflict Management in Mainland Southeast Asia: The Case of Cambodia’s  
Foreign Policy with its Larger Neighbors.” *International Studies Association Northeast*,  
Baltimore, MD, 2022.

“The Double-Edged Sword of Neoliberal Reforms in Cambodia.” *Cornell Southeast  
Asia  
Program’s 23<sup>rd</sup> Graduate Student Conference* (virtual), 2021.

“Confronting Encircling Dragons: Asymmetry in Cambodia’s Foreign Policy.”  
*Conference of the Canadian Council for Southeast Asian Studies*, Montreal, Canada, 2019.

“Recent Developments in the Sino-Vietnamese Conflict in the South China  
Sea.”  
*Workshop on Recent Developments in the South China Sea*, Vietnam National University,  
2016.

“China’s Hidden Interventionist Agenda in the South China Sea: Natural Resources,  
Power Projection and Regional Rivalry.” *International Studies Association*, New Orleans,  
LA, 2015.

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**Teaching  
Experience**

**URSINUS COLLEGE** | Collegeville, PA

Fall 2023

**Lecturer** | Dept. of Politics and IR

*International Relations of East Asia*

**FUTURE FORUM ASIA** | Phnom Penh, Cambodia  
2022

**Trainer** | Young Researchers Program (YRP)

*Intro to Mixed Methods* (3 hours; 2 semesters)

*Intro to Quantitative Methods* (3 hours; 2 semesters)



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**UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE** | Newark, DE  
2017-2021

**Graduate Instructor** | Dept. of Political Science & IR

*Intro to Global Politics* (weekly discussion sections; 1 semester)

*Research Methods for Political Science* (weekly lab sessions; 2 semesters)

**Graduate Instructor** | Delaware Governor's School for Excellence

*Intro to International Relations and the Global Political Economy* (1 day)

*Political Economy and Presidential Campaign Simulation* (1 day)

**Teaching Assistant** | Dept. of Political Science & IR

*China and the World* (writing-intensive; 2 semesters)

*Politics of Developing Nations* (1 semester)

**UNIVERSITY OF ST. GALLEN** | Geneva, Switzerland  
2013-2016

**Teaching Assistant** to Dr. Heiner Haenggi

*Asia Pacific Security* (week-long intensive class; 3 semesters)

*Security Sector Governance* (week-long intensive class; 3 semesters) *Security Sector Reform* (week-long intensive class; 1 semester)

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**Guest Lectures**

“Navigating Fieldwork: Lessons from a Year in Cambodia.” *Current Research in Society and Politics*, University of Delaware, 2023.

“Decolonization.” *The New Asia? The US, China and a Changing East Asia*, University of Delaware, 2023.

“Localized Politics and Cambodian Foreign Policy in Southeast Asia.” *Southeast Asia and the World*, University of Delaware (virtual), 2021.

“The Double-Edged Sword of Neoliberal Reforms in Cambodia.” *East Asian Development*, University of Delaware (virtual), 2020.

“The South China Sea Conflict.” *Asia-Pacific Security*, University of St. Gallen, 2015.

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**Teaching Development**

Virtual Summer Institute on Teaching | University of Delaware

2021

UNIV600 Syllabus Design Course | University of Delaware

Spring

2020

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**Research & Professional Experience**

**UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE** | Newark, DE 9/2022-Present

**Program Manager for Public Diplomacy** | Dept. of Political Science & IR

- Administering three Department of State foreign exchange grants (SUSI Foreign Policy, SUSI Women's Leadership, and Middle East Partnership Initiative)
- Coordinating with US government officials, academics and think tank experts for all three program schedules
- Leading the program and staff team for the January 2023 SUSI Foreign Policy Alum Capstone
- Evaluating and hiring staff for all three programs

**FUTURE FORUM ASIA** | Phnom Penh, Cambodia  
4-6/2022

**Project Manager** | Election Toolkit

- Produced a report and commentary on the 2022 Communal Elections and 2023 General Elections in Cambodia (find it [here](#))
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- Designed and conducted two focus groups on the elections
  - Presented the key findings of the report at a multi-stakeholder online event with the Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats

**UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE** | Newark, DE 2018-2020

**Research Assistant** to Dr. Alice Ba (Summer 2020)

- Researching the role of ASEAN in Mekong sub-regionalism

**Project Officer for Public Diplomacy** (Winters/summers 2018-2019)

- Coordinating logistics for 6-week exchange programs from the Department of State (Young African Leadership Initiative and SUSI National Security)

**DCAF** | Geneva, Switzerland 2/2013-4/2017  
*Geneva Centre for Security Sector Governance*

**Independent Consultant** | Southeast Asia Program 5/2016-4/2017

- Based in Phnom Penh for 6 months and in the US for the remainder
- Led the peer-review and editing of *Good Governance of the Security in Southeast Asia: What Role for Parliament?* (find it [here](#))
- Coordinated with regional stakeholders from various government and non-governmental institutions for organizing two regional workshops in Cambodia
  - 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Workshop of the Inter-Parliamentary Forum on Security Sector Governance in Southeast Asia
  - The Learning Lab on Improving Security Sector Governance in Southeast Asia
- Led the implementation of the Cambodia program project on parliamentary oversight of the security sector

**Research Assistant** | Research Division 2/2013-5/2016

- Managed and edited the Security Sector Reform Paper Series 11-16
- Coordinated and contributed to the peer-review and editing of many articles, book chapters, and books, including *Peacebuilding and Security Sector Governance in Asia* (2014) and *The United Nations and Security Sector Reform* (2020), and for the journal *S + F (Security and Peace)*
- Produced a 30-page empirical chapter for the OSCE on best practices for civilian oversight of the security sector enshrined in the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security
- Produced political updates and stakeholder mapping of security sector governance/ reform and peacebuilding for the European Union – Myanmar Police Reform project (MYPOL) and in Thailand, the Philippines and Cambodia

**GENEVA GRADUATE INSTITUTE** | Geneva, Switzerland 8-12/2013

**Principal Co-Investigator** | *Responsible Sourcing of Colored Gemstones*

- Funders: Cartier and the Responsible Jewellery Council
  - Conducted interviews with individuals on the gemstone supply chain
  - Produced a report with policy recommendations on the sustainable governance of the gemstone supply chain (find it [here](#))
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**SILIMELA DEVELOPMENTS** | Cape Town, South Africa  
7-8/2010

**Intern** | Economic Development Program

- Evaluated economic development opportunities in South African municipalities
- Managed the process of researching, writing and submitting competitive tenders on economic development projects in South African municipalities for the government

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**Additional Training**

**METHODS**

GRADNAS Methods School | Australia National University Dec.  
2023 Institute for Qualitative & Multi-Method Research | Syracuse University  
2021  
CCSEAS Graduate Research Workshop | McGill University  
2019  
4<sup>th</sup> Swiss Methods Festival: Mixed Research Methods | University of Lausanne  
2015

**PUBLIC POLICY ENGAGEMENT**

Bridging the Gap New Era Workshop | University of Denver  
2022

**LANGUAGES**

Mandarin | University of Delaware & UNC-Chapel Hill (9 semesters)  
2017-2021  
Khmer | SEASSI, University of Wisconsin-Madison (2 semesters; virtual)  
2020

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**Languages**

English (Bilingual)  
German (Bilingual)  
French (Professional Working Proficiency)  
Mandarin (Intermediate)  
Khmer (Beginner)

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**Software**

Stata, SPSS, NVivo, Qualtrics

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**Academic**

**UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE**

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**Service**

**Co-founder and Co-organizer** | East Asia Graduate Reading Group 2022-  
Present

**Student Representative** | Faculty Graduate Policy Committee  
2020-2021

**Student Coordinator** | Admitted Graduate Student Weekend  
2019

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**Mentoring**

**FULBRIGHT ASSOCIATION**

**Alum Mentor** | Asia-Pacific Pre-Departure Orientation 2023

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**Professional Networks**

London School of Economics Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia  
Centre The Graduate Research and Development Network on  
Asian Security Women in Southeast Asian Social Sciences  
Women in Conflict Studies