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Education

Expected 2023	Ph.D.	Political Science & International Relations	University of Delaware.
2018	M.A.	Political Science & International Relations	University of Delaware.
2011	B.F.A	Writing for Film & Television	University of the Arts, <i>with Honors.</i>

Papers, Presentations at Professional Conferences, Meetings, and Workshops

January 2022 [*How Bitcoin Adoption Could Bring Major Prosperity to Puerto Rico.*](#)
Christopher Tharp. *Bitcoin Magazine*. Nashville, TN.

September 2021 [*Situating ‘Verano Boricua’ Within Puerto Rico’s Debt Crisis and Hurricane Maria Recovery Process.*](#) Christopher Tharp. Northern European Conference on Emergency and Disaster Studies (*NEEDS*) 2021. Östersund, Sweden.

May 2021 [*Exotic Imperial: Sex Work in Tropical Borderlands.*](#) Christopher Tharp. Law & Society Association (*LSA*) 2021 Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. [*virtual-hybrid meeting format*].

March 2021 [*COVID-19: Impacts on Delawareans Living with HIV.*](#) Tricia Wachtendorf, Christopher Tharp, and Nancy Rios-Contreras. University of Delaware Disaster Research Center. Newark, DE.

March 2021 [*The Political Economy of Puerto Rico’s Financial Debt Crisis and the Left-wing, Anti-austerity Response.*](#) Christopher Tharp. Society for Applied Anthropology (*SfAA*) Annual Meeting 2021. Norfolk, VA [*virtual-hybrid meeting format*].

March 2020 [*Rethinking Postcolonial Sovereignty through Mouffean “Artivism” in Puerto Rico and the Puerto Rican Diaspora.*](#) Christopher Tharp. Society for Applied Anthropology (*SfAA*) 2020 *Digital Conference, Risk & Disaster Topical Interest Group*.

July 2019 [*Hurricane Maria: Crisis Trigger for a Critical Juncture in Puerto Rico.*](#) Christopher Tharp. Natural Hazards Workshop Annual Meeting 2019. Broomfield, CO.

- June 2019 *The Effect of Cues on U.S. Supreme Court Agenda-Setting*. Christopher Tharp. Statistical Teaching and Analytics Research Training (*START*); *2019 Summer Workshop: FLACSO*, Quito, Ecuador.
- March 2019 *Disaster Tourism and Nationalism in Post-Hurricane Maria Puerto Rico*. Christopher Tharp. Society for Applied Anthropology (*SfAA*) Annual Meeting 2019. Portland, OR.
- March 2018 *The First Post-Postmodernist Catastrophe: Cultural Memory and the Affective Turn after 9/11*. Christopher Tharp. Northern European Conference on Emergency and Disaster Studies (*NEEDS*) 2018. Amsterdam, Netherlands.

Teaching Experience

- 2020-2022 *Instructor of Record*: University of Delaware, Department of Political Science & International Relations.
 Spring 2022 [POSC466: *International Human Rights on Film*](#)
 Fall 2021 [POSC475: *Model United Nations*](#)
 Spring 2021 POSC316: *International Political Economy*
 Fall 2020 POSC270: *Introduction to Comparative Politics*.
 Summer 2020 POSC150: *Introduction to American Politics*.
- 2022-2023 *Interdisciplinary Graduate Teaching Assistant*: University of Delaware,
 2019-2020 Department of Anthropology.
 Spring 2023 ANTH101: *Intro. to Social & Cultural Anthropology*.
 Fall 2022 ANTH302: *Intro. to Medical Anthropology*,
 ANTH101: *Intro. to Social & Cultural Anthropology*.
 Spring 2020 ANTH101: *Intro. to Social & Cultural Anthropology*.
 Fall 2019 ANTH101: *Intro. to Social & Cultural Anthropology*.
- Summer 2019 *Assistant Director of Learning*: University of Delaware, Statistical Teaching and Analytics Research Training (*START*); *2019 Summer Workshop: FLACSO, Ecuador*.
- 2017-2019 *Graduate Teaching Assistant*: University of Delaware, Department of Political Science & International Relations.
 Spring 2019 POSC482: *America in the Middle East*.
 Fall 2018 POSC300: *Research Methods for Political Science*.
 Spring 2018 POSC300: *Research Methods for Political Science*.
 Fall 2017 POSC300: *Research Methods for Political Science*.
- Fall 2012 *Instructor of Record*: School of Film, University of the Arts
Writing for Film and Television Pre-College Program.

Research Experience

- Winter 2021 & Spring 2020 *Researcher/Interviewer*, COVID-19 Community Adaptation, Disaster Research Center; Completed *CITI program on Human Subjects Protections* January 22, 2024.

Summer 2017 & Winter 2017 *Research Assistant*, University of Delaware, Department of Political Science & International Relations.
Funded by Dr. Jason Mycoff, Political Science & International Relations.

Work Experience

Summer 2019 *Instructor*, Delaware Governor's School for Excellence 2019, University of Delaware.

Summer 2019 *Academic Advisor*:

Summer 2018 New Student Orientation, Undergraduate Academic Services for the
Summer 2017 College of Arts and Sciences, University of Delaware.

2016-2017 *Graduate Assistant*, Undergraduate Academic Services, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Delaware.

Independent Study Courses and Certifications

Summer 2020 *Teaching Online Together*. Center for Teaching and Assessment of Learning.

Fall 2019 *UNIV601: Pedagogy (0 cr.)*. Center for Teaching and Assessment of Learning.

Fall 2019 *DEMA G-300 ICS-300 Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents*. Delaware Emergency Management Agency.

Spring 2018 *Advanced Community Emergency Response Training*. New Castle Emergency Management and Citizen Corps.

Spring 2018 *Community Emergency Response Training*. Delaware Emergency Management Agency and Citizen Corps.

2018-2019 *FEMA Independent Study Course Certifications*:
IS-00008.a Building for the Earthquakes of Tomorrow.
IS-00011.a Animals in Disasters Community Planning.
IS-00042 Social Media in Emergency Management.
IS-00075 Military Resources in Emergency Management.
IS-00100.c Introduction to Incident Command System, ICS-100.
IS-00200.c Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response.
IS-00505 Religious and Cultural Literacy and Competency in Disaster.
IS-00700.b An Introduction to the National Incident Management System.
IS-00800.c National Response Framework, An Introduction.

Public Outreach and Events

September 2021 *IAEM Basket Bonanza Fundraiser for Student Scholarships*. Financial Support for the IAEM Scholarship Program. International Association of Emergency Managers. Grand Rapids, MI.

February 2019 *The First Post-Postmodernist Catastrophe: Cultural Memory and the Affective Turn after 9/11*. Discussion and Q&A Session. Hosted by the Delaware Art Museum. Wilmington, DE.

Academic Services

- 2021-2022 *President*, International Association of Emergency Managers: University of Delaware Chapter, Disaster Science and Management Program, Biden School of Public Policy & Administration.
- 2020-2021 *Treasurer*, International Association of Emergency Managers: University of Delaware Chapter, Disaster Science and Management Program, Biden School of Public Policy & Administration.
- 2019-2020 *Vice President*, Political Science Graduate Student Association, Department of Political Science & International Relations, University of Delaware.
- Summer 2018-
Summer 2021 *Teaching Assistant Fellow*: Presented ‘*Cultivating Critical Thinking Skills for the Arts and Sciences*’ & ‘*Time Management for Teaching: Priorities for new instructors.*’ Center for Teaching & Assessment of Learning, University of Delaware.
- 2018-2019 *First-Year Mentor Coordinator*, Political Science Graduate Student Association, Department of Political Science & International Relations, University of Delaware.

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

- 2023 *Excellence in Teaching Award for Graduate Students*, University of Delaware Faculty Senate & Committee on Student & Faculty Honors.
- 2021 *IAEM-USA Student Chapter of the Year*, International Association of Emergency Managers.
- 2020 *Beatrice Medicine Travel Award Scholarship*, Society for Applied Anthropology.
- 2019 *Graduate College Travel Award*, University of Delaware Graduate College.
- 2019 *Russell Dynes Scholar*, Disaster Research Center, University of Delaware.
- 2018 *H. Khan Award for Excellence in Graduate Research on Islam and Global Affairs*, Political Science and International Relations, University of Delaware.
- 2018 *Political Science Graduate Teaching Assistantship Award*, Political Science and International Relations, University of Delaware.
- 2019 & 2018 *Professional Development Award*, Office of Graduate and Professional Education, University of Delaware.
- 2017-Present *Teaching Assistant Stipend*, Political Science and International Relations, University of Delaware.
- 2016-Present *Tuition Fellowship*, Political Science and International Relations, University of Delaware.
- 2016-2017 *Graduate Assistant Stipend*, Political Science and International Relations, University of Delaware.