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EDUCATION

- 1993-2000 **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**
 Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science, awarded September 2000
- 1989-1993 **Stanford University**
 Bachelor of Arts with Distinction & Departmental Honors in Political Science, awarded June 1993

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2021-present **Chair**, Department of Government, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH
- 2021-present **Professor**, Department of Government, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH
- 2013-present **Coordinator**, War and Peace Studies Program, Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH
- 2008-2021 **Associate Professor**, Department of Government, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH
- 2003-2008 **Assistant Professor**, Department of Government, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH
- 2001-2003 **Research Associate**, Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University, Stanford, CA
- 2001-2003 **Instructor**, Department of Political Science, Stanford University, Stanford, CA
- 2000-2001 **John M. Olin Institute Post-Doctoral Fellow** in Strategic Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
- 2000-2001 **Research Associate**, Military Conflict as a Public Health Problem Initiative, Center for Basic Research in the Social Sciences, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Sustainable Security: Rethinking American National Security Strategy, co-edited with Jeremi Suri (Oxford University Press, 2016)

Final Solutions: Mass Killing and Genocide in the Twentieth Century (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2004).

Articles

“Using Impression Data to Improve Models of Online Social Influence,” *Nature Scientific Reports*, forthcoming 2021. With Kevin T. Greene, Rui Liu, Ruibo Liu, Mihovil Mandic, Venkatramanan Siva Subrahmanian, and Soroush Vosoughi.

“Taboo or Not Taboo: A Rebuttal and Research Agenda,” *International Studies Review*, forthcoming 2021.

“Does the Non-Combatant Immunity Norm Have Stopping Power?” *International Security*, Vol. 45, No. 2 (Fall 2020). With Scott Sagan.

Articles – continued

“Social media data reveals signal for public consumer perceptions,” In ACM International Conference on AI in Finance (ICAIF ’20), October 15– 16, 2020, New York, NY, USA. (<https://doi.org/10.1145/3383455.3422556>) with Neeti Pokhriyal, Abenezer Dara, and Soroush Vosoughi.

“Weighing Lives in War: How National Identity Influences American Public Opinion about Foreign Civilian and Compatriot Fatalities,” *Journal of Global Security Studies*, Vol. 5, No. 1 (January 2020), pp. 25–43. With Scott Sagan.

“Just War and Unjust Soldiers: American Public Opinion on the Moral Equality of Combatants,” *Ethics in International Affairs*, Vol. 33, No. 4 (Winter 2019), pp. 411-444. With Scott Sagan. The same issue includes a symposium on the article with reactions by Michael Walzer, Jeff McMahan and Robert Keohane and a reply by Sagan & Valentino.

“What do Americans really think about conflict with nuclear North Korea?” *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, Vol 75, No. 4 (2019), pp. 179-186. With Alida Haworth and Scott Sagan.

“Animals Are People Too: Explaining Variation in Respect for Animal Rights,” *Human Rights Quarterly*, Vol. 41, No. 1 (February 2019), pp. 39-65 With Yon Soo Park

“Not Just a War Theory: American Public Opinion on Ethics in Military Combat,” *International Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 62, Issue 3 (September 2018), pp. 548–561. With Scott Sagan

“Revisiting Hiroshima in Iran: American Attitudes about Nuclear Weapons and Non-Combatant Immunity,” *International Security*, Vol. 42, No. 1 (Summer 2017), pp. 41–79. With Scott Sagan.

“More Than Words: “Genocide,” Holocaust Analogies, and Public Opinion in the United States,” *The Journal of Human Rights* 2017, Vol. 16, Issue 3 (July-September 2017). With Ethan Weinberg

“An Inflated View of the Facts? How Preferences and Predispositions Shape Conspiracy Beliefs About the Deflategate Scandal,” *Research and Politics*, July-September 2016. With John Carey, Brendan Nyhan and Mingnan Liu.

“At Home Abroad: Public Attitudes towards America’s Overseas Commitments,” in Benjamin Valentino and Jeremi Suri, eds., *Sustainable Security: Rethinking American National Security Strategy* (Forthcoming from Oxford University Press, 2016)

“Moral Character or Character of War? American Public Opinion on the Targeting of Civilians in Times of War.” *Daedalus*, Vol. 145, No. 4 (Fall 2016)

“Why We Kill: The Political Science of Political Violence against Civilians,” *Annual Review of Political Science*, vol. 17 (May 2014), pp. 89-103.

“Atomic Aversion: Experimental Evidence on Taboos, Traditions, and the Non-Use of Nuclear Weapons.” With Scott Sagan and Daryl Press. *American Political Science Review*, vol. 107, no. 1 (Winter 2013).

“The True Costs of Humanitarian Intervention: The Hard Truth Behind a Noble Notion.” *Foreign Affairs*, vol. 90, no. 6 (November/December 2011), pp. 60-73.

“A War of One’s Own: Understanding the Gender Gap in Support for War.” *Public Opinion Quarterly*, vol. 75, no. 2 (Summer 2011), pp. 270-286. With Deborah Brooks

“Bear any Burden?: How Democracies Minimize the Costs of War.” *Journal of Politics*, vol. 72, no. 2 (April 2010), pp. 528-544. With Paul Huth and Sarah Croco.

Articles - *continued*

“Lost in Transition: A Critical Analysis of Power Transition Theory,” *International Relations*, vol. 23, no. 3 (September 2009). With Richard Ned Lebow.

“Mass Killing of Civilians in Times of War, 1945-2000,” with Paul Huth, in Hewitt, Wilkenfeld and Gurr, eds., *Peace and Conflict 2008* (Boulder: Paradigm 2008), pp. 79-92.

“The Perils of Limited Humanitarian Intervention: Lessons from the 1990s,” *Wisconsin International Law Journal*, vol. 24, no. 3 (Fall 2006), pp. 723-740.

“Covenants Without the Sword: International Law and the Protection of Civilians in Times of War,” *World Politics*, vol. 58, no. 3 (April 2006). With Paul Huth and Sarah Croco.

“Final Solutions, Further Puzzles,” *Security Studies*, vol. 13, no. 3 (Spring 2004), pp. 204-218. A contribution to a symposium on my book, *Final Solutions: Mass Killing and Genocide in the Twentieth Century*. With additional commentaries by John Mueller, Michael Desch and Stathis Kalyvas.

“Draining the Sea: Mass Killing and Guerilla Warfare,” *International Organization*, vol. 58, no. 2 (Spring 2004), pp. 375-407. With Paul Huth and Dylan Balch-Lindsay.

“Still Standing By: Why America and the International Community Fail to Prevent Genocide and Mass Killing,” *Perspectives on Politics*, vol. 1, no. 3 (September 2003), pp. 565-576.

“Final Solutions: The Causes of Mass Killing and Genocide,” *Security Studies*, vol. 9, no. 3 (Spring 2000), pp. 1-59.

“Allies No More: Small Nuclear Powers and Opponents of Ballistic Missile Defense in the Post-Cold War Era,” *Security Studies*, vol. 7, no. 2 (Winter 1997/98), pp. 215-234.

Nuclear Weapons Safety after the Cold War: Technical and Organizational Opportunities for Improvement (Stanford: Center for International Security and Arms Control, 1994). With Scott Sagan.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“Do Americans approve of Trump’s pardons for court-martialed military officers?” *Washington Post, Monkey Cage*, December 16, 2019 (with Scott Sagan)

“Who supports animal rights?” *Washington Post, Monkey Cage*, July 26, 2019 (with Yon Soo Park)

“Living with a Nuclear North Korea,” *The Wall Street Journal*, March 8, 2019 (with Scott Sagan)

“The Nuclear Weapons Ban Treaty: Opportunities Lost,” *The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, July 16, 2017 (with Scott Sagan)

“Naming Crimes: Genocide and Public Opinion in the United States,” *Open Global Rights*, June 30, 2016 (with Ethan Weinberg)

“Atomic Attraction,” *The Indian Express*, June 3, 2016 (with Scott Sagan)

“Would the U.S. Drop the Bomb Again?” *The Wall Street Journal*, May 21-22, 2016 (with Scott Sagan)

“Use of Force: The American Public and The Ethics of War,” *Open Global Rights*, July 2015 (with Scott Sagan)

“Time to Offshore Our Troops,” *New York Times*, Dec. 12, 2006, p. A31 (with Eugene Gholz and Daryl Press)

Other Publications - *continued*

“A Victory, But Little Is Gained,” *New York Times*, November 17, 2004, p. A29 (with Daryl G. Press)

“Is the Comparison Between Hitler and Stalin Justified?” in Benjamin Frankel, ed., *History in Dispute: The Cold War* (Detroit: Gale Research, 2000).

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER SUBMISSION/WORKS IN PROGRESS

Reassessing Threat Assessment, co-edited book project with Jeremi Suri and Arne Westad.

“Consequentialist Citizens: Public Opinion on the Nuclear Taboo, Proportionality, and Non-Combatant Immunity in the United States, United Kingdom, France, and Israel,” with Janina Dill and Scott Sagan. Paper under submission.

“Lost at Sea: The US Grand Strategy Debate and the Limits of Offshore Balancing,” with Stephen Brooks and William Wohlforth

“Situationism and the Individualization of Responsibility in War.” Book chapter under submission.

“The Limits of International Justice: The Effect of the ICTY on Reconciliation in Bosnia and Herzegovina.” With Sanela Muharemovic

HONORS, AWARDS AND RESEARCH GRANTS

Dartmouth Institute for Security, Technology and Society Cluster Programmatic Award (2019): Using Social Media to Gauge Public Opinion (co-principal investigator with Soroush Vosoughi)

MacArthur Foundation Rapid Response Grant (2018): for the study of U.S. public opinion and the North Korean nuclear crisis (co-principal investigator with Scott Sagan).

MacArthur Foundation Research Grant, 2016: For the study of American Attitudes on the Use of Nuclear Weapons (co-principal investigator with Scott Sagan)

Stanford Ethics in Society Research Grant, 2014-15: For research on just war doctrine and American public opinion, McCoy Family Center for Ethics in Society, Stanford University (co-principal investigator with Scott Sagan)

Consulting Scholar, Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University, 2014

Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Project on Advanced Systems and Concepts for Combating WMD Research Grant 2014-15: For the study of international attitudes on the use of nuclear weapons (co-principal investigator with Scott Sagan)

MacArthur Foundation Research Grant, 2013: For the Study of Ethics and the Use of Force (co-principal investigator with Scott Sagan)

Ganek Fellowship, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, 2011: To support the development of leaders in professions critical to genocide prevention and response.

National Residence Hall Honorary Advisor of the Month Award, 2011.

Best Paper Award Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior section, American Political Science Association: 2009: For “A War of One’s Own: Understanding the Gender Gap in Support for War.” With Deborah Brooks.

Rockefeller Center Faculty Research Grant 2007: “Somebody Else’s Son (or Daughter): Social Group Cues, Military Casualties, and Support for War.” With Nicholas Valentino.

Edgar S. Furniss Book Award, given by the Mershon Center for International Security, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 2005: Awarded annually to an author whose first book makes an exceptional contribution to the study of national and international security.

Rockefeller Center Faculty Research Grant, 2005: For the study of violence against civilians in interstate war.

Rockefeller Center Faculty Research Grant, 2004: For the study of insurgency and counter-insurgency.

National Science Foundation Grant for Research 2003-2005 (co-principal investigator with Paul Huth): For the study of the civilian consequences of armed conflict.

COURSES TAUGHT

Dartmouth College

- Government 97/98/99: Senior Honors Thesis Seminar
- Government 85.16: The Causes and Prevention of Mass Killing and Genocide
- Government 53: International Security
- Government 50: War and Peace in the Modern Age
- Government 50: Leading Voices in American Foreign Policy
- Government 5: International Relations

Stanford University

- Political Science 110B: Strategy, War and Politics
- Political Science 343A: Research Seminar on International Security & Social Science
- Interschool Honors Seminar in International Security Studies (co-director)