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CURRENT POSITION

Assistant Professor, Leiden University, Institute of Political Science

EDUCATION

PhD *Northwestern University*, Evanston, Illinois, July 2008

Doctoral Studies, *Sciences Po*, Paris, through dual-PhD program, 2005-2006

Institute on Qualitative Research Methods, Arizona State University, January 2006

MA *Northwestern University*, Political Science, 2005

MA *Dalhousie University*, Political Science, 2001

BA *University of British Columbia*, International Relations major, 1999

DISSERTATION

Pathways to Secession: The Institutional Effects of Conflicts of Self-Determination

Committee: William Reno (Chair), Hendrik Spruyt, and Ian Hurd

RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Relations and Comparative Politics

Self-determination, sovereignty, and territoriality; legitimacy; ethnic conflict and civil wars

Regional interests in the Horn of Africa, Balkans, and Caucasus

AWARDS AND HONORS

Postdoctoral Fellowship, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard University, 2008-2009

Best Paper by a Doctoral Student, Nationalism Section, Association for the Study of Nationalities, April 2008

Peace Scholar Dissertation Fellowship, United States Institute of Peace, 2006-2007

Presidential Fellowship, member of Society of Fellows, Northwestern University, 2006-08

Dissertation Year Fellowship, Northwestern University, 2006-07 (declined)

Chateaubriand Fellowship, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 2005-06

Minar Award for outstanding PhD student in the Department of Political Science, Northwestern University, 2004

Social Science and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Fellowship, Government of Canada, 2001-05

Security and Defence Forum Internship Program Award, Canadian Department of National Defence, 2000-01

Doris Boyle Prize for top graduate student essay in International Relations, Department of Political Science, Dalhousie University, 2000

Security and Defence Forum MA Scholarship, Canadian Department of National Defence, 1999-00

Graduate Student Fellowship, Dalhousie University (1999-00)

RESEARCH GRANTS

Dispute Resolution Research Centre, Kellogg School, Northwestern University, \$7600 grant for dissertation research in Ethiopia, Somalia and Sudan, 2006

Roberta Buffet Centre for International and Comparative Studies, Northwestern University, \$1000 grant for dissertation research in Kosovo, 2006

Dispute Resolution Research Centre, Kellogg School, Northwestern University, \$2500 grant for dissertation research in Russia and Armenia, 2004

Centre for International and Comparative Studies, Northwestern University, \$1000 grant for research in Sudan, 2003

SELECT PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH

Refereed

“Peace Operations Finance and the Political Economy of a Way Out: Living Off the Land,” with Jean Daudelin, *International Peacekeeping*, 9(2), 2002, pp 99-117.

Non-refereed

“The Regional Politics of the Darfur Crisis,” in David Black and Paul Williams, eds., *The International Politics of Mass Atrocities: The Case of Darfur*, Routledge, 2009.

“No Peace to Keep: Darfur in Perspective,” *SWP Comment*, No. 10, May 2007.

“Adopting Federalism: Sri Lanka and Sudan,” with Rohan Edrisinha, *Handbook of Federal Countries*, Montreal: McGill University Press, 2004.

“Ingérence humanitaire et ‘responsabilité de protéger’: Au-delà du droit et des bonnes intentions,” with Jean Daudelin, in Yvan Conoir et Gérard Verna, eds., *Action humanitaire internationale du Canada*, Québec: Les Presses de l'Université Laval, 2003.

Recent Conference Papers

“Shirts Today, Skins Tomorrow: The Dynamics of Fragmentation in Movements of Self-Determination,” with Kristin Bakke and Kathleen Cunningham, International Studies Association Annual Convention, Chicago, February 15-February 18, 2009.

“Self-Determination and Sovereignty in Africa: The International Relations of Separatist Conflict,” African Studies Association Annual Convention, Chicago, November 13-16, 2008.

“Trajectories of Secession: Separatist Conflict in Kosovo, Chechnya and Karabakh,” Association for the Study of Nationalities Annual Conference, April 1-4, 2007.

Book Reviews

Review of Cynthia Arnson and William Zartman, eds. 2005. *Rethinking the Economics of War*. Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press. In *Political Studies Review*, 4(3), pp 371-72.

Review of Clifford Bob. 2005. *Marketing Rebellion*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. In *African Studies Quarterly*, 9(1-2), 2006.

Review of Douglas Johnson. 2002. *The Root Causes of Sudan's Civil Wars*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press. In *African Studies Quarterly*, 7(2), 2003

Works in Progress

Pathways to Secession: The Politics of Contemporary Separatist Conflict, book manuscript.

“Self-Determination as Hierarchy: Unbundling Authority in Secessionist Conflicts”

“The Surprising Success of Separatists: A Fuzzy Accounting of Conflicts of Self-Determination, 1975-2005”

“Trajectories of Secession: Comparing Kosovo and Chechnya”

TEACHING

Courses Taught

Politics of Self-Determination, undergraduate seminar (*Proseminar*), Friedrich-Schiller-Universität, Jena, spring 2007

National Security, advanced undergraduate seminar, Northwestern University, summer 2005

Teaching Assistantships

Introduction to International Relations, Ian Hurd, Northwestern University, 2002

U.S. National Security, Risa Brooks, Northwestern University, 2003 and 2004

American Foreign Policy, Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Northwestern University, 2003

Introduction to International Relations, Hendrik Spruyt, Northwestern University, 2003

Philosophy of Social Science, Louise Carbert, Dalhousie University, 2000

International Relations, Norrin Ripsman, Dalhousie University 1999

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Postdoctoral Fellow, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard, University, 2009-2009

Visiting Fellow, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, Berlin, Germany, 2006-2008

Doctoral Researcher and Chateaubriand Fellow, Sciences Po Paris, 2005-2006

Researcher, Conflict and Human Security, The North-South Institute, Ottawa, 2000-2001

FIELD WORK

Kosovo – December 2006

Ethiopia and Somaliland – June 2006

Kenya – May-June 2005

Russia, Armenia, and Nagorno-Karabakh – August-September 2004

Southern Sudan and Kenya – June 2003 and August-September 2002

LANGUAGES

Fluent French; intermediate German; beginner Spanish and Russian

REFERENCES

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