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Education

Ph.D., Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Political Science, 2002

B.A., Brandeis University, Politics and Near Eastern & Judaic Studies, 1991

Experience

Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Connecticut
Co-director, Crowd Counting Consortium (crowdcounting.org), 2017-present
Alan R. Bennett Honors Professor, 2010-2013
Associate Professor, 2009-2021
Assistant Professor, 2003-2009

Books

The sword is not enough: Arabs, Israelis, and the limits of military force (Manchester, UK: Manchester University Press, 2020).

Warring Friends: Alliance Restraint in International Politics (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2008). Part of Cornell Studies in Security Affairs.

Point of No Return: The Deadly Struggle for Middle East Peace, with Geoffrey Kemp (Washington, DC: Brookings Institution Press, 1997). Arabic translation published in 1999.

Articles (Refereed)

“US recognition of Israeli territorial claims in the Golan and Jerusalem: Implications for the norm against acquisition of territory by force,” *The Middle East Journal*, 77:2 (2023), 137-159. (with Ehud Eiran)

“The US Failure in Iraq Post-2003 and Backlash against US Foreign Policy,” *Journal of Peace & War Studies* 5 (2023), 142-156.

“Egypt, Israel, and the United States at the Autonomy Talks, 1979,” *Diplomacy & Statecraft* 33:3 (2022), 543-565.

“Protests Under Trump, 2017-2021,” *Mobilization* 27:1 (2022), 13-26. (with Erica Chenoweth, Tommy Leung, L. Nathan Perkins, and Jay Ulfelder)

“Gender Imbalance in Expert Testimony at U.S. Senate Hearings,” *The Forum* 18:2 (2020), 197-205.

“History in Conflict: Israeli-Palestinian Speeches at the United Nations, 1998-2016,” *Mediterranean Politics* 25:4 (2020), 476-498. Published online: March 28, 2019.

- “The Science of Contemporary Street Protest: New Efforts in the United States,” *Science Advances* 5:10, October 23, 2019, <https://advances.sciencemag.org/content/5/10/eaaw5461>. (with Dana R. Fisher, Kenneth T. Andrews, Neal Caren, Erica Chenoweth, Michael T. Heaney, Tommy Leung, and L. Nathan Perkins)
- “Foreign Cues and Public Views on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict,” *The British Journal of Politics and International Relations* 21:1 (February 2019), 169-188. Published online: November 21, 2018. (with Matthew Leep)
- “Horizontal Inequality and Violent Unrest in Jerusalem,” *Terrorism and Political Violence* 32:6 (2020), 1161-1185. Published online: May 17, 2018.
- “Throwing Stones in Social Science: Nonviolence, Unarmed Violence, and the First Intifada,” *Cooperation & Conflict* 52:4 (December 2017), 519-536.
- “American Engagement and the pathways to Arab-Israeli peace,” *Cooperation & Conflict* 49:4 (December 2014), 536-553.
- “Explaining the Carter administration’s Israeli-Palestinian Solution,” *Diplomatic History* 37:5 (November 2013), 1117-1147.
- “Negotiating the Promised Land: The End of Innocence?” *Israel Studies Forum* 25:1 (June 2010), 88-98.
- “Power without Influence: The Bush Administration’s Foreign Policy Failure in the Middle East,” *International Security* 33:4 (Spring 2009), 149-179.
- “The Arab-Israeli Conflict and the Case of *The Lemon Tree*,” *International Studies Perspectives* 9:4 (November 2008), pp. 430-441.
- “Mediation, Domestic Politics, and the Israeli-Syrian Negotiations, 1991-2000,” *Security Studies* 16, no. 3 (July-September, 2007), 350-381.
- “Israeli Unilateralism and Israeli-Palestinian Relations, 2001-2006,” *International Studies Perspectives* 7:4 (November, 2006), 360-376.
- “Historical Schools and Political Science: An Arab-Israeli History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict,” *Perspectives on Politics* 3:3 (September, 2005), 577-582.
- “Visions in Collision: What Happened at Camp David and Taba?” *International Security* 28:2 (Fall, 2003), 5-43.
- “The Second Intifada: An Early Look at the Background and Causes of Israeli-Palestinian Conflict,” *Journal of Conflict Studies* 22:2 (Fall, 2003), 114-141.
- “September Statements, October Missiles, November Elections: Domestic Politics, Foreign-Policy Making, and the Cuban Missile Crisis,” *Security Studies* 10:3 (Spring, 2001), 80-114.

Chapters

- “The Impact of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict,” in Joel Peters and Rob Geist Pinfold, editors, *Routledge Handbook on Israel’s Foreign Relations* (New York: Routledge, 2024), pp. 43-54. (with Carol Gray)
- “The Cold War and Oil: Paving the Way to a US-Led Peace Process,” in Galen Jackson, *The 1973 Arab-Israeli War* (Rowman and Littlefield Publishers, 2023), pp. 151-164.
- “Understanding the US-Israeli Alliance,” in Geoffrey Gresh and Tugrul Keskin, editors, *US Foreign Policy in the Middle East: From American Missionaries to the Islamic State* (Routledge, 2018), pp. 105-117.
- “US Policy after the Uprisings: Alliances, Democracy, and Force,” in Mark L. Haas and David W. Lesch, eds., *The Arab Spring: The Hope and Reality of the Uprisings*, second edition (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 2017), pp. 272-287.
- “Same old story? Obama and the Arab Uprisings,” in Mark L. Haas and David W. Lesch, eds., *The Arab Spring: Change and Resistance in the Middle East* (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 2012), pp. 219-237.
- “Modes of Iraqi Response to American Occupation,” in Davis Bobrow, ed., *Hegemony Constrained: Evasion, Modification, and Resistance to American Foreign Policy* (University of Pittsburgh Press, 2008), pp. 20-40.
- “From Madrid and Oslo to Camp David: the United States and the Arab-Israeli Conflict, 1991-2001” in David W. Lesch, ed., *The Middle East and the United States: A Historical and Political Reassessment*, 4th ed. (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 2007), pp. 257-274.
- “The Middle East: Continuation of the Peace Process,” with Geoffrey Kemp in *SIPRI Yearbook 1995: Armaments, Disarmament and International Security* (London: Oxford University Press, 1995), pp. 171-210.

Essays & Other Writing (Selected)

- “Mind the Gap: U.S. Preferences and Israel’s War Conduct,” November 2024, Quincy Brief #66, <https://quincyinst.org/research/mind-the-gap-u-s-preferences-and-israels-war-conduct/>.
- “Profile: Protests in the United States on Palestine and Israel, 2023-2024,” *Social Movement Studies*, October 2024. (with Erica Chenoweth, Soha Hammam, and Jay Ulfelder)
- “A Saudi Accord: Implications for Israel-Palestine Relations,” July 22, 2024, Quincy Brief #61, <https://quincyinst.org/research/a-saudi-accord-implications-for-israel-palestine-relations/#>
- “Will U.S.-Israel Policies Ever Change,” *Boston Review*, February 23, 2023. Review of Eric Alterman, *We are Not One: A History of America’s Fight Over Israel*.
- “Profile: The Diffusion of Global Protests after George Floyd’s Murder,” *Social Movement Studies* 23:4 (2024), 558-565. Published online February 1, 2023. (with Elannah Devin)

- [“The False Promise of the Abraham Accords,”](#) *Foreign Affairs* (online), September 15, 2021.
- [“Assessing One-State and Two-State Proposals](#) to Solve the Israel-Palestine Conflict,” *E-IR*, June 27, 2021.
- “The Rocky Future of the US-Israeli Special Relationship,” *The Washington Quarterly* 44:2, pp. 75-93, online June 17, 2021. (with Dov Waxman)
- “Covid19 and Protest Repertoires in the United States: An initial description of limited change”, *Social Movement Studies* 20:6 (2021), 766-773. Online December 11, 2020. (with Austin Choi-Fitzpatrick)
- “What do the Bahrain-Israel-UAE Agreements Mean?” *Political Violence @A Glance*, September 22, 2020.
- “Black Lives Matter beyond America’s big cities,” *Washington Post*, July 8, 2020. (with Lara Putnam and Erica Chenoweth)
- “The Floyd protests are the broadest in U.S. history – and are spreading to white, small-town America,” *Washington Post*, June 6, 2020. (with Lara Putnam and Erica Chenoweth)
- “Media coverage has blown anti-lockdown protests out of proportion,” *Vox*, May 10, 2020. (with Erica Chenoweth, Lara Putnam, Tommy Leung, and Nathan Perkins)
- “What If? Missed Opportunities in the Carter Administration,” *Texas National Security Review*, December 19, 2019, <https://tnsr.org/roundtable/book-review-roundtable-arab-israeli-diplomacy-under-carter/#essay4>.
- “Israel, Palestine, and the Perpetual Denial of Nationalist Claims,” with Evan Perkoski, *Political Violence @A Glance*, October 10, 2019.
- “Two-state Head, One-state Heart,” *Boston Review*, February 20, 2019.
- “The Iraqi Humans at the Heart of the Conflict,” *Political Violence @A Glance*, December 22, 2018.
- “The National School Walkout of March 14, 2018,” *Extensions*, summer 2018, pp. 16-21 [publication of the Carl Albert Congressional Research and Studies Center at The University of Oklahoma], https://issuu.com/cacextensions/docs/extensions_summer_2018/18.
- “The Women’s March could change politics like the Tea Party did,” with Erica Chenoweth, *The Guardian*, January 31, 2018.
- “In Trump’s America, who’s protesting and why? Here’s our May report” with Erica Chenoweth and Erica Macdonald, *Washington Post* (Monkey Cage), June 26, 2017. [We published more than 20 pieces and monthly updates in the *Washington Post*]
- “This is what we learned by counting the women’s marches,” with Erica Chenoweth, *Washington Post* (Monkey Cage), February 7, 2017.

“Israel-Palestine: Questioning a Confederal Solution,” *Political Violence @A Glance*, May 11, 2016.

“Israel’s Strategic Goal,” *Political Violence @A Glance*, August 5, 2014.

“Israel” in David Coates, editor-in-chief, *The Oxford Companion to American Politics* (London: Oxford University Press, 2012), pp. 5-9.

“The Best Hope – Still?” *Boston Review* 34, no. 4, July/August 2009,
<http://bostonreview.net/BR34.4/pressman.php>

“Correspondence: Time and the Intractability of Territorial Disputes,” *International Security* 32, no. 3 (Winter 2007/08), pp. 194-197.

“Rethinking Transnational Counterterrorism: Beyond a National Framework,” *Washington Quarterly* 30, no. 4, (Autumn 2007), pp. 63-73.

“Lost Opportunities,” *Boston Review* 29, no. 6 (December 2004/January 2005), pp. 44-46. (review of Dennis Ross’s *The Missing Peace*), <http://www.bostonreview.net/BR29.6/pressman.html>

“Leaderless Resistance: the Next Threat?” *Current History* 102, no. 668 (December 2003), pp. 422-425.

“The Primary Role of the United States in Israeli-Palestinian Relations,” *International Studies Perspectives* 4, no. 2 (May 2003), pp. 191-194.

Op-eds and letters to the editor in publications such as the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Hartford Courant*, and *Daily Star* (Lebanon), 1994-present.

Invited Talks (academic)

American University, Australian Institute of International Affairs (Sydney), Boston College, Brown University, Central Connecticut State University, Dartmouth College, Draper Laboratory, Harvard University (Center for Middle East Studies; Belfer Center), Johns Hopkins University, MIT, MIT Lincoln Laboratory, Michigan State University, Mt. Holyoke College, Northwestern University, Norwich University, Skidmore College, SUNY-Geneseo, Texas A&M, Tufts University, United States Studies Centre (University of Sydney), UCLA, UConn Humanities Institute, UConn School of Law, University of Bridgeport, University of Chicago (PIPES), University of Haifa, University of Jordan, University of Maryland, L’Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM), Wesleyan University.

Conference Presentations (selected)

“The Arab-Israeli Conflict during the Cold War,” Middle East Studies Association annual conference, November 15, 2024. (virtual)

“Strengthening Democratic Practice in an Existing Democracy: A Case Study of Political Actors in Springfield, Massachusetts (United States),” International Society of Political Psychology annual conference, Santiago, Chile, July 6, 2024.

- “Trump Policy, International Norms, and the (Il)legitimacy of the Acquisition of Territory by Force,” ISA annual conference, April 1, 2022. (with Ehud Eiran)
- “Authors Meet Critics on Israel-Palestine: Partition, Settlement, and Military Force,” MPSA annual conference, April 17, 2021. [virtual roundtable]
- “Changing US National Interests and the end of the Israeli-Palestinian peace process,” Middle East Studies Association annual conference, Washington, DC, October 2020. [virtual]
- Roundtable on Ian Lustick’s *Paradigm Lost* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2019), New York, Association for the Study of Nationalities conference, May 2020 [Cancelled due to Covid19].
- “The March for Science: The Challenge of Transcending Partisan Divides,” APSA, Boston, 2018. (co-authored)
- “The March for Science: Transcending Partisan Divides?” Northeastern Political Science Association annual conference, November 9-11, 2017, Philadelphia.
- “The Obama Doctrine in the Middle East,” APSA, Washington, DC, 2014 and ISA, New Orleans, 2015.
- “Why military force trumps Arab-Israeli diplomatic openings,” ISSS-ISAC annual conference, Washington, DC, October 6, 2013.
- “The Shortcomings of Force in Arab-Israeli History,” Northeast Political Science Association annual conference, Boston, MA, November 17, 2012.
- “The Conflict Will Be Televised: The History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict in Two Video Series,” Association for Israel Studies annual conference, Haifa, Israel, June 25, 2012.
- “Same old story? Obama and the Arab Uprisings,” University of Melbourne conference, Melbourne, Australia, March 9, 2012.
- “Facilitator or Catalyst? U.S. Engagement in the Arab-Israeli Peace Process,” Australia and New Zealand American Studies Association conference, Adelaide, Australia, July 4, 2010.
- “The United States in the Middle East: 1945-2010,” one of two presenters at full-day, public conference, Bowral, New South Wales, Australia, March 2, 2010.
- “Presidents Making Peace? U.S. Diplomatic Efforts to Resolve the Arab-Israeli Conflict, 1967-2009,” New Zealand Political Studies Association annual conference, November 30, 2009.

Fellowships

- Fellow, Nonviolent Action Lab, Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, Harvard Kennedy School, 2023-24 (non-resident)
- Fellow, Carr Center for Human Rights Policy, Harvard Kennedy School, 2022-23 (non-resident)
- Fulbright Award (research), Nobel Institute, Oslo, Norway, Spring 2019

Postdoctoral fellow, United States Studies Centre, University of Sydney, 2009-10
Fellow, University of Connecticut Humanities Institute, 2008-09
Research Fellow, Crown Center for Middle East Studies, Brandeis University, 2005-07
Post-doctoral Fellowship, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard University, 2002-03

Additional Awards and Honors (since 2010)

Graduate Faculty Career Mentor of the Year award, UConn Center for Career Development, 2022
Provost's Award for Excellence in Community Engaged Scholarship, 2019
Holder of Alan R. Bennett Honors Professorship in Political Science, 2010-2013

Grants (recent-ish)

Recipient, Scholastic Facilitation Fund, 2023 (\$2000)
Recipient, Political Science Collaborative Research Fund, 2022-23 (\$3000)
Recipient, HRI Small Grant for Faculty Research in Human Rights, 2022-23 (\$2000)
Co-PI, Russell Sage Foundation grant, 2022-23 (\$164,000)
Recipient, Political Science grant seed money, 2019 (\$2000)
Recipient, Public Discourse Project, 2016 (\$10,000) and 2017 (\$9000)
Recipient, Scholastic Facilitation Fund, 2016
Recipient, Political Science Collaborative Research Fund (UConn), 2015

Courses Taught (selected)

Introduction to International Relations
National and International Security
The Arab-Israeli Conflict
Contemporary International Affairs
Pro-seminar in International Relations (graduate)
International Security (graduate)

PhD, Major Advisor (completed)

Matthew Parent (2024), "Shaping the Battlefield: Assessing the Symbolic Role of Military Technologies"
Carol Gray (2022), "Law as a Site of Struggle for Human Rights: A Case Study of Egypt."
Fahd Rafiq (2022), "Who's Got Power? Government Policies and Ethnic Insurgencies in Pakistan."
Matthew Coen Leep (2013), "Casualty Politics and Congressional Rhetoric."
Wesley Renfro (2009), "Presidential Decision-Making and the Use of Force."

Professional Activities

Associate Editor, *Research & Politics*, 2014-present
Manuscript Reviewer (selected): *American Political Science Review*, *Cold War History*, *Comparative Politics*, Cornell University Press, *Diplomatic History*, *Diplomacy & Statecraft*, Indiana University Press, *International Politics*, *International Security*, *International Studies Perspectives*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *International Theory*, *Israel Studies Review*, *Journal of Conflict Studies*, *Journal of Human Rights*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Middle East Journal*, *Mobilization*, Oxford University Press, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Political Science Quarterly*, Princeton University Press, *Security Studies*, Stanford University Press, *Terrorism & Political Violence*, *Third World Quarterly*, and *World Politics*.

Promotion and Tenure Reviewer: Georgia Tech, Hebrew University, Monash University (Australia), Queen's University (Ontario), Syracuse University, Trinity College, University of Haifa (Israel), University of Maryland, University of Texas
Grant Reviewer: American Political Science Association, Israel Science Foundation, The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO)
Member (sometimes): International Studies Association, APSA, MESA

Departmental & University Service

Director (and advisor for academic minor), Middle East Studies, 2008-2024, 2025-
Co-chair, Political Science promotion and tenure committee, 2023-2024
Chair, Political Science Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, 2023-2024
Director of Graduate Placement, POLS, 2021-2023
Chair, Political Science Department Head Search Committee, 2022-23
Chair, IR Search Committee, 2019-20
Co-Chair, Department of Political Science self-study, 2017-18
Field Chair, International Relations, 2014-2016, 2017-18, Fall 2018
Founder and administrator, department blog, uconnpolisci.wordpress.com, 2011-2016 (about 20,000 hits in first two years)
Honors Director, Political Science, 2010-2013

Member, LCL search committee, 2024
Member, Political Science promotion and tenure committee, 2011-2014, 2021-2024
Member, Political Science departmental advisory committee, 2004-06, 2007-09, 2010-11, 2022-24
Member, Political Science graduate committee, 2020-21, 2022-3
Member, CLAS Dean's promotion and tenure advisory committee, 2011-2014, 2019-2020
Member, Benefits subcommittee, AAUP, 2019-20
Member, President's Committee on Civil Discourse, 2018
Member, Faculty Advisory Council on the Presidential Executive Orders (EOs) on Travel and Immigration, 2017-18
Member, Middle East and human rights search committee, 2015-16
Member, Political Science undergraduate committee, 2010-2013
Member, Political Science Department Head Search Committee, 2012
Member, endowed chair in Judaic studies search committee, 2011-12
Member, UConn Humanities Institute (UCHI) Advisory Board, 2010-2012
member, UCHI graduate fellows selection committee, 2011, 2012
Member, Comparative Politics search committee, 2010-11
Member, IR search committee, 2006-07, 2007-08, 2015-16
Member, Academic Advisory Board, Center for Judaic Studies, U. of Connecticut, 2005-2012

Expert Report (legal cases)

Dream Defenders v. DeSantis, 2021-2022
US asylum case, 2019

Museum Exhibit

"nature's readymades," photo & text, Elizabeth Myers Mitchell Art Museum at St. John's College, Annapolis, Maryland, 2025.

Media (interviews)(selected)

Associated Press, The Atlantic, Boston Globe, Business Insider, Clarin (Argentina), Congressional Quarterly, CT Post, CQ Researcher, Dagbladet Information (Denmark), Danbury News-Times, Education Week, El Mercurio (Chile), Expresso (Portugal), Fortune, Guardian (UK), Gulan Magazine (Iraq), Hartford Courant, Hearst Media, Jewish Ledger, Kristeligt Dagblad (Denmark), La Presse (Canada), LA Times, Mediapart (France), Mother Jones, the National (UAE), New Haven Register, New York Times, Sydney Morning Herald (Australia), Univision, Vox, Washington Post, Waterbury Republican-American, Westport Magazine, Yahoo News. **Radio/TV:** Al-Jazeera, ABC News (US), Australian Broadcasting Corp (TV), Breakfast (Australian Broadcasting Corp radio), CBC (Canada), CHQR (radio; Canada), CNBC, Colin McEnroe show (WNPR), CKUT, Dan Lavallo show (WDRG), Faith Middleton Show (WNPR), Fox 61, KCRW (radio), Minnesota Public Radio, NBC 30, New Hampshire Public Radio, PBS NewsHour, Rear Vision (ABC radio), Voice of America, Where We Live (WNPR), WTIC.