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### APPOINTMENTS

- 2019- College of the Holy Cross, Department of Political Science, Associate Professor  
2013-2019 College of the Holy Cross, Department of Political Science, Assistant Professor  
2016- College of the Holy Cross, Peace and Conflict Studies, Director  
2012-2013 Washington and Lee University, Department of Politics, Visiting Assistant Professor

### EDUCATION

- 2012 Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Minnesota  
*Subfields:* International Relations, Political Theory
- 2008 M.A. in Political Science, University of Minnesota
- 2005 B.A. *Summa Cum Laude*, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA  
*Majors:* International Relations, French (honors), Political Science

### ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

- 2019 “The Inherently Contested Nature of Nongovernmental Accountability: The Case of HAP International,” *VOLUNTAS: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations* (firstview). [\*peer reviewed]
- 2019 “Humanitarianism, Governed: Rules, Identity, and Exclusion in Relief Work,” *Humanity: An International Journal of Human Rights, Humanitarianism, and Development* 10(2). [\*peer reviewed]
- 2018 “American Standards: Definition and Differentiation through Nonprofit Regulation,” *Journal of Civil Society* 14(3): 257-274. [\*peer reviewed]
- 2016 “Two Steps Forward? Assessing Latin American Regionalism Through CELAC” (with Brian Beaton, Holy Cross ‘16), *Latin American Policy* 7(1): 52-79. [\*peer reviewed]
- 2014 “Cruel to care? Investigating the governance of compassion in the humanitarian imaginary” (with Juha Käpylä), *International Theory* 6(2): 255-292. [\*peer reviewed]
- 2009 “Advancing the Normative Frame: A Community Approach to Humanitarian Practices of Neutrality,” *Journal of Global Change and Governance* 3(1): 1-22. [\*peer reviewed]
- 2009 “Selling the Distant Other: Humanitarianism and Imagery – Ethical Dilemmas of Humanitarian Action,” *Journal of Humanitarian Assistance* 28 (February). Available at <http://www.jha.ac>.

### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2011 “The Code of Conduct on Images and Messages: The Irish Experience,” in *Ethical Communication: The European NGOs Code of Conduct on Messages and Images, Best Practices and Challenges* (DEEEP, Brussels).
- 2009 “Religion and Humanitarianism: Floating Boundaries in a Globalizing World” (with Michael Barnett, Janice Stein, and Laura Thaut), Report for the conference on “Religion, Secularism, and Humanitarianism: Exploring Differences, Boundaries, and Connections” (Graduate Institute, Geneva).
- 2009 “Kriisinhallinnan haasteita ja vaaroja ei tiedosteta kunnolla” (The challenges and dangers of crisis management)(with Noora Kotilainen), Op-ed for the *Helsingin Sanomat* (Helsinki), 12 October.

2009 “Military Humanitarian Integration: The Promise and the Peril,” *Finnish Institute of International Affairs*, Briefing paper 37, August.

### TEACHING

College of the Holy Cross:

- “Introduction to International Relations” (Pols 103) – Fall 2013 (2), Spring 2014, Fall 2014 (2), Spring 2015, Spring 2016 (2), Fall 2016 (2), Fall 2017 (2), Fall 2018 (2).
- “Global Governance” (Pols 281) – Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Spring 2017, Spring 2018.
- “Human Rights” (Pols 284) – Spring 2019.
- “Humanitarianism” (Pols 287) – Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019.

Washington and Lee University:

- “World Politics” (Pol 105) – Fall 2012 (2), Winter 2013 (2).
- “Humanitarianism” (Pol 296) – Fall 2012.
- “Human Security” (Pol 380) – Winter 2013.

University of Minnesota:

- “Global Governance” (Pol 4883W) – Fall 2011.
- “Global Politics” (Pol 1025) – Spring 2010.
- “International Relations” (Pol 3835) – Fall 2009.
- Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science – 2005-2012.

### TUTORIALS AND SUPERVISION

- Katharine Sullivan, “Social Media and Sochi: How the Twitter game has affected the 2014 Winter Games,” DC Semester (Spring 2014) – Advisor.
- Colin Beaumont, “Tangled Nets: Evaluating the Status of International Cooperation on Sustainable Fisheries Management in the North Atlantic,” DC Semester (Spring 2014) – Reader.
- Charles Volkwein, “Gridlock Backed up on the Beltway, the Impact of Party Polarization on the Legislative Productivity,” DC Semester (Fall 2014) – Advisor.
- Brian Beaton, “CELAC: Puzzling or Purposeful? Assessing New Regionalism in the Americas,” DC Semester (Spring 2015) – Advisor. – *Vannicelli Award winner*.
- Brendan Collins, “Avoiding Another Fukushima, A look at the dangers of regulatory capture in the domestic and international regulation of nuclear energy,” DC Semester (Fall 2014) – Advisor.
- Matthew Heffner, “What Accounts for the United States Government’s Delayed and Ineffective Response to the West African Ebola Crisis?” DC Semester (Spring 2015) – Reader.
- Elizabeth Cohn, “The European Parliament and European Security Policy: Parliamentary Oversight and Community Foreign and Security Policy,” DC Semester (Spring 2015) – Reader.
- Timothy Farrell, “The Rise Of China and the Future of the International Political System,” Departmental Honors (2014-15) – Reader.
- Emma Peplowski, “Can the SDGs Build on the Successes of the MDGs and Correct for their Failings?” DC Semester (Spring 2016) – Advisor.
- Emily Breakell, “International Immersion Trips and Perceptions of the Global South,” College Honors (2016-17) – Advisor. – *Pi Sigma Alpha Best Undergraduate Honors Thesis Award, national runner-up*.
- Joseph Cataldo, “The Struggle of Interest Groups Over Special Interest Policies,” DC Semester (Fall 2016) – Advisor.
- Tyler Ambrose, “Cuba’s Economic Opening: A Path to Democracy?” College Honors (2016-17) – Reader.
- Madeline Supple, “Genocide Prevention in the 21st Century,” College Honors (2016-17) – Reader.

- Clare Orie, "The Use of Force in the Pursuit of Peace: When Westphalia and Realpolitik Get in the Way of Humanity," DC Semester (Spring 2017) – Reader.
- Patrick Lanctot, "The Comparative Analysis of the Modern Immigration Debate in the United States and United Kingdom and its Relation to the Rise of Nationalist Politics," DC Semester (Fall 2017) – Advisor.
- William Ford, "Understanding the UNSC's Failure to Prevent Atrocity Crimes," DC Semester (Spring 2018) – Advisor. – *Vannicelli Award winner*.
- Kelsey Duffy, "A Century of Humanitarian Crisis in the Media," DC Semester (Spring 2018) – Reader.
- Carolyn Fenerty, "Instrumental Utility vs. Inherent Hostility: Comparing the U.N. Policies of the Trump and Bush Administrations", DC Semester (Fall 2018) – Advisor.
- Christian Realbuto, "Deliberative Democracy: A Rhetorical Analysis of Demagogic and Conciliatory Language in Political Speeches," DC Semester (Fall 2018) – Reader.
- François Venne, "Trends in Nonprofit Professionalism," Tutorial – Pols 451-02 (Spring 2019) – Supervisor.
- Alicia Vesey, "Stigmatization, Risk, and Slow-moving Government: Examining Congressional Motivations for the Denial of Comprehensive Federal Funding for Syringe Exchange Programs," DC Semester (Spring 2019) – Reader.
- Jessica Russo, "Understanding NGOs and their effectiveness through a comparative study of their role in REDD+," Departmental Honors (2018-19) – Reader.

### RESEARCH

- 2018 Holy Cross Summer Research Grant  
 - *Summer research with François Venne ('18) into amateur (do-it-yourself) NGOs and imagery.*
- 2015 Holy Cross Summer Research Grant  
 - *Summer research with Siobhan Murphy ('16) into InterAction and its PVO Standards.*
- 2014 Holy Cross Summer Research Grant  
 - *Summer research with Kathryn Servizio ('16) assessing the role of foundations in humanitarianism.*
- 2012 Research Assistant, Professor Raymond Duvall, University of Minnesota  
 - *Course preparation assistance, including syllabus revisions; organizing course website.*
- 2011 Contractor, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), May.  
 - *Contracted by NUPI for lit review on humanitarianism. Document used as background for Norwegian Research Council programme on humanitarian policy (HUMPOL).*
- 2009 Visiting Researcher, Finnish Institute of International Affairs, Helsinki, May-August.
- 2006, 2008-9 Research Assistant, Professor Michael Barnett, University of Minnesota  
 - *Researcher for the book project, Empire of Humanity: A History of Humanitarianism (Cornell University Press, 2011). Responsibilities included translating books and documents from French to English.*

### GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS

- 2014-2018 Holy Cross Summer Research Grant  
 - *Funding to support faculty/ student collaborative research (2014, 2015, 2018).*
- 2014 The Holy Cross Center for Teaching – travel grant (\$856.50)
- 2012 Lentz Fellowship in Peace Studies and Human Rights  
 - *\$25,000 post-doctoral fellowship, Webster University (declined).*
- 2011-2012 Travel grants (International Studies Association-Northeast; International Studies Association)
- 2011 Graduate Research Partnership Program (GRPP, University of Minnesota)

- \$4,000 fellowship to fund dissertation research and writing. *Research in Switzerland, Ireland, and the UK.*
- 2008-2011 Academy of Finland Grant, Mika Aaltola (PI)
  - *One of six researchers awarded €366,500 for “Ethics, Politics and Emergencies—Humanitarian Frame for Co-option and Collaboration in World Politics.” Three-year Finnish government grant (award #128627).*
- 2010 Andrew Dickinson Memorial Fellowship (University of Minnesota, Political Science)
  - \$5,000 travel grant to conduct dissertation fieldwork in *Switzerland, Ireland, and the UK.*

#### CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 “Blood on the Walls’: The Inherently Contested Nature of Humanitarian Accountability,” British International Studies Association (BISA), London, UK (June).
- 2018 “Blood on the Walls’: The Inherently Contested Nature of Humanitarian Accountability,” International Studies Association (ISA) Northeast, Baltimore, MD (November).
- 2018 “Envisioning Legitimacy: NGO Legitimation through and for Images,” British International Studies Association (BISA), Bath, UK (June).
- 2018 “Envisioning Accountability: NGO Accountability Through and for Images,” International Studies Association (ISA), San Francisco, CA (April).
- 2017 “Envisioning Accountability: NGO Accountability Through and for Images,” International Studies Association (ISA) Northeast, Providence, RI (November).
- 2017 “Identity and Exclusion in Humanitarian Governance,” Faculty Scholarship Lunch (invited lecture), College of the Holy Cross (October).
- 2015 “Assessing New Regionalism in the Americas: The Case of CELAC” (with Brian Beaton, ‘16), International Studies Association (ISA) Northeast, Providence, RI (November).
- 2015 “American Standards: Nonprofit Regulation and International Action” (with Siobhan Murphy, ‘16), International Studies Association (ISA) Northeast, Providence, RI (November).
- 2015 “Foundations of Giving: The Impact of Charitable Trusts on Humanitarian Action,” Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, LA (February).
- 2014 “Foundations of Giving: The Impact of Charitable Trusts on Humanitarian Action,” Annual meeting of the International Studies Association Northeast, Baltimore, MD (November).
- 2014 “Good intentions are not enough’: Tracing the rise of humanitarian self-regulation,” Annual meeting of the British International Studies Association (BISA), Dublin, Ireland (June).
- 2013 “Self-Regulating for Profit and Principle: A Comparative Analysis of Corporate Social Responsibility and NGO Quality and Accountability Initiatives,” International Studies Association (ISA) Northeast, Providence, RI (November).
- 2013 “Self-Regulating for Profit and Principle: A Comparative Analysis of Corporate Social Responsibility and NGO Quality and Accountability Initiatives,” Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, CA (April).
- 2012 “Good intentions are not enough’: Tracing the rise of humanitarian self-regulation,” International Studies Association (ISA) Northeast, Baltimore, MD (November).
- 2012 “Rewriting humanitarianism: Sphere, HAP International, and the search for legitimacy,” Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Diego, CA (April).

- 2011 “Rewriting humanitarianism: Sphere, the Code of Conduct, and the search for legitimacy,” International Studies Association (ISA) Northeast, Providence, RI (November).
- 2011 “Regulating images and messages: Assessing the impact of the Code of Conduct,” World Conference on Humanitarian Studies, Medford, MA (June).
- 2011 “Norm Entrepreneurship at the Margins: Regulating Images in Aid and Development,” Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Montréal, QC (March).
- 2011 “Cheap Talk or Meaningful Communication? Assessing Humanitarian Governance through the Sphere Project,” Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Montréal, QC (March).
- 2010 “Towards Socio-Political Emotions: Reading and Feeling Compassionate Narratives in NGO Campaigns” (with Juha Käpylä), SGIR 7th Pan-European Conference on IR, Stockholm (Sept.).
- 2010 “Mapping the Humanitarian Field.” SGIR Young Researchers Workshop on “Responsibility, Agency and Politics in International Humanitarianism and Human Rights,” Stockholm, Sweden (September).
- 2010 “Contextualizing the Code of Conduct on Images and Messages.” The Use of Images and Messages- A Human Rights Issue, Africa Centre Conference, Dublin Castle, Ireland (July).
- 2010 “Mapping the Humanitarian Field.” Religion, Humanitarianism, and Faith workshop, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva, Switzerland (July).
- 2010 “Emotions, Rationality, and International Relations: Narratives in NGO Advertising Campaigns” (with Juha Käpylä), Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans (Feb).
- 2009 “The Construction of a Humanitarian World: Social Power and Humanitarian Images.” Minnesota International Relations Colloquium, University of Minnesota (March).
- 2009 “The Construction of a Humanitarian World: Social Power and Humanitarian Images.” World Conference of Humanitarian Studies, Groningen, Netherlands (February).
- 2008 “Selling the Distant Other: Humanitarianism and Imagery—Ethical Dilemmas of Humanitarian Action.” Religion and Humanitarianism Luce workshop, American University of Cairo (June).
- 2008 “Humanitarian NGOs and the Norm of Neutrality: A Community Approach.” Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco (March).
- 2007 “Selling the Distant Other: Humanitarianism and Images—Ethical Dilemmas of Humanitarian Action.” Helsinki Seminar on Humanitarianism, University of Helsinki, Finland (December).
- 2007 “Rewriting History: Discourse, power, and the French state from the Third Republic to Vichy.” Annual Meeting of the 20th and 21st Century French and Francophone Studies International Colloquium, Texas A&M University (March).
- 2006 “Rewriting History: Discourse, power, and the French state from the Third Republic to Vichy.” 10th Annual Graduate Symposium in Romance Studies, University of Minnesota (March).

#### WORKSHOPS

- 2018 Sites of Conflict: Gender and Political Violence, McFarland Center faculty working group, College of the Holy Cross (2018-19 academic year).
- 2010 SGIR Young Researchers Workshop on “Responsibility, Agency and Politics in International Humanitarianism and Human Rights,” Stockholm, Sweden (September)
- 2010 Religion, Humanitarianism, and Faith workshop, the Graduate Institute, Geneva, Switzerland (July).

- 2009 Religion, Secularism, and Humanitarianism: Exploring Differences, Boundaries, and Connections (*rapporteur*), the Graduate Institute, Geneva, Switzerland (October).
- 2008 Humanitarianism and Religion. Participant in Luce Foundation-funded workshop, Cairo, Egypt (June).
- 2008 Conversations about Identities, Disciplinarity, and the Study of the European Union. Participant in European Studies Consortium workshop, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis (April).
- 2007 Summer School in Political Communication. Participant in multidisciplinary workshop, University of Tampere, Finland (August).

### PEDAGOGY

- 2014 UMN Polisci Teaching Conference, Minneapolis, MN (July).  
 - *Panelist*, “Using Simulations” roundtable.  
 - Contributed to sessions on class discussions, student writing, global politics, and academic institutions.
- 2008 “Teaching in Higher Education,” graduate course completed, University of Minnesota

### COLLEGE SERVICE

- Peace and Conflict Studies – Faculty Advisory Board (2013-); *Director* (2016-2019).
- McFarland Center Faculty Advisory Committee (2016-).
- International Studies Faculty Advisory Committee (2017-).
- Co-Convener, Biennial conference of the Jesuit Universities Humanitarian Action Network, “Principles in Crisis: Refugees and Responsibility,” College of the Holy Cross (June 2017).
- *Departmental service*: Graduate Studies advisor (2014-); website facilitator (2013-); Pi Sigma Alpha advisor (2018-2019).

### CAMPUS PRESENTATIONS

- “Beyond Good Intentions: The Principles and Politics of Humanitarian Assistance” (Alumni Classroom Revisited, April 2019).
- “Transnational activist networks and social forces” (College Honors Program Colloquium, October 2018).
- “Humanitarianism 101” (JUHAN, Principles in Crisis: Refugees and Responsibility conference, June 2017).
- “A Semi-structured talk on semi-structured interviews” (Holy Cross Summer Research Program, June 2015).
- “Jobs in Humanitarianism and Relief Work” (Non-Profit Careers Conference, January 2015).

### SERVICE AS DISCUSSANT OR CHAIR

- 2018 Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, CA (April).  
 - *Chair*, “NGOs and Accountability.”  
 - *Discussant*, “Building New Norms and Laws in Response to the Refugee ‘Crisis.’”
- 2016 Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Atlanta, GA (February).  
 - *Discussant*, “Practices of Humanitarianism Reconsidered.”  
 - *Discussant*, “Cooperation and Contestation: Non-State Actors in World Politics.”
- 2015 Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, LA (February).  
 - *Chair*, “Critical Perspectives on African Security.”  
 - *Discussant*, “Accountability Beyond Borders: Constructing Frameworks of NGO Accountability in a Global World.”

- 2013 Annual meeting of the International Studies Association Northeast, Providence, RI (November).  
- *Chair and discussant*, “Global Environmental Politics I.”
- 2011 World Conference on Humanitarian Studies, Medford, MA (June).  
- *Co-chair*, “Art of Darkness: Representation and Practice in the Humanitarian Field.”
- 2010 SGIR 7th Pan-European Conference on IR, Stockholm (September).  
- *Discussant*, “Emergence of Humanitarian World Politics.”
- 2010 Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans (February).  
- *Co-chair*, “Humanity Politics: Histories, Passions, and Sites of Human Polity.”

#### PEER REVIEWS

- International Studies Quarterly; International Theory; International Studies Review; International Organization; European Journal of International Relations; Culture, Health, & Sexuality; Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly; PoLAR: Political and Legal Anthropology Review; Global Society.  
- *2013 Humanitarian Accountability Report* (HAP International, Geneva).

#### ASSOCIATIONS

- International Studies Association (ISA), International Organization and Theory sections, ISA-Northeast Governing Council (2013-); British International Studies Association (BISA), NGOs working group

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Preservation Worcester: Board of Directors (2017-), Re-Imagined Notre Dame Committee (2016-18), Urban Action Committee (2017-), Preservation Policy Committee (Chair, 2019-).  
- WalkBike Worcester: Executive Board (2014-).