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Academic Positions

Washington University in St. Louis

July 2019-Present

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science
Faculty Affiliate, [Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity, and Equity \(CRE²\)](#)
Faculty Affiliate, [Division of Computational and Data Sciences](#)
Director, [Data-driven Analysis of Peace Project](#)

Education

Yale University

Ph.D. Political Science

May 2019

Committee: Nicholas Sambanis (chair), Alexandre Debs, Kate Baldwin, Sarah Bush
Fields: International Relations (with Distinction), Comparative Politics, Political Economy

M.Phil. Political Science

M.A. Political Science

University of Chicago

M.A. International Relations, with Honors

June 2011

The George Washington University

B.A. International Affairs, *Summa Cum Laude*

May 2009

Research

Books

2. *Patrolling the Commons: Peacekeeping and Conflict in a Climate-Changed World* (with Patrick Hunnicutt). In preparation.
1. *Local Peace, International Builders: How Peacekeepers Build Peace from the Bottom Up*. Under contract with Cambridge University Press.

Articles

8. Grossman, Allison*, **William G. Nomikos**, and Niloufer Siddiqui. 2023. "How Do Religious Appeals Shape Intergroup Tolerance and Radicalization? Evidence from Burkina Faso." *Journal of Experimental Political Science* 10 (1): pp. 124-136.
7. **Nomikos, William G.** and Danielle N. Villa. 2022. "Unintended Consequences: Reconsidering the Effects of UN Peacekeeping on State-sponsored Violence." *International Peacekeeping* 29 (4): pp. 551-623. Part of Forum on the United Nations at 75.

6. **Nomikos, William G.** 2022. "Peacekeeping and the Enforcement of Intergroup Cooperation: Evidence from Mali." *Journal of Politics* 84(1): 194-208 . Also published as *Empirical Studies on Conflict Working Paper 20*.
5. **Nomikos, William G.** 2021. "Why Share? An Analysis of the Causes of Power-Sharing after Conflict." *Journal of Peace Research* 58(2): 248-262.
4. Hunnicutt, Patrick* and **William G. Nomikos.** 2020. Nationality, Gender, and Deployments: Introducing the RADPKO Dataset. *International Peacekeeping* 27(4): 645-672.
3. **Nomikos, William G.** and Nicholas Sambanis. 2019. "What is the True Mechanism Underlying Audience Costs? Incompetence, Belligerence, and Inconsistency." *Journal of Peace Research* 56 (4): 575-588.
2. Marinov, Nikolay, **William G. Nomikos,** and Josh Robbins. 2015. "Does Electoral Proximity Affect Security Policy?" *The Journal of Politics* 77(3): 762-773.
1. **Nomikos, William G.** 2013/4. "Reevaluating Foreign-Imposed Regime Change." *International Security* 38(3): 184-195.

Manuscripts Under Review

5. "Non-Combatants or Counter-Insurgents? The Strategic Logic of Violence against UN Peacekeeping" (with Patrick Hunnicutt and Rob Williams). R&R at *World Politics*.
4. "Peace is in the Eye of the Beholder: How Perceptions of Impartiality Shape Peacekeeping Outcomes."
3. "More Security, More Legitimacy? Effective Governance as a Source of State Legitimacy in Liberia" (with Eric Stollenwerk).
2. "Do UN Peacekeepers Protect Civilians? Evidence from the Mali-Burkina Faso Border " (with Ipek Ece Sener* and Rob Williams).
1. "U.S. Partisan Polarization on the War in Ukraine" (with Dahjin Kim* and Gechun Lin*).

Work in Progress

6. "Peacebuilding amidst Information Warfare: How Disinformation Shapes Local Attitudes toward Peacebuilders in Conflict Settings (with Romuald Anago*, Molly Offer-Westort, and Leah Rosenzweig)." Funded by Weidenbaum Center.
5. "Disinformation as Racial Politics: Examining Russian Social Media Operations in Minoritized Communities in Bulgaria (with Elana Resnick)." Funded by National Council for Eurasian and East European Research.
4. "Occupation, Statebuilding, and Political Participation: the Case of American Reconstruction after the Civil War" (with Amaan Charaniya*, Jordon Newton*, and Michael Olson). Funded by Weidenbaum Center.
3. "Social Media Reactions to US Withdrawal from Afghanistan" (with Rex Deng*, Dahjin Kim*, and Gechun Lin*). Funded by Weidenbaum Center.
2. "Social Media or Social Networks? Analyzing Polarization during the US Withdrawal from Afghanistan" (with Amaan Charaniya*, Gechun Lin*, and Ipek Ece Sener*). Funded by Weidenbaum Center.

1. "Racialized Peacekeeping" (with Bianca Freeman*).

*Denotes graduate student co-author

Other Selected Publications

14. "Impartiality among UN Peacekeepers is key to ending communal violence in sub-Saharan Africa." *London School of Economics Africa Blog*. September 30, 2022.
13. "Does UN Peacekeeping Work? A New Perspective." *Political Violence at a Glance*. September 26, 2022.
12. Review of *Peacekeeping, policing, and the rule of law after civil war* by Rob Blair. *Governance* 35(3): 954-955.
11. "Everyone has an opinion on Afghanistan—Do voters care?." *The Hill*. September 1st, 2021.
10. "Washington University professor analyzes what went wrong in Afghanistan, what's next for allies." *NBC St. Louis KSDK*. August 17th, 2021.
9. "Taliban strategy changes." *Scripps National News*. August 17th, 2021.
8. "WashU Expert: Afghanistan crisis was a predictable catastrophe." *The Source*. Washington University in St. Louis. August 17th, 2021.
7. "Ralph Bunche Orator Tribute." *Black History Month at the Brown School*. Washington University in St. Louis. February 1st, 2020.
6. "Second Presidential Debate Panel Discussion." *Gephardt Institute for Civic and Community Engagement*. Washington University in St. Louis. October 22, 2020.
5. "What Lies ahead for Mali?" Interview with Al Jazeera. September 7, 2020.
4. "The Military Has Ousted Mali's President. That Raises Questions about the Country's Ongoing Security Challenges." *The Monkey Cage*. August 26, 2020. With Melanie Sauter, Rob Williams, and Patrick Hunnicutt.
3. "Identifying Threats to Europe's Southern Border: The Unique Challenge of Mali," EU-LISTCO, Project on Europe's External Action and the Dual Challenges of Areas Of Limited Statehood And Contested Orders. Commissioned Policy Report.
2. "Why Audiences (Mostly) Don't Care about Reputation in Foreign Policy," *Duck of Minerva*. September 7, 2019.
1. "Democracies' Deadly Electoral Compromise." *The National Interest*. July 29, 2015. With Nikolay Marinov.

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

Research Grants

2023	National Council for Eurasian and East European Research (with Elana Resnick)	\$32,000
2023	Weidenbaum Center Impact Grant, Washington University in St. Louis	\$146,671
2022	Weidenbaum Center Research Grant, Washington University in St. Louis	\$15,500
2022	Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity, and Equity, Washington University in St. Louis	\$1,000
2022	Weidenbaum Center Research Grant, Washington University in St. Louis	\$12,000
2021	Weidenbaum Center Research Grant, Washington University in St. Louis	\$13,000
2021	Weidenbaum Center Research Grant, Washington University in St. Louis (with Michael Olson)	\$9,800
2020	Weidenbaum Center Research Grant, Washington University in St. Louis	\$13,000
2020	Weidenbaum Center Impact Grant, Washington University in St. Louis (with David Carter)	\$120,000
2020	Peace and Recovery Program, Innovation for Poverty Action (with Allison Grossman and Niloufer Siddiqui)	\$7,000
2020	Weidenbaum Center Research Grant, Washington University in St. Louis	\$9,000
2019	Weidenbaum Center Research Grant, Washington University in St. Louis	\$10,000
2019	Peace and Recovery Program, Innovation for Poverty Action (with Allison Grossman and Niloufer Siddiqui)	\$51,944
2019	Folke Bernadotte Academy Peacekeeping Grant (with Patrick Hunnicutt)	\$32,000
2018	Peace and Recovery Program, Innovation for Poverty Action (with Allison Grossman and Niloufer Siddiqui)	\$10,000
2018	Non-Senate Faculty Improvement Grant, UC-Santa Barbara	\$1,000
2017	Folke Bernadotte Academy Peacekeeping Grant	\$32,000
2016	Clara Levillain Prize, Yale University	\$2,200
2016	European Union Studies Grant, Yale University	\$3,000
2016	Institute for Social and Policy Studies Field Experiment Grant, Yale University	\$5,000
2016	MacMillan Field Research Grant, Yale University	\$18,000
2015, 2016	Leitner Program in Political Economy Grant, Yale University	\$9,000
2015	Woodrow Wilson Center Global Europe Program Research Fellowship	\$3,000

Awards and Honors

2019	Merze Tate Award nomination for best dissertation in the field of International Relations, Yale University
2016-2017	Vardis and Opal Fisher International Studies Fund, Yale University
2016	University Dissertation Writing Fellowship, Yale University
2015	University Dissertation Writing Fellowship, Yale University
2014-2015	Allen Sheldon III Memorial Fellowship, Yale University
2011-2017	Graduate Student Fellowship, Yale University
2011	M.A. Thesis Honors, University of Chicago, Committee on International Relations
2010-2011	Second-Year Specialization, University of Chicago, Committee on International Relations
2009-2010	Graduate Fellowship, University of Chicago, International House
2009	B.A. Special (Departmental) Honors, George Washington University, Elliott School of International Affairs
2009	Distinguished Scholar (Top 2% of Senior Class), George Washington University
2009	<i>Phi Beta Kappa</i> , George Washington University
2008-2009	Presidential Scholarship, George Washington University

Talks, Conferences, and Presentations

Invited Talks

2023	University of Pennsylvania, International Relations Seminar Series
2022	Oxford University, International Relations Seminar Series
2022	Scope Conditions Podcast
2022	University of Michigan, the Conflict & Peace, Research & Development group.
2021	UCLA, the Politics of Order and Development (POD) Lab.
2021	Hamilton College, Department of Government.
2020	UC Davis, Political Science Department.
2019	Folke Bernadotte Academy and University of Genoa, State of the Art? The Future of Peacekeeping Data.
2019	University of California, Santa Barbara, the Global Security Hub.
2018	Folke Bernadotte Academy Research Workshop and Research-Policy Dialogue: Sustainable Peace.
2018	Washington University in St. Louis, Department of Political Science.
2018	Folke Bernadotte Academy, Stockholm, Sweden.
2018	University of Pennsylvania, Identity and Conflict Program Workshop.
2017	University of California, Santa Barbara, the Global Security Hub.
2017	International Studies Association, Junior Scholar Symposium.
2017	Conference on Humanitarian Intervention and the Responsibility to Protect (R2P), Yale University.
2017	The Ohio State University, Department of Political Science, Comparative Politics Workshop.
2016	Harvard University, Boston Area Working Group on African Political Economy (B-WGAPE).
2016	Harvard University, Graduate Student Experimental Methods Conference.
2012	New York University, Department of Politics, Folke Bernadotte Academy Peacekeeping Operations Workshop.

Annual Conference Participation

(C)=Chair, (D)=Discussant, (O)=Panel organizer, (P)=Panel participant, (R)=Roundtable, (S)=Section Chair.

APSA: 2022 (O,P,R,D), 2021 (P), 2020 (O, P), 2019 (P, P), 2018 (P, D), 2017 (C, O, P), 2016 (O, P), 2013 (P)
 ISA: 2023 (P), 2022 (P, R), 2020 (P,O), (P, O), 2017 (P, P, O), 2016 (P, O), 2015 (P, O)
 MPSA: 2023 (S), 2014 (P), 2013 (P)
 Peace Science: 2022 (C,P), 2021 (P), 2020 (P,P)

Teaching Experience

Washington University in St. Louis

PS 335:	Peacekeeping	Undergraduate	Spring 2021, Spring 2023
PS 337:	Climate Change and Conflict	Undergraduate	Fall 2021
PS 5085:	International Intervention in Fragile Settings	Graduate	Spring 2021, Fall 2022

University of California, Santa Barbara

PS 106PK:	Peacekeeping	Undergraduate	Spring 2018, Winter 2019
PS 106EC:	Ethnic Conflict	Undergraduate	Spring 2018
PS 15:	Intro. to Quantitative Research	Undergraduate	Winter 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019
PS 106LC:	Legacies of Colonialism	Undergraduate	Fall 2017

Advising and Mentorship

PhD Committee Member

Ipek Ece Sener, WUSTL, 2024 (expected)
 Patrick Hunnicutt, UCSB, 2021 (current Assistant Professor, Chapman University)

Undergraduate Thesis Advisor

Lock McKelvy, WUSTL, 2023 (expected)
 Amelia Frederking, WUSTL, 2023 (expected)
 Claudia Alegre, UCSB and McNair Scholar, 2019 (current PhD student, UCLA)
 Trevor Kennedy, UCSB, 2019

Data-driven Analysis of Peace Project Lab

Current:

Ipek Ece Sener (WUSTL)
 Patrick Hunnicutt (UCSB)
 Ryan Hironaka (UCSB/UCLA)
 Gechun Lin (WUSTL)
 Dahjin Kim (WUSTL)
 Rex Deng (WUSTL)
 Amaan Charaniya (WUSTL)
 Alexis Jang (WUSTL)
 Masanori Kikuchi (WUSTL)
 Mason Shaver (WUSTL)
 Seldon Salaj (WUSTL)
 Aubrey Fisher (WUSTL)
 Elizabeth Irwin (GWU)
 Marina Milicevic (UCSB)

Former:

Jenny Nyeche (UCSB)
 Navin Yuvaraj (WUSTL)
 Allison Fong (WUSTL)
 Gabby Hyman (WUSTL)
 Taylor Anderson (WUSTL)
 Meirav Grajower (WUSTL)
 Kathryn Porter (WUSTL)
 Ishan Gupta (WUSTL)
 Kellan Robinson (UNC-Chapel Hill)
 Danielle Villa (Emory)
 Melanie Sauter (EUI/UN)
 Rob Williams (WUSTL)
 Claudia Alegre (UCSB)
 Aleeza Malik (UCSB)
 Grace Burgess (UCSB)
 Kayden Mansfield (UCSB)
 Sean Smith (UCSB)
 Karen Trinh (UCSB)
 Sophia Maranon (UCSB)

Research Skills

Language: Greek (native), Swedish (fluent), English (fluent), French (conversant).

Software: L^AT_EX, STATA, R, Qualtrics, SurveyCTO.

Field research: Mali (December 2017, July-August 2016; February-March 2016).

Service

University

International Relations Search Committee, 2022-2023.

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2020-2021.

McNair Scholars Program Faculty Mentor, 2017-2019.

Discipline

Organizational: Executive board, *Midwest Workshop in Empirical Political Science* (2021-Present); Section Chair, *Midwest Political Science Association* annual meeting (2023).

Reviewer: *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *International Organization*, *International Security*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *International Peacekeeping*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *British Journal of Political Science*.

Membership: Midwest Workshop in Empirical Political Science (executive board), Folke Bernadotte Academy Peacekeeping Working Group, American Political Science Association (Conflict Processes, International Security Section, Experiments, African Politics Conference Group), Midwest Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Peace Science Society.