

**Michael G. Findley**  
Assistant Professor, Government  
Curriculum Vita

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

University of Texas at Austin  
Department of Government  
3.108 BATS  
Austin, TX 78712

Office: 512.232.7208  
Fax: 512.471.1061  
Email: [mikefindley@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:mikefindley@austin.utexas.edu)  
<http://michael-findley.com>

**EDUCATION**

Ph.D. *University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)*, Political Science (2007)  
M.A., B.A. *Utah State University (USU)*, Political Science (2002, 2000)

**APPOINTMENTS & AFFILIATIONS**

Assistant Professor, Department of Government, *University of Texas at Austin*, August 2012–present  
Courtesy Appointment, LBJ School of Public Affairs, *University of Texas at Austin*, January 2013–  
AidData Conflict Mitigation Team Leader, *AidData Research Consortium*, January 2014–  
Research Fellow, *Robert S. Strauss Center, Lyndon B. Johnson School, University of Texas, Austin*, 2012–present  
Principal Investigator, *AidData*, 2008–present  
Member, *Experiments in Governance and Politics* Network, 2012– (Steering Committee, 2012–2013)  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, *Brigham Young University*, 2007–2012  
Associate Director, *Political Economy and Development Lab, BYU*, 2008–2012  
Guest Researcher, *Uppsala Peace and Conflict Department, Sweden*, May 2010; June 2011

**RESEARCH**

**Refereed Books**

1. Findley, Michael, Daniel Nielson, and J.C. Sharman. *Global Shell Games: Experiments on Anonymous Incorporation in International Relations*. In Production with Cambridge University Press.

**Refereed Works / Law Reviews (Newest First) (\*Student)**

26. “The Causes of Non-Compliance with International Law: Evidence from a Field Experiment on Financial Transparency.” (With Daniel Nielson and Jason Sharman). Forthcoming in *American Journal of Political Science*.
25. Baradaran, Shima, Michael G. Findley, Daniel L. Nielson, and Jason Sharman. “Funding Terror.” Forthcoming in *University of Pennsylvania Law Review*.
24. Findley, Michael G., and Josiah Marineau. “Lootable Resources and Third-Party Intervention Into Civil Wars.” Forthcoming in *Conflict Management and Peace Science*.
23. Milton, Daniel J., Megan Spencer\*, and Michael G. Findley. “Radicalism of the Hopeless: Refugee Flows and Transnational Terrorism.” Forthcoming in *International Interactions*.

22. Findley, Michael G., Daniel Nielson, and J.C. Sharman. "The Causal Effects of Financial Action Task Force Rules vs. Private Standards on Anonymous Incorporation: A Field Experiment." Forthcoming In Kenneth Abbott, Phillip Genschel, Duncan Snidal and Bernhard Zangl (Eds.) *International Organizations as Orchestrators*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press. (Peer-reviewed)
21. Findley, Michael G., Daniel Nielson, and J.C. Sharman. 2013. "Using Field Experiments in International Relations: A Randomized Study of Anonymous Incorporation." *International Organization* 67(4): 657–693.
20. Harris, Adam S.\*, and Michael G. Findley. 2013. "Is Ethnicity Identifiable? Lessons from an Experiment in South Africa." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 58(1): 4–33.
19. Findley, Michael G. 2013. "Bargaining and the Interdependent Stages of Civil War Resolution." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 57(5): 901–928.
18. Baradaran, Shima, Michael G. Findley, Daniel L. Nielson, and Jason Sharman. 2013. "Does International Law Matter?" *Minnesota Law Review* 97(3): 743–837.
17. Findley, Michael G., and Joseph K. Young. 2012. "Terrorism and Civil War: A Spatial and Temporal Approach to a Conceptual Problem." *Perspectives on Politics* 10(2): 285–305.
16. Findley, Michael G., and Peter J. Rudloff. 2012. "Combatant Fragmentation and the Dynamics of Civil Wars." *British Journal of Political Science* 42(4): 879–901.
15. Findley, Michael G., and Joseph K. Young. 2012. "More Combatant Groups, More Terror? Empirical Tests of an Outbidding Logic." *Terrorism and Political Violence* 24(5): 706–721.
14. Findley, Michael G., and Joseph K. Young. 2012. "Using Geography to Understand Terrorist Actors and Actions." *International Studies Review*. Appears in an ISR Forum entitled "Killing Civilians or Holding Territory? How to Think About Terrorism" (edited by Victor Asal, Luis De La Calle Robles, Michael Findley, and Joseph Young). 14(3): 475–497.
13. Findley, Michael G., James Piazza, and Joseph K. Young. 2011. "Games Rivals Play: Terrorism in International Rivalries." *Journal of Politics*. 74(1): 235–248.
12. Young, Joseph K., and Michael G. Findley. 2011. "Can Peace Be Purchased? A Sectoral-Level Analysis of Aid's Influence on Transnational Terrorism" *Public Choice* 149(3-4): 365–381.
11. Findley, Michael G., Josh Powell\*, Daniel Strandow, and Jeff Tanner\*. 2011. "The Localized Geography of Foreign Aid: A New Dataset and Application to Violent Armed Conflict." *World Development* 39(11): 1995–2009.
10. Tierney, Michael J., Daniel L. Nielson, Darren G. Hawkins, J. Timmons Roberts, Michael G. Findley, Ryan M. Powers, Bradley Parks, Sven E. Wilson, Robert L. Hicks. 2011. "More Dollars Than Sense: Refining Our Knowledge of Development Finance Using AidData." *World Development* 39(11): 1891–1906.
9. Young, Joseph K., and Michael G. Findley. 2011. "Promise and Pitfalls of Terrorism Research." *International Studies Review*. 13(3): 411–431.
8. Findley, Michael G., and Joseph K. Young. 2011. "Terrorism, Democracy, and Credible Commitments." *International Studies Quarterly*. 55 (2): 357–378.
7. Nielsen, Richard A., Michael G. Findley, Zachary S. Davis\*, Tara Candland\*, and Daniel L. Nielson. 2011. "Foreign Aid Shocks as a Cause of Violent Armed Conflict." *American Journal of Political Science*. 55(2): 219–232.
6. Rider, Toby J., Michael G. Findley, and Paul F. Diehl. 2011. "Just Part of the Game?: Arms Races, Rivalry, and Competition." *Journal of Peace Research* 48(1): 85–100.
5. Bhavnani, Ravi, Michael G. Findley, and James H. Kuklinski. 2009. "Rumor Dynamics in Ethnic Violence." *Journal of Politics* 71(3): 876–892.

4. Findley, Michael G. 2008. "Agents and Conflict: Adaptation and the Complexity of War." *Complexity* 14(1): 22–35.
3. Findley, Michael G., and Joseph K. Young. 2007. "Fighting Fire with Fire?: How (Not) to Neutralize an Insurgency." *Civil Wars* 9(4): 378–401.
2. Findley, Michael G., and Scott Edwards. 2007. "Accounting for the Unaccounted: Weak-Actor Social Structure in Asymmetric Wars." *International Studies Quarterly* 51(3): 583–606.
1. Findley, Michael G., and Tze Kwang Teo. 2006. "Rethinking Third Party Interventions into Civil Wars: An Actor-Centric Approach." *Journal of Politics* 68(4): 828–837.

## Other Publications

6. Weaver, Catherine, Stephen Davenport, Justin Baker, Michael Findley, Christian Peratsakis, and Josh Powell. 2014. "Malawi's Open Aid Map." World Bank.
5. Young, Joseph, and Michael G. Findley. Forthcoming. "Computational Modeling to Study Conflicts and Terrorism." Forthcoming in Joseph Soeters et al (Ed.) *Handbook of Research Methods in the Military*.
4. Kitterman, Katherine\*, and Michael G. Findley. Forthcoming. "Emerging Donors and the Changing Landscape of Bilateral Aid." Forthcoming in Manuela Moschella (Eds.) *Handbook of Global Economic Governance*. Routledge.
3. Strandow, Daniel, Michael Findley, Daniel Nielson, and Josh Powell. 2011. "The UCDP and AidData Codebook on Geo-Referencing Aid, Version 1.1" *UCDP Paper No. 4*.
2. Review of *Beating Goliath: Why Insurgencies Win* by Jeffrey Record (2007) and *Asymmetric Warfare: Threat and Response in the Twenty-First Century* by Rod Thornton (2007) in *Perspectives on Politics* 7(3): 720–722.
1. Hawkins, Darren G., J. Timmons Roberts, and Michael G. Findley (Co-editors). 2011. "Expanding Our Understanding of Aid With a New Generation in Development Finance Information." Special Issue of *World Development* 39(11): 1891–1906.

## Papers under Review

- "The Downstream Effects of Combatant Fragmentation in Civil Wars" (With Peter Rudloff) Revise and Resubmit at *Journal of Peace Research*.
- "Aversion to Learning in Development? A Global Field Experiment on Microfinance Institutions MFI Experiment." (With Matthew Brigham, William Matthias, Chase Petrey, and Daniel Nielson). Revise and Resubmit at *International Interactions*
- "Which Devil in Development? A Large-N Survey and Randomized Field Experiment Comparing Bilateral Aid, Multilateral Assistance, and Government Action in Uganda." (With Helen Milner and Daniel Nielson). Under Review at *International Organization*.
- "Ethnicity, Natural Resources, and Civil War." (With Victor Asal, James Piazza, and James Walsh). Under Review at *Journal of Conflict Resolution*.
- "The Swarm Principle: A Spatial Analysis of Donor Coordination in Sub-Saharan Africa." (With Josiah Marineau and Josh Powell). Under Review at *Journal of Globalization and Development*.
- "A Field Experiment on the Liability of Foreignness: Country of Origin and U.S. Inward Investment Promotion." (With Nathan Jensen and Daniel Nielson.) Under Review at *Strategic Management*.
- "Modeling Dynamic Violence: Integrating Events Data Analysis and Agent-Based Modeling" (With Stephen Shellman and Joseph K. Young). Under Review at *Conflict Management and Peace Science*.
- "Obligated to Deceive? Aliases, Confederates, and the Common Rule in International Field Experiments." (With Daniel L. Nielson). Under Review.

## Completed Manuscripts in Preparation for Submission

- “Deceptive Studies or Deceptive Answers: Competing Global Field and Survey Experiments on Anonymous Incorporation.” (With Brock Laney, Daniel Nielson, and J.C. Sharman)
- “Terrorism, Spoiling, and the Resolution of Civil Wars.” (With Joseph K. Young.)
- “NGO Opportunism: A Field Experiment.” (With Daniel Nielson, Ryan Bakow, and Brian Reed)
- “Spare the Rod: Corporal Punishment and Violent Armed Conflict.” (With Kasey Beck\*, Kennard Noyes\*, and Trent Van Alfen\*)
- “Extrinsic, Intrinsic, and Social Incentives for Crowdsourcing Development Information in Uganda: A Field Experiment.” (With Robert Morello\*, Maddy Gleave\*, and Daniel Nielson)
- “Elite and Mass Support for Foreign Aid in Recipient Countries: A Field Experiment in Uganda.” (With Helen Milner, Adam Harris, and Dan Nielson).
- “Xenophobia Reversed: A Field Experiment of how Socio-economic Status Affects Prosocial Behavior.” (With Matt Brigham, Peter Carroll, Madeleine Gleave, Brock Laney, Catherine Nielson, and Daniel Nielson.)
- “Disentangling Inter-Ethnic and Immigrant Prejudice: Evidence from South Africa.” (With Adam S. Harris, Kennard Noyes, and Daniel Nielson)
- “The Local Geography of Transnational Terrorist Attacks.” (With Alex Braithwaite, Josiah Marineau, and Joseph K. Young)
- “Triage for Democracy: Selection Effects in Governance Aid.” (With Richard Nielsen, Daniel Nielson, and Joseph Young)
- “Ethnic (Un-)Identifiability: Unpacking the Untested Conventional Wisdom in a Field Experiment In South Africa.” (With Adam Harris and Daniel Nielson)

## Research in Progress

- “Grading the Do-Gooders: A Scorecard of NGO Transparency and Effectiveness in Uganda.” (With Daniel Nielson)
- “Mapping Aid in Malawi: Is a Picture Worth a Thousand Words?” (With Catherine Weaver and Daniel Nielson.)
- “Foreign Aid and Government/Rebel Control Zones in Civil War: A GIS Approach.” (With Daniel Strandow).
- “Endorsements of Foreign Aid Types: A Global Field Experiment of Members of Parliament.” (With Daniel Nielson)

## Invited Talks / Organized Meetings

- *-International Relations and Pacific Studies, University of California, San Diego, November 2013*
- *-Center for the Study of Development Strategies, Columbia University, November 2013*
- *-Uppsala Workshop on Geography and Armed Conflict, Uppsala, Sweden, October 2013*
- *-Roundtable on Ethics in Comparative Politics Experiments, APSA, Chicago, August 2013*
- *-Conference on Ethics in Comparative Politics Experiments, UC San Diego, May 2013*
- *-Conference on Foreign Aid, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, April 2013*
- *-Roundtable on Innovative Research on Non-Governmental Organizations, MPSA, Chicago, April 2013*
- *-Shifting Conflict Patterns in Africa: Drivers of Instability and Strategies of Cooperation, University of Texas, Austin, April 2013*
- *-Transforming Security Research Workshop, Washington, D.C., February 2013 (declined)*

- -Department of Political Science, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK, March 2013
- -Wheatley Institution for International Affairs Conference, Provo, UT, February 2013
- -African Studies Academy, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, February 2013
- -Department of Political Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, October 2012
- -NGO Toolkit for Conflict / Crisis Response, South by Southwest (SXSW) Eco, October 2012
- -Experimental Research Workshop, Best Practices and Applications, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, September 2012
- -Field Experiments in International Relations, BYU and Princeton University, Park City, UT, September 2012
- -3ie Registry for International Development Impact Evaluations Task Force, RAND Corporation, Washington D.C., September 2012
- -Tools of International Pressure: How International Actors Influence Domestic Politics in Sovereign States, Yale University, New Haven, CT, June 2012
- -Orchestration in International Relations Workshop, Ludwig-Maximilians University, Munich, Germany, May 2012
- -Evolving Dynamics of Security in Africa: Assessing Diplomacy, Development, and Defense Responses, University of Texas, Austin, April 2012
- -Roundtable on Innovative Uses of Geocoded Data in Political Science, MPSA, Chicago, April 2012
- -World Bank Mapping for Results Research Conference, Washington D.C., March 2012 (declined)
- -Terrorism and the Resolution of Civil Wars, University of Texas, Austin, March 2012
- -Development Gateway Aid Management Platform Workshop, Dakar, Senegal, January 2012
- -Department of Statistics, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, January 2012
- -AidData 2.0 launch and CCAPS Workshop on Climate Change, Development Gateway and World Bank, November 2011
- -Tech@State, State Department Conference on Data Visualization for International Development, Washington D.C., September 2011
- -ESRI International User Conference, San Diego, CA July 2011
- -Mapping Climate Change and Political Stability, Austin, TX, May 2011 (Declined due to research travel)
- -Terrorism and Policy Conference, University of Texas, Dallas, May 2011
- -Development Gateway Aid Management Platform Workshop, Nairobi, Kenya, December 2010
- -Lyndon B. Johnson School of International Affairs, CCAPS, University of Texas, Austin, November 2010
- -World Bank, Mapping for Results, World Bank, Washington D.C., October 2010
- -U.S. Department of State, Development Information and Mapping Summit, State Department, Washington D.C., October 2010
- -History Alliance Seminar, Weber State University, Ogden, UT, September 2010
- -Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University, May 2010
- -Uppsala Forum on Peace, Democracy, and Justice, Uppsala University May 2010
- -National Research Council, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Workshop, May 2010 (declined)
- -World Bank Conflict and Fragility Innovation Fair, Cape Town, SA, April 2010
- -Frank Church Symposium, Idaho State University, March 2010
- -Department of Political Science, College of William & Mary, December 2008
- -Department of Political Science, Oklahoma State University, June 2008

- -*Department of Political Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, May 2008*
- -*Complex Systems Symposium, Department of Physics, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, May 2006*
- -*New Faces in Security Studies, Triangle Institute for Security Studies, Duke, September 2006*

### Conference Presentations (Organized by Paper)

- “The Local Geography of Transnational Terrorist Attacks.” (With Alex Braithwaite and Joseph K. Young)  
-*Uppsala Workshop on Geography and Armed Conflict Uppsala, October 2013 (Presentation)*
- “Status on the Street: A Field Experiment of how Socio-economic Status Affects Prosocial Behavior.” (With Matt Brigham, Peter Carroll, Madeleine Gleave, Brock Laney, Catherine Nielson, and Daniel Nielson.)  
-*Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting Chicago, April 2013 (Presentation)*
- “Aversion to Learning in Development? A Global Field Experiment on Microfinance Institutions MFI Experiment.” (With Matthew Brigham, William Matthias, Chase Petrey, and Daniel Nielson).  
-*International Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, April 2013 (Presentation)*
- “Elite and Mass Support for Foreign Aid in Recipient Countries: A Field Experiment in Uganda.” (With Helen Milner, Adam Harris, and Dan Nielson).  
-*American Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, August 2013 (Presentation)*  
-*Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, April 2013 (Presentation)*
- “Foreign Aid and Government/Rebel Control Zones in Civil War: A GIS Approach.” (With Daniel Strandow).  
-*Climate Change and African Political Stability (CCAPS) “Shifting Conflict Patterns in Africa” Conference, Austin, April 2013 (Presentation)*
- “Extrinsic, Intrinsic, and Social Incentives for Crowdsourcing Development Information in Uganda: A Field Experiment.” (With Robert Morello\*, Maddy Gleave, and Daniel Nielson).  
-*African Studies Academy, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, Charlotte, NC, February 2013 (Presentation)*
- Co-organizer of two conferences on “Field Experiments in International Relations.” (With Daniel Nielson and Helen Milner).  
-*Park City, UT, Sept 2012*  
-*Princeton, NJ, Spring 2014*
- “Endorsements of Foreign Aid Types: A Global Field Experiment of Members of Parliament.” (With Daniel Nielson and Joel Selway)  
-*Field Experiments in International Relations, Park City, UT, September 2012 (Presentation)*
- “Using Field Experiments in International Relations: A Randomized Study of Anonymous Incorporation.” (With Daniel Nielson and Jason Sharman).  
-*Field Experiments in International Relations, Park City, UT, September 2012 (Presentation)*
- “Which Devil in Development? A Large-N Survey and Randomized Field Experiment Comparing Bilateral Aid, Multilateral Assistance, and Government Action in Uganda.” (With Helen Milner and Daniel Nielson)  
-*Best Practices in Experiments Conference, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, September 2012 (Presentation)*  
-*American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, September 2012 (Presentation)*
- “Orchestrating the Fight Against Anonymous Incorporation: A Field Experiment.” (With Daniel Nielson and Jason Sharman)  
-*Orchestration in International Relations Workshop, Munich, Germany, May 2012*
- “Modeling Dynamic Violence: Integrating Events Data Analysis and Agent-Based Modeling.” (With Stephen Shellman and Joseph K. Young)  
-*International Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, March 2012 (Presentation)*  
-*International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada, March 2011 (Presentation)*  
-*American Political Science Association, Washington D.C., September 2010 (Presentation)*

- “The Downstream Effects of Combatant Fragmentation in Civil Wars.” (With Peter Rudloff)  
-*International Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Canada, March 2011 (Presentation)
- “The Causes of Non-Compliance with International Law: Evidence from a Field Experiment on Financial Transparency.” (With Daniel Nielson and Jason Sharman).  
-*University of Illinois Department of Political Science*, Champaign, IL, October 2012 (Presentation)  
-*American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, September 2012 (Presentation)  
-*Tools of International Pressure: How International Actors Influence Domestic Politics in Sovereign States*, Yale University, May 2012 (Presentation)  
-*Experiments in Governance and Politics Network*, Vancouver, Canada, April 2012 (Presentation)  
-*Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, April 2012 (Presentation)  
-*International Studies Association Annual Meeting*, San Diego, March-April 2012 (Presentation)  
-*Department of Statistics, Brigham Young University*, Provo, January 2012 (Presentation)
- “Terrorism, Spoiling, and the Resolution of Civil Wars.”  
-*American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, August 2013 (Presentation)  
-*International Studies Association*, New Orleans, February 2010 (Presentation)  
-*International Studies Association*, New York, February 2009 (Presentation)  
-*Peace Science Society International*, Claremont, October 2008 (Presentation)  
-*Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, April 2008 (Presentation)
- “Bargaining and the Interdependent Stages of Civil War Resolution.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*.  
-*Oklahoma State University, Political Science (Invited)*, June 2008 (Presentation)  
-*New Faces in Security Studies (Invited)*, Triangle Institute for Security Studies, Duke University, September 2006 (Presentation)  
-*Program in Arms Control, Disarmament, and International Security Colloquium Series: Conflict and Security (Invited)*, UIUC, April 2006 (Presentation)
- “Terrorism and Civil War: A Spatial and Temporal Approach to a Conceptual Problem.” (With Joseph K. Young). *Perspectives on Politics*.  
-*International Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Montreal, Canada, March 2011 (Presentation)  
-*American Political Science Association*, Washington D.C., September 2010 (Presentation)
- “Is Ethnicity Identifiable? Lessons from an Experiment in South Africa.” (With Adam Harris). *Journal of Conflict Resolution*.  
-*Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, April 2009 (Poster)  
-*University of Fort Hare*, East London, South Africa, November 2008 (Presentation)
- “Combatant Fragmentation and the Dynamics of Civil Wars.” (With Peter Rudloff). *British Journal of Political Science*.  
-*American Political Science Association*, Toronto, Sept 2009 (Presentation)  
-*Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, April 2009 (Presentation)  
-*International Studies Association*, San Francisco, March 2008 (Presentation)
- “More Combatant Groups, More Terror? Empirical Tests of an Outbidding Logic.” (With Joseph K. Young). *Terrorism and Political Violence*.  
-*International Studies Association*, New Orleans, February 2010 (Presentation)
- “Can Peace Be Purchased? A Sectoral-Level Analysis of Aid’s Influence on Transnational Terrorism” (With Joseph K. Young). *Public Choice*.  
-*American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Seattle, WA, Sept 2011 (Presentation)  
-*Terrorism and Policy Conference*, University of Texas, Dallas, May 2011 (Invited)  
-*Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, Illinois, April 2011 (Presentation)
- “The Localized Geography of Foreign Aid: A New Dataset and Application to Violent Armed Conflict.” (With Josh Powell, Daniel Strandow, and Jeff Tanner). *World Development*.  
-*Uppsala Department of Peace and Conflict Forum*, Uppsala, Sweden, May 2010 (Presentation)

-*World Bank Conflict and Fragility Innovation Fair (Invited)*, Cape Town, SA, April 2010

-*AidData: Aid Transparency and Development Finance*, Oxford, UK, March 2010 (Presentation)

- “More Dollars Than Sense: Refining Our Knowledge of Development Finance Using AidData.” (With Michael Tierney, Daniel L. Nielson, Darren G. Hawkins, J. Timmons Roberts, Ryan M. Powers, Bradley Parks, Sven E. Wilson, Robert L. Hicks.) *World Development*.  
-*AidData: Aid Transparency and Development Finance*, Oxford, UK, March 2010 (Presentation)  
-*PLAID Data Vetting Workshop*, Henry Stimson Center, Washington D.C., September 2009 (Presentation)
- “Promise and Pitfalls of Terrorism Research.” (With Joseph K. Young). *International Studies Review*.  
-*Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, April 2009 (Presentation)
- “Foreign Aid Shocks as a Cause of Violent Armed Conflict.” (With Richard A. Nielsen, Zachary S. Davis, Tara Candland, and Daniel L. Nielson). *American Journal of Political Science*.  
-*Uppsala Forum for Peace, Democracy, and Justice*, Uppsala, Sweden, May 2010 (Presentation)  
-*International Studies Association*, San Francisco, March 2008 (Presentation)
- “Just Part of the Game?: Arms Races, Rivalry, and Competition.” (With Toby J. Rider and Paul F. Diehl). *Journal of Peace Research*.  
-*Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, April 2008 (Presentation)
- “Rumor Dynamics in Ethnic Violence.” (With Ravi Bhavnani and James Kuklinski). *Journal of Politics*.  
-*American Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Washington, D.C., September 2005 (Presentation)  
-*Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, April 2005 (Presentation)  
-*Merriam Lab Junior Master Class (Invited)*, Urbana, IL, October 2004 (Presentation)
- “Agents and Conflict: Adaptation and the Complexity of War.” *Complexity*.  
-*Complex Systems Symposium*, Physics Department, UIUC, May 2006 (Invited Plenary Talk)
- “Fighting Fire with Fire?: How (Not) to Neutralize an Insurgency.” (With Joseph K. Young). *Civil Wars*.  
-*International Studies Association Annual Meeting*, San Diego, March 2006 (Presentation)
- “Accounting for the Unaccounted: Weak-Actor Social Structure in Asymmetric Wars.” (With Scott Edwards). *International Studies Quarterly*.  
-*International Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Honolulu, March 2005 (Presentation)  
-*Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, April 2004 (Presentation)
- “Rethinking Third Party Interventions into Civil Wars: An Actor-Centric Approach.” (With Tze Kwang Teo). *Journal of Politics*.  
-*Political Methodology Summer Meeting*, Tallahassee, July 2005 (Poster)  
-*Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, April 2005 (Presentation)

## Research Areas

- Civil Wars and Terrorism
- International Development Aid
- Experiments in International Relations and Development

## FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

### External Grants & Honors

- *Swiss Network of International Studies (SNIS)*, \$256,000 consortium grant, (With the Graduate Institute of Geneva), 2014–2016.



- *2013 Prize for Best Paper in the Experimental Section presented at the previous year's APSA*, For “Causes of Non-Compliance with International Law: Evidence from a Field Experiment on Financial Transparency.” (With Daniel Nielson and Jason Sharman).
- *2013 McGillivray Prize for Best Paper in Political Economy presented at the previous year's APSA*, For “Causes of Non-Compliance with International Law: Evidence from a Field Experiment on Financial Transparency.” (With Daniel Nielson and Jason Sharman).
- *Department of Defense Minerva Program, \$800,000 consortium grant*, (With UNCC, Penn State, SUNY-Albany), 2013–2016.
- *USAID Higher Education Solutions Network Grant to AidData for Geocoding Foreign Aid, \$25 million consortium grant*, (With William and Mary, Brigham Young University, Development Gateway, and ESRI) 2012–2017.
- *AidData: Tracking Development Finance, \$1 million, Hewlett Foundation*, (With Michael Tierney, Daniel Nielson, Robert Hicks, Timmons Roberts, Darren Hawkins, and Sven Wilson.) 2010–2013.
- *AidData: Tracking Development Finance, \$1.5 million, Gates and Hewlett Foundations*, (With Michael Tierney, Daniel Nielson, Robert Hicks, Timmons Roberts, Darren Hawkins, and Sven Wilson.) 2008–2009.
- *African Development Bank Mapping Initiative, Phase 1, \$75,000*, (With Michael Tierney, Robert Hicks, Timmons Roberts, Darren Hawkins, and Sven Wilson.) Spring 2011
- *World Bank Mapping for Results Initiative, Phase 2, \$150,000*, Washington D.C., Spring 2011
- *World Bank Mapping for Results Program on Georeferencing Foreign Aid Data, Phase 1*, Washington D.C., 2010
- *National Science Foundation Grant “Terror, Conflict Processes, Organizations, & Ideologies: Completing the Picture.” Award # BCS-0904883, \$467,000*. (With Shellman, Stephen, Ryan Bakker, Remco Chang, and Joseph Young.) 2009–2012.
- *Peace Scholar Dissertation Fellow*, United States Institute of Peace, AY 2006–2007
- *Selected for Participation in the 7th Annual “New Faces in Security Studies” Conference*, Triangle Institute for Security Studies, Duke University, September 2006
- *Howard Penniman Graduate Scholarship*, Pi Sigma Alpha National Office, 2002–2003.

## Internal Grants & Honors

- *Internal Research Grants at BYU, Totaling \$110,000*, Brigham Young University, 2007–2012.
- *Pi Sigma Alpha Outstanding Faculty Award* Brigham Young University, April 2010
- *Kathleen Burkholder Award* for the best dissertation defended/deposited in 2007/2008, UIUC Department of Political Science
- *Dissertation nominated by the UIUC Political Science Department for APSA and Peace Science best dissertation awards*
- *Scott Dissertation Completion Fellowship*, Graduate College, UIUC, AY 2006–2007 (awarded, but I declined)
- *Rita and Leonard Ogren Award for Academic Achievement*, Department of Political Science, UIUC, February 2006.
- *ACDIS Thesis Initiation Fellowship*, Program in Arms Control, Disarmament, and International Security, UIUC, AY 2005–2006.
- *Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships*, The Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center, UIUC, AY 2004–2005 & 2003–2004.
- *Charles Merriam Fellowship*, Department of Political Science, UIUC, 2002–2005.

## TEACHING

### Recognition

- Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society, BYU Chapter, Outstanding Professor 2009–2010
- Advanced Graduate Teacher Certificate, UIUC, April 2006.
- Graduate Teacher Certificate, UIUC, May 2004.
- “List of Teachers Ranked Excellent By Their Students”
  - *Intro. to International Relations*, UIUC, Fall 2005.
  - *Intro. to Comparative Politics*, UIUC, Summer 2004.

### Faculty Experience (And Overall Ratings)

- *Political Violence (graduate)*  
Spring 2013, UT Austin (Overall Course: In Progress; Overall Instructor: In Progress)
- *Civil Wars and Ethnic Violence (undergraduate)*  
Fall 2012, UT Austin (Overall Course: 4.5/5; Overall Instructor: 4.5/5)  
Fall 2011, BYU (Overall Course: 7.5/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.6/8.0)  
Fall 2009, BYU (Overall Course: 7.6/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.2/8.0)  
Winter 2008, BYU (Overall Course: 6.8/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.0/8.0)  
Fall 2007, BYU (Overall Course: 7.1/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.3/8.0)
- *Terrorism (undergraduate)*  
Spring 2013, UT Austin (Overall Course: In Progress; Overall Instructor: In Progress)  
Fall 2011, BYU (Overall Course: 7.2/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.5/8.0)  
Winter 2009, BYU (Overall Course: 7.3/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.6/8.0)  
Fall 2008, BYU (Overall Course: 7.3/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.3/8.0)
- *Field Experiments (graduate; LBJ School)*  
Spring 2013 (Overall Course: In Progress; Overall Instructor: In Progress)
- *Field Experiments in Peacebuilding (undergraduate)*  
Fall 2010 (Overall Course: 7.1/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.3/8.0)  
Fall 2009 (Overall Course: 7.4/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.7/8.0)
- *Quantitative Political Methodology (undergraduate)*  
Winter 2012, BYU (Overall Course: In Progress; Overall Instructor: In Progress)  
Fall 2010, BYU (Overall Course: 6.1/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.0/8.0)  
Winter 2010, BYU (Overall Course: 6.0/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.2/8.0)
- *Intro to International Relations (undergraduate)*  
Winter 2009, BYU (Overall Course: 6.7/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.1/8.0)
- *Capstone Seminar: Political Violence (undergraduate)*  
Fall 2008, BYU (Overall Course: 7.3/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.6/8.0)  
Winter 2008, BYU (Overall Course: 6.8/8.0; Overall Instructor: 7.2/8.0)

## STUDENT MENTORING / COMMITTEES

- *Phd Dissertation Committees*, University of Texas at Austin, 2012–
  - Josiah Marineau, Government Department
  - Josh Blank, Government Department
  - Huseyin Alpetkin, Government Department
  - Todd Smith, LBJ Public Policy School
- *Masters Thesis Committees*, University of Texas at Austin, 2012–
  - Izzah Akram, LBJ Public Policy School
- *Runner up, National Pi Sigma Alpha Student Paper Contest: Taylor Jacoby*, Brigham Young University, October 2012.
- *Mentored Research Abroad; Set up this program (with Dan Nielson) for BYU students to do mentored research in South Africa and Uganda*, Summers 2009, 2010, 2011, & 2012
- *Climate Change and African Political Stability Internship with partners at University of Texas, Austin; Helped Arrange for BYU students*, Development Gateway, Washington D.C., Summer 2011
- *World Bank Internship; Helped Arrange for BYU Students*, World Bank and Development Gateway, Washington D.C., Summer 2010
- *First Place Poster at Mary Lou Fulton Conference, Mentored Student: Adam Harris*, Brigham Young University, April 2009.
- *First Place Poster at Mary Lou Fulton Conference, Mentored Student: Zach Davis*, Brigham Young University, April 2008.
- *Students Funded for (or Supported by) Mentored Research Grants*
  - Raymond Weyandt, *Global Media Bias*, Kampala, Uganda, Summer 2013
  - Megan Spencer, *NGO Evaluation*, NGOs in South Africa, Winter 2012
  - Megan Spencer, *NGO Accountability*, Kampala, Uganda, Winter 2011
  - Danny Walker, *NGO Accountability*, Kampala, Uganda, Summer 2010, Winter 2011
  - Zach Christensen, *Women's NGO Transparency*, Kampala, Uganda, Fall 2010
  - Aryel Cianflone, *NGO Transparency*, Geneva, Switzerland, Summer 2010
  - Lauren Soelberg, *NGO Transparency*, Kampala, Uganda, Summer 2010
  - Lena Lizunova, *Foreign Aid Donor Transparency*, Provo, UT, Winter 2010
  - Autumn Gardner, *Ethnic Identifiability in S. Africa*, East London, S. Africa, Summer 2009
  - Kelly McBride, *Ethnic Identifiability in S. Africa*, East London, S. Africa, Summer 2009
  - McKenna Lane, *Ethnic Identifiability in S. Africa*, East London, S. Africa, Summer 2009
  - Kennard Noyes, *Corporal Punishment and Political Violence; Ethnic Identifiability in S. Africa*, Kampala, Uganda, Summer 2010
  - Trent Van Alfen, *Corporal Punishment and Political Violence; Ethnic Identifiability in S. Africa*, Kampala, Uganda, Summer 2010
  - Zach Davis, *Discrimination & Perceived Illegal Immigrants*, Provo, UT, Summer 2009
  - Adam Harris, *Ethnic Identifiability in S. Africa*, East London, S. Africa, Summer 2008

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

### Manuscript Review

Reviewer for *American Political Science Review*; *American Journal of Political Science* (5); *Journal of Politics* (5); *International Studies Quarterly* (7); *Journal of Conflict Resolution* (5); *Journal of Peace Research* (4); *Perspectives on Politics* (3); *Foreign Policy Analysis* (3); *Comparative Political Studies*; *International Studies Review*; *International Interactions* (2); *Conflict Management and Peace Science*; *Civil Wars*; *Review of International Organizations*; *Review of International Political Economy*; *Grawemeyer World Order Award*; *National Science Foundation*; *Social Science Journal*; *Public Choice*; *Terrorism and Political Violence*; *British Journal of Political Science*.

## Professional Memberships

- American Political Science Association
- Midwest Political Science Association
- International Studies Association
- Peace Science Society

## Service

- *Editorial Board, Foreign Policy Analysis, International Studies Association Journal, 2013–2015.*
- *Registry for International Development Impact Evaluations (RIDIE) Task Force, 3ie and RAND Corporation, 2012–2013.*
- *Discussant for “Political Violence, Conflict, and Mobilization” Panel, Midwest Political Science Association, April 2013.*
- *Graduate Admissions Committee, UT-Austin, AY 2012–2013.*
- *Co-Organized Government Department Experiments Workshop, UT-Austin, Spring 2013.*
- *Faculty Research Group Coordinator, BYU, Spring Term 2012.*
- *Curriculum Committee, BYU, AY 2007–2010; 2011–2012.*
- *Academic Life Committee, BYU, AY 2009–2010; 2011–2012.*
- *Speaker at numerous BYU student honor society and club meetings, BYU, 2007–2012.*
- *Keynote Speaker, Inquiry Conference, Kennedy Center for International Studies, BYU, March 2009.*
- *Thesis Evaluator, Robin Escobar, Forced Assimilation & Conflict Dynamics, University of Massachusetts, May 2009*
- *Discussant for “State Characteristics and Civil Wars” Panel, Midwest Political Science Association, April 2008.*

## Additional Training and Other Conferences, Workshops, & Presentations

- *Guest Researcher Uppsala University Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala, Sweden, May 2010, June 2011*
- *Academic Fellows Program for the Study of Terrorism, Tel Aviv, Israel (Foundation for the Defense of Democracies), June 2009*
- *Designing, Conducting, and Analyzing Field Experiments, Yale University (ICPSR workshop), July 2008*
- *Summer Workshop on Teaching about Terrorism, University of Oklahoma, June 2008*
- *APSA Short Course on Agent-Based Modeling, Philadelphia, PA, Sept 2006*
- *Graduate Workshop in Computational Social Sciences and Complexity, Santa Fe Institute, Santa Fe New Mexico, July 2006*
- *Merriam Workshop in Math Modeling, Merriam Lab for Political Research, UIUC, January 2006*
- *Junior Master Class, Merriam Lab for Political Research, UIUC, Oct. 2004 & Sept. 2005*
- *Repast Training Seminar, Agent 2004 Conference, Argonne National Laboratory, Chicago, October 2004*

## RESEARCH SKILLS

### Modeling and Technical Skills

- Computational modeling; Applied statistics; Geographic information systems; Experiments
- Proficient in Stata, Matlab, and  $\LaTeX$  — Familiar with ArcGIS, RATS, SPSS, R, and Mathematica.

### International and Language Skills

- Reading, Writing, Speaking:
  - Russian: proficient reading, writing, & speaking.
  - Serbo-Croatian: basic reading & writing.
  - Spanish: basic reading & writing.
- Field Research and International Experience:
  - Rwanda: Kigali, July 2012; Kigali, July 2013
  - Senegal: Dakar, January 2012
  - Uganda: Kampala, June 2010; January 2011; May 2011; June–July 2012; June–July 2013
  - Malawi: Lilongwe, January 2011
  - Kenya: Nairobi, December 2010
  - Sweden: Uppsala, May 2010; June 2011.
  - South Africa: East London, Johannesburg, Durban, Cape Town, November 2008; July 2009; April 2010.
  - England: Oxford, March 2010.
  - Israel: Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, June 2009.
  - Guatemala: Antigua, Chimaltenango, Panajachel, May 2009.
  - Russia: Yekaterinburg, Ufa, Cheliabinsk, Perm, October 1995–September 1997.
  - Mexico: Toluca, Mexico City, June–July 1993.

## REFERENCES

Available upon request