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**EDUCATION**

- 1993-2000     **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**  
Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science, awarded September 2000
- 1989-1993     **Stanford University**  
Bachelor of Arts with Distinction & Departmental Honors in Political Science, awarded June 1993

**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

- 2013-present   **Coordinator**, War and Peace Studies Program, Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH
- 2008-present   **Associate Professor** with tenure, Department of Government, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH
- 2003-2008     **Assistant Professor**, Department of Government, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH
- 2001-2003     **Research Associate**, Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University, Stanford, CA
- 2001-2003     **Instructor**, Department of Political Science, Stanford University, Stanford, CA
- 2000-2001     **John M. Olin Institute Post-Doctoral Fellow** in Strategic Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
- 2000-2001     **Research Associate**, Military Conflict as a Public Health Problem Initiative, Center for Basic Research in the Social Sciences, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Books**

- Sustainable Security: Rethinking American National Security Strategy*, co-edited with Jeremi Suri (Oxford University Press, 2016)
- Final Solutions: Mass Killing and Genocide in the Twentieth Century* (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2004).

**Articles**

- “Revisiting Hiroshima in Iran: American Attitudes about Nuclear Weapons and Non-Combatant Immunity,” with Scott Sagan (forthcoming from *International Security*, Summer 2017)
- “More Than a Word: “Genocide” and Public Opinion in the United States,” with Ethan Weinberg (Forthcoming from the *Journal of Human Rights* 2017, Vol. 16, Issue 3, July-September 2017)
- “An Inflated View of the Facts? How Preferences and Predispositions Shape Conspiracy Beliefs About the Deflategate Scandal.” With John Carey, Brendan Nyhan and Mingnan Liu, *Research and Politics*, July-September 2016.
- “At Home Abroad: Public Attitudes towards America’s Overseas Commitments,” in Benjamin Valentino and Jeremi Suri, eds., *Sustainable Security: Rethinking American National Security Strategy* (Forthcoming from Oxford University Press, 2016)
- “Moral Character or Character of War? American Public Opinion on the Targeting of Civilians in Times of War.” *Daedalus*, Vol. 145, No. 4 (Fall 2016)

**Articles - *continued***

“Why We Kill: The Political Science of Political Violence against Civilians,” *Annual Review of Political Science*, vol. 17 (May 2014), pp. 89-103.

“Atomic Aversion: Experimental Evidence on Taboos, Traditions, and the Non-Use of Nuclear Weapons.” With Scott Sagan and Daryl Press. *American Political Science Review*, vol. 107, no. 1 (Winter 2013).

“The True Costs of Humanitarian Intervention: The Hard Truth Behind a Noble Notion.” *Foreign Affairs*, vol. 90, no. 6 (November/December 2011), pp. 60-73.

“A War of One’s Own: Understanding the Gender Gap in Support for War.” *Public Opinion Quarterly*, vol. 75, no. 2 (Summer 2011), pp. 270-286. With Deborah Brooks

“Bear any Burden?: How Democracies Minimize the Costs of War.” *Journal of Politics*, vol. 72, no. 2 (April 2010), pp. 528-544. With Paul Huth and Sarah Croco.

“Lost in Transition: A Critical Analysis of Power Transition Theory,” *International Relations*, vol. 23, no. 3 (September 2009). With Richard Ned Lebow.

“Mass Killing of Civilians in Times of War, 1945-2000,” with Paul Huth, in Hewitt, Wilkenfeld and Gurr, eds., *Peace and Conflict 2008* (Boulder: Paradigm 2008), pp. 79-92.

“The Perils of Limited Humanitarian Intervention: Lessons from the 1990s,” *Wisconsin International Law Journal*, vol. 24, no. 3 (Fall 2006), pp. 723-740.

“Covenants Without the Sword: International Law and the Protection of Civilians in Times of War,” *World Politics*, vol. 58, no. 3 (April 2006). With Paul Huth and Sarah Croco.

“Final Solutions, Further Puzzles,” *Security Studies*, vol. 13, no. 3 (Spring 2004), pp. 204-218. A contribution to a symposium on my book, *Final Solutions: Mass Killing and Genocide in the Twentieth Century*. With additional commentaries by John Mueller, Michael Desch and Stathis Kalyvas.

“Draining the Sea: Mass Killing and Guerilla Warfare,” *International Organization*, vol. 58, no. 2 (Spring 2004), pp. 375–407. With Paul Huth and Dylan Balch-Lindsay.

“Still Standing By: Why America and the International Community Fail to Prevent Genocide and Mass Killing,” *Perspectives on Politics*, vol. 1, no. 3 (September 2003), pp. 565-576.

“Final Solutions: The Causes of Mass Killing and Genocide,” *Security Studies*, vol. 9, no. 3 (Spring 2000), pp. 1-59.

“Allies No More: Small Nuclear Powers and Opponents of Ballistic Missile Defense in the Post-Cold War Era,” *Security Studies*, vol. 7, no. 2 (Winter 1997/98), pp. 215-234.

**Other Publications**

“Naming Crimes: Genocide and Public Opinion in the United States,” with Ethan Weinberg, *Open Global Rights*, June 30, 2016

“Atomic Attraction,” with Scott Sagan, *The Indian Express*, June 3, 2016.

“Would the U.S. Drop the Bomb Again?” with Scott Sagan, *The Wall Street Journal*, May 21-22, 2016.

**Other Publications - *continued***

“Use of Force: The American Public and The Ethics of War,” with Scott Sagan, *Open Global Rights*, July 2015.

“Time to Offshore Our Troops.” Op-Ed with Eugene Gholtz and Daryl G. Press, *New York Times*, December 12, 2006, p. A31.

“A Victory, But Little Is Gained.” Op-Ed with Daryl G. Press, *New York Times*, November 17, 2004, p. A29.

“Is the Comparison Between Hitler and Stalin Justified?” in Benjamin Frankel, ed., *History in Dispute: The Cold War* (Detroit: Gale Research, 2000).

*Nuclear Weapons Safety after the Cold War: Technical and Organizational Opportunities for Improvement* (Stanford: Center for International Security and Arms Control, 1994), with Scott Sagan.

**MANUSCRIPTS UNDER SUBMISSION/WORKS IN PROGRESS**

“Just Cause and Unjust Soldiers: American Public Opinion on the Moral Equality of Combatants.” With Scott Sagan.

“Mining News Reports for Predictive Signals of New State-Led Mass Killings.” Paper Prepared for the ISA Global Trends Working Group, 57th Annual International Studies Association Convention in Atlanta, Georgia (March 16, 2016). With Andrew Halterman Jay Ulfelder

“Just a War Theory? American Public Opinion on Ethics in Military Combat.” With Scott Sagan

“The Limits of International Justice: The Effect of the ICTY on Reconciliation in Bosnia and Herzegovina.” With Sanela Muharemovic

“Animals Are People Too: Explaining Variation in Respect for Animal Rights.” With Yon Soo Park

“Crossing the Nuclear Line: Attitudes on Using Force Against Proliferating States.” With Scott Sagan and Ben Buch

“An Army of the People? Guard and Reserve Casualties and Public Support for War.” With Nicholas Valentino.

**HONORS, AWARDS AND RESEARCH GRANTS**

MacArthur Foundation Research Grant, 2016: For the Study of American Attitudes on the Use of Nuclear Weapons (co-principal investigator with Scott Sagan)

Stanford Ethics in Society Research Grant, 2014-15: For research on just war doctrine and American public opinion, McCoy Family Center for Ethics in Society, Stanford University (co-principal investigator with Scott Sagan)

Consulting Scholar, Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University, 2014

Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Project on Advanced Systems and Concepts for Combating WMD Research Grant 2014-15: For the study of international attitudes on the use of nuclear weapons (co-principal investigator with Scott Sagan)

MacArthur Foundation Research Grant, 2013: For the Study of Ethics and the Use of Force (co-principal investigator with Scott Sagan)

Ganek Fellowship, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, 2011: To support the development of leaders in professions critical to genocide prevention and response.

National Residence Hall Honorary Advisor of the Month Award, 2011.

Best Paper Award Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior section, American Political Science Association: 2009: For “A War of One’s Own: Understanding the Gender Gap in Support for War.” With Deborah Brooks.

Rockefeller Center Faculty Research Grant 2007: “Somebody Else’s Son (or Daughter): Social Group Cues, Military Casualties, and Support for War.” With Nicholas Valentino.

### **Honors and Awards - *continued***

Edgar S. Furniss Book Award, given by the Mershon Center for International Security, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 2005: Awarded annually to an author whose first book makes an exceptional contribution to the study of national and international security.

Rockefeller Center Faculty Research Grant, 2005: For the study of violence against civilians in interstate war.

Rockefeller Center Faculty Research Grant, 2004: For the study of insurgency and counter-insurgency.

National Science Foundation Grant for Research 2003-2005 (co-principal investigator with Paul Huth): For the study of the civilian consequences of armed conflict.

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

#### **Dartmouth College**

- Government 98-99: Senior Honors Thesis Seminar
- Government 85.16: The Causes and Prevention of Mass Killing and Genocide
- Government 53: International Security
- Government 50: War and Peace in the Modern Age
- Government 50: Leading Voices in American Foreign Policy
- Government 5: International Relations

#### **Stanford University**

- Political Science 110B: Strategy, War and Politics
- Political Science 343A: Research Seminar on International Security & Social Science
- Interschool Honors Seminar in International Security Studies (co-director)

### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- 2016-Present Member, Experts Committee on Preventing Mass Violence. An independent group of former policy makers, activists and academics convened to formulate policy recommendations related to preventing and protecting civilian populations from mass violence.
- 2013- Present Coordinator, Dickey Center War and Peace Studies Program, Dartmouth College
- 2007-2013 Steering Committee Member, Dickey Center War and Peace Studies Program, Dartmouth College
- 2006-Present Co-Chair, Tobin Project National Security Working Group - a non-partisan advisory group designed to bring together academics and policy makers to develop new ideas on major American policy issues.
- 2007-2008 Member Genocide Prevention Task Force, a jointly sponsored initiative of the US Institute of Peace, The US Holocaust Museum and the American Academy of Diplomacy