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EDUCATION

Princeton University

Ph.D., Politics

M.A., Politics

Subfields: *Comparative Politics, Southeast Asian Politics, Quantitative Methods*

Princeton, New Jersey

Aug 2019 – Nov 2025 (Expected)

Nov 2021

Carleton College

B.A., Political Science; Political Economy (minor) with honors

Northfield, Minnesota

Sep 2017 – Jun 2019

SCHOLARSHIP

Dissertation: *The Dictator's Gambit – Causes and Consequences of Territorial Autonomy Arrangements in Authoritarian Regimes*

- Focusing on a 20 year period of territorial autonomy granted to ethnic minority groups in the Democratic Republic of Vietnam, my dissertation project explores the causes and effects of territorial autonomy arrangements in authoritarian regimes
- Includes an original data set of 4000+ case-year observations of territorial autonomy arrangements in authoritarian regimes and corresponding covariates

Working Papers

- “Perceived Corruption and Political Participation in a Single Party Regime: Evidence from Vietnam” *in progress (2024)*
- “Religions of Rebellion: The Politics of Millenarian Demonstrations in Highland Vietnam” *in progress (2024)*

Presentations

September 2024 – University of Georgia Department of Political Science

September 2024 – American Political Science Association Annual Conference

August 2023 – American Political Science Association Annual Conference iPoster Session

May 2023 – Princeton University Comparative Politics Group

March 2023 – Harvard University Southeast Asia Studies Graduate Student Conference

March 2023 – Carleton College Political Science Department

May 2022 – Princeton University Comparative Politics Group

May 2021 – Princeton University Comparative Politics Group

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Haverford College

Visiting Instructor (Instructor of Record)

Spring 2025

- **POLS 131 – Introduction to Comparative Politics:** general survey course on the foundational concepts and themes in comparative politics including political authority and governance structures; political culture and identity politics; political participation and representation; and political economy

Princeton University

Assistant Instructor (evaluations available by request)

Sep 2021 – Present

- **POL 505 – Experimental Methods in Political Science (graduate):** Ph.D. course covering theoretical and practical features of experimental political science, particularly natural and field experiments
- **POL 345 – Introduction to Quantitative Social Science:** Introductory required course on the basic principles of statistical inference, causal inference, and programming skills (R) for data analysis in the social sciences
- **POL 351 – The Politics of Development:** Advanced elective course focusing on the state's role in promoting growth and distribution in the developing world with cases drawn from Asia, Africa, and Latin America

- **POL 362 – Chinese Politics:** Advanced elective course covering the historical evolution of the Chinese Communist Party and contemporary politics in the People’s Republic of China
- **POL 376 – Dictators and Their Demise:** Advanced elective course on topics including the conditions that give rise to authoritarianism; the strategies authoritarian leaders use to stay in power; and the consequences of different types of authoritarianism for outcomes such as economic growth and human development
- **SPI 561 – Comparative Political Economy of Development (graduate):** M.P.A., M.P.P., and Ph.D. course covering analysis of political change and the operation of political institutions in the development process, with emphasis on the interaction of political and economic factors under a multitude of different economic, ethnic, geographic, and social contexts

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Carleton College Board of Trustees

Young Alumni Trustee

Jul 2022 – Jul 2026

- Responsibilities include providing long-term direction for the college, collective management of the \$1.1bn endowment, planning capital campaigns and other strategic initiatives
- Board committee assignments: Academic Affairs, College Council, and Student Life; Carleton 2033 Advancing the Liberal Arts committee

Swarthmore College

Seasonal Application Reader

Jan – Mar 2021; Dec – Mar 2022

- Read and evaluated 2000+ applications in a committee based evaluation setting as a seasonal reader
- Received in-depth training in the Slate application management platform and selection processes at a selective liberal arts college

Yale University

Visiting Graduate Student, Department of Anthropology

Dec 2020 – May 2021

- Conducted coursework on the politics of culture in Southeast Asia, supplementing previously acquired quantitative skills with anthropological approaches

The World Bank

Operations Intern; International Development Association

Nov – Dec 2018

- Served as an international development research intern under the direction of Barbara Geiser, Senior Operations Officer in the Development Finance Resource Mobilization division of the IDA
- Assisted the IDA replenishment process alongside World Bank permanent staff to ensure that commitments made to donors were implemented for the benefit of IDA recipient countries

AWARDS & GRANTS

The Mamdouha S. Bobst Center Dissertation Research Grant (2023): \$5,000

The Mercatus Center Adam Smith Fellowship (2022-2023): \$10,000

Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Research Grant (2022): \$3,000

Southeast Asia Research Group Dissertation Improvement Grant (2022): \$1,500

Southeast Asia Research Group Conference Grant (2021): \$500

The Mercatus Center Don Lavoie Fellowship (2020): \$1,250

American Political Science Association Minority Fellowship Program (2019): \$4,000

Mellon Graduate School Exploration Fellowship (2018): \$5,500

Stanford University Hoover Institute Summer Policy Bootcamp (2018): Distinguished Participant

SKILLS

Programming: R, STATA

Technologies: Git, L^AT_EX, Microsoft Office Suite

Languages: English (Native), Spanish (Intermediate), Vietnamese (Elementary)