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Employment

University of Arizona

Assistant Professor 2022 - present
Tenure Track

Associate Professor 2020 - 2022
Career Track

Assistant Professor 2016-2020
Career Track

Assistant Director & Program Coordinator 2014-2016
International Security Studies MA

Lecturer 2013-2014

Adjunct Professor 2012-2013

Education

Graduate **University of Arizona** 2016
Certificate Educational Technology and Instructional Design

Ph.D. **University of Arizona** 2012
Political Science: International Relations Major and Political
Methodology Minor (passed with honors)
Committee: Gary Goertz (chair), Chad Westerland, Faten Ghosn,
and Tom Volgy
Dissertation: Repression and the Civil-War Life-Cycle:
Explaining the Use and Effect of Repression Before, During,
and After Civil War

M.A.	University of Arizona Political Science	2009
B.A.	University of Arizona Majors: Political Science and French, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	2007

Publications

- Ryckman, Kirssa Cline. 2022. "Is Violence the Answer? A Pragmatic Approach." In *Wicked Problems: The Ethics of Action for Peace, Rights, and Justice*, edited by Austin Choi-Fitzpatrick, Douglas Irvin-Erickson, and Ernesto Verdeja. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.
- Henshaw, Alexis, and Kirssa Cline Ryckman. 2022. "Data Visualization." In *Teaching Graduate Political Methodology*, 218–26. Edward Elgar Publishing.
- Ryckman, Kirssa. 2020. "A Turn to Violence: The Escalation of Nonviolent Movements." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 64(2-3), 318-343.
- Ryckman, Kirssa Cline and Jessica Maves Braithwaite. 2020. "Changing Horses in Midstream: Leadership Changes and the Civil War Peace Process." *Conflict Management and Peace Science*. 37(1), 83-105.
- Ryckman, Kirssa Cline. 2020. "Lasting Peace or Temporary Calm? Rebel Group Decapitation and Civil War Outcomes." *Conflict Management and Peace Science*. 37(2), 172-192.
- Ryckman, Kirssa. 2019. "Transforming Quantitative Datasets using Principles of Research Design: Finding a Way to Distinguishing between Domestic and Transnational Terror Attacks." *SAGE Research Methods Cases*. doi.org/10.4135/9781526473103
- Ryckman, Kirssa Cline and Mike Ryckman. 2017. "All Politics Is Local: The Domestic Agenda of Terror Groups and the Study of Transnational Attacks." *Journal of Global Security Studies*. 2(1): 55-73.
- Ryckman, Kirssa Cline. 2016. "Ratification as Accommodation: Domestic Dissent and Human Rights Treaties." *Journal of Peace Research*. 53(4): 582-596.
- Cline, Kirssa, et al. 2011. "Identifying Regional Powers and their Status," in *Major Powers and Their Quest for Status in International Politics: Global and Regional Perspectives*, eds. Thomas J. Volgy, Renato Corbetta, Keith A. Grant, and Ryan G. Baird. New York: Palgrave MacMillan, 133-57.

Public Outlets

Ryckman, Kirssa Cline, Jennifer Earl, and Jessica Maves Braithwaite. 2020. "Teach police nonviolence." Published with a creative commons license on *The Conversation*, available at: <https://theconversation.com/teach-police-nonviolence-scholars-say-and-how-to-work-with-local-residents-141013>. Published June 24, 2020.

Braithwaite, Jessica Maves, Jennifer Earl, and Kirssa Cline Ryckman. 2020. "Why the Generals Should still be Worried." *Political Violence at a Glance*, available at: <https://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2020/06/26/why-the-generals-should-still-be-worried/>. Published June 26, 2020.

Working Papers

"When Civil Resistance Fails: Exploring How and Why Nonviolent Campaigns End," book project

"From Civil Resistance to Civil War: Pathways to Violence," journal article

"Quality over Quantity? Campaign Diversity and Repression Backfire," journal article

"Guns, Butter, and Civil War: Explaining Civil War Salience in Conflict Zones," journal article

"Return to the Streets: The Recurrence of Civil Resistance Campaigns," journal article

Conference Papers

"Return to the Streets: The Recurrence of Civil Resistance Campaigns," IO Editorial Café at the International Studies Association, 2023, Montreal

"Nonviolent Campaign Diversity and Repression Backfire," International Studies Association, 2022, Nashville/Virtual

"From Civil Resistance to Civil War: Pathways to Violence," Contentious Interactions: Frontiers in Protest Research organized by the Center for Civil Society Research of the Berlin Social Science Center, 2021, Berlin/Virtual

"Diminishing Returns: Tactical Advantage and Publicity in the Use of Female Suicide Bombers," International Studies Association, 2021, Virtual

"Guns, Butter, and Civil War: The Salience of National Security in Conflict Zones," International Studies Association, 2019, Toronto

"How Nonviolence Ends: Protest, Repression, and Escalation during the Arab Spring," Peace Science Society (International), 2018, Austin

- “A Turn to Violence: The Escalation of Nonviolent Movements,” International Studies Association, 2018, San Francisco
- “Guns, Butter, and Civil War: The Salience of National Security in Conflict Zones,” Four Corners Conflict Network, 2017, Denver
- “Lasting Peace or Temporary Calm? Rebel Group Decapitation and Civil War Outcomes,” International Studies Association, 2017, Baltimore
- “International Rivalries and Civilian Abuse,” International Studies Association, 2017, Baltimore
- “In Search of Peace: Government Repression in Post-War States,” International Studies Association, 2015, New Orleans, with Jessica Maves Braithwaite
- “Don’t Change Horses in Midstream: Ruling Coalition Changes and the Duration and Termination of Civil Wars,” Peace Science Society, 2014, Philadelphia, with Jessica Maves Braithwaite
- “Human Security in a Conflict Zone: Personal versus National Security in Uganda,” International Studies Association, 2014, Toronto
- “One Sided Violence in Civil War: An Effective Strategy?” Peace Science Society, 2013, Knoxville
- “Repression, Concessions, Political Protest, and the Arab Spring,” joint conference of the Peace Science Society and the International Studies Association, 2013, Budapest
- “Protest, Repression, and Escalation: The Strategic Interactions that Lead to Civil War,” International Studies Association, 2013, San Francisco
- “After the Fighting Stops: Repression in Post-Civil War States,” International Studies Association 2012, San Diego
- “The Repression-Mobilization Cycle: Explaining the Onset of Civil War,” International Studies Association 2011, Montreal.
- “In the Heat of the Battle: Why Some States Rely on Repression During Civil War, While Others Do Not,” International Studies Association 2011, Montreal
- “Committing to Human Rights: Domestic Dissent and International Treaties,” International Studies Association 2010, New Orleans
- “Disaggregating Autocratic Regimes: The Role of Political Institutions in Autocratic Duration,” International Studies Association 2009, New York

Teaching Experience

Undergraduate (Delivered in-person unless otherwise noted)

POL 202 – Introduction to International Relations	<i>Delivered online and in person</i>
POL 365 – Contemporary International Politics	<i>Delivered online and in person</i>
POL 413 – Human Security	<i>Delivered online and in person</i>
POL 419 – Terrorism and Counterterrorism	<i>Delivered online and in person</i>
POL 455 – American Foreign Policy	<i>Delivered online and in person</i>
POL 473 – Democracy, Emerging and Evolving	

International Security Studies, MA/Certificate (All courses delivered online)

POL 516A – Strategic Nonviolent Conflict
POL/PA 519 – Terrorism and Counterterrorism
POL 569A – Armed Conflict
POL 695A – Professional Colloquium
POL 795A – Professional Colloquium

MPA

PA 552 – Introduction to Statistical Decision Making

PhD

POL 665 – Nonviolent Civil Resistance
Data Lab – Introduction to Stata and R

Service Work

National/International

Conference Panel Chair/Discussant:

Annual meeting of the Four Corners Conflict Network, 2023; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Nashville/Online, 2022; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Online (Las Vegas), 2021; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Honolulu, 2020 (virtual); Annual meeting of the Four Corners Conflict Network, 2020; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Toronto, 2019; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, 2018; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Baltimore, 2017; Men with Guns Symposium, University of Arizona, 2015; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, 2015; Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Toronto, 2014

Conference Volunteer:

Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, 2018; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Baltimore, 2017; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, 2015; Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Toronto, 2014; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, 2013; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, San Diego, 2012; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Montreal, 2011; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, 2010; Annual meeting of the International Studies Association, New York, 2009

Reviewer:

American Political Science Review; Journal of Politics; Journal of Peace Research; Journal of Conflict Research; Conflict Management and Peace Science; International Studies Quarterly; International Interactions; International Studies Review; The Review of International Organizations; Public Administration Review; Mobilization; Political Research Quarterly; Terrorism and Political Violence; Political Science Research and Methods

Unit: School of Government and Public Policy

Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2021-present

Assistant Director International Security Studies Program, 2016-2021

Department-Level Committees

- Executive Committee, 2020 – present
- Undergraduate Committee Chair, 2021 – present
- International Security Studies Committee, 2020 – 2022
- Undergraduate Committee, 2020 – 2021
- Hiring Committee, Law & Policy, 2020
- NAASPA review for the MPA program, 2016

College: Social and Behavioral Sciences

College Committees

- Global Studies Executive Committee, 2020 – present
- Career Track Promotion Committee, 2021 – 2022

University: University of Arizona

University Committees

- Undergraduate Research Taskforce, DEI Committee, 2022-2023
- General Petitions Committee, 2019 – present

Research Assistance:

Southern Arizona Community Foundation, 2011-2012

National Institute for Civil Discourse, 2011

Other:

Graduate Representative to the Ph.D. Committee, 2010-2011

Volunteer with the International Rescue Committee, 2010-2012

Grants and Awards

RII Faculty Seed Grant	\$15,000	2023
SBSRI Faculty Seed Grant	\$5,000	2022
Michael P. Sullivan Graduate Research Award in International Relations <i>Awarded to the graduate student whose research has made the greatest impact on the field of IR by the School of Government and Public Policy at the University of Arizona</i>	\$500	2011
International Studies Association Travel Grant	\$250	2009-2012
Pac-10 First Team All-Academic		2004-2005

Languages

French, Intermediate to Advanced Spoken and Written