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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Drexel University

Assistant Professor, Department of Politics
Affiliated Faculty, Center for Public Policy

September 2021 - Present
April 2022 - Present

Dartmouth College

Niehaus Postdoctoral Fellow
The John Sloan Dickey Center

September 2020 - July 2021

U.S. Foreign Policy and International Security Fellow
The John Sloan Dickey Center

September 2020 - July 2021

United States Institute of Peace

Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar Predoctoral Fellow

September 2019 - June 2020

The Carter Center and Emory University

Predoctoral Fellow
Institute for Developing Countries and Democracy Program

July 2017 - May 2018

EDUCATION

Emory University, Ph.D., Political Science

2020

- Winner of the Laney Graduate School's 2019-2020 Political Science Pursuit of Excellence Award, Emory University

University of Arkansas, M.A., Political Science

2012

Missouri Southern State University, B.A. with honors, International Studies

2009

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Articles

Blair, Robert, **Travis B. Curtice**, David Dow, and Guy Grossman. "Public Trust, Policing, and the COVID-19 Pandemic: Evidence from an Electoral Authoritarian Regime" with Robert Blair, Guy Grossman, and David Dow. *Social Science and Medicine*. 305 (July 2022).

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.115045>.

Curtice, Travis B. "Co-ethnic Bias and Policing in an Electoral Authoritarian Regime: Experimental Evidence from Uganda." *Journal of Peace Research*. Published Online First: June 19, 2022.

<https://doi.org/10.1177/00223433221078051>.

- Winner of the Lynne Rienner Award for best graduate student paper presented at *International Studies Association-Midwest*.

Grasse, Donald, Melissa Pavlik, Hilary Matfess and **Travis B. Curtice**. "Opportunistic Repression: Patterns of civilian targeting by the state in response to COVID-19." *International Security*. 46 (2): (Fall 2021): 130 – 165. https://doi.org/10.1162/isec_a.00419.

- Research featured on Public Radio International/The World, October 27, 2021.

Curtice, Travis B. “How Repression Affects Public Perception of Police: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in Uganda.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 65(10) (November 2021): 1680-1708. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00220027211013097>.

- Research featured on Ufahamu Africa: Ep. 104: Looking back on 2020 and forward to 2021.

Curtice, Travis B., “Rebels and the Regime: The Politics of Civilian Victimization.” *Journal of Global Security Studies* 6(2) (June 2021): <https://doi.org/10.1093/jogss/ogaa025>.

Curtice, Travis B., and Brandon Behlendorf. “Street-Level Repression: Protest, Policing, and Dissent in Uganda.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 65(1) (January 2021): 166-195. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0022002720939304>.

Curtice, Travis B., and Daniel Arnon. “Deterring Threats and Settling Scores: How Coups Influence Respect for Physical Integrity Rights.” *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 37(6) (November 2020): 655673. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0738894219843240>.

Editor Reviewed Articles

Curtice, Travis B. “Autocrat’s Dilemma: The Politics of Ethnic Policing.” Spring 2018. *CP: Newsletter of the Comparative Politics Organized Section of the American Political Science Association*, 28(1): 24–29.

WORKING PAPERS

“Democratic Erosion, Partisanship, and Election Observers: Evidence from a Survey Experiment” with Charles Crabtree (Under review).

“The Limits of Linkage: The Political Economy of Human Rights Trade Sanctions” with Eric Reinhardt (Under review).

“Securing the Ballot or the Voter: The Politics of Policing Election Violence in Kenya.”

“Neighborhood Watches and Reporting Crime in Uganda: Evidence from a List and Endorsement Experiment.”

BOOK PROJECTS

“*The Repression Dilemma: The Politics of Policing in Multi-ethnic Societies*” (Book manuscript in preparation).

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Who Makes the State? National Ownership and International Statebuilding: Evidence from an Electoral Authoritarian Regime” with Yolande Bouka and Susanna Campbell.

“How Partisanship and Insecurity Shape Trust in Coercive Security Institutions: Evidence from Northern Uganda”

RESEARCH REPORTS AND EVALUATIONS

Blair, Rob, **Travis Curtice**, David Dow, and Guy Grossman. “*Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP): COVID-19 Governance Series*” interview with Matthew Lisiecki.

Campbell, Susanna P., Yolande Bouka, **Travis B. Curtice**, Raymond Blaise Habonimana, and Guillaume Ndayikengurutse. “*Third Portfolio Evaluation of the United Nations Peacebuilding Fund Support to Burundi (2014-2020)*.” New York: UN Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO), August 15, 2021.

FELLOWSHIPS, RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS

Fellowships

Peace Scholar Fellow, United States Institute of Peace, September 2019-June 2020	\$20,000
Fellow, The Carter Center and the Institute of Developing Nations, July 2017-May 2018	\$34,000
Laney Graduate School Fellow, Emory University, 2014-2020	
King Fahd Fellow, University of Arkansas, 2010-2012	

Research Grants

PI, Antelo Devereux Award for Junior Faculty, Drexel University, 2022-2023	\$10,000
PI, Folke Bernadotte Academy (DNR 20-00255), 2020-2022 (with Jason Lyall, Hilary Matfess, and Mara Revkin)	SEK 396,000
Co-PI, UN Peacebuilding Fund in Burundi, Evaluation of \$29 Million UN Program (with Susanna Campbell (PI) and Yolande Bouka)	\$87,500
Co-PI, The Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), CVI Program, 2020 (with Guy Grossman, Robert Blair, and David Dow)	\$39,900
PI, Institute for Developing Nations and The Carter Center, 2018	\$3,000
PI, Andrew W. Mellon Humanities PhD Intervention, 2018	\$2,000
PI, Laney Graduate School, Emory University, 2018	\$5,500
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Co-PI, McCaleb Initiative for Peace Grant (with Kaitlin Curtice), 2009	\$5,000

Travel Grants

International Studies Association Travel Grant, Spring 2017, Fall 2015	\$430
Conference Travel Grants (Emory University)	\$2,500
Conference Travel Grants (University of Arkansas)	\$2,725

Research Awards

Lynne Rienner Award, <i>ISA-Midwest</i>	\$250
Political Science Pursuit of Excellence Award (by faculty vote), Emory University, 2019-2020	\$1,000

Teaching Awards

New Faculty Commendation for Teaching Commitment, Wally Cordes Teaching and Faculty Support Center, University of Arkansas, 2013

SELECTED MEDIA PUBLICATIONS

“Nigeria’s harsh police culture grew from colonial abuses,” *Washington Post* (July 29, 2022).

“Soldiers and police are on the streets as Ugandans prepare to vote,” *Washington Post* (January 14, 2021).

“Democracy in Crisis: Do Americans Support Deploying Election Monitors?” with Charles Crabtree, *Political Violence at A Glance* (November 3, 2020).

“Autocratic governments are using coronavirus as a pretext to clamp down on opponents,” with Don Grasse, Melissa Pavlik, and Hilary Matfess, *Washington Post* (July 31, 2020).

“The Political Backlash of Repressive Policing,” *Political Violence at A Glance* (June 10, 2020).

“Trump wants to pull Cameroon’s preferential trade status. Here’s what you need to know,” *Washington Post* (November 29, 2019).

“Ugandan police are attacking protesters. Here’s how that backfires” with Brandon Behlendorf, *Washington Post* (January 16, 2019).

“Do coups improve human rights in countries like Gabon?” with Daniel Arnon, *Democracy in Africa* (January 2019).

“The Curse of Doing Nothing for Aleppo,” with Tobias Winright, *Sojourners* (December 2016).

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks/Workshops

Crime and Policing in Comparative Perspective, University of Pennsylvania, Apr. 2023.

Building trust in public health measures during the COVID-19 pandemic, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, Jan 2023.

Political Violence Workshop, Marquette University, Oct. 2022.

Peace Science Online Colloquium, Oct. 2022.

International Relations Journal Club, Emory University, Apr. 2022.

Conflict Studies and Human Rights, Current Problems in International Human Rights Seminar, University of Ottawa, Mar. 2022.

School of Politics, Philosophy, and Public Affairs, Washington State University, Feb. 2022.

Police Militarization in Comparative Perspective Virtual Roundtable at the School of Government and Public Policy, University of Arizona. 2021

Research Workshop on the Pursuit of Peaceful Polling, Folke Bernadotte Academy, Stockholm, Sweden (Virtual due to Covid19). 2020

African Politics Conference Group Online Colloquium on Racism, Policing, & Protests (with Mai Hassan, Alcinda Honwana, Otsieno Namwaya, and Zachariah Mampilly). 2020

Research Workshop on Governance, Justice and the Rule of Law in Conflict-affected States, Folke Bernadotte Academy, London, UK (Virtual due to Covid19). 2020

Empirical Studies of Conflict (ESOC) Annual Meeting Series: Technology, Fragility and Development. Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA (Virtual due to Covid19). 2020

Global Studies Department, Colby College, Waterville, ME. 2019

Sié Research Seminar Series, Sié Chéou-Kang Center for International Security and Diplomacy, Korbel School, University of Denver, Denver, CO. 2019

Peace Scholar Workshop, U.S. Institute of Peace and Minerva Research Initiative, Washington DC, 2019

Research Workshop on Security Sector Reform in Fragile and Conflict-affected States, Folke Bernadotte Academy and New York University, New York City, NY, 2019

Duke-Emory-Rochester Graduate Research Workshop, Duke University, Durham, NC, 2019

Georgia Human Rights Network Workshop, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, 2019

Harvard Experimental Political Science Graduate Workshop, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, 2019

Research Workshop and Policy Dialogue on Elections in Emerging Democracies, Folke Bernadotte Academy, Stockholm, Sweden, 2018

Conferences/Paper Presentations

African Studies Association (2021)

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2019, 2020, 2021)

Conflict Consortiums Virtual Series/The Politics of Policing Conference (2019)

International Studies Association Annual Conference (2016, 2017, 2021)

Midwest Meeting of the International Studies Association (2015, 2018)

Midwest Political Science Association Meeting (2017, 2021)

Peace Science Society (2020, 2021)

Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2012, 2014)

Western Political Science Association Annual Conference/Mini-Conference on Policing (2018)

TEACHING

Drexel University

PSCI T380: Politics of Policing Spring 2022

PSCI 140: Comparative Politics I Spring 2022

Emory University

Lab-Instructor, QTM 100: Introduction to Statistical Inference Lab Spring 2019
(Institute for Quantitative Theory and Methods)

Instructor, Workshops on Quantitative and Qualitative Data Collection and Analysis 2017-2018
(The Institute for Developing Nations and The Carter Center)

Co-Instructor, POLS 385: Repression and Control in Dictatorships, Spring 2017
(with Professor Jennifer Gandhi)

Teaching Assistant, POLS 110: Introduction to International Relations, Fall 2017
(Professor Eric Reinhardt)

Grader, POLS 210: Intermediate International Relations,
(Professor Danielle Jung)

Spring 2016

Duke University, Summer College and Academy

Instructor, Introduction to Global Diplomacy (2 sections)

Summer 2015, 2016

University of Arkansas

Lecturer, Department of Political Science

Fall 2012 - Summer 2014

PLSC 2813: Introduction to International Relations (1 Section)

PLSC 2013: Introduction to Comparative Politics (9 Sections)

Instructor, PLSC 2013: Introduction to Comparative Politics (3 Sections)

Fall 2010 - Spring 2012

ELECTION OBSERVATION MISSIONS

The Carter Center's Democracy Program

· National Elections in Nepal (Data Analyst)

December 2017

· National Elections in Liberia (Data Analyst)

Fall 2017

· National Elections in Kenya (Data Analyst)

Fall 2017

· Cherokee Nation Special Election for Principal Chief (Observer)

Fall 2011

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/SERVICE

Discipline

Executive Board Member, Communication Chair, African Politics Conference Group (APSA Section),
2021-Present

Member of the Research Working Groups (RWG), Folke Bernadotte Academy,
Stockholm Sweden, 2019-present

Member, African Studies Association, American Political Science Association, Peace Science Society,
Midwest Political Science Association, and International Studies Association.

Reviewer

American Journal of Political Science

American Political Science Review

British Journal of Political Science

Comparative Political Studies

Conflict Management and Peace Science

Democratization

Human Rights Review

International Interactions

International Studies Perspectives

International Studies Quarterly

Journal of Comparative Politics

Journal of Criminal Justice

Journal of Global Security Studies

Journal of Experimental Criminology

Journal of Peace Research

Journal of Politics

Political Behavior

Political Psychology

Policing & Society
Social Movements Studies

Discussant

Borders Boundaries Conference, Perry World House, University of Pennsylvania, 2023

American Political Science Association, 2022

International Borders in a Globalizing World, Perry World House, University of Pennsylvania, 2022

Midwest Workshop in Empirical Political Science (MWEPS VI), 2021

Pursuit of Peaceful Polling, Folke Bernadotte Academy, Stockholm, Sweden (Virtual due to Covid19), 2020

Governance, Justice and the Rule of Law in Conflict-affected States, Folke Bernadotte Academy, London, UK (Virtual due to Covid19), 2020

Asian Online Political Science Seminar Series, 2020

Security Sector Reform in Fragile and Conflict-affected States, Folke Bernadotte Academy and New York University Research-Policy Dialogue, 2019

Experiences with Democracy in Africa, SPSA, 2014

Drexel University

Pi Sigma Alpha Advisor, 2021-present

Truman Scholarship Selection Committee, Fall 2021

Community and Policy Engagement

United Nations Peacebuilding Fund Briefing, Fall 2021

Expert Testimony, Ugandan Political Asylum Case, Summer 2022