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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS / EMPLOYMENT:

- 2019- **Assistant professor**, Department of International Relations,
Central European University
- 2018. Doctoral/postdoctoral fellow, China Institute, University of Alberta
- 2017-2018. Fellow, Trudeau Centre for Peace, Conflict, and Justice at the Munk School of
Global Affairs, University of Toronto
- 2007-2008. Post-graduate research fellow, Asia-Pacific Foundation of Canada

EDUCATION:

- 2018. PhD, political science, University of Toronto
Dissertation: *'For the Happiness of the World': the Geopolitics of
Great Power Intervention, 1815-2015*
Committee: Steven Bernstein (chair), Seva Gunitsky, Todd H. Hall.
- 2006. MA, political science, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada
- 2004. BJH, University of King's College, Halifax, Canada

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES:

- 2018. 'Why is there no reactionary international theory?'
International Studies Quarterly 62(2): 234-244, with Joseph MacKay.
- 2018. 'Kenneth Waltz is not a neorealist (and why that matters).'
European Journal of International Relations 24(1): 153-176, with Simon Frankel
Pratt.
- 2017. 'The conduct of history in International Relations: rethinking philosophy of history for
IR theory.' *International Theory* 9(2): 203-236, with Joseph MacKay.

REFEREED BOOK CHAPTERS:

Forthcoming. 'Historical theories of International Relations.' *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Relations*, Oxford University Press, with Joseph MacKay.

Forthcoming. 'Theories and Philosophies of History in International Relations.' *Routledge Handbook of Historical International Relations*, Routledge, with Joseph MacKay.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION:

'Are spheres of influence social? Rethinking geopolitics for the 21st century'

'The stability of a multipolar world.'

'Do we live in a material world? Examining the material-ideas divide in IR,' with Simon Pratt.

'Can *realpolitik* be compassionate? Humanitarian intervention and the geopolitics of empathy.'

'International Relations and the problem of distance.'

RECENT NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS:

2018. 'Three views of the US-DPRK Singapore summit.' China Institute commentary, <https://www.ualberta.ca/china-institute/research/commentary/commentary/2018/june/three-views-of-the-us-dprk-singapore-summit>

2014. 'In the shadow of power: geopolitics, Russia, and Crimea.' *OpenCanada.org*, www.opencanada.org/features/in-the-shadow-of-power-geopolitics-russia-and-crimea/

2008. 'Negotiating with the Hermit Kingdom: approaches and interests in the Korean nuclear dilemma.' New Issues in Security #2 monograph, Dalhousie University Press, Halifax, Canada. 210pp.

2008. 'Rising powers' and 'conflict is changing.' *Canada's World* national dialogue discussion guides. Available online at <http://www.sfu.ca/dialogue/watch-read-discover/reports-and-findings.html>

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS:

2017-2018. Postdoctoral fellowship, China Institute, University of Alberta (\$51,000 CAD)

2017. Graduate fellowship, Trudeau Centre for Peace, Conflict, and Justice (\$3,000 CAD)

2010-2012. Ontario Graduate Scholarship (won twice; total \$30,000 CAD)

2008-2013. University of Toronto doctoral fellowship (\$115,000 CAD)

2008-2009. C.B. Macpherson award, University of Toronto (\$5,000 CAD)

2007-2008. Post-graduate research fellowship, Asia-Pacific Foundation (\$33,000 CAD)

2007-2008. Security and Defence Forum internship (\$35,000 CAD; declined)

2006. Doris Boyle graduate international relations essay prize (\$600 CAD)

2005. Simons Centre Graduate research award (\$2,500 CAD)

2005. James DeMille essay prize (\$250 CAD)

RECENT PRESENTATIONS:

2018. 'North Korea in the age of Trump' (panel discussion; invited speaker).
University of Guelph, Guelph, ON.
2018. Roundtable on reactionary world politics (co-organizer).
International Studies Association annual convention, San Francisco, USA.
2017. 'Are spheres of influence 'social'? Rethinking geopolitics for the 21st century.'
International Studies Association northeast conference, Providence, USA.
2017. 'Do we live in a material world? Examining the material-ideas divide in IR.' With
Simon Frankel Pratt, International Studies Association northeast conference,
Providence, USA.
2016. 'Governing a Geopolitical Globe: 19th Century Intervention Legitimacy and Spheres of
Influence.' International Studies Association northeast conference, Baltimore, USA.
2016. 'Why IR Scholars Should Start Reading Waltz.' With Simon Frankel Pratt,
International Studies Association annual conference, Atlanta, USA.
2015. 'International Relations and the Problem of Distance.' International Studies
Association northeast conference, Baltimore, USA.
2014. 'Intervention at the End of History: Geopolitics and the Legitimation of Force After the
Cold War.' American Political Science Association annual conference, Washington,
USA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**Taught courses:**

2018. INT 5067, 'Who Rules the World? International Order in Theory and Practice.' Central
European University.
- 2017-2018. POL380, 'International Security.' Co-taught with Simon Pratt, University of
Toronto.
2017. POLB80, 'Introduction to International Relations.' Co-taught with Simon Pratt,
University of Toronto at Scarborough (summer and fall 2017).
2014. POL380 & POLC40, 'The Politics of Sovereignty and Humanity: Military Intervention
in the 21st Century.' Taught at the University of Toronto and the University of
Toronto at Scarborough.
2014. POLB81, 'Global Issues and Governance.' Co-taught with Joseph MacKay, University
of Toronto at Scarborough.
2013. POLB80, 'Introduction to International Relations.' Co-taught with Wilfrid Greaves,
University of Toronto at Scarborough.
2012. POL381, 'Politics and the Idea of History.' Co-taught with Jonas Schwab-Pflug,
University of Toronto.

Guest lectures:

2014. 'Canada and North America.' POL312, Canadian Foreign Policy, taught by John
Kirton, University of Toronto.
2013. 'Over the Horizon? Thinking About the Future of Canadian Foreign Policy' and
'Canada and Multilateralism.' POL312, Canadian Foreign Policy, taught by Wilfrid
Greaves, University of Toronto.
2011. 'The Changing Nature of Just War.' POL380, The Causes of War and Conditions for
Peace, taught by Kimberley Carter and Jamie Levin, University of Toronto.
2011. 'Human Security and Human Rights.' POL208, Introduction to International Relations,
taught by Todd H. Hall, University of Toronto at Mississauga.

Teaching assistance:

2009-2017. Range of introductory and upper-level international relations and security studies courses, including: Introduction to International Relations; Peace, Conflict, and Justice; American Foreign Policy; Canadian Foreign Policy; International Law.

MEMBERSHIPS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICE, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES:

2017-present. Peer-review, *European Journal of International Relations*, *International Journal*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Journal of International Relations and Development*.

2017-present. Research associate for Professor Aisha Ahmad, University of Toronto

2016-present. Graduate Member, China Open Research Network, University of Toronto

2009-present. Member, International Studies Association

2014-2017. Graduate Associate, Centre for Ethics, University of Toronto

2010-2011. President, Graduate Association of Students in Political Science, University of Toronto

2009-2011. Co-president, North Korea Research Group, Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto

2007. Editorial intern, *The Walrus* magazine, Toronto, Ontario

2005-2006. Editor in Chief, *The Gazette*, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

International relations theory, international history, international security, political theory, geopolitics, humanitarianism, nuclear politics, Northeast Asia, American foreign policy.

TEACHING AREAS:

Introductory and advanced courses in international relations theory, international security, international history, geopolitics, humanitarianism, nuclear politics, and political theory.

LANGUAGES:

English, French; intermediate Latin, beginner Mandarin.