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## EDUCATION

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### University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN

Ph.D., Political Science Expected 2022

Exam Fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics  
Dissertation: *Power Vacuums in International Politics*  
Committee: Sebastian Rosato (Chair), Joseph Parent, Victoria Hui

M.A., Political Science 2019

### University of Bayreuth, Bayreuth, Germany

B.A., Philosophy & Economics (with greatest distinction) 2016

## WORKING PAPERS

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### Under Review

“How Rare Are Rational Thinkers in International Politics? Revisiting the ‘Guilty Men’ of Interwar Britain, 1936–1939”

“A Tale of Two Pressures: Islamic Law States and the Timing of Litigation” with Emilia J. Powell and Benedikt A. Graf

### In Progress

“Defining Interstate Cooperation: A Philosophical Approach” with Marcel Jahn

“‘Committing Suicide for Fear of Death’? Great Powers, Uncertainty, and the Myth of Preventive Wars”

“Pathologies of Psychology: A Critique of Applications in International Relations”

## FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

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### Fellowships

Graduate Student Fellowship, Notre Dame International Security Center 2019 – present

Nanovic Graduate Fellowship, Nanovic Institute for European Studies (\$2,000) 2019 – present

Presidential Fellowship in the Social Sciences, University of Notre Dame (\$29,000) 2017 – present

Transnational European Studies Seminar Fellow, Nanovic Institute for European Studies 2019

### Grants

Early Career Network Access Fund, Political Studies Association (\$100) 2020  
Event Grant, Notre Dame Graduate Student Union (\$375) 2019  
Downes Memorial Fund Professional Development Grant, University of Notre Dame (\$2500) 2019  
Conference Presentation Grant, Notre Dame International Security Center (\$1500) 2019  
Travel Grant, Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University (\$600) 2019  
International Visitor Grant, Political Studies Association (\$750) 2019  
Research Grant, Liu Institute for Asia and Asian Studies, University of Notre Dame (\$750) 2019  
Hayek Fund for Scholars Grant, Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University (\$500) 2018  
Conference Presentation Grant, Notre Dame International Security Center (\$530) 2018  
Annual Meeting Travel Grant, American Political Science Association (\$200) 2018  
Conference Presentation Grant, Notre Dame Graduate Student Union (\$400) 2018  
PROMOS Study Abroad Scholarship, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) 2015

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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### Specialized Training

The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) *(cancelled due to COVID-19)* 2020  
Center for Qualitative and Multi-Method Inquiry, Syracuse University  
Winter School in Methods and Techniques 2020  
European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)

### Other Workshops

Summer Graduate Research Workshop 2019  
Institute for Humane Studies  
Berlin Seminar in Transnational European Studies 2019  
University of Notre Dame and University of Georgia

## PRESENTATIONS

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### Academic Conferences

“How Rare Are Rational Thinkers in International Politics?” *(cancelled due to COVID-19)* 2020  
Political Studies Association Annual International Conference, Edinburgh, UK

- “Power Vacuums in International Politics” 2019  
 ISSS-IS Annual Conference, Denver, CO
- “Uncertainty in Anarchy and Hierarchy” 2019  
 Political Studies Association Annual International Conference, Nottingham, UK
- “Uncertainty in Anarchy and Hierarchy” 2019  
 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL
- “Uncertain Men: Britain and the Inscrutable Intentions of Nazi Germany” 2018  
 ISSS-IS Annual Conference, West Lafayette, IN
- “The Inscrutable Intentions of Nazi Germany” 2018  
 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA

**Other Invited Talks**

- “Power Vacuums in International Politics” 2019  
 Summer Graduate Research Workshop, Institute for Humane Studies, Bryn Mawr, PA
- “The Devil You Don’t Know: Uncertainty, Balancing Intensity, and Deterrence Failure” 2018  
 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL
- “The Inscrutable Intentions of Nazi Germany” 2018  
 International Relations Workshop, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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- Research Assistant for Sebastian Rosato 2019  
 Book project: “The Road to Hell: Uncertain Intentions and Great Power Politics”
- Research Assistant for Luc Reydam 2018  
 Article project: “Did the Rwandan Patriotic Front Systematically Murder Hutu Males?”

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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**Instructor of Record**

- EURO 30003: *Contesting the Idea of “Europe”* Spring 2020  
 Seminar co-taught by the 2019-20 Nanovic Institute Graduate Fellows  
 University of Notre Dame
- PHIL 50337: *Intentions in Philosophy and International Politics* Fall 2019  
 Seminar co-taught with Marcel Jahn (Ph.D. Student, Humboldt University of Berlin)  
 University of Bayreuth

**Teaching Assistant**

- Introduction to International Relations Spring 2020  
 Professor Joseph Parent, University of Notre Dame

Introduction to International Relations Professor Susan Pratt Rosato, University of Notre Dame Two discussion sections	Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019
Academic Writing and Presenting Professor Uwe Czaniera, University of Bayreuth One discussion section	Spring 2016
Decision and Game Theory I Professor Olivier Roy, University of Bayreuth One discussion section	Spring 2015
Introduction to Philosophy Professor Rainer Hegselmann, University of Bayreuth One discussion section	Fall 2014

**Guest Lectures**

“The Rationality Assumption(s) in Realism” Course: Realism and Its Critics, University of Notre Dame	2019
“A Brief Introduction to Research Design in International Relations” Course: Thesis Research Design and Methods, University of Notre Dame	2019
“International Finance” Course: Introduction to International Relations, University of Notre Dame	2019

**AWARDS, HONORS, AND CERTIFICATIONS**

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Striving for Excellence in College and University Teaching Certificate Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Notre Dame	2019
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**DEPARTMENT / PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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Founder and Organizer, International Relations Workshop University of Notre Dame	2019 – present
International Relations Field Representative Political Science Graduate Student Organization, University of Notre Dame	2019 – present
Co-Founder and -Organizer, Annual European Studies Student Conference Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame	2019 – 2020
Student Representative, Graduate Program Committee Department of Political Science, University of Notre Dame	2020
Event Assistant, 13th International Conference on Deontic Logic and Normative Systems University of Bayreuth	2016

## ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

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**Languages** German (native), English (fluent), Latin (Latinum)

**Software** R,  $\LaTeX$ , MS Office, WordPress

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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International Studies Association (ISA)

Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA)

Political Studies Association (PSA)

## REFERENCES

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