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EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN

Ph.D., Political Science

Expected 2023

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

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Moritz S. Graefrath and Marcel Jahn, “Conceptualizing Interstate Cooperation.”
Forthcoming at *International Theory*.

WORKING PAPERS

Under Review

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

In Progress

“Power Vacuum Politics and the Origins of the Cold War in Europe”

“Taking Definitions Seriously: Ontological Coherence in Social Science Theories” (with Marcel Jahn)

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

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Fellowships

Graduate Student Fellow, Notre Dame International Security Center	2019 – present
Presidential Fellowship in the Social Sciences, University of Notre Dame (\$29,000)	2017 – present
Nanovic Graduate Fellowship, Nanovic Institute for European Studies (\$2,000)	2019 – 2021

Grants

Conference Presentation Grant, Notre Dame Graduate Student Government (\$100)	2021
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
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 Government (\$400)	2018
PROMOS Study Abroad Scholarship, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)	2015

PRESENTATIONS

Academic Conferences

“Forgot About Clausewitz? The Politics of U.S. Strategy towards Germany in WW II, 1943-45” ISSS-IS Annual Conference, Bloomington, IN	2021
“Power Vacuum Politics and the Origins of the Cold War in Europe” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (virtual)	2021
“Power Vacuum Politics and the Origins of the Cold War in Europe” Transatlantic Studies Association Annual Conference (virtual)	2021
“A Tale of Two Pressures: Islamic Law States and the Timing of Litigation” International Studies Association Annual Conference (virtual)	2021
“How Rare Are Rational Thinkers in International Politics?” (<i>cancelled due to COVID-19</i>) Political Studies Association Annual International Conference, Edinburgh, UK	2020
“Power Vacuums in International Politics” ISSS-IS Annual Conference, Denver, CO	2019

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

Other Talks

“Power Vacuum Politics and the Origins of the Cold War in Europe” Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN	2021
“Theorizing the International Politics of Power Vacuums” International Relations Theory Colloquium (IRTC)	2020
“Power Vacuums in International Politics” Summer Graduate Research Workshop, Institute for Humane Studies, Bryn Mawr, PA	2019
“The Devil You Don’t Know: Uncertainty, Balancing Intensity, and Deterrence Failure” University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL	2018
“The Inscrutable Intentions of Nazi Germany” International Relations Workshop, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN	2018

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Specialized Training

Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (SWAMOS) Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Studies, Columbia University	2021
The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) Center for Qualitative and Multi-Method Inquiry, Syracuse University	2021
Winter School in Methods and Techniques European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Bamberg, Germany	2020

Other Workshops

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

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Sebastian Rosato 2019
Book project: "Intentions in Great Power Politics: Uncertainty and the Roots of Conflict"

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

IR Theory and History: Europe, 1919-1939 Spring 2021
University of Notre Dame

Contesting the Idea of "Europe" Spring 2020
Co-taught by the 2019-20 Nanovic Institute Graduate Fellows
University of Notre Dame

Intentions in Philosophy and International Politics Fall 2019
Co-taught with Marcel Jahn (Ph.D. Student)
University of Bayreuth

Teaching Assistant

International Relations Fall 2020
Professor Jazmin Sierra, University of Notre Dame
One discussion section

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

Introduction to International Relations Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019
Professor Susan Pratt Rosato, University of Notre Dame
Two discussion sections

Academic Writing and Presenting Spring 2016
Professor Uwe Czaniera, University of Bayreuth
One discussion section

Decision and Game Theory I Spring 2015
Professor Olivier Roy, University of Bayreuth
One discussion section

Introduction to Philosophy Fall 2014
Professor Rainer Hegselmann, University of Bayreuth
One discussion section

Guest Lectures

"Contrasting the Theory and Practice of IR Research" 2021
Course: Thesis Research Design and Methods II, University of Notre Dame

“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 I, University of Notre Dame	2019
“International Finance” Course: Introduction to International Relations, University of Notre Dame	2019

AWARDS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Excellence in Teaching Award Department of Political Science, University of Notre Dame	2020
Striving for Excellence in College and University Teaching Certificate Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Notre Dame	2019

DEPARTMENT / PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer, <i>International Security</i> , <i>Security Studies</i>	
Co-Founder and -Editor, <i>Europe in the World</i> Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame	2021 – present
Elected President of the Political Science Graduate Organization University of Notre Dame	2020 – 2021
Co-Founder and -Organizer, Annual European Studies Student Conference Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame	2019 – 2020
Founder and Organizer, International Relations Workshop University of Notre Dame	2019 – 2020
Elected International Relations Field Representative Political Science Graduate Organization, University of Notre Dame	2019 – 2020
Graduate Student Representative, Graduate Program Committee Department of Political Science, University of Notre Dame	2020

ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Languages	German (native), English (fluent)
Software	R, \LaTeX , MS Office, WordPress

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Studies Association (APSA)

International Studies Association (ISA)
Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA)
Political Studies Association (PSA)
Transatlantic Studies Association (TSA)

REFERENCES

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