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## EDUCATION

The University of Chicago

Ph.D. in Political Science, March 2009

M.A. in International Relations with a  
Specialization in International  
Political Economy, Committee on  
International Relations (CIR), June 2002

Hunter College, City University of New York

B.A. in Political Science and Special Honors  
Curriculum, *summa cum laude*, May 2000

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2017-present

Associate Professor, University of Central Florida,  
School of Politics, Security, and International Affairs (SPSIA)

2011-2017

Assistant Professor, University of Central Florida,  
School of Politics, Security, and International Affairs

2009-2011

Research Associate, The George Washington University, Sigur Center for  
Asian Studies, The Elliott School of International Affairs

## HONORS

2025

Travel Award for Recognition of Faculty Excellence, \$500. Awarded by  
the University of Central Florida (UCF) University Travel Committee.

2005-2006

Program on International Security Policy (PISP) Fellowship, the  
University of Chicago

2000

Phi Beta Kappa

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer Reviewed Articles

- 2025                    **Mirilovic, Nikola**, Ariel Zellman & Jonathan Fox. “Multidimensional Identity Cleavages and Religious Discrimination” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. First published online March 12, 2025.  
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/00220027251324465>
- 2025                    Schiffer, Samuel, **Nikola Mirilovic** & Matthew Goldman. “Religion, Ideology and Political Parties’ Positions on Refugees in South Asia and the Middle East.” *International Migration Review*. 59(2): 733-757  
Published online June 6, 2023.
- 2021                    Haykin, Tatyana, Jonathan Fox & **Nikola Mirilovic**. “Religious Discrimination, Diaspora, and United Nations Voting on Israel.” *Foreign Policy Analysis* 17(4).
- 2021                    Siroky, David, Milos Popovic & **Nikola Mirilovic**. “Unilateral secession, international recognition, and great power contestation.” *Journal of Peace Research* 58(5): 1049–1067. First published: December 16, 2020.
- 2021                    **Mirilovic, Nikola** & David Siroky. "International Recognition, Religion, and the Status of Western Sahara." *Acta Politica* 56: 548–566. Published: May 24, 2020.
- 2019                    Kim, Myunghee, **Nikola Mirilovic** & Jonathan Knuckey. “Attitudes toward Homosexuality and Perceptions of the United States Abroad.” *Social Science Quarterly* 100(1): 123-139. First published: November 30, 2018.
- 2018                    **Mirilovic, Nikola** & Philip Pollock. “Latino Democrats, Latino Republicans and Interest in Country of Origin Politics.” *Political Science Quarterly* 133(1): 127-149.
- 2018                    **Mirilovic, Nikola**. “Regime Type and Diaspora Politics: A Dyadic Approach.” *Foreign Policy Analysis* 14(3): 346–366. First published online May 1, 2016.
- 2017                    **Mirilovic, Nikola** & David Siroky. "International Recognition and Religion: A Quantitative Analysis of Kosovo’s Contested Status.” *International Interactions* 43(4): 668-687. First published online: Sep 27, 2016.

- 2017 **Mirilovic, Nikola** & Myunghee Kim. "Ideology and Threat Perceptions: American Public Opinion toward China and Iran." *Political Studies* 65(1): 179-198. First published online: April 12, 2016.
- 2015 **Mirilovic, Nikola** & David Siroky. "Two States in the Holy Land? International Recognition and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict." *Politics and Religion* 8(2): 263-285. Published online: April 8, 2015.
- 2015 **Mirilovic, Nikola**. "Regime Type, International Migration and the Politics of Dual Citizenship Toleration." *International Political Science Review* 36(5): 510–525. First published online: May 29, 2014.
- 2010 **Mirilovic, Nikola**. "The Politics of Immigration: Dictatorship, Development, and Defense." *Comparative Politics* 42(3): 273-292.

#### **Edited Book**

- 2016 Freeman, Gary & **Nikola Mirilovic** (editors). *Handbook on Migration and Social Policy*. Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar.

#### **Book Chapters, Oxford Bibliographies and Research Encyclopedia Entries**

- 2021 **Mirilovic, Nikola** & Nadejda Marinova. "Diasporas and Politics." In: *Oxford Bibliographies in Political Science*. DOI: 10.1093/obo/9780199756223-0342 (peer reviewed).
- 2019 **Mirilovic, Nikola**. "War and Religion: the Yugoslav Wars of the 1990s." In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*. Oxford University Press. doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/acrefore/9780190228637.013.679> (peer reviewed).
- 2016 Freeman, Gary & **Nikola Mirilovic**. "Introduction: Immigration and Social Policy: Key Trends and Debates," in *Handbook on Migration and Social Policy*, Gary Freeman and Nikola Mirilovic, eds. Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar.
- 2012 **Mirilovic, Nikola** & Deepa Ollapally. "Realists, Nationalists and Globalists and the Nature of Contemporary Rising Powers," in *Worldviews of Aspiring Powers: Exploring Foreign Policy Debates Abroad*, Henry Nau & Deepa Ollapally, eds. Oxford University Press, pp. 210-234 (peer reviewed).

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Invited Talks, Workshops and Conferences**

- 2025 Violence, Conflict, and Security Lab (VICS) Speaker Series, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL. Mirilovic, Nikola, Ariel Zellman & Jonathan Fox. “Multidimensional Identity Cleavages and Religious Discrimination.”
- 2022 Iraq's first Model United Nations Conference, Soran University, Soran, Kurdistan-Iraq. “International Migration in the Context of Contemporary Globalization.”
- 2019 The International Politics of Middle East Migration – Problems, Policy, Practice. University of Birmingham. Birmingham, UK. Mirilovic, Nikola & Jennifer Hudson. “Authoritarianism, Migration Policy and Political Protest.”
- 2019 “Internationalizing Kosovo 1989-2019: Intervention, Recognition and the Politics of Sovereign Statehood in Comparative Perspective.” Arizona State University. Phoenix, AZ. Mirilovic, Nikola, David Siroky and Milos Popovic. “The Kosovo Clock: Accounting for the Timing of International Recognition.”
- 2012 Summer International Symposium. Hokkaido University, Sapporo, Japan. “A Preliminary Theory of Contested International Recognition of New States: The Case of Kosovo”
- 2012 International Seminar: States, Nations and Secessionist Movements in Slavic Eurasia. Waseda University, Tokyo, Japan. “Institutions, Security, and the Politics of Immigration”
- 2012 Ethnic Politics Workshop IV, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ. Nikola Mirilovic, David Siroky & Joshua Caron. “A Theory of Contested International Recognition”
- 2010 The Sigur Center (The George Washington University) – ORF Seminar “Understanding Foreign Policy Drivers in Rising India.” Observer Research Foundation (ORF), New Delhi, India. “Democracy and Great Power Politics: The Domestic Sources of U.S. Foreign Policy towards China and India”
- 2010 IPCS-Sigur Center for Asian Studies (The George Washington University) Seminar “Worldviews of India as a Global Power.” The Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies (IPCS), New Delhi, India. “Democracy and Great Power Politics: The Domestic Sources of U.S. Foreign Policy towards China and India”
- 2010 MacArthur Asia Security Initiative (MASI) 2010 Annual Meeting. The East Asia Institute, Seoul, Republic of Korea. “Past and Present of East Asian Community” (memo)
- 2007 Program on Order, Conflict, and Violence Speaker Series, Yale University, New Haven, CT. “A Theory of Conscription: Loyalty, Threats, and Labor Markets”

## **Conference and Other Presentations**

2025

Mirilovic, Nikola, Suren J. Mohammed & David Siroky. "International Recognition and the Creation of New States: Quantitative Evidence from Bangladesh" Florida Political Science Association Annual Conference, St. Petersburg, FL.

Mirilovic, Nikola, Ariel Zellman & Jonathan Fox. "Multidimensional Identity Cleavages and Religious Discrimination." International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL.

Mirilovic, Nikola, Suren J. Mohammed & David Siroky, "International Recognition and the Creation of New States: Quantitative Evidence from Bangladesh" Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) annual meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

2024

Mirilovic, Nikola, Ariel Zellman & Jonathan Fox. "Multidimensional identity cleavages and religious discrimination". Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) annual meeting, New Orleans, LA.

2023

"Emigration, Education, and Dimensions of Authoritarianism" American Political Science Association (APSA) 2023 annual meeting, Los Angeles, CA

"International Recognition of Bangladesh: Quantitative Evidence" Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) annual meeting, St. Pete Beach, FL

2021

"Cross-cuttingness and Religious Discrimination" American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, Seattle, WA

2020

Mirilovic, Nikola & Myunghee Kim. "Social Conservatism and Geopolitics: Perceptions of Vladimir Putin abroad" American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting (virtual presentation)

2019

Mirilovic, Nikola & Samuel Schiffer. "Political Parties and the Status of Refugees in South Asia and the Middle East" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Toronto, Canada.

Boutton, Andrew & Nikola Mirilovic. "Religious Discrimination and Foreign Aid" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Toronto, Canada.

Mirilovic, Nikola & Jennifer Hudson. "Emigration and Dimensions of Authoritarianism: A Quantitative Analysis" CEEISA-ISA Joint International Conference. Belgrade, Serbia.

2018

"No Exit? Religion and the Politics of Emigration" Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

2017

"Regime Type and Emigration" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Baltimore, MD

"No Exit? Religion and the Politics of Emigration?" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Baltimore, MD

"Regime Type and Emigration" American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting San Francisco, CA

"Regime Type and Emigration." International Studies Association – South annual meeting. Orlando, FL.

2016

"Public Opinion and Immigration Federalism: Comparing the European Union and the United States" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Atlanta, GA

Mirilovic, Nikola & Philip Pollock. "Latino Partisanship and Transnational Politics," International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Atlanta, GA

Mirilovic, Nikola & David Siroky. "International Recognition, Religion and the Status of Western Sahara" American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA

"Emigration and Criminalization of Homosexuality." Warwick University "Unpacking the Sending State: Regimes, Institutions, and non-State Actors in Diaspora & Emigration Politics" Workshop. Coventry, United Kingdom (virtual presentation).

2015

"Ideology, Federalism and Immigration: Comparing the US and the EU" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, New Orleans, LA

Mirilovic, Nikola & Myunghee Kim. "Global Citizens' Perceptions of Obama and Putin" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, New Orleans, LA

Mirilovic, Nikola & David Siroky. "Contested Recognition: The Case of Kosovo" American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, San Francisco, CA

Kim, Myunghee & Nikola Mirilovic. "Attitudes toward Homosexuality and Perceptions of the United States Abroad" American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, San Francisco, CA

Mirilovic, Nikola & Myunghee Kim. "Global Citizens' Perceptions of Obama and Putin" Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

2014

Mirilovic, Nikola & Philip Pollock. "Latino Partisanship and Transnational Politics" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Toronto, Canada

Mirilovic, Nikola & Philip Pollock. "Latino Partisanship and Transnational Politics" Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

Mirilovic, Nikola & Myunghee Kim. "Ideology and Threat Perceptions: The Views of Americans on China and Iran" Southern Political Science Association annual meeting, New Orleans, LA.

2013

"Explaining Dual Citizenship Recognition" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, San Francisco, CA

Mirilovic, Nikola, David Siroky & Joshua Caron. "Contested Recognition: Evidence from Kosovo and Western Sahara" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, San Francisco, CA

2012

"A Theory of Diaspora Engagement Policymaking" International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, San Diego, CA

"Comparative Diaspora Politics: The Cases of China and India" Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

"Comparative Diaspora Politics: The Cases of China and India" Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (IDSA), New Delhi, India.

Mirilovic, Nikola, David Siroky, & Joshua Caron. "A Theory of Contested International Recognition" Political Science Department Colloquium, University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL.

2011

"Comparative Diaspora Politics: The Cases of China and India" American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, Seattle WA

"Comparative Diaspora Politics in Asia: Non-Resident Indians and the Overseas Chinese" Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

“A Theory of Diaspora Engagement: The Cases of China, India and Russia” 43rd Annual Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) Convention, Washington, DC.

“A Theory of Diaspora Engagement: Democracy, Nationalism, and International Economic Strategy” Ethnic Politics Workshop II, The George Washington University, Washington, DC.

“Comparative Diaspora Politics in Asia: Non-Resident Indians and the Overseas Chinese” Western Political Science Association (WPSA) Annual Meeting. San Antonio, TX.

“Comparative Diaspora Politics: The Cases of China and India” Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament seminar, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.

2010

“Regime Type, Urban Bias, and Internal Migration Restrictions” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

2009

“Explaining Emigration Restrictions” International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, New York, NY

“A Theory of Internal Migration Restrictions” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

2008

“Explaining Emigration Restrictions” American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, Boston, MA

“Explaining Emigration Restrictions: Authoritarianism, Threats, and Large Militaries” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

2007

“Regime Type and Immigration” International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

“Regime Type and Immigration” American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

“A Theory of Conscription: Loyalty, Threats, and Labor Markets” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

2006

“Regime Type and Immigration” International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting San Diego, CA



“Immigration, Nationalism, and Military Power” American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA

“International Security and Immigration Policy” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

“Immigration, Nationalism, and Security” Program on International Security Policy workshop, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

“Regime Type and Immigration” Political Economy Workshop, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

2005

“Regime Type and Immigration” American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting, Washington, DC

“International Inequality and Integration and Regime Type Variation in Eastern Europe” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

“Institutions and Immigration: Why Dictatorship, Federalism, and National Constituencies Lead to More Immigration” The Program on International Politics, Economics, and Security (PIPES), University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

2004

“European Union Expansion and Democratization in Central and Eastern Europe” Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) annual meeting, Chicago, IL

“Regime Type and Population Growth” Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

## **GRANTS AWARDED**

2015      Mirilovic, Nikola & Barbara Kinsey. “The Impact of Diaspora Transnationalism: Migration from India to the United States.” **UCF Department of Political Science internal research grant** (\$2,000); additional funding from UCF’s College of Sciences (\$1,000) and India Center (\$500)

2010      **Sigur Center for Asian Studies Faculty Research Grant, The George Washington University** (\$3,750)

## **GRANT ACTIVITY**

2017      Listed as Co-PI with 7.00% of C&G External at UCF Academic Research and Grant Information System (ARGIS). PI: Ivan Garibay. Submitted to the National Science Foundation (NSF). Spokes: MEDIUM: SOUTH: Collaborative: Data Observatory for Innovation and Economic Prosperity: A data-intensive initiative in support of science and innovation policy. Funds requested: \$584,894.00. The proposal was declined.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **SPSIA, University of Central Florida**

Comparative Rising Powers (CPO 6776), Fall 2014

Global Perspectives (INR 4008), Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2024, Spring 2025

Immigration Policy (INR 4074), Spring 2013, Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2017, Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020

Introduction to International Relations (INR 2002), Spring 2012

Issues in Domestic Security (INR 7139), Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2021, Spring 2022

Issues in International Security (INR 7337), Spring 2024, Spring 2025

Political Economy (CPO 4074), Spring 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Spring 2016

Politics of Civil Wars (INR6068), Fall 2013, Spring 2016, Fall 2018, Fall 2020

Politics of Globalization (INR 4011), Fall 2011, Spring 2015, Fall 2015

Scientific Study of Security (INR 7332), Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2023, Fall 2024

Scope and Methods of Political Science (POS3703), Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Fall 2012, Spring 2014, Fall 2017, Fall 2019, Spring 2022, Fall 2023

### **Professorial Lecturer, The Elliott School of International Affairs, The George Washington University**

Rising Powers: Rivals or Allies (IA 218), Fall 2010 (M.A. class)

## **STUDENT DISSERTATION/THESIS SUPERVISION**

### **PhD Dissertation Committee Chair**

2024-present    Turan Keles. Title TBA.

2018-2022    Jennifer Hudson. “The Direct and Indirect Effects of Strategic Civilian Displacement on Territorial Control in Conventional Civil War”

### **PhD Dissertation Committee Member**

- 2023-2025     Devyn Escalanti. “Contagion Chronicles: A Spatiotemporal Analysis of Armed Conflict and Infectious Disease”
- 2019-2023     Santosh Sapkota. “Peacekeeping for Peace: Effectiveness and Impacts”
- 2020-2022     Tad A. Schnauffer II. “Struggling for Security: The Complexity of NATO Burden-Sharing”
- 2018-2021     Miroslav Shapovalov. “Between Fighting and Serving: How Existential Motivations Shaped Conflict Participation in Donbass War in Ukraine”
- 2018-2020     Sandor Fabian. “Improving Foreign Militaries -The Effects of U.S. Military Aid in the Form of Education and Training”
- 2014-2020     Xiongwei Cao. “Economic Norms Theory and the Rise of China”
- 2014-2016     Marcos Degaut. “Ideas, Beliefs, Strategic Culture, and Foreign Policy: Understanding Brazil’s Geopolitical Thought”

### **M.A. Thesis Chair**

- 2022-2023     Bryan Rojas. “A Bloody Race to the Bottom? How External Support Contributes to Civilian Victimization by Combatants in Intrastate Conflict”
- 2013-2015     Melinda Mellott. “Foreign Intervention and Civil War in the Middle East”

### **M.A. Thesis Committee Member**

- 2020-2021     Gabriella Cuber. “Understanding Variation in Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in UN Peacekeeping Operations: The Role of Military, Police and Civilian Peacekeepers”
- 2019             Salah Benhammou. “More Guns, Less Butter, and Officers at the Table: Understanding the Nexus between Military Integration into Politics and Resource Allocations in Authoritarian Regimes”
- 2018-2019     Grayson Lanza. “Comparative Analysis of the Relationship between State Security and Ethnic Minority Oppression.”
- 2018-2019     Alanna Fulk. “How Political Violence Helps Explain Organized Crime: A Case Study of Mexico’s ‘War on Drugs’”
- 2013-2014     Ashley Timmerman. “When do State Leaders Engage in State-Sponsored Repression?”

- 2012-2013     Juliana Velasco. “Regional Organizations and the Durability of Peace”
- 2012-2013     Kenneth Klose. “State Responses to Terrorism within Economic/Political Context”
- 2012-2013     Jonathan Williams. “Incumbent Violence and Insurgent Tactics”

**Non-Thesis M.A. Paper Chair**

- 2025             Eddie Bones. “Faith and Borders: The Role of Religion in Shaping U.S. Immigration Attitudes”
- 2022             Max Cheng. “Foreign Aid Sectors and Civil War Termination”

**Non-Thesis M.A. Paper Reader**

- 2021             Daryl Urbina. “Constructing Peace: Autonomy and Civil War”
- 2017             Robert Hypes. “The Long-Term Effect of Civil War on Income Inequality in Latin America”
- 2016             Victoria Augspurger. “When Leaders Make It Personal: The Consequences of Malignant Narcissistic Individuals in Authoritarian Leadership”
- 2016             Brandon Burmeister. “Proportional Representation in Civil Wars: Challenging the Consociational Model”

**Honors Undergraduate Thesis Chair**

- 2025-present   Roberto Sosa. Title TBA.
- 2023-2024     Ana Bello Marin. “Historical Legacies and Contemporary Anti-Americanism in Latin America”
- 2020             Bryan Cruz. “Más Que Cubano: Linked Fate, Transnationalism, and Generational Differences among Cuban Immigrants.”
- 2019-2020     Suhan Rosario. “How Great Power Politics Influences Refugee Policy: Assessing how the US has influenced Responses to the Venezuelan Migration Crisis in Colombia, Peru, and Brazil.”
- 2017-2018     Samuel Schiffer. “The Implications of Domestic Party Ideologies on Refugee Policy: a Case Study of Bangladesh and the Rohingya”

- 2016-2017 Steven Zuardo. "Determinants of Cross-National Trends in Immigrant Integration Policy: A Comparative Case Study of Four Countries in Western Europe"
- 2013 Ratna Okhai. "Muslim Immigration: Assessing the Relationship Between Terrorist Attacks and the Limiting of Muslim Immigration Due to Anti-Islamic Sentiments"

### **Honors Undergraduate Thesis Committee Member**

- 2023 Alexandra Laguna. "From Authoritarian to Democratic: A Look into South Korea's Political Evolution Through Sports and Culture"
- 2020-2021 Benjamin Giltner. "The Failure of Third-Party Interventions in Civil Wars"
- 2015-2016 Manuel Antonio Serrano. "Iranian Nuclear Program: Domestic Implications"

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ASSOCIATIONS**

#### **Book Reviews**

- 2022 *Secession and the Sovereignty Game: Strategy and Tactics for Aspiring Nations* by Ryan D. Griffiths. H-Diplo, H-Net Reviews. <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=57039>
- 2017 *At Home at Two Countries: The Past and Future of Dual Citizenship* by Peter J. Spiro. *International Migration Review* 51(1): e3–e4.
- 2013 *Politics from Afar: Transnational Diasporas and Networks*, edited by Terrence Lyons and Peter Mandaville. H-Diplo, H-Net Reviews. <http://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=37445>
- 2010 *The Politics of Citizenship in Europe* by Marc Morjé Howard. *Comparative Political Studies* 43(11): 1535-1539

#### **Reviewer: Journals**

*African Affairs, American Political Science Review; Business and Politics; Chinese Journal of Communication; Comparative Politics; Diaspora Studies; Foreign Policy Analysis; Globalizations; International Interactions; International Migration Review; International Political Science Review; International Studies Quarterly; International Studies Review; International Trade Journal; Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion; Journal of Politics; Journal of Public Policy; Journal of Race, Ethnicity and Politics; Nationalities Papers; Politics, Groups and Identities; Post-Soviet Studies; Research and Politics; Third World Quarterly*

### **Reviewer: Books and Book Proposals**

Edward Elgar; Guilford Press; Routledge; Rowman & Littlefield (reviewed a book chapter proposal); State University of New York (SUNY) Press

### **External Reviewer: Grant Proposal**

“Transitional Justice in the Aftermath of Violent Conflict,” by Prakash Adhikari, University of Central Michigan (2014)

### **External Reviewer: Promotion and Tenure Process**

Western Galilee College, Israel (2020)

### **Panel Chair and/or Discussant:**

2025 Quantitative Approaches to Religion and International Studies 2: Peace, Violence and Regime (ISA annual meeting)

2024 Refugee Politics, Human Rights, and International Norms (APSA annual meeting)

2023 Comparative Politics of Developing Areas (SPSA annual meeting)

2021 Diasporic Engagements (APSA annual meeting)

Religious Minorities (APSA annual meeting)

2020 Diasporas (APSA annual meeting)

2019 The New Role of China in the International System (CEEISA-ISA Joint International Conference)

Cyber, Nuclear and Deterrence (CEEISA-ISA Joint International Conference)

2019 Quantitative Studies in Religion and International Studies 2: Policy (ISA Annual Meeting)

2017 Transnational Diaspora Mobilizations (APSA annual meeting)

2017 Migration (ISA-South annual meeting)

2016 Unpacking the Sending State: Regimes, Institutions and Non-State Actors in Diaspora and Emigration Politics workshop (ISA annual meeting)

2015 Religion and the State (MPSA annual meeting)

2013 Diffusion Patterns in Transnational Diaspora Politics (ISA annual meeting)

2012 U.S. Foreign Policy (MPSA annual meeting)

2012 Transnational Connections (ISA annual meeting)

### **SERVICE TO THE SCHOOL AND THE UNIVERSITY**

2024-present: Research Committee (COS) - chair

2024-2025: COS Interdisciplinary Seminar Series committee

2024 (Fall): UCF Fulbright Committee

2024-present: advisor: European Studies minor

2023-2024: interim Director, Kurdish Political Studies program

Helped organize events, award a fellowship to support the research of a UCF undergraduate student, and award a best article prize to a rising scholar.

2023-2024: advisor, Kurdish studies certificate

2014-2022: SPSIA Liaison, Honors Undergraduate Thesis (HUT) Program

2019-2021: member of the University Honors Committee, appointed by the UCF Faculty Senate.

### **UCF's Internationalization Efforts**

2021-present: faculty affiliate, The India Center, University of Central Florida.

Moderator. Panel: India and International Security. Spring 2024 conference on India - Growth, Challenges, Opportunities. Orlando, FL, 4/12/2024.

Moderator. "Crucial Partners: A Conversation on the Future of U.S. – India Relations." Virtual event, 10/15/21.

2020-2022: senior participant, Soran University (Kurdistan-Iraq) and University of Central Florida (UCF) Partnership, Model United Nations.

2020: helped facilitate UCF's General Agreement for Collaboration with University of Belgrade, FPN.

## **SPSIA Committees**

2023-2024: search committee chair: advanced assistant professor or tenured associate professor or professor to be appointed as the Jalal Talabani Chair of Kurdish Political Studies and director of the Kurdish Political Studies program

Committee member: Ph.D. Core Exam Committee; Search Committee: Assistant Professors, Security Studies (Intelligence/Environment); Search Committee: Assistant Professor – Methods; Search committee: Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, or Professor, and Endowed Professor in India Politics and Director of the India Center; Graduate Committee; Undergraduate Committee; Methods Committee; Ph.D. Committee; Ph.D. Program & Planning subcommittee; Ph.D. Student Success subcommittee; Computers and Technology Committee; Outstanding M.A. Thesis Award Committee; Peer Evaluation Advisory Committee; Policy and Procedures Committee; M.A. Committee; P&T Committee; Kurdish Political Studies Program best article award committee

2022: member, **SPSIA DFW Taskforce**

Co-authored a report on DFW grade rates in SPSIA classes.

## **SPSIA Ph.D. Summer Methodology Workshop Instructor**

2017-2024: Descriptive Statistics, Probability, Inference, Hypothesis Testing