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EDUCATION

Georgetown University, Washington, DC

Ph.D. Student in Government (International Relations), expected graduation Spring 2024

Completed Coursework: 18 credit hours

Research Interests: Security Studies; Transatlantic Relations; U.S. Congress and International Use of Force; U.S. Foreign Policy

Georgetown University, Washington, DC

M.A. *summa cum laude*, German and European Studies: International Relations and Security Studies (2007)

Select Honors: Graduate School Scholarship, Rosenthal Fellowship, Research Assistantships, National Dean's List

Master's Project: "Atlantic Drift, Iran Rift? Assessing Transatlantic Relations in the Case of the Iranian Nuclear Crisis"

The American Consortium on European Union Studies, European Union Center, Washington, DC

ACES Graduate Certificate in EU Studies (2007)

Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX

B.A. *magna cum laude*, Corporate Communications and Public Affairs (2004)

Select Honors: Full-Tuition Scholarship, Golden Key National Honors Society, All-Texas Academic Team, National Dean's List

American University, Washington, D.C., Washington Semester Program in U.S. Foreign Policy (Fall 2003)

Select Honors: Dean's Scholarship

SMU in London, Regent's University London, London, UK, International Relations Program (Summer 2003)

OTHER CERTIFICATIONS

Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society, Jackson, MS

Certification, Leadership Development Program Instructor (2018)

RESEARCH DESIGNS IN PROGRESS

- "Combating Terrorism: Measuring the Effectiveness of Leadership Decapitation"
- "U.S. Congressional Voting Patterns on Presidential Use of Force Abroad"

TEACHING COMPETENCIES

- U.S. Foreign Policy
- College Success
- Global Politics
- International Relations
 - Introduction to International Relations
 - U.S.-European Relations
 - International Peace and Security
 - International Institutions
- Intercultural Understanding
- Introduction to College Inquiry
- Mentored Field Practicum
- Research Seminar
- Security Studies

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

American University, Washington, DC

June 2019 – December 2019

Adjunct Professorial Lecturer

Courses:

- Intercultural Understanding (undergraduate seminar)
- Mentored Field Practicum (undergraduate seminar / undergraduate lecture)
- Professional Development in DC (undergraduate seminar / undergraduate lecture)

Responsibilities:

- Encouraged critical thinking and fostered analytical comprehension of various fields of work
- Guided students through the research process
- Created an inclusive classroom environment
- Promoted intellectual growth by making myself available to my students
- Expanded student experiences by requiring inclusive activities while using experimental learning strategies
- Connected students with internships
- Mentored students

Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society (PTK), Jackson, MS

January 2019 – June 2021

PTK Faculty Scholar

- Facilitated meaningful and civil discussions among Honors Institute participants based on speakers' ideas about the Honors Study Topic and Honors in Action.
- Guided students through the academic research process from developing a research question, to measuring results quantitatively and qualitatively, and drawing research conclusions.
- Developed ideas for chapter and regional programs to implement the Honors Study Topic with Honors in Action projects and activities that emphasize and integrate academic investigation and analysis, collaboration, action and reflection.
- Encouraged students to think beyond their preconceived notions.
- Supported student growth by providing the opportunity to develop critical thinking skills through study, observation, and application.

PTK Leadership Development Faculty Scholar

January 2018 – June 2018

- Led students in fruitful and guided discussions about leadership development.
- Promoted critical thinking through activities pertaining to leadership.
- Encouraged students to think beyond their preconceived notions.
- Supported student growth by providing the opportunity to develop essential leadership skills through study, observation, and application.

PTK Facilitator, Presenter, and Seminar Group

April 2000 – Present

Leader at Regional and International Conferences

- Facilitate small group seminars for students at International Honors Institutes.
- Facilitate small group seminars for both students and faculty at Regional Honors Institutes.
- Develop and lead educational forums and round table discussions on internships and careers in international relations.
- Present and lead interactive workshops on PTK programming, awards, and research topics.
- Lead regional alumni team in developing and presenting educational sessions on scholarships, student success, and professional development.
- Work closely with Regional Coordinator to develop and provide leadership training for regional officers.
- Present motivational speeches as keynote speaker at chapter induction ceremonies.
- Coordinate the annual Senior College Transfer Fair at Virginia/West Virginia Regional Conventions.

PHI THETA KAPPA OFFICES HELD

Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society, Jackson, MS (Warrenton, VA)

Active Alumna, May 2004 – Present

Elected Member, Alumni Advisory Board, 2015-2016

- Led small group discussions on “Internships” during Career Roundtable, Educational Forum Round 3, at 2015 National Convention and Catalyst 2016.
- Mentored International Officer candidates during campaign events at 2016 International Convention.
- Facilitated Mini Sessions on “Careers in International Relations” at 2015 National Convention.
- Volunteer at the Foundation Booth during International Conventions.
- Judge Leaders of Promise Scholarship and All-USA Academic Team Finalist applications.
- Presented and fielded questions on Running for International and Regional Office Panel during 2012 Texas Regional Convention.
- Developed and posed questions as alumni panelist at International Conventions, interviewing Rudy Giuliani in 2004 and Christiane Amanpour and James Rubin in 2008.
- Served as student liaison for Society Headquarters for the 2002 Washington Summer Internship Program.

Virginia/West Virginia Region Alumni Association, Warrenton, VA

President, March 2011 – March 2014; March 2020 – Present

Senior College Transfer Fair Coordinator, March 2015 – Present

Secretary, March 2015 – March 2019

Acting Past President, March 2014 – March 2015

Active Member, December 2010 – Present

- Facilitate small group seminars at regional Honors Institute.
- Present and lead interactive workshops on Phi Theta Kappa programming, awards, and Honors Study Topic at regional conferences.
- Work closely with Regional Coordinator to develop and provide leadership training for regional officers.
- Coordinate the College Transfer Fair at Regional Conventions.
- Lead VA alumni team in developing and presenting educational sessions during Leadership Conferences and Regional Conventions.
- Present speeches at chapter induction ceremonies.
- Engineered the first alumni-sponsored Honors Study Topic speaker at regional Honors in Action Academy.
- In conjunction with the alumni association scholarship committee, established the Baccalaureate Completion Scholarship to encourage continued education and scholarship at a four-year institution.

Omega of Texas Alumni Chapter, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX

Founding President, August 2001 – May 2004

- Initiated and managed the re-charter of the senior institution alumni association at the University.
- Led the officer team in the planning, execution and follow-through on new programs, resulting in a 130% increase in membership within the first year.

Omega Sigma Chapter, Houston Community College System, Houston, TX

International Officer – International Southern Vice President, April 2000 – April 2001

- Facilitated workshops and presentations at regional conferences.
- Maintained regular correspondence with chapters in the Southern Region (now Division II).
- Represented the Society at regional meetings and educational conferences.
- Presided at the Annual Convention and Honors Institute.
- In conjunction with the International Officer Team, raised \$10,000 of funds for the Leaders of Promise scholarship program.

Vice President of Scholarship July 1999 – April 2000

- In conjunction with the officer team, organized, managed and executed various chapter projects, leading the local chapter to its first-ever ranking as number one (of 1,200 chapters worldwide and 82 in the Texas Region) in Scholarship for Phi Theta Kappa.

- Initiated membership drive at Houston Community College, Southwest Campus, which resulted in a 33% increase in the chapter's new inductees.

INVITED TALKS & PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS

Academic Inquiry - Seminar Group Leader, Honors Institutes

- "Haunted Halloween? Traditions and Views on Life and Death," VA/WV Regional Honors Institute, Virtual, October 2021.
- "To the Seventh Generation: Inheritance and Legacy – Theme 5: Resistance - Reform, Rebellion, Revolution," Illinois Region Alumni Association, Virtual, April 2021.
- "To the Seventh Generation: Inheritance and Legacy – Theme 1: The Heirs of Our Ways," VA/WV Regional Honors Institute, Virtual, October 2020; Illinois Region Alumni Association, August 2020.
- "Transformations: Acknowledging, Assessing, and Achieving Change," Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA, October 2019; James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA, October 2018.
- "How the World Works: Global Perspectives," Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA, October 2017.
- "Frontiers and the Spirit of Exploration," College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA, October 2015; Randolph College, Lynchburg, VA, October 2014.
- "The Culture of Competition," University of Mary Washington, Fredericksburg, VA, October 2013.
- "The Democratization of Information: Power, Peril, and Promise," College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA, October 2011; VA PTK Honors Institute, Tidewater Community College, Virginia Beach, VA, September 2011.

Careers & Internships

- "Building Your Résumé on a Crossroad," VA/WV Summer Leadership Conference, Virtual, June 2021.
- "The Online Interview: Success Awaits," VA/WV Summer Leadership Conference, Virtual, June 2020
- "Informational Interviewing; Your Number One Networking and Job Search Tool," American University, Washington, DC, June 2019.
- "Interview Competition," PTK International Convention, Orlando, FL, April 2019; PTK International Convention, Kansas City, MO, April 2019.
- "Career Advice and Networking: Internships," PTK International Convention, Nashville, TN, April 2017.
- "Internships and Careers in International Relations," PTK International Convention, National Harbor, MD, April 2016; PTK International Convention, San Antonio, TX, April 2015.
- "Career Networking and Advice: Internships," PTK International Convention, San Antonio, TX, April 2015.

Keynote Speeches at PTK Induction Ceremonies

- Lord Fairfax Community College, Fauquier Campus, Warrenton, VA, November 2017.
- "Alumni Awards Presentation," PTK International Convention Awards Ceremony, National Harbor, MD, April 2016.
- Northern Virginia Community College Alexandria, VA, April 2016.
- Northern Virginia Community College, Medical Education Campus, Springfield, VA, April 2015.
- Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale, VA, March 2015.
- Blue Ridge Community College, Weyers Cave, VA, October 2012.
- Reynolds Community College, Richmond, VA, October 2011.
- 2010-2000: various keynote speeches and presentations at community colleges

Scholarship & Writing

- "Writing to Win: Tips and Updates on Hallmark Awards," VA/WV Regional Honors Institute, Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA, October 2019; Regional Honors Institute, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA, October 2018.
- "Writing Hallmark Awards," VA/WV Regional Honors Institute, Hampton, VA, October 2017.
- "The Perfect Scholarship Essay," VA/WV Regional Convention, Tidewater Community College, Chesapeake, VA, March 2015.

Student Leadership

- Regional Officer Training, Rappahannock Community College, Warsaw, VA, June 2019; Virginia Western Community College, Roanoke, VA, June 2017; Piedmont Virginia Community College, Charlottesville, VA, June 2014.
- “Starting a New Chapter,” West Virginia PTK Academy, BridgeValley Community & Technical College, Montgomery, WV, September 2015.
- “Running for International Office,” Lord Fairfax Community College, Middletown, VA, July 2013.
- “Running for International and Regional Office,” Texas Regional Convention Panel, Dallas, TX, October 2012.

Student Organization Success

- “Fundraising,” VA/WV Summer Leadership Conference, Rappahannock Community College, Warsaw, VA, June 2019
- “Establishing a PTK Alumni Chapter at Your University,” PTK International Convention, Kansas City, MO, April 2018.
- “Members for Life: The Role of Alumni,” PTK International Convention, National Harbor, MD, April 2016.

Student Success & Transfer Readiness

- “Life after College.” American University Foreign Policy, Washington, D.C., March 2019 (roundtable); December 2018 (panel); November 2016.
- “Leaving the Hilltop dis-Orientation,” Georgetown University Panel, Washington, D.C., April 2016; March 2015.
- “Hilltop on the Hill Alumni Panel,” Southern Methodist University Panel, Washington, D.C., October 2015.
- “Explaining MAGES: A Guide to Explaining the Value of Your Degree,” Georgetown University Panel, Washington, D.C., September 2015.
- “Life After College,” American University Foreign Policy Panel, Washington, D.C., April 2013.

Workplace Professionalism & Etiquette

- “Power of Professionalism,” Lord Fairfax Community College, Middletown, VA, July 2014; Northern Virginia Community College, Manassas, VA, June 2013.
- “Public Speaking,” Lord Fairfax Community College, Middletown, VA, July 2012.

ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATIVE & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service (SFS), Washington, DC January 2012 – May 2013
Assistant Director, African Studies Program

- Shepherded new academic programs and developed courses and curricula for the program.
- Laid foundation for a new Graduate Certificate in African Studies.
- In conjunction with Director, developed and maintained organizational/strategic plan, including academic, programmatic, and financial goals.
- Advised approximately 60 undergraduate students from primarily SFS and the College, monitoring student progress toward the Certificate/Minor.
- Reviewed and evaluated syllabi and course descriptions from study abroad courses to determine acceptability for Certificate/Minor credit.
- Handled all financial management and transactions of the program.
- Ensured adherence to University policies and procedures, coordinating with SFS faculty, deans, Director of Undergraduate Programs, Registrar, and other University departments.
- Represented program at University-wide activities and with third parties.

Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service (SFS), Washington, DC August 2010 – January 2012
Program Officer, Program for Jewish Civilization (PJC)

- Active role in planning, implementing, and evaluating the programming of the PJC.
- Determined future projects and programs; handled majority of marketing and outreach.
- Managed and attended events, including university-wide events; lectures, conferences, and receptions; board, faculty, staff, and student meetings; and multimedia productions.
- Provided faculty and staff support; administered day-to-day operations.

Georgetown University, School of Continuing Studies, Washington, DC February 2008 – August 2010
Assistant Dean, Semester in Washington Program

- Managed the successful launch of the program in less than four months. Activities included: developing the marketing plan; coordinating with department chairs and faculty on course development and curriculum; hiring faculty; and recruiting students.
- Developed and executed school outreach and student recruiting strategies. Responsible for growing the number of enrolled students by greater than 250% in the first year and expanding the program from one to five academic area offerings.
- Advised approximately 150 prospective and enrolled students per semester on admissions, academic requirements, course selection, policies, and internship placement.
- Managed the program budget and program logistics (scheduling, student registration, scholarship awards, and faculty recruitment).
- Planned and coordinated program events including: student orientation, special guest lectures, off-campus events, and graduation ceremonies.

Georgetown University, Center for German and European Studies Washington, DC August 2005 – May 2007
Research Assistant, Transatlantic and International Relations

- Researched and synthesized findings on current transatlantic and international relations issues and challenges, including issues of state sovereignty, data privacy, the 2005 German elections, and international institutions.
- Edited English-German translation of *The Great War and Urban Life in Germany: Freiburg, 1914-1918*.
- Synthesized data and summarized key topic points.
- Identified related links for additional research and cross-reference purposes.

Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (FL-18), Washington, DC June – August 2007
Rosenthal Fellow, International Relations

- Researched and analyzed foreign policy issues and formulated and disseminated recommendations on legislative action.
- Drafted speeches, memos, and editorials on national security, counter-terrorism, human rights, and democracy promotion.
- Initiated resolution with the U.S. State Department on gang-related legislation.
- Edited the work of staffers and supervised interns on foreign affairs issues.

American University, Washington Semester Program, Washington, DC March 2005 – June 2005
Assistant to the Assistant Dean

- Advised and placed graduate students in competitive summer internships in the fields of American and international business and trade, community development, economic and finance, education, law, public and foreign policy, and television and broadcasting to enhance their practical experience and career opportunities in the research, government, non-profit, private and corporate sectors.
- Performed online research, edited confidential material and performed administrative duties, which resulted in more efficient work procedures.
- Facilitated the management of the Ambassador Program to enhance the outreach and promotion of the program in the U.S. and abroad, increasing the number of member universities and student participation.

SERVICE & OUTREACH

Ethics Review Board Member, PTK VA/WV Regional Mentorship Program 2021 – Present

- The ethics review board is designed to address grievances and to ensure that mentors and mentees adhere to ethics guidelines. A successful and productive relationship requires a mutual sensitivity and commitment to creating a safe, confidential environment, which reflects the high standards of ethical practice.

Judge, PTK Honors in Action Project Hallmark Awards Competition 2019; 2020; 2021; 2022

- The award recognizes exceptional chapter projects that incorporate academic research and analysis, leadership development, action (service or advocacy), collaboration, and impact. Each project is based on a theme from the Society's Honors Study Topic.

Judge, PTK VA/WV Region Speech Competition 2020

- This regional contest evaluated a student's ability to give a speech on an assigned topic with one day (prepared) or a minimum of advance preparation (extemporaneous). Winners in each category earned a spot in the national competitions at 2020 Phi Theta Kappa Catalyst.

Judge, PTK Distinguished Chapter Officer Hallmark Awards Competition 2017; 2018

- Distinguished chapter officers are selected based on the recipient's demonstration of leadership, promotion of Honors in Action research and service projects and other engagement in the Society, and enthusiasm for the Society's Hallmarks. Thirty award recipients are recognized annually.

Judge, PTK Common Application Scholarship Competition 2014; 2017; 2018

- The common spring and fall applications allow students who are currently enrolled at a two-year college or who transfer into a bachelor's degree program to apply to various scholarships nationwide. Scholarships recognize Phi Theta Kappa members for outstanding academic achievement and rigor, engagement in college and community activities, and leadership accomplishment.

Judge, Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship Competition 2014; 2015; 2016; 2017

- Coca-Cola scholars are selected based on scholastic achievement, community service and leadership potential. The scholarship helps new Phi Theta Kappa members defray educational expenses while enrolled in associate degree programs and encourages them to assume leadership roles by participating in Society programs. 200 scholarships of \$1,000 each are awarded annually (out of 1,100 applications worldwide).

Judge, All-USA Academic Team Competition 2015; 2016

- The All-USA Academic Team recognizes high achieving college students who demonstrate academic excellence and intellectual rigor, combined with leadership and service that extends their education beyond the classroom to benefit society. Twenty team members are named annually with each receiving a \$5,000 scholarship, a total of \$100,000 in scholarship awards (out of 2,000 applications).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Political Science Association (APSA)

SELECTED AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Honorary Member, Phi Theta Kappa, Illinois Region Alumni Association, July 2020
- Alumni Award of Appreciation, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, April 2019
- Distinguished Alumni Award, Phi Theta Kappa Virginia/West Virginia Region, March 2019
- Outstanding Alumni Award, Phi Theta Kappa Virginia/West Virginia Region, March 2015
- Jill A. Hopper Award Nominee, Georgetown University, Spring 2007
- Merit Award, Half-Tuition, Georgetown University, Fall 2005 – Spring 2007
- Graduate Research Assistantships, Georgetown University, Fall 2005 – Spring 2007
- Co-Chair, Annual Graduate Student Conference, Georgetown University, Spring 2007
- National Dean's List, 1999/2000, 2000/2001, 2005/2006, 2006/2007
- Harold W. Rosenthal Fellowship in International Relations, Summer 2006
- Flynn Summer Grant, Georgetown University, Summer 2006
- Jack Kent Cooke Graduate Scholarship Nominee, Southern Methodist University, 2005
- Honor Transfer Scholarship, Half-Tuition, Southern Methodist University, Fall 2001 – Spring 2004
- Meadows School of the Arts Scholarship, Southern Methodist University, Summer 2003, Spring 2004
- Transfer Admissions Student Leadership Award, Southern Methodist University, Spring 2004
- Phi Theta Kappa Supplemental Scholarship, Southern Methodist University, Half-Tuition, Fall 2001 – Spring 2004
- Washington Semester Dean's Scholarship, American University, Fall 2003
- Washington Summer Internship Program, Reading is Fundamental, 2002
- Washington Summer Internship Program, National Endowment for the Humanities, 2001
- All-USA Academic Team Nominee, 2001
- All-Texas Academic Team, 2001
- Golden Key National Honor Society
- Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society for the Two-Year Colleges
- Honorary Member, Phi Theta Kappa, Zeta of New York Alumni Association
- Phi Theta Kappa Texas Hall of Honor

SKILLS

Languages: German (native - speak, read, write), French (read), Spanish (read)
Computer Skills/Technology: Kahoot!; Mentimeter; Microsoft Office (Excel, PowerPoint, Word); Mailchimp;
Zotero Citation Software
Course Management Systems: Well versed with Blackboard, familiar with Canvas