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## CURRENT POSITION

- 2008-09 Postdoctoral Fellow, Princeton-Harvard China & The World Program  
Woodrow Wilson School  
Princeton University
- 2008-09 Associate Research Scholar  
The MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies  
Yale University
- (July 2009 - ) Assistant Professor  
Department of Political Science  
Yale University

## EDUCATION

- 2008 Ph.D. Political Science, University of California, San Diego
- 2003 B.A. Political Science, Stanford University  
With distinction and minor in Economics  
*Phi Beta Kappa*, 2002

## DISSERTATION

“Powerful Patriots: Nationalism, Diplomacy, and the Strategic Logic of Anti-Foreign Protest”  
Committee Members: David Lake (co-chair), Susan Shirk (co-chair), Lawrence Broz, Richard Madsen, and Branislav Slantchev

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2009 Bradley Foundation Research Program Fellowship
- 2008 Peggy Quon Prize for UCSD Ph.D. candidate in Political Science “most likely to contribute to the scientific study of politics”
- 2007 Visiting Scholar, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
- 2006-07 Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Program Fellowship
- 2006-07 Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation Dissertation Fellowship
- 2006 Graduate Fellow, American Academy of Political and Social Science
- 2006 UCSD Institute for International, Comparative, and Area Studies Travel Grant
- 2006 UCSD Rohr Chair in Pacific International Relations Travel Grant
- 2003-08 National Science Foundation IGERT Fellowship, “Public Policy and Nuclear Threats”
- 2001 National Security Education Program David L. Boren Scholarship for Study Abroad

2000            President's Award for Academic Excellence in the Freshman Year, Stanford University

## **PUBLICATIONS**

2003. "The Need for Liberalization in China: Electoral Reform and the People's Congress System," *Stanford Journal of East Asian Affairs*, p. 39-44.
2002. "Stability, Development, and Democracy: Conflicting Objectives? U.S. Aid to Egypt, 1975-2000." *Stanford Journal of International Relations*, Vol. IV, No. 1, p. 48-57.

## **INVITED TALKS**

Yale University, Social Science Workshop on Contemporary China, November 10, 2008.

Princeton University, China & The World Program, November 5, 2008.

## **CONFERENCES**

### **Presentations**

"Red Light, Green Light: Nationalist Protest and Sino-American Crisis Diplomacy," 3rd Annual China & The World Fellows Workshop, Harvard University, April 17, 2009.

"Strategic Nationalism: The Mobilization and Repression of Anti-American Protest in China," Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 4, 2009.

"A Tale of Two Crises: Anti-American Protest and U.S.-China Relations in 1999 and 2001," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August 30, 2008.

"Powerful Patriots: Nationalism, Diplomacy, and the Strategic Logic of Anti-Foreign Protest in China, 1978-2005," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 30, 2007.

"Powerful Patriots: Mobilizing Audience Costs under Authoritarian Rule," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, September 1, 2007.

"Riding the Tiger: Popular Nationalism and Chinese Foreign Policy, 1985-2005," Third Graduate Seminar on China, Universities Service Centre, Hong Kong, January 10, 2007.

"Rethinking Audience Costs: Anti-Foreign Protests as Costly Signals," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, September 3, 2006.

### **Panels**

Chair and organizer, panel on "Audience Costs," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, September 1, 2007.

Co-organizer, panel on "Popular Protests and Social Instability in China," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 30, 2007.

Chair and organizer, 1st Annual Forum for American/Chinese Exchange at Stanford (FACES), Conference on U.S.-China relations, Stanford University, April 28 - May 4, 2003.

### **Participant**

Workshop on Japanese National Identity, Princeton University. December 2008.

Sino-American Security Dialogue, Huangshan, China. May 2008.

Public Policy and Nuclear Threats Annual Conference, Livermore, CA. February 2008.  
Northeast Asia Cooperation Dialogue (NEACD). Tokyo, Japan. April 2006.  
Public Policy and Nuclear Threats Annual Conference, Santa Monica, CA. February 2006.  
Public Policy and Nuclear Threats Annual Conference, Berkeley, CA. January 2005.  
Northeast Asia Cooperation Dialogue (NEACD). La Jolla, CA. April 2004.

## **RELATED EXPERIENCE**

2004-06                      Research Assistant: Military Coercion in Interstate Crises  
                                    Professor Branislav L. Slantchev, Department of Political Science, UCSD

Summer 2005                Asia Intern, International Security Program  
                                    Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), Washington, D.C.

Summer 2004                Research Scholar: China and the North Korean Nuclear Crisis  
                                    Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, California

2001 – 2003                 Founder and President  
                                    Forum for American/Chinese Exchange at Stanford (FACES)

Summer 2002                Intern, China Village Elections Project, The Carter Center, Beijing, China

Summer 2000                Intern, Arms Control Association, Washington, D.C.

## **FIELD RESEARCH**

February-August 2006; January-July 2007; January 2009. Interviews and data collection in China and Japan.

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE**

Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Political Science, UCSD, 2007-2008.  
Graduate Representative, Enrollment Planning Committee, UCSD, 2003-2004.

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

American Political Science Association  
Midwest Political Science Association  
International Studies Association

## **REVIEWER**

Journal of Conflict Resolution

## **LANGUAGES**

English (native), Mandarin Chinese (fluent), Spanish (intermediate)