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**RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS**

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Gender and Conflict Processes  
Southeast Asian Politics  
Contentious Politics

International Security  
U.S. Foreign Policy  
Research Methods

African Politics  
International Law

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**EDUCATION**

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[Indiana University](#)

[Bloomington, IN](#)

*Ph.D. in Political Science, 2018*

- Major Fields: International Relations, Research Methods
- Outside Minor: Policy and Research Methods in Multiethnic Societies

[The University of Georgia](#)

[Athens, GA](#)

*M.A. in Political Science, 2009*

- Major Fields: Comparative Politics, International Relations

[Brigham Young University](#)

[Provo, UT](#)

*B.A. in Political Science, 2006*

- Major Fields: International Relations, Political Theory

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**DISSERTATION**

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*Title:* Gender in Conflict: A Dynamic Theory of Ethnonationalist  
Armed Groups' Recruitment and Non-recruitment of Female Combatants

*Committee:* Karen Rasler (Chair), Diana O'Brien, William Thompson,  
Susan Williams (Maurer School of Law)



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### PUBLICATIONS

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Israelsen, Shelli. "Why Now? Timing Rebel Recruitment of Female Combatants." 2018  
*Studies in Conflict and Terrorism*  
DOI: 10.1080/1057610X.2018.1445500

Israelsen, Shelli. "Women in Charge: The Effect of Rebel Governance and 2018  
Women's Organisations on Karen Women's Political Participation."  
*Civil Wars*  
DOI: 10.1080/13698249.2018.1497315

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### WORKING PAPERS

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- "Women in War and Peace: Karen Women's Political Participation During and After the Karen-Burma Ceasefire Accords" (*revise & resubmit*)
- "Re-examining Conflict, Rivalry and State Capacity" with Prashant Hosur Suhas (*under review*)
- "Girl Power: Understanding the Effect of Female Combatants on Conflict Outcomes" with Prashant Hosur Suhas (manuscript available)
- "Blurring the Lines: Moving Beyond the Inter-Intra-State Conflict Dichotomy", with Prashant Hosur Suhas (manuscript available)
- "The Implications of Rivalry Formation in the Middle East: The Case of Saudi Arabia and Qatar" with Prashant Hosur Suhas (manuscript available)
- "Understanding the Variation in Women's Roles Across Ethnic Armed Groups in East Africa"
- "Resource Endowments and Gendered Recruitment in Ethno-nationalist Conflicts"
- "The Impact of Gender on Civil War Recurrence"

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### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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"Girl Power: Understanding the Effect of Female Combatants on Conflict 2018  
Outcomes" (with Prashant Hosur Suhas)  
**American Political Science Association Annual Meeting**

"Fighting for Greatness: Re-examining Conflict, Rivalry and State Capacity" 2018  
(with Prashant Hosur Suhas)  
**International Studies Association Annual Convention**



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**GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

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- American Political Science Association Travel Award 2018
- John P. Lovell Award, Department of Political Science, 2018  
*Indiana University*
- President’s Diversity Dissertation Fellowship, *Indiana University* 2017-2018
- Southern Regional Education Board – State Doctoral Scholars 2017  
Program Fellowship
- College Arts and Humanities Institute Dissertation Research 2017  
Travel Award, *Indiana University*
- Travel Award, Department of Political Science, 2012, 2013, 2017  
*Indiana University*
- Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models 2013  
Certification Scholarship
- Research Fellowship, The Ostrom Workshop on Political Theory 2012  
and Policy Analysis, *Indiana University*
- Departmental Fellowship, Department of Political Science, 2012  
*Indiana University*
- Qualitative and Multimethods Workshop Participation Grant 2012

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**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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Bloomington, IN

(Instructor of Record)

*Introduction to Global Politics/* 2016  
*U.S. Foreign Policy in the Muslim World*

(Associate Instructor)

*Racial and Ethnic Politics in the U.S.* 2015

*Introduction to Political Theory* 2013, 2015

*American Government* 2014

*Analyzing Politics (Research Design & Methods)* 2013, 2014

*U.S. Elections 2012* 2012

*American Political Controversies* 2011



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<b>UNIVERSITY OF UTAH</b> (Teaching Assistant) <i>American Government</i> <i>Introduction to International Relations</i>	<b>Salt Lake City, UT</b>  2010 2011
<b>UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY</b> (Adjunct Instructor) <i>American Government</i>	<b>Orem, UT</b>  2009
<b>THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA</b> (Teaching Assistant) <i>American Government</i>	<b>Athens, GA</b>  2008, 2009

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### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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Research Assistant, Violent Intranational Political Conflict and Terrorism (VIPCAT) Research Laboratory: Project Civil Strife, <i>The University of Georgia</i>	2008
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### ADDITIONAL TRAINING

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The Institute on Teaching and Mentoring	2017
The Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)	2013
The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR)	2012

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### SKILLS

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<b>Qualitative:</b>	Research design, comparative analysis, interviews, participant observation, institutional analysis
<b>Quantitative:</b>	Longitudinal analysis, multilevel analysis, time-series analysis, multivariate analysis, categorical data analysis
<b>Computer:</b>	STATA, R

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### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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American Political Science Association  
Canadian Political Science Association  
International Studies Association



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### REFERENCES

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