

APPOINTMENTS

University of Michigan

Postdoctoral Fellow, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

Ann Arbor, MI

2023–Current

EDUCATION

Ohio State University

Ph.D., Political Science

Columbus, OH

2017–2023

– Dissertation: “Coming Together, Staying Apart: History, Expectations, and Institutional Emergence”

– Committee: Bear Braumoeller (chair), Alexander Thompson (co-chair), Jennifer Mitzen, Jan Pierskalla

M.A., Political Science, 2019

University of Chicago

B.A. in Political Science and Economics

Chicago, IL

2011–2015

RESEARCH INTERESTS

International institutions, cooperation, historical international politics, state building, formal theory, quantitative methods

MESO LAB

I am a member of MESO (Modeling Emergent Social Order) lab under Bear Braumoeller at Ohio State University. Our work makes use of computational modeling alongside quantitative and experimental empirical methods to answer deep theoretical questions about the relationship between political order and international security. Our research has been funded by the Carnegie Foundation of New York and the National Science Foundation.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Van Beek, M, M Lopate, A Goodhart, D Peterson, M Allam, J Edgerton, H Xiong, L Tiglay, D Kent, & B Braumoeller (2024). “Hierarchy and War.” at *American Journal of Political Science*, First View

PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

- Xiong, H, D Peterson, T Chen & B Braumoeller. “Reconceptualizing International Order: Contemporary Chinese Theories and Their Contributions to Global IR.” Revise and resubmit at *International Organization*
- Peterson, D. “Last Resorts: Delegation, History, and Political Union”
- Peterson, D. “Everyday Hegemony: The Informal Legacies of Power”
- Peterson, D, M Galesic & R Hammond. “An Agent-Based Model of Post-Conflict Reconciliation”

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Peterson, D. “The Social Origins of Organizations: History, Expectations, and Governance”
- Peterson, D. “After Independence: Legacies of Coercion in Postcolonial Sovereignty”
- Peterson, D. “Networks under the Security Dilemma: Uncertainty and the Spread of Conflict”
- Peterson, D, M van Beek, J Edgerton, M Lopate, A Goodhart, M Allam, H Xiong & B Braumoeller. “Warring Leviathans: Intergroup Conflict, Hierarchy, and Public Goods Provision”
- Edgerton, J, A Goodhart, D Peterson, M van Beek, M Lopate, M Allam, H Xiong & B Braumoeller. “Measures of International Order”
- Xiong, H, D Peterson & B Braumoeller. “Under Pressure: Hegemony and Social Preferences in International Politics”

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Henry R. Spencer Award for Best Dissertation, Department of Political Science, Ohio State University, 2023
- Distinguished University Fellowship, Ohio State University, 2022-23
- Summer Fellowship, Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Ohio State University, 2022
- Jacobina Aman Award for best paper in International Relations, Ohio State University Department of Political Science, 2018
- Perry Scholarship, Ohio State University Department of Political Science, 2018
- Distinguished University Fellowship, Ohio State University, 2017-18

PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

P = Paper, Po = Poster

- American Political Science Association: 2024 (P, accepted), 2022 (P), 2021 (Po)
- International Studies Association: 2022 (P), 2021 (P)
- Midwest Political Science Association: 2019 (P)

RESEARCH POSITIONS

- Computational Modeling Constultant, Santa Fe Institute, 2022-present
- Research Assistant for Bear Braumoeller as part of MESO Lab, Ohio State University, Autumn 2021-Spring 2022

TEACHING

- Guest Lecturer, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, Data Science and Text Analysis (Graduate), 2023
- Senior Fellow, Program in Statistics and Methodology, Ohio State University, 2020-21
- Teaching Assistant, POLITSC 4331, The United Nations System (Prof. Alexander Thompson), Ohio State University, Spring 2020
- Teaching Assistant, POLITSC 4553, Game Theory for Political Scientists (Prof. Daniel Verdier), Ohio State University, Autumn 2019
- Teaching Assistant, POLITSC 4315, International Security and the Causes of War (Prof. Bear Braumoeller), Spring 2019
- Teaching Assistant, POLITSC 4127, Governing Urban America (Prof. Vladimir Kogan), Autumn 2018

SERVICE

- Reviewer, APSA Summer Centennial Center Research Grants, 2023
- Coordinator, Research in International Politics workshop, Ohio State University, 2019-2020
- Data collection for Ohio State Political Science Department syllabus audit, 2019

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Political Science Association
- International Studies Association

SKILLS AND LANGUAGES

- Languages: English, Spanish (proficient), French (conversational)
- Coding Languages: R, Stata, Python, NetLogo, Matlab