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INTRODUCTION

My research interests include ethnic conflict, ethnonationalism, intergroup contact, conflict transformation, transitional justice, migration, and diasporas. I focus on the Mediterranean region, with special interest in Israel, occupied Palestinian territories, and Bosnia and Herzegovina. I am a trained mixed-method researcher with extensive fieldwork, community engagement, and human and civil right advocacy experience as a practitioner.

EDUCATION

Aug `17 ~ present	Ph.D. Candidate	GPA: 3.85
	<i>Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh, PA, USA)</i>	
	Certificates: Mediterranean Studies Certificate, Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models	
	Dissertation Advisor:	Professor Taylor B. Seybolt
	Dissertation Title:	“Conflict prevention and transformation: A comparative study of contact between ethnic groups in Israel and Bosnia and Herzegovina”
Oct `11 ~ Dec `13	M.A. in Public Policy	GPA: 4.00
	<i>International Conflict Resolution and Mediation, Tel Aviv University (Tel Aviv, Israel)</i>	
	Certificates: Mediation and Facilitation	
	Professor:	Professor Korina Kagan
	Capstone Paper:	“Cripling partition anxiety: The case against partition of Bosnia and Herzegovina”
	Study Abroad (Summer `12)	
	<i>Summer School in Social and Collective Memory, Singidunum University (Belgrade, Serbia)</i>	
Aug `04 ~ Jun `08	B.A. in Global Studies and Political Science	GPA: 3.42
	<i>North Central College (Naperville, IL, USA)</i>	
	Minor: History	
	Study Abroad (Fall `07)	
	<i>United States International University (Nairobi, Kenya)</i>	

LANGUAGES

Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian [Native], **Arabic** [Low Intermediate], **Hebrew** [Low Intermediate]

RESEARCH METHODS TRAINING

SU 2020	Network Analysis II Network Analysis I	ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan
FA 2019	Causal Inference Using Quantitative Methods	GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh
SU 2019	Regression Analysis II Race and Ethnicity Using Quantitative Methods Regression Using Spatial Data Ethnography Interpretive Methods	ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan ICPSR Short Workshop, University of Michigan IQRM Summer Program, University of Syracuse IQRM Summer Program, University of Syracuse
SP 2019	Evidence and Inference Qualitative Methods Quantitative Methods II	GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh
FA 2017	Mixed-Method Research Design Quantitative Methods I	GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Jul '20 ~ Jul '21

Doctoral Teaching Assistant

Regression Analysis I: Intro and Application, ICPSR, University of Michigan (SU 2021)
Intermediate Quantitative Methods, GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh (SP 2021)
Introduction to Global Studies, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh (SP 2021)
Introduction to Quantitative Methods, GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh (FA 2020)
Introduction to Global Studies, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh (FA 2020)
Race and Ethnicity Using Quant Methods II, ICPSR, University of Michigan (SU 2020)

- Aided students' comprehension of class lectures, reading materials, and homework assignments
- Provided coursework evaluation and student assessment on weekly and semester assignments
- Guided students on theoretical, methodological, and technical issues pertaining to final papers
- Led small group discussions to help facilitate greater understanding of course content
- Held weekly synchronous and asynchronous recitations to review and practice course concepts
- Met one-on-one with students in weekly office hours to provide individualized assistance, support, and advice
- Designed power point presentations, R scripts, and STATA Do-files for course lectures and recitation practice
- Offered hands-on practice with mainstream statistical software (R and STATA)

Aug '18 ~ May '21

Bosnian Language Tutor and Teaching Substitute

Department of Slavic Languages and Literature, University of Pittsburgh

- Provided individualized tutoring support and weekly conversation groups to encourage language practice
- Evaluated student performance at introductory, intermediate, and advanced levels of learning

Mar '13 ~ Jul '14

Human Rights Educator

Amnesty International Israel (Tel Aviv, Israel)

- Designed and instructed Human Rights courses to refugees to bolster knowledge and activism
- Mentored refugees to communicate with media and policy-makers and facilitated their public engagement
- Trained and assisted community leaders in planning and launching of community initiatives

Sep '10 ~ Jul '11

English Teacher

United Schools of Al Yahar (Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates)

- Taught English language and literature courses to primary and high school students using self-designed curricula
- Visited students' homes to tailor personalized study plans to maximize learning
- Launched a debate club for young girls to discuss topics pertinent to their lives

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Doctoral Research Assistant

Ford Institute for Human Security, University of Pittsburgh (SP 2020)
European Studies Center (ESC), University of Pittsburgh (FA 2019, SP 2020)
Ford Institute for Human Security, University of Pittsburgh (FA 2018, SP 2019)
Johnson Institute for Responsible Leadership, University of Pittsburgh (FA 2017, SP 2018)

- Managed research group revising an encyclopedia entry on humanitarian intervention (Dr. Taylor Seybolt)
- Oversaw student nonprofit consultancies and evaluated organizational reports (Dr. Kevin Kearns)
- Assisted independent research and provided proofreading and editing support (Dr. Erica Owen, Dr. Paul Nelson)
- Independently researched topics of ethnonationalism, conflict, and migration related to the Mediterranean region

HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

Graduate Student Intern

Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies (REEES)
University Center for International Studies (UCIS), University of Pittsburgh (SU 2021)

- Collected institutional data for the Title VI report and funding application to the US Department of Education
- Compiled, organized, and designed materials for the Center's external evaluation by a scholarly expert
- Designed promotional materials to increase the visibility of the Center's events and activities
- Proofread and edited policy briefs, event programs, and organizational documents

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FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

2021	Peace Scholar Fellowship , Dissertation Research, \$20,000 <i>United States Institute of Peace (USIP)</i>
2021	Title VIII Research Scholar Program , Dissertation Research, \$20,000 <i>American Councils for International Education</i>
2021	David L. Boren Fellowship , Language Study [Hebrew] & Dissertation Research, \$24,000 <i>National Security Education Program, Institute of International Education</i> [declined due to travel delays resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic]
2021	Fulbright U.S. Student Program , Dissertation Research [listed as Alternate] <i>Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Institute of International Education</i>
2020	Klinzing Dissertation Award , Dissertation Research, \$10,000 <i>European Studies Center, University of Pittsburgh</i>
2020	Stanley Prostrednik Scholarship , Dissertation Research, \$3,000 <i>Nationality Rooms, University of Pittsburgh</i>
2020	David L. Boren Fellowship , Language Study [Hebrew] & Dissertation Research, \$24,000 <i>National Security Education Program, Institute of International Education</i> [declined due to travel delays resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic]
2020	EITM Certification Scholarship , 2020 ICPSR Summer Institute for Quantitative Methodology, \$2,500 <i>Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models, Princeton University</i>
2019	Foreign Language and Area Study Fellowship (summer) , Modern Standard Arabic 3 - 4, \$5,500 <i>European Studies Center, University of Pittsburgh</i>
2019	GSPIA Scholarship , 2019 ICPSR Summer Workshop for Quantitative Methodology, \$1,600 <i>Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh</i>
2019	Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (annual) , Modern Standard Arabic 3 - 4, \$40,000 <i>European Studies Center, University of Pittsburgh</i>
2019	Scholarship for Public Policy , ICPSR Summer Institute for Quantitative Methodology, \$2,500 <i>ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan</i>
2019	GSPIA Scholarship , 2019 ICPSR Summer Workshop for Quantitative Methodology, \$1,600 <i>Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh</i>
2019	GSPIA Scholarship , 2019 IQMR Summer Institute for Qualitative Methodology, \$2,250 <i>Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh</i>
2018	Intensive Language Study Scholarship , Modern Standard Arabic 1 - 2, \$5,000 <i>Summer Language Institute, University of Pittsburgh</i>
2017	Language Study Tuition Remission , Modern Standard Arabic 1, \$200 <i>Global Studies Center, University of Pittsburgh</i>
2017 ~ 2021	Graduate Student Assistantship , Renewable Doctoral Stipend (4 years), \$14,000/ year <i>Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh</i>
2004 ~ 2008	Presidential Merit Scholarship , Renewable Undergraduate Scholarship (4 years), \$15,000/year <i>North Central College</i>
2006 ~ 2008	Dean's List , Advanced Academic Standing (6 consecutive trimesters) <i>North Central College</i>
2007	Honorable Mention Award , Representing Sudan in the UN Security Council <i>New York Model UN, North Central College</i>
2006	Honorable Delegate Award , Representing Saudi Arabia in the UN General Assembly <i>Chicago Model UN, North Central College</i>

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, ADVOCACY, AND FUNDRAISING

Sep `15 ~ Jun `16

Organizational and Fundraising Consultant

Elhawakeer: Community Development, Action, and Environment (Nazareth, Israel)

- Submitted a number of high-profile grant applications to local and international grant agencies
- Outlined key fundraising targets and supported the development of a sound organizational strategy
- Conceptualized and drafted community based projects and initiatives

Jan `14 ~ Aug `15

International Advocacy Manager

African Refugee Development Center - ARDC Israel (Tel Aviv, Israel)

- Researched and wrote a compilation of refugee stories "Untold Stories of Success"
- Lead tours and site visits for policy makers and the general public
- Organized inter-community gatherings to improve public opinion of refugees
- Managed the website, social media accounts, and all promotional materials

Aug `14 ~ Aug `15

Resource Development Manager

Negev Coexistence Forum for Civil Equality - NCF (Be'er Sheva, Israel)

- Maintained existing and developed new relations with private and institutional donors
- Trained staff on grant policy, grant development, and project management
- Oversaw budget implementation to ensure timeliness, budget control, and accountability

Jun `12 ~ Jan `13

Executive Intern

Israeli-Palestinian Chamber of Commerce (Tel Aviv, Israel)

- Developed the organization's social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn)
- Organized meet-and-greet events with Israeli and Palestinian business people

Feb `09 ~ Feb `10

Advocacy Officer and Case Manager

Harmony in Life (St. Louis, MO, USA)

- Cultivated relations with various local and state entities to increase access to social services
- Managed cases of survivors of torture suffering from PTSD and other mental illnesses
- Coached refugee parents and their children on coping mechanisms for their new environment
- Tutored refugee children and youth to meet academic requirements

Aug `08 ~ Jul `21

Interpreter and Cultural Broker

International Institute of St. Louis (St. Louis, MO, USA)

Language Access Metro Project (St. Louis, MO, USA)

Global Wordsmiths (Pittsburgh, PA, USA)

- Provided medical, legal, academic, and general interpretation services (Bosnian/English)
- Accompanied individuals and families through a process of obtaining access to social services
- Served as a cultural broker for victims of torture and war trauma in individual and group therapy

Apr `09 ~ Aug `09

Political Campaigner

Congressman Russ Carnahan, Mayor Francis G. Slay (St. Louis, MO, USA)

- Canvassed door-to-door to encourage voting turnout among minority populations
- Organized informational sessions on civic engagement for refugee communities
- Interpreted for candidates in live interviews on the local Bosnian radio station

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Sep `16 ~ Feb `17

Specialization in Graphic Design, *California Institute of the Arts, Coursera (online)*

Mar `14

Management of EU Funded Projects, *European Commission, Tel Aviv, Israel*

Sep `13

Participatory Learning and Action, *Praxis Institute, Kochi, India*

Sep `10 ~ Jan `11

Creating Video Documentaries, *Washington University of St. Louis*

Jan `09

Interpretation and Cultural Brokership, *International Institute of St. Louis*

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SERVICE

Aug `19 ~ May `21	Editor-in-Chief, <i>Pitt Policy Journal</i> , <i>GSPIA</i> , <i>University of Pittsburgh</i>
Jan `19 ~ Dec `19	Founder, PhD Peer Mentorship Project, <i>GSPIA</i> , <i>University of Pittsburgh</i>
Jan `19 ~ Dec `19	Founder, International Movie Night, <i>GSPIA</i> , <i>University of Pittsburgh</i>
Aug `17 ~ Dec `19	PhD Student Representative, <i>Student Cabinet</i> , <i>GSPIA</i> , <i>University of Pittsburgh</i>
Aug `17 ~ Aug `19	Editor, <i>Pitt Policy Journal</i> , <i>GSPIA</i> , <i>University of Pittsburgh</i>
Jan `16 ~ Aug `17	Co-Founder, <i>Praxisophia: Research and Action for Humanity</i>
Oct `11 ~ Oct `13	MA Student Representative, <i>Student Cabinet</i> , <i>International Programs</i> , <i>University of Tel Aviv</i>
Jan `09 ~ Sep `10	Secretary, <i>Union of Citizens of the Municipality of Prijedor</i>
Jun `08 ~ Nov `08	Co-Founder, <i>New Immigrant Civic Education Campaign</i>
Jan `08 ~ Jun `08	Coordinator, <i>First Post-Study Abroad Conference in the Midwest Region</i>
Aug `04 ~ May `08	Member, <i>International Student Club</i>
Aug `06 ~ May `08	Senator, <i>Student Governing Association</i>

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Aug `17 ~ present	Member, <i>Association for East European and Eurasian Studies</i>
Jun `10 ~ present	Member, <i>Bosnian-Herzegovinian-American Academy for Arts and Sciences</i>
Aug `06 ~ May `08	Member, <i>Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society</i>

COMPUTER SKILLS

Statistical Software: R & R Studio STATA	Mircosoft Office: Word, Excel, Publisher Visio, Project	Adobe Suite: Photoshop, Lightroom Illustrator, InDesign
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REFERENCES

Taylor Seybolt <i>Associate Professor</i> <i>Academic Advisor</i> GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh seybolt@pitt.edu	Daniel Jones <i>Associate Professor</i> <i>PhD Program Director</i> GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh daniel.jones@pitt.edu	Erica Owen Palmer <i>Associate Professor</i> <i>Associate Dean</i> GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh ericaowen@pitt.edu
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