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## Employment

Chair, Department of Political Science, Loyola University Chicago, starting July 1, 2023.  
Director, Private Enterprise & Peace Lab, Center for Research on International Relations, Loyola University Chicago, starting June 1, 2023  
Professor, Loyola University Chicago, starting July 1, 2022.  
Graduate Program Director, Department of Political Science, Loyola University Chicago, 2020- 2023.  
Associate Professor, Loyola University Chicago, 2015- 2022.  
Visiting Scholar, Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Northwestern University, 2019-2020.  
Assistant Professor, Loyola University Chicago, 2008- 2015.

## Education

Ph.D. Political Science, University of California, Davis, June 2008.  
M.A. Political Science, University of California, Davis, June 2005.  
B.A. Political Science, University of Georgia, December 2001.

## Peer Reviewed Publications

"Supply Side Incentives for Mediation—Which Actors Mediate International Crises?" (with Paul Oland). 2019. In *Research Handbook on Mediating International Crises*, ed. Jonathan Wilkenfeld, Kyle Beard, David Quinn, and Edward Elgar Publishers, 94-108.

"Exploring the Threshold between Mediation and Binding Interventions" (with Renato Corbetta). 2018. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 62(10):2205-2231.

"Knowledge, Skills, and Preparing for the Future: Best Practices to Educate International Studies Majors for Life After College" (with Zartar, Gigi Gokcek, Carolyn Shaw, and Kathy Carpenter). 2017. *International Studies Perspectives* 19(2).

"Multilateral Institutions and Conflict Resolution" (with Alexandru Grigorescu). 2017. *International Studies Quarterly* 34(3): 301-329.

"Who Keeps the Peace? Understanding State Contributions to UN Peacekeeping Operations" (with Jacob Kathman). 2017. *International Studies Quarterly* 61(1): 150-162.

"Business, Peace and World Politics: The Role of Parties in Conflict Resolution." 2016. *Business Horizons* 59(5): 493-501.

"Escalation in International Conflict Management: A Foreign Policy Perspective." 2015. *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 32(1): 28-49.

"Connecting the Dots: Dispute Resolution and Escalation in a World of Entangled Territorial Claims" (with Alexandru Grigorescu). 2014. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 58(6): 1085-1109.

"Commitment Problems: Understanding Variability in Frequency of International Conflict Management Efforts." 2014. *International Negotiation* 22:222-258.

"Fear of rejection: The puzzle of unaccepted mediation offers in international conflict" (with Scott Sigmund Gartner and Jacob Bercovitch). 2011. *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 30(4): 354-368.

"When States Mediate." 2010. *State Journal of Law and International Affairs* 2(1):78-90.

"The Impact of State Relationships on If, When and How Conflict Management Occurs." 2011. *International Studies Quarterly* 55(3): 691-715.

"Jumping into the Fray: Alliances, Power, and the Timing of Conflict Expansion." (with Michael Koch). 2010. *International Interactions* 36(1): 1-27.

"Incentives for Talking: Accepting Mediation in International and Civil Wars" (with Isak Svensson). 2010. *International Interactions* 35(3): 249-271.

#### Other Publications

"Book Review: *Bargaining in the UN Security Council: Setting the Global Agenda*, by Susan Allen and Amy Yuen, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 2022, 224 pp., £65 (hardback), ISBN 9780192849755." Forthcoming in *International Peacekeeping*

“CEOs Beware: ‘Feel Good’ Isolation of Russia Might Make Things Worse” April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Reprinted by Looking Beyond Borders and Russia Matters, Harvard University’s Kennedy School Russia Analytic Report.

“President Trump, Colombia’s Peace is in your Hands” May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

“More Than Money: Are UN Peacekeeping Mission Effective?” February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

“Is the Pursuit of Peace a Profit Motivator for Private Companies?” February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

“Mediation in International Conflicts.” Oxford Bibliographies in International Relations. Patrick James. New York: Oxford University Press.

“Networking for Post-Graduation Success: It Doesn’t Have to Make Students Feel ‘Dirty’.” 2015. International Studies Association Professional Resource Center

“Assessing Outcomes: Conflict Management and the Durability of Peace” (with Scott Gartner). 2008. Sage Handbook on Conflict Resolution. Edited by Jacob Bercovitch, Victor Kremenyuk, and I. William Zartman. Thousand Oaks: Sage Press.

#### Under Review and Work in Progress

“Civil Society, Entrepreneurship & Peacebuilding in Northern Ireland” (with graduate student Dale Pankhurst and Santiago Sosa). Under review.

“The Individual Piece of Peace: Ex-combatant Entrepreneurship and Peacebuilding” (with Santiago Sosa). Working Paper.

“Violence and Peacebuilding in Chicago” (with graduate student Michael Claussen and Santiago Sosa). Working paper.

“The Missing Peace: Understanding Entrepreneurship, Conflict Prevention and Resolution”. Data collection and book manuscript.

“Economic Reintegration in Treaties and Peace Outcomes” (with graduate student Elisa D’Amico and Santiago Sosa). Working paper.

#### Recent Conference Papers (past 5 years)

“Civil Society, Entrepreneurship & Peacebuilding in Northern Ireland” (with graduate student Dale Pankhurst and Santiago Sosa). Presented to the International Studies Association March 15-18, 2023, Montreal, Canada.

“The Individual Piece of Peace: Ex-combatant Entrepreneurship and Peacebuilding” (with Santiago Sosa). Presented to the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association September 15-18<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Montreal, Canada.

“A Political Science Perspective on War and International Business” (with Andres Velez Calle, Santiago Sosa, and Ivan Montiel). Presented to the annual conference of the Academy of International Business US Northeast Chapter, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, American University, Washington, DC.

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“Firms & Peacemaking: The Role of Private Firms in Civil War Negotiations” (with PhD student Mihir

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Dean's Funding for Special Projects, Loyola University Chicago, \$1500, 2009  
National Residence Hall Honorary Faculty Member of the Month (student nominated), 2009  
Institute of Government Affairs Dissertation Improvement Award, 2007  
International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis Travel Award, 2007  
Graduate Council Graduate Student Travel Award, UC Davis, 2007  
American Political Science Association Travel Grant, 2005  
Full Departmental Fellowship, UC Davis, Fall 2002

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“Conflict Management in a Regional Context” pre-conference workshop, annual meeting of the Peace Science Society, Denver, Colorado, November 2022.

Peacebuilding After Armed Conflict Research Workshop, November 27-29, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogotá, Colombia.  
International Studies Public Forum. "The Building and Breaking of Peace: Understanding Corporate Action in Unstable States." May 2017. University of California at Irvine.  
Business Fights Poverty, October 2016, Online Forum.  
Young Women's Leadership Academy, September 2015, Chicago, IL.  
Working Group on Conflict Prevention, June 2015, Stockholm, Sweden.  
Conference for Students of Political Science, April 2015, Illinois State University Department of

Committee on Organized Sections, American Political Science Association, 2023-2025.

Peace bonds- Expert Academic Panel Member, 2023

Conflict Processes Chair, American Political Science Association, 2022-2024.

Pre-conference Workshop Organizer, Back to Business: Bringing Firms into Global & Local Networks

Conflict Prevention & Peacebuilding, Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Montreal, Canada, March 14, 2023.

NSF Security and Preparedness Program reviewer, fall 2022, spring 2023.

Treasurer, Scientific Study of International Processes Section of the International Studies Association, March 2021-2023.

Panel Member, Professional Development Session on Coauthoring, Women in Conflict Studies, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020.

Discussant, Research Workshop "State of the Art? The Future of Peacekeeping Data," June 17-19, 2020, Genoa, Italy.

Singer Data Award Committee Chair, Conflict Processes Section of the American Political Science Association, 2018.

Conflict Processes Council Member, American Political Science Association, 2018-2019.

Discussant, Online Peace Science Conference, February 21, 2018.

Discussant and Chair, Peacebuilding After Armed Conflict Research Workshop, November 27-29, Bogotá, Colombia.

Annual Meeting Program Chair, 2017, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 31-September 3, 2017, San Francisco, CA.

Discussant, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2, 2016, Philadelphia, PA.

Discussant and Panel Chair, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 7-10, 2016.

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March 2 College, Loyola University Chicago, March 9, 2023.

Teaching Assessment Committee, Department of Political Science, Loyola University Chicago, 2018-2020.