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Appointments

Associate Professor, University of California, Merced. July 2015 – Present.
Director of Graduate Studies, University of California, Merced. July 2018 – Present.
International Relations Field Editor, *Journal of Politics*. January 2019 – Present.
Assistant Professor, University of California, Merced. July 2013 – June 2015.
Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina, Charlotte. July 2011 – June 2013.
Assistant Professor, University of California, Merced. July 2010 – June 2011.

Education

Ph.D. in Political Science. 2010. Florida State University.
M.S. in Political Science. 2006. Florida State University.
B.S. in Political Science, *Summa Cum Laude*. 2004. Clemson University.

Books

Contentious Compliance: Dissent and Repression Under International Human Rights Law (with Emily Hencken Ritter). 2019. Oxford University Press.

- 2020 ISA International Law Best Book Award Honorable Mention
- Reviewed by Susan Hyde and Elisabeth Saunders in *International Organization*.
- Reviewed by Christian Davenport in *Perspectives on Politics*.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Monitoring via the Courts: Judicial Oversight and Police Violence in India (with Shengkuo Hu). 2020. Forthcoming at *International Studies Quarterly*.

Legislative Process in International Organizations (with Nathan W. Monroe). 2020. Conditionally accepted at *International Studies Review*.

The Differential Effects of "Democratic" Institutions on Dissent in Dictatorships (with Ae sil Woo). 2019. *Journal of Politics* 81(2):456-470.

Repression Substitution: Shifting Human Rights Violations in Response to UN Naming and Shaming (with Jacqueline H.R. DeMeritt). 2019. *Civil Wars* 21(1):128-152.

Threat Perception and American Support for Torture (with Sarah E. Croco, Brad T. Gomez, and Will H. Moore). 2018. *Political Behavior* 40(4):989-1009.

Torture and the Limits of Democratic Institutions (with Daniel W. Hill and Will H. Moore). 2018. *Journal of Peace Research* 55(1):3-17.

Who Tortures the Terrorists? Transnational Terrorism and Military Torture (with Justin Conrad, James A. Piazza, and James Igoe Walsh). 2017. *Foreign Policy Analysis* 13(4):761-786.

Preventing and Responding to Dissent: The Observational Challenges of Explaining Strategic Repression (with Emily Hencken Ritter). 2016. *American Political Science Review* 110(1): 85-99.

Human Rights Treaties and Mobilized Dissent Against the State (with Emily Hencken Ritter). 2016. *Review of International Organizations* 11(4):449-475.

Divergent Incentives for Dictators: Domestic Institutions and (International Promises Not to) Torture. 2014. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 58(1):34-67.

Tyrants and Terrorism: Why some Autocrats are Terrorized while Others are Not (with Justin Conrad and Joseph K. Young). 2014. *International Studies Quarterly* 58(3):539-549.

Torture Allegations as Events Data: Introducing the Ill-Treatment and Torture (ITT) Specific Allegation Data (with Jillienne Haglund and Will H. Moore). 2014. *Journal of Peace Research* 51(3):429-438.

Treaties, Tenure, and Torture: The Conflicting Domestic Effects of International Law (with Emily Hencken Ritter). 2013. *Journal of Politics* 75(2):397-409.

Constrained by the Bank and the Ballot: Unearned Revenue, Democracy, and State Incentives to Repress (with Jacqueline H.R. DeMeritt). 2013. *Journal of Peace Research* 50(1):105-119.

Disaggregating Torture Allegations: Introducing the Ill-Treatment and Torture (ITT) Country-Year Data (with Jillienne Haglund and Will H. Moore). 2013. *International Studies Perspectives* 14:199-220.

Constrained Concessions: Beneficent Dictatorial Responses to Domestic Political Opposition. 2011. *International Studies Quarterly* 55:1167-1187.

What Stops the Torture? (with Will H. Moore). 2010. *American Journal of Political Science* 54(2):459-476.

Measuring Government Duration and Stability in Central Eastern European Democracies (with Sona N. Golder). 2010. *European Journal of Political Research* 49(1):119-150.

Other Publications

Torture and the War on Terrorism. 2019. *The Oxford Handbook of Terrorism.* Erica Chenoweth, Richard English, Andreas Gofas, and Stathis Kalyvas, eds. Oxford University Press.

Will H. Moore's Enduring Contribution to Peace and Conflict Studies (with Jacqueline H.R. DeMeritt, Daniel W. Hill, Ryan M. Welch, and Joseph K. Young). 2019. *Conflict Management and Peace Science* https://doi.org/10.1177/0738894219881424.

Why Do Courts Protect Human Rights? Investigating the Mechanisms by Focusing on Police. 2018. Newsletter of the Comparative Politics Section of the American Political Science Association 28(1):19-23.

Introducing the Ill-Treatment and Torture (ITT) Data (with Will H. Moore). 2016. Newsletter of the Comparative Politics Section of the American Political Science Association 26(1):98-99.

How Opposition Cooptation and Institutional Constraints Affect State Repression in Autocracies (with Ae sil Woo). 2016. Newsletter of the Comparative Democratization Section of the American Political Science Association 14(1):2.

Unintended Consequences: The Effect of Advocacy to End Torture on Empowerment Rights Violations (with Jacqueline H.R. DeMeritt). 2014. *Examining Torture: Em-*

pirical Studies of State Repression. Tracy Lightcap and James Pfiffner, eds. Palgrave MacMillan Press.

Grants

Process Matters: Legislative Procedure in the United Nations General Assembly (with Nathan W. Monroe). 2017. National Science Foundation Political Science Grant SES #1625064. $118,553.

Agenda Setting in the United Nations (with Nathan W. Monroe). 2014. University of California, Merced Committee on Research (COR) Grant. $9,400.

Agenda Setting in International Organizations (with Nathan W. Monroe). 2013. Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC) Research Grant. $11,000.

Human Rights Advocacy and State Repression Substitutability. 2012. University of North Carolina at Charlotte Faculty Research Grant. $6,000.

Undergraduate Research Assistance: Ill-Treatment and Torture (with Will H. Moore). 2011. National Science Foundation Political Science Grant SES #1123666. $23,685.

Treaties, Institutions, and Torture: Theoretical and Empirical Inquiry (with Will H. Moore). 2009. National Science Foundation Political Science Grant SES #0921397. $173,130.

Constrained at Home: The Effect of Institutions on Respect for Human Rights. 2009. Florida State University Dissertation Research Grant. $750.

Work in Progress

Introducing the National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) Data Collection Project (with Jacqueline H.R. DeMeritt and Ryan M. Welch). Invited to revise and resubmit.

Policing and Political Violence (with Kristine Eck and Charles Crabtree). Under review.

Courts and Cops: Judicial Scrutiny and the Escalation of Force by U.S. Police (with Charles Crabtree). Under review.

Detecting Anomalies in Reports of California Prison Violence (with Kanisha D. Bond, Dylan Moses, and Joel W. Simmons). Under review.

Considering Legislative Process in the Estimation of State Preferences from United Nations Voting Data (with Nathan W. Monroe and Shengkuo Hu). Under review.

Policy Change & Strategic Prison Violence (with Kanisha D. Bond and Dylan Moses).

Outsourcing Repression (with Emily Hencken Ritter and Jessica Trounstine).

Crime and Government: Rethinking the Relationship between Courts and Human Rights (with Shengkuo Hu and Christopher Sullivan).

The Politics of Cuisine: How the Movement of Peoples and Goods Changes What We Eat. Book Project.

Invited Talks

Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University. May 2019.
Department of Political Science, UC Davis. April 2019.

Department of Government, Dartmouth College. January 2019.
Korbel School, University of Denver. October 2016.
Program on Human Rights & Humanitarian Affairs, Univ. of Nebraska. April 2016.
Virtual Workshop on Intrastate Conflict, George Washington Univ. October 2014.
Department of Political Science, University of Southern California. October 2014.
Institute of Law & Economics, University of Hamburg. February 2014.
Niehaus Center, Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University. November 2013.
Virtual Graduate Workshop on Political Violence, Florida State. October 2013.
Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut. September 2013.
Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo. June 2013.
Globalization Lecture Series, Clemson University. April 2013.
Human Rights Seminar, Columbia University. April 2013.
Department of Political Science, University of Alabama. November 2012.
Department of Political Science, University of Michigan. November 2012.
Department of Political Science, University of Iowa. October 2012.
Political Science Program, University of California, Merced. September 2012.
Visions in Political Methodology (VIM) Workshop, Penn State University. May 2012.
International Politics of Autocracies Workshop, Rice University. May 2012.
Security, Peace, and Conflict Workshop, Duke University. March 2012.
Visions in Political Methodology (VIM) Workshop, Ohio State University. May 2011.
Department of Political Science, UNC at Charlotte. December 2010.
Political Science Program, University of California, Merced. January 2010.
Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina. October 2009.
Journeys in World Politics Workshop, University of Iowa. October 2008.

Conference Presentations

Outsourcing Repression (with Emily Hencken Ritter and Jessica Trounstine). Scheduled for APSA 2020.

Courts & Cops: Judicial Scrutiny and the Escalation of Force by U.S. Police (with Charles Crabtree). APSA 2019.

Considering Legislative Process in the Estimation of Dynamic State Preferences from United Nations Voting Data (with Nathan W. Monroe and Shengkuo Hu). MPSA 2019.

Monitoring via the Courts: Legal Oversight and Police Violence in India (with Shengkuo Hu). MPSA 2019. WPSA 2018.

The National Human Rights Institution (NHRI) Data Collection Project (with Jacqueline H.R. DeMeritt, Will H. Moore, and Ryan Welch). SPSA 2019. ISA 2018. PSS(I) 2012.

Who Gets Bought Off? The Differential Effect of "Democratic" Institutions on Dissent in Dictatorships (with Ae sil Woo). MPSA 2017.

Courts & Cops: Why Fourth Amendment Rulings Limiting Tasers Increase Shootings. MPSA 2017.

Examining the Microfoundations of Human Rights Treaty Constraint (with Emily Hencken Ritter). MPSA 2016. ISA 2016.

The Conflicting Effects of International Law (with Emily Hencken Ritter). ISA 2015.

The Effect of Agenda Control on Voting Behavior in the United Nations General

Assembly (with Nathan W. Monroe). EPSA 2016. APSA 2014.

Threat Perception & American Support for Torture (with Sarah E. Croco, Brad T. Gomez, and Will H. Moore). ISA 2016. ISA 2014.

Hiding Human Rights Violations in Response to UN Naming and Shaming (with Jacqueline H.R. DeMeritt). ISA 2014. APSA 2011. ISA 2011.

Heterogeneous Democratic Institutions and Delayed Commitment to International Human Rights Law (with Sona N. Golder). EPSA 2013.

Torture and the Limits of Democratic Institutions (with Daniel W. Hill, Jr. and Will H. Moore). ISA Pre-Conference Workshop 2013.

'Protecting' Human Rights: Protectionism and Human Rights Provisions in Preferential Trade Agreements (with Emily Hencken Ritter). ISA 2016. MPSA 2013. ISA 2013.

Preventing and Responding to Dissent: The Observational Challenges of Explaining Strategic Repression (with Emily Hencken Ritter). ISA 2014. MPSA 2013. Prepared for APSA 2012.

Stopping Abuse: What Institutions Inhibit Ill-Treatment and Torture? (with Will H. Moore). Prepared for APSA 2012.

Human Rights Treaties and Mobilized Dissent Against the State (with Emily Hencken Ritter). MPSA 2012.

Tyrants and Terrorism: Why some Autocrats are Terrorized while Others are Not (with Justin Conrad and Joseph K. Young). ISA 2012.

Options in the Arsenal: Are Repressive Tactics Substitutes or Complements? (with Jacqueline H.R. DeMeritt). ISA 2012. APSA 2011.

Treaties, Tenure, and Torture: The Conflicting Domestic Effects of International Law (with Emily Hencken Ritter). PEIO 2012. ISA 2011. APSA 2010.

Who Tortures the Terrorists? Transnational Terrorism and Military Torture (with Justin Conrad, James A. Piazza, and James Igoe Walsh). ISA 2013. ISA 2011. PSS(I) 2011.

Disaggregating Torture Allegations: Introducing the Ill-Treatment and Torture (ITT) Country-Year Data (with Will H. Moore). ISA 2011. PSS(I) 2010.

Conceptualizing Government Duration and Stability (with Sona N. Golder). APSA 2010.

Divergent Incentives for Dictators: Domestic Institutions and (International Promises Not to) Torture. ISA 2010. SPSA 2010. PSS(I) 2009.

Intra-Regime Dynamics and Commitment to International Human Rights Law. ISA 2009.

Constrained Cooptation: Beneficent Dictatorial Responses to Domestic Opposition.

SPSA 2008.

Measuring Government Duration and Stability in Central European Democracies (with Sona Golder). APSA 2008. MPSA 2008.

What Stops the Torture? (with Will H. Moore). MPSA 2008.

Political Institutions and the Impact of Foreign Aid on Government Performance. ISA-South 2007. 3rd place in the Graduate Student Paper Competition.

Additional Training

International Policy Summer Institute (IPSI). 2012. American University.
Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM). 2008. Washington University.
Program for Instructional Excellence (PIE). 2007. Florida State University.

Teaching

Undergraduate
State Repression of Human Rights. UCM 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016.
Political Violence. UCM 2016, 2017, 2019.
Political Violence & Cinema. UCM 2014.
International Human Rights. UCM 2010. UNCC 2012, 2013. FSU 2009.
International Organizations. UCM 2014. UNCC 2012.
Research Methods in Political Science. UNCC 2011, 2012.
Introduction to International Relations. UCM 2011, 2015, 2016.
Introduction to Comparative Political Science. FSU 2007, 2008.
Undergraduate Research Methods (TA). FSU 2006, 2007, 2008.

Graduate
International Institutions. UCM 2019.
Political Violence. UCM 2016.
Quantitative Analysis of Political Data II. UCM 2014, 2015, 2017.
Intermediate Quantitative Analysis (TA). FSU 2008.
Introductory Data Analysis (TA). FSU 2007.
Fundamentals of Political Research (TA). FSU 2007.

Advising

Graduate
Ae sil Woo, Dissertation Chair. Graduation: 2020. Placement: Gettysburg College.
Peter Carey, Dissertation co-Chair. UCM 2016-Present.
Shengkuo Hu, Dissertation Chair. UCM 2017-Present.
Dylan Moses, Dissertation Chair. UCM 2018-Present.
Nicholas Cruz, Dissertation Member. UCM 2019-Present.
Jun Hyeok Jang, Dissertation Member. UCM 2019-Present.
Kelly Morrison, Dissertation Member. University of Pittsburgh 2019-Present.
Kimberly Fruge, Dissertation Member. FSU 2017-Present.
Oskar N.T. Thoms, Dissertation Reader. Princeton 2017.

Undergraduate
George Ortega, Directed Independent Study Chair. UCM 2013-2014.
Ablavi Doussou, Honors Thesis. UNCC 2012-2013.

Field Work

Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (Washington, DC; 2009).
Northern Ireland Research Initiative (Armagh, UK; 2009).

Awards and Honors

MultiRights Fellow, Centre for Human Rights, University of Oslo, Summer 2013.
Featured Data (ITT), StateRepression.com, Spring 2013.

Best Paper in International Relations (with Emily Hencken Ritter), MPSA 2012.
Featured Repression Scholar, StateRepression.com, Spring 2010.
Graduate Student Travel Grant, International Studies Association, February 2010.
Congress of Graduate Students Conference Travel Grant, FSU, November 2009.
Best Graduate Student Paper, Department of Political Science, FSU, AY 2007 - 2008.
Prestage-Cook Travel Grant, Southern Political Science Association, January 2008.
3rd Place, Graduate Student Paper Competition, ISA-South, October 2007.
Graduate Student Travel Grant, ISA-South, October 2007.
Graduate Assistantship, FSU, 2005 - 2009.
Best Undergraduate Thesis, Clemson University, 2004.
Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Award for Service, Clemson University, 2004.
General and Departmental Honors in Political Science, Clemson University, 2004.

Service

To UCM

Political Science Graduate Group Chair, 2018 - Present.
Political Science Department & Graduate Group Executive Committee, 2015 - Present.
UC Institute on Global Conflict & Cooperation Steering Committee, 2014 - Present.
Political Science Graduate Curriculum Committee, 2016 - Present.
Political Science Graduate Group Vice-Chair, 2015 - 2018.
Political Science Graduate Fellowship Committee Chair, 2014 - 2018.
Political Science Graduate Admissions Committee Chair, 2015 - 2018.
Political Science Graduate Comprehensive Exam Committee Chair, 2017 - 2018.
Political Science Search, Inequality and Social Justice Initiative, 2016 - 2017.
University Senate Committee on Committees, 2015 - 2017.
Political Science Faculty Search Committee Chair, 2015 - 2017.
Steering Committee, Inequality and Social Justice Focusing Initiative, 2015 - 2017.
Instructor Search Committee, Political Science Program, 2016 - 2017.
Graduate Political Violence Reading Group Co-Advisor, 2015 - 2016.
Graduate Student Professionalization Seminar Organizer, 2015 - 2016.
Webmaster & Social Media Chair, Political Science Program, 2013 - 2015.
Graduate Admissions Committee, Political Science Program, 2013 - 2015.
Instructor Search Committee, Political Science Program, 2014 - 2015.
Graduate Math Course Committee Chair, Political Science Program, 2014 - 2015.
Graduate Fellowship Committee, Political Science Program, 2013 - 2014.
Graduate Exam Committee, Political Science Program, 2013 - 2015, 2016 - 2017.
Faculty Search Committee, Political Science Program, 2013 - 2014.
WASC Program Assessment Committee, Political Science Program, 2010 - 2011.
Faculty Advisor, European Students' Association, 2010 - 2011.

To UNCC

Center for Applied Counterterrorism Studies Faculty Affiliate, 2011 - 2013.
University Faculty Advisory Summer Sessions Committee Alternate, 2012 - 2013.
Undergraduate Advising Committee, Department of Political Science, 2011 - 2013.
Pi Sigma Alpha Advisor, 2012 - 2013.
Honors Committee, Department of Political Science, 2011 - 2012.
Review Committee, Department of Political Science, 2011 - 2012.

To FSU

Faculty Search Committee, Department of Political Science, 2008 - 2009.
Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Political Science, 2007 - 2008.
Grad Student Association Secretary, Department of Political Science, 2006 - 2007.

To the Discipline

Scholar's Strategy Network, 2013 - Present

Journal of Politics International Relations Field Editor, 2019 - Present
International Interactions Editorial Board Member, 2019 - Present
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Nominations Committee, 2019 - 2020
NSF Political Science Program Dissertation Advisory Panel, 2016 - 2019
ISA Finance Committee, 2016 - 2018
Visions in Methodology (VIM) Officer Nominations Committee, 2017
Visions in Methodology (VIM) Conference Committee Co-Chair, 2016
ISA International Security Studies Section Awards Committee, 2014 - 2015
Conference Section Chair: MPSA 2012
Conference Mini-Conference Organizer: WPSA 2018, CCVW 2019
Conference Discussant/Chair/Roundtable Participant: MPSA 2020; CaliWEPS 2019; APSA 2019; MPSA 2017; VIM 2012, 2016; SCPI 2016; OPSC 2016, 2020; CCVW 2014, 2016, 2017; ISA 2014, 2015; Herb York Symposium 2015
Reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, Columbia University Press, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Comparative Politics*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, CQ Press, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, *International Area Studies Review*, *International Interactions*, *International Journal of Human Rights*, *International Organization*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *International Studies Review*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Journal of Politics*, *Mobilization*, National Science Foundation, *Nature Human Behaviour*, *Oxford Research Encyclopedia*, Oxford University Press, *Political Behavior*, *Political Communication*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Political Science Research and Methods*, *Political Studies*, *Rationality and Society*, *Review of International Organizations*, *World Politics*.