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Education

The London School of Economics and Political Science

Ph.D. in International Relations

Areas of Specialization: Borders, Security, U.S. Foreign Policy (Migration, Trade), Globalization, Collective Identity, International Relations Theory

New Mexico State University

B.A. in Government, Highest Honors

Distinction in University Honors

Areas of Specialization: International Relations, American Government, Political Theory

GPA: 4.0/4.0

Honors

2002 Professor of the Year (selected by students of the Department of Government for excellence in teaching)

2005 Globalization Award (for internationalization), New Mexico State University

2005 Patricia Christmore Excellence in Teaching Award Nominee, Department of Government

2004 Regional Selection Panel Member, Harry S. Truman Scholarship

2003-4 College of Arts and Sciences “Development Star”

2003 Honorary Lifetime Member, Golden Key Honor Society

2004 Honorary Lifetime Member, Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society

1997 British Marshall Scholar

1996 National Harry S. Truman Scholar, New Mexico (Public Service)

1993 Skirball Essay Contest on American Values, National Grand Prize

Academic Experience

New Mexico State University Honors College

Las Cruces, NM

Associate Dean and

Director, Office of National Scholarships and International Education

(6/2003-present) (50% of work portfolio)

- Assist with coordination of academic and extracurricular programs for the University Honors College
- Assist Dean with development of new Honors College, the first in the state of New Mexico. Includes curriculum development, programming, webpage, budget, and new Honors residence hall/mentoring program
- Advise Honors and Crimson Scholar students
- Development work, including new recruiting scholarships and undergraduate awards
- Serve on NMSU Academic Deans Council
- Recruit and prepare students for major national awards, including Rhodes, Truman, Marshall, Goldwater, Gates Cambridge, NSF GRF, and Udall
- Head University’s National Scholarships Committee

- Outreach and presentations to NMSU community and student groups
- Developed webpages for Office of National Scholarships and International Education and the Honors College
- Teach Honors 214/314: 'Successful Scholarship Writing'
- Co-teach Honors 110: 'Window on the World'
- Administer \$5,000 Honors College Scholarship competition
- Build international experiences for Honors College students
- Service on university committees, including Associate Deans Academic Council, search committees, etc.
- Advisor, Phi Eta Sigma National Honors Society
- Developed new National Merit Finalist Scholarship program
- Develop and run new President's Associates Scholarship Enrichment initiative
- Participated in recreating NMSU's scholarships menu, including new scholarships

New Mexico State University Department of Government

Las Cruces, NM

Assistant Professor (8/2003-present) (50% of work portfolio)

- Responsibilities include teaching courses in Political Science, International Relations, and Comparative Politics; research; and student mentoring/advising.

- Courses developed and taught:

Introduction to Political Science

European Politics

Model United Nations

Advanced Model United Nations

Public Policy: Border Security

Successful Scholarship Writing

National Security

International Political Economy

American Foreign Policy

Internship

Independent Studies

Directed Readings (including graduate student supervision)

Honors Thesis

- Serve on Masters of Arts thesis committees
- NMSU Model United Nations Advisor
- Appointed to Graduate School Faculty
- Multi-year development work, including organizing major endowment building activities, featuring former Governor of New Mexico and diplomats; work has led to the establishment of a Department of Government endowment
- Member, Master of Arts Committees
- Member, Border Focus Group
- Member, Border Crossings Research Subcluster
- Member, Faculty Search Committee (2004-6)

Kansas State University “Targeted Excellence” Program

Frontier: Historical Studies of Border Security, Food Safety, and Trade Policy
Manhattan, Kansas

Co-Coordinator and Consultant (11/2004-present)

- Multidisciplinary research project
- Outcomes include grant proposals and public scholarship: policy-relevant, historically-rooted analysis to inform contemporary debates on border security, food safety, and trade policy.

New Mexico State University Department of Government

Las Cruces, NM

College Assistant Professor (1/2002-7/2003)

- Responsibilities include teaching courses in Political Science, International Relations, and Comparative Politics; research; student mentoring/advising
- NMSU Model United Nations Advisor
- WebCT course development
- Organized conference on U.S.-Mexico border security

Related Experience **Immigration Policy Center**

Washington, D.C.

Researcher/Commentator (2005-present)

- Research and write policy briefs on immigration issues for Members of Congress, the media, and the public
- Provide public commentary on questions of immigration and border security

Millennium: Journal of International Studies

The London School of Economics and Political Science, London

Senior/Managing Editor (1998-2000)

- Responsible for all facets of editing, producing, and managing leading academic journal published entirely in-house at the LSE
- Developed three full issues, including a special thematic issue (on ‘Territorialities, Identities, and Movement in International Relations’)
- Led legal team in incorporation of journal as a non-profit within university

Publications

- ‘Border Security’, *Politics and Policy*, special issue symposium on ‘Public Policies for Border Communities’, ed. Terry Buss (forthcoming, September 2006).
- ‘The Security and Prosperity Partnership for North America’, under review, *American Review of Canadian Studies*.
- ‘Migration in the Smart Border Security Environment’, in *Homeland Security: Protecting America’s Targets*, ed. James Forest (Westport, CT: Praeger, forthcoming, 2006).
- ‘Global Trade and Food Security in the 21st Century’ (with Justin Kastner), in *Homeland Security: Protecting America’s Targets*, ed. James Forest (Westport, CT: Praeger, forthcoming, 2006).
- ‘Doha and Development’, Commentary from Food Safety & Security at Kansas State University. 16 December 2005. Food Safety Network, 18 December 2005.
- ‘Migration and the North American Integration Project’, *Immigration Policy Brief* 5, no. 2, Immigration Policy Center, Washington, D.C. (February 2006).
- ‘Fencing in Failure’, *Immigration Policy Brief*, Immigration Policy Center, Washington, D.C. (20 April 2005).
- ‘North America’s Window of Opportunity’, Commentary from Food Safety & Security at Kansas State University. 27 June 2005. *The El Paso Times*.
- ‘Non-Nuclear Weapons of Mass Destruction: Risk and Perception in the Cold War and Post-9/11 Era’, (to be published in the conference proceedings of ‘Eisenhower’s Nuclear Policies and their Legacies’, forthcoming, 2005/6).
- ‘Constructing Security on the U.S.-Mexico Border’, *Political Geography* 24, no. 2 (2005): 164-84.
- ‘Border Security Technologies: Local and Regional Implications’, *Review of Policy Research* 22, no. 2 (2005): 137-155.
- ‘Risk, Migration, and “Smart Borders”’, *Journal of Borderlands Studies* 20, no. 1 (2005): 1-22.
- ‘Lessons from Long Island: Public Health Science, Agricultural Trade, and the Enduring U.S.-Canadian Relationship,’ *Long Island Historical Journal* (2005). (Co-authored with Justin Kastner, Doug Powell, Terry Crowley, and Karen Huff).
- ‘Identities, Borders, Orders: Navigating the Post-9/11 Maze’, *Araucaria: Revista Iberoamericana de Filosofía, Política y Humanidades* 11 (Terrorismo y política) (2004). To be republished in English.
- ‘Securing Through Technology? “Smart Borders” after September 11’, special issue of *Knowledge, Technology, and Policy* 16, no. 1 (2003): 56-74. Republished in *Technology and Terrorism*, ed. David Clarke (London: Transaction, 2004).
- ‘Directions in Border Security Research’, *The Social Science Journal* 40, no. 4 (2003): 573-581.
- ‘Border Security after September 11’, *Frontera NorteSur* (November 2001); reprinted in *California Media; Hispanic Vista; AmericasNet; El Paso Inc.* and elsewhere.
- ‘Discourses of Territoriality and Identity on the U.S. Mexico Border’, *Geopolitics* 4, no. 2 (1999): 155-179; republished in *Boundaries and Globalization in a Postmodern World*, ed. David Newman (London: Frank Cass, 2000).
- ‘A New Crucible’, *The Los Angeles Times*, 8 November 1993.

Reviews

- “Mapping Ethnic Violence,” *International Studies Review* (forthcoming, 2006).
- Review of *The 50% American: Immigration and National Identity in an Age of Terror* (Renshon; Georgetown 2005), *Choice* (2006).
- ‘The Landscape of Immigration in Europe’, *International Studies Review* 7, no. 4 (December 2005): 659.
- Review of *Producing Security: Multinational Corporations, Globalization, and the Changing Calculus of Conflict* (Stephen G. Brooks; Princeton UP, 2005, *Choice* (2006).
- ‘Unpacking Borders’, *International Studies Review* 6, no. 2 (2004): 324-26.
- Review of *The Ethics and Politics of Asylum: Liberal Democracy and the Response to Refugees* (Gibney; Cambridge, 2004), *Choice* (2005).
- Review of *The Rebordering of North America: Integration and Exclusion in a New Security Context* (Andreas and Biersteker; Routledge 2003), *The American Review of Canadian Studies* (2005).
- Review of *States within States: Incipient Political Entities in the Post-Cold War Era* (Kingston and Spears; Palgrave 2004), *Choice* (2004).
- Review of *Europe Without Borders: Remapping Territory, Citizenship, and Identity in a Transnational Age* (Berezin and Martin Schain, Johns Hopkins), *Choice* (June 2004).
- Review of *Transnational Crime and Public Security* (Bailey and Chabat, University of California Press), *Latin American Politics and Society* 45, no. 1 (2003).
- Review of *Wedded to the Land? Gender, Boundaries, and Nationalism in Crisis* (Layoun, Duke University Press), *Nationalism and Ethnic Politics* 8, no. 4 (2003).
- Review of *States, Nations, and Borders* (Buchanan and Moore, Cambridge Press), *Choice* (2003).
- Review of *Reading the Shape of the World: Toward an International Cultural Studies*, *Millennium: Journal of International Relations* 27, no. 3 (1998).

Papers

- ‘Bordering the Post-9/11 World’, (with Yosef Lapid). Submission/publication with the Oxford Round Table, fall 2005.
- ‘Process Metaphysics: A New Theoretical Tool for the Study of States, Borders, and Globalization’ (with Nicholas Bisley), unpublished manuscript.

Presentations

- ‘Bordering the Post-9/11 World’, (with Yosef Lapid), Lineae Terrarum International Border Conference, El Paso, March 27-30, 2006.
- ‘Policing the North-South Divide: Security, Migration, and Trade in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands and Beyond’, International Studies Association Annual Conference, San Diego, March 22-25, 2006.
- Chair, *Borders Matter: The Challenges of Building a North American Community* panel, International Studies Association Annual Conference, San Diego, March 22-25, 2006.
- ‘US-Mexico Border Security in the 21st Century,’ Pan-American Roundtable, Las Cruces, February 18, 2006 (invited presentation).
- ‘The Security and Prosperity Partnership for North America’, (with Justin Kastner), Biennial Conference of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States, St. Louis, November 16-20, 2005.
- ‘Non-Nuclear WMD: Risk and Perception in the Cold War and Post-9/11 Era’, for the Institute for Military History and 20th Century Studies at Kansas State University Conference on ‘Eisenhower’s Nuclear Policies and their Legacies’, 28 April 2005. Invited presentation.
- Chair, *Integration/Fragmentation? North American Borders in Policy and Theory* panel, International Studies Association Annual Conference, Honolulu, 2005.
- Discussant, *Managing International Migration* panel, International Studies Association Annual Conference, Honolulu, 2005.
- ‘Smart Borders and State Territoriality: Old Wine in New Bottles?’, International Studies Association Annual Conference, Honolulu, 2005.
- ‘Assessing Migration Reform in the “Smart Border” Security Environment’, International Studies Association Annual Conference, Montreal, 2004.
- ‘How Smart are ‘Smart Borders?’ Lessons from the U.S.-Mexico Frontier’, UNM-NMSU Latin American Studies Research Workshop, Albuquerque, 5 March 2004.
- ‘Border History and Security,’ Invited Lecture, Institute for Military History and 20th Century Studies, Kansas State University, 19 September 2003.
- ‘Securing Through Technology? “Smart Borders” after September 11’, International Studies Association Annual Conference, Portland, 2003.
- Discussant and Chair, *Security and Migration* panel, International Studies Association Annual Conference, Portland, 2003.
- ‘9/11 One Year On: Lessons and Reflections’, Public Forum, New Mexico State University, 2002.
- ‘Security on the U.S.-Mexico Frontier’, Workshop on U.S.-Mexico Border Security, New Mexico State University, 2002.
- ‘Windows and Mirrors: The U. S. Borderlands in Theory and Policy before and after September 11’, Colloquium, New Mexico State University, 2001.
- ‘Process Metaphysics: A New Theoretical Tool for the Study of States, Borders, and Globalization’, Hong Kong Convention of the International Studies Association, 2001.
- ‘Navigating the Northern Line: Discourses of the U.S.-Canadian Borderlands’, International Studies Association Annual Conference, Los Angeles, 2000.
- Chair, *Territoriality, Identity, and Movement in International Relations* panel, International Studies Association Annual Conference, Los Angeles,

2000.

- 'Metaphors and Community on the U.S.-Mexico Border', International Geographical Union Commission on the World Map Annual Conference, Israel, 1998.
- 'Discourses of Territoriality on the U.S.-Mexico Border', British International Studies Association Annual Conference, Leeds, 1997.

Grants and External Funding

PI: The Una Chapman Cox Foundation: 'NMSU/UTEP Summer Institute for International Service' (\$50,000; under review)

Co-PI: Office of the Director of National Intelligence, 'Center for Academic Excellence in Intelligence Studies' (\$750,000; under review).

Co-Project Director/PI: USDA Higher Education Challenge Grant (\$200,000; under review)

Co-I: Ford Foundation 'Difficult Dialogues' Grant Program: 'Fences and Bridges: Ethnic and Religious Pluralism in a Border Culture' (\$100,000; not funded)

PI: Canadian Studies Research Grant Program: 'Mad Cows and Smart Borders: Trade and Security at the Canada-U.S. Frontier' (\$8,000)

PI: Project Proposal for the Chicago Consortium for the Analysis of Terrorism and Counter Terrorism (Proposed to Department of Homeland Security) (\$38,408; finalist status; not funded)

Co-I: International Studies Association 2005 Workshop: 'Integration/Fragmentation? North American Borders in Policy and Theory' (\$5,000; not funded)

Co-I: Kansas State University, Targeted Excellence Program: 'Food Safety and Security: Protecting America's Health, Agriculture, Infrastructure and Economy' (\$15,000 (multiyear)).

Co-I: Kansas State University/NAFSS, 'Comprehensive Food Safety and Security Distance Education Program' (Components: Public Policy, Border Security, International Relations) (\$25,000; not funded)

PI: College of Arts and Science Grant: 'Smart Border Policy' (\$1,500).

Co-PI: Sarah Scaife Foundation: 'Public Scholarship for Border Security, Biosecurity, and Trade Policy' (\$418,000; not funded).

PI: Smith Richardson Foundation International Security and Foreign Policy Program's Junior Faculty Research Grant Competition: 'U.S. Border Security Policy: New Frontiers?' (\$60,000; not funded).

Service/Memberships

Academic Referee/Commentator

- *Geopolitics; Millennium: Journal of International Studies; Nationalism and Ethnic Politics; Political Geography; Latin American Politics and Society; Studies in Political Economy; Journal of Borderland Studies; National Science Foundation; Canadian-American Public Policy*
- Quoted in local and international media including National Public Radio and Television, Australian Broadcasting Company - Radio National Breakfast (Primetime National Morning Current Affairs Program), *The Boston Herald, Reforma, El Proceso, Visión* (local NPR); news services; regional radio, including KCOL (Ft. Collins), *The El Paso Times, Albuquerque Journal*, and the *Las Cruces Sun-News*.

Facilitator/Member

- Southwest New Mexico Border Security Task Force (appointed by U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman)

Panel Chair/Discussant/Member

- *International Studies Association and ENMISA*

- *National Association of Fellowship Advisors*
- *British International Studies Association*
- *National Collegiate Honors Council*

Executive Committee

- *Lineae Terrarum: International Borders Conference*, to be held March 2006

Member

- National College Honors Council Advising/Scholarship Committee (2005-2008)

Secretary (2003-4)

- Ethnicity, Nationalism, and Migration Section of the International Studies Association

Volunteer

- Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park
- Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity

Secretary/Treasurer

- Soledad Canyon Homeowners Association (2003-4)

References

Available upon request