

## **EDWARD JAMES LEMON**

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, September 2020-present, Research Assistant Professor, Department of International Affairs, Bush School of Government and Public Service, Washington DC Campus.

DANIEL MORGAN GRADUATE SCHOOL OF NATIONAL SECURITY, August 2019-July 2020, Assistant Professor of Eurasian Studies, Department of Regional Studies, Washington DC.

DANIEL MORGAN GRADUATE SCHOOL OF NATIONAL SECURITY, August 2018-August 2019, DMGS-Kennan Institute Fellow, Department of Regional Studies, Washington DC.

WILSON CENTER, August 2018-August 2019, Global Fellow, Kennan Institute, Washington DC.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, September 2016-August 2018, Mellon Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, Department of Political Science, New York.

UNIVERSITY OF EXETER, September 2012-June 2016, Doctoral Candidate, Department of Politics, Exeter.

### **EDUCATION**

UNIVERSITY OF EXETER, September 2012- September 2016 PhD., Politics Dissertation: Governing Security and Islam in Tajikistan: The Emergence of Transnational Authoritarian Security Governance.

UNIVERSITY OF ST ANDREWS, September 2009- September 2010 MLitt., Middle Eastern and Central Asian Security Studies (Distinction).

KINGS COLLEGE LONDON, September 2006- July 2009 BA., War Studies (First Class).

### **TEACHING**

DANIEL MORGAN GRADUATE SCHOOL:

RST 727, Russian Politics and Statecraft, (with Yuval Weber), Spring 2020

RST 733, Comparative Politics, Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020

RST 732, Eurasian Security, Fall 2018, Spring 2019

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY:

Emerging Great Powers, Summer 2018 (Undergraduate)

Rising Powers and the Transformation of Global Politics, Spring 2018 (Undergraduate)

Central Asian Politics and Security, Fall 2017 (Graduate)

## **PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

2020. (with Omid Rahimi), 2020. "Exclusion, Enmity, and the Normalization of the Exception: The September 2015 Incidents and the Development of Sovereign Dictatorship in Tajikistan," *Central Asian Affairs*.

2020. (with Oleg Antonov). "Authoritarian Legal Harmonization in the Former Soviet Union," *Democratization*.

2019. "Weaponising Interpol: Authoritarianism and International Police Cooperation," *Journal of Democracy*, 30, (2).

(with Helene Thibault). 2018. "Counter-extremism, Power and Authoritarian Governance in Tajikistan," *Central Asian Survey*, 37, (1).

2018. "Critical Approaches to Security in Central Asia: An Introduction," *Central Asian Survey*, 37, (1): 1-12.

(with Adeeb Khalid, John Heathershaw, Tim Epkenhans and David Montgomery and Edward Lemon). 2016., "Researching Islam, Security and the State in Central Asia: A Roundtable Discussion," *Review of Middle Eastern Studies*, 50 (1).

2016. "Building Resilient Secular Citizens: Tajikistan's Response to the Islamic State," *Caucasus Survey*, 4 (3): 261-281.

2015. "Tajikistan and Daesh: The Regime's (In)security Policy," *The RUSI Journal*, 160 (5): 68-76. 2015. 2015. "Dunsterforce or Dunsterfarce? Re-evaluating the British Mission to Baku, 1918," *First World War Studies*, 6 (2): 133-149.

2014. "Mediating the Conflict in the Rasht Valley: The Hegemonic Narrative and Anti-hegemonic Articulations," *Central Asian Affairs*, 1 (2): 247-272.

## **BOOKS EDITED**

*Critical Approaches to Security in Central Asia*, (London: Routledge 2018)

## **ONGOING BOOK PROJECT**

*Repression Beyond Borders: Governing the Tajik Opposition Abroad* (under review at Cornell University Press).

## **BOOK CHAPTERS**

"The Kazakh Model? Dynamics of Regime Succession in Eurasia" (to be included in the edited volume *Kazakhstan's Transition*, Palgrave)

"Tajikistan: Post-Independence Politics," (to be included in the edited volume *Political Systems of Central Asia*, Springer)

"Securitisation of Religion" (to be included in the edited volume *The Routledge Handbook on Contemporary Central Asia*, Routledge)

“A Secure Public Consciousness is the Most Important Component for Public Safety: Governing Extremism through Community in Tajikistan.” (to be included in the edited volume *Central Asia in Context*, University of Pittsburgh Press)

(with Flora Roberts). “Kleptocracy, Elite-Pact Consolidation and Authoritarianism in post-war Tajikistan” (to be included in the edited volume *Elites in Central Asia*, Routledge)

2019. “Governance in Tajikistan,” In: Ali Farazmand, (ed.) *Global Encyclopedia of Public Administration, Public Policy, and Governance*. Springer.

2018. “From Moscow to Madrid: Governing Security Threats Beyond Tajikistan’s Borders,” In: Marlene Laruelle, (ed.). *Tajikistan on the Move: State-building and Societal Transformations*. Rowman and Littlefield.

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

(with Oleg Antonov), “Responses to Covid-19 and the Strengthening of Authoritarian Governance in Central Asia,” Central Asia Paper, No.236, 2020.

(with Bradley Jardine), “In Russia’s Shadow: China’s Rising Security Presence in Central Asia,” Kennan Cable, No.52, 2020.

“Mirziyoyev’s Uzbekistan: Democratization or Authoritarian Upgrading?” Foreign Policy Research Initiative, June 2019.

“Talking up Terrorism in Central Asia,” Kennan Cable, No. 38, December 2018.

(with Vera Mironova and William Tobey), “Jihadists from Ex-Soviet Central Asia: Where Are They? Why Did They Radicalize? What Next?” Russia Matters, The Belfer Center, Harvard University, December 2018.

“Tajikistan,” Nations in Transit, Freedom House, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2020.

“Tajikistan” and “Uzbekistan,” Freedom of the Press, Freedom House, 2017.

“History of Tajikistan,” *Eastern Europa, Russia and Central Asia, 2016; 2017; 2018* (London: Routledge).

(with Saipira Furstenberg and John Heathershaw), “Tajikistan: Placing Pressure on Political Exiles by Targeting Relatives. In: Adam Hug, (ed.). *No Closing the Door: The Challenges Facing Activists from the Former Soviet Union Seeking Asylum or Refuge*. London: Foreign Policy Centre, 2017.

“Tajikistan: The Transnationalisation of Domestic Struggles,” In: Hug, Adam, ed. *No Shelter: The Harassment of Activists Abroad by Intelligence Services from the Former Soviet Union*, Foreign Policy Centre, 2016.

(with Joseph Schottenfeld), Putin’s Ploys in Central Asia. *Foreign Affairs*, January 16, 2016.

(with Eric Hamrin), Rasht Revisited: Five Years after the Conflict. *Central Asia Policy Brief*, No.29, October 2015.

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

2020.

2020. *Webs of Corruption: Trafficking and Terrorism in Central Asia* by Mariya Y. Omelicheva and Lawrence P. Markowitz, *Central Asian Survey*.

2019. *The Family in Central Asia*, edited by Sophie Roche, *Europe-Asia Studies*.

2019. *The Central Asia–Afghanistan Relationship: From Soviet Intervention to the Silk Road Initiatives*, edited by Marlene Laruelle, *Nationalities Papers*.

2019. *The Constructing the Uzbek State Narratives of Post-Soviet Years*, edited by Marlene Laruelle, *Europe-Asia Studies*.

2018. *Power and Water in Central Asia* by Filippo Menga, *Studies of Transition States and Societies*, 10, (1).

2017. *Practicing Islam. Knowledge, Experience, and Social Navigation in Kyrgyzstan* by David Montgomery, *Europe-Asia Studies*.

## **CONFERENCE PAPERS**

“Authoritarian Legal Harmonization,” Center for Baltic and East European Studies Conference, Södertörn University, 6 November 2019.

“Actademia: Academics and Activism in Central Asia,” Central Eurasian Studies Society Conference, George Washington University, 10 October 2019.

“Governing the Tajik Opposition in Exile,” Association of Nationalities Annual Convention, Columbia University, 4 May 2018.

“Islam, Secularism and Security in Post-Soviet Central Asia,” The Mid-Atlantic Region of the American Academy of Religion, Brunswick, NJ, 15 March 2018.

“Countering Extremism through Communities in Tajikistan,” Association of Nationalities Annual Convention, Columbia University, 6 May 2017.

(with Helene Thibault) “The Biopolitics of Counter-extremism in Tajikistan,” The Central Eurasian Studies Annual Conference, Princeton, 3-6 November 2016.

“Governing (in)Security: Security Governance and Muslim Migrants in Russia and Tajikistan,” European Society of Central Asian Studies Bi-Annual Conference, Zurich, Switzerland, 9-11 October 2015.

“Mediating the Conflict in the Rasht Valley,” The Central Eurasian Studies Annual Conference, Columbia University, New York, 13-16 October 2014.

“The (Mis)Representation of Islamic Radicalization in Tajikistan,” Annual Navruz Conference, University of Newcastle, 21-22 March 2013.

## **INVITED LECTURES**

Invited speaker at Foreign Policy Research Initiative, “China’s Security Footprint in Central Asia,” July 27, 2020.

Invited speaker at Central Asia Program, George Washington University, “Political Stability and Human Security in Tajikistan in Time of Covid-19,” May 11, 2020.

Invited speaker at Foreign Service Institute, “Security Issues in Central Asia,” June 25, 2020.

Invited speaker at Foreign Service Institute, “Terrorism in Central Asia,” February 27, 2020.

Invited speaker at Syracuse University, “Weaponizing Interpol,” January 2, 2020.

Invited speaker, United Nations, New York, “Extremism in Central Asia,” 18 December 2019.

Invited speaker at USARCENT Seminar, Shaw Air Force Base, SC, “US Strategy Towards Central Asia,” 26 September 2019.

Invited speaker at CENTRA Technology, Inc, Washington DC, “Radicalization in Central Asia,” 20 September 2019.

Invited speaker at Carnegie Endowment, Washington DC, “Illicit Financial Ties between the UAE and Central Asia,” 12 September 2019.

Invited speaker at Conference on “Strategies to Defend Democratic Institutions and the Rule of Law in the West,” Washington DC, Free Russia Foundation, 13 June 2019.

Invited speaker at Foreign Service Institute, Washington DC, “Tajikistan: The Region’s Ethnic Exception,” 12 June 2019.

Invited speaker at Foreign Service Institute, Washington DC, “Central Asia’s Place in Eurasia,” 6 June 2019.

Invited speaker at George Washington University, Washington DC, “What Next? Improving Counter-Extremism Programs in Central Asia,” 8 May 2019.

Invited speaker at the Central Asian Security Workshop, George Washington University, Washington DC, “Counter Extremism in Central Asia after the Caliphate,” 18 March 2019.

Invited speaker at Foreign Service Institute, Washington DC, “Terrorism in Central Asia/Current Developments in Tajikistan,” 19 December 2018.

Invited speaker at U.S. Helsinki Commission, Washington DC, “Congressional Briefing: Mosque and State in Central Asia,” 17 December 2018.

Invited speaker at George Washington University, Washington DC, “Assessing the Terrorist Threat in and from Central Asia,” 27 September 2018.

Invited speaker at Department of State/USAID Central Asia CVE Working Group, Washington DC, “Terrorism in Tajikistan,” 5 September 2018.

Invited speaker at Harriman Institute, New York, “The Uzbek Diaspora and the Immigrant Experience:

Radicalization, Transnational Networks, and Media Portrayals,” 14 December 2017.

Invited speaker at EurasiaNet, Washington DC, “Perspectives on Transition in Central Asia,” 12 December 2017.

Invited participant, “Countering Violent Extremism in Central Asia,” USAID, Almaty, Kazakhstan, 3-6 December 2017.

Invited speaker at the Open Society Foundations, New York, “Countering Extremism in Tajikistan,” 18 January 2017.

Invited speaker at George Washington University, Washington DC, “Extraterritorial Security: Governing Islam and Security in Tajikistan and Beyond,” 6 December 2016.

Invited speaker at the analytic exchange “Central Asia 2016,” State Department, Washington DC, 14 September 2016.

Invited speaker at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, London, “Radicalization in Central Asia,” 23 February 2016.

Invited speaker at Chatham House, London, “Foreign Fighters from Tajikistan in Syria and Iraq,” 23 September 2015.

Invited speaker at the Royal United Services Institute, London, “The Islamic State and Central Asia,” 15 July 2015.

Invited speaker at the State Department, Washington DC, “Radicalization in Tajikistan,” 27 February 2014.

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Conference award from Carnegie Corporation, New York, 2018 (\$30,000)

Economic and Social Research Council, 1+3 PhD studentship, at the University of Exeter, 2012-6 (\$80,000).

Difficult Language Training grant to study Tajik language, Economic and Social Research Council, 2014 (\$10,000).

Winner: Best Student Research Paper in Central Asian Studies 2013, Central Asia Program, George Washington University.

## **RESEARCH GRANTS APPLIED FOR (PENDING FUNDING)**

(with Oleg Antonov and Parviz Mullojonov), “Academic Freedom and Authoritarian Politics in Eurasia,” submitted to Swedish Research Council, submitted, March 2020, \$456,700 (2021-2023)

(with Oleg Antonov) “Authoritarian Policy Transfer: How Former Soviet Republics Develop and Apply Common Anti-democratic and Authoritarian Practices,” submitted to Riksbankens Jubileumsfond, Sweden, January 2020, \$319,200 (2021-2023).

(with Oleg Antonov and Joakim Ekman), “Authoritarian Legal Harmonization in Post-Soviet Space,”

submitted to Foundation for Baltic and East European Studies, Sweden, January 2020, \$524,500 (2021-2023).

(with Marlene Laruelle and Yuval Weber), “Conceptualizing Hierarchy and Resilience in Global Power Politics,” submitted to Minerva Research Grant, Department of Defense, September 2019, \$1,544,789 (2021-2023).

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT**

Project liaison, “Securing the Belt and Road Initiative,” Daniel Morgan Graduate School and National Bureau of Asian Research, 2018-2020.

Proposal reviewer, Eurasia, Association for the Study of Nationalities Annual Conference, Columbia University, May 2020.

Proposal reviewer, Minerva Grant, Department of Defense, 2019.

Organizer of workshop “Political Exiles, Transnational Repression and Global Authoritarianism in Eurasia and Beyond,” Harriman Institute, New York, 7 May 2018.

Coordinator, Graduate Student and Junior Faculty Peer Review, Harriman Institute, Columbia University, 2017-2018.

Faculty Liaison, Organization for the Advancement of Inner Eurasian Studies, Columbia University, 2017-2018.

Co-organizer, “Annual Nawruz Postgraduate Workshop,” University of Exeter, March 18 – 19, 2016.

Co-founder, Exeter Central Asian Studies Network, 2013-present.

Research Director and Editor, Eurasian Dialogue, 2012-2016.

Reviewer for: *Terrorism and Political Violence* (2020-present); *Problems of Post-Communism* (2019-present); *Europe-Asia Studies* (2019-present); *Post-Soviet Affairs* (2019-present); *Central Asian Affairs* (2016-present); *Central Asian Survey* (2015-present), *Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding* (2018-present); *International Quarterly of Asian Studies* (2017-present); *Caucasus Survey* (2016-present).

## **POLICY WORK**

Senior Research Consultant, Central Asia Secure and Stable Societies, a USAID-funded project (2018-present), examining the structural and individual drives of mobilization to violent extremism in Central Asia. The project involved designing multiple interview guides and survey instruments for mixed methods research in Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan, managing the implementation of 25 focus groups, 240 interviews, and 3,600 survey respondents, data analysis and presentation to USAID.

Involved in the briefing of three incoming ambassadors and deputy chiefs of mission in the UK Embassy in Dushanbe, from February 2014 to present; involved in briefing State Department employees on situation in Central Asia over twelve meetings between 2014 and 2019; involved in briefing intelligence community and military on situation in Central Asia twice in 2019.

Provided media commentary for *BBC World Service*, *BBC News*, *Radio Free Europe*, *VICE News*, *Foreign Policy*, *CNN*, *Associated Press*, *Reuters*, *Democracy Now!*, *The New York Times*, *The Times*, *Washington Post*, *Wall Street Journal*, *The Diplomat*, and local press in Central Asia.

Research on radicalization conducted with John Heathershaw discussed at length in section of International Organization for Migration's Annual Report (2017).

## **FOREIGN LANGUAGES**

Russian [Advanced], Tajik [Advanced], German [Intermediate], Uzbek [Basic]