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## **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

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- 2019 – Present     Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M University
- Assistant Professor of International Affairs
- 2018 – 2019        Yale University
- Associate Director, International Security Studies
- 2017 – 2018        Yale University
- Henry Chauncey, Jr. '57 Postdoctoral Fellowship, International Security Studies

## **EDUCATION**

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- 2017                 Ph.D., History, Cornell University; M.A. in History, 2014
- Dissertation: “The Triumph of Broken Promises: Oil, Finance, and the End of the Cold War”
    - Winner of the 2018 Oxford University Press USA Dissertation Prize in International History from the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations
    - Winner of the 2017 Messenger Chalmers Dissertation Prize from Cornell University
  - Dissertation Committee: Fredrik Logevall (Chair), Holly Case, Louis Hyman, and Peter Katzenstein
- 2010                 University of Toronto, Trinity College
- Honours Bachelor of Arts Degree with High Distinction

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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*Books*

- 2022                 *The Triumph of Broken Promises: The End of the Cold War and the Rise of Neoliberalism*  
Author, (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2022).
- 2021                 *Before and After the Fall: World Politics and the End of the Cold War*  
Co-editor with Nuno Monteiro, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2021).

### Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2020 “From Banks to Bonds: *Euromoney* Magazine and the Transformation of Global Finance in the 1980s,” *Rivista italiana di Storia internazionale* (Italian Journal of International History) Vol 2, No. 2 (July-December 2020), 317-334.
- 2017 “Fugitive Leverage: Commercial Banks, Sovereign Debt, and Cold War Crisis in Poland, 1980-1982,” *Enterprise & Society*, Vol. 18, Issue 1 (March 2017), 72-107.
- 2015 “Surviving the Years of Grace: The Atomic Bomb and the Specter of World Government,” *Diplomatic History*, Vol. 39, No. 2 (April 2015), 275-302.

### Book Chapters

- 2021 “Overcoming Stagnation: Global Finance and the Search for ‘New Thinking’ on the End of the Cold War,” in *Before and After the Fall: World Politics and the End of the Cold War*, Bartel and Monteiro, eds. (Cambridge University Press).
- 2021 “The Illusions of the United States’ Great Power Politics After the Cold War,” in *Cambridge History of America and the World, Volume 4*, David Engerman, Max Friedman, and Melani McAlister, eds. (Cambridge University Press).
- 2018 “The Power of Omission: The IMF and the Democratic Transitions in Poland and Hungary,” in *New Perspectives on the End of the Cold War: Unexpected Transformations?*, Jussi Hanhimäki et al. eds. (Routledge, 2018).

### Reviews and Commentary

- Forthcoming Invited review of William Inboden, *The Peacemaker: Ronald Reagan, the Cold War, and the World on the Brink*, for *Journal of Cold War History*
- Forthcoming Invited review of Mary Sarotte, *Not One Inch: America, Russia, and the Making of Post-Cold War Stalemate*, for *Journal of Contemporary History*
- 2021 Invited roundtable review of Simon Miles, *Engaging the Evil Empire: Washington, Moscow, and the End of the Cold War*, for *H-Diplo* Roundtable, September 27, 2021.
- 2021 Introduction for teaching roundtable on “The Cold War and History,” *H-Diplo*, June 10, 2021.
- 2018 Invited roundtable review of Jeffrey Engel’s *When the World Seemed New: George H.W. Bush and the End of the Cold War* in *Passport: The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Review*, April 2018.
- 2015 Invited roundtable review of Aiyaz Husain, *Mapping the End of Empire: American and British Strategic Visions in the Postwar World*, for *H-Diplo* Roundtable, May 25, 2015.

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS**

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2022	3 Year Arts & Humanities Fellowship, Texas A&M University
2019	Edward J. and Dorothy Clarke Kempf Memorial Fund, Yale University - Co-recipient with Nuno Monteiro of \$15,000 in conference and publication support for “The End of the Cold War at Thirty,” detailed below.
2016-2017	National Fellowship, Miller Center for Public Policy, University of Virginia
2015-2016	German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Long-term Research Fellowship
2014-2015	Marion and Frank Long Fellowship, Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies, Cornell University
2014	Michele Sicca Research Grant, Cornell Institute for European Studies
2012-2013	Graduate Fellowship, Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies, Cornell University

## **CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION**

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Nov 2019	Co-convener, “The End of the Cold War at Thirty: Change and Continuity in Great Power Politics,” which brought together 18 leading historians and political scientists to present new research on the end of the Cold War.
Sept 2018	Co-convener of the inaugural Yale Brady-Johnson International Security Studies Research Workshop, which brought together 36 leading scholars in history and political science from around the world to discuss cutting edge research in international security and US foreign relations.

## **INVITED PRESENTATIONS, CONFERENCE PAPERS, PANEL CHAIRS**

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Dec 2022	Invited Keynote Lecture, History and Political Economy Project Conference, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD.
Fall 2022	Book talks for <i>The Triumph of Broken Promises</i> at Yale University, the Wilson Center, American Purpose, Johns Hopkins SAIS Europe, L’Orientale University, and Texas A&M. Podcast appearances on the New Books Network, American Prestige, Review of Democracy, Bungacast, Spaßbremse.
Oct 2022	Invited to present, “In Search of a Superpower: The IMF’s First Visits to Post-Soviet Russia,” at the workshop, “Peripheral Liberalism. Market economists and the liberal script outside the West, 1970–2020,” Berlin, Germany
June 2021	Presented, “Opening the Door: The IMF’s Early Relations with Post-Soviet Russia” at the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Conference, held online.
March 2021	Invited to present, “Discipline or Retreat: A New History of German Reunification,” at the Imre Kertész Kolleg, Universität Jena, Germany.
March 2021	Invited to participate, “Roundtable on Soviet Foreign Policy in the Late Cold War,” Russian Studies Workshop, Indiana University.
Feb 2021	Presented, “Discipline or Retreat: A New History of German Reunification,” at the Albritton Center for Grand Strategy Speaker Series, Bush School, Texas A&M.

- June 2020 Panel Chair and Commenter, “Protecting a New World: Refashioning International Security at the Cold War's End,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Annual Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana.\*
- March 2020 Panel Co-organizer, ““The End of the Cold War at Thirty: Change and Continuity in Great Power Politics.” Presenter, ““Overcoming Stagnation: Global Finance and the Search for ‘New Thinking’ on the End of the Cold War,” at the International Studies Association Annual Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii.\*
- March 2020 Invited Presentation, “From Banks to Bonds: The Changing Structure of Global Finance in the 1980s,” at “The Making of the Washington Consensus: Debts, Assets, and Power 1979-1991” Conference, Venice and Florence, Italy.\*
- Feb 2020 Invited Presentation, “Illusions Lost: The United States’ Great Power Politics After the Cold War,” at “The Next Phase of the Restraint Debate” Conference, The Bush School, College Station, TX.
- Dec 2019 Invited Presentation, “The Triumph of Broken Promises: Oil, Finance, and the Fall of Communism,” at the final conference for the European Union grant project, “Looking West: The European Socialist Regimes Facing Pan-European Cooperation and the European Community,” European University Institute, Florence, Italy.
- Nov 2019 Presented, “Overcoming Stagnation: Global Finance and the Search for ‘New Thinking’ on the End of the Cold War,” at “The End of the Cold War at Thirty” Conference, Yale University, New Haven, CT.
- March 2019 Invited Presentation, “The Capitalist Perestroika,” at Georgetown University’s International History Seminar, Washington, D.C.
- Dec 2018 Presented, “Exit, Violence, or Austerity: The Financial Roots of Soviet Policy Toward German Reunification,” at the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies Conference, Boston, Massachusetts.
- Nov 2018 Invited Presentation, “Ronald Reagan’s Perestroika of the Global Economy, 1980-1985,” at Harvard Business School’s Business, Government, and International Economy Seminar.
- Oct 2018 Presented, “Anything to Avoid Austerity: Explaining the Socialist Embrace of Finance Capitalism in the 1970s,” at the conference, “Making Globalization: The Integration of the World Economy in the Late 20<sup>th</sup> Century,” Padua, Italy.
- June 2018 Invited Presentation, “The Triumph of Broken Promises: Oil, Finance, and the End of the Cold War,” to the Yale Moscow Grand Strategy Group, Moscow, Russia.
- April 2018 Presented, “Ideologies of Discipline: Exploring the Parallel Histories of Thatcherism and Perestroika,” at the Business History Conference in Baltimore, Maryland.
- March 2018 Invited Presentation, “A Tale of Two Crises: Thatcherism in Britain and Martial Law in Poland,” at Dartmouth College.

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\* Event cancelled due to COVID-19.

- March 2018 Invited Presentation, “It’s Later Than You Think: Soviet Lessons for China’s Rise,” at Rising Powers Grand Strategies Workshop, Yale Law School.
- Feb. 2018 Presented, “A Tale of Two Crises: Thatcherism in Britain and Martial Law in Poland,” at the Yale International Security Studies Colloquium in New Haven, Connecticut.
- June 2017 Presented, “1989: A Year in the Global Sovereign Debt Crisis,” at the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations Conference in Arlington, Virginia.
- June 2017 Invited presentation at a two-week manuscript workshop, “Recovering Forgotten History,” in Warsaw and Kraków, Poland. Leading scholars from Eastern Europe and North America read and discussed the full-length book manuscript.
- May 2017 Presented, “Years of Reckoning and Illusion: The Oil Crisis in East and West,” at the Miller Center National Fellows Conference, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA.
- Jan. 2017 Presented, “The Reagan Financial Buildup,” at “Above and Beyond the Cold War: Ronald Reagan and the Transformation of Global Politics in the 1980s,” University of Texas, Austin, Texas.
- Oct. 2016 Invited Presentation, “Exit, Violence, or Austerity: A New History of the Fall of the Berlin Wall,” at the Yale International Security Studies Colloquium in New Haven, Connecticut.
- Sept. 2016 Panel Organizer, “Communist Histories of Capitalism.” Presented, “The Volcker Shock and the Communist Sovereign Debt Crisis,” at the Cornell Histories of Capitalism Conference in Ithaca, New York.
- Apr. 2016 Invited Presentation, “The Privatization of the Cold War: Global Finance and the Fall of Communism,” Research Colloquium for Economic and Social History, Goethe Universität, Frankfurt am Main, Germany.
- Jan. 2016 Panel Co-organizer, “New Approaches to Internationalizing the History of American Capitalism.” Presented, “The Fall of the Berlin Wall: A Moment in the Global Debt Crisis of the 1980s,” at the American Historical Association Annual Conference in Atlanta, Georgia.
- Dec. 2015 Presented: “The Coercion of Creditworthiness: Sovereign Debt and the End of Communism in Hungary,” at the workshop, “Cold War Economics,” hosted by the London School of Economics, London, United Kingdom.
- Nov. 2015 Presented: “The IMF’s Role in Poland’s 1989,” at “The Economic Iron Curtain Conference,” Institute for National Remembrance, Warsaw, Poland.
- Sept. 2015 Presented: “The Coercion of Creditworthiness: Western Commercial Banks and the Democratic Transitions of 1989,” at The Great Transformation? Reassessing the Causes and Consequences of the End of the Cold War, The Graduate Institute, Geneva, Switzerland.
- June 2015 Panel Co-organizer, “Globalization and the Late Cold War.” Presented: “Détente: The Privatization of the Cold War,” at the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations Conference in Arlington, Virginia.

- May 2015 Presented: “Trading Democracy for Austerity: The IMF and Poland’s Democratic Revolution, 1989” at the University of Toronto Graduate Student Symposium.
- Nov. 2014 Presented: “Détente: The Privatization of the Cold War” at the Histories of American Capitalism Conference at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York.
- June 2014 Panel Co-organizer, “Diplomacies of Interdependence.” Presented: “The Politics of Structural Non-Adjustment: Sovereign Debt and the Suppression of Solidarity in Poland” at the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations Conference in Lexington, Kentucky.
- Jan. 2013 Presented, “Surviving the Years of Grace: Reinhold Niebuhr, the Atomic Bomb, and the Specter of World Government,” to the Cornell History Department Colloquium.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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- 2019-Present At the Bush School, Texas A&M:  
 “American Foreign Relations Since World War II,” Master’s Degree Core Course  
 “History, Strategy, and American Statecraft,” Master’s Degree Elective Course
- At Yale University:
- 2018 Instructor of Record, “Economic Globalization Since 1945,” Junior Seminar
- At Cornell University:
- 2014 Teaching Assistant for SOC 2650: Latinos in the United States  
 2013 Teaching Assistant for HIST 1502: Great European Leaders of the 19th & 20th Centuries  
 2013 Teaching Assistant for HIST 2890: The U.S. Vietnam War  
 2012 Teaching Assistant for HIST 2640: Introduction to Asian American History

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

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- 2020 Diversity Excellence Fellowship Review Committee, Texas A&M  
 2019-2022 Curriculum Committee, Bush School, Texas A&M  
 2016-17, 13-14 Graduate Resident Fellow, Carl Becker House, Cornell University  
 2012-15 Founder, International History Reading Group, Cornell University  
 2012-13 Fellow, Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies, Cornell University

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

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External Reviewer for Routledge, Bloomsbury, Springer, Financial History Review, Diplomacy & Statecraft, Business History Review

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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American Historical Association (AHA)  
 Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR)  
 International Studies Association (ISA)  
 Business History Conference (BHC)  
 Association for Slavic, East European & Eurasian Studies (ASEES)

## **RESEARCH LANGUAGES**

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German, Russian