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### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Connecticut, 2012-

Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Connecticut, 2007-2012

Byron K. Trippet Assistant Professor of Political Science, Wabash College, 2005-2007.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science, St. Olaf College, 2004-2005.

Summer Faculty, Sinoway International Education at University of International Business and Economics, Beijing, China, 2012, 2014; Nanjing University, Nanjing, China, 2013.

### EDUCATION

Ph.D., Washington State University, 2004.

MA, Washington State University, 2002.

BA (First Class), University of Essex, 2000.

#### *Additional Training:*

Institute for Qualitative Research Methods, Arizona State University, 2008.

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, 2006.

### AREAS OF TEACHING AND RESEARCH SPECIALIZATION

Political Leaders; Foreign Policy Analysis; Politics and Popular Culture.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

*Otherworldly: The International Relations of Star Trek, Game of Thrones, and Battlestar Galactica.* Forthcoming with Johns Hopkins University Press.

*Leaders in Conflict: Bush and Rumsfeld in Iraq.* Manchester University Press, March 2014.

*The Blair Identity: Leadership and Foreign Policy.* Manchester University Press, August 2009.

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

‘Origins of the Psychological Profiling of Political Leaders: The U.S. Office of Strategic Services and Adolf Hitler,’ *Intelligence and National Security*, 29, 5 (Summer 2014), pp. 654-674.

‘Public and Private Beliefs of Political Leaders: Saddam Hussein in Front of a Crowd and Behind Closed Doors,’ with Alexandra L. Raleigh. *Research and Politics*, 1, 1 (May 2014).

‘What Really Happened in Planning for Postwar Iraq?’ *Political Science Quarterly*, 128, 3 (Fall 2013), pp. 455-488.

‘Chronic Misperception and International Conflict: The US-Iraq Experience,’ with Charles A. Duelfer. *International Security*, 36, 1, (Summer 2011), pp. 73-100.

‘George W. Bush, the Surge, and Presidential Leadership,’ *Political Science Quarterly*, 125, 4, (Winter 2010/2011), pp. 557-586.

‘Stuff Happens: Donald Rumsfeld and the Iraq War,’ *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 5, 4, (October 2009), pp. 327-348.

‘Cognitive Style and Foreign Policy: Margaret Thatcher’s Black-and-White Thinking,’ *International Political Science Review*, 30, 1, (January 2009), pp. 33-49.

‘Text Annotation and the Cognitive Architecture of British Prime Ministers, 1945-2008,’ *Journal of Information Technology and Politics*, 5, 1, (Spring 2008), pp. 7-18.

‘Alliances, Domestic Politics, and Leader Psychology: Why did Britain Stay out of Vietnam and go into Iraq?’ *Political Psychology*, 28, 6, (December 2007), pp. 647-666.

‘Personality and Foreign Policy: Tony Blair’s Iraq Decisions,’ *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 2, 3, (July 2006), pp. 289-306.

‘Individual Characteristics of Political Leaders and the Use of Analogy in Foreign Policy Decision Making,’ with Thomas Preston. *Political Psychology* 27, 2, (April 2006), pp. 249-272.

‘Using Words as Data in the Study of the French Political Elite,’ with Libia Lorena Billordo. *French Politics* 2, 1, (March 2004), pp. 111-123.

‘Drawing Policy Implications from the ‘Operational Code’ of a New Political Actor: Russian President Vladimir Putin,’ *Policy Sciences* 34, 3 / 4 (December 2001), pp. 329-346.

### Book Chapters

‘Crisis Management,’ with Paul ‘t Hart, in L. Huddy, D. O. Sears and J. S. Levy (eds) *The Oxford Handbook of Political Psychology* (New York: Oxford University Press), pp. 395-422.

‘Blair, Brown, Cameron and the War on Terror,’ with Alexandra Raleigh, in K. Oppermann, *British Foreign and Security Policy: Current Challenges and Historical Legacies* (Germany: Vissner Verlag, 2012), pp. 190-207.

‘New Labour, Leadership, and Foreign Policy-Making after 1997,’ in O. Daddow and J. Gaskarth (eds), *British Foreign Policy: the New Labour Years* (Basingstoke: Palgrave-Macmillan, 2011), pp. 63-83.

‘The United Kingdom,’ in R. Sobel, P. Furia, and B. Barrett, (eds), *Public Opinion and International Intervention: Lessons from the Iraq War*, (Washington, DC: Potomac Press, 2012), pp. 35-46.

‘What Difference Did He Make? Tony Blair and British Foreign Policy, 1997-2007,’ in T. Casey (ed.) *The Blair Legacy* (New York: Palgrave-Macmillan, 2009), pp. 235-246.

### Other

‘The Return of Our Most Political Singer: Morrissey,’ *The Monkey Cage*, July 9<sup>th</sup> 2014.

‘The Gist of the Bush-Blair Secret Letters Controversy,’ *Political Insight*, June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2014.

‘Getting to Know Donald Rumsfeld,’ *The Monkey Cage*, April 5<sup>th</sup> 2014.

‘What Russia’s Invasion of Georgia Means for Crimea,’ *The Monkey Cage*, March 5<sup>th</sup> 2014.

‘The Best Television Show about Politics Ever,’ *The Monkey Cage*, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014.

‘Nelson Mandela Demonstrates the Importance of Taking Leaders Seriously,’ *The Monkey Cage*, December 8<sup>th</sup> 2013.

‘Cameron Defeated on Syria by Ghost of Blair,’ *The Monkey Cage*, August 30<sup>th</sup> 2013.

‘The Political Science of Battlestar Galactica,’ *The Monkey Cage*, June 13<sup>th</sup> 2013.

‘The Political Science of Star Trek,’ *The Monkey Cage*, May 20<sup>th</sup> 2013.

‘Conviction Foreign Policy,’ *E-International Relations*, April 30<sup>th</sup> 2013.

‘Margaret Thatcher, Her Personality and Politics,’ *The Monkey Cage*, April 8<sup>th</sup> 2013.

‘What Does the Iraq War Teach Us About Theories of International Relations?’ *The Monkey Cage*, March 21<sup>st</sup> 2013.

‘A More Assertive Obama?’ *The Monkey Cage*, February 13<sup>th</sup> 2013.

‘Misperceptions, Foreign Policy, and Iran,’ with Jeremy Pressman, *The Monkey Cage*, March 1<sup>st</sup> 2012.

‘The Falklands War,’ in *International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences*, 2nd ed. (New York: Palgrave-Macmillan, 2007).

Review of *When Leaders Learn and When They Don't*, by Akan Malici, New York: SUNY Press, 2008. *International Studies Review* 11/4 (December 2009), pp. 776-777.

Review of *Making Foreign Policy*, by David Mitchell, Burlington: Ashgate Press, 2005. *Political Studies Review*, 5/1, (January 2007), pp. 119.

Review of *A ‘Special Relationship’?: Harold Wilson, Lyndon B. Johnson and Anglo-American Relations ‘at the Summit’, 1964-8*, by Jonathan Colman. Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2004. *Political Studies Review* 4/1 (January 2006), pp. 101.

Review of *Fateful Decisions: Inside the National Security Council*, by Karl F. Inderfurth & Loch K. Johnson. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2004. *Political Studies Review*, 3/2 (April 2005), pp. 254.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

‘Blair, Brown, Cameron and the War on Terror’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> 2012.

‘Leader Profiling in Government and Academia’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, San Diego, CA: April 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> 2012.

‘George W. Bush’s Cognitive Style and American Foreign Policy’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, New York, NY: February 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> 2009.

‘Prime Minister Gordon Brown’s Personality and Foreign Policy’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, CA, March 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> 2008.

‘The Domestic Debate about the Iraq War in the UK’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, CA, March 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> 2008.

‘Conceptual Complexity and World Politics: Margaret Thatcher’s Black and White Thinking’, To be presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, 30<sup>th</sup> Aug- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sep 2 2007.

‘What Difference Did He Make? Tony Blair and British Foreign Policy’, To be presented at the “Britain after Blair” Conference, Chicago, IL, 29<sup>th</sup> Aug 2007.

‘The Beliefs of British Prime Ministers about European Integration from Thatcher to Blair’, with Colleen E. Miller. Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, Chicago, IL, 28<sup>th</sup> Feb-3<sup>rd</sup> March 2007.

‘The Blair Identity: Beliefs, Leadership Style, and British Foreign Policy’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, Chicago, IL, 28<sup>th</sup> Feb-3<sup>rd</sup> March 2007.

‘Individual Characteristics of British Prime Ministers and Supranational Integration’, with Colleen E. Miller. Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association-Midwest, St. Louis, MO, November 3-5<sup>th</sup> 2006.

‘When Will Junior Allies Burden Share? The US-UK Relationship in Vietnam and Iraq’, Prepared for Presentation at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 20-23 2006.

‘The U.S. – U.K. Alliance in Vietnam and Iraq: Why did Britain Stay out of Vietnam and go into Iraq?’ Prepared for Presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, San Diego, CA: March 22-25 2006.

‘The Conceptual Complexity of British Prime Ministers, 1945-2005’, Prepared for Presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association-Midwest, St. Louis, MO: October 21-22 2005. \* *Winner of the Margaret G. Hermann award for best paper on leadership studies.*

‘Personality and Foreign Policy: Tony Blair’s Iraq Decisions’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL: April 3-5 2005. \* *Nominated for best faculty paper award.*

‘Blair’s War: Institutional and Individual Determinants of the British Choice in Iraq’, with Brianna K. Lawrence. Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, Honolulu, Hawaii, March 1st-5th 2005.

‘Institutional and Individual Determinants of the Quality of Foreign Policy Decision Making: A Quantitative Investigation’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, Honolulu, Hawaii, March 1st-5th 2005.

‘Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary in British Foreign Policy: Evidence from Korea, Suez, the Falklands, and Iraq 2003’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association-Midwest, St Louis, MO: November 1st-2nd 2004.

‘Individuals and Executive Organization: The Foreign Policy Process in Britain’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Ill: September 2nd-5th 2004.

‘Quantifying the Study of the Political Leader Using Computer Assisted Text Analysis: A Data-Based Approach to British Prime Ministers’, Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Ill: April 15th-18th 2004.

‘Party Leadership and Party Change: Transforming Social Democracy in Four European States’, with Andrew Appleton, Emmanuol Tsatsanis, and Libia Lorena Billordo. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA: August 28th-31st 2003.

‘The British Prime Minister and his Advisers in Foreign Policy Decision-Making’, Presented at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, Portland, OR: February 26th-March 1st 2003.

‘The Assessment of Leadership Traits: Modeling Party Leadership Effects’, Presented at the Annual Meetings of the Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, Bellevue, WA: October 17th-19th 2002.

‘Analogies in Policy Decision-Making’, with Thomas Preston. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, LA: March 24th-27th 2002.

‘Towards an Understanding of Political Parties in Russia: Employing Downsian Spatial Analysis as a Heuristic’, Presented at the Annual Meetings of the Pacific Northwest Political Science Association, Couer d’Alene, ID: October 18th-20th 2001.

## PRIZES AND AWARDS

- First runner up, *Educator of the Year 2008-2009*. Faculty-wide award nominated and selected by University of Connecticut students.
- Margaret G. Hermann Award for best paper on leadership studies delivered at the 2005 ISA-MW meetings (\$500).
- Byron K. Trippet Assistant Professorship at Wabash College (Two-year award, total of \$8000). To provide funds in support of research activity.
- Graduate School Scholar, Washington State University 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 (Two-year award, total of \$6000). Awarded to one graduate school applicant in order to attract outstanding Ph.D. candidates to WSU.

- Thomas S. Foley Institute Summer Fellow, 2002 (\$2500). Awarded to one applicant in order to support the production of original, publishable research over the summer 2002 period.
- Charles H. Sheldon Fellowship, 2004-2005 (\$1000). In recognition of excellent performance in the Ph.D. program.

#### MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER

- Routledge
- Macmillan-Palgrave
- University of Chicago Press
- *American Political Science Review*
- *International Studies Quarterly*
- *International Studies Review*
- *Political Psychology*
- *Foreign Policy Analysis*
- *Politics and Policy*
- *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*
- *Security Dialogue*

#### SERVICE

- Member of Editorial Board, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 2013-
- International Relations Subfield Chair, 2010-2012
- Faculty Advisor, University of Connecticut Model United Nations, 2007-2013
- Faculty Advisor, University of Connecticut International Relations Association, 2007-
- Member, Individualized Major Committee, University of Connecticut, 2008-
- Member, Faculty Development Study Abroad Committee, University of Connecticut, 2011.
- Member, First Year Experience Oversight Committee, 2012-
- Officer-at-large, ISA Midwest Region, 2004-2006.

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

International Studies Association, 2000-  
 American Political Science Association, 2002-  
 Midwest Political Science Association, 2003-