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education

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

PhD Candidate (ABD), Political Science

2021 - Present

- Dissertation Book Project: *Public Diplomacy in Conflict Resolution: The Use of International Apologies*
- Committee: Alyssa Prorok (Chair), Paul Diehl, Don Casler, Matthew Winters, Alexandra Chronopoulou (Statistics)
- Fields: International Relations, Political Methodology

MS, Statistics

2023

London School of Economics and Political Science & Peking University, Double MSc 2021

China University of Political Science and Law, LLB

2019

Exchange Student, University of California, Berkeley, 2017

research interests

conflict resolution • peace studies • public diplomacy • foreign policy • survey experiment

peer-reviewed publications

Political Apologies in International Relations (with Paul Diehl)
Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics, 2025

working papers

Rivalry Means Never Saying You're Sorry *Under Review*

The Impact of Apologies on Interstate Relations

work in progress

Remorseful Rebels — Data Paper (with Alyssa Prorok)

Remorseful Rebels — Theory Paper (with Alyssa Prorok)

Public Diplomacy in the Shadow of Transgressions (with Paul Un & Yujeong Yang)

Apologies & American Scandals (with Alesha Lewis)

original datasets	<p>Rebel Group Remorse and Transgressions (ReGRiT) (with Alyssa Prorok, tentative title) <i>In Progress</i></p> <p>Human Rights and International Transgressions (HuRT)</p>
fellowships & awards (≥US\$1,000; competitive only)	<p>Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Graduate College, U. of I., 2025-26 (\$12,600)</p> <p>Jeremiah Sullivan Award, Program in Arms Control & Domestic and International Security, U. of I., 2025 (\$10,000)</p> <p>Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies, 2025 (\$2,500)</p> <p>Garner Fellowship, U. of I., 2024 (\$1,000)</p> <p>Schroeder Fellowship, Cline Center for Advanced Social Research, U. of I., 2023 (\$6,000)</p> <p>Kneier Fellowship, U. of I., 2023 (\$1,000)</p> <p>Kneier Fellowship, U. of I., 2022 (\$2,400)</p> <p>Kneier Fellowship, U. of I., 2022 (\$1,000)</p> <p>Departmental Research & Travel Funding, U. of I., 2022-25 (\$2,000)</p> <p>Bocheng Academic Excellence Award, Peking University, 2020 (\$10,000)</p>
presentations (recent)	<p><i>Invited Talks</i></p> <p>2025: <i>Program in Arms Control & Domestic and International Security</i> Seminar, U. of I.</p> <p><i>Annual Meetings</i></p> <p>The Impact of Apologies on Interstate Relations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, 2025 • ISA-Midwest Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO, 2025 (scheduled) <p>Public Diplomacy in the Shadow of Transgressions (with Paul Un & Yujeong Yang)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, 2025 <p>Rivalry Means Never Saying You're Sorry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peace Science Society (International) Conference, Orlando, FL, 2025 (scheduled) • APSA Annual Conference, Vancouver, Canada, 2025 • MPSA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, 2024 • ISA-Midwest Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO, 2024 <p>Apologies & American Scandals (with Alesha Lewis)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • APSA Annual Conference, Vancouver, Canada, 2025

teaching experience	U. of I., Center for Global Studies <i>Independent Instructor</i> Global Conflict Resolution (SP 26)
	U. of I., Center for Innovation in Teaching & Learning <i>Independent Instructor</i> Workshops on Statistical Analysis (FA 22, SP 23, FA 23, SP 24, FA 24, FA 25, SP 26; audiences: undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty)
	U. of I., Department of Political Science <i>Teaching Assistant</i> Introduction to International Relations (SP 25) International Law (SP 25) The US Constitution II (SP 22)
	<i>Guest Lecturer</i> “Conflict Resolution,” Introduction to International Relations (SP 25)
research experience	Original surveys programmed and fielded: Vietnam (2025) • U.S. (3 in 2024; 4 in 2025) Research Assistant for Alyssa Prorok, Department of Political Science, U. of I., SU 25 Consultant in Statistical Analysis and Survey Research, U. of I., 2022 - Present Research Assistant in Data Analytics, U. of I., 2022 - Present
professional services	<i>To the Discipline</i> Journal Referee: <i>Conflict Management and Peace Science</i> Panel Co-Organizer, MPSA Annual Conference, 2026 <i>To U. of I.</i> Research Mentor, Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (URAP) 2024-25 Undergraduate Research Supervisor (independent supervision using research funds) 2024 Mentor to First-Year PhD Students 2024-25 Discussant, Politics Workshop 2025
skills	Technical: R • Python • SQL • SAS • Stata • SPSS • Qualtrics • Tableau • MongoDB • L ^A T _E X
certificates	Certificate in Foundations of Teaching, U. of I. • Mentoring Certificate, U. of I.

professional
affiliations

American Political Science Association
International Studies Association
Midwest Political Science Association