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EMPLOYMENT

2019–present **John G. Tower Distinguished Chair in International Politics and National Security**: Department of Political Science, Southern Methodist University, Dallas TX.

Professor (2025–)

Associate Professor (2019–2025)

Director of studies and director of the national security program, Tower Center for Public Policy and International Affairs (2019–present)

2012–2019 Assistant Professor, Associate Professor (with tenure from 2016): University of Cambridge, UK.

2010–2011 Research Fellow in Foreign Policy: Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.

2003–2004 Analyst on Post-Conflict Rehabilitation and Reconciliation: UNDP, Beirut, Lebanon.

EDUCATION

2011 **Ph.D. in Political Science, Columbia University, with distinction**. Dissertation committee: Michael Doyle (chair), Richard Betts, Alexander Cooley, Robert Jervis, Tonya Putnam.

2003 MSc in International Relations, London School of Economics and Political Science.

2002 Laurea (4-yr. degree), International Studies, Luiss University, Rome, Italy, summa cum laude.

2000 Certificate in European Studies, Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Strasbourg, France.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- ***Strategies for Approval: Building Support for Military Intervention at the UN Security Council.*** New Haven and London: Yale University Press, 2025.

  - Reviewed in: *International Affairs*; *International Studies Review*.

- ***French Interventions in Africa: Reluctant Multilateralism*** (co-editor, with Thierry Tardy, and chapter contributor). New York and London: Routledge, 2021.

  - Reviewed in: *French Yearbook of International Relations*; *Afrique Contemporaine*.

- ***Reassuring the Reluctant Warriors: U.S. Civil-Military Relations and Multilateral Intervention.*** **Cornell Studies in Security Affairs** series. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2015.

  - Reviewed in: *Choice magazine* ("highly recommended"); *Journal of Strategic Studies*; *Perspectives on Politics*; *Political Science Quarterly*; *European Review of International Studies*; *International Affairs*; *H-Dipo/ISSF Roundtable*; *Parameters*; *Survival*.

- ***Just and Unjust Military Intervention: European Thinkers from Vitoria to Mill*** (co-editor, with Jennifer Welsh, and chapter contributor). New York: Cambridge University Press, 2013.

  - Reviewed in: *International Affairs*; *ISSF Roundtable*; *Survival*; *Journal of Military and Strategic Studies*; *Library of Law & Liberty*; *Sehpunkte* (in German); *St. Antony's Review.*

- ***A Cosmopolitanism of Nations: Giuseppe Mazzini's Writings on Democracy, Nation Building, and International Relations*** (co-editor, with Nadia Urbinati). Princeton University Press, 2009. Italian translation published as *Cosmopolitismo e Nazione* by Elliot Edizioni, Rome, in 2011.

  - Reviewed in: *Ethics & International Affairs; The European Legacy; Political Studies Review; Plurilogue; Il Sole24Ore* (in Italian)*; Rivista di Studi Politici Internazionali* (in Italian).

Peer-reviewed articles and book chapters

- "The 'New World Order' Myth: G.H.W. Bush, the Gulf Crisis, and the United Nations," *Journal of Strategic Studies,* accepted for publication, 2026.
- "Protecting Civilians or Preserving NATO? Alliance Entanglement and the Bosnian Safe Areas," *Journal of Strategic Studies* 47 (2), 2024: 238–262.
- "Does Public Opinion Affect the Preferences of Foreign Policy Leaders? Experimental Evidence from the UK Parliament" (with Jonathan Chu), *The Journal of Politics* 84 (3), 2022: 1874–1877.
- "Validating Threat: IO Approval and Public Support for Joining Military Counterterrorism Coalitions" (with Jonathan Chu), *International Studies Quarterly* 65 (4), 2021: 919–928.
- "A Legitimate Sphere of Influence: Understanding France's Turn to Multilateralism in Africa," *Journal of Strategic Studies* 43 (4), 2020: 508–533.
- "Overcoming Opposition at the UNSC: Regional Multilateralism as a Form of Collective Pressure," *Journal of Global Security Studies* 5 (2), 2020: 265–281.
- "Pragmatism over Principle: U.S. Intervention and Burden Shifting in Somalia, 1992–1993," *Journal of Strategic Studies* 43 (3), 2020: 341–365.
- "The Paradox of Safe Areas in Ethnic Civil Wars," *Global Resp. to Protect*, 10 (3), 2018: 362–386.
- "Should Humanitarian Interveners Promote Democracy after Genocide?" *Int. Theory* 10 (1), 2018: 1–30.
- "Authorising Humanitarian Intervention: A Five-Point Defence of Existing Multilateral Procedures," *Review of International Studies* 43 (1), 2017: 50–72.
- "Why Seek International Organisation Approval under Unipolarity? Averting Issue Linkage vs. Appeasing Congress," *International Relations* 30 (1), 2016: 78–101.
- "Did Chirac Say '*Non*'? Revisiting UN Diplomacy on Iraq," *Pol. Sci. Quart.* 130 (4), 2015: 625–654.
- "Soldiers, Civilians, and Multilateral Humanitarian Intervention," *Sec. Studies* 24 (2), 2015: 251–283.
- "The Origins of Liberal Wilsonianism: Giuseppe Mazzini on Regime Change and Humanitarian Intervention," in Recchia and Welsh, eds., *Just and Unjust Military Intervention.* Cambridge UP, 2013.
- "The Enduring Relevance of Classical Thinkers (with Jennifer Welsh), in Stefano Recchia and Jennifer Welsh, eds., *Just and Unjust Military Intervention.* Cambridge University Press, 2013.
- "Just and Unjust Postwar Reconstruction: How Much External Interference can be Justified?" *Ethics & International Affairs* 23 (2), 2009: 165–187.
- "Restraining Imperial Hubris: The Ethical Bases of Realist International Relations Theory," *Constellations Journal* 14 (4), 2007: 531–556.
- "Beyond International Trusteeship: EU Peacebuilding in Bosnia and Herzegovina," *Occasional Paper No. 66*. Paris: European Union Institute for Security Studies, 2007.
- "Guerra giusta e interventi umanitari: un approccio moderatamente consequenzialista," [Just war and humanitarian intervention: a moderately consequentialist approach] *Teoria Politica* 22 (1), 2006: 81–98.

Other scholarly publications

- "UN and African Union key to public support for French military operations in Africa" (with Joel Rogers and Jonathan Chu), *The Conversation*, May 31, 2021.
- "French Military Operations in Africa: Reluctant Multilateralism" (with Thierry Tardy), introduction to special issue, *Journal of Strategic Studies* 43 (4), 2020: 473–481.
- Invited book review: Frédéric Bozo*, A History of the Iraq Crisis: France, the United States, and Iraq, 1991-2003* (Columbia University Press, 2016), *Political Science Quarterly* 133 (1), 2018.
- "Safe Areas as a Response to Humanitarian Crises?" (with Daniel Jacob), introduction to special issue, *Global Responsibility to Protect* 10 (3), 2018, pp. 281–285.
- Invited book review: Philip Everts and Pierangelo Isernia, *Public Opinion, Transatlantic Relations and the Use of Force* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2015), *Perspectives on Politics* 14 (2), 2016: 598–599.
- "Liberalism in International Relations" (with Michael Doyle), in *International Encyclopedia of Political Science*, ed. by B. Badie, D. Berg-Schlosser, and L. Morlino. Los Angles, CA: Sage, 2011. Updated translation published in *Dictionnaire de la guerre et de la paix,* Presses Universitaires de France, 2017.
- "La Guerra come male minore? Riflessioni etiche e politiche sugli interventi umanitari" [War as a Lesser Evil? On the ethics and politics of military intervention], *Italian Air Force Review*, 02/2007.
- Review article: "On 'Cultural Liberty' and its Self-defeating Implications: The Limits of Consociational Democracy," *Ethnopolitics* 5 (2), 2006: 183–190.
- Book review: William Bain, *Between Anarchy and Society*: *Trusteeship and the Obligations of Power* (Oxford University Press, 2003), *Constellations* 15 (1), 2008: 169–71
- "Oltre il feticismo identitario: la democrazia consociativa come ostacolo alla riconciliazione interetnica" [Beyond the fetishism of ethnic identity: consociational democracy as an obstacle to intergroup reconciliation], in T. Kager, ed., *Prospettive sul futuro dell'Alto Adige.* Bolzano: Raetia, 2006.
- "Kant, la pace democratica e la governance mondiale federale" [Kant, the democratic peace, and federalist global governance], in S. Maffettone and G. Pellegrino eds., *Etica delle relazioni internazionali*. Cosenza, Italy: Marco Editore, 2004.
- "Assessing the UNDP's leadership and facilitation role in post-conflict peacebuilding," *Program Evaluation Report*. Beirut: United Nations Development Programme, 2004.
- Bonanate, l'etica e la democrazia internazionale" [Professor Bonanate on ethics and international democracy], *Filosofia e Questioni Pubbliche* 6 (2), 2001.
- "Conflict prevention through multilateral co-operation: a comparative framework analysis," *Research Paper No. 7*. Rome: Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 2001.

WORK IN PROGRESS

- "Policy Objectives and the Use of Military Force: Is there a Transatlantic Opinion Gap?," with Jonathan Chu; public opinion surveys in U.S., Britain, and Germany completed, paper mostly drafted.
- "Input vs. Output Legitimacy and Public Support for Military Intervention," with Sarah Maxey; design of survey experiment completed, awaiting IRB approval.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND GUEST LECTURES

- American University, School of International Service.
- Bocconi University, Department of Policy Analysis, Milan, Italy.
- Brookings Institution, Foreign Policy Program.
- Dartmouth College, Government Department.
- Duke University, Department of Political Science.
- ETH Zurich, Department of Humanities Social and Political Sciences, Zurich, Switzerland.
- EU Institute for Security Studies, Paris.
- European University Institute, Florence, Italy.
- Free University of Berlin, Otto-Suhr Institute of Political Science.
- Goethe University Frankfurt, Institute of Political Science.
- Heinrich Böll Foundation, Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina.
- Institute for Strategic Research (IRSEM), Paris, France.
- Johns Hopkins University, SAIS Europe, Bologna, Italy.
- King's College London, Department of War Studies.
- Lehigh University, Department of International Relations, Betlehem, PA
- Luiss University, School of Government, Rome, Italy.
- National University of Singapore, Department of Political Science.
- Sciences Po, Paris, France.
- University College Cork, School of History, Cork, Ireland.
- University of Bolzano, Italy.
- University of Genoa, Department of Political Science, Genoa, Italy.
- University of Osnabrück, Institute of Social Sciences, Osnabrück, Germany.
- University of Ottawa, Center for International Policy Studies, Ottawa, Canada.
- University of Oxford, Department of Politics and International Relations.
- University of Reading, Department of Politics, Reading, UK.
- University of Texas, Austin, LBJ School of Public Affairs, Austin, TX.
- University of Trento, School of International Studies, Trento, Italy.
- University of Washington, Department of Political Science, Seattle, WA.

RESEARCH GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND PRIZES

2023	Dist. Visiting Scholar, Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College.
2022	Fernand Braudel Senior Fellowship, European University Institute, Florence, Italy.
2021	Visiting fellowship, Institute for Advanced Studies, University of Bologna, Italy (declined).
2020	Tower Center for Public Policy and International Affairs, SMU: Faculty Research Grant.

2018	Center for Research in the Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities: Conference Grant.
2018	Visiting fellowship, School of International Studies, Trento, Italy.
2017	Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, Paris, France: Visiting Research Fellowship.
2017	British Association for American Studies (BAAS): Small Grant.
2016	Fritz Thyssen Foundation: Workshop Grant.
2016	University of Cambridge: CRASSH Early Career Fellowship.
2014	Philomathia Foundation and Isaac Newton Trust: Small Research Grants.
2014	European Commission: Marie Curie Career Integration Grant (Eur 100,000).
2014-2015	Alexander-von-Humboldt Foundation: Research Fellowship.
2013-2014	German Academic Exchange Council: Leibniz Postdoctoral Fellowship (declined).
2011-2012	European University Institute: Max Weber Postdoctoral Fellowship.
2009-2011	Institute for Humane Studies, Arlington, VA: Graduate Student Fellowship.
2005-2010	Columbia University: Cordier Teaching Fellowship, School of Public Affairs (2009-2010); Graduate Fellowship in Human Rights (2008); Teaching Fellowship in Political Science (2005-2006, 2006-2007, and 2007-2008); Dissertation Fellowship (2008-2009).
2008-09	Ashburn Institute, Washington, DC: Frank Fund Graduate Scholarship.
2006	EU Institute for Security Studies, Paris: Visiting Fellowship.
2005	Rotary Foundation, World Peace Fellowship, global selection (declined).
2005	Futura Foundation, Bolzano, Italy: Research Prize for outstanding academic achievement.
2004-2005	Fulbright Commission: Fulbright Fellowship, held at Harvard Kennedy School of Government; Ranked 1st at Italian national competitive examination out of over 200 applicants.

CONFERENCES AND PANELS ORGANIZED (LAST DECADE ONLY)

2026	"The Politics of the UN Security Council," research workshop, Izmir, Turkey, July 1–3.
2025	"U.S. Military Alliances: Where Do We Stand?," national security symposium, Tower Center for Public Policy and International Affairs, Southern Methodist University, Dallas TX, Nov. 13.
2024	"The United States and the UNSC," SMU Tower Center symposium, Dallas TX, Nov. 14.
2022	"Lone Star" national security workshop (organized with John Schuessler and Alan Kuperman), Texas A&M University, College Station, TX, April 29–30.
2022	"International Intervention in Ethno-National Conflicts," conference panel (with A. Kuperman), Association for the Study of Nationalities World Convention, New York City, May 4–7.
2019	"Arms Control and Nonproliferation," SMU Tower Center symposium, Dallas TX, Dec. 2.
2018	"The French military in Africa since the 1990s," international conference, Univ. of Cambridge.
2017	"The Transatlantic Alliance Today," public speaker series, University of Cambridge.
2016	"Safe Areas as a Response to Humanitarian Crises," international workshop, organized in collaboration with Dr. Daniel Jacob at Freie Universität Berlin.
2016	"Multilateral Military Intervention: Side-payments and Burden Sharing," conference panel, annual meeting of the BISA working group on U.S. foreign policy, Bath, UK.

INVITED PEER REVIEWS

- Scholarly journals: *American Political Science Review*; *African Security*; *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*; *British Journal of Political Science*; *British Journal of Sociology; Constellations Journal; Contemporary Security Policy; Cooperation & Conflict; Critical Review of International Social and Political Philosophy; European Journal of International Relations; European Journal of International Security; European Journal of Political Theory; Foreign Policy Analysis; Global Change, Peace & Security; Global Governance; Globalizations; International Interactions; International Relations of the Asia-Pacific; International Studies Perspectives; International Studies Quarterly; International Theory; Journal of Conflict Resolution; Journal of Strategic Studies; Journal of Transatlantic Studies; Publius: A Journal of Federalism; Review of International Studies*; *Security Studies; Texas National Security Review; West European Politics.*
- Book manuscripts: Berghahn Books; Cambridge University Press; Palgrave Macmillan.
- Applications for research prizes/grants: Grawemeyer World Order Award; Arts and Humanities Research Council, UK; Economic and Social Research Council, UK; Independent Social Research Foundation.

ACADEMIC BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

- Editorial boards: *Les Champs de Mars* (2020-present); *The New Strategist* (2016–2020).
- International advisory boards: *Le Rubicon*, online magazine (2021–present); Conflict Observatory, University of Genoa (2016–present); Italian Standing Group on International Relations (2013–2019).

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- International Studies Association (ISA)
- American Political Science Association (APSA)
- European International Studies Association
- Italian Standing Group on International Relations

LANGUAGES

- English, French, German, Italian (fluent)
- Spanish (working knowledge)
- Standard Arabic (basic)

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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