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CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and Trinity College, 2020–present
Affiliate, Data Sciences Institute, 2021–present

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA
Instructor, Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research, 2023–2026.

Iowa State University, Ames, IA, USA
Associate Professor (with tenure), Department of Political Science, 2020
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2015–2020

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL, USA
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2014–2015

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO, USA
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2013–2014

EDUCATION

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, USA
Ph.D., Political Science, 2013

Iowa State University, Ames, IA, USA
M.A., Political Science, 2008
B.A., Political Science and History, 2006

RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Relations: Major Power Competition, International Hierarchy and Order, Rising Powers, Conflict Processes, Foreign Policy, International Political Economy, State Development

Quantitative Methods: Strategic & Selection Models, Times Series, Event History, Spatial Statistics, Multilevel Models, Non-nested Model Comparison, Measurement Models, Game Theory

EXTERNAL FUNDING

2017–2023. *Modeling Sample Selection for Multi-Level Data Structures* (with Olga Chyzh and Doug Gibler). National Science Foundation. Awards #SES-1728395/1729244. $430,201 ($272,013 to Iowa State University/University of Toronto).

2018–2019. *St. Louis Area Methods Meeting Graduate Student Colloquium* (with Olga Chyzh and Dave Peterson). National Science Foundation. Award #SES-1820923. $15,000.

BOOK

Thies, Cameron G. and Mark David Nieman. 2017. *Rising Powers and Foreign Policy Revisionism: Understanding BRICS Identity and Behavior through Time.* Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

- Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *H-Net Reviews in the Humanities and Social Sciences*, *ProtoView*, and *Mural Internacional* (in Portuguese).

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Nieman, Mark David. 2026. Surrendering Influence: The Effects of Major Power Withdrawal. *International Organization.* Forthcoming.

Nieman, Mark David and David A.M. Peterson. 2026. Long-run Confidence: Estimating Uncertainty when using Long-run Multipliers. *American Journal of Political Science.* https://doi.org/10.1111/ajps.70053

Nieman, Mark David and Maxwell B. Allamong. 2023. Schools of Thought: Leader Education and Policy Outcomes. *Journal of Politics.* 85(4): 1529–1547.

Nieman, Mark David and Douglas M. Gibler. 2023. Peaceful Neighborhoods and Democratic Differences. *Journal of Politics.* 85(1): 92–106.

Nieman, Mark David, Carla Martinez Machain, Olga V. Chyzh, and Sam Bell. 2021. An International Game of Risk: Troop Placement and Major Power Competition. *Journal of Politics.* 83(4): 1307–1321.

McManus, Roseanne W. and Mark David Nieman. 2019. Identifying Major Power Support Signaled for Protégés: A Latent Measure Approach. *Journal of Peace Research.* 56(3): 364–378.

Nieman, Mark David and Cameron G. Thies. 2019. Property Rights Regimes, Technological Innovation, and Foreign Direct Investment. *Political Science Research and Methods.* 7(3): 451–469.

Nieman, Mark David. 2018. Strategic Binary Choice Models with Partial Observability. *Statistica Sinica.* 28(4): 2089–2105.

Nieman, Mark David. 2016. The Return on Social Bonds: Social Hierarchy and International Conflict. *Journal of Peace Research* 53(5): 665-679.

Nieman, Mark David. 2016. Moments In Time: Temporal Patterns in the Effect of Democracy and Trade on Conflict. *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 33(3): 273-293.

Thies, Cameron G., Olga Chyzh, and Mark David Nieman. 2016. The Spatial Dimensions of State Fiscal Capacity: The Mechanisms of International Influence on Domestic Extractive Efforts. *Political Science Research and Methods* 4(1): 5–26.

Nieman, Mark David and Jonathan J. Ring. 2015. The Construction of Human Rights: Accounting for Systematic Bias in Common Human Rights Measures. *European Political Science* 14(4): 473–495.

Nieman, Mark David. 2015. Statistical Analysis of Strategic Interaction with Unobservable Player Actions: Introducing a Strategic Probit with Partial Observability. *Political Analysis* 23(3): 429–448.

Nieman, Mark David. 2011. Shocks and Turbulence: Globalization and the Occurrence of Civil War. *International Interactions* 37(3): 263–292.

Book Chapters

Nieman, Mark David. 2019. Foreign-Policy Challenges in International Political Economy. In *Foreign Policy Issues for America: The Trump Years*, Mansbach, Richard W. and James McCormick (eds). Rutledge.

Thies, Cameron G. and Mark David Nieman. 2011. Protectionism. In *International Encyclopedia of Political Science*, Bertrand Badie, Dirk Berg-Schlosser and Leonardo Morlino (eds). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Other Publications

Nieman, Mark David and David A.M. Peterson. 2026. Long-run Confidence: Estimating Uncertainty when using Long-run Multipliers. *AJPS Blog.* `https://ajps.org/2026/03/10/long-run-confidence-estimating-uncertainty-when-using-long-run-multipliers/`.

Nieman, Mark David and Maxwell Allamong. 2023. Can You Teach Democracy? The Soft Power of Foreign Exchange Programs. *JOP Political Science Blog*. https://jop.blogs.uni-hamburg.de/can-you-teach-democracy-the-soft-power-of-foreign-exchange-programs/.

Nieman, Mark and Doug Gibler. 2023. Why Democracies Aren't More Reliable Alliance Partners? *Political Violence at a Glance*. https://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2023/03/21/why-democracies-arent-more-reliable-alliance-partners/.

Nieman, Mark David. 2019. The Strategic Effects of Time and Uncertainty. Book Review of: David M. Edelstein. 2017, *Over the Horizon: Time, Uncertainty, and the Rise of Great Powers*. Ithaca and London: Cornell University Press. *International Studies Review* 21(1): 170–171.

Working Papers

Coercion and Cooperation: A Balancing Act Between Established and Revisionist Powers (with Isaac Barrash)

State-Controlled Media and Foreign Policy: Analyzing Russian-language News (with Elena Labzina)

The Effect of Dog-whistle Politics on Political Violence (with Olga Chyzh and Clay Webb)

Modeling Structural Selection For Disaggregated Events Data (with Olga Chyzh and Doug Gibler)

A Watershed Moment: Climate Change and Election Outcomes

Uncertainty in Human Rights Indexes (with Jon Ring)

Explaining Variation in Protester Commitment: Survey Evidence from Ukraine's EuroMaidan, 2013–2014 (with Olga Chyzh)

Putting Together the FDI Puzzle: An Endogenous Model of Foreign Direct Investment, Democracy, Economic Development, and Human Capital

Conference Presentations (previous two years)

Major-Power Competition in the Pursuit of Protégés. *Peace Science Society (International)*: Pittsburgh, PA, USA, November 6, 2026.

Surrendering Influence: The Effects of Major Power Withdrawal. *American Political Science Association*: Vancouver, Canada, September 12, 2025.

Surrendering Influence: The Effects of Major Power Withdrawal. *Asociatción Mexicana de Estudios Internacionales–International Studies Association*: Huatulco, Mexico, June 4, 2025.

Coercion and Cooperation: A Balancing Act Between Established and Revisionist Powers (with Isaac Barrash). *Midwest Political Science Association*: Chicago, IL, USA, April 2, 2025.

Additional Training

University of Essex, Colchester, United Kingdom
Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, August 2011

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, July-August 2010

Small Grants

Arts & Science Tri-Council Bridge Funding. Office of Research & Infrastructure. *University of Toronto*. 2026. $4,625.
Arts & Science Tri-Council Bridge Funding. Department of Political Science. *University of Toronto*. 2026. $4,625.

SSHRC Institutional Grant. Department of Political Science, *University of Toronto*. 2025. ($2,000).
SSHRC Institutional Grant. Department of Political Science, *University of Toronto*. 2024. ($1,385).
SSHRC Institutional Grant. Department of Political Science, *University of Toronto*. 2023. ($1,180).
SSHRC Institutional Grant. Department of Political Science, *University of Toronto*. 2020. ($3,000).
Small Grant. Liberal Arts & Sciences, *Iowa State University*. 2019. ($1,200).
Big 12 Faculty Fellowship. Office of the Senior Vice President and Provost, *Iowa State University*. 2018/2019. ($2,000).
Small Grant. Liberal Arts & Sciences, *Iowa State University*. 2018. ($1,200).
Big 12 Faculty Fellowship. Office of the Senior Vice President and Provost, *Iowa State University*. 2017/2018. ($2,000).
Small Grant. Liberal Arts & Sciences, *Iowa State University*. 2017. ($1,150).
Foreign Travel Grant. Liberal Arts & Sciences, *Iowa State University*. 2017. ($1,219.50).
Travel Grant. *International Studies Association*. 2017. ($100).
Small Grant. Liberal Arts & Sciences, *Iowa State University*. 2016. ($1,000).
Travel Grant. *International Studies Association*. 2016. ($100).
Professional Development Grant. *International Studies Association–Midwest*. 2015. ($250).
Laurence Fairall Scholarship. *University of Iowa*. 2008–2013. ($25,000).
Travel Grant. *American Political Science Association*. 2013. ($150).
Travel Grant. *International Studies Association*. 2013. ($250).
Travel Grant. Department of Political Science, *University of Iowa*. 2013. ($1,000).
Travel Grant. Executive Council of Graduate Students, *University of Iowa*. 2013. ($117).
Ada Louisa Ballard and Seashore Dissertation Fellowship. *University of Iowa*. 2012–2013. ($18,000).
Travel Grant. Society for Political Methodology. *National Science Foundation*. 2012. ($750).
Travel Grant. *American Political Science Association*. 2012. ($300).
Travel Grant. Graduate Student Senate, *University of Iowa*. 2012. ($400).
Travel Grant. International Programs, *University of Iowa*. 2012. ($500).
Travel Grant. Society for Political Methodology. *National Science Foundation*. 2011. ($650).
Summer Workshop Funding. Political Science Department, *University of Iowa*. 2011. ($1,500).

Awards

Frank J. Klingberg Best Faculty Paper. "The Effect of Dog-whistle Politics on Domestic Violence." *International Studies Association–Midwest*. 2019. ($200).
Frank J. Klingberg Best Faculty Paper. "Taking Democratic Differences Seriously: A Split-Population Approach." *International Studies Association–Midwest*. 2016. ($200).
James A. Socknat Memorial Fellowship. *Iowa State University*. 2008. ($1,000).
Donald E. Boles Outstanding Graduate Student Award. *Iowa State University*. 2008. ($500).

Teaching Experience

University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

- POL 342: Quantitative Study of War
- POL 362: Global Political Economy II: Policy and Analysis
- POL 477: Advanced Topics in IPE: Political Economy of World Order
- POL 2507: Multiple Regression Analysis for Political Scientists (Graduate)
- POL 2519: Quantitative Methods and Data Analysis (Graduate)
- TRN 350: Scarcity, Sustainability, and the Future of International Relations
- TRN 410: Researching Critical Cases in Contemporary International Relations

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA

- ICPSR Summer Program: Categorical Data Analysis

Iowa State University, Ames, IA, USA

- POLS 251: Introduction to International Relations
- POLS 301: Introduction to Empirical Political Science Research
- POLS 381: International Political Economy
- POLS 453/553: International Organizations (Undergraduate/Graduate)
- POLS 357: International Security Policy

- POLS 504: Proseminar in International Politics (Graduate)
- POLS 315: Strategy and War

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL, USA
- PSC 204: Introduction to International Relations
- PSC 435: Politics and War
- PSC 621: Quantitative Methods II (Graduate)

University of Missouri, Columbia, MO, USA
- POL SC 4540: American Foreign Policy
- POL SC 1400: Introduction to International Relations
- POL SC 4410: Politics and War
- POL SC 4412: Strategy and War

Other Academic Experience

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, USA
Research Assistant
- ICOW data set: Coding Maritime Claims

World Bank, Washington, DC, USA
James A. Socknat Fellow
- Human Development Network—Education Sector

Professional Service

Editorial Service:
2024–2028. Editorial Board Member, *International Studies Quarterly*
2018–2022. Editorial Board Member, *International Studies Review*

Organization Service:
2018-2020, Officer, *International Studies Association-Midwest*
2015-2017, Book Award Committee, *International Studies Association-Midwest*

Reviewer:
American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Democratization, European Political Science Review, Foreign Policy Analysis, Global Studies Quarterly, International Area Studies Review, International Interactions, International Journal, International Organization, International Security, International Studies Quarterly, International Studies Review, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Global Security Studies, Journal of International Relations and Development, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Politics, National Science Foundation*, Political Analysis, Political Science Research and Methods, Public Opinion Quarterly,* Routledge Press*, Security Studies, Sociological Methods and Research*

Conference Organizer:
St. Louis Area Methods Meeting, Ames, IA, April 20, 2018 (with Olga Chyzh and Dave Peterson).

Conference Assistant:
International Studies Association-Midwest Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, November 2–4, 2012.

Conference Discussant:
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver, Canada, September 13, 2025.
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 3, 2025.
Book Workshop, *Beyond the Wire* (Oxford University Press), Kansas State University, KS, November 16, 2021.
International Studies Association–Midwest, St. Louis, MO, November 22–23, 2019.
Society for Political Methodology Summer Meeting, Boston, MA, July 19, 2019.
International Studies Association–Midwest, St. Louis, MO, November 17, 2018.

Society for Political Methodology Summer Meeting, Provo, UT, July 19, 2018.
International Studies Association, San Francisco, CA, April 2, 2018.
International Studies Association–Midwest Annual Meeting, St Louis, MO, November 17–18, 2017.
International Studies Association, Baltimore, MD, February 22–25, 2017.
International Studies Association–Midwest Annual Meeting, St Louis, MO, November 19, 2016.
Society for Political Methodology Summer Meeting, Houston, TX, July 22, 2016.
International Studies Association–Midwest Annual Meeting, St Louis, MO, November 20, 2015.
International Studies Association–Midwest Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, November 7-9, 2014.
International Studies Association, Toronto, March 26–29, 2014
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 3–6, 2014.
International Studies Association–Midwest Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, November 8–10, 2013.
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 11–14, 2013.
International Studies Association–Midwest Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, November 2–4, 2012.

University Service

Iowa State University, Ames, IA
Adviser, United Residents of Off-Campus (student association) 2018–2020.

Department Service

University of Toronto, Toronto, ON
Member, Methods Field Exam, Political Science, 2026
Member, Graduate Admissions, Political Science, 2023–present
Academic Integrity Officer, Political Science, 2022–present
Member, Rabbi Isserman Prize Committee, Political Science, 2026.
Member, Catherwood Scholarship, Trinity College, 2023–2025
Member, Graduate Summer Methods Funding Applicant Review, Political Science, 2025
Member, Ontario Graduate Scholarship Adjudication Committee, Political Science, 2025
Discussant, Quantitative Methods Research Cluster, Political Science, February 27, 2025
Member, Summer Methods Funding Review Committee, Political Science, 2025
Member, Ontario Graduate Scholarship Committee, Political Science, 2023–2024
Member, SSHRC Doctoral Award Adjudication Committee, Political Science, 2023–2024
Session Chair, Undergraduate Research Conference, Trinity College, March 12, 2022

Iowa State University, Ames, IA
Member, Undergraduate Committee, 2015–2020.
Member, Graduate Admissions/Financial Aid Committee, 2015–2017.
Selection Committee, Carrie Chapman Catt Prize for Research on Women and Politics, 2015–2020.
Member, Ad Hoc Governance Document Revision Committee, 2019.

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
Member, Assistant Professor in American Politics Search Committee, 2014–2015.
Member, Colloquium Committee, 2014–2015.
Faculty Mentor, Research Design, 2015.

Graduate Supervision

Iowa State University, Ames, IA, USA
Samantha Fuller. Political Science (MA, 2020). Committee Chair.
Nathan Hoffman. Political Science (MA, 2019). Committee Chair.
Mumtahin Awny. Journalism (MA, 2019). Committee Member.
Darrell Carter. Political Science (MA, 2018). Committee Member.
Brendan Lichtenberg. Political Science (MA, 2017). Committee Chair.
Goran Hassan. Political Science (MA, 2016). Committee Chair.
Elizabeth Dippold. Political Science (MA, 2016). Committee Member.

Undergraduate Supervision

University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada
Vick Gu. Trinity College (Senior Thesis, 2024). Supervisor.
Edward Yoon. Trinity College (Senior Thesis, 2024). Second Reader.

Mostafa El Sharkawy. Trinity College (Senior Thesis, 2023). Second Reader.
Edward Yoon. Political Science (Independent Study, 2021–2022). Supervisor.

References

Available upon request.