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Academic Positions

Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Connecticut, 2020 - *Tenure consideration in Fall 2026

Education

Ph.D. in Political Science, The George Washington University, 2020 M.A..in International Relations, University of Chicago, 2013 B.A..in Political Science and Economics, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, 2012

Books

Evers, Miles M., and Eric Grynaviski. The Price of Empire: American Entrepreneurs and America's First Pacific Empire, 1850-1898, Cambridge University Press. (Winner of 2024 APSA Best Book in Foreign Policy)

Publications

- Evers, Miles M., Steven Schaaf. "The Color of International Trade: How Different Racial Attitudes Affect Public Trade Preferences", *International Interactions* 50(4): 593-623.
- Evers, Miles M., Ling Chen. "Wars Without Gunsmoke: Global Supply Chains, Economic Statecraft, and Power Transitions", *International Security* 48(2): 164-204. (Translated into Chinese)
- Evers, Miles M., "Discovering the Prize: Information, Lobbying, and the Origins of U.S.-Saudi Security Relations", European Journal of International Relations 29(1): 104-128.
- 2020 Evers, Miles M., "Just the Facts: Why Norms Remain Relevant in an Age of Practice", *International Theory* 12(2): 220-230
- 2019 Evers, Miles M., Aleksandr Fisher, and Steven Schaaf, "Is There a Trump Effect? An Experiment on Political Polarization and Audience Costs", *Perspectives on Politics* 17(2): 433-45
- 2017 Evers, Miles, "On Transgression", International Studies Quarterly 61(4): 786-794

Commentary

Policy

- ²⁰²⁴ "Why the United States is Losing the Tech War with China", *Lawfare*, The Brookings Institution.
- 2023 "The Economic War on China is Self-Defeating" Power Problems Podcast, CATO, 49:00.
- 2020 "The Business of Grand Strategy: Corporations, Economic Statecraft, and Geopolitical Competition" with Geoffrey Gertz, The Washington Quarterly 43(2), 117-136
- 2019 "If Trump backs down from his latest Iran threat, will he lose support? We checked," with Aleksandr Fisher and Steven Schaaf, *The Washington Post Monkey Cage.* June 26
- 2014 "The Biggest Threat to China's Growing Military Might," The National Interest, July 16
- 2014 "The Fatally Flawed Fragile States Index," The National Interest, July 15

Reviews

- 2021 Evers, Miles, "Review of Social Practices of Rule-Making in World Politics by Mark Raymond," H-Diplo, ISSF Review Essay 56.
- 2019 Evers, Miles, "Diplomatic Origins of International Hierarchy: Review of *International Pecking Orders: The Politics and Practice of Multilateral Diplomacy* by Vincent Pouliot," *International Studies Review* 21(4), 716-717

Ongoing Research

BOOK PROJECTS

"Corporate Intelligence: American Multinationals and the Politics of Investment Protection"

ARTICLES

- "Anachronism in International Relations Theory," with Arjun Chowdhury (revise-and-resubmit)
- "Private Empires: Charter Companies in the Origins of the Modern International System"
- "Roll for Racism: An Experiment on Fantasy and World Racial Imaginaries", with Eric Grynaviski and Steven Schaaf

Grants, Honors, and Awards

- 2022 OVPR Scholarship Facilitation Award, University of Connecticut
- 2019 Wolfgang and Astrid Kraus Endowment Scholarship, George Washington University
- 2018 Graduate Research Fund, George Washington University
- 2017 Ph.D. Scholarship, Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University
- 2017 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Grant, George Washington University
- 2012 Honors, Magna Cum Laude, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
- 2011 Independent Research Grant, College of Liberal Arts, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities
- 2010 Independent Research Grant, College of Liberal Arts, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Teaching & Advising

Undergraduate Courses

Introduction to International Relations
International Security
U.S. Foreign Policy
International Political Economy
The Political Economy of International Security
Contemporary Debates in IR Theory

GRADUATE COURSES

Proseminar on International Relations International Affairs Cornerstone

Ph.D. Dissertation Committees

Minju Lee Bieu Tran Matthew Parent

Master's Theses

Misha Shahid

Undergraduate Research

Hideto Kurokawa

Karus Sabio

Chase Mack

Conferences, Workshops, & Talks

Conferences

- 2024 Presenter, "Beyond the Battlefield," with Bieu Tran, International Studies Association Northeast Annual Conference
- 2023 Presenter, "Weaponization during Power Transitions," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting
- 2023 Discussant, "Roundtable on Foreign Policy Attitudes and Engagement in a Diverse Society," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting
- 2022 Chair, "Roundtable on Power Elites in Global Political Economy," International Studies Association Annual Meeting
- 2022 Presenter, "Chartering Empire: Private Authority and the Birth of the Modern International System," International Studies Association Annual Meeting

- 2022 Presenter,"The Price of Empire: Entrepreneurs and American Expansion in the Pacific," with Eric Grynaviski, International Studies Association Annual Meeting
- 2022 Presenter, "The Color of International Trade: An Experiment on Racism in Public Attitudes Towards International Trade," International Studies Association Annual Meeting
- 2022 Presenter,"Weaponizing the Supply Chain: The Impact of U.S.-China Tech War on State-Business Relations," with Ling Chen, International Studies Association Annual Meeting
- ²⁰²¹ Presenter, "Revising the Deal: Corporate Power and the Origins of the U.S.-Saudi Security Partner-ship," International Studies Association Annual Meeting
- 2021 Presenter,"Chartering Empire: Private Authority and the Birth of the Modern International System," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting
- 2019 Presenter,"Revising the Deal: Corporate Power and the Origins of the U.S.-Saudi Security Partnership," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting
- 2018 Presenter, "In the Midst of Empire: Brokerage and Nineteenth Century U.S. Pacific Imperialism," with Eric Grynaviski, International Studies Association Annual Meeting
- 2016 Presenter, "Brothers in Arms: National Markets, Defense Industrial Integration, and the Capitalist Peace," International Studies Association Annual Meeting
- 2016 Presenter,"Global Outsiders: Deviant Practice and Noncompliant Behavior in International Relations," International Studies Association Northeast Meeting
- 2013 Presenter, "Producing (In) Security: How Arms Integration Failed in Europe," ISSS-ISAC Conference,
- 2012 Presenter, "Exploding Space: U.S.-Sino Space Relations and the Commercialization of Space," Midwest Political Science Association-Annual Meeting,
- 2012 Presenter, "Exploding Space: U.S.-Sino Space Relations and the Commercialization of Space," New England Political Science Association Conference

INVITED TALKS

- ²⁰²³ "Private Wars: Corporate Intelligence and the Roots of American Intervention," Croft Institute of International Studies at University of Mississippi
- ²⁰²¹ "The Color Line in International Justice: How Colorism Shapes Public Attitudes towards the ICC," Resistance and Opposition to Liberal International Institutions, University of Chicago
- ²⁰²¹ "Entrepreneurs and Imperialism: Commodities and the US Pacific Empire, 1800-1900" University of Cincinnati
- ²⁰²⁰ "Entrepreneurs and Imperialism: Commodities and the US Pacific Empire, 1800-1900" International Relations and America's Rise: Institutions, Ideas, and Individuals, University of Chicago
- ²⁰¹⁶ "Does Compliance with International Law Improve China's Image?" with Rachel Stein, International Law, Norms, and Public Opinion About Foreign Policy, Niehaus Center at Princeton University

Workshops

Workshop on International Politics, University of Chicago, 2024
IR Workshop, George Washington University, 2018, 2017, 2015
Program on International Politics, Security, and Economics, University of Chicago, 2012

Additional Skills

ARCHIVAL RESEARCH

The National Security Archive (Washington, D.C.), Foreign Relations of the United States (Online), National Archives and Records of the United States I and II (Washington, D.C.), Library of Congress (Washington, D.C.), Roosevelt Presidential Library, Stanford Museum (Sanford, Florida), Herbert Hoover Presidential Library (West Branch, Iowa), Baker Business Library (Boston, Massachusetts)

COMPUTATIONAL

R, Stata, Qualtrics, MTurk, LATEX

CERTIFICATION

Introduction to U.S. Anti-Black Racism, University of ConnecticutInstitute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University

Service

Referee: Cambridge University Press; Chinese Journal of International Relations; International Interactions; International Politics; International Studies Quarterly; International Theory; Politics, Groups, and Identities; Review of International Political Economy

Member: American Political Science Association, International Studies Association

University: Director of Graduate Placement; Director of Washington D.C. Congressional Internship Program; Ph.D. Admissions Committee Member; Department Speaker Series Coordinator; Augusta H. Gerberich Scholarship Committee Member

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