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## CURRENT POSITION

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### Associate Professor

Trinity College, Department of Political Science, July 2019 - present

## EDUCATION

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**Ph.D.** Political Science, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, May 2010

**M.A.** Political Science, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, 2007

**B.A.** Politics, Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA, 1999 (*cum laude*, with honors in Politics)

## PREVIOUS POSITIONS

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### Assistant Professor

Trinity College, Department of Political Science, 2013 – 2019

### American Council for Learned Societies (ACLS) New Faculty Fellow

Department of Political Science, Johns Hopkins University, 2011-2013

### Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow

Center for the Humanities, Wesleyan University, 2010-2011

### Visiting Scholar

Department of Political Science, Dartmouth College, 2009-2010

### Visiting Instructor

Department of Political Science, Macalester College, spring 2008 & spring 2009

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Books

*Free Speech and Koch Money: Manufacturing a Campus Culture War*, with Ralph Wilson (Pluto Press, 2021).

- Reviewed in: Times Higher Education, The Progressive, Academe (AAUP), TruthOut, National Review

*Making the World Global: U.S. Universities and the Production of the Global Imaginary* (Duke University Press, 2019).

- Reviewed in: American Quarterly, Contemporary Sociology, H-Diplo, International Politics Reviews (forum), New Political Science, Perspectives on Politics, Reviews in American History, Journal of American History.

## Edited Books

*Politics of African Anticolonial Archive*, Shiera S. el-Malik and Isaac Kamola, eds. (London: Rowman and Littlefield International, 2017).

*The Transnational Politics of Higher Education: Contesting the Global/Transforming the Local*, Meng-Hsuan Chou, Isaac Kamola, and Tamson Pietsch, eds. (New York: Routledge, 2016).

## Edited Journal Issue

“Higher Education and World Politics” (with Neema Noori), symposium in *PS: Political Science and Politics*, 47(3), July 2014, 599-627.

## Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

“From Global IR to Anti-Imperial Worldmaking,” *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, 2023.

“Sensationalized Surveillance: Campus Reform and the Targeted Harassment of Faculty,” with Sam McCarthy, *New Political Science*, 2021.

“IR, the Critic, and the World: From Reifying the Discipline to Decolonizing the University,” *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, 2020, 1-26.

“Flipping the Academic Conference, or How We Wrote a Peer-Reviewed Journal Article in a Day,” with Ilan Baron, Jonathan Havercroft, Jonneke Koomen, & Alex Prichard, *Alternatives: Global, Local, Political*, 2020, 1-17.

“The Long ‘68: African Universities, Decolonization, and the Emergence of a World University System,” *Cultural Politics*, 15(3), 2019, 303-314.

“Dear Administrators: To Protect Your Faculty from Right-Wing Attacks, Follow the Money,” *Journal of Academic Freedom*, 10, 2019, 1-22.

“Five Tips on Contingency,” *PS: Political Science and Politics*, 52(3), July 2019, 522-523.

“Liberal Pacification and the Phenomenology of Violence,” with Ilan Baron, Jonathan Havercroft, Jonneke Koomen, Justin Murphy & Alex Prichard, *International Studies Quarterly*, 63(1), 2018, 199-212.

“Pirate Capitalism, or the Primitive Accumulation of Capital Itself,” *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, 2018, 1-22.

“Memories from Conferences Past: Reflections on Academic Knowledge Production,” *Borderlands*, 16(2), 2017, 1-13.

“Steve Biko and a Critique of Global Governance as White Liberalism,” *African Identities*, 2014, 1-15.

- Reprinted in: *African Political Thought of the Twentieth Century: A Re-engagement*, Shiera S. el-Malik, ed. (New York: Routledge, 2016), 62-76.

“U.S. Universities and the Production of the Global Imaginary,” *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*, 16, 2014, 515-533.

“Why Global?: Diagnosing the Globalization Literature Within a Political Economy of Higher Education,” *International Political Sociology*, 7(1), March 2013, 41-58.

“Pursuing Excellence in a ‘World-Class African University’: The Mamdani Affair and the Politics of Global Higher Education,” *Journal of Higher Education in Africa*, 9(1&2), 2011, 147-168.

“Creating Commons: Divided Governance, Participatory Management, and Struggles Against the Enclosure of the University” (with Eli Meyerhoff), *Polygraph* 21, 2009, 15-37.

“The Global Coffee Economy and the Production of Genocide in Rwanda,” *Third World Quarterly* 28(3), April 2007, 571-592.

## Book Chapters

- “Academic Freedom and Dark Money Donors: The Cases of Wisconsin, North Carolina, and Florida,” in *Academic Freedom in a Plural World: Global Critical Perspectives*, Nandini Ramanujam & Frédéric Mégret, eds. Central European Press (forthcoming).
- “A Koch-funded Racial Backlash: Understanding the Critical Race Theory Moral Panic (in Four Acts),” in *The Right to Learn: The War on Higher Education in a Multicultural Democracy*, Valerie Johnson, Jennifer Ruth, and Ellen Schrecker (eds). Beacon Press (forthcoming).
- “Searching for Sugar Man: Apartheid and the Global Imaginary,” *Revisiting the Global Imaginary: Theories, Ideologies, Subjectivities. Essays in Honour of Manfred Steger*, Chris Hudson and Erin K. Wilson, eds. (Palgrave MacMillan, 2019), 67-83.
- “The Arab Spring, U.S. Intervention, and the Politics of Rwandan Remorse,” *U.S. Approaches to the Arab Uprisings: International Relations and Democracy Promotion*, Amentahru Wahrlab and Michael J. McNeal, eds. (London: I. B. Tauris, 2018), 75-95.
- “Introduction: Politics of African Anticolonial Archive” (with Shiera S. el-Malik), *Politics of African Anticolonial Archive*, Shiera S. el-Malik and Isaac Kamola, eds. (London: Rowman and Littlefield International, 2017), 1-15.
- “Realism without Abstraction: Amílcar Cabral and a Politics of the World,” *Politics of African Anticolonial Archive*, Shiera S. el-Malik and Isaac Kamola, eds. (London: Rowman and Littlefield International, 2017), 83-99.
- “The Transnational Politics of Higher Education” (with Meng-Hsuan Chou and Tamson Pietsch), *The Transnational Politics of Higher Education: Contesting the Global/Transforming the Local*, Meng-Hsuan Chou, Isaac Kamola, and Tamson Pietsch, eds. (New York: Routledge, 2016), 1-20.
- “Situating ‘The Global University’ in South Africa,” *The Transnational Politics of Higher Education: Contesting the Global/Transforming the Local*, Meng-Hsuan Chou, Isaac Kamola, and Tamson Pietsch, eds. (New York: Routledge, 2016), 42-62.
- “Africa and Globalization,” *The SAGE Handbook of Globalization*, Manfred B. Steger, Paul Battersby and Joseph Siracusa, eds. (London: SAGE Publications, 2014), 231-243.
- “The Politics of Knowledge Production: On Structure and the World of ‘The Wire,’” *Everything is Connected: The Politics of HBO’s ‘The Wire’*, Shirin Deylami and Jonathan Havercroft, eds. (New York: Routledge, 2014), 59-86.
- “Capitalism at Sea: Piracy and ‘State Failure’ in the Gulf of Aden,” *Globalization, Social Movements and Peacebuilding*, Jackie Smith and Ernesto Verdeja, eds. (Syracuse University Press, 2013), 134-158.
- “Reading the Global in the Absence of Africa,” *Thinking International Relations Differently*, Arlene B. Tickner and David L. Blaney, eds. (Routledge, 2012), 183-204.

## Symposia, Review Essays, Published Interviews, and Invited Articles

- “Kamola Vignette: Boycotting ‘Consultation Theater,’” in *A Faculty Guide to Effective Shared Governance and Service*, Kirsti Cole, Joanne Baird Giordano, and Holly Hassel. Routledge (forthcoming).
- “Global Imaginaries,” *Elgar Encyclopedia of Global Social Theory*, Gert Verschraegen and Raf Vanderstraeten (eds.). (forthcoming)
- “Louis Althusser,” *Encyclopedia of Critical Political Science*, Clyde Barrow, ed. (forthcoming).
- “Manfred Steger,” *Encyclopedia of Critical Political Science*, Clyde Barrow, ed. (forthcoming).
- “Reflections on Universities, Politics, and the Capitalist State: An Interdisciplinary and Intergenerational Discussion with Clyde Barrow,” interview with Clyde W. Barrow and Heather Steffen, *ACME: An International Journal for Critical Geographies*, 22(2), 2023, 878-893.
- “Who is Behind the ‘War on Woke’: An Interview with Ralph Wilson and Isaac Kamola,” with Liz Fekete, *Race & Class*, 63(2), 38–54.
- “Class, Politics, and Higher Education: *Universities and the Capitalist State* Thirty Years On,” interview with Clyde W. Barrow and Heather Steffen, *Journal of Academic Freedom*, Vol. 12, 2021.

- “Whom Does Campus Reform Target and What Are the Effects?,” with Hans-Joerg Tiede, Samantha McCarthy, and Alyson K. Spurgas, *Academe* online, American Association of University Professors (AAUP), Spring 2021.
- “QAnon and the Digital Lumpenproletariat,” *New Political Science*, 46(3), 2021, 231-34.
- “The University and the World,” *International Politics Reviews*, 2021.
- “A Time for Anticolonial Theory” (review essay), *Contemporary Political Theory*, 18(2), 2017, 67-74.
- “Higher Education and World Politics” (with Neema Noori), *PS: Political Science and Politics*, 47(3), July 2014, 599-603.
- “The African University as ‘Global’ University,” *PS: Political Science and Politics*, 47(3), July 2014, 604-607.
- “Coffee and Genocide: A Political Economy of Violence in Rwanda,” *Transition: An International Review*, 99 (2008), 54-70.

## Book Reviews

- Emilio de Ípola, trans. Gavin Arnall, *Althusser, The Infinite Farewell* (Duke 2018). In *New Political Science*, 2020, 42(2), 246-249.
- Nancy MacLean, *Democracy in Chains: The Deep History of the Radical Right's Stealth Plan for America* (Viking, 2017). In *Populism*, 2018, 1, 214-218.
- Peter Koehn and Milton Obamba, *The Transnationally Partnered University: Insights from Research and Sustainable Development Collaborations in Africa* (Palgrave, 2014). In *Journal of Modern African Studies*, 2016 54(1), 171-172.
- Atilio A. Boron, *Empire and Imperialism: A Critical Reading of Michael Hardt and Antonio Negri* (Zed Books, 2005). In *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, September 2007 35(3), 767- 769.
- Isabelle Duyvesteyn, *Clausewitz and African War: Politics and Strategy in Liberia and Somalia* (Frank Cass, 2005). In *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, August 2006 34(3), 987-989.

## Media and Blog Posts (Selected)

- “The Attacks on Higher Education in Florida are Part of a Global Crisis,” with Alexander Barder and Aida Hozic, *Le Monde*, May 2, 2023.
- “Where Does the Bizarre Hysteria About ‘Critical Race Theory’ Come From? Follow the Money!,” *Inside HigherEd*, June 3, 2021.
- “Crashing the Academic Conversation,” *Chronicle of Higher Education*, July 9, 2017.
- “Towards a Transnational Politics of Higher Education” (with Meng-Hsuan Chou and Tamson Pietsch), *Europe of Knowledge*, July 2016.
- “Higher Education and World Politics,” *Europe of Knowledge* (September 2014)
- “Piracy in the Gulf of Aden: Profit, Media, and Superpower Redemption?” *Critical Investigations into Humanitarianism in Africa*, December 15, 2009.

**Appearances:** *Democratic Perspective* (KAZM 780 AM), *New Books Network* (podcast), *International Politics Reviews* (podcast), *Conjuncture* (podcast)

**Interviewed for articles in:** *The New York Times*, National Public Radio, Minnesota Public Radio, *Chronicle of Higher Education*, *Inside HigherEd*, *The Progressive*, *The Intercept*, *Times Higher Education*, *National Catholic Reporter*, *TruthOut*, *Augusta Chronicle*, *Supermiljöbloggen* (Sweden), *The Arbiter*, *The Messenger*

## Under Review

- “‘An Arsenal of Futures’: Insurgent Temporality and the Archive of Anticolonial Struggle” with Asli Calkivik, for special issue of *South Atlantic Quarterly*
- Cease and Desist: Global Challenges to Academic Knowledge Production*, with Aida A. Hozic and Alexander D. Barder (eds), proposal under review at *Oxford University Press*.

## CURRENT PROJECTS

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- The Atlas Network: Climate Denial, Dark Money, and the World Politics of Extreme Wealth* (book manuscript in progress)
- Cease and Desist: Global Challenges to Academic Knowledge Production*, with Aida A. Hozic and Alexander D. Barder co-eds. (proposal under review)
- “Manufacturing an Anti-Academic Moral Panic: The Case of Florida” with Ralph Wilson (article in progress)
- “Universities Matter: Land, Settler Colonialism, and the Making of American Empire” (article in progress)

## INVITED TALKS, WORKSHOPS, AND PUBLIC LECTURES

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- “From Factory to Field: The Deep Relations of Knowledge Cultivation,” Looking Local in the Academy: Embodied Imaginaries and Praxis workshop, Freie Universität Berlin, May 2023 (virtual)
- “Understanding the Attacks on DEI in Iowa,” University of Iowa, AAUP-chapter, May 2023 (virtual)
- “Dealing With Trolls,” Center for Ideas & Society, University of California-Riverside, April 2023 (virtual)
- “The Politics of Speech: Manufacturing a Campus Culture War” keynote, Worcester State University, April 2023.
- “Understanding the Right-Wing Attack on Higher Education,” Virginia-AAUP State Convention, March 2023 (virtual)
- “Making the World Global: U.S. Universities and the Production of the Global Imaginary,” Emotions, Populism and Polarization Research Group, University of Helsinki, Finland, March 2023.
- “The Atlas Network: Corporate Dark Money and World Politics (Notes Towards an Investigation),” Political Science Department, Cornell University, February 2023.
- “Making the World Global: US Universities and Production of the Global Imaginary,” College of Liberal Studies, New York University, November 2022.
- “Academic Freedom and the Public University,” Office of the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, University of Oregon, October 2022 (virtual)
- “Campus Culture War and Targeted Attacks on Faculty,” Boise State Federation of Teachers, Boise State, October 2022 (virtual)
- “The Koch Donor Network and Educational Gag Orders: The Case of Texas,” Texas Faculty Association, Annual Meeting, September 2022 (virtual)
- “Understanding the Outrage Machine: How Universities Can Effectively Respond to the Targeted Harassment of Faculty,” Gallaudet University, Washington, DC, August 2022 (virtual)
- “Critical Race Theory: Researching the Origins of Manufactured Right-Wing Crises,” Summer Institute, American Association of University Professors (AAUP), Reno, NV, July 2022.
- “Abolish the University?: Abolitionist and Critical Studies Within and Beyond Higher Education,” Cultural Studies Graduate Group, University of California-Davis, May 2022.
- “Targeted Harassment of Faculty: Understanding the Problem, Preparing Successful Responses” webinar, American Association of University Professors (AAUP), April 2022 (virtual)
- “Free Speech and Koch Money: Contextualizing the FIRE Storm at University of Oklahoma,” AAUP chapter, University of Oklahoma, April 2022 (virtual)

- “Sensationalized Surveillance: Campus Reform and the Targeted Harassment of Faculty,” University of Connecticut Law School, March 2022.
- “Threats to Higher Education: Discussion with Ralph Wilson and Isaac Kamola,” Emerson College, February 2022 (virtual)
- “Free Speech and Koch Money,” Charlotte County Democratic Party, FL, January 2022 (virtual)
- “Koch Money on College Campuses,” Brown University, November 2021 (virtual)
- “Politically-Motivated Philanthropy in Higher Ed,” Future U, Michigan State University, July 2021 (virtual)
- “Making the World Global: The World Bank, Human Capital, and Construction of the Neoliberal Academy,” Assembling Postcapitalist International Political Economy (POSTCAPE), Tampere University, May 2021 (virtual).
- “Leadership Strategies for Addressing Coordinated Attacks on Free Speech,” Executive Leadership Institute, Office of the President, University of Tennessee system, May 2021 (virtual).
- “Teaching Thomas Sankara,” International Studies, DePaul University, May 2021 (virtual).
- “Academic Freedom,” Faculty Staff Union forum, U-Mass Boston, March 2021 (virtual).
- “Campus Reform and Academic Freedom,” AAUP-Union College, February 2021 (virtual).
- “We Will Not Be Silenced: The Repression of Academic Freedom and Resistance, from Leila Khaled to UMass Boston,” University of Massachusetts-Boston, October 2020 (virtual).
- “Making the World Global: US Universities and the Production of the Global Imaginary,” University in Exile, New School, April 2020 (virtual).
- “Whose Crisis? Whose University?: Abolitionist Study in and Beyond Global Higher Education” workshop, Duke University, October 2019.
- “Making the World Global: U.S. Universities and the Production of the Global Imaginary,” Whitman College, October 2019.
- “Translating/Reading/Archiving Thomas Sankara” workshop, DePaul University, September 2019.
- “Making the World Global: U.S. Universities and the Production of the Global Imaginary,” Centre for Global Knowledge Studies, Cambridge University, June 2019.
- “The United States and Global Higher Education,” Fung Global Fellows Program, Princeton University, May 2019.
- “Doing IR Differently” workshop, Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Ecuador, July 2018
- “US Policy in Africa,” National Foreign Affairs Training Center, United States Department of State, Washington DC, February 2013
- “Re-worlding ‘the Global’ within a Political Economy of Higher Education,” Department of Political Science, American University, February 2012
- “The Crisis of the ‘Global’ University, in South Africa,” Political Science Colloquium, Johns Hopkins, November 2011
- “Higher Education and the Production of the Global Imaginary,” Center for the Humanities, Wesleyan University, October 2010
- “Somali Pirates, Global Governance and Policing the Circulation of Capital,” Globalization, Social Movements, and Peacebuilding Workshop, University of Notre Dame, October 2009

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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### Conference Papers

- “Abolitionist (Academic) Freedom in/against/beyond the Post-Emancipation University,” American Studies Association, New Orleans, November 2022.
- “Rogue Archives, and the Memory of the Future,” International Studies Association, Nashville, March 2022.
- “Revolution as a Mode of Study: The Radical Pedagogy of Thomas Sankara,” International Studies Association, Nashville, March 2022.

“Free Speech and Koch Money: How to Defend Yourself and Your Colleagues from the Right’s Campus Culture War,” American Historical Association (virtual), January 2022  
 “How to Problematize the Global?,” Millennium Conference (virtual), October 2021  
 “Revolution as a Mode of Study: The Radical Pedagogy of Thomas Sankara,” American Political Science Association (virtual), September 2021  
 “Whose Land? Whose University?: Re-Imagining the American Land Grant University,” International Studies Association (virtual), April 2021  
 “Learning From Sankara: A Pedagogy of Revolution,” International Studies Association-Northeast, November, 2021 (virtual)  
 “Free Speech and Dark Money: Koch Funding of the Campus Free Speech Movement,” American Political Science Association (virtual), September 2020  
 “African Uprisings, African Archives: Contemporary Struggle and the Curation of Anticolonial Archives” (with Shiera Malik), ISA International Conference, Accra, Ghana, August 2019.  
 “Dear Trustees, If You are Actually Committed to Protecting Your Faculty from Well-Funded, Ideologically Motivated Right-Wing Attacks You Can Start by Following the Money,” Western Political Science Association, San Diego, April 2019  
 “Milton Friedman in South Africa: Apartheid, Economic Choice, and Racial Violence of Neoliberalism,” International Studies Association, Toronto, March 2019  
 “The Long ’68: African Universities, Decolonization, and the Emergence of a World University System,” American Studies Association, Atlanta, November 2018  
 “Defeshizing IR: The First Step in Decolonizing an American Social Science,” FLASCO-ISA, Quito, Ecuador, July 2018  
 “From Critical to Decolonial IR Theory: Situating an American Social Science within the World of Higher Education,” Millennium Conference, London, October 2017  
 “Pirate Economics: The Primitive Accumulation of Capital Itself,” International Studies Association, Baltimore, February 2017  
 “Universities Matter: Higher Education, Colonialism, and the Production of Academic Knowledge,” International Studies Association, Baltimore, February 2017  
 “John Sexton, Branch Campuses, and the Reproduction of the ‘Global’ University,” American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016  
 “The Making of a Neoliberal Common Sense: A Content Analysis of News Coverage From the PATCO and NUM Strikes” (with Elliot Barron), New England Political Science Association, April 2016  
 “Memories from Conferences Past,” International Studies Association, Atlanta, March 2016  
 “Global Studies, Philanthropic Giving, and the World of Higher Education,” International Studies Association, Atlanta, March 2016  
 “University Rankings as Symptom: Diagnosing a Structural Crisis within the Political Economy of Higher Education,” International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 2015  
 “Re-worlding the Global,” Western Political Science Association, Seattle, April 2014  
 “What is the Value of a University?: or, the Crisis of the International Political Economy of Higher Education,” International Studies Association, Toronto, March 2014  
 “Realism within the Conjuncture of Anticolonial Struggle: Cabral and the Limits of International Relations Theory,” International Studies Association, Toronto, March 2014  
 “Realism within the Conjuncture of Anticolonial Struggle: Cabral and the Limits of International Relations Theory,” International Studies Association-Northeast, Providence, November 2013  
 “Reading Althusser within the Neoliberal University,” American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 2013  
 “The World Bank and the Political Economy of Higher Education,” International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 2013

- “Producing the Global Imaginary within American Business Schools,” Western Political Science Association, Hollywood, March 2013
- “Reading Althusser within the Neoliberal University,” Western Political Science Association, San Antonio, April 2011
- “Narrating Structure: On the Wire and Social Science,” Western Political Science Association, San Antonio, April 2011
- “Sailing the Capitalist Seas: Piracy and Accumulation in the Gulf of Aden,” International Studies Association, Montreal, March 2011
- “Overdetermination and the Crisis of Higher Education: Towards an Immanent Social Science,” American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2010
- “From the Development University to the Global University: A Look at the University of Minnesota’s Office of International Programming,” Beneath the University, the Commons Conference, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, April 2010
- “Critical Tensions: Situating ‘Critical IR Theory’ Within a Political Economy of Higher Education,” International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 2010
- “Teaching Africa in an African University: Rereading the 1998 Curriculum Debate at the University of Cape Town,” Rethinking Marxism, Amherst, November 2009
- “Violence in the Age of its Graphic Reproduction: Joe Sacco and the Craft of Comic Book Journalism,” International Studies Association, New York, February 2009
- “Reading ‘the Global’ in the Absence of Africa,” International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 2010
- “Reading ‘the Global’ in the Absence of Africa,” American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008
- “The US Academy and the Production of the Global Imaginary,” International Studies Association, New York, February 2009
- “Creating Commons: Divided Governance, Participatory Management, and Struggles Against the Enclosure of the University” (with Eli Meyerhoff), International Studies Association, San Francisco, March 2008
- “Creating Commons: Divided Governance, Participatory Management, and Struggles Against the Enclosure of the University” (with Eli Meyerhoff), Western Political Science Association, San Diego, March 2008
- “The Global as Social Imaginary,” Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, March 2007
- “The International Coffee Economy and the Production of Genocide in Rwanda,” Western Political Science Association, Albuquerque, March 2006
- “The International Coffee Economy and the Production of Genocide in Rwanda,” International Studies Association, San Diego, March 2006

### **Other Conference Participation**

- “Political Pressures on Pedagogy and Practice” co-moderator, Association of Departments of English (ADE) and the Association of Language Departments (ALD) Summer Seminar, Washington DC, June 2023 (virtual)
- “Author Meets Critics: Isaac Kamola’s ‘Free Speech and Koch Money’” roundtable, International Studies Association, Montreal, March 2023.
- “Teaching Thomas Sankara” roundtable, International Studies Association, Montreal, March 2023.
- “Mahmood Mamdani -- Neither Settler Nor Native” roundtable, International Studies Association, Montreal, March 2023.
- “Knowledge Alchemy: The Race for Models in Global Knowledge Governance” roundtable, International Studies Association, Montreal, March 2023.
- “Contingency and Academic Freedom” roundtable, American Political Science Association (virtual), September 2022.



“Capitalism and Ideology: The Global Politics of Knowledge Production” roundtable, International Studies Association (virtual), March 2022.

“Pedagogy as if Life Mattered” roundtable, International Studies Association, Nashville, March 2022.

“Robbie Shilliam: Race, Coloniality, and the Possibility of Decolonizing Politics” roundtable, International Studies Association-Northeast (virtual), November 202.

“How to Study a University: The Case of Johns Hopkins” roundtable, American Studies Association (virtual), October 2021.

“Debt, Accumulation, and Education” chair, American Studies Association (virtual), October 2021.

“Structural Political Economy: Re-thinking the Weight of Structures in the Enduringly Colonial Present” roundtable, International Studies Association (virtual), April 2021

“Intersections in Contemporary Capitalism: Race, Climate, and Urban Transformation” chair/discussant, International Studies Association (virtual), April 2021

“Interrogating Globalization: Making the World Global: U.S. Universities and the Production of the Global Imaginary” roundtable, International Studies Association (virtual), April 2021

“Our Future in Our Hands: How to Handle the Gig Academe,” American Political Science Association” (virtual), September 2020

“Politically Engage Political Theory: Beyond Education and Cooking UP a Revolution” roundtable, American Political Science Association, Washington DC, September 2019

“International Political Economy: Markets, Taxes, and Power” chair/discussant, ISA International Conference, Accra, Ghana, August 2019

“Money, Sex, Racism, and Power in Higher Education Funding and Policies” discussant, Western Political Science Association, San Diego, April 2019

“Building Kilombo: International Relations and Colonial Questions” roundtable, International Studies Association, Toronto, March 2019

“Beyond Global IR: Theoretical Challenges and Historical Approaches” discussant, International Studies Association, Toronto, March 2019

“Parsing Trumpian Times: From Alternative Facts to Alternative Parties” discussant, American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2018

“Minority and Gender Studies in Political Science Education” discussant, American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2018

“The State, Race, and Future Imaginaries” discussant, International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 2018

“Authors Meet Critics: ‘What is Global Studies? Theory and Practice’” roundtable, International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 2018

“Translating/Reading/Archiving II: Thomas Sankara” chair, International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 2018

“Politics of African Anticolonial Archive” chair, International Studies Association, Baltimore, February 2017

“Higher Education Meets Neoliberalism: International Perspectives on Transformation and Contestation in Global Academia” roundtable, International Studies Association, Baltimore, February 2017

“Neoliberalization and the Academy: Building Networks of Solidarity/Resistance” roundtable, International Studies Association, Baltimore, February 2017

“Revolutions and Counterrevolutions” discussant, American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016

“Youth Politics and Activism in Africa” discussant, American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016

“New Global Politics?: Internationalizing the Caucus for a New Political Science” discussant, American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016

“Global Justice” roundtable, British International Studies Association, Edinburgh 2016

“Circulation, Sovereignty, Sabotage: Critical Approaches to the Global Supply Chain” chair and discussant, International Studies Association, Atlanta, March 2016

“Diversifying International Struggles: Theory and Practice in Global Justice” discussant, American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2015

“Reimagining Radical Politics Today” roundtable, American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2015

“Diversifying International Struggles: Theory and Practice in Global Justice” discussant, American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2015

“New Materialism(s) and the Post-Colony” chair, International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 2015

“Narratives of Contingency in the Worlds of Higher Education” chair, International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 2015

“The Contested Worlds of Higher Education: Universities and Global Governance” roundtable, International Studies Association, New Orleans, February 2015

“Towards an Abolitionist Political Science: Abolitionist and Decolonial Politics in Theory and Practice” discussant, American Political Science Association, Washington DC, August 2014

“Critical Reflections on Peacebuilding, Globalization, and Social Movements” roundtable, International Studies Association, Toronto, March 2014

“Global Systemic Crisis and Paradigm Shifts: What Does History and Experience Really Say About System Transformation?” chair, International Studies Association, Toronto, March 2014

“Imagining the Futures of ‘Critical IR Theory’” roundtable, International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 2013

“Somali Piracy in Theoretical, Historical, and Global Perspective” chair, International Studies Association, New Orleans, LA, February 2010

“Higher Education in Hard Times” chair, American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2010

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

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“Carbon Post-Colonialism: How the Atlas Network Manufactured the Narrative of Carbon-based Development in Africa,” Climate Social Science Network, 2023-24.

Academic Freedom Foundation grant, American Association of University Professors (AAUP), 2022-23.

Academic Freedom Foundation grant, American Association of University Professors (AAUP), 2021-22.

A. Leroy Bennett Award for Best Paper (honorable mention), International Studies Association-Northeast, 2015

Junior Faculty Research Fellowship, Trinity College, 2014-15

American Council for Learned Societies (ACLS) New Faculty Fellow, 2011-13

Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow, Wesleyan University, 2010-11

Graduate Research Partnership Program Grant, University of Minnesota, summer 2008

Council of Graduate Students Leadership Award (honorable mention), University of Minnesota, 2008

Office of International Programs Pre-Dissertation Research Grant, University of Minnesota, summer 2007

Albert and Virginia Wimmer Fellowship, University of Minnesota, Summer 2005

E W and J B Weidner Fellowship, University of Minnesota, summer 2004

Hubert H Humphrey Fellowship, University of Minnesota, summer 2003

Fluno Award for Best Senior Thesis in Politics, Whitman College, 1999

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### **Trinity College, Hartford, CT**

Capitalism and Higher Education (2022)  
Decolonizing World Politics (2022sp, 2022f), senior seminar  
Deviant Capitalisms (2019), first-year seminar  
International Relations (2013), introductory lecture  
International Political Economy (2013, 2015sp, 2015f, 2017sp, 2017f, 2019), upper-level  
Politics of Africa (2014, 2016, 2018, 2020, 2021), upper-level  
Race and Capitalism (2022), first-year seminar  
Race, Capitalism, and World Politics (2023)  
Slavery, Property, Piracy (2014, 2015, 2018), first-year seminar  
Senior Thesis Colloquium (2018, 2019)  
Theories of International Political Economy (2014, 2016, 2018, 2020, 2023), seminar  
Theory and Politics of African Decolonization (2015, 2017, 2019, 2021), seminar  
Understanding Conflict in Africa (2017, 2018, 2019, 2022), introductory/thematic lecture  
World Economy of Higher Education (2016, 2017, 2019), upper-level

### **Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD**

The Worlds of Globalization (2013), upper-level seminar  
Africa and American Foreign Policy (2012), upper-level seminar  
Introduction to International Political Economy (2012), introductory  
Theories of International Political Economy (2011, 2012), upper-level  
Theorists of African National Liberation (2011), upper-level seminar

### **Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT**

Theorizing Globalization from the Third World (2010), upper-level seminar

### **St. Michael's College, Colchester, VT**

Introduction to International Relations (2010), introductory lecture

### **Macalester College, St. Paul, MN**

The Politics of Africa (2008 & 2009), upper-level seminar

### **University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN**

International Relations (2008), upper-level lecture  
International Conflict and Security (2007), upper-level lecture  
Global Politics (2007), introductory lecture

## FACULTY GOVERNANCE

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### **Faculty First Responders** ([facultyfirstresponders.com](https://facultyfirstresponders.com))

Creator (2020-present)

### **American Association of University Professors (AAUP)**, Trinity College Chapter

Co-founder and President (2016-17)  
Treasurer (2017-18)  
Vice President (2018-19)  
President (2019-2020)

**Faculty Conference**, Trinity College  
2018-2020, 2021-23

**Trinity Institute for Interdisciplinary Studies (TIIS)**, co-chair, Trinity College  
2022-present

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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### **Dissertation Committees/Defenses**

Annelise da Silva Canavarro, “Brazilian International Student and Academic Mobilities from the Periphery to the Core: Between Marxist Dependency Theory and Intersectionality” (committee member), University of Lausanne, Switzerland. Private defense: April 2023 (virtual). Public defense: June 2023.

Taavi Sundell, “Contingent Logics of Capitalism in Contemporary Academia—A Case for a Post-Foundational Political Economy of Higher Education” (opponent), University of Helsinki, Finland, March 2023.

### **Expert Witness**

*Link v Diaz* (2023), Eleventh Circuit, Tallahassee, FL (No: 4:21cv271-MW/MAF)

### **Book Review Editor**

*Journal of World-Systems Research*, 2019-2021

### **Editorial Board Member**

*Journal of World-Systems Research*, 2018-present

*Nebula: A Journal of Multidisciplinary Scholarship*, 2010-11

*African Nebula*, 2010-13

### **Book Series Review Board**

*Global Epistemics*, Inanna Hamati-Ataya (ed), Rowman & Littlefield International

### **Editorial Service**

Referee: *African Identities*, *African Journal of Political Science and International Relations*, *American Political Science Review*, *Contemporary Political Theory*, *Contexto Internacional: Journal of Global Connections*, *Educational Policy*, *Educational Research for Policy and Practice*, *European Journal of International Relations*, *Global Constitutionalism*, *Globalizations*, *International Interactions*, *International Political Sociology*, *International Studies Perspectives*, *International Studies Review*, *Journal of World-Systems Research*, Manchester University Press, *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, *New Political Science*, Palgrave Macmillan, *Politics, Groups, and Identities*, *Postcolonial Studies*, *PS: Political Science and Politics*, Rowman & Littlefield, Routledge, SAGE, *Security Dialogue*, Temple University Press, Thomas Riggs.

### **Global Development Studies**, International Studies Association

Section and Program Chair (elected), 2020-21

Section Vice Chair (elected), 2019-20

Newsletter Editor (elected), 2018-19

Book prize reader, 2018

**Critical/New Political Science**, American Political Science Association

Treasurer, 2022-present

Witness and Advocates Committee, chair, 2020-2022

Christian Bay Award for Best Paper, chair (2014) and reader (2022)

Stephen Eric Bronner Dissertation Award, reader, 2016

**Committee on the Status of Contingent Faculty in the Profession**, American Political Science Association

Member, 2019-present

Co-chair, 2021-present

**Grant/Award Reviewer**

Robert W. and Jessie Cox Award Committee, International Studies Association (ISA), 2022

Centennial Center Research Grants, American Political Science Association (APSA), 2021

Emerging Voices fellowship, American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), 2020

Small Research Grant, American Political Science Association (APSA), 2020

**Labor Project**, American Political Science Association

Secretary (elected), 2009-2013

Best Paper Award reader, 2010 & 2014

**Conferences, Workshops, and Colloquia Organized**

“Researching Dark Money in Higher Education” conference, Trinity College, April 2023.

Trinity Institute for Interdisciplinary Studies, co-chair (2022-2023)

“The Politics of the African Anticolonial Archive” workshop, Trinity College, November 2015

“Beneath the University, the Commons” conference, University of Minnesota, March 2010

“Re-working the University: Visions, Strategies, Demands” conference, University of Minnesota, April 2009

“Re-thinking the University: Labor, Knowledge, Value” conference, University of Minnesota, April 2008

Minnesota International Relations Colloquium, University of Minnesota, 2006-2007

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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American Association of University Professors (AAUP), 2016-present

American Political Science Association, 2008-present

- Critical Political Science
- Foundations of Political Theory
- African Politics Conference Group

American Studies Association

International Studies Association, 2005-present

- Global Development Studies
- International Political Sociology