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Educational History

Ph.D. August 2012, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
Political Science, concentrations: comparative politics and international relations
Dissertation Title: *Organized Crime and the State: State Building, Illicit Markets, and Governance Structures*
Dissertation Advisor: William Reno

M.A. December 2011, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
Political Science

B.A. May 2003, Stetson University, Deland, FL
Political Science

Employment History

Assistant Professor, August 2012 - present
University of New Mexico Albuquerque, NM

Adjunct Professor, January 2012 – May 2012
Northeast Illinois University, Chicago, IL

Adjunct Professor, January 2009 – December 2011
Stuart School of Business at Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, IL

Articles in Refereed Journals

“Cases of Convenience? The Divergence of Theory from Practice in Case Selection Techniques”
(w/Annika Hinze) (forthcoming) *PS: Political Science and Politics*

“Illicit Partners and Political Development: How Organized Crime Made the State,” (published
online April 8, 2017; DOI 10.1007/s12116-017-9242-1) *Studies in Comparative and International
Development*

“In the Shadow of the State: Mafias and Illicit Markets,” *Comparative Political Studies*, February 2016, 49(2): 155-183

“Qualitative Variations: The Philosophical Foundations of Divergent Methodological Approaches,” *Quality and Quantity*, November 2015, 49(6): 2617-2632 (w/Erin Damman)

“The Logic of Historical Explanation in the Social Sciences,” *Comparative Political Studies*, January 2009, 42(1): 114-146 (w/James Mahoney and Erin Kimball)

Works in Progress

Under Review

“The Logic of Counterfactual Analysis: Sufficient Conditions and World War One” under review at *Philosophy of Science*

“Red Widows and Spirit Kings: Alcohol Smuggling in Interwar Finland” under review at *Scandinavian Journal of History*

“Finding the Question: A Puzzle-based Approach to the Logic of Discovery” (w/Christopher Day) under review at *Journal of Political Science Education*

“Violence and Structure in Organized Crime: The Advantages of an Integrative Multi-Method Approach” under review at *Social Science Quarterly*

In Preparation

“Dark Money and Multifinality: Diversity of Outcomes in the Swiss Leaks Investigation”

“Social Capital and Corruption in the Balkans: A Fuzzy-set Analysis” (w/Carli Steelman)

“Battling Methodologies: Rare Events and Methodological Choices” (w/Christopher K. Butler)

“Contested Concepts and Causal Conditions: Theory Building and Hypothesis Testing” (w/Erin Damman)

Book Projects

Consorting with Criminals: Smuggling and Statebuilding in the Interwar Period, manuscript in preparation

The Practice of Multi-Method Research: Mixing Qualitative and Quantitative Methods, (w/Jason Seawright), proposal under review at Cambridge University Press

Invited Presentations

“Smugglers, Mafias and Development: How Criminal Groups Made the State” American Political Science Association, San Francisco (August 31-September 3, 2017)

“Author Meets Critics: Gary Goertz’s Multimethod Research and the Research Triad” Presenter, American Political Science Association, San Francisco (August 31-September 3, 2017)

“Coming up with a Question: A Puzzle-based Approach to the Logic of Discovery” American Political Science Association, San Francisco (August 31-September 3, 2017)

“The Curious Case of the Disappearing Traffickers in pre-war Finland” European Consortium on Political Research, Standing Group on Organized Crime, Bath, England (July 6-7, 2017)

“Smugglers and Mafias: How Criminal Groups Made the State” European Consortium on Political Research, Standing Group on Organized Crime, Bath, England (July 6-7, 2017)

“Where Have all the Smugglers Gone? The Disappearance of Alcohol Trafficking in pre-war Finland” Midwest Political Science Association, (April 6-9, 2017)

“QCA for Fun and Profit,” UNM Sociology Colloquium, February 24, 2017

“Cases of Convenience? Theory and Practice in Case Selection” Southwest Mixed Methods Workshop at the University of Arizona, October 20-21, 2016

“Cases of Convenience? Theory and Practice in Case Selection” American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 1-4, 2016

“Violence and Structure in Organized Crime” Southwest Mixed Methods Workshop, UNM, November 12-13, 2015

“Flipping History’s Switch: The Necessity of Sufficient Condition Counterfactuals,” Institute for Qualitative and Multi-method Research, Syracuse University, June 2015

“Trusting Your Mafia: Social Capital in Illicit Markets,” Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2015

“Organized Crime and Corruption: The Advantages of an Integrative Multi-Method Approach,” American Political Science Association, Washington DC, August 2014

“Battling Methodologies,” International Studies Association, Toronto, Canada, March 2014

“Organized Crime and the State: The Political Economy of Illicit Markets,” American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 2013

“Taking Asymmetry Seriously: Logical Parallels, Multifinality and Sufficient Condition Counterfactuals,” American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 2013

“Organized Crime and the State: A Comparison of Illicit Business-Government Relations,” Conference of European Studies, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, June 2013

“In the Shadow of the State: Variations in Governance Structures in Illicit Markets,” Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2013

“The Gap Within: Differences between Approaches in Qualitative Methods,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC, September 2010

“The Gap Within: Differences between Approaches in Qualitative Methods,” Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Analysis, Syracuse University, June 2010

“Organized Crime and the State in Post-conflict Kosovo,” Russian Studies Lecture Series, Stetson University, September 2009

“Pathways to Perdition: Configurations, Conjunctural Causation, and Organized Crime,” American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August 2008

“Contested Concepts as Causal Conditions: Theory Building and Hypothesis Testing,” American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August 2008

“Contested Concepts as Causal Conditions: Theory Building and Hypothesis Testing,” Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University, June 2009

“Order and Discord in Post-Conflict Kosovo,” Conference on Challenges to Democratic Governance in New Democracies in CEE and the Balkans, Central European University, October 2008

“The Causal Logic of Historical Explanation,” American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, September 2007

“The Causal Logic of Historical Explanation,” Institute for Qualitative and Multi-method Research, January 2007

“The Downside of Property Rights: Nineteenth Century Finnish Criminal Groups,” Max Planck Summer Institute, Munich, Germany, July 2007

“Cooperation Under Anarchy: How Mafias Cooperate Outside the Law” International Studies Association, Chicago, IL, March 2007

“Democracy from Below? Patronage and Party Politics in Turkey,” Southeast European Studies Association, Ohio State University, May 2005

Research Funding

Methods Training at ECPR Summer Methods School

Women in STEM grant, University of New Mexico
June 2017-May 2018, \$2,740

Southwest Workshop on Mixed Methods Research
Kendra L. Koivu and Sara Niedzwiecki
The Society for Political Methodology and the Methodology, Measurement and Statistics Program at
the National Science Foundation
December 2015 – November 2016, \$7,500

“Protection for Sale: Organized Crime and the State”
Kendra L. Koivu
Weinberg Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Writing Award
September 2008 – August 2009, \$15,084

“Protection for Sale: Organized Crime and the State”
Kendra L. Koivu
Weinberg Foundation, Doctoral Research Award
September 2007 – August 2008, \$14,715

“Protection for Sale: Organized Crime and the State”
Kendra L. Koivu
Dispute Resolution Research Center, Kellogg School of Management
June 2009 – December 2009, \$3,500

“Protection for Sale: Organized Crime and the State”
Kendra L. Koivu
Dispute Resolution Research Center, Kellogg School of Management
June 2007 – August 2007, \$2,000

“Protection for Sale: Organized Crime and the State”
Kendra L. Koivu
The Graduate School, Northwestern University, Graduate Research Grant
June 2006 – August 2006, \$3,000

“Protection for Sale: Organized Crime and the State”
Kendra L. Koivu
Dispute Resolution Research Center, Kellogg School of Management
June 2006 – August 2006, \$1,500

“Party Politics and Patronage in Turkey”
Kendra L. Koivu
Roberta Buffett Center for International and Comparative Studies
June 2005 – August 2005, \$1,000

“Party Politics and Patronage in Turkey”
Kendra L. Koivu
Roberta Buffett Center for International and Comparative Studies
June 2004 – August 2004, \$1,000

Teaching

Doctoral Advisement

Ben Bonin, PhD July 2015, “Balance of Threat, Balance of Mind: International Rivalry and Arms Control” (dissertation committee member)

Jennifer Kerner, PhD in progress, “Understanding Violence in Public Health Emergencies: A Process Tracing Analysis of Violence within a Post-Conflict Public Health Emergency” (dissertation committee member)

Melina Juárez, PhD in progress, “Queering Latinidad: Latinx Politics Beyond Nativity” (dissertation committee member)

Masters and Pre-doctoral Advisement

Jennifer Kerner, “Who Fights (Again)? Understanding Reintegration Defection in Uganda” (field paper committee member)

Rizwan Asghar, “Nuclear Terrorism: Explaining Divergent Risk Assessments” (conference-ready paper committee member)

Timothy Green, IV, “Does Transitional Justice Cause State Repression for Women” (conference-ready paper committee member)

Kevin Staniforth, “Reputation and Interstate Dispute: The Perceived Benefits of Capturing Pawns on the International Chessboard” (conference-ready paper committee member)

Anna Calasanti, “Abortion for Export: Impact of Restrictions in Texas on Abortion Practice in New Mexico” (conference-ready paper committee member)

Ruth Haynes, “Why does impunity for sexual violence persist whilst other norms that have gained more international attention appear to be far better challenged?” (conference-ready paper committee member)

David Nunnally, “Political Party Characteristics and State Repression: A Qualitative Comparative Analysis” (conference-ready paper committee member)

Bachelor’s Honors Advisement

Sarah Moore, “The Utilization of Violence in Criminal War,” McNair Scholars Program

Joshua Anolick, BA May 2016, “The Effect of Centralization on Renewable Energy Policy”

Rebecca Doyle, BA May 2015, “The Spectrum of Cooperation for UN Peacekeeping Missions”

Rachael Marx, BA May 2015, “Russia’s Unconventional Relationship with Secession: A Case Study”

Charles Chavez, December 2014, “Narrowing the Scope: Assessing the Relationship Between Campaign Agendas and Electoral Outcomes”

Rusty Treviño, May 2013, BA, “Who is Actually a Fascist? Creating and Applying a Measurement of Fascistic Beliefs”

Jacob P. Wellman, May 2013, BA, “The Continental Approach to Climate Change: An Analysis of the European Union’s Emissions Trading System”

Classroom Teaching

Graduate Seminars

Comparative Politics
Qualitative Research Methods
Theories of Complex Organizations

Undergraduate Courses

Introduction to Comparative Politics
Comparative Political Economy
European Politics
Social Science Research Methods

Directed Readings

Urban Street Gangs
Qualitative Methods for Military Intelligence
Interpretive Qualitative Methods
Comparative Political Economy of Labor

Additional Teaching

Fuzzy-set Analysis training

Service

Service to the Profession

Incoming Co-editor, Qualitative and Multi-Method Research newsletter, 2018-2020
Executive Committee, APSA Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Section, 2015-2017

Committee for Algorithmic Qualitative Analysis (Qualitative Transparency Deliberations)
Co-organizer, *Southwest Workshop on Mixed-methods Research*, 2015-present

Departmental Service

Executive Committee, 2017-2018
Undergraduate Committee, 2016-2017
Graduate Committee, 2015-2016
Executive Committee, 2014 – 2015
Executive Committee, 2013 – 2014

Reviewing for Journals

American Political Science Review
Comparative Political Studies
European Journal of Criminology
International Area Studies Review
International Security
Journal of Politics
Policy and Society
Political Research Quarterly
Sociological Methods and Research