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EMPLOYMENT

FREDERICK S. PARDEE SCHOOL OF GLOBAL STUDIES, BOSTON UNIVERSITY Assistant Professor, 2018– Present

GEORGE BUSH SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICE, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY Assistant Professor, 2013 – 2018

EDUCATION

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Ph.D., Political Science, September 2013

Dissertation: "Dilemmas of Decline, Risks of Rise: The Systemic and Military Sources of Rising State Strategy towards Declining Great Powers"

• Recipient of Lucian Pye Award for Outstanding Doctoral Thesis

BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

B.A., summa cum laude, Departments of Politics and History, 2006

• Phi Beta Kappa, 2005 (junior-year selectee)

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

2019	Council on Foreign Relations Term Membership							
2019	Frank Stanton Foundation Applied History Course Development Grant							
2018	Boston University Center for Teaching & Learning Course Development Grant							
2018	CKF Foreign Policy Grant (with Jayita Sarkar; for Boston University Policy and							
	Security Initiative)							
2017	Melvin Glasscock Center Faculty Publication Support Grant							
2017	Fellow, Basin Harbor Pedagogy Project							
2017	Cato Institute Visiting Scholar							
2017	Bridging the Gap Project Policy Engagement Fellowship							
2017	Best Article Award ("Deal or No Deal"), Diplomatic Studies Section of the							
	International Studies Association							
2015	John Dickey Center Postdoctoral Fellowship, Dartmouth College							
2014	Lucian Pye Award for Outstanding Doctoral Thesis, MIT Political Science Dept.							
2014	John Dickey Center Postdoctoral Fellowship, Dartmouth College (Declined)							
2014	UT Austin, Clements Center Research Support Grant							
2014	TAMU, Scowcroft Institute Faculty Research Grant							
2012	GWU, Institute for Security and Conflict Studies Predoctoral Fellowship							
2012	Associate, Belfer Center International Security Program							
2012	Harvard Center for European Studies Dissertation Research Fellowship							
2012	Harry Truman Library Research Grant							
2012	Tobin Project National Security Fellowship (second-time recipient)							
2012	O'Donnell Research Grant (H.W. Bush Library; second-time recipient)							

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FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS (CONTINUED)

2011	Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs,
	International Security Program
2011	Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Title VIII Research Grant
2011	MIT Center for International Studies Summer Study Grant
2011	Tobin Project National Security Fellowship
2011	O'Donnell Research Grant (George H.W. Bush Library)
2006-7	MIT Presidential Fellow
2006-11	MIT Graduate Fellowship
2006	Eugene C. Black Award for Excellence in History, Brandeis University
2004	Justice Louis C. Brandeis Award for an Outstanding Essay on Legal History

TEACHING

Pardee School

IR 200: America Abroad: The United States and the World Since 1789 IR 374: Introduction to Security Studies IR 385: Foundations of Strategic Studies IR 462/662: Alliance Politics* IR 461/661: American Grand Strategy IR 601: Fundamentals of International Relations

Bush School of Government

INTA 605: United States Foreign Policy since 1945 INTA 627: Foundations of Strategy and Statecraft INTA 689: Alliance Politics INTA 689: The Rise and Fall of Great Powers

ADVISING

Doctoral

Ruizhi P	ang, Bosto	n University	Political Sc	ience Departi	ment, p	project: 1	Balance o	f Power,
E	Balance of	Will, and Re	gional vs. In	ter-regional V	Wars a	nd Peace	e	

- Michael Fasulo, Texas A&M History Department, project: The Reagan Administration and Arms Control (committee member).
- Aaron Dilday, Texas A&M History Department, project: Ulysses S. Grant, Prisoners of War, and Strategy in the U.S. Civil War (committee member; defended: Fall 2019)
- Molly Berkemeier, Texas A&M Political Science Department, project: Trust in International Politics (committee member; defended: Spring 2018)
- Claudia Kim, Boston University Political Science Department, project: Politics of Base Protests in South Korea (defended: Fall 2018)

Masters

Kelley Crawford, "Theories of War and the Rise of China," (chair; 2019-2020)

- Anthony Bastone, "A World of their Making: Shifting Identities following the Outbreak of the Donbas Conflict," Boston University review committee member (defended: April 2019)
- Yuxi Huang, "The Republic of Korea between the United States and China," Boston University review committee member (defended: April 2019)
- An Le, "Belief and Belligerence: Rising Power Coercion and Status," Boston University review committee member (defended: April 2019)

Advising (continued)

Nicole Peer, "The 'Unfinished Business' of American Foreign Policy: Gender Mainstreaming and the Case of Secretary of State Hillary Clinton," Boston University review committee member (defended: April 2019)

Undergraduate

- Leanne Quinn, "Explaining U.S. Space Policy," Boston University, committee chair (ongoing, 2019-2010)
- Victoria Hempstead, "Why China Accepts Nuclear Vulnerability," Boston University, committee chair (ongoing, 2019-2020)
- Casandra Oldfield, "China's Search for Allies: Problems and Prospects," Boston University, committee chair (ongoing, 2019-2020)
- Tal Dickstein, "Contemporary Power Transitions: Is China Ready to Challenge US Hegemony?" Boston University review committee member (defended: April 2019)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Department & College-level Service (Boston University)

Pardee School Eilts Thesis Award Selection Committee (2019) College of Arts & Sciences, Social Science Curriculum Committee (2018-present) Director, Pardee School Policy and Security Initiative (PSI) (Fall 2018 – present)

Department & College-level Service (Texas A&M):

Faculty Senator, Department of International Affairs (2016-2018) Member of International Affairs Admissions Committee (2013-2014) Member of Senior International Development Search Committee (2014-2015) Coordinator for International Affairs Research Brown Bag Coordinator (2014-2015)

University-level Service (Texas A&M)

Sitting on general exam and dissertation committees for students in the History Department. Faculty Mentor, Alexander Hamilton Society, TAMU

Field-level Service

Chair, Kenneth Waltz Dissertation Award Committee, APSA Section 19, 2017, 2019 Member, Best Article Award, APSA Section 19, 2018

Elected Member, Governing Board, APSA International Security and Arms Control Section Elected Member, Governing Board, Foreign Policy Section 31 (Foreign Policy), 2016-2017 Chair, Best Book Award, Foreign Policy Section 31, 2017

Reviewer for International Security, Oxford University Press, Security Studies, International Studies Quarterly, International Theory, World Politics, Journal of Transatlantic Studies, Political Science Quarterly, Polity Press, Foreign Policy Analysis, Third World Quarterly; Insights: Chatham House Press, Cornell University Press.

PUBLIC & POLICY SERVICE

Non-Resident Fellow, *Quincy Institute for Responsible Statecraft* Adjunct Researcher, RAND Corporation, 2009, 2014 Media appearances with Associated Press, *Los Angeles Times, Austin American Statesman, Boston Review*, CTV (Canada), Texas Standard, *Boston Review of Books*

BOOKS

Rising Titans, Falling Giants: How Great Powers Exploit Power Shifts (Cornell, 2018)

- Scholarly Reviews: Foreign Affairs; <u>H-Diplo (roundtable)</u>; <u>Strategic Studies</u> <u>Quarterly</u>; <u>International Affairs</u>; Journal of East Asian Studies (forthcoming); Texas National Security Review (forthcoming)
- Media Reviews: *<u>The Federalist</u>;*
- Blog Reviews: <u>Russia Reviewed</u>

ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS & MONOGRAPHS

"To Partner or Prey? Rising States and the Management of Declining Great Powers," *International Security* (forthcoming)

"The NATO Enlargement Consensus: The Origins, Durability, and Impact of an Idea," *International Politics* (forthcoming)

"Evaluating NATO Enlargement: Scholarly Debates, Policy Implications, and Roads Not Taken," with James Goldgeier. *International Politics* (forthcoming)

"The Rise of China, Balance of Power Theory, and U.S. National Security: Reasons for Optimism?" *Journal of Strategic Studies* 43, no. 2 (Winter 2020), 175-216 (lead article)

"The Shadow of Exit from NATO," with John Schuessler. *Strategic Studies Quarterly* 13, no. 3 (Fall 2019), 38-51

"Security in Northeast Asia: Structuring a Settlement." *Strategic Studies Quarterly* 13, no. 2 (Summer 2019), 23-47 (featured article)

"How Long Until Midnight? U.S. Intelligence on the Israeli Nuclear Program, 1960-1985," with Austin Long. *Journal of Strategic Studies* 42, no. 1 (Winter 2019), 55-90

"Deal or No Deal? The End of the Cold War and the U.S. Offer to Limit NATO Expansion." *International Security* 40, no. 4 (Spring 2016), 7-44 (lead article)

- **Co-Recipient of 2016 Diplomatic Studies Section Best Article Award from the International Studies Association.
- Reviewed via H-Diplo: <u>https://issforum.org/ISSF/PDF/ISSF-AR63.pdf</u>
- Repeated as Council on Foreign Relations Podcast, "The 1990 U.S. Pledge to the Soviet Union on NATO Expansion," May 17, 2016, <u>http://blogs.cfr.org/zenko/2016/05/17/podcast-the-1990-us-pledge-to-the-soviet-union-on-nato-expansion-shiftinson/</u>.
- Repeated as Belfer Center Podcast: http://belfercenter.hks.harvard.edu/project/58/quarterly_journal.html?page_id=508&parent_id=46

"The Malta Summit and U.S.-Soviet Relations: Testing the Waters Amidst Stormy Seas," *Cold War International History Project*, e-Dossier no. 40, July 2013

Reviewed in https://networks.h-net.org/node/28443/discussions/31634/article-review-464-malta-summit-and-us-soviet-relations-testing?fbclid=IwAR2A3sITiY75FGbEGQeikQWXPqEIiaXT8xQ5ucs9fhvcCL6ittCdC0lgwdg

ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS & MONOGRAPHS (CONTINUED)

"A Crude Threat: The Limits of an Iranian Missile Campaign Against Saudi Arabian Oil," with Miranda Priebe. *International Security* 36, no. 1 (Summer 2011), 167-201

"Civil-Military Relations in Israel and Turkey," with Metin Heper. *Journal of Political and Military Sociology* 33, No. 2 (Winter 2005/6), 231-248

CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES

"Rising to the Occasion, or Falling Upwards? Researching Rising State Grand Strategy," in *The Oxford Handbook on Grand Strategy*, ed. Ron Krebs and Thierry Balzacq (Oxford University Press, forthcoming) (editor reviewed)

"Adjusting to Rise and Coping with Decline: The U.S.-China Relationship in in Historical and Theoretical Context," in *Coping with Decline*, ed. Frederic Merand (McGill-Queen's University Press, forthcoming) (peer reviewed)

"Linkage Politics: Managing the End of the Cold War," in *Cross-Domain Deterrence: Strategic Responses to Complex Threats*, ed. Eric Gartzke and Jon Lindsay (Oxford University Press, 2019) (peer reviewed)

"It's a Trap! Allies, Power Shifts, and Entrapment," with David Edelstein in *The Case for Restraint in U.S. Foreign Policy*, ed. Ben Friedman and Trevor Thrall (Routledge, 2018) (editor reviewed)

"It's a Commons Misunderstanding: The Limited Threat to American Command of the Commons," with Sameer Lalwani in *Dangerous World? Threat Perception and U.S. National Security*, ed. John Mueller and Chris Preble (Cato Institute, 2014) (editor reviewed)

NON-PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

"Should the United States Fear China's Rise?" The Washington Quarterly 41, no. 4 (Winter 2019), 65-83

"Sound and Fury, Signifying Something? NATO and the Trump Administration's Second Year," *H-Diplo/ISSF Policy Series: America and World – 2017 and Beyond*, July 15, 2018, https://issforum.org/roundtables/policy/1-5bi-nato

"George H.W. Bush as Conservative Realist." Orbis 62, no. 1 (Winter 2018), 56-75

"Trump's National Security Strategy: A Critic's Dream," with Emma Ashford, *Texas National Security Review* 1, no. 2 (Spring 2018)

**Originally published as part of roundtable on Donald Trump's foreign policy: <u>https://tnsr.org/roundtable/policy-roundtable-make-trumps-national-security-strategy/</u>

NON-PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES (CONTINUED)

"Trump and NATO: Old Wine in Gold Bottles?" *H-Diplo/ISSF Series: Trump and the World*, September 29, 2017, <u>https://networks.h-net.org/node/311995/pdf</u>

"Time to Consolidate NATO?" The Washington Quarterly 40, no. 1 (Spring 2017), 109-123

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARLY WRITING

"The Fall of the Berlin Wall Almost Ended in War," *Foreign Affairs* (snapshot), November 22, 2019, <u>https://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/germany/2019-11-22/fall-berlin-wall-almost-ended-war</u>

"The 'New Cold War' with China is Way Overblown. Here's Why," *The Monkey Cage/Washington Post*, February 7, 2019, <u>https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2019/02/08/there-isnt-a-new-cold-war-with-china-for-these-4-reasons/?utm term=.80c42d1d729c</u>

"George H.W. Bush: American Radical," *War on the Rocks Commentary*, December 10, 2018, https://warontherocks.com/2018/12/george-hw-bush-american-radical/

"Learning to Love Kim's Bomb: The Upside of a Nuclear North Korea," *Foreign Affairs* (Snapshot), October 3, 2018, <u>https://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/north-korea/2018-10-03/learning-love-kims-bomb</u>

"John Bolton's Appointment Reveals a Bigger Problem," *The Monkey Cage/Washington Post*, March 29, 2018, <u>https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2018/03/29/john-boltons-appointment-is-a-symptom-of-a-much-bigger-problem-here-are-3-reasons-that-could-lead-to-war/</u>

"Correspondence: NATO Enlargement – Was There a Promise?" *International Security* 42, no. 1 (Summer 2017), 186-192

"Correspondence: NATO Non-Expansion and German Reunification," *International Security* 41, no. 3 (Winter 2016-2017), 197-200

"Donald Trump's Foreign Policy Views are Actually Pretty Mainstream," *The Monkey Cage*, February 4, 2016, <u>https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2016/02/04/the-secret-behind-donald-trumps-antiquated-foreign-policy-views-theyre-pretty-mainstream/</u>

• Reprinted in *The Science of Trump*, ed. John Sides (online: The Monkey Cage, 2016)

"Put It In Writing: How the West Broke Its Promise to Moscow," *Foreign Affairs* (Snapshot), 29 October 2014, <u>http://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/142310/joshua-r-itzkowitz-shifrinson/put-it-in-writing</u>

"Correspondence: Debating Decline," International Security 37, no. 3 (Winter 2012-13), 172-77

• Reprinted as part of International Security, *United States and China* (Cambridge: MIT Press, 2014), <u>http://www.mitpressjournals.org/page/USandChinaBatch</u>.

POLICY REPORTS, OP-EDS, AND BLOG POSTS

"Rising Titans, Falling Giants: How Great Powers Exploit Powers Shifts," *Ambassador's Brief*, January 3, 2020, <u>https://www.ambassadorsbrief.com/posts/9vLY3GRfws6B3PGzP?escaped_fragment=</u>

"Requiem for a Dream: American Grand Strategy, 1991-2008," in *New Voices in Grand Strategy* (Washington: Center for a New American Security, 2019), ed. Loren Schulman, 71-84

"Making Grand Strategy Grand Strategy Grand Again," *The National Interest*, July 25, 2018, <u>https://nationalinterest.org/feature/making-grand-strategy-grand-again-26796</u>

"Constructive Foreign Policy on Russia Requires Facts," *RealClearWorld.com*, June 15, 2018, <u>https://www.realclearworld.com/articles/2018/06/15/constructive_foreign_policy_on_russia_requires_facts_112825.html</u>

"Letter to the Editor: Our Treaty is Our Bond," *The National Review*, June 7, 2018, https://www.nationalreview.com/magazine/2018/06/25/602673/

"Trump, NATO, and Establishment Hysteria," with Ben Friedman, *War on the Rocks*, June 16, 2017, <u>https://warontherocks.com/2017/06/trump-nato-and-establishment-hysteria/</u>

"Russia's Got a Point: The U.S. Broke a NATO Promise," *Los Angeles Times*, op-ed, May 30, 2016, <u>http://www.latimes.com/opinion/op-ed/la-oe-shifrinson-russia-us-nato-deal--20160530-snap-story.html</u>

"Whither Command of the Commons? Choosing Security Over Control," with Sameer Lalwani. New America Foundation, *Policy Papers in Grand Strategy*, September 2011

"The Kurds and Regional Security: Assessing Developments since the Iraq War," Crown Center for Middle East Studies, *Middle East Brief*, No. 14 (December 2006)

ARTICLE & BOOK REVIEWS

Invited review of Oystein Tunsjo, *The Return of Bipolarity in World Politics* (Columbia University Press, 2018) for *Perspectives on Politics* (forthcoming)

Invited review of Louis Sell, *From Washington to Moscow: U.S.-Soviet Relations and the Collapse of the USSR* (Duke University Press, 2016), for *The Soviet and Post-Soviet Review*, pp. 1-5 (forthcoming)

Invited Review of Kristina Spohr and David Reynolds, ed., *Transcending the Cold War: Summits, Statecraft, and the Dissolution of Bipolarity in Europe, 1970-1990* (Oxford University Press, 2016), for the *Journal of Contemporary History* 54, no. 3 (July 2019), pp. 703-705.

Invited Review of William Hill, *No Place for Russia: European Security Institutions since 1989* (Columbia University Press, 2018), for *Russia Matters*, <u>https://www.russiamatters.org/analysis/no-place-russia-how-much-are-old-us-ambitions-europe-blame-russia-west-tensions-today</u>, January 3, 2019.

ARTICLE & BOOK REVIEWS (CONTINUED)

Invited review of David Edelstein, Over the Horizon: Time, Uncertainty, and the Rise of Great Powers (Cornell University Press, 2017), for Political Science Quarterly 133, no. 4 (Winter 2018-2019), 763-765

Invited review of Stephen Brooks and William Wohlforth, *America Abroad: The United States'* Global Role in the 21st Century (Oxford University Press, 2016) for *H-Diplo-International* Security Studies Forum, Vol. 10, no. 11 (March 2018)

Invited book review of Daniel Kliman, *Fateful Transitions: How Democracies Manage Rising Powers* (University of Pennsylvania, 2015) for *Political Science Quarterly* 131, no. 3 (Fall 2016), 656-657

International Studies Quarterly Symposium on K. Haynes, "Decline and Devolution: The Sources of Strategic Retrenchment," November 2015, http://www.isanet.org/Publications/ISQ/Posts/ID/4927/The-Decliners-Dilemma-Retrenchment-in-an-Uncertain-World

Invited review of James Graham Wilson, *The Triumph of Improvisation: Gorbachev's Adaptability, Reagan's Engagement, and the End of the Cold War* (Cornell University Press, 2014) for *H-Diplo-International Security Studies Forum,* Vol. 7, no. 7 (December 2014)

Invited review of Jeffrey Engel, "Bush, Germany, and the Power of Time," *Diplomatic History* 37, no. 4 (Summer 2013), for *H-Diplo*, Article Review No. 476 (July 2014)

Invited review of Robert Lieber, *Power and Willpower in the American Future* (Cambridge University Press, 2011) for *H-Diplo-International Security Studies Forum*, Vol. 5, no. 5 (July 2013)

Invited review of Anthony D'Agostino, *The Rise of Global Powers: International Politics in the Era of the World Wars* (Cambridge University Press, 2012), for *H-Diplo* (July 2012)

WORKS UNDER REVIEW & IN PROGRESS

"Eastbound and Down: The United States, NATO Enlargement, and Suppressing the Soviet and Western European Alternatives, 1990-1992," (under review)

"A Signal Failure? The End of the Cold War, U.S.-Soviet Diplomacy, and Theories of Costly Signaling" (REVISE AND RESUBMIT with *International Studies Quarterly* – 2nd round)

"Europe and Asia in U.S. Grand Strategy," (under review)

It's Good to Be the King: Great Powers and the Suppression of Challengers (book manuscript, interest from Oxford, Cornell, and Columbia UP)

"Staying the Top Dog: Suppression Strategies and Great Power Politics" (working paper)

WORKS UNDER REVIEW & IN PROGRESS (CONTINUED)

"Insularity and American Preponderance" (with John Schuessler; working paper)

"Understanding the Varieties of Entrapment" (with David Edelstein; working paper)

SELECT INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2019. "Shaping Europe's Future: NATO Enlargement and the American Effort to Suppress Western Europe and Russia, 1990-1995," presentation for workshop "NATO: Past and Present," sponsored by King's College London, the London School of Economics, and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, December 2019.
- 2019. "The United States and NATO after the End of the Cold War: Explaining and Evaluating Enlargement and Its Alternatives," presentation for Yale University workshop on "The End of the Cold War," November 2019 (with Jim Goldgeier).
- 2019. "Keeping Them Well Behind: The United States, the Soviet Union, and the Shape of European Security at Cold War's End," presentation for Yale University workshop on "The End of the Cold War," November 2019.
- 2019. "Rising Titans, Falling Giants: How Great Powers Exploit Power Shifts," presentation for Rutgers University Department of Political Science, October 2019.
- 2019. "U.S. Policy and Intervention," presentation for Pardee School "Beyond the Headlines: The Costs of Intervention in Iran and Beyond," October 2019.
- 2019. Moderator and discussant, BU Center for European Studies talk with Thomas Blanton and Svetlana Savranskaya, October 2019.
- 2019. "Europe and China in U.S. Grand Strategy," presentation for Norwegian Defense College (Oslo, Norway), September 2019.
- 2019. "The External Sources of Rising State Strength," presentation to annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2019 (with Jennifer Lind).
- 2019. "The United States and NATO at 70: From Minimalism to Maximalism," presentation for the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR), June 2019.
- 2019. "Eastbound and Down: The United States, NATO Enlargement, and Suppressing the Soviet and Western European Alternatives, 1990-1992," presentation for University of Chicago workshop on Archival Research and International Relations, May 2019.
- 2019. "Evaluating the Legacy of NATO Enlargement," organized and presented under auspices of BU Policy and Security Initiative, May 2019.
- 2019. "Rising Titans, Falling Giants: China's Rise and American Decline in Context," presentation for MIT Lincoln Labs speaker series, May 2019.

- 2019. "The United States and NATO," presentation for MIT Security Studies Program Congressional Seminar briefing, April 2019.
- 2019. "The Berlin Airlift in Grand Strategic Context," presentation for Texas A&M University Albritton Grand Strategy Center conference on "The Berlin Airlift," April 2019.
- 2019. "Requiem for a Dream: American Grand Strategy, 1991-2008," presentation for Center for a New American Security, *New Voices in Grand Strategy* conference, April 2019.
- 2019. "American Grand Strategy and Regions," presentation for Harvard University/Weatherhead Center Regional Clusters Group, March 2019.
- 2019. "Why Do Great Powers Rise and Fall?" (roundtable), presentation for International Studies Association Annual Meeting, March 2019.
- 2019. "Russia and the West: What Went Wrong? What to Do Now?" (roundtable), presentation for International Studies Association Annual Meeting, March 2019.
- 2019. "Structuring the Unipolar Era: Preventive Balancing and the United States' Post-Cold War Dominance," presentation for International Studies Association Annual Meeting, March 2019.
- 2019. "Entrapment Revisited: Structural and Strategy Dynamics," presentation for Ohio State Mershon Center workshop, "What is a Realist Foreign Policy?" February 2019.
- 2019. "The State of Transatlantic Security," presentation for SWP (Berlin), February 2019.
- 2019. "Rising Titans, Falling Giants: How Great Power Exploit Power Shifts," presentation for Brandeis University Department of Politics, January 2019.
- 2019. "The External Sources of Rising State Strength," presentation for Harvard Japan and the World Program, February 2019 (with Jennifer Lind).
- 2019. "Rising Titans, Falling Giants: How Great Power Exploit Power Shifts," presentation for Duke University Sanford School American Grand Strategy Program, January 2019.
- 2019. "U.S. Grand Strategy and the New Great Power Competition," presentation for U.S. Congressional staffers, January 2019.
- 2019. "Rising Titans, Falling Giants: How Great Power Exploit Power Shifts," presentation for Cato Institute roundtable on the "Return of Great Power Politics," January 2019.
- 2018. "Nuclear Politics: The State of the Art?" chair and convener, Boston University Policy and Security Initiative, November 2018.

- 2018. "The Course and Context of U.S.-Latin American Relations," Boston University Student Programs & Leadership Professor Perspectives Discussion, November 2018.
- 2018. "The Insular Advantage: Geography and U.S Relations with its Allies," Notre Dame Department of Political Science, November 2018.
- 2018. "Rising Titans, Falling Giants: How Great Powers Exploit Power Shifts," UT Austin LBJ School of Government, October 2018.
- 2018. "U.S.-Russian Relations and U.S. Strategy in Europe," presentation for Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Doha, Qatar, October 2018.
- 2018. "Rising Titans, Falling Giants: Rising State Strategy in World Politics," presentation for Pardee School Faculty Research Seminar, September 2018.
- 2018. "The External Sources of Rising State Strength," presentation for American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, August 2018 (with Jennifer Lind).
- 2018. "Rising Titans, Falling Giants: Rising State Strategy in World," presentation for American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, August 2018.
- 2018. "The Return of Great Power Politics and IR Theory," presentation before Charles Koch Foundation Graduate Student Conference, August 2018.
- 2018. "The Rise of China and IR Theory: Revisionism or Bust?" talk for Dartmouth College Dickey Center for International Understanding, May 2018.
- 2018. "The United States and Europe: Past, Present, and Future," talk for Boston College John Quincy Adams Society chapter, April 2018.
- 2018. "The False Analogies of the Cold War's End: Implications for U.S.-Russian-European Relations," presentation for Clements Center for Strategic Studies conference *Peaceful Co-existence? Russian Grand Strategy Beyond Putin*, April 2018.
- 2018. "The Insular Advantages that Make the Difference: Geography and Postwar American Preponderance," presentation for International Studies Association Annual Meeting, April 2018.
- 2018. "A Signal Failure? Theories of Costly Signaling and the End of the Cold War," presentation for International Studies Association Annual Meeting, April 2018.
- 2018. "The Rise of China and U.S. Strategy in East Asia: Historical and Theoretical Perspectives," presentation for Southern Methodist University Sun & Star China Symposium, March 2018.

- 2018. "The Future of the Transatlantic Relationship," presentation and debate for Brookings-Charles Koch Institute U.S. and the World series, January 2018.
- 2017. "The Future of European Security: U.S., Russia, and NATO," presentation for Davis Center (Harvard) - Institute for Higher Education (Moscow) Conference on U.S.-Russian Relations, December 2017
- 2017. "The Broken 1990 NATO Non-Expansion Pledge," presentation for Association of Slavic and East European Studies Association Annual Meeting, November 2017.
- 2017. "Political Collapse and Nuclear States: Strategic Consequences and Prospects," Tobin Project Workshop on Nuclear Threat Assessment, October 2017.
- 2017. "American Grand Strategy and the Cold War's End," presentation for Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Annual Meeting, June 2017.
- 2017. "Conservative Internationalism and the End of the Cold War," Clements Center Conference on Conservative Internationalism, May 2017.
- 2017. "Assessing the Israeli Nuclear Program," Tobin Project Workshop on Nuclear Threat Assessment, February 2017.
- 2017. "A Signal Failure? Theories of Costly Signaling and the End of the Cold War," presentation for International Studies Association Annual Meeting, February 2017.
- 2017. "The Rise of China and American Foreign Policy: Problems and Prospects," presentation for International Studies Association Annual Meeting, February 2017.
- 2016. "The Second Shield of the Republic: Geography and U.S. National Security," TAMU conference *Command of the Commons Revisited*, November 2016 (with John Schuessler).
- 2016. "It's a Trap! Allies, Power Shifts, and Entrapment," George Washington University, September 2016 (with David Edelstein).
- 2016. "NATO Expansion and the U.S.-Russia Relationship," Rand Corporation, June 2016.
- 2016. "Allies, Power Shifts, and Entrapment," Cato Institute, June 2016 (with David Edelstein)
- 2016. "The United States and NATO Expansion at Cold War's End," presentation for U.S. Department of State, May 2016.
- 2016. "Fostering a Security Dilemma? The United States, Russia, and NATO Expansion after the Cold War," Brookings Institution, May 2016.
- 2016. "Falling Giants: Rising States and the Fate of Declining Great Powers," presentation before Dickey Center at Dartmouth College, April 2016.

- 2016. "Falling Giants: Rising States and the Fate of Declining Great Powers," presentation for University of Chicago Department of Political Science, February 2016.
- 2015. "It's a Trap! Allies, Power Shifts, and Entrapment," presentation for the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 2015.
- 2015. "Falling Giants: Rising States and the Fate of Declining Great Powers," presentation for Southern Methodist University Tower Center, for Political Studies, March 2015.
- 2015. "Falling Giants: Rising States and the Fate of Declining Great Powers," presentation for University of California, Berkeley Department of Political Science, March 2015.
- 2014. "Forging the Special Relationship," presentation for Kings College London-Clements Center (UT Austin) conference on Anglo-American Relations, November 2014.
- 2014. "H.W. Bush's Grand Strategy and the End of the Cold War," presentation for Texas A&M University Conference on *Twenty-Five Years after the Cold War*, November 2014.
- 2014. "Dilemmas of Decline, Risks of Rise," presentation for Lehigh University International Affairs Department, February 2014.
- 2013. "Security of the Commons: A Framework for Analysis," presentation for Cato Institute conference *A Dangerous World*?, October 2013 (with Sameer Lalwani)
- 2013. "Dilemmas of Decline, Risks of Rise," presentation for GWU Institute for Security and Conflict Studies, February 2013.
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