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Education

Boston University

Boston, MA

Ph.D., Political Science

September 2023 – Present

Subfields: International Relations and Comparative Politics

University of Massachusetts Boston

Boston, MA

M.A., International Relations, concentration in Global Governance

May 2023

Capstone Title: “Twitter Files: Misinformation and Co-ordination within Cyber Regime Complexes”

University of the West Indies

Kingston, Jamaica, WI

B.Sc., International Relations with Honors

July 2019

Minor in Gender and Development Studies

Affiliations

2024 Affiliate, Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society (Harvard Law School)

Research Interests

International Relations, International Political Economy (IPE/CPE), Comparative Politics,
International Security

Grants, Fellowships, and Honors

2024 Teaching Fellowship, Boston University Graduate School of Arts & Sciences (GRS)
International Studies Association (ISA) Northeast Travel Grant

2023 Inaugural Graduate Student Fellowship, Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society at
Harvard University
Dean’s Fellowship, Boston University Graduate School of Arts & Sciences (GRS)
Scholarly Support Fund Award, University of Massachusetts Boston

- American Political Science Association (APSA) Travel Grant
 Outstanding Achievement in International Relations Commencement Award, University of Massachusetts Boston
 Graduate Teaching and Research Assistantship, University of Massachusetts Boston
- 2022 Graduate Teaching and Research Assistantship, University of Massachusetts Boston
 The Civic Action Project (CAP) Summer Fellowship
 Global Governance and Human Security Department Travel Grant
 Scholarly Support Fund Award, University of Massachusetts Boston
- 2021 Graduate Teaching and Research Assistantship, University of Massachusetts Boston
 Wikimedia Foundation (WMF) Conference Grant – WCNA 2021 [Group Award]
- 2019 WikiConference North America (WCNA) Travel Scholarship
 Honorable Mention, IMF Committee, Harvard National Model UN (HNMUN)
 Outstanding Performance in Leadership of Co-curricular Activities (UWI Mona)
 Faculty of Social Science (FSS) Bursary for Harvard National Model UN
 Dean's List, Faculty of Social Science (FSS) – University of the West Indies Mona

Selected Talks & Presentations

- 2024 International Studies Association Northeast Annual Meeting (Baltimore, MD) [Accepted]
 Presentation Title: Your Business is Our Business: Theorizing Market Coercion and State Interest
- Fellows Fireside Chats, Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society at Harvard University (Cambridge, MA)
 Presentation Title: Coercion and Market Power
- Modern Sciences and Technology Working Group, Department of the History of Science, Harvard University (Cambridge, MA)
 Presentation Title: Technology in the Production of Security
- 2023 International Studies Association Northeast Annual Meeting (Providence, RI) [Accepted]
 Presentation Title: Existential (In)security: Ordering the Ubiquity, Utility, and Exceptionality of AI as catalysts of Ontological Insecurity
- American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting (Los Angeles, CA)
 [Accepted]
 Presentation Title: Twitter Files: Misinformation and Co-ordination within Cyber Regime Complexes

Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society at Harvard University (Cambridge, MA)
 Presentation Title: Governing the Who-What-Where of Artificial Intelligence

Thematic Deep-Dives on the Digital Divide, Digital Public Goods, and Digital Public Infrastructure in the Intergovernmental Process of the Global Digital Compact [Address], United Nations (UN HQ, New York, NY)

2022 Northeast Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Boston, MA) [Accepted]
 Presentation Title: The Decentralized Sovereign: Does the State Have a Place on The Blockchain?

International Studies Association Northeast Annual Meeting (Baltimore, MD)
 Presentation Title: The Decentralized Sovereign: Does the State Have a Place on The Blockchain?

Research Experience

2024 **Professors Kaija Schilde and Rosella Cappella Zielinski (Boston University)**
 Research Assistant (Boston, MA)

2023 **Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society at Harvard University**
 Summer Research Assistant (Cambridge, MA)

Professors Erin O'Brien (UMass Boston) and Amy Fried (UMaine)
 Research Assistant (Boston, MA/Orono, ME)

2022 **The Innovation Institute at the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative**
 Strategic Project Fellow, Technology & Innovation (Boston, MA)

Mentions, Media, and Other Works

Brandon Sullivan. "Event Recap: Chat & Chowder with Hassan Abbas | The Return of the Taliban: Afghanistan After the Americans Left". *WorldBoston* (blog). 12 June 2023

'McCormack Students Spend Summer with Civic Action Project Refining Research and Building Confidence'. 2022. Blog. UMass Boston News. 28 October 2022

Brandon Sullivan. "Demystifying Digital Development: How the Indigenization of Knowledge-Led Economic Competencies Mediates Maturational Economic Outcomes for Africa and the Caribbean". *AfronomicsLaw* (blog). 8 September 2021

Teaching Experience

Fall 2024	Teaching Fellow for Causes of War and Peace (PO 357), Boston University
Fall 2022	Graduate Student Instructor for Introduction to American Politics, University of Massachusetts Boston
Spring 2022	Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Political Theory, University of Massachusetts Boston
Fall 2021	Teaching Assistant for Introduction to Political Theory, University of Massachusetts Boston

Professional Service

Reviewer: International Security (IS)

Organizer – Political Economy Section, Graduate Student Speaker Series, Boston University
Department of Political Science

Organizer – Topics in Politics (TIPS) Workshop, Boston University Department of Political Science

Country Expert – Digital Society Project (DSP); Jamaica (JAM), Barbados (BRB), and Trinidad & Tobago (TTO)

AY 22/23 Dean's Selection Committee, The Civic Action Project (CAP) (UMass Boston)

AY 22/23 Secretary and Vice President, The Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) of the University of Massachusetts Boston

Internet Access and Inclusion Session Co-chair, RightsCon 2025 Annual Meeting, Seoul, South Korea

Professional Affiliations

American Political Science Association (APSA); International Studies Association (ISA); Young Professionals in Foreign Policy (YPFP)

Research and Language Skills

Languages: English (Native); Jamaican Patois (Native); French (Working Proficiency); Spanish (Limited Proficiency); German (Beginner)

Computation: R (Intermediate); LaTeX (Beginner); SPSS (Intermediate); Python (Intermediate)

Current as of 10/11/24