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EDUCATION

Stanford University Ph.D. in Political Science, June 2008

Trinity College, Dublin M.Phil in International Peace Studies, July 2002

Penn State University B.A. in Political Science with Highest Distinction and Honors in
Communications, May 2000

RESEARCH

Foreign Aid, Post-Conflict Reconstruction, Migration

PUBLICATIONS

"Do Migrants Improve Their Hometowns? Remittances and Access to Public Services in Mexico, 1995-2000" (with Claire Adida) (*Comparative Political Studies*, forthcoming)

"Governance and Foreign Assistance: The Imperfect Translation of Ideas into Outcomes" (with Stephen D. Krasner and Kathryn Stoner-Weiss). In Amichai Magen, Michael McFaul and Thomas Risse (editors) *Comparing American and European Strategies for Democracy Promotion* (UK: Palgrave Macmillan Press, 2009)

BOOK MANUSCRIPTS

From Peace to Development: The Role of Aid in Post-Conflict Reconstruction

International Sources of Democratization (with Larry Diamond, Kathryn Stoner-Weiss, and Michael A. McFaul).

WORKING PAPERS

"Fragile States and Foreign Aid: Political Origins of Post-Conflict Reconstruction"

"Can External Actors Succeed at Post-Conflict Reconstruction? Comparing Lessons from Africa"

“Does the World Bank Help Post-Conflict Reconstruction?”

“Cut From the Same Cloth? Multilateral vs. Bilateral Aid”

“Indigenous Origins of Colonial Institutions” (with Luz Marina Arias)

“Do Autocrats Create Democrats?”

PAPERS IN PROGRESS

“The Promise of Foreign Aid: Commitments vs. Disbursements” (with Camelia Minoiu)

“Who Complies? The Determinants of Compliance with Aid Agreements” (with Jennifer Tobin)

PRESENTATIONS

University of Ottawa, Centre for International Policy Studies, May 2010

Georgetown University, Department of Government, April 2010

Political Economy of International Organizations Conference, January 2010

Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service, January 2010

University of Denver, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, November 2009

Georgetown University, Department of Government, October 2009

Yale University, Department of Political Science, April 2009

Stanford University, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, “Workshop on Poorly Governed Resource-Dependent States: Policy Options for the New Administration,” March 2009

Stanford University, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, “International Sources of Democratization” (Discussant), March 2009

University of Pennsylvania, International Political Economy Society Conference, November 2008

Stanford University, Department of Political Science, November 2008

American Political Science Association Conference, August 2008

Stanford University, Center for International Security and Cooperation (Discussant), June 2008

Stanford University, Center for Latin American Studies, May 2008

Stanford University, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, “Reorganizing U.S. Government Democracy Promotion Efforts” May 2008

Cornell University, Institute for African Development, April 2008

International Studies Association Conference, March 2008

Georgetown University, Department of Government, January 2008

Stanford University, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, October 2007

Stanford University, Department of Political Science, October 2007

American Political Science Association Conference, August 2007

Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April 2007

Stanford University, Department of Political Science, February 2007

Stanford University, Department of Political Science (Discussant), January 2007

African Studies Association Conference, November 2006

Stanford University, Department of Political Science (Discussant), October 2006

American Political Science Association Conference, August 2006

Stanford University, Department of Political Science, May 2006

Midwest Political Science Association, April 2006

Stanford University, Department of Political Science, April 2006

Stanford University, Department of Political Science, November 2005

Stanford University, Department of Political Science (Discussant), October 2005

Yale University, Center for the Study of Globalization, May 2005

Stanford University, Department of Political Science, April 2005

Stanford University, Center for International Security and Cooperation (Discussant), April 2005

Stanford University, Department of Political Science (Discussant), March 2005

FELLOWSHIPS

Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, 2009-2010

Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, 2007-2008

Center on International Conflict and Negotiation, Stanford University, 2007

Graduate Political Science Scholarship, Stanford University, 2002-2007

George J. Mitchell Scholarship, 2000-2001

Harry S. Truman Scholarship, 1999

TEACHING

Graduate: Methodology of Comparative Politics, Field Methods

Undergraduate: Civil War, State Building

Ph.D. Dissertation Committees:

Louis-Alexandre Berg

Anjali Dayal

Kimberly Hill

Beth Mercurio

Jennifer Raymond

Michael Weintraub

Undergraduate Theses:

Henri Minion

Anna Thomas

UNIVERSITY AND ACADEMIC SERVICE

Reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*

Appraisal Committee for First-Year Ph.D. Students, Government Department, Georgetown University, 2009-2010

Comprehensive Exam Reader, Government Department, Georgetown University, 2010

Jesuit Universities Humanitarian Action Network, 2009-present

Graduate Admissions Committee, Government Department, Georgetown University, 2009-2010

Faculty Affiliate, African Studies Program, Georgetown University, 2009-present

Executive Committee, Center for Latin American Studies, Georgetown University, 2009-present

Reader of Summer Fellows applications, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, 2008 and 2009

National interview panel for the Mitchell Scholarship, 2006 and 2009

Interview panel for Rhodes-Marshall Committee, Stanford University, 2004-2007

Reader of Mitchell Scholarship applications, 2001

FIELD WORK

Mozambique (interviews and data collection conducted in Portuguese)

Uganda

Panama (interviews and data collection conducted in Spanish)

LANGUAGES

Fluent in Spanish

Proficient in Portuguese and French