



GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

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Dear Prospective Students and Colleagues,

I am writing to let you know about the good things happening in the Ph.D. program at the Georgetown Department of Government. If you are considering applying, I hope that this letter will encourage you to apply. And if you are a professor, I hope this letter will encourage you to send your best students our way.



Georgetown is an excellent place to get a Ph.D. We are part of a distinguished university in an excellent location. But our real asset is our strong, research-oriented faculty. We have steadily climbed in the Hix Global Ranking of Political Science Departments (<http://www.politicalstudies.org/pdf/psr/hix.pdf>).

Or, perhaps it is best to see for yourself. Here is a sampling of what political scientists at Georgetown have been doing recently:

American Political Science Review



- **Michael Bailey.** Welfare Migration and the Multifaceted Decision to Move. *American Political Science Review* (2005).
- **Raj Desai (SFS), Anders Olofsgård (SFS), Tarik Yousef (SFS).** Democracy, Inequality & Inflation. *American Political Science Review* (2003).
- **James Habyarimana (GPPI).** Why Does Ethnic Diversity Undermine Public Goods Provision. *American Political Science Review* (2006) (with M. Humphreys, D. Posner & J. Weinstein).
- **Dan Hopkins.** The Constraining Power of International Treaties: Theory and Methods. *American Political Science Review* (2005) (with Beth Simmons).
- **Daniel Nexon & Tom Wright (graduate student).** What's at Stake in the American Empire Debate. *American Political Science Review* (2007)
- **Erik Voeten.** Outside Options and the Logic of Security Council Action. *American Political Science Review* (2001).
- **Clyde Wilcox.** Getting Religion: Has Political Science Rediscovered the Faith Factor? *American Political Science Review* (2006) (with Ken Wald).

American Journal of Political Science



- **Michael Bailey.** Comparable Preference Estimates across Time and Institutions for the Court, Congress. *American Journal of Political Science* (2007).
- **Michael Bailey.** Signals from the Tenth Justice: The Role of the Solicitor General at the Merits Stage. *American Journal of Political Science* (2005) (with Brian Kamoie & Forrest Maltzman).
- **Marc Morjé Howard.** Liberalizing Electoral Outcomes in Competitive Authoritarian Regimes. *American Journal of Political Science* (2006) (with Philip G. Roessler).
- **Dennis Quinn (MSB).** Ideology and Voter Preferences as Determinants of Financial Globalization. *American Journal of Political Science* (2007) (with A. Maria Toyoda).
- **George Shambaugh.** Power of Money: Private Capital and Policy Preferences in Newly Emerging Market Economies. *American Journal of Political Science* (2004).
- **Erik Voeten.** Analyzing Roll Calls with Perfect Spatial Voting. *American Journal of Political Science* (2004) (with Howard Rosenthal).

International Organization



- **Marc Busch.** Overlapping Institutions, Forum Shopping and Dispute Settlement in International Trade. *International Organization* (2007).
- **Abraham Newman (SFS).** Building Transnational Civil Liberties: Transgovernmental Entrepreneurs and the European Data Privacy Directive. *International Organization* (2008).
- **Yossi Shain & Aharon Barth (graduate student).** Diasporas and IR Theory. *International Organization* (2003).
- **Jennifer Tobin (GPPI).** Funding Self-Sustaining Development: the Role of Aid, FDI and Government in Economic Success. *International Organization* (2006) (with S. Kosack).
- **Erik Voeten.** The Politics of International Judicial Appointments: Evidence from the European Court of Human Rights. *International Organization* (2007).

World Politics



- **Thomas Banchoff.** Path Dependence and Value-Driven Issues: The Comparative Politics of Stem Cell Research. *World Politics* (2005).
- **Marc Busch.** Three's a Crowd: Third Parties and WTO Dispute Settlement. *World Politics* (2007) (with Eric Reinhardt).
- **Charles King.** The Micropolitics of Social Violence. *World Politics* (2004).

International Security



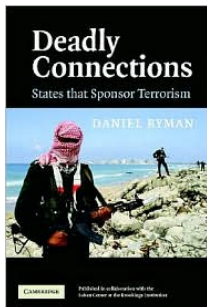
- **Jonathan Monten (graduate student)**. The Roots of the Bush Doctrine: Power, Nationalism, and Democracy Promotion in U.S. Strategy. *International Security* (2005).
- **Daniel Byman**. Friends Like These: Counterinsurgency and the War on Terrorism. *International Security* (2006).
- **David Edelstein**. Occupational Hazards: Why Military Occupations Succeed or Fail. *International Security* (2004).
- **Colin Kahl (SFS)**. In the Crossfire or the Crosshairs? Norms, Civilian Casualties, and US Conduct in Iraq. *International Security* (2007).
- **Charles Kupchan**. Dead Center: The Demise of Liberal Internationalism in the United States. *International Security* (2007) (with Peter Trubowitz).

Journal of Politics



- **Michael Bailey & Mark Rom**. A Wider Race? Interstate Competition Across Health and Welfare Programs. *Journal of Politics* (2004).
- **Richard Boyd**. Thomas Hobbes and the Perils of Pluralism. *Journal of Politics* (2001).
- **Gerry Mara**. Democratic Self-Criticism and the Other in Classical Political Theory. *Journal of Politics* (2003).
- **Joshua Mitchell**. Religion is Not a Preference. *Journal of Politics* (2007).
- **Clyde Wilcox**. Religious Preferences and Social Science: A Second Look. *Journal of Politics* (2008) (with Ted Jelen & Ken Wald).

Cambridge University Press



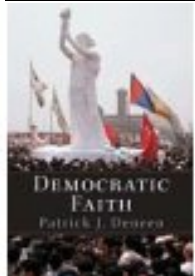
- **Jeffrey Anderson**. *German Unification and the Union of Europe* (1999).
- **Daniel Byman**. *Deadly Connections: States that Sponsor Terrorism* (2005).
- **Lise Morjé Howard**. *UN Peacekeeping in Civil Wars* (2008).
- **Marc Morjé Howard**. *Varieties of Citizenship in the European Union* (2009).
- **Marc Morjé Howard**. *The Weakness of Civil Society in Post-Communist Europe* (2003).
- **Matthew Kroenig**. *The Handbook of National Legislatures* (2008) (with M. Fish).
- **Robert Lieber**. *The American Era: Power & Strategy for 21st Century* (2007).

Oxford University Press



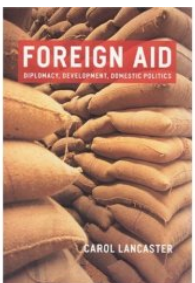
- **Anthony Arend.** *Legal Rules and International Society* (1999).
- **Thomas Banchoff.** *Democracy and the New Religious Pluralism* (2007).
- **Charles King.** *The Ghost of Freedom: A History of the Caucasus* (2008).
- **Kathleen McNamara.** *Making History: European Integration and Institutional Change at Fifty* (2007) (co-edited with Sophie Meunier).

Princeton University Press



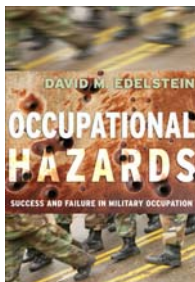
- **Patrick Deneen.** *Democratic Faith* (2005).
- **E.J. Dionne Jr.** *Has God Changed Parties? Religion, Liberalism and the Future of American Politics* (2008).
- **Joshua Mitchell.** *Plato's Fable: On the Mortal Condition in Shadowy Times* (2006).
- **Daniel Nexon.** *Religious Conflict, International Change, and the Struggle for Power in Early Modern Europe* (2009).
- **Doug Reed.** *On Equal Terms: The Constitutional Politics of Educational Opportunity* (2001).

University of Chicago Press



- **Carol Lancaster.** *Foreign Aid: Diplomacy, Development, Domestic Politics* (2006).
- **Hans Noel.** *Beating Reform: The Resurgence of Parties in Presidential Nominations, 1980-2004* (2008) (with Marty Cohen, David Karol and John Zaller).
- **Michele Swers.** *The Difference Women Make: The Policy Impact of Women in Congress* (2002).

Cornell University Press



- **David Edelstein.** *Occupational Hazards: Success and Failure in Military Occupation* (2008).
- **Abraham Newman (SFS).** *Protectors of Privacy: Regulating Personal Data in the Global Economy* (2008).

Other Major University Presses



- o **Andrew Bennett.** *Case Studies and Theory Development in the Social Sciences* (2005) (with Alexander George) MIT University Press.
- o **Victor Cha.** *Nuclear North Korea: A Debate on Engagement Strategies* (2003) Columbia University Press.
- o **Yossi Shain.** *Kinship and Diasporas in International Affairs* (2007) University of Michigan Press.

Our faculty includes a number of excellent scholars hired in recent years:

- o **Richard Boyd** (Associate Professor in Political Theory; Ph.D., Rutgers)
- o **Matt Carnes** (Assistant Professor in Comparative Politics; Ph.D., Stanford)
- o **Desha Girod** (Assistant Professor in Comparative Politics; Ph.D., Stanford)
- o **Dan Hopkins** (Assistant Professor in American Politics; Ph.D., Harvard)
- o **Lise Morjé Howard** (Assistant Professor in IR; Ph.D. Berkeley)
- o **Matt Kroenig** (Assistant Professor in IR; Ph.D. Berkeley)
- o **Hans Noel** (Assistant Professor in American Politics; Ph.D., UCLA)
- o **Eric Voeten** (Associate Professor in IR; Ph.D., Princeton)

Georgetown has other strengths in addition to its research-oriented faculty. Being in a historic part of the most powerful city in the world makes this an exciting place to study. It also provides an incredible array of opportunities for deepening graduate research: students can take classes at other Washington area schools and frequently have one member of their dissertation committee from another school or a think tank in the area.

Our fellowships are competitive. For incoming students, we offer five years of funding that covers tuition and a stipend of over \$18,000. We have several teaching opportunities available to students, in addition to regular chances to be a teaching assistant or research assistant.

Our recent graduates have tenure-track jobs at many excellent institutions, including:

- o Cornell University
- o University of Wisconsin at Madison
- o LBJ School of Public Policy at the University of Texas at Austin
- o George Washington University
- o George Mason University
- o University of California at Riverside
- o Villanova University
- o Carleton University

Part of our placement success is due to our strong record of working closely with students, including a number of publications that are jointly co-authored with students.

The bottom line? Exciting things are happening in the Ph.D. program at Georgetown and we invite you or your students to be part of them.

Sincerely,

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