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**Education**

Ph.D. Dec 2002 University of California, Davis: Political Science  
Major Fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics. Other field:  
Research Methodology  
Dissertation “Parliaments and Foreign Policy: Parties, Costs and Conflict  
Behavior.” Committee: Randolph M. Siverson (chair), Scott S. Gartner and  
Robert W. Jackman  
B.A. Dec 1991 University of California, Davis: Political Science

**Experience:**

Associate Professor Texas A&M University 2012-present  
Assistant Professor Texas A&M University 2005 – 2012  
Lecturer – Political Science UC Davis 2004 - 2005  
Division of Social Sciences Faculty Fellow: UC Davis 2003-2004  
Post Doctoral Research Fellow International Relations: Pennsylvania State University 2002-2003  
UC Davis Teaching Assistant Coordinator - Teaching Resource Center: UC Davis. 1999-2002

**Publications:**

*Articles*

- Williams, Laron K., Michael T. Koch and Jason M. Smith. “The Political Consequences of Terrorism: Terror Events, Casualties, and Government Duration.” *International Studies Perspectives* 14(3):343-361
- Koch, Michael T. and Benjamin K. Tkach. 2012. “Deterring or Mobilizing? The Influence of Government Partisanship and Force on the Frequency, Lethality and Suicide Attacks of Terror Events.” *Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy*. 18(2)
- Koch, Michael T. 2011. “Casualties and Incumbents: Do the Casualties from Interstate Conflicts affect Incumbent Party Vote Share?” *British Journal of Political Science*. 41(4).
- Koch, Michael T., and Sarah A. Fulton. 2011. “In the Defense of Women: Representation, Gender and National Security Policy” *Journal of Politics*. 73(1):1-16.
- Koch Michael T., and Patricia Sullivan. 2010. “Should I Stay or Should I Go: Partisanship, Approval and the Duration of Democratic Military Interventions” *Journal of Politics*. 72 (3): 616-29.
- Williams, Laron, David Brule and Michael T. Koch. 2010. “War Voting: Interstate Disputes, the Economy and Electoral Outcomes” *Conflict Management and Peace Science*. 27 (5): 411-16.
- Melin, Molly M., and Michael T. Koch. 2010. “Jumping into the Fray: Alliances, Power, Institutions and the Timing of Conflict Expansion” *International Interactions*. 36 (1): 1-17.
- Koch, Michael T., 2009. “Governments, Partisanship and Foreign Policy: The Case of Dispute Duration” *T. Journal of Peace Research*. 46 (6): 799-817.
- Sullivan, Patricia L., and Michael T. Koch. 2009. “Military Interventions by Powerful States 1945 – 2003 a new data set. *Journal of Peace Research*. 46(5): 707-718.

Koch Michael T. and Skyler Cranmer. 2007. "Testing the Dick Cheney Hypotheses: Are Governments, of the Left more Vulnerable to International Terrorism than Governments of the Right?" *Conflict Management and Peace Science*. 24(4): 311-26.

Koch Michael T., and Scott S. Gartner. 2005. "Casualties and Democratic Accountability: Electoral Rules and Costly Conflicts" *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 49(6): 874-894.

Bueno de Mesquita, Bruce, Michael T. Koch and Randolph M. Siverson. 2004. "Testing Contending Explanations of the Democratic Peace" *Conflict Management and Peace Science*. 21(4): 1-13.

#### *Book Chapters*

REPRINT- Bueno de Mesquita, Bruce, Michael T. Koch and Randolph M. Siverson. 2009. "Testing Contending Explanations of the Democratic Peace" in *The Causes and Consequences of International Conflict: Data, Methods and Theory* edited by Glenn Palmer. Routledge Press.

Koch, Michael T., 2001. "The War of 1000 days: The Colombian Civil War" in John Powell ed. *Magill's Guide to Military History*. Pasadena CA: Salem Press.

#### *Book Reviews*

Koch, Michael T., 2008. Review *Democracy and Counterterrorism: Lessons from the Past* ed. by Robert J. Art and Louise Richardson *Journal of Conflict Studies*. 33(1)163-64.

#### **Under Submission:**

Koch, Michael T., and Stephen Nicholson. "Conflict, Casualties and Voter Turnout in Advanced Democracies"

Koch, Michael T. and Alejandro Quiroz Flores "Executive Approval Ratings and Major Power Military Effort During Interventions"

Koch Michael T and Mitchell Radtke "Costly Interstate Conflicts and Party Change"

Koch. Michael T and Sarah A. Fulton "Gender, Representation and Foreign Policy Substitution in Democratic Countries"

Sirin, Cigdem and Michael T Koch. "Authoritarian Costs of War: Exploring the Link between Autocratic Regime Types and the Level of Casualties Sustained in Militarized Disputes"

#### **Works in Progress:**

Koch Michael T. Restricted or Free Agents: Variation in the Re-election Incentive, Agency Loss and the Timing of Democratic Interstate

Licht, Amanda, and Michael T. Koch. "Instrumental Political Benefits and the Dynamics of Lobbying the U.S. for Aid."

#### **Recent Conference Papers and Presentations:**

Koch, Michael T. and Alejandro Quiroz Flores "Executive Approval Ratings and Major Power Military Effort During Interventions" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association 2014 Seattle WA

Koch, Michael T. “ Targeted Aid and Stability and Growth in Post Conflict States” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting April 2012. Chicago IL

Koch, Michael T. “Some Agents are freer than others: Agency Loss, the Re-election Incentive, and Interstate Conflict” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Peace Science Society. October 2011. Los Angeles CA

Licht, Amanda, and Michael T. Koch. “Instrumental Political Benefits and the Dynamics of Lobbying the U.S. for Aid.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting April 2011. Chicago IL

Koch, Michael T. “Civic Engagement or Civic Disenchantment: Conflict, Casualties and Voter Turnout in Advanced Democracies.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting September 2010. Washington DC

Koch, Michael T., and Ben Tkatch., “Government Partisanship, the Use of Force and the Frequency and Lethality of Terror Events” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting April 2010. Chicago IL

### *Courses Taught*

Spring 2014

POLS 630 (5) International Relations Theory

POLS 413 (20) American Foreign Policy

Summer 2013

POLS 306 Summer Research Academy (15)

POLS 485 (12)

POLS 685 Foreign Policy Decision Making (1)

Spring 2013

POLS 429 Comparative Political Institutions and Foreign Policy (36)

POLS 447 US National Security (36)

Fall 2012

LBAR 181 Freshman Critical Thinking Seminar (20)

POLS 413 American Foreign Policy (W) (20)

POLS 418 Theories of International Relations (34)

Spring 2012

POLS206 (204) American National Governemnt

POLS 413 (20)

Fall 2011

POLS 413 American Foreign Policy (W) course (20 Students)

POLS 630 (685) International Relations Theory Graduate Seminar (2 students)

Summer 2011

POLS 415 Contemporary Issues in American Foreign Policy (25 students)

Spring 2011

POLS 415 Contemporary Issues in American Foreign Policy (36 students)

POLS 447 US National Security (34 Students)

Fall 2010

POLS 413 American Foreign Policy (W) course (19 Students)

Spring 2010

POLS 429 Comparative Political Institutions and Foreign Policy (32 Students)

POLS 447 US National Security (34 Students)

Fall 2009

POLS 415 Contemporary Issues in American Foreign Policy-Honors (20 students)

Summer 2009

POLS 689 American Political Behavior and War. Graduate Seminar (8 Students)

Spring 2009 – Fourth Year Sabbatical

Fall 2008

POLS 415 Contemporary Issues in American Foreign Policy (35 Students)  
Independent Study (1 student)  
Senior Honors Theses (2 students)

Summer 2008

POLS 415 Contemporary Issues in American Foreign Policy (13 Students)

Spring 2008

POLS 447 US National Security Spring (40 Students)  
POLS 206 American National Government (294 Students)  
Senior Honors Thesis (1 student)

Fall 2007

POLS 415 Contemporary Issues in American Foreign Policy (33 Students)  
POLS 429 Comparative Political Institutions and Foreign Policy Fall 2007 (28 Students).  
POLS 685 Independent Study Conflict and Security (2 Students)  
Senior Honors Thesis (1 Student)

Summer 2007

POLS 415 Contemporary Issues in American Foreign Policy (26 Students)  
Independent Study (1 student)

Spring 2007

POLS 447 US National Security Spring (32 Students)  
POLS 429 Western European Foreign Policy (27 Students)  
Senior Honors Thesis (1 student)

Fall 2006

POLS 630 International Relations Theory Graduate Seminar (7 students)  
POLS 415 Contemporary Issues in American Foreign Policy (35 Students)

Summer 2006

POLS 689 Political Institutions and Foreign Policy Graduate Seminar (7 Students)

Spring 2006

POLS 415 Contemporary Issues in American Foreign Policy (31 Students)  
Independent Study (1 student)  
Senior Honors Thesis (1 student)

Fall 2005

POLS 630 International Relations Theory Graduate Seminar (3 students)  
POLS 415 Contemporary Issues in American Foreign Policy (37 students)

*Graduate Students Supervised*

Claudia Avellaneda PhD 2007. Committee Member  
Benjamin Freeman PhD 2009. Committee Member  
Douglas Kuberski PhD 2009. Committee Member  
Dwight Roybler PhD.2009. Committee Member  
Jason Smith PhD. 2009. Committee Member  
Laron Williams PhD.2008. Committee Member  
Samuel Snideman MA. 2009. Committee Member  
Matt Warhol MA. 2010. Committee Chair  
Ted Brown PhD 2013 Committee Member  
Tracy Long ABD Committee Member  
Catarina Thomson PhD 2012 Committee Member  
Ben Tkach 2013 PhD Committee Member  
Blake Garcia PhD Committee Member  
Hideyuki Oku MA Committee Member  
Yao-Yuan Yeh PhD Committee Member  
Hyun Namgung MA Committee Member  
Mitch Radtke PhD Committee Member

**Courses at Other Institutions**

War and World Politics

Advanced Theories of International Relations

Western European International Relations  
US National Security  
Analysis of US Foreign Policy  
Comparative Political Institutions and Foreign Policy  
Introduction to International Relations: Spring  
Senior Research Projects Pennsylvania State University, UC Davis (various semesters)

**Service:**

*Professional Activities:*

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Reviewer, *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, *International Studies Review*, *International Studies Perspective*, *Policy Studies Journal*, *Political Psychology*, Prentice Hall Books, Person-Longman Publishing, Lynne Rienner Publishing, Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press

*Other:*

Member Undergraduate Committee 2010- present  
Member Quality Enhancement Program Texas A&M 2011- present  
Academic Advisor Model UN Texas A&M University 2011 – present  
Section Head Western Political Science Association 2013 meeting  
Organizer of the Texas Triangle IR Conference 2013 meeting at Texas A&M  
Organizer of the conference, “A Second look at the Second Image Reversed” Sponsored by the European Union Center, the Department of Political Science. June 8-9 2012.  
Spring 2010-11  
Student Council on National Affairs, Policy Presentation Judge  
Organizer of the conference, “Conference on Domestic Politics and International Conflict” Sponsored by the Program on Conflict and Cooperation, the Department of Political Science. January 23-24<sup>th</sup> 2009  
Section Head Midwest Political Science Association 2006 Meeting  
Correlates of War 2 Update Project, Pennsylvania State University 2002-2003  
Section Head Midwest Political Science Association 2006 Meeting  
Correlates of War 2 Update Project, Pennsylvania State University 2002-2003

*University*

2013-2014 College of Liberal arts Teaching Award Committee  
2011- Academic Advisor Model UN Texas A&M University  
Spring 2011 Student Council on National Affairs, Policy Presentation Judge  
Spring 2008 Global Issues Conference for Teachers, International Outreach Education at TAMU.  
January 22<sup>nd</sup>

*Department*

2013-2014

Post-tenure peer review committee, Member  
Research and Service Committee Erica Owen-Palmer 3<sup>rd</sup> yr. Evaluation

2012-2013

Head’s Advisory Committee  
Teaching Committee Kim Dionne 3<sup>rd</sup> Year evaluation  
Research and Service Committee Matt Fuhman Tenure  
Planned, Organized and presented at the “A Second  
Look at the Second Image Reversed: A conference linking international and domestic  
politics, Hosted by The EU center and PICC at Texas A&M University, 2012.

2011-12

Head's Advisory Committee  
International Relations Field Exam committee: Spring 2006, Fall 2006, Spring 2007, Fall 2008 Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2013  
Spring 2009  
Planned, Organized and presented at the PICC conference "Domestic Politics and Interstate Conflict." January 23-25 Texas A&M University  
Graduate Teaching Mentor - Center for Teaching Excellence: Christie Maloyed.  
2006-2007  
Ad hoc committee POLS 209 course  
Ad hoc committee QEP accreditation  
International Relations Job Search Committee  
Undergraduate Education Committee  
Graduate Teaching Workshop: Using simulations in class

**Other:**

Spring 2010: Course Development with visiting scholar: Teaching American Foreign Policy in China with Visiting IR scholar Kong Qingshan  
Organizer: International Relations Research and Reading Group Pennsylvania State University 2002-2003  
Undergraduate Instructional Improvement Program Advisory Committee UC Davis 2001-2002  
Presidential Undergraduate Fellowship Steering Committee UC Davis 2000-2001

*Supplemental Training:*

Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program in Quantitative Methodology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. Summer 1998

*Grants and Awards:*

New Faces in International Relations, Triangle Institute of Strategic Studies Duke University 2002  
Institute of Global Conflict and Cooperation Dissertation Fellow 2001-2002