

CURRICULUM VITAE

Personal Details

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Academic Background

since 09/2022 Postdoctoral Fellow, Institute of Political Science, University of St. Gallen
Chair of International Relations: James W. Davis

since 03/2025 Postdoctoral Fellow, Peace Research Center Prague, Charles University
Project: Foreign Interference of Foreign Powers in the Context of Contemporary Geopolitical and Technological Changes

09/2024 - 10/2024 Visiting Research Fellow, Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy, University of Hamburg
Research Area: Arms Control and Emerging Technologies

05/2019 - 05/2022 PhD Fellow, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
Title of PhD thesis: External Threats, Internal Threats, and State Support for Arms Control
Supervisors: Daniel Finke, Svend-Erik Skaaning
Committee: Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, Madeleine Hosli, Jakob Tolstrup

09/2021 - 12/2021 Visiting Scholar, Department of Government, University of Essex
Host: Kristian Skrede Gleditsch

10/2016 - 09/2018 Double Master's Degree: M.A. Politics and Public Administration, University of Konstanz and M.Sc. International Administration and Global Governance, University of Gothenburg
Grade: 1.1/Pass with Distinction

10/2012 - 09/2016 B.A. Social Sciences – Media, Politics, Society, Heinrich-Heine-
University Düsseldorf
Grade: 1.7

Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Forthcoming “Interstate Rivalry, Major Power Status, and State Support for Arms Control”, Conditionally Accepted at *International Interactions*.
- 10/2024 “Multidimensional Conflicts over Disarmament and International Security: Analyzing Speeches in the First Committee of the UN General Assembly”, Online First in *Political Science Research and Methods*. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/psrm.2024.56> (Co-authored with Daniel Finke)
- 01/2024 “Civil War and State Support for Conventional Arms Control”, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, 42(1), 11-31. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1177/07388942231223422>
- 02/2023 “External Threats and State Support for Arms Control”, *Journal of Peace Research*, 61(2), 214-227. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1177/00223433221123359>

Ongoing Research

- “Democracy and State Support for Arms Control”, Invited to Revise and Resubmit at *Foreign Policy Analysis*.
- “Trading Arms, Trading Values? Attitudes toward Arms Exports among Politicians and Citizens in European Democracies”, Under Review. (Co-authored with Christoph Steinert)
- “Right-Wing Terrorism, Party Responses, and Citizens’ Attributions of Blame to Far-Right Parties”, Under Review. (Co-authored with Valentin Daur)
- “Diverting Terror in Its Tracks: Drone Strikes as Battlefield Trolley Dilemmas”, Working Paper. (Co-authored with James W. Davis and Erik Lin-Greenberg)
- “When Do Parties Benefit from Repositioning? The Case of Arms Exports to Israel”, Work in Progress. (Co-authored with Valentin Daur)
- “Foreign Policy and Democratic Accountability: Delegation, Blame, and Public Opinion”, Work in Progress. (Co-authored with Ondřej Rosendorf)

“Challenging Universality: How Cultural Relativism Shapes Public Opinion on Human Rights”, Work in Progress. (Co-authored with Christoph Steinert)

Teaching Experience

- 09/2023 PhD Workshop “Swiss Summer School in Democracy Studies: Democracy and Peace” (Moderator), University of Zurich
- 03/2023 M.A. Seminar “Fundamentals of Arms Control” (Substitute Teacher), Institute of Political Science, University of St. Gallen
- 10/2022 M.A. Seminar “The War in Ukraine” (Substitute Teacher), Institute of Political Science, University of St. Gallen
- 08/2020 - 12/2020 M.Sc. Seminar “Civil Wars: Causes and Consequences” (Course Coordinator, Teacher, Examiner), Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
- 01/2020 - 06/2020 B.Sc. Lecture “Political Institutions” (Teaching Assistant), Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
- 04/2015 - 08/2015 B.A. Lecture “Introduction to the Political System of Germany” (Teaching Assistant), Institute of Social Sciences, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf
- 10/2014 - 02/2015 B.A. Lecture “Sociology Basics” (Teaching Assistant), Institute of Social Sciences, Heinrich-Heine-University Düsseldorf

Conference and Workshop Presentations

- 01/2025, 02/2024, 02/2023 Annual Congress, Swiss Political Science Association
- 10/2024, 09/2023, 09/2022, 09/2021 Empirical Peace and Conflict Research Workshop, German Association of Peace and Conflict Studies
- 07/2024 Annual Conference, European Political Science Association
- 02/2024 Workshop Political Violence in Democracies, University of Amsterdam
- 06/2023 Biennial Conference, Swiss Network of International Studies
- 03/2022 Annual Conference, German Association of Peace and Conflict Studies
- 10/2021, 10/2019 Annual Meeting, Danish Political Science Association

- 08/2021 General Conference, European Consortium for Political Research
- 06/2021 Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, Network of European Peace Scientists
- 03/2021 Conflict and Regime Workshop, Aarhus University

Research and Study Grants

- 04/2024 Research Grant, CHF 6,938 (~7,100 €), Basic Research Fund, University of St. Gallen
- 02/2024 Research Grant, CHF 10,000 (~10,550 €), Basic Research Fund, University of St. Gallen (Co-applicant)
- 09/2021 Travel Grant, DKK 17,500 (~2,350 €), Augustinus Fonden
- 08/2021 Travel Grant, DKK 9,500 (~1,300 €), William Demant Fonden
- 09/2020 Research Grant, DKK 6,000 (~800 €), Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
- 03/2020 Research Grant, DKK 20,000 (~2,700 €), Department of Political Science, Aarhus University
- 10/2017 - 07/2018 Scholarship, 8,050 €, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

Courses

- 08/2021 "Panel Data Analysis", ECPR Summer School, Course Leaders: Andrew X. Li, Akos Mate
- 08/2020 - 12/2020 "How to Write a Great Article", Department of Political Science, Aarhus University, Course Leader: Martin Vinæs Larsen
- 08/2020 "Quantitative Text Analysis", ECPR Summer School, Course Leaders: Bastiaan Bruinsma, Kostas Gemenis
- 02/2020 - 06/2020 "Causal Inference", Department of Political Science, Aarhus University, Course Leaders: Martin Bisgaard, Martin Vinæs Larsen
- 01/2020 "Academic Writing", Department of Political Science, Aarhus University, Course Leader: Sören Johnson
- 11/2019 - 12/2019 "Social Research as a Craft", Department of Political Science, Aarhus University, Course Leaders: Derek Beach, Rune Slothuus

Other Academic Activities

Invited Talks and Presentations

04/2023 “nanoTalks: Peace and Conflict”, Reatch

Departmental Service

since 03/2024 Program Committee Member, PhD Program in International Affairs
and Political Economy, University of St. Gallen

Workshop Organization

since 09/2023 Co-Founder and Main Organizer, Conflict and Change Working
Group, University of St. Gallen

Peer-Review

Contemporary Security Policy, Journal of International Business
Policy, Perspectives on Terrorism, Political Research Quarterly,
Research and Politics

Skills

Software

R (advanced), Unipark (advanced), MS Office (advanced), LaTeX
(advanced), E-Prime (advanced)

Languages

German (native speaker), English (C2), French (B1), Danish (B1)