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Professional Positions

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, *Michigan State University*, August 2017-Present.

Faculty Affiliate, Center for Advanced Study of International Development; Center for Gender in Global Context; African American and African Studies

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, *Michigan State University*, August 2012-July 2017.

Visiting Researcher, Centre for Study of Civil War, *Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)*, Fall 2010.

Instructor, W.E.B. DuBois Scholars Institute, *Princeton University*, Summer 2008

Education

Ph.D., Political Science, *Pennsylvania State University*, August 2012.

M.A., Political Science, *Pennsylvania State University*, May 2009.

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, *University of Michigan*, Summer 2009.

B.A., Interdisciplinary Studies, International & Global Studies, *University of Maryland Baltimore County*, May 2007

Publications

Jakana L. Thomas. 2018. "Women's Participation in Political Violence" in *The Oxford Handbook of U.S. National Security*, Derek S. Reveron, Nikolas K. Gvosdev, and John A. Cloud, Eds. Oxford University Press.

Jakana L. Thomas and Reed M. Wood. 2018. "The Social Origins of Female Fighters." *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 35(3):215-232."

Reed M. Wood and Jakana L. Thomas. 2017. "Women on the Frontline: Rebel Group Ideology and Women's Participation in Violent Rebellion." *Journal of Peace Research* 54(1):31-46.

Runner up for The Nils Petter Gleditsch JPR Article of the Year Award, 2018

Jakana L. Thomas, William Reed and Scott Wolford. 2016. "The Rebel's Credibility Dilemma" *International Organization* 70(3):477-511.

Jakana L. Thomas and Kanisha D. Bond. 2015. "Women's Participation in Violent Political Organizations" *American Political Science Review* 109(3):488-506.

Jakana L. Thomas. 2014. "Rewarding Bad Behavior: How Governments Respond to Terrorism in Civil War" *American Journal of Political Science* 58(4):804-818.

Research in Progress

Under Review

"The Lethality of Female Terrorists" (Revise and Resubmit)

"Radicalization of Rebel Demands during Negotiations" (Revise and Resubmit)

"Battle Outcomes and Rebel Negotiation Attempts in Civil Wars" w/ Anna Pechenkina (Revise and Resubmit)

"The Effectiveness of Sanctioning Foreign Terrorist Organizations" w/ Benjamin Appel (Under Review)

Book Manuscript

Women for War and Peace: How Women Influence Civil War Settlement

Working Papers

"The Impact of FDI Inflow on Political Instability in Authoritarian Regimes" (w/Martha Thomas)

"The Implementation of Peace Agreement Provisions in Civil War" (w/Benjamin Appel)

"Anticipating Intervention: Third Party Support and the Onset of Civil War" (w/Douglas Lemke)

Professional Service

Discipline Service

Editorial Board, *Political Behavior*, 2019-Present.

Editorial Board, *International Organization*, 2018-Present

Editorial Board, *International Interactions*, 2014-Present

Editorial Board, *American Journal of Political Science*, 2015-2018

Professional Development Committee, International Studies Association, 2019-Present.

Advisory Board, *Correlates of War*, 2018-Present

Guest Blogger, *The Monkey Cage*

Guest, *Al Jazeera America*, *Consider This*

Interview, *De Volkskrant* (Netherlands)

Section Chair, 2018 Southern Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, LA

Section Chair, 2015 Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL

Conference Organizer, 2012 Peace Science Society Annual Meeting, Savannah, GA

Reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, *International Interactions*, *International Organization*, *International Studies*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *International Studies Review*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Global Security Studies*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *National Science Foundation*, *Political Science Research and Methods*, *Swiss National Science Foundation*, *Terrorism and Political Violence*, *World Politics*

Assistant to the Director, Peace Science Society, *Pennsylvania State University*, Spring 2009-Summer 2010
Editorial Assistant, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, Fall 2008

University Service

Chair, College of Social Science Research Committee, *Michigan State University*, Fall 2017- Present

Foreign Language and Area Studies Program Fellowship Committee, *Michigan State University*, 2015-Present

MSU Nomination Committee, James Gaither Jr. Fellows Program, 2017-Present

University Committee on Faculty Tenure, *Michigan State University*, 2014-16

Dismissal and Discipline Policy Review Committee

College of Social Science Scholarship Committee, *Michigan State University*, Summer 2014

Dissertation Committee Member, *Michigan State University*

Thomas Bentley, Chair (Political Science, Ph.D. in progress)

Lora DiBlasi, Chair, (Political Science, Ph.D. in progress)

Nate Smith, (Political Science, Ph.D. in progress)

Christine M. Regnier-Bachand (Political Science, University Central Florida, Ph.D. in Progress)

Hyun Jin Choi (Political Science, Kyunghee University)

Brian Crothers (Political Science, Air Command and Staff College)

Petra Hendrickson (Political Science, Centre College)

Gregory Wallsworth (Economics, Amazon)

Sarah St. George (Criminal Justice)

Search Committee Member, *Michigan State University*

Sociology/ESPP Water Search Committee, *Michigan State University* Fall 2013

Political Science/ESPP Water Search Committee, *Michigan State University*, Spring-Fall 2013

Grants and Awards

President's Postdoctoral Fellowship, *University of Michigan*, 2012-2013 (Declined)

Bunton-Waller Graduate Fellow, *Pennsylvania State University*, 2007-2012

Miller-LaVigne Graduate Fellow, *Pennsylvania State University*, 2010-2011

Helene S. Runtagh Dissertation Grant *Pennsylvania State University*, Fall 2010

RGSO Dissertation Release Grant *Pennsylvania State University*, Fall 2010

Summer Research Award *Pennsylvania State University*, Summer 2010

John A. Garcia Scholarship *ICPSR Summer Program*, Summer 2009

Invited Talks and Workshops

1. "Wolves in Sheep's Clothing: The Lethality of Female Suicide Terrorists"
 - Empirical Study of Gender Research Network, *Vanderbilt University*, May 2018
 - *University of California Merced*, March 2018
 - *Columbia University* International Politics Seminar, October 2017
 - Blalock Lecture, *Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research*, July 2017
 - Program on International Security, *University of Chicago*, May 2017
 - Gendered Dynamics of International Security Conference, *University of Central Florida*, February 2017
2. "The Effectiveness of Sanctioning Foreign Terrorist Organizations" (w/ Benjamin Appel)
 - Department of Political Science/Center for International Development & Conflict Management, *University of Maryland*, March 2017
 - Department of Political Science, *University of Wisconsin*, October 2016
 - Sie Cheou-Kang Center for International Security & Development, *University of Denver*, January 2016
3. Workshop on Non-state Actor Perpetrated Mass Atrocities, US Holocaust Memorial Museum's Simon-Skjodt Center for the Prevention of Genocide, January 2017
4. "Rebel Support Networks and the Radicalization of Rebel Demands During Negotiations"
 - Department of Political Science, *Pennsylvania State University*, November 2015
 - School of Government and Policy, *University of Arizona*, December 2014
5. "Rebel Group Political Ideology and the Prevalence of Female Combatants" (w/ Reed Wood)
 - "How does Gender Shape Violence and Coercion?" Conference, *Arizona State University*, October 2015

6. "Battle Outcomes and Rebel Negotiation Attempts in Civil Wars" (w/ Anna Pechenkina)
 - Empirical Implications of Bargaining Theory Conference, *Princeton University*, May 2015
7. "What they are Fighting For: Rebel Demands and Conflict Termination in Civil War"
 - Department of Peace and Conflict Research, *Uppsala University*, December 2010
 - Centre for the Study of Civil War, *Peace Research Institute Oslo*, November 2010
 - Junior Researchers Forum, *Peace Research Institute Oslo*, October 2010
8. Women in Violent Political Organizations Conference, *Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University* September 2014

Conferences

1. "Why Do Rebel Groups Evaluate Battle Outcomes Differently" (w/ Anna Pechenkina)
 - American Political Science Association 2014 Annual Meeting, September 2014
2. "Radicalization of Rebel Demands during Negotiations"
 - American Political Science Association 2014 Annual Meeting, September 2014
 - Peace Science Society (International) 2013 Annual Meeting, October 2013
3. "Women's Participation and Support for Rebel Groups in Civil War"
 - International Studies Association Annual Meeting, March 2014
4. "The Rebel's Credibility Problem" (w/ William Reed and Scott Wolford)
 - American Political Science Association 2013 Annual Meeting, September 2013
5. "Rewarding Bad Behavior: How Governments Respond to Rebel Group Tactics in Civil War"
 - American Political Science Association 2013 Annual Meeting, September 2013
 - Visions in Methodology Conference, May 2012
 - International Studies Association Annual Convention, April 2012
6. "The Impact of FDI Inflow on Political Instability in Authoritarian Regimes" (w/Martha Thomas)
 - General Conference Of The European Political Science Association, *Barcelona*, June 2013
 - PSS-ISA Joint International Conference, *Budapest*, June 2013
7. "Women Scorned: Determinants of Women's Participation in Violent Organizations" (w/Kanisha Bond)
 - Peace Science Society (International) Annual Meeting, October 2012

8. "Don't Stop Till You Get Enough Rebel Group War Aims and Conflict Resolution in African Civil Wars."

-Peace Science Society (International) Annual Meeting, October 2011

-Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, June 2011

9. "Signaling Commitment: How Generating Audience Costs through Rebel Demands Affects Agreement in Civil War."

-American Political Science Association 2011 Annual Meeting, September 2011

10. "Women's Participation and the Internal Organization of Violent Insurgencies" (w/ Kanisha Bond)

-Midwest Political Science Association 2011 Annual Meeting, April 2011

11. "Anticipating Intervention: Third Party Support and the Onset of Civil War" (w/Douglas Lemke)

-American Political Science Association 2010 Annual Meeting, September 2010.

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