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Los Angeles County Ethics Commission

Background

In 2024, Los Angeles County voters passed Measure G, which requires the creation of an independent Ethics Commission and Office of Ethics Compliance to promote ethical, transparent, and accountable County government.

The Los Angeles County Ethics Commission is expected to serve as an independent ethics oversight body for the County. The Commission's role includes overseeing and enforcing laws related to campaign financing, lobbying, conflicts of interest, governmental ethics, and related matters; providing strategic oversight of the Office of Ethics Compliance; adopting rules, regulations, policies, complaint procedures, and penalty guidelines; issuing formal opinions; and adjudicating enforcement matters, including making final decisions following administrative hearings and imposing penalties where authorized.

The Office of Ethics Compliance will carry out the Commission's day-to-day work, which includes education and training, advice and guidance, public transparency and disclosure administration, investigations, audits, referrals to other enforcement agencies, and public reporting.

Ethics Commissioners may be asked to review sensitive or complex matters and must exercise independent judgment, fairness, impartiality, and discretion. Commissioners shall not act as representatives of any nominating authority, elected official, organization, or interest group.

The Commission will meet at least six times per calendar year, and meetings will be subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act. Commissioners will need to prepare for meetings, review materials, participate in hearings or other Commission activities, complete required trainings or disclosures, and comply with applicable ethics and service restrictions.

The time commitment is subject to change and may vary based on the Commission's meeting schedule, agenda items, enforcement matters, hearings, subcommittee meetings, preparation time, and other Commission business. Commissioners should expect to spend approximately 5 to 20 hours per month on Commission-related work. During start-up, the time required initially may be greater. Commissioners are expected to receive $250 per meeting and reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties, in accordance with applicable County Code and policies.

Structure of the Ethics Commission

The Los Angeles County Ethics Commission will have seven members. Applications submitted through this process may be reviewed for consideration by the applicable nominating authority and/or the initial Ethics Commission, subject to the final ordinance and formal appointment by the Board of Supervisors.

The appointment structure includes the following nominating authorities:

- **Governance Reform Task Force (GRTF) initial nomination / County Executive seat beginning in 2029**- One member will initially be nominated through the GRTF process following a public recruitment and application process. Beginning January 1, 2029, this member will instead be nominated by the elected County Executive. This nominee must have a background in public information and public meetings, community outreach and engagement, or using technology as it relates to open government. The initial term for this seat will expire on June 30, 2029.
- **Chair of the Board of Supervisors nomination**- One member will be nominated by the Chair of the Board of Supervisors. This nominee must have a background in public policy or public law. The initial term for this seat will expire on June 30, 2030.
- **Assessor nomination**- One member will be nominated by the Assessor. This nominee must have a background in campaign finance, accounting, auditing, and compliance with ethics laws in the public or private sector, or protection of whistleblowers. The initial term for this seat will expire on June 30, 2027.
- **Commission-nominated public applicant pool**- Once the first three nominees are appointed, the Commission will nominate the remaining four members at a public meeting following a public recruitment and application process, which should include outreach to communities that are underrepresented in the County's political process. These nominees should be broadly representative of the general public, and at least one Commission-nominated member must reside in an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County. The initial terms for two Commission-nominated seats will expire on June 30, 2028, and the initial terms for the remaining two Commission-nominated seats will expire on June 30, 2031.

After the initial staggered terms, Commissioners will serve five-year terms beginning July 1 and ending June 30. A member who has served a complete five-year term is not eligible for reappointment. If a replacement has not been appointed by the end of a member's term, the member may continue serving in a holdover capacity until a new member is appointed, for a period not to exceed one year.

Nominating authorities shall value lived experience, community leadership, traditional and non-traditional expertise, and working-class accessibility. Nominating authorities and the Board shall consider relevant analytical skills, ability to be impartial, and appreciation for the County's diverse demographics, to the extent feasible and permissible by law.

Commissioners may also be subject to attendance requirements, including possible vacancy provisions for missed meetings, ceasing to be a county resident, removal, or other circumstances specified by ordinance.

Application Overview

The County of Los Angeles is accepting applications for individuals interested in serving on the Los Angeles County Ethics Commission.

The application period will be open from July 6, 2026, through July 26, 2026.

The information submitted in this application will be used to determine eligibility, qualifications, and suitability for consideration for the Los Angeles County Ethics Commission and for review, nomination, and appointment purposes.

Applications and related materials may be public records subject to disclosure under the California Public

Records Act, except as otherwise protected by law. Application materials may also be reviewed, discussed, displayed, posted, recorded, or otherwise made available as part of a public screening, interview, nomination, or appointment process, including at a public meeting or in materials provided to the GRTF, the Ethics Commission, the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors, the Board of Supervisors, or other applicable nominating or appointing authority. Interviews may be recorded for review by applicable nominating or appointing authority.

The review and selection process may include initial screening or narrowing by an ad hoc committee, subcommittee, staff, or other reviewing body. The process may also include use of publicly discussed or approved screening criteria, a rubric, or a narrowing process. Not all applicants will be interviewed or selected as finalists.

Applicants selected as finalists may have their names, application materials, responses, qualifications, and related information released publicly, posted with meeting materials, discussed at a public meeting, and considered during public comment, public interviews, deliberations, nomination, and appointment proceedings.

Finalists may be asked to participate in a public interview before the GRTF or another nominating or appointing authority. Public interviews may be livestreamed, recorded, posted, or otherwise made available to the public. Deliberations regarding applicants, finalists, nominees, rankings, alternates, or recommendations may occur in closed session to the extent permitted by law, and any final recommendation, nomination, or appointment action may be reported or acted upon publicly.

Do not submit Social Security numbers, driver's license numbers, financial account numbers, or other personal identifying information that is not requested in this application.

Submitting an application does not guarantee nomination or appointment. Information provided in the application may be used to determine which nominating authority or background requirement may be applicable.

Section 1 - Minimum Requirements

Fields marked with a red asterisk must be completed.

First Name Mieczyslaw

Middle Name Pawel

Last Name Boduszynski

Email Address

Primary Phone Number

Home Address

Is your mailing address different from your home address?

Are you currently a resident of Los Angeles County? Yes

In which Supervisorial District do you reside? If you are not sure, please click **here** to help determine your supervisorial district in Los Angeles County.

Note: Staff may verify district information as part of the application review process.

Do you reside in an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County? If you are not sure, please click **here** to help determine whether your home address is located in an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County.

No

Note: At least one Commission-nominated member of the Ethics Commission must reside in an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County. Staff may verify this information as part of the application review process.

If appointed, are you willing and able to attend Commission meetings, required trainings/orientations, hearings, and related activities, including matters involving ethics, transparency, accountability, compliance, and enforcement? Yes

When are you generally available for Commission meetings? Either

Do you need accommodation or assistance to participate in the application, interview, orientation, or appointment process?

Form 700 Statement of Economic Interests: Ethics Commissioners will be required to file a Form 700, Statement of Economic Interests, disclosing financial interests as required by law.

Are you willing to complete and file a Form 700, Statement of Economic Interests?

Yes

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Section 2 - Disqualifying Interests

Appointment to the Ethics Commission is subject to eligibility requirements and restrictions involving current, planned, or prior activities, roles, or relationships. The following questions are used to help confirm eligibility and identify any issues that may require additional review. A "Yes" or "Not sure" response does not automatically disqualify you, but additional information may be requested.

Are you currently running, or planning to run, for elected office in Los Angeles County or for any other elected office in a jurisdiction that intersects/overlaps with Los Angeles County?

No

In the last two years, have you served as a County elected official?

No

In the last two years, have you been a candidate for County elected office?

No

In the last two years, have you been an immediate family member of a County elected official?

No

Note: For this application, immediate family means spouse, registered domestic partner, parent, sibling, or child of a County elected official.

In the last two years, have you served as an employee or paid consultant to a County elected official?

No

In the last two years, have you served as an employee or paid consultant to a candidate for County elected office, or to a campaign committee controlled by a County elected official?

No

In the last two years, have you served as an officer or paid employee of a political party?

No

In the last two years, have you been registered as a County lobbyist?

No

In the last two years, have you qualified as a "**major donor**" under the Political Reform Act, generally meaning that you made contributions totaling $10,000 or more in a calendar year?

No

In the last two years, have you contributed more than $1,000 total to one or more candidates for Los Angeles County elected office?	No
Are there any other facts or circumstances that may raise a question about your eligibility or ability to be impartial on the Ethics Commission?	No

Section 3: Required Acknowledgements

If appointed, Ethics Commissioners may be subject to restrictions during service and, in some cases, for one or two years after your service ends, unless preempted or prohibited by law. Please carefully review each statement below and indicate your acknowledgment at the end of this section.

- I understand that, if appointed, I may be restricted from seeking County elected office during my service and for two years after my service ends, and from seeking other elected office in a jurisdiction that overlaps with Los Angeles County during my service, subject to the final ordinance and applicable law.
- I understand that, if appointed, I may be restricted from serving as an officer or employee of a political party during my service.
- I understand that, if appointed, I may be restricted from employing, or being employed as, a person required to register as a county lobbyist during my service and for one year after my service ends.
- I understand that, if appointed, I may be restricted from employment, contractual relationships, gifts, or compensation from County elected officials during my service and for one year after my service ends.
- I understand that, if appointed, Ethics Commissioners may be restricted during their service from endorsing, supporting, opposing, contributing to, volunteering for, or working on behalf of any candidate or ballot measure in a County election, or any County elected official running for any elected office, subject to the final ordinance and applicable law.
- I understand that, if appointed, I may be restricted from receiving a no-bid County contract during my service and for one year after my service ends.
- I understand that Ethics Commissioners must exercise independent judgment and not serve as representatives of the person or entity involved in their nomination or appointment.
- I understand that, in connection with Commission-nominated seats, Commission members may be subject to a no-contact rule prohibiting communications with County elected officials or their agents about whom the Commission should nominate, except through public comment at a Commission meeting.

Acknowledgement

Yes, I acknowledge all of the statements above.

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Section 4 - Background and Experience

Please keep responses brief and focused. The questions below are intended to help identify whether applicants have background, experience, education, training, or other relevant knowledge in areas identified for the Ethics Commission's appointment structure. Applicants are not required to select a nominating authority or appointment category.

Why are you interested in serving on the Los Angeles County Ethics Commission?

As a resident of LA County—where I am raising my young son—I care deeply about the rule of law, transparent government, and ethical leadership at all levels of local government. Reports of ethical lapses in recent years have been troubling and undermined public trust. I would be honored to take part in a mechanism which seeks to restore and ensure trust in our county institutions. The importance of this moment for the establishment of this commission is augmented by an eroding atmosphere for the rule of law at the level of national institutions. In such a context, I believe that local government can serve as a reservoir of transparency, ethical governance, and by extension, democratic resilience. As a former U.S. government official-turned-scholar studying and working on democratic transitions the world, I have studied and witnessed firsthand the central role that watchdog groups play in ensuring transparency and trust. I would be honored to contribute my lifelong commitment to these issues as a member of the commission.

Open Government, Public Information, and Public Engagement. Please select any areas in which you have experience, education, training, or other relevant knowledge. Select all that apply.

- Public information
- Public meetings
- Community outreach and engagement

Please briefly describe the background, experience, education, training, or other relevant knowledge for each area selected above.

As a former U.S. diplomat, I helped conceive and implement programs and assistance initiatives focused on government transparency overseas. In diverse postings from Kosovo to Iraq, I worked with local civil society to set up watchdog organizations and media that helped strengthen and build public trust in nascent democracies. In my work on public diplomacy as U.S. embassies overseas, I was often asked to explain U.S. policy to foreign audiences through media and direct public engagement.

Public Policy and Public Law. Please select any areas in which you have experience, education, training, or other relevant knowledge. Select all that apply.

- Public policy
- Public law

Please briefly describe the background, experience, education, training, or other relevant knowledge for each area selected above.

In 2020-2021, I was an American Political Science Association Congressional Fellow for Congressman Ted Lieu (CA-33), an experience which taught me so much about legislative work and Congressional policymaking. One of the legislative initiatives on which I took the leads resulted in a bill (passed as part of the NDAA) designed to establish an independent appeals process in the State Department assignment process, thereby helping to combat bias and make America's diplomatic corps a more inclusive place to work. In 2022-2023, I served as a policy advisor at the Pentagon, where I worked on policy reforms related to accountability for war crimes at home and abroad.

Campaign Finance, Accounting, Auditing, Ethics Compliance, and Whistleblower Protection. Please select any areas in which you have experience, education, training, or other relevant knowledge. Select all that apply.

- Campaign finance
- Ethics compliance in the public or private sector

Please briefly describe the background, experience, education, training, or other relevant knowledge for each area selected above.

As a leader of teams in the U.S. State Department, I was responsible for ensuring ethics compliance among my subordinates while adhering to numerous ethics rules that apply to federal officials. As a scholar, I have written about ethics in research and taught ethical research standards to students. In 2020 and 2024, I was engaged on national political campaigns and learned about campaign finance.

What expertise, analytical skills, community leadership or involvement, lived experiences, traditional or non-traditional expertise, or other perspectives would you bring to the Ethics Commission? In your response, please discuss any experience you have with ethics, campaign finance, lobbying, transparency, accountability, or government oversight laws, as well as how your professional, volunteer, educational, community, or life experiences would help you effectively serve as a Commissioner. (Desirable qualifications)

I am a Professor of Politics at Pomona College and former Foreign Service Officer with the U.S. Department of State. I have also served as a Congressional Fellow and worked in the Pentagon on issues related to civilian protection and accountability for war crimes. In all of these roles, I have been deeply engaged on issues relating to good governance, trust in public institutions, and independent oversight as key ingredients in a healthy democracy. I would look forward to contributing this experience as a Commissioner.

As a Commissioner, you may be required to evaluate evidence, determine whether a person violated an ethics or campaign finance law, and, if so, decide whether a monetary penalty should be imposed. Please describe your ability to exercise independent judgment and act impartially and fairly when evaluating information and making decisions. If applicable, provide examples from your professional, volunteer, community, or personal experiences. (Desirable qualifications)

As a former U.S. diplomat, I completed a consular tour, adjudicating immigrant and non-immigrant visas. The work was intense and decisions often determined the life trajectories of applicants assigned to me. In making these decisions, I relied on a wide variety of documents and other evidence, in addition to an in-person interview at the embassy. Sound judgement and fairness, as well as the ability to evaluate diverse sources of information, were key to success.

Los Angeles County is one of the most diverse counties in the nation. Please describe your appreciation for the County's diverse demographics and how that appreciation would inform your service as a Commissioner. You may include examples from your professional, volunteer, educational, community, or life experiences, including any experience serving, engaging with, or working alongside diverse communities in Los Angeles County. (Desirable qualifications)

I am an immigrant to the United States and California, and a former political asylee. I grew up in the Bay Area and attended the University of California for both my undergraduate education and graduate school. I am married to a Korean raised in Brazil. I am privileged to teach diverse cohorts of students—in every sense of the term—at Pomona College. The diversity of LA County—as well as the state of California where I was raised and educated—has shaped my own identity and professional successes, and I would be proud to work on behalf of its rich tapestry of citizens.

List any County, city, state, nonprofit, community, civic, advisory, professional, or other boards, commissions, committees, or organizations on which you currently serve or previously served. Include offices held, if any. If none, write "N/A."

—Greater LA Fulbright Alumni Association (2025-present)
—Truman National Security Fellow (2021-present)
—Foreign Policy for America Leadership Circle (2024-present)
—Pacific Council on International Policy (2013-present)
—Volunteer, International Rescue Committee (2000-2001)

Have you ever been employed by the County of Los Angeles?

Please provide up to three professional, civic, community, or personal references who can speak to your experience, qualifications, community leadership, judgment, impartiality, or other background relevant to service on the Ethics Commission.

Name	Relationship to Applicant	Organization (if applicable)	Phone	Email
Sara Sadhwani	colleague	Pomona College		
Marc Cevasco	former supervisor	Chief of Staff to Rep. Ted Lieu		

You may upload a resume, cover letter, or personal statement using the upload button below. Uploading a document is optional and is not required for your application to be considered. Uploaded documents will be considered part of your application materials and may be subject to the public records and public process disclosures described in this application.

Section 5 - Optional Voluntary Information

The County of Los Angeles seeks broad, inclusive, and diverse participation on its commissions and public bodies. The following information is voluntary. It will be used only to help understand the overall diversity and representativeness of the applicant pool and Commission composition, consistent with applicable law. You may select “Prefer not to say” for any question.

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Race / Ethnicity

Gender Identity

Disability Status

Languages - Please list any languages, other than English, in which you are proficient. You may include speaking, reading, and/or writing ability.

Section 6 - Certification and Signature

Certification

By signing below, I certify and acknowledge that:

- I have read and understand the application instructions.
- I certify that the information I provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I understand that incomplete applications may not be considered.
- I understand that submission of an application does not guarantee nomination or appointment.
- I understand that the County may verify the information I provided and may contact other entities or persons to confirm information relevant to my application.
- I understand that my application, reference information, uploaded documents, interview materials, and related materials may be public records subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act, except as otherwise protected by law. I also understand that, if I am selected as a finalist, my name, application materials, responses, qualifications, interview, and related information may be released publicly, posted with meeting materials, discussed at a public meeting, considered during public comment, livestreamed, recorded, or otherwise made available as part of a screening, interview, deliberation, nomination, or appointment process.
- I understand that, if nominated or appointed, I may be required to complete additional forms, disclosures, ethics training, onboarding requirements, or conflict-of-interest review.
- I understand that, if appointed, I must comply with all applicable laws, rules, ordinances, and service restrictions governing Ethics Commissioners.

Printed Name Mieczyslaw Pawel Boduszynski

Signature

Date Tuesday, July 28, 2026

MIECZYSŁAW (MIETEK) BODUSZYŃSKI

EDUCATION

- 2004: Ph.D. Political Science, University of California, Berkeley
    - American Political Science Association Juan Linz Award for Best Dissertation in Comparative Democratization

- 1999: M.A. Political Science, University of California, Berkeley

- 1997: B.A. Political Science, University of California, San Diego
    - Eleanor Roosevelt College Ambassador Award

EMPLOYMENT AND AFFILIATIONS

- **2013-present: Professor of Politics and International Relations, Pomona College**
    - In addition to an active program of scholarly and public-facing research, teach a highly popular U.S. Foreign Policy course every semester. Served on the faculty executive committee at a critical time and mentored students, especially those interested in national security careers. Received multiple grants and fellowships.

- **2022-2023: Policy Advisor, U.S. Department of Defense, Office of the Secretary**
    - Helped develop U.S. policy on accountability for war crimes; the relationship with the International Criminal Court; Afghanistan special visa evacuations; civilian harm; and other human rights issues. Represented the DoD in interagency discussions and briefed and advised senior Pentagon officials.

- **2020-2021: APSA Congressional Fellow, Office of Representative Ted Lieu (D-CA-33)**
    - Advised Rep. Lieu on issues related to his role on the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Drafted legislation relating to stabilizing Libya and bias in national security clearances. Wrote papers and briefed Rep. Lieu to prepare him for hearings and votes. Engaged with the executive branch and constituents.

- 2**004-2013; 2015-2016: Foreign Service Officer, U.S. Department of State**
    - Positions of increasing responsibility as a U.S. diplomat, with postings in Albania, Kosovo, Japan, Egypt, Libya, and Iraq. Served as the first post-Qadhafi U.S. public affairs officer in Libya at the time of the Benghazi attack and as head political advisor at the U.S. Consulate General in Basrah, Iraq at the height of the war against the Islamic State.

- 2026 (spring): invited visiting professorship at Jagiellonian University (Poland).

- 2017-2018: Resident Fellow, IAU College, Aix-en-Provence, France

- 2018 (spring): Visiting Professor, Sciences Po, Paris School of International Affairs
- 2017 (fall): Visiting Scholar, Varieties of Democracy Institute, University of Gothenburg
- 2017 (summer): Visiting Scholar, Osaka School of International Public Policy
- 2014 (summer): Visiting Professor, KIMEP University, Almaty, Kazakhstan
- 2012 (spring): Adjunct Lecturer, The American University in Cairo
- 2008 (fall): Adjunct Lecturer, Temple University, Japan Campus
- 2006 (spring): Adjunct Lecturer, Graduate School of European Studies, Albania
- 2002-2004: Adjunct Lecturer, University of San Diego
- 1997-1998: Teacher, Ichinohe Board of Education, Iwate Prefecture, Japan

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

- 2025: Pomona College Wig Distinguished Professor Award
- 2025: The States Forum grant ($150,000) to develop a study tour on countering populist authoritarianism focusing on the case of Poland (with Monica Chellam and Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins).
- 2024: Pomona College Office of the President grant ($8500) to implement speaker program on U.S. policy toward Israel and Palestine
- 2023: Korea Foundation Fellowship ($40,000) (with Ben Radd)
- 2022: Charles Koch Foundation Summer Foreign Policy Fellowship ($15,000)
- 2022: Korea Foundation Fieldwork Grant ($3500)
- 2021: National Council for Eurasian and East European Research Grant ($18,000) (with Victor Peskin)
- 2021: Truman National Security Fellow
- 2020-present: Non-Resident Scholar, Middle East Institute
- 2020-2021: American Political Science Association Congressional Fellow

- 2020: Pomona College Faculty Research Grant ($10,000)
- 2019: Brandeis University Schusterman Institute for Israel Studies Fellow
- 2016-2018: Research Fellow, Center on Public Diplomacy, University of Southern California
- 2014: Hollings Center for International Dialogue Grant ($10,000)
- 2016: State Department Superior Honor Award
- 2014: Pomona College, Hirsch Research Initiation Grant ($8500)
- 2010: State Department Meritorious Honor Award
- 2009: State Department Meritorious Honor Award
- 2007: State Department Meritorious Honor Award
- 2007: State Department Franklin Award
- 2006: APSA Award for Best Dissertation in the Comparative Study of Democratization
- 2003-2004: American Council of Learned Societies Dissertation Fellowship
- 2003: Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars Research Scholar Grant
- 2002-2003: UC Berkeley, Dean of Graduate Studies Fellowship
- 2002: IREX Advanced Research Opportunities Grant
- 2001-2002: Fulbright Fellowship (University of Zagreb, Croatia)
- 2001-2002: Kosciuszko Foundation Graduate Fellowship
- 2000-2001: Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Advanced Japanese)
- 1998-2000: Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Serbian-Croatian
- 2000: Distinction, Doctoral Examination on Eastern Europe and the Former Soviet Union
- 1999: Honorable Mention, National Science Foundation Fellowship
- 1997: UC San Diego, High Honors in Political Science; Graduated Magna Cum Laude

- 1997: Inducted to Phi Beta Kappa

- 1997: UC San Diego, Eleanor Roosevelt College Ambassador Award

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- 2026 (forthcoming): *Understanding External Support for Ukraine.* (co-edited with Jasmin Mujanovic). De Gruyter Brill.

- 2025: *Research Methods in Politics and International Relations*. London: SAGE Publishers. (with Christopher K. Lamont) (second expanded edition).

- 2020: *Research Methods in Politics and International Relations*. London: SAGE Publishers. (with Christopher K. Lamont)

- 2019: *U.S. Democracy Promotion in the Arab Word: Beyond Interests vs. Ideals.* Boulder, Colorado: Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2019.

- 2010: *Regime Change in the Yugoslav Successor States: Divergent Paths Toward a New Europe* Baltimore, Maryland: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2010.

Current Book Projects

- U.S. Values in an Age of Strategic Competition (under contract with Lynne Rienner Publishers) (with Andrew Miller).

- From Protégé to Partner: The United States and Kosovo (with Victor Peskin).

Externally Peer-Reviewed Articles Under Review

- "Frozen Conflicts, Formalized Unsettlement, and Transitional Justice:The Case of Moldova-Transnistria." (under review at *Peacebuilding)*. (with Christopher K. Lamont).

- "The U.S., Vetëvendosje, and the U.S.-Kosovo Relationship." (under review at *Europe-Asia Studies).* (with Victor Peskin).

Externally Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2021: “The Limited Role of the Japanese Military: The 2003 Iraq War and the War on the Islamic State.” *WILAYAH: The International Journal of East Asian Studies*, Vol. 10, No. 2, 2021, pp 1-17. (with Christopher Lamont and Philip Streich).

- 2019: “Cultures of Victory and the Political Consequences of Foundational Legitimacy in Post-War Croatia and Kosovo,” *Journal of Contemporary History*, 2019. (with Vjeran Pavlaković).

- 2018: “U.S. Public Diplomacy and the Rise of the Fortress Embassy: Balancing Mission and Security after Benghazi,” *CPD Perspectives*, December 2018.

- 2016: “The Rise and Fall of the ICC in Libya and the Politics of International Surrogate Enforcership,” *International Journal of Transitional Justice* 10, no. 2 (2016): 272-291. (with Victor Peskin).

- 2015: “The External Dimension of Libya's Troubled Transition: The International Community and ‘Democratic Knowledge’ Transfer,” *Journal of North African Studies*, Fall 2015.

- 2014: “Euroskepticism, the Croatian Way: Explaining Croatian Attitudes toward the EU Before and After Accession,” *Sudestoropa* 62, no. 4, pp. 500-522, 2014.

- 2014: “Comparing Western Democratic Leverage: From Tirana to Tripoli.” *Croatian Poli1cal Science Review*, Vol. 50, No. 5, pp. 189-203, 2014.

- 2014: “Accounting for the Past, or Avenging in the Present? Libya’s Political Isolation Law,” *Georgetown Journal of International Affairs*, Spring 2014. (with Marieke Wierda).

- 2011: “Balancing International Justice in the Balkans: Surrogate Enforcers, Uncertain Transitions, and the Road to Europe.” *International Journal of Transitional Justice* 5(1), (2011), 52-74. (with Victor Peskin).

- 2004: “Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Croatia, Macedonia and the Battle Over Article 98,” *Problems of Post- Communism*, January/February 2004. (with Kristina Balalovska).

- 2003: “International Justice and Domestic Politics: Post-Tudjman Croatia and the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia.” *Europe-Asia Studies*, (55) 7 (2003): 1117-1142. (with Victor Peskin).

Internally Peer-Reviewed Articles and Reports

- 2025: “From Protégé to Partner: The Evolving U.S.-Kosovo Relationship.” *Newlines Institute Strategic Assessment Report.* October 2025. (with Victor Peskin).

- 2024: “Can There Ever be Transitional Justice in Iraq?” *Brown Journal of World Affairs*. Winter 2023-2024.

- 2021: “From R2P to Reticence: U.S. Policy and the Libyan Conflict.” *Project on Middle East Political Science*, September 2021.

- 2021: “Libya and the Triumph of the Opportunists,” *Newlines Magazine*, 1 July 2021.

- 2020: "Japan-Libya Relations: A Window on Japan’s Diplomacy in the Middle East and North Africa,” *Middle East Institute Asia-Middle Center Report*, 2 June 2020. (with Christopher K. Lamont).

- 2016: “Iraq’s Year of Rage,” *Journal of Democracy*, October 2016.

- 2015: “After the Arab Spring: Are Secular Parties the Answer?” *Journal of Democracy*, October 2015. (with Christopher Lamont and Kristin Fabbe).

- 2015: “The Gulf and the Balkans: Islam, Influence, Investment.” *Gulf State Analytics*, February 2015.

- 2014: “Diminishing Returns: Qatar and Libya,” *Gulf State Analytics*. August 2014.

- 2014: “Libya Starts from Scratch,” *Journal of Democracy*, October 2013. (with Duncan Pickard). Reprinted as “Libya Starts from Scratch,” in Larry Diamond and Marc Plattner, eds. *Democratization and Authoritarianism in the Arab World*. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 2014.

Externally Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters

- 2026 (forthcoming): “Explaining Slovakia’s Pro-Russian Turn: New Statehood and Economic Backwardness.” In Boduszynski and Mujanovic, *Understanding External Support for Ukraine.* (De Gruyter Brill).

- 2023: “External Influence, The Balkans, and Democratic Decline,” in Hall Gardner, ed. *Geopolitical Turmoil in the Balkans and Eastern Europe.* Routledge, 2023. (with Calla Li).

- 2022: “Algeria,” in Markus Porsche-Ludwig and Ying-Yu Chen, eds. *Handbook of Near and Middle Eastern States.* Zurich: Lit Verlag, 2022.

- 2019: “Navigating the Narrow Spaces for Transitional Justice in Iraq,” in Arnaud Kurze and Chris Lamont, eds. *New Critical Spaces in Transitional Jus1ce: Mapping Ideas, Actors and Change,* Bloomington: Pennsylvania State University Press, 2019.

- 2017: “Political Exclusion and Transitional Justice: A Case Study of Libya,” in Chandra Sriram, ed. *Transitional Justice in the Middle East and North Africa*, Oxford: Oxford University Press (with Marieke Wierda, 2017.

- 2015: “Western Democratic Leverage and the Arab Spring,” in Christopher K. Lamont et. al., *Non-Western Encounters with Democratization: Imagining Democracy after the Arab Spring*, Surrey: Ashgate, 127-142, 2015.

- 2013: "Conditional Conditionality: The European Union, International Justice, and the Democratic Transition in Serbia," in From Media1on to Nation-Building: Third Parties and the Management of Communal Conflict, eds. Joseph R. Rudolph, Jr. and William J. Lahneman (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books): 189-210. (with Victor Peskin), 2013.

- 2013: “The Trials and Triumphs of Europeanization in Croatia: The Unbearable Weight of Structure and State- Building?” in Arolda Elbasani, ed. *European Integra1on and Transformation in the Western Balkans: Europeanization or Business as Usual?* Routledge Press, 2013.

Book Reviews

- 2024: Review of Hicham Alaoui, *Pacted Democracy in the Middle East: Tunisia and Egypt in Comparative Perspective* in *Journal of North African Studies*, Summer 2023.

- 2021: Review of Philip Gordon, *Losing the Long Game* in *Middle East Journal*. Spring 2021.

- 2019: Review Essay on David Kirkpatrick, *Into the Hands of Soldiers* and Hisham Hellyer, *A Revolution Undone*, in *Review of Middle East Studies*, Fall 2019.

- 2018: Review of Ibrahim Fraihat, *Unfinished Revolutions* (Yale University Press 2016) in *Bustan: Middle East Studies Book Review,* Fall 2018.

- 2015: Review Essay on Peter Cole and Brian McQuinn, eds. 2015. *The Libyan Revolution and its Aftermath* (New York: Oxford University Press and Jason Pack, ed. 2013. *The 2011 Libyan Uprisings and the Struggle for the Post-Qadhafi Future*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, in *Journal of North African Studies*, Fall 2015.

- 2013: Review of Paula Pickering, *Peacebuilding in the Balkans: The View from the Ground Floor* (Ithaca: Cornell, 2007) in *Perspectives on Politics*, Fall 2013.

- 2004: Review of Dejan Djokic, *Yugoslavism: Histories of a Failed Idea* (London: Hurst, 2003) in *Nationalities Papers*, 2004

- 2004: Review of Neven Andjelic, *Bosnia-Herzegovina: The End of a Legacy*. (London: Frank Cass, 2003) in Canadian Journal of History, 2004.

Op-eds, Commentaries, Interviews, and Other Public-Facing Publications

- 2025: "When the Message Undermines the Messenger." *USC Center on Public Diplomacy*, 15 July 2025.

- 2025: "Models for Transitional Justice in Syria." In *Lawfare,* 18 February 2025. (with Sabina Henneberg)

- 2025: "What Syrians Can Learn from Libya's Revolution", *Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Emissary,* 5 February 2025.

- 2025: "Values and U.S. Foreign Policy in a New Age of Strategic Competition" *Pacific Council Magazine,* February 2025.

- 2024, "A Troubling Omen for Ukraine in the EU's Balkan Membership Struggles," *Just Security,* 13 March 2024. (with Jasmin Mujanovic).

- 2023: Feature Interview in *Gazeta Prawna* (Poland) on U.S. foreign policy challenges.

- 2022: "Poland, Ukrainian Refugees, and the Power of People-to-People Ties," *USC Center on Public Diplomacy*, 22 April 2022 (with Agnieszka Lazorczyk).

- 2022: "Putin's Crime of Aggression in Ukraine and the International Criminal Court," *Los Angeles Times*, 5 March 2022. (with Victor Peskin).

- 2021: "Biden promises to fight transnational corruption. But will the U.S. target friends as well as foes?" *Washington Post Monkey Cage*, 20 December 2021. (with Victor Peskin).

- 2021: "Can Kishida Become Japan's First Human Rights Prime Minister?" *The Diplomat*, 2 December 2021. (with Christopher K. Lamont).

- 2021: "A Fulbright Story," *USC Center on Public Diplomacy*, 23 March 2021.

- 2021: "Libya's Unraveling," Middle East Institute, 2021.

- 2020: "The Authoritarian Pandemic." *Pomona College Magazine,* Spring/Summer 2020.

- 2020: "Rebuilding the American Brand." *USC Center on Public Diplomacy*, 1 September 2020. (with Sarah Alaoui).

- 2020: “Trump Has Damaged the U.S.-Japan-South Korea Alliance, and China Loves It.” *The National Interest*, 20 July 2020. (with Gene Park).

- 2020: “U.S.-Poland Relations Transcend Trump’s Transactional Diplomacy,” *Pacific Council Magazine*, 13 July 2020. (With Kamil Lungu)

- 2020: “Trump Is Stirring Chaos in Kosovo at the Worst Possible Time.” *Foreign Policy*, 16 April 2020.

- 2019: “What a former diplomat thinks about Trump, Ukraine, and America's role in promoting democracy abroad” (Interview in *The Week*, December 31, 2019).

- 2019: “Will Algeria’s New President Resume Politics as Usual or Bring Genuine Change?” *The Globe Post*, December 20, 2019. (with Jessica Mecellem).

- 2019: “Broken trust: How Iraqis lost their faith in Washington, long before the Kurds did.” *The Conversation*, November 21, 2019.

- 2019: “Will an Israeli Energy Boom Make the EU Pro-Israel?” *Foreign Policy* August 6, 2019. (with Jamie Levin).

- 2019: “Trade Tensions: Why Shinzo Abe Has a Critical Role to Play.” *The National Interest*. July 16, 2019. (with Gene Park).

- 2019: “Building Bridges Between Israel and Poland: Toward Collaborative Public Diplomacy.” *USC Public Diplomacy Blog*. July 11, 2019. (with Katarzyna Pisarska).

- 2019: “Trump changed U.S. policy toward Libya. This is why it matters.” *Washington Post/Monkey Cage*. May 3, 2019. (with Chris Lamont).

- 2019: “Who Controls Libya’s Airports Controls Libya.” *Foreign Policy*, April 24, 2019. (with Chris Lamont).

- 2019: “Will Democratic Transition Succeed in Algeria?” *The Globe Post*, April 10, 2019.

- 2019: "Japan and the Middle East: Navigating U.S. Priorities and Energy Security,” Middle East Institute, March 5, 2019. (with Chris Lamont and Philip Streich).

- 2019: "Guaidó backed an amnesty plan for Venezuela’s military. How might that play out?" *Washington Post/ The Monkey Cage*, February 11, 2019. (with Victor Peskin).

- 2018: “Saudi Arabia Affair presents a moment of truth for Congress,” *The Hill*, October 25, 2018. (with Chris Lamont).

- 2018: “America cannot ignore voices of young Iraqis demanding change,” *The Hill*, August 13, 2018 (with Chris Lamont).

- 2019: “Why the Prospects for Democracy are So Much Better in Tunisia than Egypt or Libya,” *Washington Post/ The Monkey Cage*, 20 July 2018 (with Sabina Henneberg).

- 2018: “Libya serves as lesson to focus on North Korea human rights abuses,” *The Hill*, 18 June 2018.

- “Iraqis Head to the Polls, Frustrated with Corruption and Ethno-Sectarian Appeals,” *War on the Rocks*, 12 May 2018 (with Chris Lamont).

- 2018: “Does the West Have a Vision for the Western Balkans?” *War on the Rocks*, 13 April 2018. (with Michael Carpenter).

- 2017: “Is America Still a Champion of Democracy in the Trump Era?” *The Hill*, 21 December 2017.

- 2017: “Public Opinion and the Demise of U.S. Public Diplomacy in Libya,” *USC Center on Public Diplomacy Blog*, 14 December 2017. (with Lindsay Benstead).

- 2017: “American Diplomacy is not Dead,” *The Hill*, 14 December 2017.

- 2017: “Understanding Decision-making in Transition and Fragile State Contexts,” *Fragile States*, December 2, 2017.

- 2017: “Why Ukraine’s Future Could Look a Lot Like Moldova,” *Foreign Affairs*, 27 November 2017.

- 2017: “The Challenges of Building a Shared Iraqi Identity,” *OpenDemocracy,* 5 November 2017 (with Chris Lamont).

- 2017: “Russian Disinformation and U.S. Public Diplomacy,” *USC Center for Public Diplomacy Blog*, 1 November 2017 (with Philip Breeden).

- “The Anti-Islamist Campaign and Arab Democracy,” *OpenDemocracy,* 27 October 2017.

- 2017: “How Polish populism explains the surge of Trump and nationalism,” *The Hill*, 1 August 2017.

- 2017: “Europe’s Libya Problem,” *Foreign Affairs*, 20 July 2017. (with Sabina Henneberg).

- 2017: “Islamophobia and U.S. Public Diplomacy in the Trump Era,” *USC Center on Public Diplomacy Blog*, June 30, 2017.

- 2017: “Hosni Mubarak is Free Again: What Does this Say About Egypt?” *Washington Post/Monkey Cage*, 28 March 2017.

- 2017: “Reviving the Pivot to Asia,” *East Asia Forum*, March 27, 2017. (with Tom Le).

- 2017: “Understanding Egyptian Policy Toward Libya,” *Tahrir Institute for Middle East Policy Policy Brief*, March 28, 2017. (with Mohamed ‘Arafa).

- 2016: “Fighting the Islamic State won’t change the sectarian image of Iraq’s militias,” *Washington Post/Monkey Cage*, December 28, 2016.

- 2016: “A Diplomatic Reality Check on U.S. Expectations in Iraq,” *The Hill*, October 26, 2016.

- 2016: “Public Diplomacy and Trust-Building in Iraq, Part II,” *USC Center on Public Diplomacy Blog*, October 26, 2016.

- 2016: “Public Diplomacy and Trust-Building in Iraq, Part I,” USC Center on Public Diplomacy Blog, October 17, 2016.

- 2016: “How I got here,” The Guardian, September 6, 2016.

- 2015: “The Key to Real Change in the Middle East: Police Reform.” *The Conversation*, March 23, 2015.

- 2015. “Libya and ISIS: What Happened?” *The Conversation*, February 25, 2015.

- 2015: “Libya’s Forgotten Human Rights Crisis,” *Los Angeles Times*, February 24, 2015. (with Victor Peskin)

- 2015: “ISIS and Japan: What’s Next?” *The Diplomat*, February 6, 2015. (with Chris Lamont).

- 2014: “The Path of post-Soviet Europe isn’t on the Map in the Middle East,” *Los Angeles Times*, November 14, 2014. (with Cameron Munter).

- 2014: “U.S. Public Diplomacy in Poland: Twenty-Five Years Later,” *USC Public Diplomacy Blog*. November 9, 2014. (with Caitlin Bergin).

- 2014: “Libya’s Lessons for Iraq and Syria,” *Los Angeles Times,* September 23, 2014. (with Kristin Fabbe)

- 2014: “Leveraging the Appeal of U.S. Higher Education in Public Diplomacy Programs: the Coursera-State Department Partnership,” *USC Center on Public Diplomacy Blog*. 2014. (with Monica Chellam).

- 2014: “Guaranteeing the European Future of Ukraine,” *Liberte,* March 28, 2014.

- 2014: “Democracy’s Dangerous Decline in Egypt and Turkey.” (with Kristin Fabbe). *The Christian Science Monitor*, February 13, 2014.

- 2013: “The Benghazi Syndrome.” *Los Angeles Times*, December 1, 2013.

- 2013: “The Road from Benghazi,” *Project Syndicate*, September 12, 2013.

INVITED PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PANELS (2009-2025)

- 2026 (April), Heinz Lecture in Ethics, Polytechnic SChool, Pasadena, CA.

- 2025 (September), invited presentation, “Russia, Ukraine and Central Europe: War, Arms and Politics.” University of Southern California, Center for International Studies.

- 2025 (June), invited panelist, “A Court for Kosovo or a Kosovo Court?”, Universum International College, Pristina, Kosovo.

- 2024 (December), moderator and organizer, the geopolitical consequences of a supply chain crisis. UCLA International Institute.

- 2024 (November), invited discussant, workshop on “The Revenge of Victor Orban? Central Europe Wobbles on Ukraine.” University of Southern California, Center for International Studies.

- 2024 (November), Payton Lecture, in conversation with Ambassador Susan Rice, Pomona College.

- 2024 (November), organizer and moderator, follow-up workshop on the domestic politics of support for Ukraine, Scripps College.

- 2024 (November), “The United States and International Justice.” Virtual Presentation to students and faculty at Tokyo International University.

- 2024 (September), “Values and Great Power Competition.” International Studies Association Regional Meeting, Pasadena.

- 2024 (September), invited participant, Diversity in Study Abroad Conference, North Dakota State University.

- 2024 (June), “The United States and the Rule of Law in Kosovo.” Paper presented at the regional meeting of the International Studies Association, Rijeka, Croatia.

- 2024 (February), organizer and moderator, workshop on the Domestic Politics of Support for Ukraine,” Scripps College.

- 2023 (December): Moderator, workshop on U.S. Policy toward the PRC, UCLA Institute of International Affairs and Korean Consulate General in Los Angeles.

- 2023 (October), participant, new approaches to diversity in study abroad, Miami-Dade College.

- 2023 (October): Invited speaker on accountability in Ukraine, Warsaw Security Forum.

- 2022 (October): Invited speaker on “Paths Toward Accountability in Ukraine.” Mgrublian Center for Human Rights.

- 2022 (October): Member, panel on accountability in Ukraine, American Association for East European and Eurasian Studies.

- 2022 (May), “Reframing U.S. Partnerships in the Gulf.” TruCon conference, Washington, D.C.

- 2021 (September), Bridging Scholarship and Policy, University of California, Merced.

- 2020 (October), invited panelist, UN Millennium Development Goals, Howard University.

- 2020 (September), invited participant, Project on Middle East Political Science Virtual Workshop on Frozen Conflicts.

- 2020 (March), moderator, Los Angeles World Affairs Council discussion with Professor Joseph Nye on “Do Morals Matter in Foreign Policy?”

- 2020 (February) invited book talks at Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, UC Irvine United Nations Association of Pomona Valley, and Loyola Marymount University.

- 2019 (November): invited book talks at UC Berkeley, Harvard Kennedy School, and Monmouth College.

- 2019 (September): Invited Moderator, Pacific Council Conference Call on Western Sahara.

- 2019 (July): presentation on conflict in Libya at Utrecht University Summer School on International Conflict Management, Utrecht, The Netherlands.

- 2019 (May): book talk on “U.S. Democracy Promotion in the Arab World” at Osaka School of International Public Policy

- 2019 (May): talks on Iraq at Japan Press Club; Tokyo International University; and Sophia University.

- 2019 (April): in conversation with former Deputy National Security Advisor Ben Rhodes, Pomona College.

- 2019 (March): “Frozen Conflicts, Formalized Unsettlement, and Transitional Justice: The Case of Moldova-Transnistria,” Paper delivered at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association, Toronto, Canada.

- 2018 (November): “Pivotal Moments and Post-Arab Spring Pathways: Vetting in Libya and Tunisia,” Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (ASMEA) Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. (with Sabina Henneberg).

- 2018 (October): book manuscript roundtable at the Project of Middle East Democracy (POMED), Washington, D.C.

- 2018 (September): “The U.S. and the Arab Spring,” presentation at the UCLA Global Security Seminar.

- 2018 (March), “Pivotal Moments and Post-Arab Spring Transitions.” Aga Khan Foundation Conference on New Perspectives on the Arab Spring, London, UK.

- 2018 (February): “From Rapprochement to R2P to Reticence: A Decade of U.S. Policy in Libya,” Libyan Institute for Advanced Studies conference on R2P and Libya, Tunis, Tunisia, 25-26 February 2018.

- 2017 (November): “Cultures of Victory in Croatia and Kosovo,” Maynooth University Conference on Cultures of Victory. (with Vjeran Pavlaković).

- 2017 (November): “Full Circle: U.S. Democracy Promotion and the Arab Spring,” presentation at V-Dem Institute, University of Gothenburg, Sweden. 8 November 2017.

- 2017 (October): “Full Circle: U.S. Democracy Promotion and the Arab Spring,” presentation at IAU College, Aix-en-Provence, France. 18 October 2017.

- 2017 (June): “Dilemmas of the Day After Daesh: U.S. Foreign Policy in Iraq,” presentation at Osaka School of International Public Policy, 20 June 2017.

- 2017 (June): “The Limits of Japanese Militarism: The 2003 Iraq War and the War on the Islamic State.” Paper presented at the Hong Kong meeting of the International Studies Association, Hong Kong. (with Christopher Lamont and Philip Streich).

- 2017 (March): “Balancing Security and Mission in the Age of the Fortress Embassy,” presentation at USC Center for Public Diplomacy.

- 2017 (February): “Dilemmas of the Day After Daesh: U.S. Foreign Policy in Iraq,” presentation at New York University International Relations Program.

- 2017 (February): “Explaining the Failure of State-building in Iraq and Libya: The Pitfalls of Political Exclusion,” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Baltimore, Maryland, February 25, 2017.

- 2016 (December): “A Tale of Two Interventions,” talk to the LA Superior Court Judges’ Seminar, Los Angeles, 1 December 2017.

- 2016 (November): “From Rapprochement to R2P to Reticence: U.S. Foreign Policy and Libya,” paper presented at the Libya Policy Forum III, Tufts University, 22 November 2016.

- 2016 (October): “What Kind of Justice do Iraqis Want?,” paper presented at Montclair State University, 18 October 2016.

- 2015 (May): “Public Opinion and Libyan Foreign Policy,” American Institute for Maghreb Studies Annual Conference, Tunis, Tunisia.

- 2015 (April): “Understanding the Current Libyan Conflict: What Role Does Religion Play?,” Bayan Institute Conference on Peace and Conflict in Sectarianism/Religion, Claremont, California.

- 2015 (April): Moderator, panel on “Bosnia Twenty Years After Dayton,” Pacific Council Annual Conference, Los Angeles, California.

- 2015 (February): “The Rise and Fall of the ICC in Libya.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association, New Orleans, Louisiana.

- 2015 (January): “Transitional Justice in Libya and Tunisia,” paper presented at Osaka School of International and Public Policy workshop on transitional justice, Osaka, Japan.

- 2015 (December): “Executive-Legislative Relations in U.S. Foreign Policy,” paper presented at Ain Shams University and the Arab Academy, Cairo, Egypt.

- 2015 (December), “Revolutionary Legitimacy, Reconciliation, and Peacebuilding in Libya,” Paper presented at University of Groningen winter school on human rights.

- 2014 (November): “Islamophobia and its Challenges for Diplomacy,” Talk at the University of San Diego as part of International Education Week.

- 2014 (November): “Revolutionary Legitimacy: The Case of Libya,” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, Washington, DC.

- 2014 (February and August): Invited Participant, Working Group on Transitional Justice in the Middle East, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Doha, Qatar

- 2014 (March): Participant, Hollings Center Conference on Higher Education in Libya, Istanbul.

- 2014 (March): “Libya, the Arab Spring, and U.S. Policy,” lecture delivered at University of Groningen, Netherlands.

- 2014 (February): “Libya, the Arab Spring, and U.S. Policy,” Wesleyan University, 16 February.

- 2013 (November): Panelist, Looking Forward in the Middle East Panel, University of San Diego

- 2013 (October): “Linkages and Leverage and the Arab Spring,” paper delivered at the launch conference of the American Institute of Maghreb Studies in Tripoli, Libya.

- 2013 (June): “Western Pro-Democracy Leverage: From Tirana to Tripoli,” Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C.

- 2012 (April): “Transitional Justice in the New Egypt: The Mubarak Trial,” paper delivered at the Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, San Diego, California.

- 2010 (February-December): “The Unbearable Weight of Structure? Continuity and Change in the Yugoslav Successor States,” Book talk at International Institute and History Department, UCLA; Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars; University of San Diego.

- 2009 (May): “Structure, Culture, and Leadership in Political Change and Continuity,” presentation to Global Studies Program, Busan National University, Korea.

UNIVERSITY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2025 (September-October), international observer, OSCE election observer mission to the Moldovan parliamentary elections.

- 2025-present: member, Los Angeles Fulbright Alumni Board

- 2021-present: Truman National Security Project Los Angeles Chapter leader organizing multiple events for members.

- 2024 and 2026 (forthcoming): designed and led faculty-led program “Diplomacy and Human Rights in the Mediterranean," Pomona College.

- 2024 (May): member, Foreign Policy for America Delegation to Congress advocating for continued funding for Ukraine, Washington, D.C.

- 2023-2025: member, Faculty Executive Committee, Pomona College

- 2021-2022: member, Faculty Position Advisory Committee, Pomona College

- 2023 (June), participant, SIT professional development seminar on experiential learning and decolonized pedagogies, Accra, Ghana.

- 2021-2024: faculty leader and organizer, IAU College “Diplomacy and Human Rights” traveloing seminars through Morocco, Spain, France, and Belgium

- 2019 and 2020: Co-organizer, Japan-South Korea Dialogue, jointly with Loyola Marymount University and with support of Pacific Basin Institute, Pomona College

- 2014-2015; 2019-2020; and 2025-2026: Fulbright Faculty Committee

- 2019: Faculty Leader and Lecturer, Utrecht University Summer School on International Conflict Management

- 2019: Faculty Evaluator of SIT Study Abroad Program in Tunisia and Italy 2016-2017, Teaching and Learning Faculty Committee, Pomona College

- 2019: faculty leader for EU Center and Pomona scholars, Utrecht University Summer School on Conflict Management

- 2013-2018: Faculty Organizer and Lecturer, Cres Summer School on Transitional Justice and the Politics of Memory

- 2019: Peer Reviewer, *International Journal of Transitional Justice.*

- 2018-present: Peer Reviewer, *Review of Middle East Studies*; *Third World Studies*; *Journal of North African Studies.*

- 2017-present: Expert Coder, V-Dem Institute (for Croatia, Albania, and Libya).
- 2013-2015: Chair of Libya Advisory Committee, American Institute of Maghreb Studies
- 2009-2014: member of review panel for academic grants, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.
- 2004-present: Member: Truman National Security Project, Pacific Council, American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, American Foreign Service Association, Middle East Studies Association, Middle East Institute.
- 2003-2004: Volunteer, "Venaver" program, Tijuana, Mexico.
- 2000-2002: Volunteer, International Rescue Committee.

LANGUAGES

- Arabic: advanced reading and speaking Japanese: advanced reading and speaking
- Croatian, Serbian, and Bosnian: advanced reading and speaking
- Albanian: advanced reading and speaking
- French: advanced reading and speaking
- Polish: native reading and speaking
- Korean: intermediate proficiency

CONSULTANCIES AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2025, co-lead, countering populist authoritarianism study tour in Poland (sponsored by the States Forum).
- 2024, participating, An Alternative to Project 2025, Truman National Security Project.
- 2020-2021, Libya analyst, MENAS Associates.
- 2019-2020, volunteer foreign policy advisor, Biden/Harris campaign.
- January 2020, International Research and Exchanges Board (IREX), reviewer for grant applications on countering disinformation in the Baltics.

- October 2017-February 2018, Center for European Security Studies, consultant on creating a transitional justice mechanism for the Republic of Moldova/Transnistria.