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**Qualifications**

**B.A.** in War Studies & History (First Class Honours), King’s College London (2005-2008)

**MPhil.** in Political Theory (Distinction), University of Oxford (2008-2010)

**DPhil.** in Politics, University of Oxford (2010-2014)

**SEDA Certificate** in Learning, Teaching and Assessing (2017) aligned to the UK Professional Standards Framework at Descriptor 2 (equivalent to Fellow of the Higher Education Academy).

*Languages:*English (Native), Serbo-Croat (Beginner), Turkish (Beginner), French (Beginner)

**Research Interests**

*Primary:* The role of political ideology in armed conflict and political violence

Genocide, mass killing and human rights atrocities

Theories of ideology and ideology critique

*Secondary:* Mass atrocity and genocide prevention

Methodological debates in political science and political theory

**Publications**

*Books*

* ***Ideology and Mass Killing: The Radicalized Security Politics of Genocides and Deadly Atrocities*** (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2022)
* ***The Routledge Handbook of Ideology and International Relations*** (Abingdon: Routledge, 2022) [co-edited with Mark L. Haas, forthcoming]

*Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles*

* ‘**Political Realism as Methods not Metaethics,’** *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice,* OnlineFirst Version(2021)
* **‘Ideology and Armed Conflict’,** *Journal of Peace Research* 56/5 (2019)
* **‘Is There a Distinctively Political Normativity?’,** *Ethics* 128/4 (2018) [co-authored with Alex Worsnip][[1]](#footnote-1)
* **‘Convergence and divergence in the study of ideology: A critical review,’** *British Journal of Political Science* 48/2 (2018) [co-authored with Matto Mildenberger]\*
* **‘Dangerous Speech and Dangerous Ideology: An Integrated Model for Monitoring and Prevention,’** *Genocide Studies and Prevention* 9/3 (2016) [co-authored with Susan Benesch]\*
* **‘Preventing Mass Atrocities: Ideological Strategies and Interventions,’** *Politics and Governance* 3/3 (2015)
* **‘Rethinking the Role of Ideology in Mass Atrocities’**, *Terrorism and Political Violence* 26/5 (2014)
* **‘A Complex Systems Approach to the Study of Ideology: Cognitive-Affective Structures and the Dynamics of Belief Systems’**, *Journal of Social and Political Psychology* 1/1 (2013) [co-authored with Thomas Homer-Dixon, Matto Mildenberger, Manjana Milkoreit, Steven J. Mock, Stephen Quilley, Tobias Schröder and Paul Thagard]\*
* **‘A map of the field of ideological analysis’**, *Journal of Political Ideologies* 18/3(2013)

*Other Journal Publications*

* ‘**Dragojevic, Mila - Amoral Communities: Collective Crimes in Times of War,** **Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2019, 224 pp. £35.00 hbk,**' *Studies in Ethnicity and Nationalism* (2020)
* **‘Correspondence: Ideological Extremism in Armed Conflict,’** *International Security* 43/1 (2018) [co-authored with Kai Thaler]\*
* **‘Review: *The Magnitude of Genocide* by Colin Tatz and Winton Higgins’,** *Genocide Studies and Prevention* 11/1 (2017)
* **‘Review: *Emotions, Decision-Making and Mass Atrocities* by Olaoluwa Olusanya’**, *Criminal Law and Criminal Justice Books* (2015) <http://clcjbooks.rutgers.edu/books/emotions-decision-making-and-mass-atrocities.html>

*Chapters in Edited Volumes*

* **‘Authoritarian and Totalitarian Ideologies,’** in Mark L. Haas and Jonathan Leader Maynard, *The Routledge Handbook of Ideology and International Relations* (Abingdon: Routledge, [Forthcoming, 2022]).
* **‘Ideology and Genocide’** inDonald Bloxham and A. Dirk Moses (eds.), *Genocide: Key Themes* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2022).
* **‘Ideologies, Identities and Speech in Atrocities,’** in Barbora Hola, Hollie Nyseth Brehm, and Maartje Weerdesteijn (eds.), *Oxford Handbook on Atrocity Crimes* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2022)
* **‘Evil, genocide and mass atrocities,’** inStephen de Wijze and Thomas Nys (eds.), *Routledge Handbook of the Philosophy of Evil* (Abingdon: Routledge**,** 2019)
* **‘Studying Perpetrator Ideologies in Atrocity Crimes,’** in Alette Smeulers, Maartje Weerdesteijn and Barbora Hola (eds.), *Perpetrators of International Crimes – Theories, Methods and Evidence* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2019)
* **‘Theorizing Ideological Diversity in Mass Violence’**,in Timothy Williams & Susanne Buckley-Zistel (eds.), *Perpetrators and Perpetration of Mass Violence: Action, Motivations and Dynamics* (Abingdon: Routledge, 2018)
* **‘Ideology’**,in William Outhwaite and Stephen Turner (eds.), *Handbook of Political Sociology* (London: Sage Publications, 2017)
* **‘Ideological Analysis’**,in Adrian Blau (ed.), *Methods in Analytical Political Theory* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2017)
* **‘Combating Atrocity-Justifying Ideologies’**, in Jennifer Welsh & Serena Sharma (eds.), *The* *Responsibility to Prevent: Overcoming the Challenges to Mass Atrocity Prevention* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2015)
* **‘Liberal and Non-liberal Justifications of Violence against Civilians’**, in Alan Cromartie (ed.), *Liberal Wars: Anglo-American strategy, ideology and practice* (Abingdon: Routledge, 2015)

*Policy Briefs*

* **‘Countering Ideologies That Justify Mass Atrocities’,** *The Prevention Toolbox: Systematising Policy Tools for the Prevention of Mass Atrocities,* Policy Brief 4 of 6, Australian Civil-Military Centre & Oxford Institute for Ethics, Law and Armed Conflict (2013)

*Other Publications*

* **'The struggle to prevent atrocities in Ukraine,'** *UK in a Changing Europe*(21/04/2022), online: <https://ukandeu.ac.uk/the-struggle-to-prevent-atrocities-in-ukraine/>
* **‘Is Genocide Occurring in Ukraine? An Expert Explainer on Indicators and Assessments,’** *JustSecurity.org* (6/04/2022), online: <https://www.justsecurity.org/80998/is-genocide-occurring-in-ukraine-an-expert-explainer-on-indicators-and-assessments/>
* **‘Oxford admissions tutor: only radical school reform will significantly widen access,’** *The Times Higher Education Magazine* (2/11/2017), online version: <https://www.timeshighereducation.com/opinion/oxford-admissions-tutor-only-radical-school-reform-will-significantly-widen-access>
* **'Let's not pretend Trident renewal is a simple question for the left,'** *opendemocracy.net* (02/06/2016), <https://www.opendemocracy.net/uk/jonathan-leader-maynard/lets-not-pretend-trident-renewal-is-simple-question-for-left>
* **‘When is speech dangerous?’,** *freespeechdebate.com* (16/03/2016) and *Eurozine* (21/03/2016), <http://freespeechdebate.com/en/discuss/the-challenge-of-dangerous-speech/> and <http://www.eurozine.com/articles/2016-03-21-maynard-en.html>
* **‘Britain’s missing nuclear debate’,** *The New Statesman* (30/10/2015), <http://www.newstatesman.com/politics/staggers/2015/10/britains-missing-nuclear-debate>
* **The Government doesn't understand terrorism — and it's making things worse',** *The Independent* (06/07/2015)
* **‘Is bombing ISIS atrocity prevention or a token gesture?’**,*Politics In Spires* (29/09/2014), <http://politicsinspires.org/bombing-isis-atrocity-prevention-token-gesture/>
* **‘Nasty piece of work: The Sun’s nationalism is doing England great harm’**, *The Conversation* (01/07/2014), <https://theconversation.com/nasty-piece-of-work-the-suns-nationalism-is-doing-england-great-harm-28426>
* **‘Stalin’s Genocides’**, *The Oxonian Review of Books,* Orbits (2011)
* **‘A doubtful genealogy’**, *The Oxonian Review of Books*, 15.3 (2011)
* **‘What is the Left for?’**, *The Point,* 5 (2011)

**Working Papers**

* **‘Ideology, Strategy and Mass Killing’** [about to submit to *International Security*]
* **‘Ideology as Infrastructure: A Theory of Ideological Power’** [potential publication venues: *American Political Science Review, World Politics; International Studies Quarterly, European Journal of International Relations*]
* **‘Mass Atrocities Outside Armed Conflict’** [potential publication venues: *Journal of Peace Research; Human Rights Quarterly; Journal of Global Strategic Studies*]
* **‘Phronetic Objections and Ideology-Critique’** [potential publication venues: *Journal of Politics, Journal of Political Philosophy*]
* **‘The Revolution is the Highest Law: The Ends and Means of Violence in Revolutionary Marxism’** [potential publication venue: *Journal of the History of Ideas*]
* **‘Marxism and Mass Violence: Overturning the Conventional Wisdom’** [potential publication venues: *Journal of Politics, World Politics, European Journal of International Relations*]

**Teaching Experience**

I am formally qualified in teaching via a *SEDA* *Certificate* equivalent to Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy and have more than ten years total teaching experience in higher education. This experience includes: a) tutorials, seminars and lectures with undergraduates; b) seminars and supervision with undergraduate, masters and doctoral level postgraduates; c) qualitative methods training; d) setting and marking undergraduate and graduate examinations; e) pastoral care/acting as a student advisor; f) individual and team-based administrative roles (course design, convenor for papers/modules, organizing doctoral-level teachers, serving on departmental teaching committees – including the ‘Inclusive Curriculum Working Group’ at KCL).

At **undergraduate** level, I taught the following modules extensively while at the University of Oxford between 2011 and 2019:

* *International Relations* (tutorials and lectures)
* *International Relations in the Era of Two World Wars* (tutorials)
* *International Relations in the Era of the Cold War* (tutorials and lectures)
* *International Security and Conflict* (tutorials and lectures)
* *Theory of Politics* (tutorials)
* *Sociological Theory* (tutorials)
* *Ethics of War* (tutorials – this was an ad hoc course I designed on request for a visiting student).

At the Department of Political Economy at KCL, I currently deliver three modules:

* *World Politics Since 1945* (first year module, which I co-convene with Dr Keith Smith, lectures and seminars) – approximately 100 students per year.
* *Ideology and Identity in World Politics* (third year module, lectures and seminars) – approximately 35 students per year.
* *The Department of Political Economy Undergraduate Dissertation* (lectures) – approximately 150 students per year.

I also supervise 8,000-word undergraduate dissertations – typically 3-4 a year.

At **graduate** level, I taught the core course for Oxford’s MPhil in International Relations between 2012 and 2019, while also providing individual research methods classes on ‘international normative theory’, ‘ideas and ideology’ and ‘archival strategies and textual analysis’. I also supervised Oxford MSc and MPhil students in on topics relating to ideology, armed conflict, atrocities, sexual and gender-based violence, terrorism, and psychological dynamics of international relations. I have supervised three Oxford DPhil students (of whom has now completed), and 1 PhD supervisee at KCL. I also supervise 10,000-word Master’s dissertations – typically 4-5 per year.

**Full Employment History**

* **Lecturer in International Politics,** Department of Political Economy, King’s College London (7th January 2020 – Present)
* **Departmental Lecturer in International Relations**, Department of Politics and International Relations and New College, University of Oxford (1st September 2015 – 6th January 2020)
* **Rank-Manning Junior Research Fellow in Social Sciences**, New College (1st October 2013 – 31st August 2015)
* **Non-Stipendiary Lecturer in Politics and International Relations**, St. Anne’s College, University of Oxford (2011-2013)
* **Research Assistant**, Professor Jennifer Welsh and Dr Serena Sharma, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford (November 2012-April 2013)
* **Research Assistant**, Professor Jennifer Welsh, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford (March-June 2011)
* **Debate Coach**, Welsh Schools Debating Team, CEWC-Cymru (September 2010-August 2011)
* **Senior Tutor**, Debate Chamber (2007-2012)
* **Paid 8-Week Intern**, TIME Magazine Europe (2007)

**Awards, Grants and Non-Employment Fellowships**

* **Fellow and Member of the Scientific Advisory Board, The Cascade Institute, Royal Roads University,** 2021-Present
* **Research Associate, Centre for International Studies, University of Oxford,** 2020-2021
* **Runner-Up, Nils Petter Gleditsch *Journal of Peace Research* Article of the Year Award,** 2019 (for ‘Ideology and armed conflict’)
* **Award for Excellence**, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford, 2019 [£1,000]
* **Co-Investigator**, ‘Ideological Conflict Project: Application and Field Testing of Conflict Resolution Tools’, *2018-19 SSHRC Insight Grant competition,* March 2018-March 2021 [C$232,273]
* **Convenor**, ‘Ideas and Political Violence’, *Department of Politics and International Relations Seminar Grant*, *University of Oxford,* 2016-17, and 2017-18 [£2,000 each]
* **Arts and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Award** 2010-2012
* **Arts and Humanities Research Council Masters Award** 2008-2010
* **O’Dwyer Russell Prize** for Best Results in War Studies 2008: Graduated Top of Class (King’s College London)
* **O’Dwyer Russell Prize** for Best Results in War Studies 2007 (King’s College London)
* **Pledger Prize** for Best Results in Combined Studies 2007 (King’s College London)
* **European Universities Debating Champion and Best Speaker**, 2009

**Talks and Conference Papers**

* ‘Communism and Mass Killing: Overturning the Existing Consensus’, Conflict Research Society Annual Conference, Belfast, 9/09/2022
* ‘Ideology and Mass Killing’, *Ideology and Complicity in Mass Violence* roundtable, Ludwig Maximilians University of Munich, 11/07/2022 [by invitation]
* ‘A General Theory of Genocide’ (with Timothy Williams), *International Network of Genocide Scholars Annual Conference,* Mexico City, 28/06/2022
* ‘Rationality in Political Science’, *PPE Society Annual Conference,* New Orleans, 05/02/2022
* ‘Communism, Genocide and Mass Killing: Overturning the Existing Consensus,’ *International Association of Genocide Scholars Annual Conference,* Universitat de Barcelona (Online), 21/06/2021
* ‘The Anatomy of Radicalisation in Genocides and Mass Killings’ (with Timothy Willians), *International Association of Genocide Scholars Annual Conference,* Universitat de Barcelona (Online), 20/06/2021
* ‘Ideology as Infrastructure,’ *Quentin Skinner's 'Meaning and Understanding' after 50 Years*, The British Academy, 7-8/07/2021 [by invitation]
* ‘Ideology and Mass Killing: How Groups Justify Genocides and Other Atrocities Against Civilians,’ *Discourses of Mass Violence in Comparative Perspective Workshop,* Ludwig Maximilians University of Munich, 5/03/2021 [by invitation]
* ‘Ideology, Strategy and Mass Killing’, Texas A&M University Workshop on Ideology and Armed Groups, College Station, USA, 6/12/2019 [by invitation]
* Interviewed Academic in *The Anatomy of Evil* episode of the Power Corrupts podcast, produced by Brian Klaas, 16/08/2019 [by invitation]
* ‘Who are the Terrorists and What Do They Want?’, *Marlow and District University of the 3rd Age*, Marlow, 25/04/2019 [by invitation]
* ‘Terrorist Ideologies and Motives: Implications for Counter Terrorism’, *The Defence Academy of the United Kingdom*, Shrivenham, 24/04/19 [by invitation]
* ‘Ideology and Propaganda in Mass Atrocity Prevention,’ *ISA Annual Conference,* Toronto, Canada, 27/03/2019
* ‘Ideology and Violence in World Politics,’ public talk, Centre for Global Studies, University of Victoria, Victoria, Canada, 25/09/18 [by invitation]
* On Screen Academic in *World War II: Total War*, Wild Bear Entertainment*,* 6 Episodes, produced July 2018 [by invitation]
* ‘Brexit and the Ideological Polarisation of World Politics,’ *Oxford Consortium on Human Rights Workshop,* University of Oxford, Oxford, 27/06/2018 [by invitation]
* ‘Mass Atrocities: Character and Causes’, *Decoding Dehumanization Workshop #2: Preventing Mass Atrocities*, Beyond Conflict, Revere Hotel, Boston, MA, 22/06/2018 [by invitation]
* ‘Ideology, Legitimacy and the Killing of Civilians’, Panel on ‘Violence Against Civilians During and After Civil War’, *APSA Annual Conference and Exhibition,* San Francisco, California, USA, 02/09/17
* ‘Theorising Ideology and Armed Conflict,’ *Workshop on Ideology and Armed Groups*, University of Montreal, Montreal, Canada, 16/06/17-17/06/17 [by invitation]
* ‘Alternative Facts and Extreme Violence: Descriptive Falsehoods, Misinformation and Dangerous Speech’, *Dangerous Speech,* University College London, UK, 12/05/17 [by invitation]
* ‘The Study of Ideology in International Relations,’ *International Studies Association Conference*, Baltimore, USA, 24/02/2017.
* ‘Ideological Diversity in Mass Violence,’ *Ideology and Armed Groups,* International Studies Association Pre-Conference Workshop, Baltimore, USA, 21/02/2017 [by invitation].
* ‘The Comparative Study of Perpetrators’ Ideologies’, *Perpetrators of International Crimes*, Tilburg University, Tilburg, The Netherlands, 24/06/2016 [by invitation].
* ‘The Past, Present and Future Study of Ideology in International Relations,’ keynote speech at *From Minds to Movements: A Graduate Student Conference on the Ideological Foundations of Conflict,* University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, 07/04/2016 [by invitation], plus graduate seminar on ‘Ideological Mechanisms of Mass Violence’, 08/04/2016.
* ‘Dangerous Speech and Dangerous Ideas Online,’ *Digital utopias: what remains of the promise of the internet?,* Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium, 19/02/2016 [by invitation]
* ‘Ideological Causes of Armed Conflict and Political Violence,’ *Workshop on Ideas and Political Violence,* University of Chicago, USA, 27/01/2016 [by invitation]
* ‘Perpetrator Diversity in Covert State Violence’, *British International Studies Association Annual Conference,* panel chaired by Ruth Blakely, London, UK, June 2015 [by invitation]
* ‘Theorizing Perpetrator Diversity,’ *International Association of Genocide Scholars Annual Conference,* Panel on New Horizons in Perpetrator Research chaired by Kjell Anderson and Erin Jessee, Yerevan, Armenia, June 2015; **and** *Encountering Perpetrators of Mass Killings, Political Violence and Genocide,* University of Winchester, Winchester, 2/09/2015
* ‘Unlike Minds: Ideology, Political Violence and Armed Conflict’, *Oxford Transitional Justice Research Group Seminar Series*, 26/01/2015; **and** *International Relations Colloquium, Department of Politics and International Relations*, Oxford, 29/01/2015.
* ‘Ideology: A Transatlantic Literature Review’, *International Studies Association Annual Conference,* panel chaired by Thomas Homer-Dixon, Toronto, 28/03/2014 [by invitation].
* ‘Rethinking the Role of Ideology in Mass Atrocities’, *International Studies Association Annual Conference,* panel chaired by John Owen, Toronto, 28/03/2014 [by invitation].
* ‘Ethical Theory and the Realist Narrative’, *MANCEPT 2012* – Realism and British Political Thought Panel, University of Manchester, 05/09/2012
* ‘Ideologies at War: Authoritarianism, Liberalism and the Justificatory Mechanics of Mass Violence’, *Liberals Wars: Strategy, History, Ideology,* University of Reading, 05/07/2012
* ‘A map of the field of ideological analysis’, *Waterloo Institute of Complexity and Innovation Ideology Workshop*, University of Waterloo, Canada, 22/10/2012 [by invitation]

1. All co-authored articles were contributed to equally by the authors. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)