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Employment

Professor, University of Colorado, 2024-current.

Associate Professor, University of Colorado, May 2016–2024.

Assistant Professor, University of Colorado, August 2014-April 2016.

Assistant Professor, Florida State University, 2011–2014.

Visiting Research Fellow, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, Fall 2013.

Assistant Professor, University of Mississippi, 2005–2011.

Education

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Iowa, 2005.

M.A. Political Science, University of Iowa, 2000.

B.A. Political Science, University of South Dakota, 1999.

Book

Hultman, Lisa, Jacob D. Kathman, and Megan Shannon. 2019. *Peacekeeping in the Midst of War*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

*Winner, Best Book in Conflict Processes award for books published in 2018 and 2019, American Political Science Association.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Hultman, Lisa, Jacob D. Kathman, and Megan Shannon. "Mandate Complexity and United Nations Peacekeeping Contributions." Forthcoming, *British Journal of Political Science*.

Boyes, Christina, Cody D. Eldredge, Megan Shannon, and Kelebogile Zvobgo. 2024. "Social Pressure in the International Human Rights Regime: Why States Withdraw Treaty Reservations." *British Journal of Political Science* 54(1):241-259. doi:10.1017/S0007123423000339.

Passmore, Timothy, Megan Shannon, and Morgan Nadeau. 2023. "Financial Contributions to United Nations Peacekeeping, 1990-2010: A New Dataset." *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, 40(1):88-107. https://doi.org/10.1177/07388942221081099.

Timothy Passmore and Megan Shannon. 2022. "Collective Action and UN Functionality." In "The United Nations at 75 Symposium," *International Peacekeeping* ed. by Kyle Beardsley and Zuhaib Mahmood. https://doi.org/10.1080/13533312.2022.2098650

Eldredge, Cody, and Megan Shannon. 2022. "Social Power and the Politics of Reservations and Objections in Human Rights Treaties." *International Studies Quarterly* 66(1). https://doi.org/10.1093/isq/sqab054.

Passmore, Timothy, Megan Shannon, and Andrew Hart. 2018. "Rallying the Troops: Collective Action and Self-Interest in UN Peacekeeping Contributions." *Journal of Peace Research* 55(3):366-379.

Hultman, Lisa, Jacob D. Kathman, and Megan Shannon. 2016. "United Nations Peacekeeping Dynamics and the Duration of Post-Civil Conflict Peace." *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 33(3):231-249. Winner, Palmer Prize for Conflict Management and Peace Science Article of the Year.

Shannon, Megan, Clayton Thyne, Amanda Dugan, and Sarah Hayden. 2015. "The International Community's Reaction to Coups." *Foreign Policy Analysis* 11(4):363-376.

Hultman, Lisa, Jacob D. Kathman, and Megan Shannon. 2014. "Beyond Keeping Peace: United Nations Effectiveness in the Midst of Fighting." *American Political Science Review* 108(4):737-753.

Gent, Stephen and Megan Shannon. 2014. "Bargaining Power and the Arbitration and Adjudication of Territorial Claims." *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 31(3):303-322.

Hultman, Lisa, Jacob D. Kathman, and Megan Shannon. 2013. "United Nations Intervention and Civilian Protection in Civil War." *American Journal of Political Science* 57(4):875-891.

Kathman, Jacob and Megan Shannon. 2011. "Oil Extraction and the Potential for Domestic Instability in Uganda." *African Studies Quarterly* 12(3):23-45.

Gent, Stephen, and Megan Shannon. 2011. "Decision Control and the Pursuit of Conflict Management: Choosing the Ties that Bind." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 55(5):710-734.

Gent, Stephen, and Megan Shannon. 2011. "Bias and the Effectiveness of Third Party Conflict Management Mechanisms." Conflict Management and Peace Science 28(2):124-144.

Shannon, Megan, Daniel S. Morey, and Frederick Boehmke. 2010. "The Influence of International Organizations on Militarized Dispute Initiation and Duration." *International Studies Quarterly* 54(4):1123-1141.

Gent, Stephen, and Megan Shannon. 2010. "The Effectiveness of International Arbitration and Adjudication: Getting Into a Bind." *Journal of Politics* 72(2):366-380.

Shannon, Megan. 2009. "Preventing War and Providing the Peace? International Organizations and the Management of Territorial Disputes." Conflict Management and Peace Science 26(2):144-163.

Boehmke, Frederick J., Daniel S. Morey, and Megan Shannon. 2006. "Selection Bias And Continuous-Time Duration Models: Consequences and a Proposed Solution." *American Journal of Political Science* 50(1):192-207.

Kadera, Kelly M., Mark J.C. Crescenzi, and Megan L. Shannon. 2003. "Democratic Survival, Peace, and War in the International System." *American Journal of Political Science* 47(2): 234-247.

Shipan, Charles R., and Megan L. Shannon. 2003. "Delaying Justice(s): A Duration Analysis of Supreme Court Confirmations." *American Journal of Political Science* 47(4): 654-668.

Other Publications

"Ripe For Resolution: Third-Party Mediation and Negotiating Peace Agreements." with Jacob Kathman. 2023. Book chapter in What Do We Know About Civil Wars? ed. by David Mason and Sara Mitchell, Rowan and Littlefield Press, 2nd edition.

"Measuring Opportunities for Women in Peace Operations (MOWIP) in Norway." by Louisse Olsson, Megan Shannon, et. al. 2022. Geneva Sector for Security Governance. https://www.dcaf.ch/norwegian-armed-forces-mowip-report

Lisa Hultman, Jacob D. Kathman, and Megan Shannon. 2022. "Peacekeeping and the Protection of Civilians." in *The Handbook on Peacekeeping and International Relations*, ed. by Han Dorussen. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing.

Book review for Political Science Quarterly of *Peacekeeping, Policing, and the Rule of Law after Civil War* by Robert A. Blair. Cambridge University Press, 2020.

"Ripe For Resolution: Third-Party Mediation and Negotiating Peace Agreements." with Jacob Kathman. 2016. Book chapter in What Do We Know About Civil Wars? ed. by David Mason and Sara Mitchell, Rowan and Littlefield Press, 1st edition.

"Barriers to Women's Participation in Political Methodology: Graduate School and Beyond." *The Political Methodologist* 21(2):2-6.

"Spurious Relationship." in *The Sage Encyclopedia of Social Science Research Methods*, ed. by Lewis-Beck, M. S., Bryman, A., and Liao, T. F., SAGE Publications, Inc., 2004. Vol 1:1063-1064. http://dx.doi.org/10.4135/9781412950589.n952

Research in Progress

"The Cost of Peace: Understanding the Causes and Effects of Financial Arrears in UN Peace Operations." with Timothy Passmore and Jared Oestman. Paper presented at the Political Economy of International Organizations annual meeting, January 2025.

"Reputation Management in the International Human Rights Regime: Why Autocrats Withdraw Treaty Reservations." with Christina Boyes, Cody Eldredge, and Kelebogile Zvobgo.

"International Support for UN Peacekeeping: Recent Findings and New Directions." Paper presented at the Peace Research Institute Oslo Conditions of Violence and Peace brownbag series, June 2022.

"The Causal Influence of Peacekeeping Mandates and Personnel."

Recent Awards, Fellowships, and Grants

University of Colorado Boulder Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program award, summer 2023. \$3000.

Fulbright Award to Norway, spring 2022. Research conducted at the Peace Research Institute of Oslo (PRIO).

LEAP Associate Professor grant, CU Boulder, fall 2021, \$6837.

"The Politics of Authorizing and Financing UN Peacekeeping Missions." 2019 Research grant from Folke Bernadotte Academy, Stockholm, Sweden, \$6000.

IMPART Award, University of Colorado, 2017. Awarded for efforts to support diversity on campus through the Women in Political Science speaker series (with co-organizer Carew Boulding).

Faculty Mentor Award, University of Colorado, 2016. Awarded yearly by graduate students in political science to one faculty member.

Research Fellowship, Uppsala University Forum for Peace, Democracy, and Justice. Summer 2015, Uppsala, Sweden. Funding for travel and lodging to work on a book project in Uppsala.

"United Nations Peacekeeping Mission Support and Effectiveness." 2014 Research grant from CARTSS at the University of Colorado, \$3900.

"United Nations Peacekeeping Mission Support and Effectiveness." 2014 Research grant from Folke Bernadotte Academy, Stockholm, Sweden, \$7500.

"United Nations Peacekeeping and Violence Mitigation in Civil Wars." 2013 Research grant from Folke Bernadotte Academy, Stockholm, Sweden, \$6500.

Visiting Research Fellowship, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame. Fall 2013. Project: *United Nations Peacekeeping and Violence Mitigation in Civil War*.

"The Role of International Organizations in Coups." 2012 First-Year Assistant Professor grant from Florida State University, \$17,000.

"The Use of Arbitration and Adjudication in Conflict Prevention." 2011 Research grant from Folke Bernadotte Academy, Stockholm, Sweden, \$4000.

Summer research grant, Foundation for Environmental Sustainability and Security, "Oil Discovery and Natural Resource Development in Uganda," 2009.

Teaching Experience

Introduction to International Relations (Graduate and Undergraduate)

International Law (Undergraduate)

International Organization (Undergraduate)

Advanced Research Design (Undergraduate)

International Cooperation (Graduate)

Civil Conflict and Political Violence (Graduate)

Linear Regression (Graduate)

Scope and Methods (Graduate)

Graduate Students Advised at CU Boulder

Christina Boyes, now assistant professor at Centro de Investigacion y Docencia Economicas, A.C, Mexico City (dissertation committee member)

Steven Beard, now teaching assistant professor at CU Boulder (dissertation committee member)

Timothy J.A. Passmore, now assistant professor at Virginia Military Institute (dissertation chair)

Andrew Hart, now assistant professor at SUNY Geneseo (dissertation committee member)

Kim-Lee Truxhorn, now associate professor at University of Calgary (dissertation committee member)

Leslie Ochreiter, now international relations professional in Washington D.C. (dissertation committee member)

Professional Service

Peace Science Society

Associate Editor, Conflict Management and Peace Science, 2020–2024.

Treasurer, Peace Science Society (International), elected 2012–2015.

Councilor, Peace Science Society (International), elected 2010–2012.

Society for Political Methodology

Member, Program Committee for the annual meeting of the Political Methodology Society, 2016.

Member, Miller Prize Committee for best paper published in *Political Analysis*, 2015 and 2016.

Chair, Diversity Committee, 2013-2014.

Program Chair and Local Host, Visions in Methodology Conference at Florida State University, April 2013.

Member, Diversity Committee for the Society for Political Methodology, 2011–current.

Director, Visions in Methodology Mentoring Program, Society for Political Methodology, 2012–current.

Member, Nominating Committee for the Society for Political Methodology, 2008-2010.

Section Program Chair

Program Chair, Scientific Study of International Processes section, International Studies Association 2012 meeting.

Program Chair, International Relations section, Southern Political Science Association 2012 meeting.

Program Chair, Conflict Processes section, American Political Science Association 2009 meeting.

Other Professional Service

Member, Advisory Board for the Correlates of War Data, 2014-2019.

Member, Committee for best paper published in *Journal of Politics*, 2014.

Member, Professional Development Committee of the International Studies Association, 2014-current.

Member, Governing Council of the Scientific Study of International Processes section, International Studies Association, 2012–current.

Awards Committee, Midwest Political Science Association, Best Paper in International Relations, 2011.

Reviewer, American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, International Organization, Political Analysis, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Conflict Management and Peace Science, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Peace Research, International Interactions, Foreign Policy Analysis, National Science Foundation, Science Magazine, W.W. Norton Press, Oxford University Press, University of Louisville Graemeyer Award.

Service to the University of Colorado

Member, College of Arts and Sciences Personnel Tenure and Promotion committee, 2024 - 2027.

Director of Undergraduate Studies and Associate Chair, 2016-2020.

Organizer of Van Ek speaker series, 2021-2022.

Departmental Action Committee (DAT), 2019-2020.

Policy Committee, 2016-2020.

Budget Committee, 2015-16.

Search Committees, international relations and public policy faculty position (2015); international political economy position (2016); political methodology position (2016 and 2019); race and ethnic politics position (2023).

Co-Chair, Women in Political Science at the University of Colorado, 2014-current.

Graduate Studies Committee, University of Colorado, 2014-2016.

Invited Presentations

Peace Research Institute Oslo Conditions of Violence and Peace working group, June 2022.

University of Texas, International Relations Speaker Series, January 2020.

Uppsala University of Sweden, Department of Peace and Conflict Studies, June 2015.

University of Colorado Social Science Forum, October 2014.

Loyola University, Chicago, Department of Political Science, September 2013.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of Political Science, April 2013.

University of Colorado, Department of Political Science, January 2013.

University of Pittsburgh, Department of Political Science and Graduate School of International Studies and Public Affairs, October 2012.

Community Service

Board President, Bright Kids Uganda Foundation, 2012 - 2013 and 2015-2016. Board Member, Bright Kids Uganda Foundation, 2009 - 2016.

Parental Leaves

May 2017 - December 2017

April 2020 - December 2020