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RESEARCH INTERESTS      political economy of development, elections, political violence, African politics, quantitative methods, experimental methods

EDUCATION      **Emory University**  
Ph.D. Student, 2017 – present.  
Committee: Jennifer Gandhi (co-chair), Danielle Jung (co-chair), Natália S. Bueno

**University of Denver**  
M.A. International Studies, 2017

**University of Georgia**  
B.A. International Affairs, 2012.

WORKING PAPERS      “Two Birds, One Stone: How Public Goods Provision Facilitates Authoritarian Repression” (with Pearce Edwards). *Under Review*.

“Electoral Violence and Voter Behavior: Evidence from Argentina’s 1973 Elections” (with Pearce Edwards)

“Automated Governance and Public Opinion: Citizen Perceptions of Artificial Intelligence” (with Daniel Schiff and Kaylyn Jackson Schiff). *Under Review*.

WORKS IN PROGRESS      “Consolidating Capture: Whistleblower Assassinations in a Young Democracy”

“Paid to Protest: Riots and the Timing of Elections in Post-Apartheid South Africa”

GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS      Laney Graduate Student Council Travel Grant (2019), \$250

APSA Travel Grant (2019), \$200

Emory University Fellowship (2017 – present), \$31,000/year

Laney Graduate Fellow (2017 – present), \$2500/year

Carnegie Corporation of New York, Nonviolent Action in Violent Settings: Practices and Implications for Policy (2016), \$5000

Sié Fellow, University of Denver (2015 – 2017), full-tuition graduate scholarship

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP	<p>“Is Violent Democracy the New Norm? The View from Ghana” <i>Political Violence @ a Glance</i> (January 13, 2020).</p> <p>“Countering Corruption: What to Do When Citizens Vote for Political Malfeasance” <i>Political Violence @ a Glance</i> (April 25, 2019).</p> <p>“Understanding Trends in Electoral Violence: Lessons from South Africa” <i>Political Violence @ a Glance</i> (February 6, 2019).</p> <p>“More than the Military: Understanding Maduro’s Strategy of Social Control” with Pearce Edwards. <i>Political Violence @ a Glance</i> (February 6, 2019).</p> <p>“Guns vs. Butter: Insurgent Service Provision in the Lake Chad Basin” with Gray Barrett. <i>Political Violence @ a Glance</i> (August 1, 2018).</p> <p>“When Strangers Come to Town: A New Way of Thinking About South Africa’s ‘Xenophobia’ Problem” <i>Policy Brief Series. Sié Chéou-Kang Center for International Security and Diplomacy</i> (October 2017).</p> <p>“Prospects for Peace in South Sudan” <i>Political Violence @ a Glance</i> (July 31, 2017).</p> <p>“Is Europe Facing a Refugee Crisis?” <i>Political Violence @ a Glance</i> (November 17, 2016).</p> <p>“Burundi on the Brink” <i>Political Violence @ a Glance</i> (June 3, 2016).</p> <p>“The Crisis Around the Corner” <i>Political Violence @ a Glance</i> (October 7, 2015).</p>
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	<p>2020 Midwest Political Science Association</p> <p>2019 International Studies Association – South Southern Workshop in Empirical Political Science American Political Science Association Georgia Area Human Rights Network</p>
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<p>QTM151: Intro to Statistical Computing II</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grader, Fall 2019</li> </ul> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Instructor: Dr. Martin van der Linden</p> <p>POLS208: Research Design Methods</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teaching Assistant, Fall 2019</li> </ul> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Instructor: Dr. David Davis</p> <p>POLS110: Introduction to International Politics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grader, Spring 2019</li> </ul> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Instructor: Dr. David Davis</p>
PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP	<p>American Political Science Association International Studies Association Peace Science Society</p>

ADDITIONAL  
TRAINING

Political Networks Conference and Workshops, Duke University. 2019.  
Teaching Assistant Training and Teaching Opportunity Program, Emory University. 2019.

LANGUAGES  
AND SKILLS

English, Spanish (advanced), French (intermediate)  
R (advanced), Python (intermediate), LaTeX

FIELDWORK

South Africa (2016)