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EDUCATION

Texas A&M University Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science (Spring 2026 Graduation Expected) Dissertation: <i>Dangerous Delegation? States' Motivations to Outsource Security</i> Committee: Hyeran Jo (chair), Scott Cook (chair), Casey Crisman-Cox, Scott Clifford, Samiran Sinha	Fall 2021 –
Koç University MA, International Relations Committee: Belgin San-Akca, David Carlson, Bülent Aras	Spring 2021
University of Louisville BA, Political Science (Honors)	Spring 2018

RESEARCH

Working Papers

Brown, Devin P. and Hyeran Jo. “[Strongmen in Need of Help: Personalist Regimes, Small Militaries, and Peacekeeping Acceptance.](#)”

(Awaiting Reviews at *Journal of Peace Research*)

Brown, Devin P. “[Pro-government Militias, Plausible Deniability, and Public Opinion: Testing the Microfoundations.](#)”

Brown, Devin P. “[PGMs for Penetrative Political Control: The Underlying Logic of State-PGM Collaborations.](#)”

Works in Progress

Simmons, Beth and Devin P. Brown. “Understanding the Private Origins and Diffusion of US-Mexico Border Policy.”

Cook, Scott and Devin P. Brown. “Modeling Spatial Dependence in the Presence of Non-Random Sample Selection.”

Brown, Devin P. “The Best of Both Worlds: Exploring Strategic Tradeoffs between Militias and Peacekeepers.”

Miscellaneous

Brown, Devin P. and David G. Carlson. 2020. “GPP. R package that estimates a counterfactual using Gaussian Process Projection.” Available at <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/GPP/> (November).

Brown, Devin P. and Bülent Aras. 2020. “Covid-19 and Civil Conflict: The Cases of Syria, Libya, and Yemen” *Istanbul Policy Center* (August). <https://ipc.sabanciuniv.edu/en/publications-0b2cce94#!>

Research Assistantships

Hagler Graduate Fellowship, Texas A&M University, 2025

Worked with Beth Simmons on private sector involvement in US-Mexico border policy formulation and diffusion. Currently overseeing a team of undergraduate RAs from University of Pennsylvania and Texas A&M University to collect information about the most active businesses in the border security realm.

Graduate Research Assistantship, Texas A&M University, 2023–2024

Worked with Hyeran Jo on various projects related to international intervention, violence against civilians, and civil-military relations. Collected data for the Integrative International Interventions Dataset (forthcoming).

Worked with Scott Cook on projects related to spatial modeling, Bayesian and frequentist models of incomplete samples, and sample selection bias.

Graduate Research Assistantship, Koç University, 2020

Worked with Belgin San-Akca on data collection for Dangerous Companions Dataset (<https://www.armedgroups.net/>)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

APSA; September 2025

Frontiers in Civil Conflict and Terrorism Research; University of Houston, March 2025

Texas Triangle IR Conference; University of Texas, Dallas, January 2025

Online Peace Science Colloquium; November 2024

APSA; September 2024

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Hagler Graduate Fellowship, Texas A&M University, 2025

Conducted research with Dr. Beth Simmons on US-Mexico border policy and diffusion.

Lechner Graduate Grant, Texas A&M University, 2021

Lechner grants are nomination-based awards for promising incoming graduate students at Texas A&M University.

Graduate Assistantship, Koç University, 2019–2021

Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship, Turkey, 2018–2019

Taught English at the Social Sciences University of Ankara, Preparation School.

Critical Language Scholarship, Turkish, 2018

Intensively studied Turkish at the Azerbaijan University of Languages, Baku, Azerbaijan.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Workshop leader, *Research Reading Skills Workshop*

Graduate School Orientation, Bush School of Government & Public Service, August 2025

Teaching Assistant, *POLS 309: Polimetrics* (Undergraduate)

Texas A&M University, Fall 2022.

Teaching Assistant, *POLS 200: Foundations of Political Science* (Undergraduate)

Texas A&M University, Fall 2021, Spring 2022.

Teaching Assistant, *INTL 550: Advanced Data Analysis in Python* (Graduate)

Koç University, Spring 2021.

Teaching Assistant, *SOSC 119: Data and Society* (Undergraduate)

Koç University, Fall 2019, Fall 2020.

English Teacher (Fulbright ETA), *B1 Intermediate and B2 Advanced English*

Social Sciences University of Ankara, Prep School, Fall 2018, Spring 2019.

SERVICE AND OUTREACH

Reviewed manuscripts for *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, Spring 2025

Presented at Fulbright Outreach and Recruitment Event, Fern Creek High School, Louisville, KY, August 2024

Graduate Student Treasurer, Texas A&M POLS Department, 2022–2023

Intern at Istanbul Policy Center, Summer 2020

Advisor for Fulbright application workshop, University of Louisville, August 2018

LANGUAGES AND PROFICIENCIES

Turkish: Advanced/ Near-Native Proficiency

Lived 3 years in Turkey 2018–2021

ACTFL Oral Proficiency Score: Advanced-Mid (August 2018)

R: Advanced Proficiency

Special skills in geospatial modeling and visualization, missing data, and general statistical analysis and data visualization.

L^AT_EX: Advanced Proficiency

Python: Intermediate Proficiency

Special in statistical analysis, machine learning, and basic programming.

REFERENCES

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