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## Current position

*PhD Candidate*, Department of Political Science, UCLA  
International Relations • Comparative Politics

## Dissertation

**Title:** “Defending the Peace: Causes, Consequences, and Responses to Postconflict Violence”

**Committee:** Chad Hazlett (Co-Chair), Darin Christensen (Co-Chair), Barbara Geddes, Leslie Johns

## Education

2023 PHD in Political Science (Expected), University of California, Los Angeles  
2020 C.PHIL. in Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles  
2019 MA in Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles  
2015 BA in International Politics and Economics, Middlebury College

## Grants, honors & awards

2022 Dissertation Year Fellowship, \$38,000, UCLA Graduate Division  
Political Psychology Fellowship, \$2,000, UCLA  
2021 IGCC Dissertation Fellow, \$25,000, Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation  
Oskar Morgenstern Fellow, \$7,000, The Mercatus Center  
Public Scholarship Program Fellow, \$2,000, American Political Science Association  
2019 Summer Research Travel Grant, \$4,000, UCLA Department of Political Science  
2018 Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Program, \$6,000, UCLA Graduate Division  
Graduate Research Mentorship Program, \$20,000, UCLA Graduate Division  
2017 Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Program, \$6,000, UCLA Graduate Division  
2015 *Phi Beta Kappa*  
2011 National Merit Scholarship (finalist)

## Papers & talks

### REVIEW ARTICLES

- 2019 Johns, Leslie and **Wyer, Frank** (2019), “When Things Fall Apart: The Impact of Global Governance on Civil Conflict”, *Journal of Politics* 81 (4): e80-e84

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2017 Otlan, Yana and **Wyer, Frank** (2017), “Rebel Learning and Civil War Contagion”, *WPSA; MPSA*

### PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

- 2022 “The World in 2022: Frank Wyer on Proxy Wars”. *UC Institute on Global Conflict & Cooperation*. [\[LINK\]](#)
- 2021 “Does Biased Media Coverage Affect Public Opinion? Liverpool’s Boycott of a Eurosceptic Tabloid Suggests That It Can”, *Political Science Today* 1 (4): 30–31
- “For Germany’s Left, the Bigger the Protest, the Bigger the Party”. *Political Science Now*. [\[LINK\]](#)
- “How Opportunistic Land-Grabbing Causes Displacement during Armed Conflict”. *Political Science Now*. [\[LINK\]](#)
- “For Turkey’s Erdoğan, Changing the Subject Is More Effective Than Playing the Blame Game”. *Political Science Now*. [\[LINK\]](#)
- “Voters who Disagreed with Their MP about Brexit Rarely Kicked Them Out of Office”. *Political Science Now*. [\[LINK\]](#)

## Teaching experience

### INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD

- 2022 “Teaching Political Science I” (graduate), at UCLA
- 2021 “Teaching Political Science II” (graduate), at UCLA
- “The Politics of Armed Rebellion” (undergraduate), at UCLA

### TEACHING ASSISTANT

- 2021 “International Political Economy” (undergraduate), with Ron Rogowski at UCLA
- 2020 & 2021 “Globalization: Governance and Conflict” (undergraduate), with Eric Min at UCLA
- 2020 “Experimental Design for Social Science” (graduate), with Graeme Blair at UCLA
- “US Foreign Policy” (undergraduate), with Deborah Larson at UCLA
- 2018 “World Politics” (undergraduate), with Robert Trager at UCLA
- 2017 “International Law” (undergraduate), with Leslie Johns at UCLA

## Additional experience

- 2021 Expert Witness, Asylum Claim, Los Angeles, CA
- 2018-2019 Research Assistant, Associate Professor Robert Trager, UCLA

2015 Teaching Fellow, 8th Grade English, Breakthrough San Juan Capistrano  
2012-2015 Undergraduate Research Assistant, Rohatyn Center for Global Affairs  
2013 Undergraduate Intern, James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies

## Academic service

2020-2021 Lead Organizer: Pieces of the Craft Workshop Series, UCLA  
2018-2021 Peer Mentor: Graduate Mentorship Program, Department of Political Science, UCLA  
2018-2019 Co-Chair: International Relations Reading Group, UCLA  
2017-2022 Alumni Volunteer: Alumni Admissions Program, Middlebury College

## Field experience

2019 Colombia (Antioquia, Bogotá, La Guajira, Tolima)

## Skills

Languages: English; German (conversational); Spanish (intermediate); French (elementary)  
Software: R, QGIS,  $\LaTeX$ , Qualtrics

## Professional affiliations & memberships

American Political Science Association (APSA)

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