

# Caroline Brandt

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## Research Interests

Intrastate conflict, peace processes, counterinsurgency, legitimacy and state-building, terrorism, international relations, computational social science, quantitative research methods

## Academic Appointments

*The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies*  
Gallatin Pre-Doctoral Fellow

Geneva, Switzerland  
2018 - 2019

## Education

*University of California, Berkeley*  
Ph.D., Political Science

Berkeley, California  
Expected May 2019

Dissertation: When governments are fighting more than one rebel group, why do they negotiate peace agreements that include some, but not all, of their opponents? I argue that these settlements are best understood as counterinsurgency tactics against the excluded rebel groups. Governments that sign these agreements limit the number of war fronts across which they must divide resources. Many of these agreements also incorporate rebel soldiers into the national army and counterinsurgency campaigns, transforming former adversaries into conflict allies. By addressing public grievances, agreements can undermine civilians support for the remaining rebel force.

Dissertation Committee: Michaela Mattes (chair), Aila Matanock, Leonardo Arriola, and Raul Sanchez de la Sierra

*University of California, Berkeley*  
M.A., Political Science

Berkeley, California  
May 2014

*Dartmouth College*  
B.A., Government and Geography with Honors

Hanover, New Hampshire  
June 2009

## Manuscripts In Progress

Dangerous Parties? Explaining Which Ethnic Organizations Participate in Elections (with Victor Asal and Aila Matanock)

What's in a Name? Media Coverage and Islamist Franchises

Geography & Elite Frames: A Study of the Colombian Peace Process (with Natalia Garbiras-Díaz)

## Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

President's Dissertation Year Fellowship, University of California (\$23,000) 2018

Institute for Human Studies, Hayek Fund for Scholars (\$500) 2018

Simpson Research Fellowship, Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley (\$15,000) 2017

Student Mentoring and Research Teams (SMART) Fellowship, UC Berkeley (\$6,000)	2017
Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor, UC Berkeley	2015
Segal AmeriCorps Education Award (\$10,000)	2011
Center for Politics & Law and the John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding Research Grant, Dartmouth College (\$5,500)	2009
Andrew Warden Edson Memorial Prize in Government Studies, Dartmouth College	2006

## Invited Talks and Workshops

Workshop on Intra-State Peace & Security, University of Mannheim, Mannheim, Germany, Nov. 14-16.	2018
Journeys in World Politics, University of Iowa, IA, Oct 25-27.	2018
Dartmouth College, International Relations Speaker Series, "Peace Deals as Counterinsurgency: Recruiting Rebels to Fight Rebels." Hanover, NH, May 4.	2018

## Conference Presentations

International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, CDN, Scheduled Mar. 27-30	2019
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, Aug. 30-Sept. 2.	2018
International Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, Apr. 4-7.	2018
Peace Science Society Annual Meeting, Tempe, AZ, Nov. 3-4.	2017
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, Sept. 1-4.	2016

## Teaching

The Scientific Study of International Conflict (Taught 2 sections for Michaela Mattes)	2016
U.S. Foreign Policy in East Asia (Taught 2 sections for T.J. Pempel)	2014
Introduction to International Relations (Taught 2 sections for Steve Weber)	2014

## Mentoring

Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program, UC Berkeley	2017-2018
Student Mentoring and Research Teams (SMART), UC Berkeley	2017

## Service

Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in the Social Sciences Catalyst	2017-2018
Diversity Action Committee, UC Berkeley	2015-2018
Referee for <i>Journal of Conflict Resolution</i>	2018
Coordinator for Quantitative Methods Tutoring Program, UC Berkeley	2016-2017

## Research Assistant

Margaret Boittin, Experimental Research on International Law, York University	2017-2018
Michaela Mattes, Apologies & International Relations, UC Berkeley	2017-2018
Aila Matanock, Militant Group Electoral Participation Dataset, UC Berkeley	2015-2016
Katerina Linos, The Language of Compromise in International Agreements, UC Berkeley	2015-2016
Laura Stoker, Selecting Units in Political Research, UC Berkeley	2014-2015

## Training, Languages & Skills

Research Transparency and Reproducibility Training, Berkeley Initiative for  
Transparency in the Social Sciences  
Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)  
English (native), Spanish (proficient), French (basic)  
Python, R, Stata, ArcGIS, LaTeX

2017

2011

## References

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