

Computational social scientist specializing in large-scale behavioral data.

Work Experience

OpenAI

Quantitative Intelligence Analyst

2026-present

Google

Systems Operator for Small and Medium Business Advertising

2011-2013

Academic Appointments

Uppsala University, Department of Peace and Conflict Research

Ryoichi Sasakawa Fellow

Uppsala, Sweden

2023 - 2026

Post-Doctoral Fellow

2021 - 2023

Emory University

Ryoichi Sasakawa Fellow

Atlanta, Georgia

2023 - 2024

The University of Southern California

Teaching and Research Fellow

Los Angeles, California

2019 - 2021

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

May 2020

University of California, Berkeley

M.A., Political Science

Berkeley, California

May 2014

Dartmouth College

B.A., Government and Geography with Honors

Hanover, New Hampshire

May 2009

Publications

Brandt, Caroline M., and Victor Asal. (2022). "You've Got a Friend in Me: How International Governmental Organizations Influence Organizations Participation in Elections as Ethnic Parties in Eastern Europe," *Democratization*, 29(5), 859-878.

Working Papers

Naming and Shaming Non-State Armed Groups at the United Nations Security Council (with Jenniina Kotajoki). *Accepted at International Organization*.

Divide and Conquer: Exclusive Peace Agreements as a Counterinsurgency Strategy in Multiparty Civil Conflicts. *Revise & Resubmit at the Journal of Peace Research.*

Ties that Bind: Military Power-Sharing as A Durable Form of Rebel Side-Switching in Civil War. *Revise & Resubmit at Conflict Management and Peace Science.*

Fear and Affiliation: The Impact of Boko Haram's Pledge to the Islamic State on Civilian Perceptions in Nigeria. *Under Review.*

Public Support for the Civilian Protection Norm: A Priming Experiment (with Lisa Hultman and Sophia Hatz). *Under Review.*

Peace Beyond Security: Perceptions of UN Peacebuilding's Impact on Community Poverty (with Susanna Campbell and Laura Huber). *Under Review.*

In the Heart of the House of Legality: Invoking International Law to Name and Shame at the United Nations Security Council (with Jenniina Kotajoki, Lisa Hultman, and Kyle Reed).

Works in Progress

More Than Words? The Effectiveness of Naming and Shaming Rebel Groups (with Jenniina Kotajoki).

Who Cares? Human Rights IGOs, Media Frames, and Violence Against Civilians (with Lisa Hultman).

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

Riksbankens Jubileumsfond (RJ) Project Grant: Justifying War Crimes, co-applicant with Lisa Hultman, (4,149,968 SEK)	2026-2028
Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (Sylff) (1,140,000 SEK)	2023-2025
Wenner-Gren Foundations Travel Grant (19,250 SEK, declined)	2023
Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (Sylff) Research Grant (\$4,800)	2023
UC Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC) Dissertation Fellowship (\$25,000, declined)	2019
The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (IHEID)	
Gallatin Pre-Doctoral Fellowship (\$30,000)	2018
President's Dissertation Year Fellowship, University of California (\$23,000)	2018
Doctoral Completion Fellowship, UC Berkeley (\$21,000)	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

Rift Valley Institute & the British Institute in Eastern Africa, Gender, Peace and Security: Resistance and Resilience Workshop. Nairobi, Kenya, Dec 1-3.	2025
The University of Georgia, School of Public and International Affairs (SPIA). Athens, GA, October 3.	2025
Georgia Institute of Technology, joint event between the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter School of Public Policy and Sam Nunn School of International Affairs. Atlanta, GA, Sept. 30.	2025
Emory University, Political Science Department Speaker Series, Atlanta, GA, Nov. 11.	2022
Peace Research Institute of Oslo (PRIO), Conditions of Violence and Peace Speaker Series. Virtual, June 8.	2022
University of Maryland, Peacekeeping, Human Security, and Violence Workshop. Virtual, Nov. 20.	2020
The University of Gothenburg, Program on Governance and Local Development (GLD). Gothenburg, Sweden, Feb. 14.	2019
Uppsala University, Violence Early-Warning System (ViEWS) seminar. Uppsala, Sweden, Feb. 12.	2019
University of Mannheim, Workshop on Intra-State Peace & Security. Mannheim, Germany, Nov. 14-16.	2018
University of Iowa, Journeys in World Politics. Iowa City, IA, Oct. 25-27.	2018
Dartmouth College, International Relations Speaker Series. Hanover, NH, May 4.	2018

Conference Presentations

Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, Barcelona, Spain, June 16-18.	2025
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, Sept. 5-8.	2024
Peace Science Society Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, Nov. 3-5.	2022
Terrorism and Social Media Conference, Swansea, UK, June 27-29.	2022
European Political Science Association, Prague, Czech Republic, June 23-25.	2022
International Studies Association Annual Meeting, virtual, Apr. 6-9.	2021
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, virtual, Sept. 10-13	2020
Peace Science Society Annual Meeting, Manhattan, KS, Nov. 7-9.	2019
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, Aug. 28-31.	2019
International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, 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

Graduate Teaching

Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University

Methods I	2022
Methods II	2021, 2022, 2025

Undergraduate Teaching

Department of Peace and Conflict Research, Uppsala University

Theory and Research Methods	2025
Causes of War	2023, 2024, 2025

Introduction to Peace and Conflict Studies	2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
Conflict Resolution	2022, 2023, 2025

Emory University
Political Violence

2023

University of Southern California

Terrorism and Counterterrorism	2019, 2020
Historical Approaches to International Relations	2020
Violent Conflict	2020

University of California, Berkeley

The Scientific Study of International Conflict, Head Graduate Student Instructor	2016
American Foreign Policy Toward Asia, Graduate Student Instructor	2014
Introduction to International Relations, Graduate Student Instructor	2014

Supervision

Master's Students at Uppsala University

Susanne Kamphus, Eva Branchereau, Zaliha Abdulhamid Lawal	2026
Cornelia Rudolfsson, Karl Stavborg, Paulina Budny	2025
Megan Dumas, Robin Sällström, Amelia Jade Premfors	2023
Forogh Akbari, Maja Lodding	2022

Mentoring

Procivitas Mentor Program, Uppsala, Sweden	2025-2026
Center for Law and Social Science (CLSS) research fellowship, Emory University	2023
Graduate Anti-Racist Political Science (GAPS) Collective Mentor	2020-2022
Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program, UC Berkeley	2017-2019
Student Mentoring and Research Teams (SMART), UC Berkeley	2017

Service

Diversity Action Committee, UC Berkeley	2015-2019
Coordinator for Quantitative Methods Tutoring Program, UC Berkeley	2016-2017
Referee for <i>American Journal of Political Science</i> , <i>Conflict Management and Peace Science</i> , <i>International Interactions</i> , <i>International Organization</i> , <i>International Studies Quarterly</i> , <i>Journal of Conflict Resolution</i> , <i>Journal of Peace Research</i> , <i>Journal of Politics</i> .	

Methods Training, Languages & Skills

Workshop on Causal Inference with Scott Cunningham	2022
Research Transparency and Reproducibility Training, Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in the Social Sciences	2017
Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)	2011
English (native), Spanish (proficient), Swedish (basic)	
Python, R, Stata, ArcGIS, LaTeX	

Personal Circumstances

Full-time maternity leave from December 2020 to August 2021.

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References

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