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Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science (defended prospectus; expected graduation May 2016)

- Fields: Comparative Politics, Methods, Public Law
- GPA: 4.00

### Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Washington, D.C.

M.A., International Relations, May 2009

Concentrations in Southeast Asian Studies and International Economics

• GPA: 3.81

### Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.

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### **Georgetown University School of Foreign Service**

B.S., magna cum laude, International Affairs, May 2005

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Foreign Policy in Asia (POLSCI-497-07), Michigan in Washington, Winter 2014 [Undergrad] Constitutional Politics (POLSCI-318), with Mariah Zeisberg, Winter 2013 [Undergrad] Comparative Politics (POLSCI-140), with Andrei Markovits, Fall 2012 [Undergrad]

#### LANGUAGES

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#### **ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS**

- "Finding Justice Scalia in Burma: Constitutional Interpretation and the Impeachment of Myanmar's Constitutional Tribunal." *Pacific Rim Law & Policy Journal* (forthcoming 2014).
- "Understanding the Myanmar Supreme Court's Docket: An Analysis of Case Topics from 2007 to 2011" (with Lwin Moe). In *Law, Society, and Transition in Myanmar*, Tim Lindsay and Melissa Crouch, eds. (forthcoming 2014).

- "Can a Caged Bird Still Fly? A Comparative Analysis of Judicial Accountability in the People's Republic of China and New Order Indonesia." *Yonsei Law Journal* 4(1). 2013.
- "Book Review: Free Burma: Transnational Legal Activism and Corporate Accountability." Journal of World-Systems Research. Winter 2013.
- "Environmental Policy in ASEAN." In *The Encyclopedia of Sustainability: India and China*, Berkshire Publishing. 2012.
- "Change or More of the Same? Thoughts on Burma's Reform Process" *University of Michigan International Institute Journal* 1(2). Spring 2012.
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- "Environmental Law South Asia" (with Armin Rosencranz) In *The Encyclopedia of Sustainability: The Law and Politics of Sustainability*, Klaus Bosselmann, Daniel Fogel, and J. B. Ruhl, eds., Berkshire Publishing. 2011.
- "The Irony of Outlawing AIDS: A Human Rights Argument Against the Criminalization of HIV Transmission" (with Erin Langley). *Georgetown Journal of Gender and the Law* XI: 743. 2010.
- "Do Indonesian Judges Need Scientific Credibility? Indonesia v. Newmont and a Proposal on the use of Scientific Evidence in Indonesian Courts." *Georgetown International Environmental Law Review* 21: 113. 2008.
- "Cross-Border Chaos: A Critique of India's Attempts to Secure its Northeast Tribal Areas Through Cooperation with Myanmar." *SAIS Review* 28: 161. 2008.
- "Greening Environmental Rights: Separating Law and Morality in Environmental Public Interest Litigation in Pakistan." *Environmental Law Review* 38: 10029. 2008.
- "Issues, Concerns, and Challenges in Environmental Adjudication in the Philippine Court System." *Virginia Review of Asian Studies* 28: 17. 2007.
- "The Green Buddha: An Analysis of the Role of Buddhist Civil Society in Environmental Conservation in Burma." *Virginia Review of Asian Studies* 27: 19. 2006.
- "The Green Buddha: The Role of Monks and Buddhist Civil Society in Environmental Conservation in Burma." *Georgetown University Journal of the Environment* 7: 5. 2005.
- "Bangkok Gridlock." Georgetown University Journal of the Environment 6: 26. 2005.

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- "The Republic of the Union of Myanmar" (with Dr. Ngun Cung Lian, Eric C. Rose, & Matthew H. Baird). *International Law Year in Review: Asia Pacific*, American Bar Association Asia Pacific Committee. Summer 2013.
- Human Rights in Burma (with Kyaw Yin Hlaing). Prepared for Management Systems International (contracted under USAID IQC # AID-OAA-I-10-00002). May 30, 2012.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Papers**

- "Has the Myanmar Supreme Court's Docket Changed under Democracy? A Latent Topic Model of Myanmar Jurisprudence." (with Lwin Moe). Law & Society Association 2014 Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, May 29, 2014.
- "Understanding the Myanmar Supreme Court's Docket: An Analysis of Case Topics from 2007 to 2011" (with Lwin Moe). Myanmar Scoping Workshop, National University of Singapore, Singapore, February 13-14, 2014.
- "Using Latent Text Analysis to Compare Democratic and Authoritarian Constitutions." Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April 13, 2013.
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- "Using Latent Text Analysis on Philippine Supreme Court Decisions." Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Michigan, M.I., November 30, 2012.
- "Divided We Judge? A Model of Judicial Behavior in Indonesia's Constitutional Court." Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April 13, 2012.
- "The Judicial Popularity Contest: A Model of Judicial-Executive Strategic Interactions in Indonesia." Southeast Asia Between the Lines Conference, University of Michigan, M.I., December 9-10, 2011.
- "The Judicial Popularity Contest: A Model of Judicial-Executive Strategic Interactions." Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Michigan, M.I., November 18, 2011.
- "Judicial Empowerment under Authoritarian Regimes: Preliminary Cross-National Tests and Comparisons." Comparative Judicial Studies Conference (RC09), University of California-Irvine, C.A., July 21-23, 2011.
- "What a Judge Wants: The Impact of Elite-Judicial Consensus on Judicial Independence." Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute Conference, University of Wisconsin, Madison, W.I., July 16, 2011.
- "Judicial Empowerment under Authoritarian Regimes." (Poster). How Autocracies Work: Beyond the Electoral Paradigm, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, M.I., April 15-16, 2011.

- "Judicial Empowerment under Authoritarian Regimes: Preliminary Cross-National Tests and Comparisons." The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Graduate Student Conference on Democracy and Governance, University of Connecticut, Storrs, C.T., March 25-26, 2011.
- "Discipline-Flourishing Constitutional Review." Inaugural East Asian Law and Society Conference, Hong Kong University, Hong Kong, China, February 5-6, 2010.
- "Discipline-Flourishing, Genuine Multiparty Constitutional Review: A Comparative Analysis of Burma's Proposed Constitutional Tribunal." 2008 International Burma Studies Conference, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, I.L., October 3-5, 2008.
- "The Green Monks of Southeast Asia: Analysis, Trends, and Contrasts." Crossroads of Faith Conference, Ohio University, Athens, O.H., March 5, 2005.
- "The Role of Buddhist Civil Society in Environmental Conservation in Myanmar." 2004 International Burma Studies Conference, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, I.L., October 22, 2004.

#### **Guest Lecturer/Discussant**

- Discussant: Paper Session: Comparing Courts: The Interaction between International Law and Domestic Institutions. Law & Society Association 2014 Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, May 29, 2014.
- Lecture: "U.S. Constitutional Law & Politics." President University, Cikarang, Indonesia, November 13, 2013.
- Discussant: "Myanmar's Constitutional Tribunal: Proposals for Reform." Myanmar Scoping Workshop, National University of Singapore, Singapore, October 11-13, 2012.
- Discussant: "Intra-Party Organization and Electoral Strategies" by Maiko Heller. Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, M.I. 48109, March 16, 2012.
- Discussant: "Why Autocrats Hold Multiparty Elections Absent Domestic and International Pressure: Coups and Authoritarian Elections" by Nam Kyu Kim. Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, M.I. 48109, October 7, 2011.
- Lecture: "Comparative Constitutions: Examples and Thoughts." Myanmar Egress, Yangon, Myanmar, June 4, 2010.
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#### **OP-EDS/NEWS ARTICLES**

- "The Politics of Law & Order in Myanmar A review of *The Politics of Law and Order in Myanmar*, by Nick W. Cheesman." Dissertation Reviews. January 16, 2014.
- "Untilting the Constitutional Playing Field in Burma (Myanmar)?" *I-CONnect Blog of the International Journal of Constitutional Law and ConstitutionMaking.org*, December 31,

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- "Burmese Change: Opportunities for Myanmar?" *University of Michigan Center for Southeast Asian Studies Newsletter*. Spring 2012.
- "When not to swear in public." *New Mandala Blog*. April 30, 2012. Available at http://asiapacific.anu.edu.au/newmandala/2012/04/30/when-not-to-swear-in-public/
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- "Myanmar's Discipline-Flourishing Constitutionalism." *Comparative Constitutions Blog*, May 20, 2011. Available at http://www.comparativeconstitutions.org/2011/05/discipline-flourishing.html.
- "A Middle Way to Mandalay? Reevaluating US Policy Toward Burma." *Pacific Forum Insights & Issues* 11(3): 17. March 2011.
- "Thai Institutions: Constitutional Court." *New Mandala Blog*. August 10, 2010. Available at http://asiapacific.anu.edu.au/newmandala/2010/08/10/thai-institutions-constitutional-court/.
- "Thai Institutions: Judiciary." *New Mandala Blog*. July 12, 2010. Available at http://asiapacific.anu.edu.au/newmandala/2010/07/12/thai-institutions-judiciary/
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- "Book Review: An Eye in the Storm." *The Irrawaddy* 18(5). May 2010. Available at http://www.irrawaddy.org/article.php?art\_id=18411.
- "Courting Constitutional Chaos in the Philippines." *Comparative Constitutions Blog.* Mar. 25, 2010. Available at http://www.comparativeconstitutions.org/2010/03/guest-bloggernardi-courting.html.
- "Can ASEAN Learn about Human Rights from Africa?" PacNet 70A. October 28, 2009.
- "Afrika boleh ajar piawaian hak asasi kepada ASEAN." *Malaysiakini*. September 17, 2009. Available at http://www.malaysiakini.com/news/113102.
- "ASEAN can take a leaf out of African Union." Mizzima. September 16, 2009.

- "Notes from the Field: From the Philippines: Impunity, Apathy, and Human Rights." *In Asia Blog.* July 9, 2008. Available at http://asiafoundation.org/in-asia/2008/07/09/from-the-philippines-impunity-apathy-and-human-rights/
- "Filling the Vacuum: The Unintended Consequences of Withholding Aid from Burma's Military Dictatorship." *SAIS Perspectives* 5: 15. 2007.
- "Burmese Monks Give Peace a Chance." *The Georgetown Voice*. October 4, 2007. Available at http://georgetownvoice.com/2007/10/04/burmese-monks-give-peace-a-chance/.
- "The Green Monks." *The Irrawaddy* 14(2). February 2006. Available at http://www.irrawaddy.org/article.php?art\_id=5449.
- "Burma and the Procedure of the Security Council." *Georgetown Law Weekly* 42(7). October 30, 2005.

#### **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

- USINDO Sumitro Fellowship (\$7,500), U.S.-Indonesia Society, 2013-2014.
- Thesis Grant (\$1,500), Department of Political Science, University of Michigan, 2013.
- International Institute Conference Grant (\$300), International Institute, University of Michigan, April 2013.
- Rackham Conference Travel Grant (\$1,200), Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan, 2012.
- International Institute Individual Fellowship (\$4,000), International Institute, University of Michigan, Summer 2012.
- International Institute Conference Grant (\$230), International Institute, University of Michigan, April 2012.
- Foreign Language and Area Studies (Indonesian) (\$15,000 and tuition), 2011-2012.
- Rackham Conference Travel Grant (\$700), Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan, 2011.
- Foreign Language and Area Studies (Burmese) (\$2,500 and tuition), Summer 2011.
- Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant (\$1,500), Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan, 2011.
- Rackham Conference Travel Grant (\$450), Rackham Graduate School, University of Michigan, 2011.
- Freeman Foundation Fellowship for Southeast Asian Studies (\$12,500 per year), Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Fall 2007, Spring 2008, and Spring 2009.

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Young Professionals Program, Center for Strategic & International Studies, Washington, D.C.

Best Graduate Student Paper (honorable mention), APSA Law & Courts Section, 2011.

Cum Laude, Georgetown University Law Center, 2009.

Global Law Scholar, Georgetown University Law Center, 2005-2009.

CALI Award, Best Exam, International & Comparative Women's Rights, Georgetown University Law Center, Spring 2009.

CALI Award, Best Paper, Chinese Law Seminar, Georgetown University Law Center, Fall 2008.

Dean's List, Georgetown University Law Center, 2007-2008.

SAIS Review Prize, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Fall 2007.

Phi Beta Kappa, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, 2005.

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Honors in Major, Science, Technology, and International Affairs Department, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, 2005.

Dean's List, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, 2001-2005.

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Legal Intern, Defenders of Wildlife, Washington, D.C. (January 2007 – April 2007)

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