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**Degrees**

2002 Ph.D. Political Science, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

Dissertation: “Secularism and Political Islam in International Conflict”

1996 M.A. International Relations, Yale University, New Haven, CT

1992 B.A. with Honors, Government, Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

**Experience**

* + **Professor and Chair** - Department of Religious Studies, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, 2023– present
  + **Professor -** Department of Religious Studies, Northwestern University, 2019-present.
  + **Crown Chair in Middle East Studies** - Northwestern University, 2019 - 2022.
  + **Professor** - Department of Political Science, Northwestern University, 2016 - present.
  + **Visiting Professor** - Institut d’Études Politiques (Sciences Po), Paris, 2023.
  + **Visiting Professor** - Institut d’Études Politiques (Sciences Po), Paris, 2019.
  + **Faculty Fellow** - Buffett Institute for Global Studies, Northwestern University, 2016-2019.
  + **Visiting Professor** - Institut d’Études Politique (Sciences Po), Paris, 2013.
  + **Associate Professor -** Department of Political Science, Northwestern University, 2011 - 2016.
  + **Luce Visiting Fellow** - Princeton Institute for International and Religious Studies, Princeton University, 2010 - 2011.
  + **Visiting Fellow -** Institute for Human Sciences (Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen). Vienna, Austria, Summer 2010.
  + **Visiting Research Professor -** Center for the Study of Religion & Conflict, Arizona State University, Spring 2010.
  + **Visiting Professor** - École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France, 2009.
  + **Postdoctoral Fellow** - Center for Advanced Studies in Culture, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, 2004 - 2005.
  + **Assistant Professor** - Department of Political Science, Northwestern University, 2004 – 2011

**Academic & Professional Leadership**

* + Chair – Department of Religious Studies, Northwestern, 2023-present.
  + Co-director and Founder – Global Politics and Religion Research Group, Weinberg College Center for International and Area Studies, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL. 2015 - present.
  + Scientific Board - Book series “Religions, Law, and Economies in the Mediterranean Space.” Routledge. 2021-present
  + Founding Board Member - [Sacred Writes: Public Scholarship on Religion](https://www.sacred-writes.org/team) (Northeastern University), 2018-2022
  + Member - Advisory Board of the MF Center for the Advanced Study of Religion (Norwegian School of Theology, Religion and Society), 2018- present.
  + International Editorial Board - *Journal of Religion, State, and Society*, 2016-present.
  + Chair - Religion and Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2014-16
  + Editorial Board - The Immanent Frame. Social Science Research Council, 2016-2019
  + Advisory Board - Cambridge Studies in International Relations series, Cambridge University Press, 2015-present
  + Editorial Board - *Critical Perspectives on Religion in International Politics* series, Rowman & Littlefield International, 2015-present
  + Advisory Board - Centre for Religion, Conflict and Globalization, University of Groningen, 2015-present
  + Scientific Board - “Religion, Law and Economy in the Mediterranean Area” (Religioni, Diritti ed Economie nello Spazio Mediterraneo). University of Insubria, Como, Italy 2014-present
  + Editorial Board - *International Studies Quarterly*, 2014-present
  + Advisory Board - *Middle East Law and Governance: An Interdisciplinary Journal*, 2013-present
  + Executive Committee Member - APSA Religion & Politics Section, 2012-2014
  + Chair - APSA Wildavsky Dissertation Award Committee for the Best Dissertation in Religion and Politics, 2011-12.
  + Term Member - US Council on Foreign Relations, New York, 2006-2011.
  + Working Group - Religion, Secularism, and International Affairs. Social Science Research Council, New York, 2006-2009.
  + Postdoctoral Fellow - University of Virginia, Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, 2004-05.
  + Project Consultant - Task Force on American Primacy, Chicago Council on Foreign Relations. Principal author of report on the future of U.S. foreign policy. 2003-2004.

**Honors & Awards**

* + Northwestern Weinberg Center for International & Area Studies, “Global Epistemological Politics of Religion: Works in Progress.” Symposium Grant. June 2023.
  + Northwestern Weinberg College Covid-19 Research Recovery Grant, “American Border Religion.” 2023.
  + Congressional testimony - Hearing on ‘The State of Religious Freedom Around the Globe.” U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., July 2021.
  + International Relations/Buffett Institute International Classroom Partnering Grant, “Global Conversations on Religion, Race, & Politics,” 2020-21; 2021-22.
  + Northwestern Buffett Virtual Visitorship Grant, hosting Dmytro Vovk - Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University, Kharkiv, Ukraine, 2022.
  + 2019 ACLS/Luce Fellowship in Religion, Journalism and International Affairs. Project: “Religion on the Border.”
  + 2018 Daniel I. Linzer Grant for Innovation in Diversity and Equity. “Law and the Politics of Religious Diversity”
  + 2018-2022. Luce/ACLS Grant, Religion, Journalism & International Affairs, “Talking Religion: Publics, Politics, and the Media” (co-PI with Brannon Ingram)
  + Buffett Faculty Fellowship, 2016-2019. Northwestern Buffett.
  + Luce Initiative on Religion in International Affairs, “Politics of Religion at Home and Abroad” (co-PI with Winnifred Sullivan of Indiana University, $400,000), 2016-2019.
  + “Big Ideas” Faculty Innovation Grant, Northwestern Buffett, 2015.
  + Faculty Fellowship, Kaplan Institute for the Humanities. Northwestern, 2015-16.
  + Luce Initiative on Religion in International Affairs, “Politics of Religious Freedom: Contested Norms and Local Practices” (co-PI with Saba Mahmood, (UC-Berkeley), Winnifred Fallers Sullivan (Indiana University), & Peter Danchin (Maryland Law), 2011-14, $500,000).
  + Luce Initiative on Religion in International Affairs, “Thinking about Religion, Law, and Politics.” Workshop Grant, with Winnifred Sullivan and Robert Orsi. July 2014.
  + 2014 Weber Award - best paper in religion and politics presented at the 2013 APSA meeting for “The ‘Religious Offensive’: The Politics of Religious Engagement.”
  + Grant, Equality, Development and Globalization Studies (EDGS) for Speaker Series on “Religion, Law, and Politics,” 2014-15.
  + Hewlett Faculty Fellowship, Northwestern course development, “Politics of Religious Diversity,” 2014-15.
  + Content Consultant - [Radio series](http://interfaithradio.org/godandgov) “God and Government: How Fourteen Nations Mix Religion and Government.: Nationally syndicated public radio show. Funded by the Luce Initiative on Religion & International Affairs, 2013-2015; renewed 2016-2018.
  + Winner: 2016 Religion News Association (RNA) Award for Excellence in radio or podcast religion reporting for “God and Government: [China: An Atheist Country, Embracing Buddhism](https://interfaithradio.org/godandgov?f=5).”
  + Winner: 2014 Religion Communicators Council Wilbur Award for Interfaith Voices –“God and Government: [Egypt in Crisis](http://interfaithradio.org/godandgov?f=7)” in Category (7A): Single Program –part of series.
  + Fellowship, Public Voices Thought Leadership Fellowship Program, The OpEd Project, 2012-2013.
  + Visiting Fellow, “Secularism.” Institute for Human Sciences (Institut für die Wissenschaften vom Menschen). Convened by Charles Taylor. Vienna, Summer 2010.
  + Visiting Research Professor, Center for the Study of Religion & Conflict, Arizona State, Spring 2010.
  + Core project team – “Public Religions, the Secular, and Democracy: An International Cross-disciplinary Project.” Funded by the Ford Foundation. Arizona State University, 2007-2012.
  + Visiting Professor, École des hautes études en sciences sociales (EHESS), Paris, Spring 2009.
  + Grant, Northwestern Gifts and Grants Committee, Alumnae of Northwestern. Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference. Boston, November 2006.
  + Postdoctoral Fellowship, University of Virginia, Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, 2004-05.
  + Fellow, European-American Young Scholars’ Institutes Program, 2003-04. Summer Institute on Secularization and Religion convened by José Casanova and Hans Joas.
  + Institute of Turkish Studies Dissertation Writing Grant, 2001.
  + Bloomberg Fellowship in International Human Rights. Human Rights Watch/New York, 2001 (declined).
  + James Hart Fellowship. Johns Hopkins University, 2000-01.
  + Johns Hopkins University Graduate Fellowship, 1996-2000.
  + Yale University Fellowship, 1994-96.
  + Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, Portuguese, 1995.

**Significant Service Engagements**

* Chair, Department of Religious Studies, Northwestern, 2023-present
* Director of Graduate Studies & Chair of the Graduate Committee, Department of Political Science, Northwestern, 2012-15
* Review, Reappointment, Promotion, & Retention Committee, Northwestern-Qatar, 2022
* Organizational Strategy & Change Advisory Group, Northwestern, 2019-2022
* Global Strategy Task Force, Northwestern University, 2015-16

RESEARCH

**Books**

[*Beyond Religious Freedom: The New Global Politics of Religion*](https://press.princeton.edu/books/paperback/9780691176222/beyond-religious-freedom)*.* Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2015, 2017 (paper).

[*At Home and Abroad: The Politics of American Religion*](https://cup.columbia.edu/book/at-home-and-abroad/9780231198998). Co-edited with Winnifred Fallers Sullivan. New York: Columbia University Press, 2021.

[*Theologies of American Exceptionalism*](https://bit.ly/3bPtWrU). Co-edited with Winnifred Fallers Sullivan. Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Press, 2019 online (2021 paper and hardcover).

[*Politics of Religious Freedom*](https://press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/book/chicago/P/bo19986340.html). Co-edited with Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, Saba Mahmood and Peter G. Danchin. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2015. (Arabic edition: Mominoun Without Borders via Dar Cherlin Agency.)

[*The Politics of Secularism in International Relations*](https://press.princeton.edu/books/paperback/9780691134666/the-politics-of-secularism-in-international-relations). Princeton Studies in International History and Politics. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2008. Co-winner, American Political Science Association’s Hubert Morken Award for the Best Publication in Religion and Politics, 2008-2010. Semi-finalist, 2010 Grawemeyer Award for Ideas Improving World Order.

[*Comparative Secularisms in a Global Age*](https://www.google.com/books/edition/Comparative_Secularisms_in_a_Global_Age/ebrHAAAAQBAJ?hl=en&gbpv=1&printsec=frontcover), co-edited with Linell E. Cady. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2010, 2013.

**Journal Articles**

“‘Where People Come to Press Close to the Other Side’: Religion, Politics, and the American Border.” *American Religion* 3, no. 2 (Spring 2022): 108–116.

“Freedom, salvation, redemption: Theologies of political asylum.” *Migration & Society: Advances in Research* 4 (2021): 110-123.

“[Politics of Religious Freedom in the Asia-Pacific: An Introduction](http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/20566093.2017.1393172).” *Journal of Religious and Political Practice*, vol. 4, issue 1 (2018).

“Narratives of De-secularization in International Relations.” *Intellectual History Review,* 27:1, (January 2017): 97-113. Republished in *Narratives of Secularization*, ed. Peter Harrison, Routledge: 2018.

“Politics of Sectarianism: Rethinking Religion and Politics in the Middle East.” *Middle East Law and Governance* 7, no.1 (Spring 2015): 61-75.

“[Introduction to Politics of Religious Freedom: Case Studies](https://digitalcommons.law.umaryland.edu/mjil/vol29/iss1/)” (with Peter G. Danchin, Saba Mahmood & Winnifred Fallers Sullivan). *Maryland Journal of International Law*, vol. 29 (2015): 288-99.

“Thinking about Religion, Law, and Politics in Latin America,” Special Issue on Religiones, Post-secularidad y Democracia en América Latina: Reconfiguraciones del Discurso y la Acción Política, *Revista de Estudios Sociales-RES,* no. 51 (2015): 25-35.

“Editor’s Introduction” (with Winnifred Fallers Sullivan). Symposium: Re-thinking Religious Freedom, *Journal of Law and Religion*, vol. 29, no. 3 (Sept./Oct. 2014): 358-62.

“Alevis under Law: The Politics of Religious Freedom in Turkey.” *Journal of Law and Religion* 29, no. 3 (September/October 2014): 416-35.

“Religious Freedom, American-style.” *Quaderni di Diritto e Politica Ecclesiastica*, no. 1 (April 2014): 231-242. Reprinted in Lorenzo Zucca, ed., *Religious Rights*. Surrey: Ashgate: June 2015.

“International Politics after Secularism.” Special Issue on The Postsecular in International Relations,” *Review of International Studies* 38, Issue 5 (December 2012): 943-961.

“Debates within a Single Church: Secularism and IR Theory.” Special Issue on “Religion and IR Theory,” *Zeitschrift für Internationale Beziehungen* (German Journal of International Relations), (June 2010): 135-48.

“Iran, in Search of a Nonsecular and Nontheocratic Politics.” *Public Culture* 22, no.1 (Winter 2010): 25-32.

“What is Driving the European Debate about Turkey?” Special Issue on “European Encounters with Turkish Islam,” ed. Talip Küçükcan, *Insight Turkey* 12, no.1 (2010): 185-203.

[*A Secular Age*](file:///Users/elizabethhurd/Desktop/work%20stuff/reviews,%20blurbs,%20opeds/Taylorreview/PT315144.pdf)by Charles Taylor (book review). *Political Theory* 36, no. 3 (June 2008): 486-491.

“Political Islam and Foreign Policy in Europe and the United States.” *Foreign Policy Analysis* 3, no. 4 (October 2007): 345-367.

“Theorizing Religious Resurgence.” *International Politics* 44, no. 6 (November 2007): 647-665.

“Negotiating Europe: The Politics of Religion and the Prospects for Turkish Accession to the EU.” *Review of International Studies* 32, no. 3 (July 2006): 401-418.

“The Political Authority of Secularism in International Relations.” *European Journal of International Relations* 10, no. 2 (June 2004): 235-262. Reprinted in *International Relations and Religion*, eds. Ron E. Hassner and Isak Svensson, London: SAGE Publications, 2016.

“The International Politics of Secularism: U.S. Foreign Policy and the Islamic Republic of Iran.” *Alternatives* 29, no. 2 (March-May 2004): 115-138.

“Appropriating Islam: The Islamic Other in the Consolidation of Western Modernity.” *Critique: Critical Middle Eastern Studies* 12, no.1 (Spring 2003): 25-41.

*More Than Just a Numbers Game? U.S. Policy on Global Population* (with Nancy W. Gallagher). Pew Case Studies in International Affairs, #215. Washington, D.C.: Center for the Study of Diplomacy (April 1997).

**Book Chapters**

“Afterword: In the Eye of the Inquisitor: The Politics of Religious Asylum.” In Lena Rose and Ebru Öztürk, eds. *Asylum and Conversion from Islam to Christianity in Europe: Interdisciplinary Approaches*. London: Bloomsbury Academic, forthcoming 2024.

“A Critical Approach to Religion in International Relations.” In Marta Íñiguez de Heredia, Ángela Iranzo e Itziar Ruiz-Giménez, eds. *Teorías Críticas de Relaciones Internacionales*, Madrid: UAM, forthcoming 2024.

“The Politics of International Religious Freedom.” In Jeffrey Haynes, ed., *Routledge Handbook of Religion & Politics* (3rd ed.) London & New York: Routledge (2023): 139-154.

“America Transcendent.” In Joshua Ralston & Ulrich Schmiedel, eds. [*The Spirit of Populism: Political Theologies in Polarized Times*](https://brill.com/display/title/58921). Leiden: Brill, 2022: 70-81.

“Border Religion.” In *At Home and Abroad: The Politics of American Religion*, eds. Elizabeth Shakman Hurd and Winnifred Fallers Sullivan. New York: Columbia University Press, 2021: 228-245.

“[Introduction: Religion, Law, and Politics, American-style](https://www.degruyter.com/document/doi/10.7312/hurd19898-002/html).” In *At Home and Abroad: The Politics of American Religion*, eds. Elizabeth Shakman Hurd and Winnifred Fallers Sullivan. New York: Columbia University Press, 2021.

“[The America-Game](https://publish.iupress.indiana.edu/read/theologies-of-american-exceptionalism/section/d5d3c759-e2ee-44c2-aba6-3f10fb5769fb).” In [*Theologies of American Exceptionalism*](https://publish.iupress.indiana.edu/projects/TAE2019_theologies), eds. Winnifred Fallers Sullivan and Elizabeth Shakman Hurd. Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Press, 2019 (Manifold), 2021 ([paper](https://www.amazon.com/Theologies-American-Exceptionalism-Religion-Human/dp/025305656X)).

“[Preface: ‘Thinking Theologically](https://publish.iupress.indiana.edu/read/theologies-of-american-exceptionalism/section/348e2b19-9e5d-40ae-a53b-c246515df876).’” In [*Theologies of American Exceptionalism*](https://publish.iupress.indiana.edu/projects/TAE2019_theologies), eds. Winnifred Fallers Sullivan and Elizabeth Shakman Hurd. Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Press, 2019.

“Narratives of De-secularization in International Relations.”In *Narratives of Secularization*, ed. Peter Harrison. New York: Routledge: 2018.

“Governing Religion as Right.” In *Human Rights Futures*, eds. Jack Snyder, Stephen

Hopgood, and Leslie Vinjamuri. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2017, 189-212.

“Muslims and Others: The Politics of Religion in the Refugee Crisis.” In *The Refugee Crisis and Religion: Secularism, Security and Hospitality in Question,* eds. Erin Wilson and Luca Mavelli. London: Rowman & Littlefield International, 2016, 97-108.

“[Expert Religion: The Politics of Religious Difference in an Age of Freedom and Terror](http://ssrn.com/abstract=2707180).” Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies Research Paper No. RSCAS 2015/97 (December 2015).

“Believing in Religious Freedom.” In *Politics of Religious Freedom*, eds. Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, Elizabeth Shakman Hurd, Saba Mahmood, and Peter Danchin. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2015, 45-56.

“Introduction” (with Winnifred Fallers Sullivan, Saba Mahmood, and Peter Danchin). In *Politics of Religious Freedom*, eds. Sullivan, Hurd, Mahmood, and Danchin. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2015, 1-9.

“The International Politics of Religious Freedom.” In *Living with Religious Diversity*, eds. Sonia Sikka and Lori G. Beaman. New Delhi: Routledge India, 2015.

“The Religion Agenda: The Sahrawi Refugees and the Politics of Tolerance.” In [*Nations under God: The Geopolitics of Faith in the 21st Century*](https://www.e-ir.info/publication/nations-under-god-the-geopolitics-of-faith-in-the-twenty-first-century/), eds. Luke M. Herrington, Alasdair McKay, & Jeffrey Haynes. E-International Relations, 2015, 255-265.

“Comparative Secularisms and the Politics of Modernity” (with Linell E. Cady). In *Religion and Politics: European and Global Perspectives*, eds. Johann P. Arnason & Irenuesz Pawel Karolewski. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2014.

“Religious Freedom and the Crisis in Syria.” In “On the Ground: New Directions in Middle East and North African Studies,” ed. Brian T. Edwards. Doha: Northwestern University in Qatar Symposium, 2014.

“Rescued by Law?: Gender and the Global Politics of Secularism.” In [*Religion, the Secular, and the Politics of Sexual Difference*](https://cup.columbia.edu/book/religion-the-secular-and-the-politics-of-sexual-difference/9780231162494), eds. Linell E. Cady and Tracy Fessenden. New York: Columbia University Press, 2013, 211-228.

“Contested Secularisms in Turkey and Iran.” In *Contesting Secularism: Comparative Perspectives*, ed. Anders Berg-Sørensen. London: Ashgate, 2013.

“Secularismos Comparados y Globalización.” In *El Fin de un Sueño Secular: Religión y Relationes Internationales en el Cambio de Siglo*, eds. Mario Arriagada Cuadriello and Marta Tawil Kuri. Mexico City: El Colegio de México, 2013.

“The Politics of Secularism and Religion.” In *An Introduction to International Relations*, 2nd ed., eds. Richard Devetak, Anthony Burke, and Jim George. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012 (3rd ed. 2017; 4th ed. 2024).

“Comparative Secularisms and the Politics of Modernity: An Introduction” with Linell E. Cady. In *Comparative Secularisms in a Global Age*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, May 2010.

“A Suspension of (Dis)belief: The Secular-Religious Binary and the Study of International Relations.” In *Rethinking Secularism*, eds. Craig Calhoun, Mark Juergensmeyer and Jonathan VanAntwerpen, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011, 166-184.

“Secularism and International Relations Theory.” In *Religion and International Relations Theory,* ed. Jack Snyder.New York: Columbia University Press, 2011, 60-90.

“The Politics of Secularism.” In *Rethinking Religion and World Affairs*, eds. Alfred Stepan, Monica Toft, & Timothy Shah, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012, 36-52.

“Verso una Politica Postseculare: Secolarismo e Islamismo” In *Teologie politiche islamiche. Casi e frammenti contemporanei*, ed. Stefano Salzani. Genoa, Milan: Casa Editrice Marietti, 2005.

**Public Writings**

[Sacred States: Beyond the Secular-Religious Dialectic](https://contendingmodernities.nd.edu/theorizing-modernities/sacred-states-dialectic/). Review: Contending Modernities. September 28, 2022.

[Muchas mujeres iraníes están cansadas de que su apariencia esté regulada por el Estado](https://www.latercera.com/la-tercera-domingo/noticia/elizabeth-shakman-hurd-muchas-mujeres-iranies-estan-cansadas-de-que-su-apariencia-este-regulada-por-el-estado/HLJGU6JRCVHKFOZZF2RQEH6G74/). La Tercera (Chile). September 2022.

[The Wall Between Church and State is Blocking our View on Abortion Rights](https://www.chicagotribune.com/opinion/commentary/ct-opinion-abortion-church-state-separation-religious-views-20220721-t4us46iedndenb6fzjmjky5k54-story.html). Chicago Tribune. July 2022.

[Global Challenges of Secularism and Religious Freedom](file:///Users/elizabethhurd/Desktop/Desafíos%20globales2017_vEng.pdf) (with Ely Orrego Torres).

[It’s Time to De-emphasize Religion in US Foreign Policy](https://bit.ly/36QGrTu). The Hill. July 2021.

[Is There a Right to Heresy?](https://www.bostonreview.net/articles/elizabeth-shakman-hurd-nadia-marzouki-right-heresy/) (with Nadia Marzouki). Boston Review. March 2021. In [Chinese](https://www.allnow.com/post/605986612d48c6016805392a).

[The Paradox of Free Religion](http://bit.ly/2MZjlUj). Berkley Forum: Georgetown University. January 2021.

[Religious Freedom, Public Health, and the Limits of Law](http://bit.ly/34yePCe).” Canopy Forum. December 2020.

[Defund the Border Police: Racial Justice and the American Border](https://bit.ly/2WfrwNP). Canopy Forum. July 2020. Podcast [here](https://open.spotify.com/episode/1BqouCzpcl3nZ0oZftH5aY?si=54bb736774c6444d&nd=1).

[Islam in America: Review of America & Islam: Soundbites, Suicide Bombs and the Road to Donald Trump](https://www.thecairoreview.com/book-reviews/islam-in-america/). *Cairo Review of Global Affairs* 36 (Winter 2020): 120-124.

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[Three Myths About Religion and Politics](http://bit.ly/2mYOVoz). Canopy Forum: On the Interactions of Law & Religion (in 3 parts). Oct. 2-4, 2019.

[The Religion Trap](https://tif.ssrc.org/2019/08/01/the-religion-trap/). Review of Tamir Moustafa, *Constituting Religion* (Cambridge University Press, 2018). The Immanent Frame. August 1, 2019.

[Dangerous Logic at the Border: Religion and the Travel Ban](https://religionandpolitics.org/2019/07/02/dangerous-logic-at-the-border-religion-and-the-travel-ban/). Religion & Politics. July 2, 2019.

[The Conflation of Antisemitism and Israel Criticism Isn’t Unique, But it is a Problem](https://rewirenewsgroup.com/2019/03/19/the-conflation-of-antisemitism-and-israel-criticism-isnt-unique-but-it-is-a-problem/). Rewire. March 19, 2019.

[The Border President](https://bostonreview.net/politics-law-justice/elizabeth-shakman-hurd-border-president). Boston Review. June 28, 2018.

Introduction to [Controversy over French Proposal to Edit the Koran: A Transatlantic Perspective](http://bit.ly/2K9ZijN) (with Nadia Marzouki) The Immanent Frame. June 25, 2018.

[Does Religious Freedom Favor Some Religions Over Others](http://bit.ly/2HckH7b)? U.S. Catholic. January 31, 2018.

[Religious Rights Won’t Save the Rohingya—But What Will](http://bit.ly/2AZUGqM)? OpenGlobalRights. December 7, 2017.

[*The Idea of the Muslim World* and the Global Politics of Religion](http://bit.ly/2i7l5LQ). The Immanent Frame. October 12, 2017.

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[Beyond Religious Freedom: The Rohingya and the Politics of Religious Rights in Myanmar](https://www.epw.in/engage/article/rohingya-crisis-politics-religion-and-distress-myanmar). The Religion Factor. August 24, 2017.

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**2023**

Panelist, “[Panel #1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rsL5DWj62AE): “Revolution in America: religious freedom foundations in the colonial, founding,

and early republic.” National Museum of American Religion (organizer), Smithsonian Folklife Festival. Washington, D.C., July 2023.

“Three myths about religion, law, and U.S. foreign policy.”U.S. Department of State, Study of the

U.S. Institute for Scholars and Secondary Educators on U.S. Foreign Policymaking, Department of Political Science & International Relations, University of Delaware, July 2023.

Organizer, “Global Epistemological Politics of Religion: Works in Progress” workshop. Sciences Po, Paris. June.

“*Dotada de una Fuerza*: Santa Muerte in the Borderlands.” The Governmateriality of Indigenous

Religions (GOVMAT) project workshop. UC-Santa Barbara. April.

“Decolonizing Secularism and Religious Freedom.” Impact of Religion Annual Lecture. North Carolina State University. Raleigh, April.

Lecture, “Descolonizar la secularización y la Libertad Religiosa.” Adolfo Ibáñez University. Santiago, Chile. March.

Lecture, “Construyendo Puentes para la Práctica de la Libertad Religiosa en un Mundo Globalizado.” Diálogo entre actores de gobierno, sociedad civil y liderazgos religiosos. Organiza: Otros Cruces y Oficina Nacional de Asuntos Religiosos de Chile (ONAR) Santiago. March.

Lecturer, “Other Voices: The Politics of Abortion beyond the Religious-Secular Divide.” [Senior Journalists Seminar](https://www.eastwestcenter.org/training-exchanges/2023-senior-journalists-seminar), East-West Center. Honolulu, March.

**2022**

Panelist, Author-Meets-Critics Roundtable, Méadhbh McIvor’s Representing God: Christian Legal

Activism in Contemporary England.Annual Meetings of the American Academy of Religion. Denver, November.

Panelist, “[Religious Nationalism](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AeDnIyuqv9I).” Institute of Politics, University of Chicago, November.

Keynote, “National Security as Political Theology: A View from the US.” Lund University (Sweden),

Conference on Christianity and Crisis in European Contexts.” October. Roundtable discussion [here](https://anchor.fm/religion-in-praxis/episodes/14-Christianity-and-Crisis-e1qji0k).

Lecture, “A Critical Approach to Religion in International Relations.” Lund University, October.

Participant, “The Small Space of Religion’s Remainder: The Precarities of the Secular.” On Joseph Blankholm’s *The Secular Paradox: On the Religiosity of the Non-Religious*. UC-Santa Barbara, October.

Lecture, *U.S. Foreign Policy, Global Politics, Law, and Religion.* U.S. Department of State, Study of the

U.S. Institute for Scholars and Secondary Educators on U.S. Foreign Policymaking, Department of Political Science & International Relations, University of Delaware, June.

Speaker, “Decolonizing Religion.” Oxford Political Thought Seminar Series – Religion. St. Antony’s College Middle East Centre. Oxford, June.

Keynote, “Mysteries of State: National Security as Political Theology.” Conference on “Insubordinate religiosities, social protests and uneasy democracies in the Americas.” Universidad de los Andes. Bogotá, June.

Co-organizer (with Brannon Ingram), Symposium on “Global ‘Religion’: Invention, Translation, Critique.” Northwestern University, June.

Keynote, “Rethinking a Concept: The Promise and Perils of International Religious Freedom.”

Biennial Finnish Research Conference in Theology and Religion. Helsinki, May.

Panelist, “Thinking Religion Otherwise.” Conference, “A Quarter Century of Public Religions,” in honor of José Casanova’s *Public Religions in the Modern World*, Georgetown, Washington, D.C., April.

Roundtable, “What’s Next? Religion and Politics after the Critique of Secularism.” International

Studies Association Annual Meeting, Nashville, March.

Panelist, “Religion as Resistance: Santa Muerte on the Border.” International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Nashville, March.

**2021**

Participant, consultative workshop. UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief Ahmed Shaheed, Office of the United Nations Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief, Ralph Bunche Institute, City University of New York, Graduate Center. December.

Keynote, “At the Limit of ‘Civil Religion:’ The Antinomian Sacred and US Support for Israel.”

Workshop on Constitutionalism and Civil Religion. Deakin University (Australia). December.

Panelist, “‘Threatening the Homeland:’ Religious expertise and national security.” Panel on

“The Problem of Expert Evidence in Religion and Law.” Annual Meetings of the American

Academy of Religion, San Antonio, November.

Keynote Lecture, “‘[Real’ religion versus ‘political’ religion: The politics of countering violent extremism](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=76OJdf7AmQw&feature=youtu.be).” Ronning Centre International Fellows Conference: Islamophobia and/in Post-Secular States. University of Alberta, AugustanaCampus in Camrose, November.

Speaker, “The Politics of Religion in US Foreign Policy.” [Senior Journalists Seminar](https://www.eastwestcenter.org/professional-development/seminars-journalism-programs/senior-journalists-seminar), East-West

Center. Honolulu, November.

Speaker, “The Limits of Christian Zionism: Political Theologies of US Support for Israel.” George

Washington University. Washington, D.C., October.

Panelist, “The Conceptual Limits of ‘Christian Zionism’: Understanding US Support for

Israel.” Workshop on “The Expansion of Christian Zionism in the Global South.” International Society for the Sociology of Religion (SISR) and “The Growth of Christian Zionism in Latin America” project. Rio de Janeiro, October.

Keynote, “Rethinking the War on Terror’s “Religion-Heavy” Policy.” Series: “The Twentieth

Anniversary of September 11: Pax Americana?”Keough School of Global Affairs, Notre

Dame. October.

Witness, Hearing on “[The State of Religious Freedom Around the Globe](https://humanrightscommission.house.gov/events/hearings/state-religious-freedom-around-globe).” Tom Lantos Human

Rights Commission, U.S. House of Representatives. Washington, D.C.: July 13, 2021.

Roundtable, “Miguel Vatter, Divine Democracy: Political Theology after Carl Schmitt.”

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. April.

Panelist, “Challenges to Citizenship in the Middle East.” Moynihan Institute, Maxwell School of

Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University. April.

Panelist, “[How to make sense of religion in foreign policy – secular orders and religious states](https://www.ui.se/english/events/upcoming/how-to-make-sense-of-religion-in-foreign-policy--secular-orders-and-religious-states/).”

Webinar hosted by the Swedish Institute of International Affairs. March.

Book Launch, *At Home and Abroad: The Politics of American Religion*. Hosted by the Institute for

Religion, Culture and Public Life, Columbia University. March.

**2020**

“Beyond Secularism’s Religion.” Panel on Religion in Politics, Politics in Religion. AAR Annual

Meeting (virtual). December.

“Religious Freedom, Public Health, and the Limits of Law.” Panel on Religion and COVID-19, AAR Annual Meeting (virtual). December.

“Dangerous Logic at the Border: The Travel Ban and the Political Theology of National Security.”

Peace Research Education Seminar, Kroc Institute, Notre Dame, South Bend, February.

**2019**

“Public Scholarship and Practical Impacts.” American Academy of Religion. San Diego, November.

“Beyond Religious Freedom: The Politics of ‘Countering Violent Extremism.’” Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, IL, November.

Keynote Lecture. “Theologies of American Exceptionalism.” Keynote. Conference on “The Spirit of Populism: Political Theologies in Polarized Times.” University of Edinburgh, September.

Keynote Lecture. “Religion on the Border: The Politics of the ‘Muslim Ban’ and the Limits of Law.” Keynote. MF Centre for the Advanced Study of Religion. Oslo, September.

Symposium co-organizer (with Nadia Marzouki), “Beyond ‘Radicalization:’ Notes from the Field and New Vocabularies.” Sciences Po, Paris, June.

“The border president and the US Muslim ban.” CERI, Sciences Po. Paris, June.

“True conversion: The politics of religion on the border.” Panel: “Multiple facets of religion in the

global politics of migration, diaspora and refugees.” 2019 British International Studies Association. London, June.

“The ‘Muslim Ban,’ National Security and the Politics of Religion.” Program in Middle East and

North African Studies, Northwestern. Evanston, June.

Co-organizer (with Winnifred Sullivan), “Politics of Religion at Home and Abroad.” Capstone workshop. Indiana University, Bloomington, May.

“Three myths about religion and politics.” Carleton College, Northfield, MN, May.

“Thinking about religion on the border: Law, politics, practice.” Carleton, May.

Symposium co-organizer (with Brannon Ingram), “Reporting Islam: Media, Policy, Politics.” Luce/ACLS Program in Religion, Journalism & International Affairs. Evanston, April.

“The religion box: Studying religion and politics after the critique of secularism.” Finding Religion Project. CURA, Boston University, April.

“The religion trap.” Symposium on “Dialogues on the theopolitics of the nation-state: Israel in a wider context.” University of Oxford. Oxford, March.

“Three myths about religion and politics.” Janus Forum Lecture. Political Theory Project, Brown

University. Providence, March.

**2018**

“Religion and politics after religious freedom.” University of Vermont. Burlington, November.

“True conversion: The politics of religion on the border.” Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity. October.

Wold Lecture on Religion & Conflict. “Religion and politics after religious freedom.” Union

College. Schenectady, NY. September.

“The religion box.” Panel: Religion as an Analytical Category. APSA, Boston, September.

Roundtable. “How to Promote Your Book Inside and Outside the Discipline.” APSA, Boston,

September.

Symposium co-organizer (with Brannon Ingram), “Rethinking the ‘Muslim World’: Concepts, History, Law, Politics.” Northwestern. Evanston, June.

Workshop co-organizer (with Winnifred Sullivan). “Politics of Religion at Home and Abroad.” Geneva, Illinois, May.

Hajja Razia Sharif Sheikh Lecture, “The impossibility of international religious freedom: reimagining religion and politics.” Center for Religious Understanding, Oakland University, Rochester Hills, Michigan, April.

“Beyond freedom and violence: Reimagining religion and politics in the Middle East.” Northwestern

University-Qatar. Doha. February.

**2017**

Chicago Humanities Festival, “Beyond belief: the politics of religion.” Evanston, October.

Keynote Lecture. “Thinking differently about religion, politics and power.” “Reimagining

Difference: Being, Thinking and Practicing beyond Essentialism.” Centre for Religion, Conflict and the Public Domain, University of Groningen, September.

“The impossibility of international religious freedom.” [Spui25](http://www.spui25.nl/en) (University of Amsterdam academic

and cultural center), Amsterdam, September.

Roundtable, “Reflections on the Refugee Crisis and Religion.” APSA, San Francisco, September.

“Religion as a category of international legal protection: Syria, the Genocide Convention and the

politics of religious difference.” APSA, San Francisco, September.

Discussant, “Re-visiting the Religio-Political Subject: The New Political Theory of Religion.” APSA, San Francisco, September.

Workshop co-organizer (with Winnifred Sullivan). “Politics of Religion at Home and Abroad.”

Geneva, Illinois, May.

“Religion and Politics beyond Freedom and Violence.” Institute for Religion, Culture and Public

Life, Columbia University, February.

**2016**

“Governing Religion as Right: The Politics of Religious Freedom.” Yale Initiative on Religion, Politics and Society. New Haven, December.

“The New Global Politics of Religion.” Department of Political Science Colloquium, University of

Hawaii. Honolulu, December.

“Governing Religion as Right: The Politics of Religious Freedom.” University of Wisconsin-

Madison. Madison, November.

Workshop Co-Organizer (with Winnifred Sullivan). “Theologies of American Exceptionalism.” Indiana University, Bloomington. October.

Keynote Lecture. “The New Global Politics of Religion.” Symposium on the “Politics of Religious Freedom in the Asia Pacific.” University of Notre Dame, Sydney. Sydney, Australia, September.

“Thinking about Religion and International Order.” Panel discussion. University of Queensland. Brisbane, Australia, September.

“The Politics of Religion at Home and Abroad.” Luce project workshop co-organized with

Winnifred Sullivan. Northwestern University. Evanston, June.

“Religion and Global Politics Beyond Freedom and Violence.” Yale-NUS, Singapore, May.

“The Global Politics of Religion in an Age of Freedom and Terror.” Committee on International

Relations, University of Chicago, April.

“Beyond Religious Freedom: The New Global Politics of Religion.” Critical Research in International Politics series. Ohio State University. Columbus, March.

“Beyond Religious Freedom: The New Global Politics of Religion.” Book panel, Munk School of

Global Affairs, University of Toronto. Toronto, February.

“The Politics of Religion in an Age of Freedom and Terror.” Buffett Faculty & Fellows series.

Northwestern University. Evanston, February.

Keynote Lecture. “Good Religion and Bad Religion: The New Global Politics of Religion.”

Butler University and Christian Theological Seminary, January.

**2015**

Keynote Lecture. “The New Global Politics of Religion.” “Good Protestant, Bad Religion?

Formatting Religion in Modern Societies.” Norwegian Research Council, SAMKUL program. Oslo, 3-4 December.

“Beyond Religious Freedom: The Limits of Law and the Politics of Global Religious Difference.”

Religion and Media Workshop, AAR Annual Meetings. Atlanta, November.

“Politics of Religious Freedom.” Editors-meet-critics. American Academy of Religion Annual Meetings. Atlanta, November.

“Beyond Freedom and Violence: Normalizing Religion in the Study of World Politics.” Indiana

University Bloomington. Bloomington, November.

“Beyond Religious Freedom: The New Global Politics of Religion.” Author-meets-critics panel.

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meetings. Newport Beach, CA, October.

“Religious Freedoms and Legal Institutions.” UC-Irvine. Irvine, October.

“Beyond Religious Freedom: Lived Religion and Global Politics.” Conference on “Religion and International Relations: Old Questions, New Reflections,” Pontifícia Universidade Católica de Minas Gerais (Pontifical Catholic University of Minas Gerais). Belo Horizonte. October.

“Beyond Freedom and Violence: Religion, Politics, and Interpretive Methods.” Roundtable. American Political Science Association annual meetings. San Francisco, August.

“Normalizing Religion in Sociolegal Scholarship.” Law & Society Annual Meeting, Seattle, May.

“How IR Got Religion, and Got it Wrong.” Project on Middle East Political Science and

the Transatlantic Academy of the German Marshall Fund. Washington, D.C., 29-30 April.

“The New Global Politics of Religion.” Transatlantic Academy. Washington, D.C., 15 April.

“Religious Freedom and US Foreign Policy: A Conversation on History, Theory, and Practice.”

Danforth Center on Religion and Politics, Washington University. St. Louis, 30 March.

“Expert Religion, Lived Religion, Governed Religion: Rethinking the New Global Politics of

Religion.” European University Institute. Florence, 19 March.

“Religious Freedom and US Foreign Policy.” Oasis Foundation. Milan, March.

“Religious Freedom and US Foreign Policy.” Holstein Lecture, UC-Riverside, February.

**2014**

“Religion as Right: U.S.-Japanese Constructions of ‘Religion’ and ‘Secular’ in International Law.”

Discussant, Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, San Diego, November.

“Beyond Religious Freedom: Religion, Rights, and the Politics of Religious Difference.” Religion,

Secularity & Toleration, McGill Centre for Research on Religion. Montreal, November.

“Beyond the First Amendment: Religious Engagement and the Politics of Establishment.” Brigham Young University. Provo, 6 October.

“Saving the Rohingya? On the Dangers of Privileging Religion in Foreign Policy.” Policy Research Division, Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade & Development. Ottawa, 12 August.

“After Religious Freedom?: Religion, Rights, and Global Politics.” Department of Political Science,

Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, 24 April.

“Religious Rights and the ‘Sectarianization’ of Being and Belonging.” Workshop “On Sectarianism

in the Modern Middle East.” Rice University, Houston, April.

“International Religious Freedom and the Politics of Religious Difference.” Seminar on “Religion

and Power in Transition,” Institute on Culture, Religion & World Affairs, Boston University, April.

“Alevis under Law: The Politics of Religious Freedom in Turkey.” Conference on “Religious

Heterodoxy and Modern States,” Yale, New Haven, 28-29 March.

“Religious Freedom and Religious Interventionism.” Roundtable, Annual Conference of the

International Studies Association, Toronto, March.

“International Religious Freedom and the Politics of Religious Difference.” London School of

Economics, March.

Westminster Faith Debates. Speaker. “Are attempts to promote global religious freedom naïve

or necessary?” London, March.

“Alevis under Law: The Politics of Religious Freedom in Turkey.” Institute of Islamic Studies,

University of Toronto. Toronto, February.

“Power, Politics, and the Promotion of Religious Freedom.” Osgoode Colloquium on Law, Religion

& Social Thought. Toronto, February.

“Believing in Religious Freedom,” Workshop “Politics of Religious Freedom: Contested

Norms and Local Practices.” University of Cape Town, February.

**Other Public Lectures & Events**

Instructor, “Dissent on the American Border.” Newberry Teachers’ Consortium: Professional

Development Seminar. Chicago, April 2022.

Public Lecture, “Update on the U.S.-Mexican Border.” Monday Class. November 2021.

Public Lecture, “Anti-Muslim Politics in the US: 2020 and Beyond.” Glenview Community Church

Speakers’ Forum, March 2020.

“Three Myths about Religion and Politics.” Northwestern Alumnae Association trip, “Trade Routes of Coastal Iberia” trip, Spain, October 2019.

Public Lecture, “How Can This Be Legal?” Religion and the ‘Muslim Ban’” Evanston Public Library,

June 2019.

“Muslims and Others: The Politics of Religion in the Refugee Crisis.” Forced Migration Studies

Group, Buffett Institute at Northwestern. Evanston, January 2017.

“Religious Violence and Global Politics.” Evanston Rotary Club, February 2016.

“Beyond Religious Freedom?” Public Lecture, Evanston Public Library, February 2016.

Panelist, “Transcending Nationalism in the Armenian Genocide Debate.” Evanston Public Library,

September 2015.

Panelist, “Charlie Hebdo and Beyond: Language, Power, Perspective.” Northwestern, May 2015.

Organizer, public reading of Mohamedou Ould Slahi’s *Guantánamo Diary*. Northwestern, May 2015.

“From Tunisia to Tehran: Understanding the Middle East in Transition,” Northwestern Alumnae Continuing Education course “The Middle East: Update on Turmoil.” April 2015.

Discussant, Project on Middle East Political Science Junior Scholars Book Development Workshop. New Haven, October 2012.

“Politics of Advocating Religious Freedom.” Interfaith Luncheon, Northwestern-Garrett Evangelical Seminary, May 2014.

Newberry Library Teachers’ Consortium, Seminar Leader, “Sectarianism and its Others: The Politics of Religious Diversity after the Arab Spring.” Chicago, March 2014.

Newberry Library Teachers’ Consortium, Seminar Leader, “The ‘Arab Spring:’ Beyond the Secularist-Islamist Divide. Chicago, February 2013.

Lecturer, “Sectarianism and the Arab Spring.” Northwestern Alumnae Continuing Education

Committee course “The Arab Spring Revisited.” February 2013.

Lecturer, “Why the US Didn’t See the Egypt Revolt Coming” and “Uprising in Syria: Regional and

International Implications.” Northwestern Alumnae Continuing Education course: “The ‘Arab Spring’ Revolutions: Causes and Consequences. February 2012.

Lecturer, Shirley Ryan Lifelong Learners Course, The Arab Spring: Views You Won’t See in the

Media. November 9, 2011.

Instructor, European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation, Venice School of Human Rights, “Religious Freedom and the Rights of Religious Minorities,” co-taught with Peter Danchin, Winnifred Sullivan and Saba Mahmood, Venice, July 2011.

“The Politics of Relations Between the West and the Middle East and the Legacy of Said’s

*Orientalism.*” Newberry Library Teachers’ Consortium: Politics, Economics and Government Group. Chicago, January 2006.

TEACHING AND SUPERVISION

**Teaching Awards and Contributions**

Co-curator, Open access [*Teaching Law and Religion Case Study Archive*](https://sites.northwestern.edu/lawreligion/), 2017- present

R. Barry Farrell Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, 2006-07

Northwestern University Faculty Honor Roll, 2006-07

Northwestern University Faculty Honor Roll, 2002-03

**Graduate courses:**

Religion and Politics

Religion, Race and Politics: Global and Imperial Perspectives

Religion and Modernity

Law, Religion and Globalization

Secularism, Religion, and Politics

**Undergraduate courses:**

The American Border: Politics, Policy, Theology

Politics of Religious Diversity

Religion and Politics

The Middle East in International Politics

The United States and the World

**PhD Supervision**

**Dissertations Advised**

Matt deTar, Rhetoric & Public Culture, Northwestern. “Figures of Nationalist Discourse: Atatürk, the Military, Religion and the Minority in Modern Turkey.” Defended July 2012.

Maria Birnbaum, Political Science, European University Institute. “Becoming Recognizable: Postcolonial Independence and the Reification of Religion.” Defended March 2015.

Ariel Schwartz, Religious Studies, Northwestern. “In the Wake of Hate: Rebuilding Religion, Place, and Community in Sacramento and Joplin.” Defended April 2016.

(Chair) Mona Oraby, Political Science, Northwestern. “The Difference that Affiliation Makes: Religious Conversion, Minorities, and the Rule of Law.” Defended January 2017.

Joshua M. Friedman, Political Science, Northwestern. “The Recognition Dilemma.” Defended May 2019.

Jeffrey Wheatley, Religious Studies, Northwestern. “Policing Fanaticism, Religion, and Race in the American Empire, 1830–1930.” Defended June 2020.

Matthew J. Smith, Religious Studies, Northwestern. “Plastic Subjects: US Empire, Secularism, and the Racial Grammar of Protestant Missions Science; Or, Theorizing Race and Religion in the Age of Plastic(s).” Defended June 2021.

Julia Brown, Political Science, Northwestern. “The Scriptural Politics of John Locke.” Defended September 2021.

(Chair) Gina Giliberti, Political Science, Northwestern. “Impassioned Religion in International Politics.” Defended September 2022.

(Chair) Owen Brown, Political Science, Northwestern. “Ordering/Racialising the World: Race and the Production of International Order.” In progress.

(Chair) Nathalia Justo, Political Science, Northwestern. “The Global Politics of Citizenship: Producing and Protecting the “Deserving” Subject.” Defended July 2023.

Hafsa Oubou, Anthropology, Northwestern. “Schooling the Nation: Moroccan Educators, Muslim Youth, and Civics Instruction in Belgium.” Defended July 2023.

Audrey Nicolaides, Political Science. “Progressive Internationalism and the Philosophy of History.” In progress.

Seyma Kabaoglu, Anthropology, Northwestern, “Banking on Doubt: Law and Ambiguity in the Everyday Life of Islamic Participation Finance in Istanbul, Turkey.” In progress.

Lauren Baker, Political Science, Northwestern, “Trash Talk: Sanitizing the politics of garbage at sites of global environmental governance in the MENA.” In progress.

(Chair) Elizabeth Orrego Torres, Political Science, Northwestern, “Freeing Religion:

Decolonizing/Deconstructing Religious Freedom and Secularism in the Americas.” In progress.

Shah Zeb Chaudhary, Political Science, Northwestern. “Melodramatic Nations and Serious States: Political Affect in Pakistan-U.S. Relations.” In progress.

Dhondup Tashi Rekjong, Religious Studies, Northwestern. “Preservation and Cultivation: The Creative Union Tibetan Buddhist Scholars Forged Between Religious and Political Life in the 20th Century.” In progress.

(Chair) Emma Davis, Political Science, Northwestern. “International Relations and the Jewish Question: Reconsidering Self-Determination.” In progress.

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Departments

Chair, Religious Studies, 2023-present

Graduate Committee, Religious Studies, 2021-22; 2022-23

International Studies Program Committee, 2018-19

IR Workshop Coordinator, 2018-19

International Relations Field Chair, Political Science Department, 2017-18

Director of Graduate Studies & Chair of the Graduate Committee, Political Science, 2012-2015.

Director of Honors and member of Undergraduate Committee, Political Science, 2009-2010

Comparative Politics Search Committee, 2005-2006

Middle East Studies Committee, 2005-2006

Graduate Admissions Committee, 2005-2006

Undergraduate Advisory Board, 2005-2006

College

Director of Honors, International Studies Program, 2019-2023

Sciences Po Partnership Advisory Committee, 2021-23

Program in Middle East and North African Studies Steering Committee, 2011-present

French Interdisciplinary Group (FIG) Advisory Committee, 2009-present

Teagle Faculty and Student Advisory Group, 2014-15. The Graduate School, Northwestern.

Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Planning Group, 2013-14.

Co-convener, Faculty Working Group on Middle East & North African Studies, 2007-2012

Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow Search Committee, 2006-2007

# Committee for the Program in Asian Studies, 2003-2004

University

Faculty Host, “Charms of the Amalfi Coast.” Northwestern Alumni Association. June 2023.

Review, Reappointment, Promotion, & Retention Committee, Northwestern-Qatar, 2022.

Faculty Host, “Moroccan Discovery: from the Imperial Cities to the Sahara.” Northwestern Alumni Association. Sept. 2022.

Organizational Strategy & Change Advisory Group, 2019-2022.

Faculty Host, “Holiday Markets” cruise in Europe. Northwestern Alumni Association. 2021.

Faculty Host, “The Great Migration” trip to Tanzania. Northwestern Alumni Association. 2020.

Faculty Host, “Trade Routes of Coastal Iberia” trip. Northwestern Alumni Association, 2019.

Faculty Host, “Egypt & the Eternal Nile” trip. Northwestern Alumni Association, 2019.

Member, Global Strategy Task Force, 2015-16.

Equality, Development & Globalization Studies (EDGS) Faculty Associate, 2014-present.

Faculty Affiliate, Keyman Modern Turkish Studies Program, 2015-2020.