

# Ivan Dinev Ivanov

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## EDUCATION:

University of Cincinnati (UC), Cincinnati, OH

Ph.D. in Political Science, August 2008

Dissertation: *NATO's Transformation in an Imbalanced International System*

Areas of Expertise: International Relations, International Security, International Organization and Alliances, Comparative Politics with regional focus: Europe and the Middle East

Diplomatic Academy in Vienna and University of Vienna, Austria

Master of Advanced International Studies (MAIS), 2002

Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

M.A., International Relations and European Studies, 2001

University of National and World Economy, Sofia, Bulgaria

B.A. in International Relations (with honors), 2000

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT:

University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH

Associate Professor Educator, August 2019 – present

Assistant Professor Educator, August 2015 – July 2019

Director of Undergraduate Studies, August 2015 – August 2019

Visiting Assistant Professor, Sept 2009– August 2010; Sept 2011 – July 2015

Georgetown College, Georgetown, KY

Visiting Assistant Professor, August 2010 – July 2011

Muskingum University, New Concord, OH

Visiting Assistant Professor in Comparative and International Politics, Sept 2008 – August 2009

The Charles Phelps Taft Research Center at the University of Cincinnati

Graduate Assistant, September 2006 – August 2008

Department of Political Science, University of Cincinnati

- Graduate Assistant (teaching and research), September 2003 – June 2005
- Adjunct Instructor (2005-08)

#### RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIPS:

- Dissertation Fellowship, the Charles Phelps Taft Research Center at the University of Cincinnati, September 2005 – August 2006
- Doctoral Fellowship, Department of International Relations, University of National and World Economy, Sofia, Bulgaria, 2003-2006
- Soros Graduate Fellowship, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, 2000-2001

#### WORKS IN PROGRESS AND UNDER REVIEW:

- Varieties of National Cybersecurity Strategies and their Implications for International Security (with Igor Kovac and Matt Millard)
- “Explaining Adaptability: Organizational Assets and Institutional Decision-Making in Emerging Threats” (single authored book manuscript)
- “NATO and the EU’s Response to Cyberthreats” (co-authored with Igor Kovac)
- “Understanding EU Peacebuilding: Organizational Assets, Mission Deployment and International Legitimacy” (R&R manuscript, co-authored with Igor Kovac)

#### PUBLICATIONS:

##### Book:

*Transforming NATO: new allies, missions and capabilities* (Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, an academic division of Rowman and Littlefield Publishers, Inc, 2011).

Paperback edition with update published in May 2013, visit:

[http://homepages.uc.edu/~ivanovid/pdfs/book\\_update.pdf](http://homepages.uc.edu/~ivanovid/pdfs/book_update.pdf)

Chinese edition published by China Center for NATO Studies and World Knowledge Press, 2014

##### Journal Articles and Book Chapters:

“Resilience and Vulnerabilities Related to Russia’s Invasion of Ukraine: The Emergence of a New Club of NATO and EU Members,” *Baltic Journal of Law & Politics*, Vol. 16, no. 1 (2023): 105-121, DOI: 10.2478/bjlp-2023-0006

“Military Decision-Making,” pp. 164-177. In *Research Handbook on NATO* edited by Sebastian Mayer. Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd, Cheltenham, UK; Northampton, MA, 2023

“The English School”, pp. 47-88; “Psychological Approaches to International Relations,” 381-430; “Approaches to International Organizations,” 707-756. In *Theories of International Relations* (Vol. 2, in Bulgarian) edited by Atanas Gotchev, University of National and World Economy Press, Sofia, Bulgaria, 2021

“The Use of Interactive Student Response Software in an Introductory International Relations Course,” *Journal of Political Science Education* (Published online: December 2019). Limited copies [are available here](#).

“European Security at a Crossroads? Institutionalization of Partnerships and Compliance with NATO’s Security Policies,” pp. 135-166. In *NATO’s Return to Europe: Engaging Ukraine, Russia and Beyond* edited by Rebecca Moore and Damon Coletta. Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press, 2017

“Emergence, Dynamics and Institutionalization of UN-NATO Cooperation in Kosovo and Afghanistan,” *European Review of International Studies*, Vol. 2, no. 3 (2015): 69-85

“Teaching Interactively Southeast Asia: A Case of Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Plus Three Simulation” (with Jim Masterson), *Education About Asia*, Vol. 20, no. 1 (Spring 2015): 47-51

“Beyond the Clash of Civilizations: The Role of Religion, Ethnicity and Security on the Conflict in the Caucasus,” *Contemporary Security Policy*, Vol. 33, no 1 (April 2012): 199-205

“NATO’s Relations with New Members and Partners: Contributions to Peacekeeping, Counterterrorism and Humanitarian Missions,” *Strategic Insights*, Vol. 10, no. 3 (December 2011): 39-51

“The Relevance of Heterogeneous Clubs in Explaining Contemporary NATO Politics,” *Journal of Transatlantic Studies*, Vol. 8, no. 4 (December 2010): 337-361

#### Other Publications:

“Changing Support for the War in Ukraine Among the EU Members,” 49th Annual European Studies Conference the *European Studies Conference 2024*, Omaha, Nebraska, October 2-4, 2024. Here is a [link to the conference proceedings](#).

“The Crises of 2020, the Declining Role of International Institutions, and their Implications for Bulgaria” in *Bulgaria and the World: 2020*, handbook published by the Euro-Atlantic Security Center, Sofia, Bulgaria, February 2021.

Review of Atanas Gotchev’s “Conflict: Early Warning and Preventive Diplomacy” (in Bulgarian Атанас Гочев, “Конфликтът—ранно сигнализиране и превантивна дипломация”), *European Review of International Studies*, Vol. 2, no. 1 (June 2015): 141-4

“2012 APSA Teaching and Learning Conference. Track Summary on Simulations and Role Play II: International Relations and Comparative Politics” (with Jon Ross), *PS: Political Science and Politics*, Vol. 45, no. 3 (July 2012): 535-536

Review of Gulnur Aybet and Rebecca Moore (eds), “NATO in Search of a Vision,” *Journal of Slavic Military Studies*, Vol. 24, no. 3 (August 2011): 555-557

Review of Simon Chesterman and Chia Lehnardt, “From Mercenaries to Markets: The Rise and Regulation of Private Military Companies,” *Millennium Journal of International Studies*, Vol. 38, No. 1 (2009): 172-174

Review of Ken Booth and Nicholas Wheeler, “The Security Dilemma: Fear, Cooperation, and Trust in World Politics,” *Contemporary Security Policy*, Vol. 30, No. 1 (April 2009): 198-199

“The Administration of the President Barack Obama and the U.S. Foreign Policy of Engagement” (in Bulgarian), *Legal World*, Sofia, Bulgaria, Vol. 2 (2009)

“The EU Eastern Enlargement and The Impact of Foreign Direct Investment on Migration,” (in Bulgarian) in Dinkov, Dinko (ed.), *Bulgaria’s Accession to the EU and the Role of the Country in the New International Division of Labor*. Yearbook of the Department of International Relations at the University of National and World Economy, Sofia, Bulgaria, 2006

## INVITED TALKS AND LECTURES:

“Social Political & Economic Aspects in Explaining Contemporary Russian Politics,” at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), January 22, 2025

“Twenty Years of Slovenia’s EU and NATO Membership: A SWOT Analysis” (with Matt Millard and Davide Fiammenghi), a discussion organized by the Slovenian Paneuropean Movement, Ljubljana, Slovenia, June 13, 2024

“Improving Student Engagement in Introductory Courses: Challenges and Opportunities in Times of COVID-19,” a webinar presentation for Echo 360 faculty users, April 16, 2020, Cincinnati, Ohio

“The Challenges and Opportunities for the New European Commission,” talk delivered at the Slovenian Paneuropean Movement, Ljubljana, Slovenia, December 10, 2019

“The EU and NATO’s Adaptation to 21 Century Security Challenges” invited talk at the American University in Bulgaria (AUBG), October 1, 2019, Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria

“Nationalism and Democracy in Europe: the EU and NATO’s Response to Emerging Threats” invited seminar leader, European Studies Seminar “Democracy and the Nation in Europe, Past and Present” (Spring 2019), March 15, 2019, Cincinnati, Ohio

“Politics and Contemporary Events in Russia 2017-18,” at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), June 5, 2018

“Engaging Students with Echo 360: Evidence from an Introductory Course in International Relations,” invited speaker to the 2017 Echo 360 Active Learning Conference, Washington, D.C., October 3, 2017

Panel Discussion on Current Events in Russia (with Willard Sunderland) at OLLI, April 11, 2017

“Explaining the Emergence, Dynamics and Institutionalization of Inter-Organizational Cooperation: the cases of UN-NATO Collaboration in Kosovo and Afghanistan,” invited speaker to the seminar on *Regional Security Challenges* at Sofia University, Sofia Bulgaria, May 27, 2016

“A Global Migration Crisis,” panel discussion organized by the University of Cincinnati’s Taft Research Center’s Global Studies Research Group, September 24, 2015; and by OLLI, November 3, 2015

“Europe’s Financial Crisis: Austerity and Debt” invited seminar co-leader (with Joel Wolfe), European Studies Seminar “Europe in Times of Crisis” (Spring 2015), January 23, 2015, Cincinnati, Ohio

“Why Partnerships Matter? Cooperation and Smart Defense: the Case of NATO’s Partnership for Peace Program” invited speaker to the graduate program at the University of Latvia, September 12, 2014, Riga, Latvia

“The Crisis in Ukraine: Domestic, Regional and Institutional Implications,” invited speaker to Roundtable Discussion at McMicken College of Arts and Sciences, March 12, 2014 and OLLI, April 22, 2014

“Contending Visions about the Future of Democracy in Europe’s Periphery,” invited seminar leader, European Studies Seminar “Vision of Europe’s Future” (Spring 2013), February 22, 2013, Cincinnati, Ohio

“Discovering UC: Political Science and International Affairs Programs,” invited speaker to Discovering UC class series, University of Cincinnati, February 16 and October 30, 2012, Cincinnati, Ohio

“Legitimizing the Use of Force: the cases of the United Nations and NATO” invited speaker at International Education Week 2011 (with Michael Schroeder), Morehead State University, November 16, 2011, Morehead, Kentucky

Discovering Arts and Sciences: Political Science and International Affairs Programs,” invited speaker to Discovering A&S class series, University of Cincinnati, April 15, 2010, Cincinnati, Ohio

“NATO, the United States, and the Stabilization of Afghanistan,” invited speaker, Symposium on International Security at Morehead State University, March 25, 2010, Morehead, Kentucky

“One Language: A World of Possibilities,” speaker at the Phi Sigma Iota induction, Muskingum College, March 23, 2009, New Concord, Ohio

“Senator Robert A. Taft, NATO and U.S. Foreign Policy,” speaker at the Third Taft Annual Research Symposium, University of Cincinnati, May 7, 2008, Cincinnati, Ohio

“NATO’s Transformation from the Perspective of Club Goods Theory and the Concept of Complementarities,” invited speaker at the joint meeting of the Departments of Political Science and International Relations, University of National and World Economy, December 11, 2007, Sofia, Bulgaria

#### CONFERENCE PAPERS:

“Cyber T. S. Elliot: Good Cyber Strategies Borrow, Great Cyber Strategies Steal,” (with Matt Millard and Igor Kovac), paper presented at the 121st *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Vancouver, BC, Canada, September 11–14, 2025

“The Shift of Allied Support for the War in Ukraine: Evidence from European Allies,” paper presented at the 66th Annual Meeting of the *International Studies Association*, Chicago, IL, March 2-5, 2025

“Analyzing European National Cybersecurity Strategies: Deterrence, Norms and Persistent Engagement” (with Igor Kovac and Matt Millard), paper presented at the 66th Annual Meeting of the *International Studies Association*, Chicago, IL, March 2-5, 2025

“Changing Support for the War in Ukraine Among the EU Members,” paper presented at *CEEISA-ISA Joint International Conference 2024*, Rijeka, Croatia, June 18-21, 2024 and at the *European Studies Conference 2024*, Omaha, Nebraska, October 2-4, 2024. Here is [link to conference proceedings](#)

“Transatlantic Strategic Cyber Alignment? Analyzing European National Cybersecurity Strategies” (with Igor Kovac and Matthew Millard), *Center for Cyber Strategies (CCSP) Cyber Salon Series*, 12 April 2024, Cincinnati, Ohio;

“The European Union and Adaptation in the Eastern Mediterranean in the Aftermath of the COVID-19 Pandemic,” paper presented at the International Studies Association’s 64th Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada March 15-18, 2023

“Resilience, Adaptability and Disinformation: The Emergence of a New Club of NATO and EU Members in the Aftermath of the War in Ukraine,” paper presented at *Russia, NATO and the West: Disinformation and Contestation in Central and Eastern Europe*, AUBG Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria, September 29 – October 1, 2022

“Explaining Organizational Response to Peacebuilding: The Case of NATO and the European Union,” paper presented at the *International Studies Association (ISA)’s* 2021 Virtual Annual Meeting, April 5-9, 2021

“Transition to Remote Learning During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Lessons from Political Science Courses and Recommendations for Best Practices,” paper presented at the *ISA’s* 2021 Virtual Annual Meeting, April 5-9, 2021

“Responses to Energy, Cyber and Peacebuilding Threats: Lessons from NATO and EU,” poster presented at the 116<sup>th</sup> *American Political Science Association (APSA)* Virtual Meeting, September 10-13, 2020

“Assets, Decision-making and Legitimacy in NATO and the EU’s Peacebuilding,” poster presented at the 116<sup>th</sup> *Virtual APSA Annual Meeting*, Sept 10-13, 2020

“Understanding EU Peacebuilding: Organizational Assets, Decision-Making and External Legitimacy” paper presented at the 115<sup>th</sup> American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, August 30-September 4, 2019, Washington, DC and 13<sup>th</sup> Pan-European Conference on International Relations organized by the European International Studies Association (EISA), September 11-14, 2019, Sofia, Bulgaria

“The European Union’s Asset Fungibility and Organizational Decision-Making in Peacebuilding,” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, March 27-30, 2019, Toronto, ON, Canada

“The Use of Interactive Software in an Introductory International Relations Course” paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, March 27-30, 2019, Toronto, ON, Canada

“Understanding Organizational Response to Emerging Threats: Toward a New Typology to Studying International Organizations,” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, April 4-7, 2018, San Francisco, CA

“The EU and NATO’s Asset Fungibility and Organizational Adaptability in Energy Security” (with Lyubov Grigorova Mincheva), paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, April 4-7, 2018, San Francisco, CA and the 2017 ISSS-ISAC Annual Meeting, October 13-14, 2017, Washington, DC

“Asset Fungibility and Organizational Adaptability: The EU and NATO’s Approaches to Managing and Regulating Cyber Threats” (with Igor Kovac), paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, March 16-19, 2015, Atlanta, GA and 112<sup>th</sup> American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, August 31-September 4, 2016, Philadelphia, PA

“The Role of Inter-organizational Cooperation on the Management of the Peace Process in Post-Conflict Settings: Lessons from Kosovo and Afghanistan” paper prepared for

presentation at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, March 16-19, 2016, Atlanta, GA

“Regionalism, Organizational Leadership and National Wealth: the Case NATO’s Smart Defense Projects” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, February 18-21, 2015, New Orleans, LA

“The Impact of Geography on NATO’s Smart Defense Projects” paper presented at the joint ISA and Political Demography and Geography Conference at Collegium Civitas, June 17-18, 2014, Warsaw, Poland

“Partners in Peace? Un-NATO Constructive Cooperation in Afghanistan, 2001-2012,” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, March 26-30, 2014, Toronto, ON, Canada

“The Effect of NATO Partnerships on Alliance’s Smart Defense,” paper presented at the joint Peace Science Society and ISA (PSS-ISA) Meeting, June 27-29, 2013, Budapest, Hungary and 109<sup>th</sup> American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, August 29-September 1, 2013, Chicago, IL

“Partners in Peace? UN- NATO Cooperation in Kosovo (1999-2007),” (with Michael Schroeder) paper presented at the 54<sup>rd</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, April 3-7, 2013, San Francisco, CA

“NATO Partnerships and Smart Defense: How the Alliance Influences Security Policies in Partner Nations,” paper presented at the 54<sup>rd</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, April 3-7, 2013, San Francisco, CA

“Institutional Partnerships, Military Transformation and Contributions to Overseas Operations: Strategies Used by NATO to Engage Partners,” paper presented at the 70<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 12-15, 2012, Chicago, IL

“Defining and Managing Cyber Threats: NATO’s Response to the New Challenges of the Modern Information Age” paper presented at the 53<sup>rd</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, April 1-4, 2012, San Diego, CA

“The Effectiveness of Inter-institutional Collaboration in Designing and Conducting Simulations: the case of ASEAN Plus Three Meeting” (with Jim Masterson) paper presented at the American Political Science Teaching and Learning Conference, February 17-19, 2012, Washington, DC and 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Kentucky Political Science Association (KPSA), March 2-3, Campbellsville, KY (also nominated for KPSA’s 2013 Hughes Award)

“The Relevance of Economic, Organizational, and Socio-Cognitive Perspectives in Explaining the Downsizing of Military Bureaucracies: The Case of Ukraine” paper presented at the 52<sup>nd</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, March 16-19, 2011, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

“Effectiveness of Military Transformation: Does NATO Membership Matter?” paper presented at the 51<sup>st</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, February 17-20, 2010, New Orleans, LA

“Continuity and Change of Alliance Transformation: the case NATO’s involvement in Afghanistan,” paper presented at the 50<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, February 15-18, 2009, New York City, NY

“Structural, Bureaucratic, Organizational and Elite Frameworks of Explaining Military Transformation: the case of NATO,” paper presented at the 49th International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, March 26-30, 2008, San Francisco, CA

“Complementarities and Heterogeneity: The Case of NATO’s Transformation as a Club,” paper presented at the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual European Studies Conference, October 4-6, 2007, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska

“Alliance Transformation and the Concept of Complementarities: the case of post-Cold War NATO,” paper presented at the Third Pan-European Conference on EU Politics, September 21-23, 2006, Istanbul, Turkey and 47<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention, March 21-25, 2006, San Diego, CA

“NATO Expansion in an Imbalanced International System: the relevance of security communities,” paper presented at the 64<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 20-23, 2006, Chicago, IL

“NATO Enlargement in an Imbalanced International System: The Case of Bulgaria,” (with Atanas Gotchev), paper presented at the First Global International Studies Conference, August 24 – 27 2005, Istanbul, Turkey

“The Conditions Shaping NATO’s Fifth Wave of Enlargement”, paper presented at the International Studies Association-Midwest 2003 Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO, November 5-6, 2004 and 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7-10, 2005, Chicago, IL

“The EU Eastern Enlargement and The Impact of Foreign Direct Investment on Migration,” paper presented at the Second International Conference on European and International Political and Economic Affairs, May 27-29, 2004, Athens, Greece

#### **COURSES:**

##### Introductory:

Introduction to International Relations  
Introduction to World Politics  
Introduction to Comparative Politics  
Film and Politics

##### Graduate:

Proseminar in IR  
Research Seminar in IR

##### Upper-level:

U.S. Foreign Policy: institutions and processes  
NATO and Alliances  
Approaches to IR  
Politics and Gov’t of Europe  
Politics of Russia  
International Security  
International Institutions and Global Governance (study abroad)  
International Cooperation (study abroad)  
International Conflict  
International Human Rights  
Internship Practicum

- Certificate of Advanced Pedagogy, Center for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning, University of Cincinnati, 2004

## GRANTS:

- University of Cincinnati Honors Program (UHP) Grant (\$6,000) to teach “International Institutions: The Challenges of Global Governance,” January-May 2025
- University of Cincinnati Honors Program (UHP) Grant (\$6,000) to teach “International Institutions: The Challenges of Global Governance,” January-May 2023
- UC International Program Development Grant to restart the International Institutions Program to Brussels, Belgium and The Hague, the Netherlands (\$2,100), September-October 2022
- University of Cincinnati Honors Program (UHP) Grant (\$6,000) to teach “International Institutions: The Challenges of Global Governance,” January-May 2021
- UC Provost Office’s Grant (\$20,000) to Develop New Online Certificate in Cross Cultural Competence (with John Brolley and Valerie Weinstein), January-June 2020
- University of Cincinnati Honors Program (UHP) Grant (\$6,000) to teach “International Institutions: The Challenges of Global Governance,” January-May 2019
- A&S Faculty Development Fund to attend 2018 IQMR Summer Institute for Qualitative and Multimethod Research (\$1,283), April 2018
- A&S Faculty Development Fund to attend 2017 ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods (\$1,500), April 2017
- Great Gateways Grant from the University of Cincinnati to improve the curriculum for the Introduction to International Relations course (\$6,000), June-August 2016
- A&S Faculty Development Fund Award to present research at the 2016 ISA Meeting, 2015-16 (\$927)
- University of Cincinnati Honors Program (UHP) Grant (\$6,000) to teach “Responding to Global Threats: the Role of International Institutions,” January-May 2016
- UC International Study Abroad Mentoring Grant (\$3,300) London, UK, May 2014
- UC International Program Development Grant to develop study abroad program in Brussels, Belgium and The Hague, the Netherlands on the topic of International Cooperation (\$1,200). Co-funded by the Political Science Department, May-June 2014
- Muskingum College Book Subvention Grant, 2009 (declined)

## AWARDS AND MENTIONS:

- Dr. Simon Anderson Faculty Recognition Award (finalist), University of Cincinnati, April 2024, 2025
- Awarded Darwin T. Turner Scholars Program, Medal of Appreciation for valuable work and contributions to students in the Turner Scholars Program, February 2019
- E-Learning Champion Award for Incorporating Echo 360 into large classroom (Intro to IR); also comes with \$500 award, May 2017
- Awarded Darwin T. Turner Scholars Program, Medal of Appreciation for valuable work and contributions to students in the Turner Scholars Program, February 2017
- Sarah Grant Barber Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award for contributions to the quality of academic advising of UC students, June 2012 (\$500 cash and professional development funds)
- European Studies Professional Development Award (\$500) for participation in the European Studies Workshop (Spring 2013, Spring 2015)
- Henlein International Conference Fund Award, Georgetown College, 2010-11 (\$1,616)
- Taft Graduate Student Travel Grants, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08.

- University of Cincinnati GSGA Travel Award, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08.
- GSGA Group Travel Award for the four graduate students (of which two presenters) to attend the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual ISA Convention, San Diego, CA, March 2006 (\$768)
- Taft Graduate Enrichment Award to conduct research in Brussels, Belgium, Sofia, Bulgaria and Washington, DC, Jan–Oct 2006 (\$2,363), also combined with GSGA Research Grant
- MA Thesis Research Award to collect data in Brussels, Belgium and Skopje, FYR of Macedonia, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, April 2001

#### DEPARTMENT SERVICE:

- Graduate Committees:
  - Ph.D. Comprehensive Exams Committees (oral and written): 2017, 2023, 2024, 2025
  - MA Thesis Committee (first reader): Ali Alghonas (completed December 2012); Murat Haner (completed August 2014); Keith Schomaker (completed August 2016)
  - MA Thesis Committee (second reader): Corrie Becker (completed April 2014)
  - Ph.D. Committee (MA thesis): Bilgen Turkey
- Undergraduate Senior Thesis Committee: Michael Zhelesnik (chair, completed August 2013)
- Member, International Relations and Comparative Politics sub-field committees, Department of Political Science, University of Cincinnati, 2014-present
- Political Science/ SPIA Advisor for Internships and Experiential Learning (EL), 2021-present
- RPT Committee, August 2024-present
- Undergraduate Committee Chair, Department of Political Science, University of Cincinnati, 2015-2019
- Undergraduate Committee Member, Department of Political Science, University of Cincinnati, 2011-2021
- Undergraduate Advising Coordinator for Political Science and International Affairs majors; Political Science minors and Security Studies Certificate students, University of Cincinnati, 2011-2015

#### UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE SERVICE:

- Taft Educator Faculty Awards Committee, August 2025-present
- Faculty Liaison for The Washington Center (TWC) for the University of Cincinnati, 2023-2025
- A&S Decanal Search Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Cincinnati, December 2018-June 2019
- Undergraduate Council Member, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Cincinnati, 2015-2019
- A&S Disciplinary Committee Faculty Representative, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Cincinnati, 2015-2019
- Core Values Task Force Member College of Arts and Sciences, University of Cincinnati, February 2016-August 2018 (assembled by the Dean to the common core and the general education requirements for all A&S students)
- Academic Programs Review Committee Member, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Cincinnati, 2017-2018

- Interdisciplinary Council Member, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Cincinnati, 2015-2017
- Instructional Innovations Advisory Council (IIAC) Member, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Cincinnati, August 2015-January 2017
- Sarah Grant Barber Awards Committee Member, University of Cincinnati, 2013
- Member, Marshall/Rhodes Selection Committee, University of Cincinnati, 2015-2017
- Evaluator for the 2015 Undergraduate Research, Scholarly Endeavors, & Creative Practice + PRAISE Conference, University of Cincinnati, April 2015
- Judge for the 2013 Graduate Poster Forum, University of Cincinnati, March 2013

#### **OTHER SERVICE:**

- Manuscript Reviewer for *PS*, *International Studies Review*, *European Security*, *European Politics and Society*, *Digest for Middle East Studies*, *Croatian International Relations Review*, *CQ Press*, *Cambridge University Press*, *Bloomsbury Academic*
- Board Member, Bulgarian-American McGahan Foundation, New Lexington, OH, January 2023-present
- Advisory Board Member, Bulgarian Association of Cincinnati (BAC), January 2022-present
- Treasurer, Bulgarian Association of Cincinnati (BAC), January 2015-January 2017
- Wikistrat Senior Analyst, Europe Desk, December 2012 – August 2015
- Campus Representative, Graduate Student Governance Association (GSGA), University of Cincinnati, 2006-07
- Chair, GSGA Operation Analysis Committee, University of Cincinnati, 2006-07
- Member, Student Advisory Committee on the University Budget (SACUB), GSGA Constitution Review Committee, University Health Insurance Committee, University Judicial Affairs Committee, University of Cincinnati, 2006-07
- Political Science Graduate Student Association President (2005-06); Vice President (2004-05); Treasurer (2003-04), University of Cincinnati
- Graduate Committee Student Member and Representative, Department of Political Science, University of Cincinnati, 2004-06
- New American Freedom Summer (NAFS) campaign activist, Voter Registration and Immigration Reform Project, Nogales, AZ, June – August, 2004

#### **CONFERENCE CONTRIBUTIONS:**

- Chair, Panel Cybersecurity, AI, and Strategic Adaptation in International Security, APSA 2025 Annual Meeting, Vancouver, BC, Canada, September 11-14, 2025
- Discussant, Theories of Alliance Formation, CEEISA-ISA Joint International Conference 2024, Rijeka, Croatia, June 18-21, 2024
- Chair and Discussant, Will You Be My Friend? Strategic Partnership, Trust, and Friendship in Foreign Policy, ISA 2023 Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada, March 15-18, 2023
- Discussant, *Junior Scholar Symposium*, “Security: Gender & Security,” ISA 2022 Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, March 28 – April 2, 2022
- Chair and Discussant. Panel on “Deterrence, Alliances, and Partnerships,” ISA 2022 Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, March 28 – April 2, 2022

- Junior Scholar Symposium Discussant, IOs & Non-State Actors – Evolution & Dynamics of the EU.” 62<sup>nd</sup> ISA Virtual Annual Convention, April 6-9, 2021
- Chair, Coups. 62<sup>nd</sup> ISA Annual Virtual Convention, April 6-9, 2021
- Chair, Questioning Nuclear Orthodoxy. 2020 APSA Virtual Meeting, September 9-13, 2020
- Moderator, 2019 EISA Plenary Session, 13<sup>th</sup> Pan-European Conference on International Relations organized by the European International Studies Association (EISA), September 11-14, 2019, Sofia, Bulgaria.
- Chair, New Advances in Studying the Politics of Violence, War, Extremism and Terrorism. 13<sup>th</sup> Pan-European Conference on International Relations, September 11-14, 2019, Sofia, Bulgaria.
- Discussant, NATO and the European Union’s Role in the New European Security Architecture. 13<sup>th</sup> Pan-European Conference on International Relations, September 11-14, 2019, Sofia, Bulgaria.
- Roundtable organizer and contributor, European Security: Institutional Transformations, New Challenges, and Strategic Choices. 13<sup>th</sup> Pan-European Conference on International Relations, September 11-14, 2019, Sofia, Bulgaria.
- Chair, Alliance Politics. 60<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, March 27-30, 2019, Toronto, ON, Canada
- Discussant, The Future of NATO. 60<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, March 27-30, 2019, Toronto, ON, Canada
- Discussant, Power of Rules and Rules of Power: Constraints and Impact on Decision-Making and Strategy. 59<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, April 4-7, 2018, San Francisco, CA
- Discussant, Counterterrorism and Counterinsurgency. 2017 ISSS-ISAC Annual Meeting, October 13-14, 2017, Washington, DC
- Participant, Roundtable on NATO’s Return to Europe? 2017 ISSS-ISAC Annual Meeting, October 13-14, 2017, Washington, DC
- Chair/Discussant, European International Studies Association Roundtable: Terrorism, Crime, the State and Trans-border Networks. 58<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, February 22-25, 2017, Baltimore, MD
- Discussant, Intervention Entrepreneurs. 57<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, March 16-19, 2015, Atlanta, GA
- Chair, Rethinking European Security. 56<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, February 18-21, 2015, New Orleans, LA
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- Discussant, NATO's Role: Evolving and Expanding. 55<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, March 26-30, 2014, Toronto, ON, Canada
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- Chair/Discussant, Where Do We Go from Here? The US and Europe in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. 52<sup>nd</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, March 16-19, 2011, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
- Chair, Reimagining the Soldiering Life: The Sources of Military Reform. 52<sup>nd</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, March 16-19, 2011, Montreal, Canada
- Chair/Discussant, Panel on the European Union. 51<sup>st</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, February 17-20, 2010, New Orleans, LA
- Chair, NATO and European Security. 51<sup>st</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, February 17-20, 2010, New Orleans, LA
- Discussant, Reconceptualizing Security. 50<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, February 15-18, 2009, New York City, NY
- Chair, Negotiation and Decision-Making in the EU. 50<sup>th</sup> International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Meeting, February 15-18, 2009, New York City, NY
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- Institute for Social and Political Research (ICPSR) Summer Program, Ann Arbor, MI, May 2020. Three-day Course on Process Tracing.
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