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Academic Positions

2015- **Lecturer in International Relations**, School of Politics and International Relations, Research School of Social Sciences, College of Arts and Social Sciences, Australian National University.

Education

Doctor of Philosophy, Princeton University, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs (2014).

Master of Public Affairs, Princeton University, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs (2009).

Bachelor of Laws (Hons.), Monash University (2004). First Class Honours.

Bachelor of Economics (Hons.), Monash University (2002). First Class Honours.

Research Interests

Economic diplomacy and coercion; interdependence and the economic-security nexus; grand strategy in the Asia-Pacific; Australian foreign policy; international political economy; international security; qualitative methods.

Book Project (in preparation)

“Coercive economic diplomacy: Power, interdependence and statecraft in East Asia”.

I unpack the microeconomic foundations of economic interdependence in East Asia since 2000, to understand how economic relations can be used as tools of leverage over political/security issues—the phenomenon of coercive economic diplomacy. I investigate how coercive economic diplomacy has been deployed in China’s territorial disputes with Japan and the Philippines, as well as how interdependence shapes how Australia and Singapore balance their economic and security interests in relations with China.

Research Publications

“The innovation imperative: Technology and U.S.-China Rivalry in the 21st Century” (with Andrew Kennedy). 2018, *International Affairs*, 94(3): 553-572.

“Puzzled out? The unsurprising outcomes of the Greek bailout negotiations” (with Michalis Moutselos and Michael McKenna), *Journal of European Public Policy* (published online 23 March 2018).

“What Money Can’t Buy: The Security Externalities of Chinese Economic Statecraft in Post-War Sri Lanka” (with Rohan Mukherjee), *Asian Security* (published online 28 December 2017).

“China’s emerging institutional statecraft: The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank and the prospects for counter-hegemony” (with G. John Ikenberry), 2017, *Brookings Institution Project on International Order and Strategy*, April.

“Reassessing hedging: The logic of alignment in East Asia” (with Zack Cooper). 2015. *Security Studies*, 24(4): 696-727.

“Misplaced blame: Foreign aid and the consequences of UN Security Council membership” (with Omar Bashir), 2013, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 57(3): 509-523.

“United Nations governance of failed states: Proposing the foundations of a comprehensive framework”, 2006, *Monash University Law Review*, 32(2): 296-335.

Research in progress

Cyber interference in democratic elections

Hedging in South Asia

Power in Australian foreign policy

Evaluating research designs in nuclear weapons scholarship

Strategic competition between China and India

Consumer-state energy security

Tourism and economic statecraft

Major Research Awards and Fellowships

Eisenhower-Roberts Graduate Fellowship: 2013-2014.

Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation: Bradley Fellow, 2012-2013, 2013-2014.

Princeton University Fellowship (Full tuition + stipend): (MPA) 2007-2009; (PhD) 2009-2014.

Princeton-University of Tokyo Strategic Partnership: Graduate Fellow in International Security, 2013.

Princeton Institute for International & Regional Studies: Summer Fellowship 2013 (declined).

Sir John Monash Award for Excellence (Scholarship) in Law: 1999-2004.

Sir John Monash Honours Scholarship in Economics: 2002.

Australian National University Summer Scholarship in Economics: 2001-02.

Teaching

Convenor and Lecturer

POLS 3017: *International relations theory*, ANU, 2015-2018.

POLS 2133: *International organizations in world politics*, ANU, 2016-18.

POLS 2136: *Power and influence in world politics*, ANU, 2017-18.

POLS 8004: *Postgraduate training in politics and policy: Research methods*, ANU, 2016.

WWS 615b: *Intro to Microeconomics* (Masters), Princeton, 2009-12.

Teaching Assistant

WWS 508a: *Econometrics & Public Policy (Basic)* (Masters), Princeton, 2012.

WWS 507b: *Quantitative Analysis (Basic)* (Masters), Princeton, 2010.

ECC 2000: *Intermediate Microeconomics* (u/grad), Monash, 2003-04, 2007.

ECC 2010: *Intermediate Macroeconomics* (u/grad), Monash, 2003.

ECC 3660: *Monetary Economics* (u/grad), Monash, 2004.

Non-Academic Professional Experience

2008 International Crisis Group: Research Assistant.

2006 Federal Court of Australia: Associate to the Chief Justice.

2006 Supreme Court of Victoria: Admitted as Australian Lawyer & Officer of the Court.

2005 Mallesons Stephen Jaques (now King & Wood Mallesons): Articled Clerk.

Peer review and web publications

Peer Reviewer:

American Journal of Political Science; Journal of Conflict Resolution; International Security; International Studies Review; Journal of Economic Growth; International Studies Perspectives; Contemporary Politics; International Relations of Asia and the Pacific; International Relations; Review of International Organizations; Issues and Studies.

Web publications:

“US—China high-tech rivalry: the innovation imperative and Great Power competition” (with Andrew Kennedy), *International Affairs Blog* (Chatham House), 9 May 2019. <https://medium.com/international-affairs-blog/us-china-high-tech-rivalry-the-innovation-imperative-and-great-power-competition-11a3be1396ee>

“Does debt pay: China and the politics of investment in Sri Lanka” (with Rohan Mukherjee), *The Diplomat*, 20 January 2018. <https://thediplomat.com/2018/01/does-debt-pay-china-and-the-politics-of-investment-in-sri-lanka/>

“India is our brother, China is our friend: Navigating great power rivalry in Southern Asia” (with Rohan Mukherjee), *War on the Rocks*, 22 September 2017. <https://warontherocks.com/2017/09/india-is-our-brother-china-is-our-friend-navigating-great-power-rivalry-in-southern-asia/>

“Donald Trump and Asia's Southern Tier: Australia” (with Victor Ferguson), *The Asan Forum* 5(4), 29 August 2017. <http://www.theasanforum.org/australia/>

“What China’s institutional statecraft could mean for the international order” (with John Ikenberry), *Order from Chaos*, Brookings Institution, 13 April 2017. <https://www.brookings.edu/blog/order-from-chaos/2017/04/13/what-chinas-institutional-statecraft-could-mean-for-the-international-order/>

“Cost of Chinese boycotts cuts both ways” (with Victor Ferguson), *East Asia Forum*, 5 April 2017. <http://www.eastasiaforum.org/2017/04/05/costs-of-chinese-boycotts-cut-both-ways/>

“A view from Australia” (with Victor Ferguson). *The Asan Forum* 4(6), 12 December 2016. <http://www.theasanforum.org/a-view-from-australia-2/>

“Are East Asian states really hedging between the US and China?” (with Zack Cooper), *East Asia Forum*, 30 Jan 2016. <http://www.eastasiaforum.org/2016/01/30/are-east-asian-states-really-hedging-between-the-us-and-china/>

“If China wants to lead Asia, here is how”, *The National Interest*, 30 November 2014. <http://nationalinterest.org/blog/the-buzz/the-secret-sauce-if-china-wants-lead-asia-here-how-11668>

“Australia can only influence the AIIB if it joins”, *Lowy Interpreter*, 29 October 2014. <https://www.lowyinstitute.org/the-interpreter/australia-can-only-influence-aiib-if-it-joins>

“Hillary Clinton’s trade warning: Can China coerce Australia”, *Lowy Interpreter*, 1 July 2014. <https://www.lowyinstitute.org/the-interpreter/hillary-clintons-trade-warning-can-china-coerce-australia>

“Globalisation and war: Examining the mechanism”, *ASPI Strategist*, 14 April 2014. <https://www.aspistrategist.org.au/globalisation-and-war-examining-the-mechanism/>