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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	Executive Director Immigration Policy Lab, Stanford University	2022 – present
	Senior Researcher, Peace and Conflict Mercy Corps	2020 – 22
	Postdoctoral Associate and Lecturer MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, Yale University	2019 – 20
	Senior Conflict Specialist Senior Conflict Specialist, The World Bank	2019 – 20
	Migration Researcher Mixed Migration Centre of North Africa	2019
	Senior Research Analyst and Survey Research Specialist USAID Office of Transition Initiatives & U.S. State Department	2016 – 18
EDUCATION	Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley , Political Science, 2019 DISSERTATION: “Making Migrations: Population Displacement Strategies in Civil Wars” MAJOR FIELDS: Comparative Politics, International Relations, Public Policy and Organizations	
	M.A., University of California, Berkeley , Political Science, 2013 THESIS: “The Political Economy of Exclusion: Refugee Return and Social Capital in South Sudan”	
	B.A., University of Wisconsin-Madison , Political Science and International Studies, 2008 THESIS: “Exclusion to Expansion: Internally Displaced Persons and the Global Refugee Regime”	
PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS	“How Does International Intervention Work to Secure Peace Settlements in Civil Conflicts?” (with Aila Matanock). <i>British Journal of Political Science</i> (2022): pp. 1-21.	
	“The Consequences of Internal Displacement on Conflict Dynamics: Evidence from Syria” (with Justin Schon). <i>Political Geography</i> , Vol. 86 (April 2021): pp. 1023-1046.	
	“Winning Hearts and Minds for Rebel Rulers: Foreign Aid and Military Contestation in Syria” (with Allison Carnegie, Kim Howe, and Dipali Mukhopadhyay). <i>British Journal of Political Science</i> (2021): pp. 1-22.	
	“The Effects of Foreign Aid on Rebel Governance: Evidence from a Large-Scale U.S. Aid Program in Syria” (with Carnegie, Howe, and Mukhopadhyay). <i>Economics & Politics</i> (2021).	
	“Explaining Population Displacement Strategies in Civil Wars: A Cross-National Analysis.” <i>International Organization</i> , Vol. 74, No. 2 (Spring 2020): pp. 253-294.	
	“Beyond Ethno-Sectarian Cleansing: The Assortative Logic of Forced Displacement in Syria.” <i>Refugee and Migration Movements in the Middle East</i> . Ed. Marc Lynch. Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) Series No. 25 (March 2017): pp. 42-48.	
	“Forced Displacement and Identity Politics in the Middle East.” <i>Nations and Nationalism</i> . Ed. Marc Lynch. POMEPS Series No. 14 (June 2015): pp. 22-25.	

WORKS
IN-PROGRESS

Guilt by Location: Forced Displacement and Population Sorting in Civil Wars (book manuscript, under review at the Cornell Studies of Security Affairs Series at Cornell University Press).

“Understanding Social Acceptance of Returnees after Displacement: Experimental Evidence from Iraq” (working paper).

“Shared Suffering and the Reintegration of the Displaced after Conflict” (working paper).

“State Responses to the Internally Displaced: A New Dataset” (working paper).

FIELDWORK

Afghanistan, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Libya, Lebanon, Niger, Nigeria, Philippines, South Sudan, Syria, Turkey, Uganda

POLICY
& PROGRAM
ANALYSIS

Mobilizing Communities to Build Social Cohesion and Reduce Vulnerability to Violent Extremism: Evidence from a Peacebuilding Program in Niger (with Ryan Sheely and Lisa Inks). Washington, D.C.: Mercy Corps (2022).

Social Cohesion for Violence Prevention: Ten Lessons for Policymakers and Practitioners (with Ifeoluwa Olawole and Ryan Sheely). Washington, D.C.: Mercy Corps (2022).

“Strategic Displacement and the Politics of Wartime Mobility: Implications for Policymakers and Practitioners” UNHCR reference paper (contribution to UNHCR’s State of the World’s Forcibly Displaced (2021)

“To Ease Iraq’s Displacement Crisis, Restorative Justice and Peacebuilding are Vita” (with Mayesha Alam. *Just Security* (2021)

Toward Durable Solutions to Displacement: Understanding Social Acceptance of Returnees in Post-ISIS Iraq (with Saad Saadi). Washington, D.C.: Mercy Corps (2021).

“The Pandemic Has Reshaped Conflicts Around the World. Here’s What Got Worse” (with Mayesha Alam and Ryan Sheely). *The Washington Post Monkey Cage* (2021)

A Clash of Contagions: The Impact of COVID-19 on Conflict in Nigeria, Colombia, and Afghanistan (with Gabrielle Aron, Daniel Herrera Kelly, and Ryan Sheely). Washington, D.C.: Mercy Corps (2021).

“*Fear of the Unknown’: Religion, Identity, and Conflict in Northern Nigeria* (with Emmanuel Ogbudu). Washington, D.C.: Mercy Corps (2021).

“Understanding the Links Between Social Cohesion and Violence: Evidence from Niger” (with Lisa Inks and Ryan Sheely). Washington, D.C.: Mercy Corps (March 2021).

“Prioritizing Research and Learning within the Global Fragility Strategy” (with Ifeoluwa Olawole and Ryan Sheely). Washington, D.C.: Mercy Corps (February 2021).

“Guilt by Location,” *Foreign Policy* (2020).

“What makes Refugees and Migrants Vulnerable to Detention in Libya? A Microlevel Study of the Determinants of Detention,” Mixed Migration Centre of North Africa Research Report (2019).

“You Can’t Go Home Again: Pressures and Prospects of Refugee Return to Syria,” Institute for the Study of International Migration, Georgetown University (2019).

Conflict and Fragility: Reassessing Measurement and Policy Frameworks, Washington, D.C.: Office of Conflict Management and Mitigation, U.S. Agency for International Development (2018).

Getting to Governance? An Evaluation of USAID/OTI Assistance in Rebel-held Syria (with Kim Howe and Depali Mukhopadhyay), Washington, D.C.: USAID Office of Transition Initiatives (2017).

[“How to Really Help the World’s New Refugees,”](#) *The Washington Post* (2015)

[“The Identity Politics of Displacement in the Middle East,”](#) *The Washington Post* (2015)

[“What Boko Haram Has Learned from ISIS,”](#) *UN Dispatch* (2014)

[“Syria, Libya, and the Challenge of Intervention,”](#) *UN Dispatch* (2014)

[“The Aid Diversion Dilemma,”](#) *UN Dispatch* (2014)

[“Forced Migration as a Weapon of War,”](#) *UN Dispatch* (2014)

[“America’s Refugee Crisis,”](#) *UN Dispatch* (2014)

TEACHING

The Politics of Forced Migration and Population Displacement Course Instructor, Yale University	Fall 2019
Introduction to Comparative Politics Graduate Student Instructor (with M. Steven Fish), UC Berkeley	Spring 2015
Ethics and Justice in International Affairs Graduate Student Instructor (with Amy Gurowitz), UC Berkeley	Fall 2014
WAR! Graduate Student Instructor (with Ron Hassner), UC Berkeley	Spring 2014
Introduction to International Relations Graduate Student Instructor (with Amy Gurowitz), UC Berkeley	Fall 2013

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Presidential Management Fellowship	2020
David A. Lake Best Paper Award, International Political Economy Society	2019
Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation	2018 – 19
Truman National Security Fellowship, Washington, D.C.	2019
Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation Dissertation Fellowship	2018 – 19
Phi Beta Kappa Northern California Association Graduate Fellowship	2018 – 19
Rocca Dissertation Fellowship, Center for African Studies, UC Berkeley	2014 – 15; 2017 – 18
Human Rights Fellowship, Human Rights Center, UC Berkeley School of Law	2016 – 17
Andrew Mellon Research Grant, Center for Middle East Studies, UC Berkeley	2016
Jennings Randolph Peace Scholarship, U.S. Institute of Peace	2015 – 16
Herb York Global Security Fellowship, UC Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation	2015 – 16
John L. Simpson Research Fellowship, Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley	2014 – 15
University of California, Berkeley Graduate Dean’s Summer Research Grant	2013 – 14

	Herbert Scoville, Jr. Peace Fellowship, Washington, D.C.	2009
	U.S. Department of State Critical Languages Scholarship, Arabic, Salalah, Oman	2008
	University of Wisconsin William Jennings Bryan Senior Thesis Award	2008
	Phi Beta Kappa Inductee	2007
INVITED TALKS, CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS	Cambridge University Forced Displacement Workshop (Cambridge, UK)	January 2020
	McGill University Peace and Security Studies Speaker Series (Montreal, CA)	January 2020
	New Perspectives in War, Migration and Refugee Studies (Amsterdam, NL)	December 2019
	Tufts University Human Security Lecture Series (Medford, MA)	November 2019
	Columbia University International Politics Seminar Series (New York, NY)	September 2019
	Yale University Comparative Politics Workshop (New Haven, CT)	September 2019
	American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Washington, DC)	September 2019
	ISA Annual Convention (Toronto, CA)	March 2019
	Peace Science Society International Meeting (Austin, TX)	November 2018
	IDMC Conference "Forced Displacement and Development" (Geneva, CH)	October 2018
	SOAS Refugee Law Initiative Annual Conference (University of London, UK)	July 2018
	"Violence and Refugees in the Arab Spring" workshop (Hamburg, DE)	May 2018
	ISA Annual Convention (San Francisco, CA)	April 2018
	Yale Program on Order, Conflict and Violence Speaker Series (New Haven, CT)	March 2018
	Conflict, Security and Peacebuilding Speaker Series (University of Amsterdam, NL)	March 2018
	EISA Annual Convention (Barcelona, ES)	September 2017
	APSA Annual Meeting (San Francisco, CA)	August 2017
	Olympia Summer Academy on Conflict and Political Violence (Nafplio, GR)	July 2017
	RSC Oxford Conference "Beyond Crisis: Rethinking Refugee Studies" (Oxford, UK)	March 2017
	Association for the Study of Forced Migration (IASFM) Convention (Poznan, PL)	July 2016
	APSA Annual Meeting (San Francisco, CA)	September 2015
	Bridging the Gap: New Era Foreign Policy Conference (Washington, DC)	March 2014
ADDITIONAL TRAINING	Institute on Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR), Syracuse University	Summer 2015
	Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan	Summer 2015
SOFTWARE	Stata, R, Python, L ^A T _E X, Microsoft Office, Adobe InDesign & Photoshop	
LANGUAGES	Arabic (conversational)	