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Education

Ph.D.	Political Science	May 1986	University of Connecticut
M.A.	Political Science	May 1980	University of Connecticut
B.A.	Political Science	May 1977	Shippensburg State College (PA)

Experience

1993-Present	Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Connecticut.
1991-Present	Member of the Graduate Faculty, University of Connecticut.
1986-1993	Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Connecticut.

Publications

Books

Arms for the Horn: U.S. Security Policy in Ethiopia and Somalia, 1953-1991 (Pittsburgh, PA: University of Pittsburgh Press, 1991).

Book Chapters

“Moscow’s Cold War and Post-Cold War Policies in Africa,” in Edmond Keller and Donald Rothchild, eds., Africa in the New International Order: Rethinking State Sovereignty and Regional Security (Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publications, 1996), pp. 206-226.

(Co-author with Larry W. Bowman) “The Indian Ocean: U.S. Military and Strategic Perspectives,” in William Dowdy and Russell Trood, eds., The Indian Ocean: Perspectives on a Strategic Arena (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 1985), pp. 413-435.

Journal Articles

“The Post-9/11 Geopolitical-Strategic Framing of U.S. Security Policy in the Horn of Africa,” under review, Journal of Strategic Studies.

“The Formation and Disintegration of Israel’s Alliance of the Periphery: Realignment, De-alignment, and Omni-alignment,” under review, Middle East Journal.

“Choosing Sides in the Horn of Africa: Wikileaks, the ‘Ethiopia Imperative’, and U.S. Responses to Post-9/11 Regional Conflicts,” Diplomacy & Statecraft, 23, 4 (December 2012), in press.

“Iran in the Horn of Africa: Outflanking U.S. Allies,” Middle East Policy, XIX, No. 2 (Summer 2012), 117-133.

“Oman’s Foreign Policy in the Twenty-First Century,” Middle East Policy, XVII, No.1 (Spring 2010), 99-114.

“U.S. Military Hegemony in the Arabian/Persian Gulf: How Long Can It Last?” International Studies Perspectives, 4, 2 (May 2003), 186-190.

“The Transformation of U.S. Security Policy in the Gulf: Strategic Disruption and the Balance of Risk,” Middle East Affairs Journal, 5, 1-2 (Winter/Spring 1999), 51-69.

“Kennedy’s Algerian Dilemma: Containment, Alliance Politics and the ‘Rebel Dialogue’,” Middle Eastern Studies, 35, 2 (April 1999), 61-82.

“The United States, Ethiopia and the 1963 Somali-Soviet arms deal: containment and the balance of power dilemma in the Horn of Africa,” Journal of Modern African Studies, 36, 4 (1998), 611-643.

“Red Sea Security and the Geopolitical-Economy of the Hanish Islands Dispute,” Middle East Journal, 52, 3 (Summer 1998), 367-385.

“The Evolution of U.S. Strategic Policy in the Gulf, 1971-1996,” (Published in Persian–*Seire Tahavole Siassat Strategi Amrica dar Khalijeh Fars Dar Salhayet 1971 Ta 1996*), Mehergan: An Iranian Journal of Culture and Politics, 5, 2 (Summer 1996), 55-65.

“Middle East Conflicts and Middle Level Power Intervention in the Horn of Africa,” Middle East Journal, 50, 3 (Summer 1996), 387-404,

“Post-Cold War Clouds on the Horn of Africa: The Eritrea-Sudan Crisis,” Middle East Policy, Nos. 51/52 (1995), 34-49.

Historical Analogies and the Israeli-Palestinian Peace Process: Munich, Camp David and Algeria,” Middle East Policy, No. 47 (1994), 84-101.

“The U.S. Military Intervention in Somalia: A Hidden Agenda?” Middle East Policy, No. 43 (1993), 44-62.

“The United States and Egypt: Confrontation and Accommodation in Northeast Africa, 1956-1960,” Middle Eastern Studies, 29, 2 (April 1993), 321-338.

“The Geopolitics of the Horn of Africa,” Middle East Policy, No. 41 (1992), 7-22. [This article was issued as a Middle East Resource Programs preprint by the Middle East Policy Council in August 1992 for distribution to members of Congress, high-level officials in the federal government, and representatives in the major media].

“U.S. Security Policy in the Horn of Africa: From Geopolitical Counterbalancing to Strategic Disengagement,” Horn Review 1, 2 (Fall 1992), 1-13.

“Globalism and Regionalism: U.S. Arms Transfers to Sudan,” Armed Forces & Society, 17, 2 (Winter 1991), 211-227.

“Donor Dependency and American Arms Transfers to the Horn of Africa: The F-5 Legacy,” Journal of Modern African Studies, 25, 3 (1987), 465-488.

(Co-author with Larry W. Bowman) “U.S. Strategic Interests in Northeast Africa and the Indian Ocean,” Africa Report, (Nov./Dec., 1983), 4-9.

“American Foreign Policy and the Horn of Africa: A Cold War Reaction?,” Northeast African Studies, 2/3, 3/1 (1980/1981), 31-42.

Short Articles

Bahrain, Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997).

Diego Garcia, Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997).

Eritrea, Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997).

Ethiopia, Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997).

Kenya, Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997).

Mozambique, Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997).

Oman, Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997).

United Arab Emirates, Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations (New York: Oxford University Press, 1997).

Op-ed Articles

“The Roots of Terrorism,” The Day (New London, CT), Sunday Perspective, August 8, 2004.

“Caught between Arabs and America,” Providence Journal-Bulletin, Commentary, March 12, 1998.

“Turkey Caught in the Middle,” Hartford Courant, Sunday Commentary, February 15, 1998.

“Egypt key to Middle East peace process,” Sunday Republican (Waterbury), November 17, 1996.

“U.S. policy helped derail peace process,” New Haven Register, Sunday Forum, October 13, 1996.

“Clinton didn’t look before leaping in Kuwait,” Hartford Courant, Sunday Commentary, September 22, 1996.

“U.S. should pressure Netanyahu with threat to cut off aid dollars,” New Haven Register, Sunday Forum, June 9, 1996.

“Somalia is no Vietnam,” Hartford Courant, Sunday Commentary, October 17, 1993.

Awards, Fellowships, and Grants

Fulbright Specialist Scholar Program Fellow (2012-2017), awarded June 2012.

Joseph J. Malone Fellowship in Arab and Islamic Studies, National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations, Oman Cultural Immersion Study Visit, March 5-18, 2008.

Research Foundation, Small Grant, Oman Study Visit, National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations, March 5-18, 2008, “Strategic Disruption, the Balance of Risk and the Transformation of U.S. Strategic Policy in the Persian Gulf.”

Travel Award, Institute for Teaching and Learning, Oman Cultural Immersion Visit, NCUSAR, March 5-18, 2008.

Tel Aviv University, invited participant for TAU First Annual Workshop on the Arab-Israeli Conflict, various cities/sites in Israel, June 18-29, 2006.

Travel Award, Institute for Teaching and Learning, UCONN, data collection, Jordan, June 12-18, 2006.

Travel award, Institute for Teaching and Learning, UCONN, data/slide collection in Egypt, December 6-20, 1999.

Travel award, Institute for Teaching and Learning, UCONN data/slide collection in Morocco, January 5-17, 1999.

Travel award, Institute for Teaching and Learning, UCONN, data/slide collection in Turkey, January 2-18, 1998.

Joseph J. Malone Faculty Fellows Program in Arab and Islamic Studies, National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations, Study visit to Saudi Arabia, December 10-21, 1995.

Joseph J. Malone Faculty Fellows Program in Arab and Islamic Studies, National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations, Study visit to Kuwait and Syria, March 25-April 8, 1993.

Research grant, John F. Kennedy Library, JFK Library Foundation, May 1992.

Yale/Mellon Post-doctoral Fellowship, Visiting Faculty Program, Yale University, 1987-1988.

Professional Activities

“Choosing Sides in the Horn of Africa,” to be presented at the 55th annual meeting African Studies Association, Philadelphia, PA November 29-December 1, 2012.

“The Formation and Disintegration of Israel’s Strategy of the Periphery,” to be presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, August 30-September 2, 2012.

“Post-9/11 Conflict and Intervention in the Horn of Africa: Manipulating and Exploiting the Global War on Terrorism” New England Political Science Association annual meeting, Newport, RI, April 23-24, 2010.

“The Sources of Oman’s Foreign Policy in the Twenty-First Century,” 50th Annual Meeting International Studies Association, New York City, February 15-18, 2009.

“The Pragmatic Alliance: Balancing Threats, Interests and Countervailing Pressures in Syrian-Iranian Relations,” Northeastern Political Science Association 40th annual meeting, Boston, MA, November 13-15, 2008.

“Post-9/11 (Re)Alignment in the Horn of Africa: Balancing Threats and Manipulating the Global War on Terrorism,” Northeastern Political Science Association 39th annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA, November 15-18, 2007.

“The Iraq War and Unresolved Tensions in U.S.-Turkish Relations: Patron-Client Security Dilemmas in Conflict,” Northeastern Political Science Association 38th annual meeting, Boston, MA, November 9-11, 2006.

“Turkey, Syria, and Iran: From Adversaries to Allies,” Northeastern Political Science Association 37th annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA, November 17-19, 2005.

“Friends, Enemies and U.S. Approaches to Middle East Adversaries,” International Studies Association 43rd annual meeting, New Orleans, LA, March 24-27, 2002.

“Strategic Disruption, the Balance of Risk, and the Transformation of U.S. Security Policy in the Persian Gulf,” Middle East Studies Association 32nd annual meeting, Chicago, IL, December 3-6, 1998.

“The Eritrea-Yemen Conflict: The Role of External Powers,” Middle East Studies Association 31st annual meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 22-24, 1997.

“The Transformation of U.S. Security Policy in the Gulf: Disruption and the Balance of Risk,” New England Political Science Association meeting, New London, CT, May 2-3, 1997.

“Middle East Conflicts and Intervention in the Horn of Africa,” Middle East Studies Association 29th annual meeting, Washington, D.C., December 3-6, 1995.

“Fueling the Fire: The Arming of the Horn of Africa After the Cold War,” African Studies Association annual meeting, Toronto, Canada, November 3-6, 1994.

Invited address, “U.S. Interests in the Horn of Africa After the Cold War,” Africa in Transition: A Conference, Shippensburg State University (PA), March 14-15, 1994.

“Moscow’s Cold War and Post-Cold War Policies in Africa,” invited presentation of paper prepared for The End of the Cold War and the New African Political Order conference, sponsored by the U.S. Institute of Peace and the University of California Institute of Global Studies, James S. Coleman African Studies Center, University of California, Los Angeles, February 17-19, 1994.

“The Munich, Camp David and Algerian Analogies and the Israeli-Palestinian Peace Process,” Middle East Studies Association 27th annual meeting, Research Triangle, NC, November 10-14, 1993.

Panelist, “Politics of Sub-Saharan Africa,” Africa: The Forgotten Continent, University of Hartford, October 29, 1993.

“The U.S. Military Intervention in Somalia: Humanitarian or Neo-colonial Invasion?” American Council for the Study of Islamic Societies,” Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., March 5-6, 1993.

Panel Chair and Discussant, “Political Conflict in Africa,” Northeast Political Science Association meeting, Philadelphia, PA, November 15-16, 1992.

“Deterrence and American Diplomacy Toward Regional Adversaries in the Middle East: From Kennedy’s Icebox to Bush’s Oven,” Middle East Studies Association 26th annual meeting, Portland, OR, October 28-31, 1992.

“The United States and Egypt: From Confrontation to Accommodation in Northeast Africa, 1956-1960,” Middle East Studies Association 24th annual meeting, San Antonio, TX, November 10-13, 1990.

Discussant, “Western Naval Policy in the Persian Gulf,” International Studies Association annual meeting, St. Louis, MO, March 31-April 2, 1988.

“U.S. Military Aid Policy in Ethiopia, 1953-1977,” African Studies Association annual meeting, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, October 22-24, 1981.

“American Foreign Policy and the Horn of Africa: A Cold War Reaction?” The Social Crisis in the Horn of Africa conference, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, April 22-24, 1980.

Invited Scholarly Lectures

Power point presentation to the 3rd Squadron, 124th Cavalry (RSTA)—who were deployed to Djibouti in early 2012—for the Combined Joint Task Force-Horn of Africa (CJTF-HOA) Leadership Development and Education for Sustained Peace (LDESP) Seminar, sponsored by the Center for Civil-Military Relations, The Naval Postgraduate School (Monterey, CA) , Dallas, TX 21-23 June 2011.

“Regional Reactions to U.S. Policy in the Middle East,” The World Affairs Forum (Stamford, CT), Council on Foreign Relations 2005 Great Decisions Program, Greenwich Library, March 10, 2005.

“Middle East Realignments: New Directions for the Next Millennium?” The World Affairs Forum (Stamford, CT), Council on Foreign Relations 2000 Great Decisions Program, Bruce Museum, Greenwich, CT, March 2, 2000.

“The United States and Somalia: Confrontation, Cliency, Abandonment and Intervention,” Council on African Studies, Yale University, January 25, 1994.

Between 1986-2008, presented more than three dozen public lectures on the Middle East and Africa at Fairfield University, Wesleyan University, University of Connecticut School of Law, University of Connecticut and at diverse community forums such as the Senior’s Club Academy (Bloomfield, CT), The World Federalist Organization (New London, CT), Harmony House (Old Lyme, CT), The Exchange Club (Rockville, CT), Stamford Jewish Historical Association, Senior Men’s Club of

Stamford, Lunch & Learn Series (Rich Forum, Stamford), Stamford Jewish Community Center,

Unitarian Church (Madison, CT), The Unitarian Universalist Society (Brooklyn, CT), and for the annual conferences held by the Judaic and Middle East Studies Center at the University of Connecticut, Stamford.

Professional Affiliations

Middle East Institute
International Studies Association

Professional Service/Outreach

Served as consultant/reviewer for sixteen articles on the Middle East for Rebecca Lescazes, project manager, National Geographic: Eyewitness to the 20th Century (National Geographic Society Book Division, 1998).

Reviewed manuscripts for Middle East Journal, International Studies Perspectives, Journal of African Policy Studies, and International Studies Review.

Reviewed proposals for UCONN Research Foundation Major Research Grant Competition.

Between 1986-2008, conducted more than one hundred newspaper, radio and television interviews on the Middle East and Africa.

University Service

Faculty adviser/coordinator for Middle East Studies Program minor Stamford campus.
Committee for Middle East Studies Minor, UCONN, Storrs, 2001-present.

Faculty Advisory Committee, Center for Judaic and Middle East Studies, Stamford, 1997-present.

Political Science PTR committee, 1994-1997 and 1999-2002.

Acting Director, Middle Eastern Languages and Area Studies Program, 1991-1992, 1995-2000.

Stamford campus PTR committee, 1994-1996.

International Relations (2007) and American Politics (1992 and 1996) Search Committee

University Senate, 1988-1991.

Teaching: Stamford and Storrs (1986-2012)

Undergraduate

POLS 1202/W-Intro. to Comparative Government

POLS 1402/W-Intro to International Relations

POLS 3442-Politics of American Foreign Policy

POLS 221-National and International Security

POLS 3447-American Diplomacy in the Middle East

POLS 3462-International Politics of the Middle East

POLS 239-Politics in Africa

POLS 296/W-Middle East Politics

POLS 2995W—Conflict and Intervention in the Horn of Africa

POLS 3624—Politics, Propaganda and the Cinema

Graduate

POLS 325-Foreign Policy Analysis

POLS 328-U.S. Foreign Policy in the Middle East

POLS 329-Politics & Security in the Middle East