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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Teaching Professor & Associate Director of the Democracy and Governance Program, Georgetown University (2016-present)

Research Associate, Mortara Center for International Studies, Georgetown University (Spring 2016)

Adjunct Lecturer, The George Washington University (Fall 2015)

Visiting Fellow, Centre for Policy Studies, University of Sierra Leone (Spring 2013)

EDUCATION

Georgetown University, Washington, DC

Ph.D., Government (December 2015)

Committee: Marc Morjé Howard (chair), Charles King, Lise Morjé Howard, Desha Girod

University of St. Andrews, United Kingdom

M.Litt., *with distinction*, Peace and Conflict Studies, School of International Relations (2008)

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

A.B., *cum laude*, Government (2006)

PUBLICATIONS & RESEARCH

Book Project

“The Long Shadow of War: Elections after Armed Conflict.”

Projected Completion: 2019

Articles in Refereed Journals

Jennifer Raymond Dresden (2017). “From Combatants to Candidates: Electoral Competition and the Legacy of Armed Conflict.” *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, 34(3), 240-263.

Jennifer Raymond Dresden & Marc Morjé Howard (2016). “Authoritarian Backsliding and the Concentration of Political Power.” *Democratization*, 23 (7), 1122-1143.

Other Reports and Analysis

Jennifer Raymond Dresden (2018). “Mozambique’s Surprisingly Durable Conflict Termination.” (prepared as part of the Civil War Settlements project for the Political Instability Task Force with PIs Andrew Bennett and Monica Toft)

Jennifer Raymond Dresden (2017). “Local, Regional, and International Influencers: Finding Stable Peace in Liberia.” (prepared as part of the Civil War Settlements project for the Political Instability Task Force with PIs Andrew Bennett and Monica Toft)

Jennifer Raymond Dresden (Spring 2013). “Going All-In: Comprehensive State-Building in Sierra Leone.” *Democracy & Society*, 10(2).

Book Reviews

Jennifer Raymond (Spring 2009). “Book Review: *China: Fragile Superpower* by Susan Shirk.” *Democracy & Society*, 6(2).

Working Papers

“The Geography of Civil War Violence and Electoral Competition”

“Legalizing Opposition in Closed Authoritarian Regimes”

“Diaspora Communities and Election Campaigns in Sierra Leone”

Ongoing Projects

Theories of Democratic Change, Phase III: Democracy and Conflict (with Thomas Flores & Irfan Nooruddin, funded by USAID)

The Only Way to Really Understand? Civil War Reenactment in Comparative Perspective

Social Capital Formation and the Ebola Crisis in Sierra Leone

Non-State Actors and the United Nations Security Council (with Anjali Dayal)

Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2010, 2013, 2016, 2017, 2018)

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2010, 2011, 2012)

International Studies Association Annual Meeting (2010, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018)

African Studies Association Annual Meeting (2014)

Blog Contributions

Jennifer Raymond Dresden, “The Polls Just Closed in Sierra Leone. Here’s What You Need to Know,” *Democracy & Society Online*, March 7, 2018. <https://democracyandsociety.net/2018/03/07/sierra-leone-went-to-the-polls-today-heres-what-you-need-to-know/>

Jennifer Raymond Dresden, “When Authoritarian Leaders Start Feeling Insecure, Nobody Wins,” *Democratic Audit*, October 21, 2016. <http://www.democraticaudit.com/2016/10/21/when-authoritarian-leaders-start-feeling-insecure-nobody-wins/> (named one of *Democratic Audit’s Top 10 Posts of 2016*)

Jennifer Raymond Dresden, “The Rebel Group You Build is the Political Party You Get,” *Political Violence @ Glance*, October 01, 2015. <http://politicalviolenceataglance.org/2015/10/01/the-rebel-group-you-build-is-the-political-party-you-get/>

GRANTS & AWARDS

Theories of Democratic Change, Phase III (Project Manager, with PIs Irfan Nooruddin & Thomas Flores), United States Agency for International Development (2018)

Competitive Faculty Grant in Aid (\$1800), Georgetown University (2017)

Research Grant (\$2500) - Alma Ostrom and Leah Hopkins Awan Civic Education Fund, American Political Science Association (2017)

Warren E. Miller Fellowship in Electoral Politics, American Political Science Association (2014)

Best Course Taught by a Graduate Student (with Paul Musgrave) for *Fundamentals of Foreign Policy*, Georgetown Government Department (2014)

Pro-Seminar Teaching Fellowship, Georgetown Government Dept (Spring 2014, Spring 2015)

Summer Dissertation Research Grant (\$5000), Georgetown Government Dept (2013)

Edwin J. Beinecke, Jr. Scholarship for dissertation research (\$2500), Harry S. Truman Good Neighbor Award Foundation (2012)

Summer Research Grant (with Marc Morjé Howard) (\$5000), Georgetown Government Dept (2011)

Government Department Graduate Fellowship, Georgetown University (2009–2014)

INVITED LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

“Authoritarian Backsliding: Drivers, Trends, and Implications.” Presentation at the *Emerging Trends and Methods in International Security* workshop for the Decadal Survey in the Social Sciences. Sponsored by the National Academy of Sciences and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. October 11, 2017.

“Institutional Politics and Electoral Participation after Civil War.” Guest lecture for graduate seminar on *The Politics of Peacebuilding: Comparative Perspectives from Postwar Contexts* at Universidad de los Andes, Bogota, Colombia. September 27, 2017.

“The Geography of Civil War Violence and Electoral Competition in Mozambique.” Presentation at the Capitol Area Africanist Workshop. May 12, 2017.

“Conflict Termination in Liberia.” Presentation at the Political Instability Task Force Winter Conference. January 24, 2017.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer

International Studies Quarterly
Foreign Policy Analysis
Democratization

External Service

Foreign Policy Section Secretary/Treasurer, American Political Science Association

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Foreign Service Training Institute, US Department of State, Arlington, VA

Facilitator (2014 - present). Facilitate simulations for the course “Composure Under Fire,” which trains new foreign service officers on public speaking and managing hostile audiences.

Center for Democracy & Civil Society, Democracy & Governance Program Georgetown University, Washington, DC

Associate Director (2016 – present). Oversee annual publication of *Democracy & Society*. Coordinate and manage grant writing. Develop partnerships and organize conferences and events to bridge the academic and policy communities in the democracy, human rights, and governance sector.

TEACHING AND MENTORING

Graduate Courses Taught (M.A.-level)

Conflict and Democracy

Research Methods in Democracy & Governance

Democratization in Africa

Comparative Democratization

Undergraduate Courses Taught

International Security

Democracy and Violence

Fundamentals of Foreign Policy

Comparative Political Systems

African Comparative Politics

Politics of Democratization in Africa

Advising

Undergraduate Senior Honors Thesis Advisor, Georgetown Government Department

M.A. Research Tutorial Advisor, Georgetown Government Department

OTHER SKILLS

Languages: French (conversational), Portuguese (basic)

Software: Stata