

# Evan Perkoski

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## APPOINTMENTS

University of Connecticut

- 2017 – Present. Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science.

Marine Corps University

- 2020 – Present. Nonresident Fellow, Krulak Center for Innovation and Future Warfare.

Harvard University

- 2020 – 2021. Faculty Research Fellow, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Kennedy School of Government.
- 2014 – 2016. Predoctoral Research Fellow, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Kennedy School of Government.

University of Denver

- 2016 – 2017. Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Sié Chéou-Kang Center for International Security and Diplomacy, Josef Korbel School of International Studies.

## EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania

- 2015. PhD, Political Science.
  - Dissertation: Organizational Fragmentation and the Trajectory of Militant Splinter Groups.
  - Fields: (1) International Relations, (2) Statistical Methods and Research Design.
- 2013. MA, Political Science.

Wesleyan University

- 2010. BA, Government, with High Honors.
  - Davenport Prize for excellence in the field of government and politics.
  - White Fellowship for excellence in government.

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Book*

- Evan Perkoski. *Divided not Conquered: How Rebels Fracture and Splinters Behave*. Oxford University Press (August 2022).

### *Peer-Reviewed Articles*

- Christopher Blair, Erica Chenoweth, Michael C. Horowitz, Evan Perkoski, and Philip B. K. Potter, “Honor Among Thieves: Understanding Cooperation Among Violent Non-State Actors.” *International Organization*, vol. 76, no. 1 (2022): pp. 164 - 203.

- Evan Perkoski. “Internal Politics and the Fragmentation of Armed Groups.” *International Studies Quarterly*, vol. 63, no. 4 (2019): 876-889.
- Michael Poznansky and Evan Perkoski. “Rethinking Secrecy in Cyberspace: The Politics of Voluntary Attribution.” *Journal of Global Security Studies*, vol. 3, no. 4 (2018): 402-416.
- Michael C. Horowitz, Evan Perkoski, and Philip B. K. Potter. “Tactical Diversity in Militant Violence.” *International Organization*, vol. 72, no. 1 (2017): 1-33.
- Erica Chenoweth, Evan Perkoski, and Sooyeon Kang. “State Repression and Nonviolent Resistance.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* vol. 61, no. 9 (2017): 1950-1969.

#### *Articles Under Review*

- Evan Perkoski and Alec Worsnop. “Veterans, Novices, and Patterns of Rebel Recruitment.” Revise and resubmit at *Security Studies*.
- Nadiya Kostyuk, Evan Perkoski, and Michael Poznansky. “The Sources of Cyber Strategy.”

#### *Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters*

- Evan Perkoski. “Terrorist Technological Innovation” in *Oxford Handbook of Terrorism*, eds. Erica Chenoweth, Andreas Gofas, and Stathis Kalyvas (Oxford University Press, 2019), pp. 401-414.
- Evan Perkoski and Michael Poznansky. “Offensive and Defensive Cyber Operations” in *Military Strategy, Joint Operations, and Airpower: An Introduction.*, eds. Ryan Burke, Michael Fowler, and Kevin McCaskey (Georgetown University Press, 2018).
- Marc Meredith and Evan Perkoski. “Regression Discontinuity Design” in *Emerging Trends in the Social and Behavioral Sciences*, eds. Robert Scott and Michael Buchmann (Wiley, 2015).

#### *Full-length Articles in Preparation*

- Erica Chenoweth and Evan Perkoski. “How Risky is Nonviolent Dissent? Nonviolent Uprisings and Mass Killings.”
- Evan Perkoski and Michael Poznansky. “Irregular Regime Change and Democratization.”
- Barak Mendelsohn and Evan Perkoski, “Al Qaeda, the Islamic State, and Patterns of Global Interaction.”
- Evan Perkoski, “Organizational Lineage and the Diffusion of Information between Armed Groups.”
- Erica Chenoweth and Evan Perkoski. “A Source of Escalation or a Source of Restraint? Civil Society and its Effect on Mass Killings.”

## ORIGINAL DATA SETS

- Militant Group Alliances and Rivalries (MGAR), with Christopher Blair, Erica Chenoweth, Michael C. Horowitz, and Philip B. K. Potter.
  - 7,402,203 undirected dyad-year observations of all known relationships for a large sample of militant groups globally from 1950 to 2016. Includes nearly 6,000 cooperative relationships and 1,500 hostile relationships among 2,613 militant groups.

## GRANTS

- Lead investigator, “Understanding the Link Between the Recruitment and Operational Behavior of Terrorist Organizations,” (with Alec Worsnop and Meredith Loken). National Counterterrorism Innovation, Technology, and Education Center, 2022-2025 (\$514,000).
- Lead investigator, “Insurgent and Counterinsurgent Recruitment Practices,” University of Connecticut Research Excellence Program (with Alec Worsnop), 2020-2022 (\$42,000).
- Co-Lead Investigator, “Civil Society and Mass violence,” (with Erica Chenoweth), Simon-Skjodt Center for the Prevention of Genocide, US Holocaust Memorial Museum, 2019-2020, (\$10,000).
- Co-recipient, course development grant (with Stephen Dyson), Stanton Foundation, 2018-2020 (\$50,000).
- Lead investigator, World Politics and Strategy Fellowship, Smith Richardson Foundation, 2015-2016 (\$7,500).
- Lead investigator, “Fragmented Terror: Exploring the Variation and Consequences of Terrorist Organizational Splintering,” Horowitz Foundation for Social Science, 2014-2015 (\$7,500).
- Graduate fellowship, Mellon ASCH , University of Pennsylvania, 2014.-2015.
- Lead investigator, “Machine-coding counterterrorism events in Spain,” Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START, Department of Homeland Security Center of Excellence), 2010 ( \$2,000).

## POLICY REPORTS & ENGAGEMENT

- New Voices in National Security workshop: “Emerging Technology and International Security: Challenges and Opportunities.” Sponsored by Bridging the Gap and New America. November 2022.
- “A Source of Escalation or a Source of Restraint? Civil Society and its Effect on Mass Killings,” with Erica Chenoweth. Peer-reviewed special report for the Simon-Skjodt Center for the Prevention of Genocide, US Holocaust Memorial Museum. July 2020. <https://bit.ly/3mtxLcz>
  - Invited briefing for United Nations Development Program, Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs, Peacebuilding Support Office, the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect. October 2020.
  - Invited briefing for members of the US State Department. December 2020.

- Disruptive Technology Workshop and Simulation. Marine Corps University and the Office of Naval Research. December 2018.
- “Nonviolent Resistance and State Repression,” with Erica Chenoweth. Peer-reviewed special report for the International Center on Nonviolent Conflict. April 2018. <https://bit.ly/3clKmc4>
  - Invited briefing for members of the US State Department and global activists. June 2018.
- Invited briefing for the National Ground Intelligence Center, US Army. December 2017.
- Sie Center Quickfacts Policy Paper. “Preventing Mass Atrocities,” with Erica Chenoweth. April 2017. <https://bit.ly/2W5Z14i>
- “How Upheavals End: The Short and Long-Term Outcomes of Major Episodes of Contention,” with Erica Chenoweth. Report for the Political Instability Task Force. November 2014.
  - Invited briefing for members of the US State Department and defense and intelligence communities. December 2014.

## RESEARCH AWARDS

- Patricia Weitsman Award, International Studies Association, International Security Studies Section. Awarded for the best graduate student paper on any aspect of security studies at the ISA Annual Conference in 2014.
- Davenport Prize, Wesleyan University, Spring 2010. Awarded for excellence in the field of government and politics.
- White Fellowship, Wesleyan University, Spring 2010. Awarded for excellence in government to a graduate or advanced undergraduate.

## INVITED ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

- Northern Illinois University. November 2022.
- US Naval War College. December 2021.
- Belfer Center Research Seminar, Harvard Kennedy School of Government. 2021, 2015, 2014.
- Reiff Center for Human Rights and Conflict Resolution, Christopher Newport University. 2018.
- Sié Research Seminar, Sié Chéou-Kang Center for International Security and Diplomacy, University of Denver. 2017.
- Department of Peace and Conflict Research Speaker Series, Uppsala University, Sweden. September 2015.

## ACADEMIC CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- Responsible Public Engagement Institute, Sié Chéou-Kang Center for International Security and Diplomacy, University of Denver. May 2021.
- Political Violence Working Group, Harvard University. 2020.
- International Studies Association Annual Meeting. 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2013, 2012, 2010.
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. 2022, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014.
- Online Peace Science Colloquium. 2020.
- Workshop on Israel and the Middle East, Moshe Dayan Center, Tel Aviv University. 2018.
- Summer Workshop in the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (SWAMOS). 2016.
- Conflict, Security, and Public Policy Working Group, Harvard Kennedy School of Government. 2016, 2015.
- Peace Science Society Annual Meeting. 2016, 2015, 2014.
- Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. 2016.
- Conference on Terrorism, Insurgency and Asymmetric Conflicts, Combating Terrorism Center, US Military Academy at West Point. 2014.
- Society for Terrorism Research Annual Conference. 2014, 2013.
- New Era Foreign Policy Conference. 2012.
- Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START) Annual Meeting. 2010.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### *Undergraduate Courses*

- Political Violence
- War and Technological Change
- Rebel Group Dynamics
- Nuclear Security
- Research Design and Quantitative Analysis

### *Graduate Courses*

- Human Security (Spring 2023)

### *PhD Advising*

- Sercan Canbolat, David Berghel, Volodymyr Gupan, Kevin Hurley (2021)

### *MA Advising*

- Andrew Fox, William Schad (2022), Thomas Brayton (2020)

## TEACHING AWARDS

- Recognition of Teaching Excellence, University of Connecticut. 2021-2022, 2020-2021, 2019-2020, 2018-2019, 2017-2018.
- Penn Prize for Excellence in Teaching by a Graduate Student, University of Pennsylvania, Spring 2013.
- Rubinstein Prize for Excellence in Teaching by a Graduate Student in Political Science, University of Pennsylvania, Spring 2013.

## BLOG POSTS & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Invited Permanent Contributor, *Political Violence at a Glance*. September 2019-Present.

- “‘Significant rise in white supremacist propaganda’ in CT, experts say.” *CT Insider*, 8 July 2022.
- “How do Americans join extremist groups? A CT professor is set to study that for a governmental agency.” *CT Insider*, 22 June 2022.
- “Looking Back at 9/11.” *Political Violence at a Glance*, 9 September 2021.
- “The attack on the Capitol was a success. So what happens next?” *Political Violence at a Glance*, 12 January 2021.
- “The Life and Death of Terrorist Networks,” with Christopher Blair, Erica Chenoweth, Michael Horowitz, and Philip Potter. *Foreign Affairs*, 5 October 2020.
- “How Civil Society Affects Mass Violence.” Interview with *UConn Today*. 14 October 2020.
- “Civil Society to the Rescue?” with Erica Chenoweth. *Political Violence at a Glance*, 10 September 2020.
- “The Stability-Instability Pandemic?” *Political Violence at a Glance*, 14 May 2020.
- “What if Al Qaeda and the Islamic State Joined Forces?” *Political Violence at a Glance*, 23 March 2020.
- “Israel, Palestine, and the Perpetual Denial of Nationalist Claims.” *Political Violence at a Glance*, 10 October 2019.
- “U.S. Cyber Command Targeted Russian Operatives to Deter Election Meddling. Here’s Why.” with Michael Poznansky. *NetPolitics*, Council on Foreign Relations, 31 October 2018.
- “Nonviolent Resistance the Prevention of Mass Killings during Popular Uprisings.” Public webinar for the International Center on Nonviolent Conflict, 15 July 2018.
- “Claiming Credit for Cyber Attacks.” Interview with *UConn Today*. 2 May 2018.

- “States are Far Less Likely to Engage in Mass Violence Against Nonviolent Uprisings than Violent Uprisings,” with Erica Chenoweth. *Political Violence at a Glance*, 8 May 2018.
- “Did the U.S. ‘hack back’ at Russia? Here’s why this matters in cyberwarfare,” with Michael Poznansky. *Monkey Cage*, 21 February 2018.
- “New data shows a sharp increase in U.S. protest activity in April,” with Erica Chenoweth, Jeremy Pressman, and Ches Thurber. *Monkey Cage*, 22 May 2017.
- “Deterring Russian Cyber Intrusions,” with Michael Poznansky at *Lawfare Podcast*, 24 December 2016.
- “An Eye for an Eye: Deterring Russian Cyber Intrusions,” with Michael Poznansky. *War on the Rocks*, 19 December 2016.
- “Attribution and Secrecy in Cyber Space,” with Michael Poznansky. *War on the Rocks*, 8 March 2016.
- “France’s Hollande Calls for Anti-ISIL Coalition.” Interview with *Al Jazeera English*, 23 November 2015.
- “Militant Proliferation and the Consequences of Fragmentation.” *Political Violence at a Glance*, 30 July 2015.
- “Why Some Terror Attacks Get More Coverage Than Others.” Interview on *Greater Boston*, WGBH, 13 January 2015.
- “Connection Between Boston and Paris Bombings.” Interview on *Broadside with Jim Braude*, New England Cable News (NECN), 8 January 2015.
- “A Closer Look at ISIS in Iraq,” with Alec Worsnop. *Political Violence at a Glance*, 16 June 2014.
- “Islam Alone Can’t Explain the Boston Bombings.” *Huffington Post*, 25 April 2013.

#### DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

- Director of Undergraduate Studies (beginning Spring 2023).
- Courses and Curricula Committee, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. 2020-2021, 2019-2020, 2018-2019, 2017-2018.
- Bennett Research Program, Faculty Advisor. 2020-2021, 2019-2020.
- Executive Advisory Committee (elected). 2020-2021, 2019-2020, 2018-2019, 2017-2018.
- International Relations Faculty Search Committee. 2019.
- Graduate Admissions Committee. 2019.
- Colloquium Committee. 2018-2019, 2017-2018.

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & MEMBERSHIPS**

- Reviewer for *American Political Science Review*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *International Security*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Journal of Global Security Studies*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *Journal of Human Rights*.
- Member of the American Political Science Association, the International Studies Association, and the Peace Science Society.

## **SKILLS**

- Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.
- Highly proficient in Spanish.
- Archival research experience in Belfast, London, Dublin, Madrid.