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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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**Slayton Assistant Professor of East Asian Politics** 2022-  
Department of Politics and Philosophy  
University of Idaho

**Postdoctoral Fellow** 2021-2022  
America in the World Consortium (AWC)  
Department of Political Science  
Duke University

**Predoctoral Visiting Scholar** 2020-2021  
Institute of Security and Conflict Studies (ISCS)  
George Washington University

## EDUCATION

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**University of Virginia** 2021  
Ph.D., Foreign Affairs  
• Fields: International Relations, Political Methodology

**Johns Hopkins University** 2015  
M.S., Applied Economics

**University of International Relations (Beijing, China)**  
M.A., International Economics 2013  
B.A., Economics 2011

## BOOK

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*Zero Tolerance: Repression and Political Violence on China's New Silk Road*. 2022. Cambridge University Press. (with Philip Potter).

- **Reviews:** *Perspectives on Politics, Journal of Asian Studies, Political Science Quarterly, The China Journal*
- **Roundtables:** APSA 2023 Authors Meet Critics

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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"Today Ukraine, Tomorrow Taiwan? Assessing US Reputation and Deterrence across International Crises". 2026. *International Studies Quarterly*. 70, no. 1: sqad007. (with Rachel Myrick).

"Domestic Polarization and International Rivalry: How Adversaries Respond to America's Partisan Politics". 2024. *Journal of Politics*. 86, no 1. (with Rachel Myrick).

"Move First to Avoid the Worst: Leadership Turnover and the Targeting of New Leaders". 2023. *International Studies Quarterly*. 67, no. 4: sqad072.

"Governmental Responses to Terrorism in Autocracies: Evidence from China". 2022. *British Journal of Political Science*, 52(1), 358-380. (with Philip Potter).

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

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"China's Addiction to Short-Term Thinking" *Political Violence at a Glance* (with Philip Potter and Claire Oto).

## **WORK UNDER REVIEW OR REVISION**

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"Wait for the Right Time: Leader's Type, Tenure, and International Cooperation". *Under Review*.

- Presented at APSA 2024.

"Escalation from Below, De-escalation from Above: A Dual-Process Theory of Low-Intensity Conflict Behavior" (with Frances Yaping Wang). *Under Review*.

- Presented at APSA 2024.

## **SELECT WORK IN PROGRESS**

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"Reframing Power: China's Joint Military Exercises and Threat Perception". (with Phil Potter and Josh Alley)

- Scheduled for APSA 2026

"One Size Hits All: The Double-Edged Sword of Indiscriminate Targeting in Coercive Diplomacy" (with Ruixing Cao and Alexis Jihye Yang).

"The Effectiveness of China's Discriminate Targeting in Diplomatic Communication: Evidence from a Survey Experiment".

"Beyond the Dyad: Leadership Turnover and Strategic Adjustment in International Rivalries".

## **GRANTS, AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS**

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IMCI Data Access Grant (\$4,000), University of Idaho	2026
Olsson Early Career Research Grant (\$12,000), University of Idaho	2024-2025
Cook's Fund Summer Research Grant (\$5,000), University of Idaho	2023
America in the World Consortium (AWC) Research Grant (\$15,000)	2022
Dean's Dissertation Completion Fellowship, University of Virginia	2020-2021
Watson Award, J.H. Adam Watson Memorial Award Fund	2020
Allison J. Melloy Award for excellence in teaching, University of Virginia	2019

NSF Fellowship for Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models, Emory University	2019
Quantitative Collaborative Bynum Research Award (\$1500), University of Virginia	2019
Quandt Fund International Research Grant (\$3500), University of Virginia	2019
Summer Research Grant (\$1000), University of Virginia	2018, 2019
International Studies Association Travel Grant (\$500)	2019
Bocock & Hitz Fellowship, University of Virginia	2019-2020
George C.& Carol F.M. Seward Scholarship, University of Virginia	2018-2019
Departmental Travel Grant (\$500), University of Virginia	2017, 2018, 2019
Graduate Fellowship, University of Virginia	2015-2020
National Graduate Scholarship	2011-2013
University Scholarship, University of International Relations	2007-2011

## TEACHING

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### University of Idaho

POLS 235: Political Research Methods	Spring 2023, Fall 2024
POLS 237: Introduction to International Politics	Fall 2022, 2023, Spring 2023
POLS 420: Introduction to Asian Politics	Fall 2022, Spring 2024, 2025
POLS 481: China's National Security	Fall 2023, 2024
POLS 486: Authoritarian Regimes	Spring 2024, Fall 2025
POLS 490: Senior Seminar	Spring 2025, 2026

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & INVITED TALKS

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Chinese Politics Research in Progress (CPRP) Virtual Workshop	2024
William & Mary	2023
Idaho Asia Institute	2023
University of Idaho	2022
Temple University, Japan Campus	2022
Duke Kunshan University, Social Science Division	2021
University of Macau, Department of Government and Public Administration	2021
Duke University, Security, Peace & Conflict Lab	2021
Carnegie Mellon University, Institute for Politics and Strategy	2021
Waseda University, School of Political Science and Economics	2021
University of Virginia, Lansing B. Lee, Jr./Bankard Seminar in Global Politics	2021
George Washington University, Institute of Security and Conflict Studies (ISCS)	2020
The 17th Annual Graduate Research Symposium, The College of William & Mary	2018
University of Virginia, Quantitative Collaborative (QC)	2019, 2020
University of Virginia, Data Science Institute	2018
Peace Science Society (International)	2019, 2022
Annual Meeting of APSA	2017(P), 2018(P), 2020(P), 2021(P), 2022(P), 2023(P), 2024(P, D)

Annual Meeting of ISA 2019(P), 2023(P), 2026(P, D)  
Annual Meeting of MPSA 2018(P), 2023(P, C, D)

## SERVICE

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### University of Idaho

Faculty Advisor of Cook Undergraduate Research Journal 2026-  
Mentor for McNair Scholars Program 2026-2027  
Borah Committee 2024-2026  
College of Letters, Arts, and Social Sciences, Bylaw Committee 2022-2023

### University of Virginia

Quantitative Collaborative Graduate Student Fellow 2017-2020  
Politics Department Graduate Student Council 2016-2017  
Annual Graduate Student Research Conference (Co-organizer) 2016

### Article Reviewer

*American Journal of Political Science, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Chinese Journal of International Politics, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Politics, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Political Behavior, International Politics, International Organization, Journal of East Asian Studies, TESS (grant review)*

## LANGUAGE

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Mandarin Chinese (native), English (fluent), Russian (basic)

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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R, Stata, SAS, Python, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Qualtrics

## ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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### Philip Potter

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University of Virginia  
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### John M. Owen

Taylor Professor of Politics  
University of Virginia  
✉: [jmo4n@virginia.edu](mailto:jmo4n@virginia.edu)

### Dale Copeland

Professor  
University of Virginia  
✉: [dcc3a@virginia.edu](mailto:dcc3a@virginia.edu)

### Peter Feaver

Professor of Political Science and Public Policy  
Duke University  
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