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CURRENT POSITION

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DEGREES AWARDED

1974	B.A.	University of Florida
1976	M.A.	Florida State University
1981	Ph.D.	Florida State University

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

1977-80	Teaching Assistant, Department of Government, Florida State University.
1979,80,82	Summer Faculty Member, Inter-University Consortium of Political and Social Social Research, University of Michigan.
1981-1987	Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Arizona State University. (Awarded tenure and promotion to Associate Professor in 1987).
1987-1990	Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of California, Riverside.
1990-1991	Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of California, Riverside.
1991-	Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Indiana University.
1996-	Professor, Department of Political Science, Indiana University.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

1978	Participant, Inter-University Consortium of Political and Social Research, University of Michigan.
1982-84	"Collaborative Research on War and State-Building", National Science Foundation Grant. Co-principal investigator.
1982	Social Science Dissertation Award, the Middle East Studies Association of North America.
1985-87	"Collaborative Research on Systemic Leadership Decline," National Science Foundation Grant. Co-principal investigator.

- 1995-96 "Regime-Social Movement Interactions: The Linkages between Social Movement Formation, Repression and Protest Cycles in the Intifada," National Science Foundation Grant.
- 2008 First Round Prize, Second Round Prize , Third Round Prize Finalist for Inequality Beyond Globalization, World Society Focus Paper Competition, World Society Foundation, Switzerland, co-author with William R. Thompson.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

War and Statemaking: The Shaping of the Global Powers. (Boston: Unwin Hyman, 1989), co-author with William R. Thompson.

The Great Powers and Global Struggle, 1490-1990. (Lexington: University of Kentucky Press, 1994), co-author William R. Thompson.

Puzzles of the Democratic Peace: Theory, Geopolitics and the Transformation of World Politics (New York: Palgrave-Macmillan, 2005), co-author William R. Thompson.

Strategic Rivalry: Space, Position, and Conflict Escalation in World Politics (Cambridge University Press, 2008), with Michael Colaresi and William R. Thompson.

How Rivalries End (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2012), with William R. Thompson and Sumit Ganguly.

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

1. "Foreign Policy Makers, Personality Attributes and Interviews: A Note on Reliability Problems." *International Studies Quarterly* 24 (March, 1980): 47-66. Co-author with William R. Thompson and Kathleen Chester.
2. "Systemic Interaction Opportunities and War Behavior." *International Interactions* 7 (June, 1980): 57-83. Co-author with William R. Thompson and Richard P. Y. Li.
3. "Global Wars, Public Debts and the Long Cycle." *World Politics*. 37 (July, 1983): 489-516. Co-author with William R. Thompson. Reprinted in Bruce M. Russett, Harvey Starr and Richard J. Stoll (eds.) *Choices in World Politics: Sovereignty and Interdependence.* (San Francisco: W.H. Freeman, 1989).
4. "Internationalized Civil War: The Impact of the Syrian Military Intervention on the Lebanese Civil War." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 27 (September, 1983): 421-456.
5. "A Comparative Analysis of Monadic and Dyadic Perspectives on the 1976 Lebanese Crisis." *International Studies Quarterly* 28 (December, 1984): 427-446.
6. "War-Making and State-Making: Governmental Expenditures, Tax Revenues and Global Wars." *American Political Science Review* 79 (June, 1985): 491-507. Co-author with William R. Thompson. (Reprinted in M. T. Henahan and J.A. Vasquez (eds.) *Introductory Reader on the Scientific Study of Peace and War.* (Lexington: University of Kentucky Press, 1991).

7. "War and Economic Growth of Major Powers." *American Journal of Political Science* 29 (August, 1985): 513-538. Co-author with William R. Thompson.
8. "War, Accommodation and Violence in the United States, 1870-1970". *American Political Science Review* 80 (September, 1986).
9. "Defense Burdens, Capital Formation and Economic Growth: The Systemic Leader Case." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 32 (March, 1988). Co-author with William R. Thompson.
10. "War and Systemic Capability Reconcentration." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 32 (June, 1988). Co-author with William R. Thompson.
11. "Spending, Deficits and Welfare-Investment Tradeoffs: Cause or Effect of Leadership Decline?" In David P. Rapkin and William P. Avery (eds.) *International Political Economy Yearbook: Studies in World Leadership and Hegemony*. (Fall, 1989) (Boulder, CO: Lynn Rienner Publishers).
12. "Modeling Technological Innovation, Capability Positional Shifts and Systemic War." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 35 (September, 1991): 412-442. Co-author with William R. Thompson.
13. "Relative Decline and the Overconsumption-Underinvestment Hypothesis." *International Studies Quarterly* 35 (September, 1991). Co-author with William R. Thompson.
14. "Assessing the Costs of War: A Preliminary Cut". In G. Ausenda (ed.) *The Effects of War on Society*. (Republic of San Marino: Center for Interdisciplinary Research on Societal Stress, 1992). Co-author with William R. Thompson.
15. "Politico-Economic Tradeoffs and British Relative Decline." In Steve Chan and Alex Mintz (eds.) *Defense, Welfare and Growth*. (Boston: Routledge, 1992).
16. "International Influences on the Origins and Outcomes of Internal War: A Comparative Analysis of the 1958 and 1975-76 Lebanese Civil Wars." In Manus Midlarsky (ed.) *The Internationalization of Communal Strife*. (Boston: Routledge, 1992).
17. "Concessions, Repression and Political Protest: A Model of Escalation in the Iranian Revolution". *American Sociological Review*, Vol. 61 (February, 1996): 132-152.
18. "War, the Military(s) Controversy and Army Expansion: A Test of Two Explanations of Historical Influences on European State Making". *Comparative Political Studies*, Vol. 32 (February 1999): 3-31. Co-author with William R. Thompson.
19. "Predatory Initiators and Changing Landscapes for Warfare". *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, Vol. 43 (August 1999): 411-33. Co-author with William R. Thompson.
20. "Global War and the Political Economy of Structural Change". In Manus Midlarsky (ed.) *Handbook of War Studies II*. (Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 2000). Co-author with William R. Thompson.
21. "Regime-Challenger Confrontations, Political Opportunities and Policy Concessions: The Impact of the Intifada on Israel's Recognition of the PLO". In Christian Davenport (ed.) *Paths to State Repression: Human Rights and Contentious Politics in Comparative Perspective*. (Boulder, CO: Rowan and Littlefield, 2000).
22. "Explaining Rivalry Escalation to War: Contiguity, Space and Position in the Major Power Subsystem". *International Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 44 (September 2000: 503-30). Co-author with William R. Thompson.

23. "Shocks, Expectancy Revision and the De-escalation of Protracted Conflicts: the Israeli-Palestinian Case". *Journal of Peace Research*, Vol. 37 (November 2001: 699-720). Published as a working paper: *Davis Occasional Papers*, No. 81, September 2000, Leonard Davis Institute for International Relations, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
24. "Rivalries and the Democratic Peace in the Major Power Subsystem". *Journal of Peace Research*. Co-author with William R. Thompson. (forthcoming 2001).
25. "Malign Autocracies, Major Power Warfare: Evil, Tragedy and International Relations Theory". *Security Studies*, Vol. 10 (Spring 2001: 46-79). Co-author with William R. Thompson.
26. "Political Shocks and the De-escalation of Protracted Conflicts". In W.R. Thompson (ed.) *Evolutionary Interpretations of World Politics*. (NY: Routledge, 2001).
27. "The Monadic Democratic Peace Puzzle and an 'End of History' Partial Solution?" *International Politics*, 2003, Vol. 40: 5-27. Co-author with William R. Thompson
28. "Structural Change and Democratization in the Major Power Subsystem: Some Systemic Puzzles of the Democratic Peace." *International Politics*, 2003, Vol 40: 465-91. Co-author with William R. Thompson.
29. "The Democratic Peace and the Sequential, Reciprocal, Causal Arrow Hypothesis." *Comparative Political Studies* 37 (October, 2004), with William R. Thompson.
30. "War, Trade and the Mediation of Systemic Leadership," *Journal of Peace Research* Vol. 42, No. 3 (2005): 251-269 co-author with William R. Thompson.
31. "Contested Territory, Strategic Rivalry, and Conflict Escalation," *International Studies Quarterly* (March 2006) with William R. Thompson.
32. "Review Symposium: Understanding Suicide Terrorism," *Perspectives on Politics*, Vol. 5, No. 1 (March 2007): 118-122.
33. "Looking for Waves of Terrorism". *Terrorism and Political Violence*, 21 (2009): 28-41, co-author with William R. Thompson.
34. "Globalization and World Inequality: A Force for Convergence, Divergence, or Both?" *International Journal of Comparative Sociology*, 50 (2009), co-author with William R. Thompson. Also, printed in edited volume in *World Society Studies* series, 2010.
35. "Systemic Theories of Conflict," In *International Studies Encyclopedia (ISA Compendium Project)*, (editor) Robert A. Denemark, Vol. X, pp. 6670-6687. Cambridge, MA: Wiley-Blackwell, 2010, co-author with William R. Thompson. Also on online at: http://www.isacompendium.com/subscriber/tocnode?id=g9781444336597_chunk_g978144433659718_ss1-16
36. "Borders, Rivalry, Democracy and Conflict in the European Region, 1816-1994." *Conflict Management and Political Science*, 2011, Vol. 28(3): 280-305.
37. "War Making and State Making: Where and How Does It Fit into a Bigger Picture," in John Vasquez (ed) *What Do We Know About War?*, 2nd ed., Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, 2012, with William R. Thompson.

PARTICIPATION IN PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS SINCE 1995

- 1995 "The Short and Long Term Influences of Public Opinion on Defense Spending, 1950-1991", International Studies Association, Chicago, February. (co-author)
- 1995 "Interdependence, Development, Regime Type, and Military Intervention within the Periphery". Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April. (co-author)
- 1995 "Presidential Preferences, Public Opinion Climate, and Foreign Policy Behavior", American Political Science Association, Chicago, August. (co-author)
- 1995 "American Military Interventions and the Electoral Cycle"., Southern Political Science Association, Tampa, November. (co-author).
- 1997 "The Mediating Influences of Political Opportunity Structure on Movement Emergence and Movement Outcome: The Case of the Intifada, 1987-1993", Conference on Comparative Human Rights and Repression: Theory, Explanatory Variables and Persisting Paradoxes, University of Colorado, Boulder, June.
- 1998 "The De-Escalation Process in a Protracted Conflict: Israel and the Palestinians, 1987- 1997", International Studies Association, Minneapolis, MN, March.
- 1998 "Rivalries and the Democratic Peace in the Major Power Subsystem". American Political Science Association, Boston, September. (co-author)
- 1998 "Explaining Rivalry Escalation: The Contiguity Factor in the Major Power Subsystem". Third Pan European International Relations Conference/Joint Meeting with International Studies Association, Vienna, Austria, September. (co-author)
- 1998 "Political Shocks and the De-Escalation of Protracted Conflicts: The Israeli-Palestinian Case, 1982-1997". Conference on Evolutionary Perspectives on IR Theory, Center for the Study of International Relations, Indiana University, December. INVITED
- 1999 "A Preliminary Examination of the Intifada as a Protest Cycle, 1987-1991", American Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia, September.
- 1999 Discussant, Roundtable Panel: Publishing in International Studies, International Studies Association, Washington, D.C. February.
- 1999 Panel Chair and Discussant, Exploring Dimensions of Contentious Politics: Time, Democratic Mechanisms, Targets and Perceptions", Midwest Political Science Association, April.
- 2000 "Explaining the Demobilization Process in a Protest Wave". Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April.
- 2000 "Rivalry, Democratization and the Causal Arrow Question". Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April. Co-author with William R. Thompson.
- 2000 "Malign Autocracies, Major Power Warfare and the Democratic Peace", International Studies Association, Los Angeles, CA, March. Co-author with William R. Thompson.
- 2002 "Capital, Coercion, and Geopolitics: The Evolution of War and State-Making and Beyond", International Studies Association, New Orleans, March, 2002. Co-author with William R. Thompson.

- 2003 "Territorial Disputes and Strategic Rivalries," American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, Pa., August, with William R. Thompson.
- 2004 "Causal Explanations for the Expansion and Contraction of a Protest Wave: An Illustration from the Intifada, 1987-1991", International Studies Association, Montreal, Canada, March.
- 2004 "From Territorial Contests To Crises To War: Another Test Of The Interactive Dynamics Of Conflict Escalation," 5th Pan-European International Relations Conference of the Study Group on International Relations, Netherlands Congress Center, The Hague, September. Co-author with Michael Colaresi and William R. Thompson.
- 2005 "An Evolutionary Model of Rivalry Termination and the Israeli-Syrian Case, 1948-2000", International Studies Association, Honolulu, Hawaii, March.
- 2006 "Assessing Inducements and Suppressors of Interstate Conflict," International Studies Association, San Diego, California, March, with William R. Thompson.
- 2007 "Looking for Waves of Terrorism," European Consortium for Political Research, Pisa, Italy, September, with William R. Thompson.
- 2008 "Globalization and North-South Inequality, 1870-2000: A Factor for Convergence, Divergence or Both", World Society Foundation, Neuchatel, Switzerland, June, with William R. Thompson.
- 2008 "Civil War Onset and Duration: Making the Case for a Unified Model", World International Studies Conference, Ljubljana, Slovenia, July, with William R. Thompson.
- 2009 "Inside? Outside? Comparing Sources of Influence on the Opportunity Space for Rebellion and Civil War. IPSA Conference, Santiago, Chile, July, with William R. Thompson.
- 2009 "Borders, Rivalry, Democracy and Conflict in the European Region, 1816-1994." Conference on Territory, Rivalry and Domestic Politics. Tuscaloosa, Alabama. October.
- 2010 Panel Member, Panel Discuss on Publishing: Finding Appropriate Outlets and Learning the Rules of the Road, International Studies Association, New Orleans, February.
- 2010 Invited Presentation, "Borders, Rivalry, Democracy and Conflict in the European Region, 1816-1994," at Department of Economics, Koc University, Istanbul, Turkey, May 2010.
- 2010 "Stable Boundaries, Rivalry, Democracy and Conflict in the Mideast Region, 1947-2001," International Studies Association (CISS-ISA) 10th International Millennium Conference, Venice, July 2010, with William R. Thompson.
- 2010 "War Making and State Making: How and Where Does It Fit Into a Bigger Picture?" Presented at invited Conference on 'What Do We Know About Interstate War? Appraising Theory and Research on War and Peace', October 15-17, University of Illinois with William R. Thompson.
- 2011 Panel Member, Editors Roundtable, "Everything You Need to Know About Publishing in International Studies Association Journals", International Studies Association Meeting, Montreal, Canada, February.
- 2011 "War Making and State Making: Where and How Does It Fit into a Bigger Picture," International Studies Association, Montreal, Canada, February.

2011 "Borders, Rivalry, Democracy and Conflict in South America and East Asia", European Political Science Association Meeting, Dublin, Ireland. June 2011, co-author with William R. Thompson

RELATED ACTIVITIES

Manuscript/Proposal Review

American Political Science Review
American Sociological Review
American Journal of Political Science
American Journal of Sociology
Comparative Politics

Manuscript/Proposal/Tenure/Promotion Reviews

Cornell University Press
Duke University Press
International Interactions
International Studies Quarterly
Journal of Conflict Resolution
Journal of Politics
Journal of Peace Research
Mobilization
Political Research Quarterly
Polity
National Science Foundation Political Science Program
National Science Foundation Sociology Program
University of Pittsburgh

Professional Service

Nominations Committee, International Studies Association (1985).

Co-editor, *International Studies Quarterly* (1986-87).

Section Head, International Relations, Western Political Science Association Conference, San Francisco, California, March, 1988.

Member, Data Development in International Relations (DDIR) Council (1987-1990).

Member, Transition Committee for the Executive Headquarters of the International Studies Association (1988-1989).

Member, Executive Council, Conflict Processes Organized Section, American Political Science Association (1989-1992).

Section Head, International Relations, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois, April, 1991.

Program Chair, Conflict Processes Organized Section, American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September, 1991.

Member, Editorial Board of *International Interactions* (1991-1998).

Member, Editorial Board of *Mershon International Studies Review* (1994-98).

Co-Editor, *International Studies Quarterly* (1994-1999).

Member, Book Award Committee for Conflict Processes Section, American Political Science Association, 1996-1997.

Chair, International Studies Association Publications Committee, 2001-04.

Vice-President, International Studies Association, 2003-04.

Chair, International Studies Association Nominations Committee, 2004-05.

Member, International Studies Association Nominations Committee, 2005-07.

Consultant, NSF Panel Review, 2004, 2006.

Editorial Board, International Studies Association, 2004-08.

Senior Mentor, "Journeys in World Politics", Iowa University, April 26-28, 2007.

Co-editor, *International Studies Quarterly*, 2008-2012.

Co-Chair, ISA/ABRI Conference, Brazil, July 2009.

Consultant, European Commission, April 2010, February 2011, May 2012.

Co-Chair, ISA/BISA Conference, Edinburgh, July 2012.

COURSES OFFERED TO DATE

Undergraduate

Introduction to International Relations
World Politics: Theory and Methods
American Foreign Policy
Political Violence and Revolution
Empirical Political Inquiry
International War and Conflict

Graduate

Introduction to Linear Models
Advanced Linear and Nonlinear Models
International Relations Theory
International Conflict Processes
Introduction to Research Designs
Theories of Political Contention
Theories of American Foreign Policy
Ethnicity and Nationalism