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## EDUCATION

### University of Michigan

Ph.D. Political Science, 2011

### London School of Economics and Political Science

M.Sc. Politics of the World Economy, 2001

### Miami University

B.A. Economics, Political Science, English Literature (minor), 2000

## EMPLOYMENT

### University of Chicago

Associate Professor (w/ tenure), Department of Political Science, 2019 - present  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2015 - 2019  
Research Affiliate, Pearson Institute for the Study of Global Conflicts, 2017 - present

### Rutgers University - New Brunswick

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2011 - 2015

### University of Michigan

Graduate Student Instructor, Department of Political Science, 2007 - 2010

### The Ohio State University

Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, 2003 - 2006  
Lecturer, Department of Economics, 2001 - 2003

## NOTABLE HONORS

*Walter Isard Award*, Peace Science Society (International), Best Dissertation for 2010-2011

*Bruce Russett Award*, (w/ David Carter) Best Paper in *Journal of Conflict Resolution* for 2017

## BOOKS

Poast, Paul. *Arguing About Alliances: Explaining Agreement in Military Pact Negotiations*. Cornell University Press. *Forthcoming*

Poast, Paul and Johannes Urpelainen. 2018 *Organizing Democracy: How International Organizations Assist New Democracies*. University of Chicago Press.  
In the Chicago Series on International and Domestic Institutions.

Poast, Paul. 2006. *The Economics of War*. McGraw Hill-Irwin.  
Translated into Japanese (Spring 2008), French (Spring 2008), and Chinese (Summer 2009)

## PUBLISHED PAPERS

### Refereed Journal Articles:

Carter, David and Paul Poast. "Barriers to Trade: How Border Walls Affect Trade Relations." *International Organization*. Forthcoming.

Bennett, Scott; Paul Poast, and Allan Stam. "NewGene: An Introduction to Users." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. July 2019: 1579-1592.

DiGiuseppe, Matthew and Paul Poast. "Arms versus Democratic Allies." *British Journal of Political Science*. October 2018: 953-1003.

Shea, Patrick and Paul Poast. "War and Default." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. October 2018: 1876-1904.

Horowitz, Michael, Paul Poast, and Allan Stam. "Domestic Signaling of Commitment Credibility: Military Recruitment and Alliance Formation." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. September 2017: 1682-1710.

Carter, David and Paul Poast. "Why Do States Build Walls?" *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. February 2017: 239-270.

Kaoutzanis, Chris; Poast, Paul, and Johannes Urpelainen. "Not Letting 'Bad Apples' Spoil the Bunch: Democratization and Strict International Organization Accession Rules." *Review of International Organization*. December 2016. 11: 399-418

Fordham, Benjamin and Paul Poast. "All Alliances are Multilateral: Rethinking Alliance Formation." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. August 2016: 840-865.

Lupu, Yonatan and Paul Poast. "Team of Former Rivals: A Multilateral Theory of Nonaggression Pacts." *Journal of Peace Research*. May 2016: 344-358. In Special Issue on "Network Analysis in International Relations."

Levy, Jack S.; Michael K. McKoy, Paul Poast, and Geoffrey P.R. Wallace. "Backing Out or Backing In? Commitment and Consistency in Audience Costs Theory." *American Journal of Political Science*. October 2015: 988-1001.

Poast, Paul. "Lincoln's Gamble: European Recognition and the Onset of the American Civil War." *Security Studies*. September 2015: 502-527.

Poast, Paul and Johannes Urpelainen. "How International Organizations Support Democratization." *World Politics*. January 2015: 72-113.

Poast, Paul. "Central Banks at War." *International Organization*. Winter 2015: 63-95.

Wiens, David; Paul Poast, and William Roberts Clark. "The Political Resource Curse: An Empirical Re-Evaluation" *Political Research Quarterly*. December 2014: 783-794.

Poast, Paul and Johannes Urpelainen. "Fit and Feasible: Why Democratizing States Form, not Join, International Organizations." *International Studies Quarterly*. December 2013: 831-841.

Clark, William Roberts; Sona N. Golder, and Paul Poast. "Monetary Institutions and the Survival of Democratic Leaders." *International Studies Quarterly*. September 2013: 556-567.

Poast, Paul. "Can Issue Linkage Improve Treaty Credibility? Buffer State Alliances as a 'Hard Case'." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. October 2013: 739-764.

Mebane, Walter and Paul Poast. "Causal Inference without Ignorability: Identification with Non-random Assignment and Missing Treatment Data." *Political Analysis*. Spring 2013: 233-251.

Poast, Paul. "Does Issue Linkage Work? Evidence from European Alliance Negotiations, 1860 to 1945." *International Organization*. Spring 2012: 277-310.

Poast, Paul. "(Mis)Using Dyadic Data to Analyze Multilateral Events." *Political Analysis*. Autumn 2010: 403-425.

Poast, Paul. "Winning the Bid: Analyzing the International Olympic Committee's Host City Selections." *International Interactions*. January-March 2007: 75-95.

Poast, Paul. "The Wall and Maastricht: The Role of Exogenous Shocks on the Initiation of the EMU and EPU Intergovernmental Conferences." *Journal of European Integration*. September 2004: 281-307.

#### **Invited Editor-Reviewed Articles:**

Poast, Paul. "Beyond the Sinews of War: The Political Economy of Security as a Subfield." *Annual Review of Political Science*. Vol. 22. 2019: 223-239.

Gartzke, Erik and Paul Poast. "Empirically Assessing the Bargaining Theory of War: Potential and Challenges." in William Thompson (ed). *Encyclopedia of Empirical International Relations Theory*. (New York, NY: Oxford University Press). Vol I. 2018: 755-768.

Poast, Paul. "Dyads are Dead, Long Live Dyads! The Limits (but not Rejection) of Dyadic Designs in International Relations Research." *International Studies Quarterly*. June 2016: 369-374

Poast, Paul. "Issue Linkage and International Cooperation: An Empirical Investigation." *Conflict Management and Peace Science*. July 2013: 286-303.

#### **Book Reviews:**

Poast, Paul and Johannes Urpelainen. "Review of Bumba Mukherjee's *Democracy & Trade Policy in Developing Countries*". *Perspectives on Politics* Controversies Symposium (w/ "Organizing Democracy"). Vol 17, Issue 2. 2019: 515-517

Poast, Paul. "Review of Sarah Krep's *Taxing Wars*". *H-Diplo* Blog. Forthcoming.

#### **MAJOR GRANTS/FELLOWSHIPS RECEIVED**

National Science Foundation Award, *Management of Complex Data Structures: Upgrades to EUGene data software* (Co-PI w/ Allan Stam and Scott Bennett). 2011 through 2014. \$500,000

National Science Foundation IDEAS IGERT Fellowship, 2011. \$20,000

## SERVICE

### International Studies Association

*International Studies Quarterly*, Editorial Board Member, 2019-

### American Political Science Association

Conflict Processes Section, Governing Council Member, 2016-18

Conflict Processes Section, Co-Program Chair (w/ Krista Wiegand), 2016

*Helen Dwight Reid Dissertation Award* Selection Committee Member, 2016

### Chicago

Director of Institute for Social Research Methods, 2019-Present

Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Political Science, 2019-present

Advisory Board Member, Center for International Social Science Research, 2016-present

Organizer, "Crisis or Crossroads?: Replication and Transparency in Social Science."

Full day conference with internal and external speakers.

CISSR, Social Science Division, IOP, and CPOST, January 2018

Organizer, "A Safer or a More Dangerous World?: Nuclear weapons in today's global community."

Roundtable as part of events commemorating the 75th anniversary of the first nuclear reaction. Social Science Division, IOP, and CPOST, January 2018

Organizer/Host, "Talking Trump: Conversation, Context, Controversy" Social Science Division

Roundtable, January 2017

Political Science Association, State of the Discipline Panel Participant, Autumn 2016, Autumn 2017

Rhodes Scholarship Practice Interview Committee Member, Autumn 2016

Center for International Social Science Research, Advisory Board Member, 2016-18

Political Science Placement Committee, 2016-17

Political Science PhD Admissions Committee, 2017-18

Social Science Computing Services Strategic Review faculty committee, 2018

Midwest Faculty Seminar, Presenter and Discussion Leader, 2016

### Rutgers

Math Camp and Computing Committee, Member 2012-2013

Ronald McNair Scholars Program, Advisor 2013

Aresty Undergraduate Research Program, Advisor 2013

German Embassy "Think Trans-Atlantic" Undergraduate Debate Competition, Judge 2012

Rutgers Model UN Key Note Speaker, 2012, 2013

## ACADEMIC HONORS

Bruce Russett Award for Best Paper Published in the *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 2018

Walter Isard Award for Best Doctoral Dissertation in the Field of Peace Science, 2012

given by the Peace Science Society (International)

New Faces of Political Methodology, 2010

*Rackham Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award*, University of Michigan, 2010

*Kingdon Award* for Excellence as a Graduate Student Instructor, University of Michigan, 2009

*Order of Omega* Recognition for Dedication to Undergraduate Education,

Ohio State University, 2006

*Sigma Phi Epsilon* Faculty Fellow, Ohio State University, 2005 - 2006

Magna Cum Laude, Miami University, 2000

Departmental Honors, Department of Economics, Miami University, 2000

Paul M. Veil Award, Department of Economics, Miami University, 2000

Phi Beta Kappa, Miami University, 1999

Mid-American Conference Commissioner's Award, 1998 and 1999

## INDEPENDENT CONSULTING

Booz Allen Hamilton (2008; 2009)

Valassis Communications, Inc. (2007)

## REFERENCES

Available Upon Request