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Education

Florida State University Ph.D., Political Science	2020 - present
Advanced to Candidacy – <i>Spring 2023</i>	
Committee – <i>Quintin Beazer (co-chair), Sean D. Ehrlich (co-chair), Dotan Haim</i>	
Florida State University M.S., Political Science	2021
University of Central Florida M.A., Political Science	2019
Committee – <i>Demet Mousseau (chair), Daniel Marien, Ted Reynolds</i>	
University of Central Florida B.A., Political Science	2012

Publications

1. [The Multisided Threat to Free Trade: Protectionism and Fair Trade During Increasing Populism](#)
Politics and Governance 11:1, 2023
with [Sean D. Ehrlich](#)

Working Papers

1. [Breaking Barriers: How an International Treaty for Women Reduces the Size of the Informal Economy](#)
(*Revise and Resubmit at AJPS*)
2. Populism, Xenophobia, and Foreign Trade: A List Experiment on Why People Oppose Trade
with [Sean D. Ehrlich](#)
3. The Carrot or the Stick? How Variation in Trade Agreements' Labor Provisions and Enforcement Mechanisms Impact Informal Employment
4. Can BITs Bite? The Role of FDI with Enforceable Labor Provisions and their Impact on Economic Outcomes

Grants and Fellowships

Frances McCall Rosenbluth Junior Scholar Research Workshop, APSA PE Section (2024)	\$700
Adelaide D. Wilson Graduate Fellowship, Florida State University Fellows Society (2021)	\$1000
Congress of Graduate Students Conference Travel Grant, Florida State University (2023-2025)	\$1150
Political Science Department Travel Grant, Florida State University (2023-2025)	\$2400
APSA First Generation Scholar Travel Grant (2023)	\$145
Florida State University Graduate Student Resource Center Presentation Grant (2025)	\$1000

Selected Conference Presentations

- 2025 Political Economy of International Organization (PEIO) Annual Conference
Plenary Paper Presentation, Cambridge, MA
- 2024 American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference
Francis Rosenbluth Junior Scholar PE Workshop, Philadelphia, PA
- 2023 American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference, Los Angeles, CA
- 2023 Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) Annual Conference, St. Pete Beach, FL
- 2017 Florida Political Science Association Annual Conference, Orlando, FL

Professional Experience

Instructor of Record
Political Responses to Economic Globalization (2023 - present)
Introduction to International Relations (2022)

Graduate Assistant
[David Foster](#), Florida State University (2024 - present)
[Sean D. Ehrlich](#), Florida State University (2020 - 2024)

Research Assistant
[Demet Mousseau](#), University of Central Florida (2017)

Professional Service

Referee, *International Interactions*, *Politics and Governance*

Departmental Service and Mentoring

Research Mentor, Florida State Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (2023 - present)

Vice President, FSU Political Science Graduate Student Association (2023 - 2024)

Treasurer, FSU Political Science Graduate Student Association (2022 - 2023)

Co-Organizer, FSU Political Science Graduate Student Association Methods Workshop
Experimental Survey Methods (2024)
Network Analysis and Machine learning (2023)

Additional Conference and Workshop Attendance

- 2025 Annual Political Networks (PolNet) Conference (planned attendance)
Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
- 2025 Multi-Method Conflict Consortium (M2C2) mini-conference
Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
- 2024 Annual Political Networks (PolNet) Conference attendee
Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
- 2024 EPOVB Annual Conference attendee
Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
- 2023 Human Rights Conference attendee
Florida State University Center for the Advancement of Human Rights, Tallahassee, FL

References

- [Quintin Beazer](#), Associate Professor, Florida State University
- [Sean D. Ehrlich](#), Associate Professor, Florida State University
- [Dotan Haim](#), Assistant Professor, Florida State University

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