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*Regional Profits: The Rise of Hybrid Terrorism in West Africa*  
*Terrorism in West Africa Post-9/11*

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International Relations  
*The Grand Strategy of the Republic of Turkey*

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Political Science  
Minors in History and Modern Languages  
*Leadership Decapitation and Strategic Trajectories of Jihadi Terrorist Groups*

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Computer Science  
*Cyber Espionage and Intellectual Property Theft*

**Bertram Ang, 2010**

Economics, Political Science  
*Restructuring of the Military Mindset*

**Yassamin Ansari, 2014**

International Relations  
Minors in Modern Languages and History  
*Assessing US-Iranian Relations*

**Lindsay Arnold, 2002**

International Relations  
*The Case of East Timor: Humanitarian Intervention in a Unipolar World*

**Amir Badat, 2010**

International Relations  
*Nuclear Disarmament and the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty*

**Scott Bade, 2013**

History  
*The British Aren't Coming: Why the French Intervene in Their Former African Colonies and the British Do Not*

**Michael Baer, 2008**

Political Science  
*Coercing Terrorists: Can It Be Done?*

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Political Science  
*Trilateralism and Bilateralism: US-Korea-Japan Relations*

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Management Science and Engineering  
*India's Red Stain: Explaining the Indian Government's Ineffective Response to the Maoist-Naxalite Insurgency Since 1967*

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Chemical Engineering  
*China's Water Security Challenges: Examining the Energy-Climate-Water Nexus*

**Luke Beckman, 2009**

Human Biology  
*Social Networking, Technology, and Community Resilience: Rethinking How We Prepare for and Respond to Crises*

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Public Policy  
*From Corporatism to an Esprit de Corps: Overcoming the Intelligence Impasse in Mexico*

**Andrew Blotky, 2002**

Political Science  
*The Enigma of Bill Clinton's Foreign Policy Legacy: Understanding the Relationship between Words & Deeds in US Foreign Policy*

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Materials Science & Engineering  
*Stalling for Time: Illicit Uranium, Enrichment, Managing Steel, and the Technical Circumvention of Nonproliferation Export Controls*

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*Dangerously Stagnant: Assessing American Policy  
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International Relations  
*The Political Geography of Upper Mesopotamia:  
How Al-Jazira Became Home to the Islamic State*

**Henry Bridge, 2006**

Computer Science  
*Identity Fraud and Terrorism: Are National IDs an  
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*Counterinsurgency Principles and US Military  
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Political Science, Computer Science  
*The Restart of Ended Civil Wars*

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International Relations  
*Mergers and Acquisitions: Analyzing Terrorist Group  
Interactions Using Corporate Models*  
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International Relations  
*Bargaining and Typology: A Theory of Economic  
Sanctions Success*  
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Political Science  
*Managing Peace Across the Taiwan Strait: The  
Impact of Cross-Strait Relations on Taiwanese  
Identity and the Desire for Independent Statehood*

**Natalie Chang, 2008**

Human Biology  
*"A Least-Likely Case of Compliance": The World  
Health Organization and Chinese Cooperation  
During the 2003 SARS Epidemic*

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History; Political Science  
*A New Journey to the West: The Shanghai  
Cooperation Organization and Chinese Foreign  
Policy*

**Sheena Chestnut, 2005**

Political Science  
*The "Sopranos State"? North Korean Involvement in  
Criminal Activity and Implications for International  
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Slavic Languages and Literature  
*The Generals' Intervention: US Humanitarian  
Intervention in Somalia, 1992-1993*

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Political Science  
*Weighing the Costs of Aggression and Restraint:  
Explaining Variations in India's Response to  
Terrorism*

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*Attacks and Accidents: Policy to Protect the Power  
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*Minding the Gap: Refugee Reintegration and the  
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Fire Research*

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*Tamed Tiger or Restless Beast? German Foreign  
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International Relations  
*The Non-Aligned Movement: A Struggle for Global  
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**Neela Dasgupta, 2002**

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*Policy Entrepreneurs, Security, and an Epidemic: The  
Decision to Declare HIV/AIDS a Global and U.S.  
Security Threat in 2000*  
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English/Political Science  
*The Language of Transatlantic Cooperation in  
Counterterrorism*

**Madhavi Devasher, 2006**

International Relations  
*Coups and Conflict: Weak Civilian Control and the  
Prospect for Democratic Peace in South Asia*

**Keshav Dimri, 2014**

History  
*Dysfunctional Nuclear Families: The Impact of  
Britain's Colonial Legacy on Indian and Israeli  
Nuclear Policy*

**Sagar Doshi, 2009**

Political Science  
*Putting the House in Order: The Rise and Fall of the  
Homeland Security  
Council*

**Noura Elfarra, 2012**

Political Science  
*Exploring Causes for Success and Failure in UN Peace  
Operations: East  
Timor, Somalia, and Cambodia*

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Computer Science  
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*When Things Are Not What They Seem: Explaining  
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*Linking Arms: The Iraq War Inquiry and the Future of the UK-US Special Relationship***Elizabeth Eraker, 2004**

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*Cities as Critical Nodes: The Influence of Air Force Doctrine in the**Targeting of the Atomic Bomb**\*John and Marjorie Hines Prize, Undergraduate Research in American History***Jane Esberg, 2009**

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*Regimes of Terror: The Relationship Between Democracy and Terrorism in Chile**\*Firestone Medal***Andrea Everett, 2004**

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*Allegiance and Accession: Expansion of the Transatlantic Battleground into Central and Eastern Europe***Abby Fanlo, 2016**

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*A Ba'athist Insurgency? The Role of Saddam's Elites in Iraq's Civil Conflict**\*Firestone Medal***Mailyn Fidler, 2014**

Science, Technology, and Society

*Anarchy or Regulation? International Security**Implications of Global Markets for Zero-Day Exploits***Gabbi Fisher, 2017**

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*Towards DIUx 2.1 or 3.0? Examining DIUx's Progress**Towards Procurement Innovation***Justine Fisher, 2002**

International Relations

*Between Iraq and a Hard Place: U.S. Efforts at Regime Change and Lessons for the Future***Daniel Flores, 2014**

International Relations

*The Japan-U.S. Alliance and Nuclear Weapons***Will Frankenstein, 2007**

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*Chinese Energy Security and International Security: A Case Study Analysis***Erica Gaston, 2003**

International Relations

*Rethinking European Security: From New World Order to New Defense Initiative, 1989-2003***Tarek Ghani, 2004**

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*Between War and Peace: State-Building in Post-Taliban Afghanistan***Connor Gilbert, 2014**

Computer Science

*Cyber Defensive Threat Intelligence Sharing***Michele Goldman, 2008**

International Relations

*Adequacy of Preparations for a WMD Attack in U.S. Cities: Critical Lessons from the Israeli Experience**\*Firestone Medal***Tanya Goldman, 2003**

International Relations, Spanish

*A Genocide Missed: International Policy Failure in Rwandan Reconstruction***Chelsea Green, 2016**

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*Rationalizing Torture: How Giving the Public Information about Torture's Effectiveness and Necessity Influences Public Support for Torture*

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*Beyond the Last Move: Developing Biodefenses to  
Engineered Anthrax and Smallpox*  
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Political Science  
*The Problem of Warning: Homeland Security and  
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Management Science & Engineering  
*Understanding Water Rationality: A Game-Theoretic  
Analysis of Cooperation and Conflict Over Scarce  
Water*

**Nidhi Gupta, 2003**

International Relations, Management Science &  
Engineering *A Genocide Missed: International  
Policy Failure in Rwandan Reconstruction*

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Math and Computer Science, History  
*Conflict and the Cross-Border Pipeline: Revisiting the  
"Commercial Peace"*

**Anand Habib, 2011**

Biology  
*The Demise and Rise of Governance in Health  
Systems: A Path Forward*

**Kate Hadley, 2008**

Political Science  
*Against Many Enemies: An Analysis of the Shanghai  
Cooperation Organization and its Members*

**Zachary Haldeman, 2003**

Mathematics  
*New Roles for Nuclear Weapons: Bunker Busting  
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**RJ Halperin, 2011**

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*The U.S. and the Origins of the Pakistani Nuclear  
Weapons Program: National Interests, Proliferation  
Pessimism, and Executive- Legislative Politics*

**Sherri Hansen, 2007**

Political Science  
*Explaining the Use of Child Soldiers*  
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International Relations  
*Coordination or Confusion: A Study of Interagency  
Cooperation in the US Domestic Counter-Terrorism  
Community*

**Sean Hiroshima, 2015**

International Relations/Arabic  
*The Hussein regime's policy of nuclear ambiguity  
between the First and Second Gulf Wars*

**Peter Hong, 2012**

Political Science  
*Evaluating Multilateral Nuclear Approaches in Policy  
and Practice*

**James Honsa, 2014**

Political Science  
*Oversight of State and Local Intelligence Gathering*  
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Energy Systems Engineering  
Minor in History  
*Evaluating the Role of U.S. Foreign Policy  
Institutions in Permitting a Coercive Russian Energy  
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**David Houska, 2008**

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*Up in Arms: The NRA and US Foreign Policy*

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*The Authoritarian Club: The Shanghai Cooperation Organization and the Security of Central Asia***Nina Hsu, 2005**

Political Science

*Chinese Assistance in the Pakistani Nuclear Program***Mohammad Islam, 2012**

Electrical Engineering

*On the Path to Pre-crime? Assessing US Domestic Counter-radicalization Policy***Akhil Iyer, 2011**

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*The Establishment of U.S. Africa Command: Form, Function and the Process of Agency Formation***Sohan Japa, 2005**

Biomechanical Engineering

*A Path to Peril: Understanding the Technical Hurdles of Biological Weapon Production***Karamveer Singh Jhavar, 2002**

Political Science, Biological Sciences

*The Failures of September 11th and Implications for Bioterrorism Scenarios***Reed Jobs, 2014**

History

*Historical Study of Preventive Warfare***Therin Jones, 2008**

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*RCS, Coded Configurations and Other Constraints of Stealth: A Case Study of the F-22 Raptor***Annie Kapnick, 2015**

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*The Driving Factors Behind Shifting US Biosecurity Policy***Tori Keller, 2017**

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*The Rise and Fall of Secular Politics in Iraq***Merrit Kennedy, 2008**

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*Counterterrorism Operations and Non-Combatant Immunity: Legal and Ethical Approaches to Israel's Targeted Killing Campaign***Daniel Khalessi, 2013**

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*The Ambiguity of Nuclear Commitments: The Implications of NATO's Nuclear Sharing Arrangements on the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty*

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Economics, History

*Speaking Daggers, But Using None: The Evolving Role of the Armed Forces in German Security Policy***Daniel Kliman, 2004**

Political Science

*Japan's Defense Policy in the Post 9/11 World: Toward a 'Normal' Nation*  
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International Relations, Minor in Economics

*The Influence of North Korea and China on Japanese Militarization***Sarah Kunis, 2015**

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*The Road Not Taken: The Role of Sanctions in Nuclear Reversal***Teo Lamiot, 2015**

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*Use of Force and the Protection of Civilians: UN Peacekeeping in the Democratic Republic of the Congo*



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**Bradley Larson, 2005**

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*Soft Power: US Foreign Aid Post-9/11***Michael Laufer, 2006**

Mechanical Engineering

*U.S. Influence and International Nonproliferation  
Policy: Revising Nuclear Export Controls in the 1970s***Eli Lazarus, 2006**

International Relations

*Rearming the Law: Popular Motivations for  
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*The North Korean Nuclear Program: A Revisionist  
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**Andy Leifer, 2007**

Physics, Political Science

*International Scientific Engagement for Mitigating  
Emerging Nuclear Security Threats***Daniel Leifer, 2010**

Biology

*Quiet Diplomacy: The Nixon Administration's  
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International Relations

*At Home in Our World: Evolving Ideologies in  
American Foreign Policy***William Levi, 2006**

Political Science

*Identifying and Explaining Change: Development of  
US Interrogation Policy 1949-2006*

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**Austin Lewis, 2015**

Chemical Engineering

*The Effectiveness of the Wassenaar as a  
Nonproliferation Regime***Frances Lewis, 2005**

International Relations

*The Yellow Light Reactor: An Explanation of the Stop  
and Go Progress at Bushehr***Jocelyn Loftus-Williams, 2002**

Slavic Languages and Literature

*Soviet Nuclear Submarine Accidents: Cold War  
Policies and Legacies***Ashley Lohmann, 2010**

International Relations

*Tactical Change by Middle Eastern Terrorist  
Organizations, 1970-2004*

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Materials Science and Engineering

*Plutonium Management and Disposition in the  
United States: History and Analysis of the Program*

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International Relations

Coterminal Master's: Statistics

*To Bomb or Stab? The Impact of Ideology and  
Territorial Control on Rebel Tactics***James Madsen, 2007**

Political Science

*Filling the Gap: The Rise of Military Contractors in  
the Modern Military***Meena Mallipeddi, 2003**

International Relations

*Rethinking International Relations: The United  
States, The Great Powers, and the Changing  
International System*

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**Raffi Mardirosian, 2010**

Public Policy, Economics

*The Adaptability of Terrorists and Rogue Nations to Financial Methods of Preventing WMD Proliferation and other Breaches of National Security*

**Elizabeth Margolin, 2017**

Political Science

Minor in Computer Science

*Should I Retweet or Should I Go? Pro-ISIS Twitter Communities and American Decapitation Strategy*

**Victor Marsh II, 2005**

International Relations

*A Responsibility to Consult? Local Policy Ownership During Transitional Governance*

**Nico Martinez, 2007**

Political Science

*Protracted Civil War and Failed Peace Negotiations in Colombia*

**Oriana Mastro, 2006**

East Asian Studies

*The Making of Security Policy in China: Theory and Practice*

**Ryan Mayfield, 2013**

Political Science

*Correspondents in Combat: The Effect of Embedded Journalism on American Service Personnel*

**John McCormick, 2009**

Public Policy

*Iran's Support for Shiite Militias in Iraq*

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Management Science &amp; Engineering

*A Bayesian Updating Model for Intelligence Analysis: A Case Study of Iraq's Nuclear Weapons Program*

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**Mrinal Menon, 2008**

International Relations, Economics

*Controlled Competition: Mitigating Factors in the China-India Rivalry*

**Michael Miller, 2006**

Physics

*Post-explosion Nuclear Attribution and its Role in Deterrence*

**Niko Milonopoulos, 2009**

Political Science

*It's Not Rocket Science: Why Does the U.S. Pursue Deployment of Missile Defense Systems in Europe?*

**Theo Milonopoulos, 2009**

Political Science

*Private Security Contractors in Counterinsurgency Operations*

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Computer Science

*In Data We Trust? The Big Data Capabilities of the National Counterterrorism Center*

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**Blake Mobley, 2001**

Psychology

*Constructive Ambiguity: In No Uncertain Terms Deliberate Ambiguity in Negotiated Peace Settlements*

**Mojan Movassate, 2006**

Economics, International Relations

*Iran's Energy Needs and Nuclear Power*

**Astasia Myers, 2011**

Political Science &amp; International Relations,

Economics IAEA Treatment of Nuclear Nonproliferation Violators: Are Some Animals More Equal than Others?



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**Vipin Narang, 2001**

Chemical Engineering

*India's Chemical Weapon's History: Motivations & Implications for Indian Foreign Policy*

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*From Zero to Sixty: Explaining the Proliferation of Shi'a Militias in Iraq after 2003*

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Political Science

*Territorial Disputes in Court: Power, Compliance, and Defiance*

**Daniel Noble, 2001**

Economics, Political Science

*Rationalizing ABM in the 1960s: The Decisions to Deploy Sentinel & Safeguard*

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Political Science

*Subversive Style in Wartime Los Angeles: Explaining the Zoot Suit Riots*

**Suraya Omar, 2012**

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*Critical Concerns: Evaluating the Safety of North Korea's New Light Water Reactor*

**Seepan Parseghian, 2007**

Political Science and Russian/Eurasian Studies

*The Survival of Unrecognized States in the Hobbesian Jungle*

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Biology, Minor in International Relations

*Developing Greater India-Pakistan Trade and the Implications for Regional Security*

**Stacy Pepper, 2006**

Political Science

*Peace from the Pieces: United Nations Learning and Reform after Rwanda and Srebrenica*

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Political Science

*Lifting the Hydrocarbon Curtain: An Analysis of Russian Energy Policy through the Prism of Gazprom and its Effect on European Energy Security*

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Public Policy

*Speaking Truth to Power: Examining the Relationship Between the CIA Director and the President*

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International Relations

*On Treaties and Taboos: U.S. Responses to International Norms in the NPT and Genocide Convention (1945-1999)*

**Ben Picozzi, 2010**

Philosophy, Minor in Classic Languages

*Norms and International Security with Respect to the Responsibility to Protect*

**Matthew Platkin, 2009**

Political Science

*China's Investments in Africa*

**Erica Platt, 2001**

English, Political Science

*Losing Balance: The Politics of US Encryption Regulation During the Clinton Administration*

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*Lukewarm Policies: Viability of Russia's Eurasian Union***Amy Reed, 2006**

Economics, Political Science

*Optimization of A Nuclear Fuel Cycle Exchange Program Using Credible Commitment Theory***Daniel Reynolds, 2013**

Management Science and Engineering, Minor in Political Science

*More with Less: Prioritizing U.S. Navy Global Presence with Reductions in Defense Spending*

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**Dave Ryan, 2007**

International Relations

*Security Guarantees in Non-Proliferation Negotiations***Jimmy Ruck, 2011**

History

*Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon? Evolving Civil Military-Relations in China***Geo Saba, 2015**

Political Science

*The Power of the National Security Advisor***Ram Sachs, 2012**

Earth Systems, Minor in Modern Languages

*On Bread and Circuses: Food Subsidy Reform and Popular Opposition in Egypt***Shivan Sarin, 2008**

Public Policy

*The Will to Arm: Analyzing the Domestic Political Economy of International Security***Yoav Schlesinger, 2001**

Individually-Designed Major (H&amp;S)

*Fumes of Faith: Iranian Chemical Weapons Use in the Iran-Iraq War as the Failure in 'Islamic Militancy' and the Ascendance of Pragmatism***Katherine Schlosser, 2007**

Biology

*Gene Expression Profiling: A New Warning System for Bioterrorism***Jared Schott, 2003**

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*Assessing Policy Relevance Fifty Years Later: Germany and Japan in Modern Nation-Building***Nigar Shaikh, 2007**

Human Biology, Political Science

*No Longer Just the "Spoils of War:" Rape as an Instrument of Military Policy***Olivia Simantob (Teich), 2002**

International Relations

*Evaluating Legal Deterrence: Can International Courts Prevent War Crimes?***Varun Sivaram, 2011**

Engineering Physics &amp; International Relations

*Sunny Side Up: Characterizing the US Military's Approach to Solar Energy Policy*

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*The Fog of Peace Enforcement: Civil-Military Integration in Peace Enforcement Operations***Sam Stone, 2010**

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*Beneath the Ice: The Future of US Security in the Arctic*

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History, Political Science

*British Counterterrorism Legislation Since 2000: Parliamentary and Government Evaluations of Enhanced Security*

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Political Science

*Power in the Kremlin: The Rationale Behind Russia's Invasion of Chechnya in December 1994*

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Materials Science & Engineering

*Taking a Shot at Public Health: GAVI's Provision of Health Systems Strengthening Grants*

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Political Science, Minor in Economics

*US Aid to Pakistan*

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International Relations

*Opium in Afghanistan*

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Political Science

*Germany's decision to intervene in Afghanistan, and the social, political and international dynamics that have shaped it and been transformed by it*

**Reagan Thompson, 2012**

International Relations

Minor in Chinese

*Assessing the Chinese Influence in Ghana, Angola, and Zimbabwe: The Impact of Politics, Partners, and Petro*

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International Relations, Minor in Modern Languages

*The Impact of the Evolving PRC-DPRK Relationship on Chinese National Security and Prospects for the Future*

**Jane Vaynman, 2004**

International Relations

*Nunn-Lugar Programs: Post-Cold War Security Cooperation and an Emerging Security Framework*

**Luis Vertiz, 2006**

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*Post Conflict Chimeras: Provincial Reconstruction Teams in Afghanistan*

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*The Backup Plan: Visualizing Disappearing Groundwater Resources*

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*Brand Name Terror: Al-Qaeda Affiliate  
Organizations and Local Instability*

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Symbolic Systems  
*IDF Response to Cybersecurity Threats*

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Political Science  
Minor in German Studies  
*Counting the Czars: Extra-Bureaucratic Appointees  
in American Foreign Policy*

**Georgia Wells, 2010**

Human Biology  
*Explaining the Radicalization of the Muslim  
Brotherhood in Egypt*

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International Relations  
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*Landmark Success or Colossal Failure? Exploring the  
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Physics  
*Closing the Nuclear Fuel Cycle: A Component Based  
Analysis of Options for Spent Fuel Management*

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*Profiles in Proliferation: Four Nuclear Surprises and  
What They Tell Us About the United States' Ability  
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*The Implications of Partition and Secession for  
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Political Science, Economics  
*China's Global Strategy*

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International Relations  
*Peacebuilding without Politics: The World Bank and  
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Biology  
*Under the Microscope: Why United States  
Intelligence Underestimated the Soviet Union's  
Bioweapons Program*

**Michael Zappert, 2003**

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*Radiological Weapons: Assessing and  
Communicating an Emerging Terrorist Risk*

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International Relations, Energy Engineering  
*The Third Horseman: On Famines and Governments*

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*Calling Out Cyber Spooks: The U.S. Shift Toward  
Public Attribution of Cyber-Snooping*

**Ming Zhu, 2005**

International Relations  
*Power and Cooperation: Understanding the Road  
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