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## Education

**Ph.D.** Political Science, University of California, Davis. Expected June 2009.  
Committee: Miroslav Nincic (chair), Zeev Maoz, Josephine Andrews, Benjamin Highton.

Dissertation Title: “Non-State Violence, Supporters, and Targets: *State Support of Non-State Armed Groups as a Selection Process.*”

Fields of Study: International Relations, Comparative Politics, Methodology.

**BA.** International Relations: Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey, June 2000 (with honors).

**BA.** History: Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey, June 2000 (with honors).

## Professional Training

**Participant**, Working Group on Methodology: New Perspectives on Qualitative and Quantitative Tools, Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 31 – September 2, 2007.

**Attendant**, Course on ‘Formal Models in Political Science’, Intercampus Exchange Program, UC Berkeley, Instructor: Robert Powell. 2002 September-December.

**Participant**, Summer Program of Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan, June-July 2002.

## Publications

Forthcoming, 2009. ‘Supporting Non-State Armed Groups: A Resort to Illegality?’, *Journal of Strategic Studies*.

Under Review, “Autocratic States and International Conflict: Not Just a Residual Category.”

## Awards and Fellowships

**Dissertation Improvement Grant**, Institute of Governmental Affairs, \$1,000.

**Political Science Department Travel Award** for travel to the annual meeting of American Political Science Association in Chicago, August 31-September 2007.

**American Political Science Association Travel Grant** for annual meeting in Chicago, August 31-September 2 2007.

**Political Science Department Travel Award** for the annual meeting of American Political Science Association in Philadelphia, September 2006.

**Political Science Department Travel Grant** for the Social Science and History Association's Conference in St. Louis, Missouri, October 2002.

**Political Science Department Grant** for participation in the Summer School of Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) in Ann Arbor, Michigan, Summer 2002.

### **Works in Progress**

Data Set, *Non-State Violence, Targets, and Sponsors*.

Major Variables: Countries that are targets of non-state violence, Name, Type, and Objectives of Non-state Armed Groups (NAG), countries that provide assistance to NAG (Supporters), type of support, duration of support, reasons behind ceasing support.

“Abandoning Non-State Allies: Not a Matter of Strategy,” North American Meeting of Peace Science Society, October 24-26, 2008.

“Rivalry and State Support of Non-State Armed Groups,” International Studies Association Annual Convention, February 15-18, 2009, New York City, NY (with Zeev Maoz, UC Davis).

“Minor Powers and Non-State Actor Violence: Breaching Sovereignty or Fulfilling Responsibility?” International Studies Association Annual Convention, February 15-18, 2009, New York City, NY, (with Jennifer M. Ramos, University of Loyola, Marymount).

### **Conference Presentations**

**Panelist**, “Minor Powers and Non-State Actor Violence: Breaching Sovereignty or Fulfilling Responsibility?” (with Jennifer M. Ramos, University of Loyola, Marymount), ISA-West Annual Meeting, September 26-28, 2008, San Francisco, CA.

**Panelist**, *Supporting Non-state Armed Groups: A Resort to Illegality*, presented at the Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, March 26-29, 2008, San Francisco, CA.

**Presenter**, *Supporting Non-state Armed Groups: A Resort to Illegality*, presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 30th – September 2nd, 2007, Chicago.

**Panelist**, *Autocratic States and International Conflict: Not Just a Residual Category*, presented at the Annual Meeting of International Studies Association, February 27th – March 2nd, 2007, Chicago, IL.

**Panelist**, *Autocratic States and Responses to External Threats: Supporting Violent Non-state Actors?* presented at the 65<sup>th</sup> National Conference of Midwest Political Science Association, April 12-15, 2007, Chicago, IL.

**Panelist**, *Authoritarian States and Responses to External Threats*, paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 30th-September 2nd, 2006, Philadelphia.

**Panelist**, *Democratization via the European Union: Yes, From the Outside-In*, paper prepared for the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 30th-September 2nd, 2006, Philadelphia.

**Panelist**, *Transition in Russia, Romania and Bulgaria: Bargaining for Executive and Legislative Powers*, Social Science and History Association Conference, October 2002, St. Louis, Missouri.

**Panelist**, *Regime Type and Economic Cooperation*, International Relations Conference in UC, Davis, May 2001.

## **Research Experience**

**Research Assistant**, ‘What is Wrong with the Middle East?’, research project by Zeev Maoz, Fall 2008.

**Consultant**, ‘Selectors Project’ conducted by R.M. Siverson, Bruce Bueno de Mesquita, James Morrow, and Alastair Smith, Spring 2007.

**Research Assistant**, Research on Freedom of Courts with Gabriella Montinola, Department of Political Science, University of California, Davis, Winter and Spring 2004.

## **Teaching Experience**

**Instructor**, US National Security Policy, Department of Political Science, UC Davis, (assigned to teach) Winter & Spring 2009.

**Instructor**, *Introduction to International Relations*, Department of Political Science, UC Davis, Summer 2008.

**Instructor**, *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, Fall Program for Freshmen, University of California, Berkeley, Fall 2006 (August 28 – December 20 2006).

**Teaching Assistant**, Department of Political Science, University of California, Davis, 2001-2007.

International Relations (lower division)  
Introduction to Comparative Politics  
American National Government (lower division)  
International Politics of the Middle East (upper division)  
The Presidency (upper division)  
Politics of Interdependence (upper division)  
Politics of Global Inequality (upper division)  
Politics and Government of Southeast Asia (upper division)

### **Professional Activities and Memberships**

**Discussant**, Panel on the Theory and Practice of Security in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, ISA-West Annual Meeting, September 26-27, 2008, San Francisco, CA.

**Referee**, the Journal of International Politics, UC Davis, Winter-Spring 2007.

**Chair**, Panel on 'External Actors and Democratization', Annual Meeting of American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 30th- September 3, 2006.

**Member**, American Political Science Association, 2003 – present  
International Studies Association, 2005 – present  
Peace and Science Society, 2007

### **References**

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