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**APPOINTMENTS**

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**University of Alaska Fairbanks**

Department of Political Science

- Associate Professor (2017-present)
- Assistant Professor (2013-2017)

Arctic & Northern Studies

- Co-Director (2018-present)
- Associate Director (2015-2018)

**California University of Pennsylvania**

Instructor, Department of History and Political Science (2012-2013)

**University of Pittsburgh**

Adjunct Instructor, Department of Political Science and College of General Studies (2010-2012)

**EDUCATION**

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**University of Alaska Fairbanks**

M.B.A., Business Administration (2018)

**University of Pittsburgh**

Ph.D., International Affairs (2013)

- Dissertation: "Road to Rebellion: The Development of Ethnic Terrorism"
  - Committee: Taylor Seybolt (Chair), Michael Kenney, Paul Nelson, Tony Novosel
  - Fieldwork: Sri Lanka (March 2012); Spain (July-August 2011; July-August 2010)
- Certificate, West European Studies (2010)

**University of Limerick**

M.A., International Studies (2004)

- First Class Honors

**Mercyhurst College**

B.A., English (2003)

## PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

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Brandon M. Boylan and Ekaterina Turkina, "Calling on Europe? Secessionist Political Parties and Their Communications to the European Union." *Journal of Common Market Studies*. (accepted and forthcoming)

Brandon M. Boylan, "A Structural Opportunity for Terrorism: Moderate Leadership Departures in Nationalist Movements." *Civil Wars*. Available at:  
<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/13698249.2019.1529880>

Mary F. Ehrlander and Brandon M. Boylan, "The Model Arctic Council: Educating Postsecondary Students on Arctic Issues and Governance through Simulation." *International Studies Perspectives* 19, 1 (2018): 83-101.

Clayton Wukich, Michael D. Siciliano, Jason Enia, and Brandon Boylan. "The Formation of Transnational Knowledge Networks on Social Media." *International Public Management Journal* 20, 3 (2017): 381-408.

Brandon M. Boylan. "What Drives Ethnic Terrorist Campaigns? A View at the Group Level of Analysis." *Conflict Management and Peace Science* 33, 3 (2016): 250-272.

Brandon M. Boylan. "In Pursuit of Independence: The Political Economy of Catalonia's Secessionist Movement." *Nations and Nationalism* 21, 4 (2015): 761-785.

Brandon M. Boylan. "Sponsoring Violence: A Typology of Constituent Support for Terrorist Organizations." *Studies in Conflict & Terrorism* 38, 8 (2015): 652-670.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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Brandon M. Boylan. "Catalan Independence: What You Need to Know." Asia & the Pacific Policy Society. October 6, 2017.

Brandon Boylan and Gina Peirce. "Macedonia: A Curriculum Guide for Secondary School Teachers." *Outreach World*. (2012).

Brandon M. Boylan. "Europe's Oldest Terrorist Organization: The Curious Case of Euskadi Ta Askatasuna (ETA)." Newsletter for the European Union Center of Excellence and European Studies Center, University Center for International Studies, University of Pittsburgh. (2011).

Brandon Boylan and Gina Peirce. "Turkey: A Curriculum Guide for Secondary School Teachers." *Outreach World*. (2010).

Brandon M. Boylan. "Muslim Integration in Transatlantic Perspective." *Papers, Essays, and Reviews* 2, 2 (2010): 219-236.

Brandon M. Boylan. "Economic Development, Religion, and the Conditions for Domestic Terrorism." *Josef Korbel Journal of Advanced International Studies* 2 (2010): 28-44.

Brandon M. Boylan. "Moving beyond Coercive Diplomacy: A New Policy Approach toward Iran's Nuclear Ambitions." *Journal of Public and International Affairs* 20 (2009): 91-110.

Brandon M. Boylan. "Fissile Material, Stockpiles, and the Nuclear Menace." *International Affairs Forum*. (2008).

## RESEARCH

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### Research in Progress:

Brandon M. Boylan, Mary F. Ehrlander, and Troy J. Bouffard, "A Multimethod and Interdisciplinary Approach to Educating Postsecondary Students on Arctic Challenges and Governance" (revise and resubmit, *Journal of Political Science Education*)

Brandon M. Boylan and Ekaterina Turkina, "United We Stand, Divided We Fall: How Independentist Parties Network to Pursue Common Goals in the European Union"

Brandon M. Boylan, "What Works? Carrots, Sticks, or Both? Evaluating the Effectiveness of Terrorist Organizations' Strategies for Securing Constituent Support"

Brandon Boylan, "An Opportunity Structure for Terrorism: Moderate Leadership Vacuums in Nationalist Movements" (book manuscript)

### Previous Research Positions:

- Affiliate, European Union Center of Excellence / European Studies Center, University of Pittsburgh, 2007-2013
- Graduate Student Assistant, Center for Russian and East European Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 2008-2013
- Research Associate, Ford Institute for Human Security, University of Pittsburgh, 2009-2013
- Fellow, Governance Group, University of Pittsburgh, 2012-2013
- Visiting Researcher, American Institute for Sri Lankan Studies, Colombo, March 2012
- Visiting Researcher, Sabino Arana Foundation, Bilbao, Spain, July-August 2011
- Member, Socio Team, Center for Disaster Management, University of Pittsburgh, 2009-2010

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

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"What Works? Carrots, Sticks, or Both? Evaluating the Effectiveness of Terrorist Organizations' Strategies for Securing Constituent Support"

- International Studies Association Annual Conference, Toronto, March 30, 2019

"Structural Opportunity for Terrorist Violence: Comparing the Tamils and Muslims in Sri Lanka"

- Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, Vancouver, April 15, 2017

"The Model Arctic Council"

- UArctic Congress, Oulu, Finland, September 3 and 5, 2018

- UArctic Congress, St. Petersburg, Russia, September 14, 2016
- Fifth International Meeting of Representatives of States-Members of the Arctic Council, States-Observers, and Foreign Scientific Community, Archangel, Russia, September 16, 2015

“Calling on Europe? Communication Networks between Independentist Political Parties and the European Union” (with Ekaterina Turkina)

- Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, San Diego, March 25, 2016
- International Studies Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, February 18, 2015

“The Opportunity for Terrorism: Leadership Departures in Nationalist Movements”

- Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, Las Vegas, April 4, 2015
- International Studies Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, February 20, 2015

“Twitter Use as Multi-Level Governance: A Network Analysis of Disaster Response Organizations across National Boundaries” (with Clayton Wukich and Jason Enia)

- American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., August 30, 2014

“Catalonia and the Logic of Nonviolent Separatist Movements”

- International Studies Association Annual Conference, Toronto, March 27, 2014

“A Typology of Support for Violent Non-State Actors”

- Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, Seattle, April 18, 2014
- Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, January 9, 2014

“The Breeding Grounds for Ethnic Terrorism”

- American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, September 1, 2013
- International Studies Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, April 5, 2013
  - Runner-Up, Kenneth Boulding Award

“The Opportunity for Ethnic Terrorism: Leadership Vacuum and Abetment in Political Space”

- American Political Science Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, August 31, 2012 (cancelled due to weather)

“The European Union and the Politics of Kosovo Recognition: Domestic Separatism and Institutional Flexibility” (with Evgeny Postnikov)

- Association for the Study of Nationalities Annual Conference, Columbia University, New York, April 16, 2011
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 3, 2011
- European Union Studies Association Biennial Conference, Boston, March 3, 2011

“Unpacking the Process of Mass Killing: Motives, Means, and Opportunities” (with Taylor Seybolt)

- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 1, 2011

“The Strategic Goals of Ethnic Terrorist Organizations: Counter-discrimination, Nationhood, or Intra-communal Power?”

- International Studies Association Annual Conference, Montreal, March 17, 2011

“Integrating Muslims into Western Society: Transatlantic Policies and Perspectives”

- European Union Studies Association Biennial Conference, L.A., April 25, 2009

“Poverty, Religion, and the Determinants of Domestic Terrorism”

- International Studies Association Annual Conference, New York, February 17, 2009

“The Price of Oil: How the U.S.-Saudi Partnership Sacrifices Human Rights”

- Conflict Studies Conference, University of Massachusetts, Boston, November 1, 2008

“Rethinking Coercive Diplomacy: A New Policy Approach toward Iran’s Nuclear Ambitions”

- International Studies Association Northeast Annual Conference, Baltimore, October 4, 2008

## **GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

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Partner, “Trans-Arctic Change: Extending Interdisciplinary Collaborations on the Environment” (TRACEICE) (2016-2018)

- High North Programme, Norwegian Centre for International Cooperation in Education

Consultant, “Arctic Sustainability Research in Support of the Arctic Policy and Governance Educational Partnership” (2016-2018)

- Alaska Regional Office, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce

Principal Investigator, “Conference: Partial Support for Model Arctic Council (MAC)” (2016)

- Arctic Social Sciences, Division of Polar Programs, Directorate for Geosciences (No. 1546202) and Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) (OIA-1208927), National Science Foundation

Recipient, Staff and Faculty north2north Exchange Travel Grant, University of the Arctic (2016)

- To travel to Ilisimatusarfik / University of Greenland to network for the Model Arctic Council

Recipient, Indo-Pacific Council Graduate Student Award, University of Pittsburgh (spring 2012)

- To conduct dissertation research in Sri Lanka

Recipient, Professional Development Fund, Graduate School of Public & International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh

- To conduct dissertation research in Sri Lanka (spring 2012) and Spain (summer 2011)

Recipient, Stanley Prostrednik Nationality Room Scholarship, University of Pittsburgh (summer 2011)

- To conduct dissertation research in Spain

Recipient, Dean's Merit Fellowship for Ph.D. Students, Graduate School of Public & International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh (2010-2011)

Recipient, Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh (summer 2010)

- To study Spanish in Bilbao, Spain

## **MEDIA INTERVIEWS AND ARTICLES**

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High North News

- "Dartmouth Program on Arctic Science Diplomacy Develops Youth Leadership," June 30, 2017

Fairbanks Daily News-Miner

- "Alaska Gains from International Cooperation," May 14, 2017

The Polar Connection

- "US Arcticness 150 Years after the Alaska Purchase," March 30, 2017

KUAC (Fairbanks Public Radio)

- "Arctic Politics," February 11, 2019 (Northern Surroundings program)
- "International Relations," February 28, 2018 (Northern Surroundings program)
- "As New U.S. Administration Assumes Power, Arctic Council Prepares for New Chairmanship," January 20, 2017
- "Collegians from Circumpolar Nations to Hold First Model Arctic Council Meeting at UAF," February 12, 2016

WalletHub

- "2016's Most Patriotic States," June 28, 2016

Russia-1

- "The International Conference of the Countries of the Arctic Region Concluded in Arkhangelsk," September 16, 2015

## **TEACHING**

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University of Alaska Fairbanks

*Undergraduate*

- International Politics
- International Security
- International Political Economy
- International Law and Organization
- U.S. Foreign Policy
- Political Science Research Methods
- International Relations of the North

- Government and Politics of Russia
- Political Economy
- Politics and Film

#### *Graduate*

- International Relations of the North
- Government and Politics of Russia
- Research Methods and Sources in the North

California University of Pennsylvania (2012-2013)

#### *Undergraduate*

- Politics of Africa
- American Politics
- Administrative Law
- Municipal Government
- Contemporary Political Thought
- Nonquantitative Techniques

University of Pittsburgh (2010-2012)

#### *Undergraduate*

- Introduction to Global Studies
- European Security and Terrorism
- Public Policy Process

## **STUDENT COMMITTEES**

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#### Ph.D.

- Chair, Wai Yi Ma, Interdisciplinary Studies (2018-present)
- Member, Brenda Dow, Interdisciplinary Studies (2014-2019)
- Member, Ron Dewitt, Interdisciplinary Studies (2016-present)
- Member, Mike Letzring, Interdisciplinary Studies (2016-present)
- Member, Russ Vanderlugt, Interdisciplinary Studies (2017-present)
- Member, Troy Bouffard, Interdisciplinary Studies (2018-present)

#### Master's

- Chair, Liz Kane, Arctic & Northern Studies (2016-present)
- Chair, Glenn Gambrell, Arctic & Northern Studies (2016-present)
- Chair, Emmie Van Wyhe, Arctic & Northern Studies (2017-present)
- Co-chair, Samuel Urban, Arctic & Northern Studies (2018-present)
- Chair, Lex Treinen, Arctic & Northern Studies (2017-2019)
- Chair, Peter Burkhart, Arctic & Northern Studies (2017-2018)
- Chair, Troy Bouffard, Arctic & Northern Studies (2014-2016)
- Chair, Vanessa Raymond, Arctic & Northern Studies (2014-2016)

- Co-chair, Kerstin Schley, Arctic & Northern Studies (2016-2019)
- Member, Karsten Hueffer, Arctic & Northern Studies (2018-present)
- Member, Carolyn Kozak, Arctic & Northern Studies (2016-2018)
- Member, Anne Rittgers, Arctic & Northern Studies (2017-2018)
- Member, Kelsey Aho, Arctic & Northern Studies (2015-2016)
- Member, Craig Sander, M.F.A., English (2016)
- Member, Natalie Taylor, M.F.A., English (2015)

#### Bachelor's

- Member, Liz Gottsche, Interdisciplinary Studies (2014-present)
- Chair, Robert Tompkin, Interdisciplinary Studies (2013)

### **PUBLIC LECTURES**

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#### “Media Bias in For-profit and Government-controlled Press Societies”

- Raven Landing Community Center, Fairbanks, March 29, 2017

#### “A Structural Opportunity for Terrorism: Moderate Leadership Departures in Nationalist Movements”

- School of Social & Political Sciences, University of Melbourne, Australia, November 28, 2016

#### “President Trump: Making Sense of the 2016 Presidential Election” (with Alex Hirsch, Amy Lovecraft, and Jeremy Speight)

- University of Alaska Fairbanks, November 17, 2016

#### “In Pursuit of Independence: The Political Economy of Catalonia’s Secessionist Movement”

- University of Alaska Fairbanks, December 3, 2014

#### “Understanding the Crisis in Ukraine and Crimea” (with Brian Kassof)

- University of Alaska Fairbanks, March 13, 2014

### **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

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#### Recipient, Golden Heart Gala Award (2017)

- In recognition of the Model Arctic Council

#### Recipient, Legislative Citation, Alaska State Legislature (2016)

- In recognition of the Model Arctic Council

#### Nominee, Robert Piacenza Award for Teaching Excellence, University of Alaska Fairbanks (2015)

#### Honorable Mention Delegation, National Model United Nations Annual Conference (2014)



Runner-Up, Kenneth Boulding Award for Best Paper at the International Studies Association Annual Conference (2014)

Awardee, Doctoral Program Award for Academic Excellence, Graduate School of Public & International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh (2009)

- Awarded annually to one Ph.D. student

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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- Reviewer, *Journal of Peace Research*, *British Journal of Political Science*, and *Conflict Management and Peace Science*
- Participant, International Alumni Colloquium, University of Limerick, Ireland (August 20-21, 2015)
- Discussant, Western Political Science Association Annual Conferences (2015-2018)
- Discussant, International Studies Association Annual Conference (2015)
- Contributing Editor, *Journal of Public and International Affairs* (2011-2013)

## UNIVERSITY SERVICE

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- Faculty Senate (2018-present)
- Graduate Academic and Advisory Committee (2018-present)
- Research Advisory Committee (2018-present)
- University Program Review Committee (2017-2018)
- Administrator Review Committee (2018-present)
- UArctic Focus Group (2017-present)
- Center for Arctic Policy Studies (2016-present)
- Arctic Strategies Committee (2016-2018)
- Social Sciences Peer Unit Committee (2017-present)
- Social Sciences Unit Representative, Curriculum Council, College of Liberal Arts (2015-2016)
- Faculty Advisor, Model United Nations (2013-present)
- Faculty Lead, Model Arctic Council (2014-present)
  - University of Lapland (October 27 – November 3, 2018)
  - Dartmouth College (June 26-30, 2017)
  - University of Alaska Fairbanks (March 9-15, 2016)
- Co-Chair, International Academic Partnership Program – Norway (2014-2015)
  - Study tour of Norwegian higher education institutions (April 19-25, 2015)
- Center for the Study of Security, Hazards, Response, and Preparedness (2014-present)
- Asian Studies Program (2015-present)

## MEMBERSHIPS

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American Political Science Association  
International Studies Association

Western Political Science Association  
Southern Political Science Association  
European Union Studies Association

## **ADDITIONAL TRAINING**

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School of International Service, American University

- Bridging the Gap's International Policy Summer Institute, June 5-9, 2016

Philip Merrill Center for Strategic Studies, Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Affairs, Johns Hopkins University

- Basin Harbor Teachers' Workshop, June 1-5, 2015

Arnold A. Saltzman Institute of War & Peace Studies, Columbia University

- Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy, held at Cornell University, July 6-20, 2014

Qualitative Data Analysis Program, University Center for Social and Urban Research, University of Pittsburgh

- Introductory Training on ATLAS.ti, May 17, 2013

Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

- "Models for Categorical Outcomes Using STATA," June 11-15, 2012
- "Panel Data Analysis Using STATA," June 14-18, 2010

Instituto Hemingway, Bilbao, Spain

- Intensive Spanish Language Program, July 11-15, 2011; July 5-August 13, 2010

International Conflict Research Institute, University of Ulster, Derry, Northern Ireland

- "Evaluation in Conflict-Prone Settings," June 7-11, 2010

Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation, University of California, San Diego

- "Public Policy and Nuclear Threats," July 24-August 7, 2009

Consortium on Qualitative Research Methods, Syracuse University

- Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, May 25-June 9, 2009

Council on International Educational Exchange Program, Australian National University, fall 2001

## **FACULTY DEVELOPMENT**

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- Participant, Academic Leadership Institute, University of Alaska Fairbanks (2016-2017)
- Participant, Executive Leadership Training, University of Alaska's Leading in the 21st Century (2016)

- Participant, Faculty Learning Community: Strategies for Early Career Faculty Success (2014-2015)
- Participant, Faculty Learning Community: Teaching Strategies for Early Career Faculty (2013-2014)
- Participant, Faculty Learning Community: Blended Learning (2013-2014)
- Participant, Lilly Conference on College and University Teaching & Learning, Newport Beach, CA (February 19-22, 2014)
- Participant, Delegation of U.S. Young Scholars and Experts to the Republic of China (Taiwan) (December 1-7, 2013)