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Employment

Associate Professor August 2020-current
Assistant Professor August 2015-August 2020
Instructor August 2013-August 2015

Department of Social and Behavioral Science

Ranger College

Adjunct Faculty Department of Social/Behavioral Science

Central Texas College-Gatesville August 2012-August 2013

Teaching Assistant Department of Political Science. Texas Tech University

August 2001- August 2006

Graduate Assistant Department of Political Science. Texas Tech University

January 2001- August 2001

Education

Internet Certificate Course 2009-2012 South Plains College, Levelland, TX

Ph.D. 2008 Texas Tech University

Department of Political Science

M.A. 1991 University of Alabama

Department of Political Science

B.A. 1986 Dongguk University, Seoul, South Korea

Department of History

Teaching Experiences

Teaching

Department of Social/Behavioral Science, Central Texas College-Gatesville

Fall, 2012: GOVT 2301 (American Government I)

GOVT 2302 (American Government II)

Spring, 2013 GOVT 2301 (American Government I)

GOVT 2302 (American Government II)

Department of Political Science, Texas Tech University

Fall, 2004: POLS 1301 (American Government, Organizations)

Summer, 2004: POLS 2302 (American Public Policy) Summer, 2003: POLS 2302 (American Public Policy)

Teaching and Graduate Assistant, Texas Tech University (Fall 2001-Spring 2006)

Spring, 2006: POLS 1301 (American Government, Organizations)

Fall, 2005: POLS 2302 (American Public Policy) Spring, 2005: POLS 2302 (American Public Policy)

Spring, 2004: POLS 1301 (American Government, Organizations) Fall, 2003: POLS 1301 (American Government, Organizations)

Spring, 2003: POLS 2302 (American Public Policy)
Fall, 2002: POLS 2302 (American Public Policy)
Spring, 2002: POLS 2302 (American Public Policy)

Fall, 2001: POLS 1301 (American Government, Organizations)
Spring, 2001: Graduate Assistant, Arts and Science Computer Lab

Teaching Interests

International Relations

Introduction to International Relations International Conflict and Security Domestic Influences on International Politics International Political Economy

American Politics

American National Government, Organizations American Public Policy Texas Government and Politics American Foreign Policy

Comparative Politics

East Asian Politics

Methodology

Research Design

Linear and Non-Linear Regressions

Research Interests

International Conflict Resolution, Domestic and International Sources of International Conflict, Democratic Peace, Power Transition Theory, Domestic Economic Influence on International Politics, Influence of Economic Sanctions on International Governance.

Certifications

Teaching Certification for Political Science from Troy University, August 2010

International Conflict Management

International Political Economy

Research Methods in International Relations

Japan in World Affairs

Teaching Online Proficiency (TOP) course Certification from Troy University, August 2010

Internet Certificate, 2013 at South Plains College

Publications

Ph.D Dissertation

(2008) "The Effects of Power and Satisfaction on Violent Interstate Conflict: A Test of Power Transition Theory, 1816-2002."

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

(1998) "But Power and Wealth Are Satisfying." With John Oneal and Indra de Soysa. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 42: 517-20.

(1997) "Testing Power Transition Theory Using Alternative Measure of National Capabilities." With Indra de Soysa and John Oneal. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 41: 509-28.

Working Papers and Presentations, and Other Scholarly Works

"Private Goods or Public Goods?: Satisfaction with the Status Quo, Power Parity, and Fatal Militarized Disputes" Paper preparing for publication.

Discussant. "Alliance Formation, Cohesion and Reliability" Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL April 2-5, 2009.

"Satisfaction with the Status Quo, Power Parity, and Violent Interstate Conflict." Paper prepared For presentation at the annual conference of the Southwestern Political Science Association, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 12-15, 2008

"Democracy: Testing the Power Transition and Democratic Peace Theories." Paper Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA, January 2006.

"Does Democratic Peace Theory Better Than the Power Transition Theory in Explaining International Security?" Paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, 2004.

"A Combined Model of Democratic Peace and Power Transition Theories." With Sangmook Lee and Jangsup Choi. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association—West, Las Vegas, Nevada, September 2004.

"Putnam's Polemics: Social Capital across Space and Time." With Josh Ozymy and Sangmook Lee. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, Corpus Christi, Texas, March, 2004.

"A Test of Two Prominent Theories: The Power Transition and Democratic Peace Theories." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, San Antonio, Texas, March 2003.

"A Closer Look: Effect of Power Distribution and Democracy on the Incidences of Military Interstate Disputes." Paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Savannahs, George, March 2002.

Other Professional Activities

Collected Data Concerning International Narcotics Drugs Transit, with David Lektzian, 07/2008-07/2009.

Volunteer Worker, The 2006 State Politics and Policy Conference at Texas Tech University.

Fields

International Relations (major) American Politics (second major) Public Administration (minor)

Honors and Awards

Summer Dissertation/Thesis Research Award from Graduate School of Texas Tech University, 2006 (\$2,300)

The 2004 Political Science William E. Ogden Memorial Scholarship, 2004 (\$500)

Grant from Department and Graduate School for Academic Travel, 2008 (\$600)

Grant from Department and Graduate School for Academic Travel, 2006 (\$770)

Grant from Department for Academic Travel, 2004 (\$750)

Grant from Department for Academic Travel, 2003 (\$750)

Grant from Department for Academic Travel, 2002 (\$750)

Teaching Assistantships and Part-Time Instructor, 2001-2006

Doctoral Thesis

Thesis Title:" The Effects of Power and Satisfaction on Violent Interstate Conflicts: A Test of Power Transition Theory, 1816-2002"

Dissertation Committee: David Lektzian (chair), John Barkdull, Brandon Prins, and Dennis Patterson

Abstract:

This work looks for the conditional effects of relative power distribution and satisfaction with the international status quo, both of which are necessary conditions for power transition theory. The work takes its theoretical inferences from institutional views on international conflicts, and applies the democratic states' political behaviors to the power transition theory by reevaluating the concept of satisfaction with the status quo. The theoretical framework utilized is democratic institutional constraints and provision of both private and public goods.

In order to discover how relative power distribution and also what types of domestic policy influence violent interstate disputes, I incorporate power transition theory into the institutional theory of international conflict. Without full consideration of both international and domestic factors in explaining international war and peace, it is hard to answer such a crucial question. In other words, the effects of international distribution of power and domestic politics in relation to violent interstate disputes will be investigated.

To examine the conditional effects of relative power distribution and domestic economic/political factors on the onsets of violent interstate conflict, a method of logistic regression analysis is used. For generating and managing the data used in this study, EUGene program developed by Bennett and Scott is utilized.

Finally, one of the most striking findings is that in the presence of power transition, as the degree of dissatisfaction between the dominant state and a major power increase, the probability of violent interstate conflicts (major wars and fatal militarized interstate disputes) increases. In addition, the effect of power disparity on fatal MID is conditioned by the degree of satisfaction difference among middle and minor states.

These findings imply that whether the dyads composed of the dominant state and a major power and the dyads of weak states (middle and minor) are more likely than other dyads to engage in violent interstate conflict depend upon two conditions of power and satisfaction. They also imply that satisfaction with the international status quo as a necessary condition for international peace in power transition theory, which is developed on the basis of the theory of democratic institution, is similar influential impact on the onset of international conflicts.

Other Services

Vice Principal, Lubbock Korean Language School, 2002 – 2007. President, The Korean Student Association at University of Alabama, 1996-1997. Served in Seoul Defense Command of Korean Army, 1981-1983

Languages

Korean (native) English (proficient)

Chinese: Excellent reading and writings skills

Statistical Software

SPSS and STATA

Teaching Software

Canvas
Black Board
MS Software: Excel, Power Point, Access, Word
Web-Design (Dream Weaver)
Graphic Design (GIMP)

Professional References

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