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Education

May 2021
(expected) **Brown University**, United States
Ph.D., Political Science
Comprehensive Exams: International Relations and Comparative Politics (distinction)
Committee: Jeff Colgan (chair), Jordan Branch and Mark Blyth

Dissertation:

The Logic of Restraint: Why Hegemons Build Rules-Based Orders at Sea

Do hegemons build rules-based orders to constrain their power? I argue that rules-based orders are not a liberal fantasy. Yet hegemons do not construct such orders because they are strong, but because they aren't strong enough to dominate other actors completely. Weak hegemons have incentives to cooperate with rival powers and to constrain state behavior. Thus, 'free' maritime orders emerge when hegemons build institutions that restrict their ability to dominate the oceans, not when they protect freedom of navigation. I provide evidence for my theory from case studies and a new dataset of maritime orders that includes all orders over the last 500 years.

2013 **Leiden University**, The Netherlands
Master of Arts, African Studies (Research)

2009 **University of Bayreuth**, Germany
Bachelor of Arts, African Studies

Research and Teaching Interests

International Order, Security Studies, International Political Economy, Global Governance
Ocean Governance, Piracy, Maritime Security, Private Security Forces, Naval Strategy

Works Published, Forthcoming and Under Review

- Under review "U.S. Strategy and the Politics of Private Maritime Security" (revise and resubmit at *Security Studies*).
- Forthcoming "State, Territory, and Sovereignty," in: M. Bukovansky, E. Keene, M. Spanu, and C. Reus-Smit (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of History and International Relations* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming), with J. Branch.
- 2018 "Energy and International Conflict," in: eds. K. J. Hancock and J.E. Allison, *The Oxford Handbook of Energy Politics* (Oxford: Oxford University Press), with J. Colgan.
- 2017 "Actor-Network Theory: Objects and Actants, Networks and Narratives," in D. R. McCarthy (ed.) *Technology and World Politics: An Introduction* (Abingdon: Routledge), with C. Bueger.
- 2016 "Pirates, Drugs and Navies: Why the Western Indian Ocean Needs a New Security Architecture," *RUSI Journal* 161, 5 (2016): 46-52, with C. Bueger.
- 2012 "Security Communities, Alliances and Macrosecuritization: The Practices of Counter-Piracy Governance," in: M. J. Struett, M. T. Nance and J. D. Carlson (eds.) *Piracy and the Construction of Maritime Governance* (London: Routledge): 99-123, with C. Bueger.
- 2011 "Pirates, Fishermen and Peacebuilding: Options for a Sustainable Counter-Piracy Strategy in Somalia," *Contemporary Security Policy*, 32, 2 (2011): 356-381, with C. Bueger and S Werthes.
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Work in Progress

- "Measuring the effectiveness of private and naval forces in protecting merchant shipping in the Gulf of Aden." Dataset construction stage.
- 2020 "International Relations at Sea. A Literature Review." Dissertation chapter prepared for submission.
- 2018 "The 'Business Model' of Pirates: How Concepts Govern International Security." Article Manuscript prepared for submission.
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Working Papers

- 2015 "NATO after the Wales Summit: A Conference Report," Cardiff, UK: Cardiff University.
- 2014 "African Approaches to Maritime Security," Addis Ababa: Friedrich-Ebert Foundation.
- 2010 "Contested Urban Land: Approaching Land-based Conflicts and Land Management in Urban Somaliland" (Hargeisa: Academy for Peace and Development), with M. Abdi, S. Tani and N. S. Osman R. Glavitza.
- 2008 "No More 'Grass Grown by the Spear': Addressing Land-based Conflicts in Somaliland", (Hargeisa: Academy for Peace and Development), with M. Abdi, S. Tani and N. S. Osman.
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Short Policy Publications (selection)

- 2015 [Contemporary Piracy as an Issue of Academic Inquiry. A Bibliography.](http://piracy-studies.org) piracy-studies.org, September 2, with C. Bueger.
- 2015 [Beyond the Security Dilemma? De-Escalating Tensions in the South China Sea.](http://piracy-studies.org) Centre for International Maritime Security, August 6.
- 2015 [Liberal Cooperation vs. Great Power Rivalry? How the New U.S. Seapower Strategy Shapes World Order.](http://piracy-studies.org) piracy-studies.org, June 6.
- 2014 [Into the Blue: Rethinking Maritime Security.](http://piracy-studies.org) piracy-studies.org, July 7 (with C. Bueger).
- 2014 ['Reclaiming the Maritime? The AU's New Maritime Strategy.](http://piracy-studies.org) piracy-studies.org, February 2.
- 2011 [The Mogadishu Roadmap: Towards a joint Maritime Security Policy for Somalia?](http://piracy-studies.org) piracy-studies.org, October 15.
- 2011 [Pirates, Terrorists and Local Politics: The Professionalization of Somali Piracy, next Episode?](http://piracy-studies.org) Piracy-studies.org, January 8.
- 2010 [Guns, Fish and Puntland: The Professionalization of Piracy?](http://piracy-studies.org) piracy-studies.org, March 17.
- 2010 [Somali Piracy and the International Response: Trends in 2009 and Prospects for 2010.](http://piracy-studies.org) piracy-studies.org, March 6.
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Fellowships, Grants and Awards

- 2021 Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Department of Political Science, Brown University
- 2020 American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting Registration Grant
- 2020 Covid-19 Research Support Grant, Institute for Humane Studies
- 2019 International Studies Association (ISA) Conference Travel Grant
- 2018-2019 Dissertation Research Fellowship, Department of Political Science, Brown University
- 2016 Joukowsky Summer Research Travel Grant, Brown University (for research in Singapore)
- 2016 Graduate Program in Development Travel Grant, Brown University (for research in Singapore)
- 2013 MA Thesis nominated for Leiden University Master Thesis Award
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Guest Lectures and Invited Presentations

Spring 2021	Presentation: Maritime Restraint Theory, in International Relations Theory Colloquium 2020-2021, Cornell University/ Yale University/ University of Notre Dame
May 2020	Presentation: Maritime Orders, in a Virtual Maritime Ideaslab, Copenhagen University
May 2019	Presentation: Private Forces in Maritime Security, at a NATO Workshop on Counter-Piracy and Maritime Terrorism, Danish Defense College
Spring 2018	Guest lecture: Mapping in Community-led Development Projects in Somaliland, in a class on Maps and Politics, Brown University
2017 and 2020	Guest lecture: Maritime Regimes, in a class on Politics of Globalization, Brown University
2017/2018/2019	Guest lecture: Maritime Piracy, in a class on the Illicit Global Economy, Brown University
May 2015	Presentation: Piracy off Somalia, in Xiamen-Cardiff Maritime Security Workshop, Xiamen University, Xiamen, China

Memberships and Conferences

- IR Theory Colloquium 2020-2021
 - Safe Seas Network (research network on maritime security)
 - Annual Convention of the International Studies Association (ISA) 2012, 2019, 2020 (cancelled)
 - Pan-European Conference on International Relations (EISA) 2017, 2018, 2020 (cancelled)
 - American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting 2020 (virtual participation)
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Teaching Assistantships

Fall 2020	Jeff Colgan, Politics of Climate Change
Spring 2018	Jordan Branch, Maps and Politics
Fall 2017/ Spring 2020	Jeff Colgan, Politics of Globalization
Spring 2017/ Fall 2019	Peter Andreas, Illicit Global Economy
Fall 2016	Linda Cook, Politics of the Post-Soviet Space

Mentoring and Other Teaching Experiences

Fall 2020	Workshop on Zoom Learning, Department of Political Science, Brown University
Spring 2020	Second Readers, Senior Thesis of Tess D. Geri
2016-2017	Certificate 1: Reflective Teaching, The Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning, Brown University

Academic Services

Since 2015	Reviewer for <i>Global Change, Peace and Security, Regulation and Governance, African Conflict and Peace Building Review, Pacific Affairs, Marine Policy</i> .
Fall 2020	Presentation on "Teaching at Brown" for new Teaching Assistants, Department of Political Science, Brown University.
2017-18	Graduate student representative, Department of Political Science, Brown University
2016-18	Research assistant for Jordan Branch, Jeff Colgan and Linda Cook.
2014-15	Lead editor of piracy-studies.org , an online publication and resource portal for maritime security research. Solicited and edited over 30 articles for publication.

Previous Academic and Professional Experience

- 2014-2015 **Cardiff University, Department of Politics and International Relations**, United Kingdom
Research Assistant in International Relations
- Provided strategic advice on counterpiracy governance to the Lessons Learned Project of the Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia
- 2012-2013 **German Development Cooperation (GIZ)**, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, and Berlin, Germany
Intern & Consultant
- Provided strategic support to the German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development and the African Union on peacebuilding in the Horn of Africa
- 2009-2010 **Institute for Peace and Development, University of Duisburg-Essen**, Duisburg, Germany
Researcher in Peace and Conflict Studies
- Managed NGO-led research and dialogue project on land-based conflicts in Somaliland
- 2007-2009 **Academy for Peace and Development**, Hargeisa, Somaliland/ Somalia
Intern & Research Consultant
- Provided research training and support for Somaliland peacebuilding NGO
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Media Interviews (selection)

- 2014 ‘Daybreak Africa Program’, Voice of America (Radio Interview), February 4.
- 2012 ‘Insurers, Guards, Earn more from Piracy than Gangs’, The Jerusalem Post, February 9.
- 2011 ‘Streitkräfte und Strategien’ [‘Military and strategies’], NDR (Radio), December 17.
- 2011 ‘Kenya Gets Pro-Active on Somalia Militancy’, World Politics Review, October 17.
- 2011 ‘Erfolgreiche Aufrüstung’ [Successful military build-up], Der Spiegel, 37, September 12.
- 2011 ‘Somali Pirates grow more daring’, The Jerusalem Post, August 30.
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References

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