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### EDUCATION

- Ph. D. Boston College, Political Science August 2015  
Dissertation: "Identity Politics in Local Markets: Comparing Immigrant Integration Outcomes in the 'New' Europe," Distinction  
Committee: Gerald Easter (chair), Jonathan Laurence, David Deese
- B.A. Trinity College, Political Science and German Studies, honors May 2004  
Honors Thesis: "Immigration Policy in Western Europe in the 1990's: The Role of Public Opinion and Institutional Mechanisms"
- Institute for European Studies, Vienna, Austria, Political Science and German Studies Spring 2002

### AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Distinction in Doctoral Dissertation, Boston College August 2015  
Bucerius Ph.D. Dissertation Scholarship in Migration Studies Fall 2010 - Summer 2011  
ZEIT Stiftung, Hamburg
- Ernest Fortin Memorial Foundation Summer Grant 2009, 2007, 2006, 2005  
Employed for language study
- Distinction in Comprehensive Examinations, Boston College May 2007  
Phi Beta Kappa, Trinity College November 2003

### PUBLICATIONS

"Whither the 'European Dream'?": European integration, sub-national identity and immigrant exclusion." In K. Voorend, N. Acharya, & M. El Chab (Eds.), *Citizenship in Motion* (In Progress).

"But They Are Not 'Just the Same as Us'!: Identity, Reception and Political Incorporation for Immigrants in Dublin and Madrid." *Critique: a worldwide student journal of politics* (Fall 2014): 1-43 Fall 2014

"Identity and Immigrant Integration in Western Europe's 'New' Migration Cities: The Cases of Dublin and Madrid." *Joseph Korbel Journal of Advanced International Studies* 5 (Summer): 1-26 Summer 2013

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

<b>Boston College, Political Science Department, Visiting Lecturer</b> <i>Immigration in Contemporary Europe</i>	Spring 2017
<b>Trinity College Hartford, CT , Political Science Department</b> <b>Visiting Assistant Professor</b> <i>POLS 103: Introduction to Comparative Politics</i> <i>POLS 347: Immigration in Contemporary Europe</i> <i>POLS 305: International Organizations</i> <i>POLS 350: State-Building and Collapse in the Developing World</i>	Fall 2015 - Spring 2016 Spring 2016 Spring 2016 Fall 2015 Fall 2015
<b>Boston College, International Studies Department, Visiting Lecturer</b> <i>INTL 393: Selected Topics in International Studies: Immigration in Contemporary Europe</i>	Spring 2015
<b>Trinity College Hartford, CT , Political Science Department</b> <b>Visiting Lecturer</b> <i>POLS 305: International Organizations</i> <i>POLS 347: Immigration in Contemporary Europe</i>	Fall 2014 Spring 2014
<b>Boston College, Political Science Department</b> <b>Teaching Associate</b> <i>Rights in Conflict</i> , with Prof. Kay Schlozman Sophomore seminar on constitutional rights in the U.S.	Fall 2008 - Spring 2009
<b>Teaching Assistant</b> <i>Introduction to International Studies (Grader)</i> <i>Introduction to International Politics</i> <i>Comparative Social Movements</i> <i>Introduction to International Politics</i> <i>The Politics of Comparative Democratization</i> <i>Fundamental Concepts of Politics: Human Rights</i> <i>Reform, Revolution, and Communist Collapse</i> <i>Postcommunist Transitions</i>	Spring 2010 Fall 2008 Spring 2008 Fall 2007 Spring 2007 Fall 2006 Fall 2004 - Spring 2006
<b>Individual Class Lectures</b> “Building an Iraqi State: Democracy from the Outside” “Building an Iraqi State: The Dilemmas of Complex Nation-Building” “Social Movements and Revolutions in East Europe” “Rethinking Recent Democratization: The Case of Eastern Europe” “The Dilemmas of New Peacekeeping”	April 2008 April 2008 April 2008 March 2007 October 2006
<b>Research Assistant</b> Prof. David Deese Globalization; the Management of Natural Resource Revenues in Nigeria, Angola, Venezuela, and Brazil Prof. Gerald Easter Post-Communist Transitions and the Reorganization of Post-Communist States	Summer 2009  Fall 2004 - Spring 2006

**Undergraduate Thesis Co-Advisor**

“Muslim Incorporation and Consociational Democracy in Bulgaria”

Fall 2008 - Spring 2009

**Publication Reviewer**

2014, 2015

**CONFERENCES AND TALKS****Presenter**

“Whither the European Dream”

April 2016

*Exploring the Paradox of EU Freedom of Movement*

23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, Council of European Studies, Philadelphia

*The European Refugee Crisis: A Panel*, Trinity College, Hartford, CT

October 2015

But They Are Not “Just the Same as Us”!:

July 2015

The Political Incorporation of Immigrants in Dublin and Madrid

*Comparative Perspectives on New Immigrant Destinations*,

22<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of Europeanists, Paris

“Identity, Policy, and the Political Incorporation of Immigrants in Dublin and Madrid”

March 2015

EUSA 2015 Annual Conference, Boston

“But They Are Not “Just the Same as Us”!:

April 2014

The Political Incorporation of Immigrants in Dublin and Madrid”

*Ruptures* Graduate Conference, University of Pennsylvania

“Identity and Immigrant Integration in New Western European Migration Cities”

November 2012

*Life after Trinity* Political Science Series, Trinity College, Hartford, CT

“Identity and Immigrant Integration in Western European New Migration Cities”

November 2012

*Immigration and Welfare Policy: Comparative Perspectives*,

Northeast Political Science Association Annual Conference, Boston.

“The Myth of Belonging: The Experience of Polish and Nigerian Workers in Dublin”

February 2012

*Narrating the Other: Perspectives on Immigration and Integration*,

Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society, New York.

“The Myth of Belonging: The Experience of Polish Workers in Dublin”

October 2011

*(New) Debates on Belonging*,

Graduate Student Conference on Contemporary Issues in Immigration,

CUNY Graduate Center’s Immigration Working Group, New York.

**Organizer**

*The Politics of Human Rights*, Student Conference, Boston College

Fall 2009 - March 2010

Co-Chair of the Comparative Politics/International Relations Panel and PR Ambassador

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

American Political Science Association, Member

2005 - 2006, 2012 - Present

Eastern Sociological Society, Member

2012 - Present

Council for European Studies, Member

2014 - Present

## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

### Languages

Bulgarian, native fluency  
German, working knowledge, seven years of study  
Spanish, working knowledge, three years of study and six-month residency in Spain

### Research and Teaching Skills

Qualitative analysis, *Comparative Politics Field Seminar*, Boston College  
Quantitative data analysis and SPSS, *Statics and Data Analysis*, Boston College  
Blackboard, Canvas, Moodle

## NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- Int'l Institute for Justice and Development, Boston, Development Associate** Summer 2007, 2006  
Researched judicial reform and worldwide justice systems, compiled a questionnaire to assess and improve justice systems in African countries, and organized the 2006 International Conference on the State of Affairs in Africa.
- American Anti-Slavery Group, Boston, MA, Summer Associate** Summer 2005  
Researched worldwide human rights, assembled a human rights donors' database, compiled a book of former slaves' narratives, and engaged in human rights awareness-raising.

## REFERENCES

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