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RESEARCH AREAS: American and Chinese Foreign Policy, U.S.-China Relations, Public Opinion, Political Psychology, Political Communication, Public Diplomacy

EDUCATION

HARVARD UNIVERSITY | Cambridge, MA | 2015-present (currently in progress)
Ph.D. in Government (International Relations sub-field)
Dissertation: A trio of survey-based inquiries into the effects of U.S. vs Chinese public diplomacy efforts.
Committee: Alastair Iain Johnston (chair), Beth Simmons, Joshua Kertzer

HARVARD KENNEDY SCHOOL | Cambridge, MA | 2008-2010
Master's of Public Policy (concentration in International and Global Affairs)

STANFORD UNIVERSITY | Palo Alto, CA | 2004-2008
Bachelor's in International Relations with Honors

RENMIN UNIVERSITY | Beijing, China | Summer 2019
Visiting Scholar, Chongyang Institute of Financial Studies

TSINGHUA UNIVERSITY | Beijing, China | Summer 2017
Inter-University Program for Chinese Language Studies

UNIVERSITY OF KWA-ZULU NATAL | Pietermaritzburg, South Africa | Summer 2006
Fulbright-Hays Fellowship for Zulu Language

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN CAIRO | Cairo, Egypt | Summers 2001 and 2002
Arabic Language Institute

CAIRO AMERICAN COLLEGE | Cairo, Egypt | 2000-2004
High School Diploma

DISTINCTIONS

FELLOWSHIPS

International Strategy Fellow, Schmidt Futures and the Rockefeller Foundation, 2020. Will participate in the inaugural gathering of this fellowship during summer 2020, led by Jared Cohen and Fareed Zakaria.

Asia Pacific Fellow, Young Professionals in Foreign Policy Fellowship Program, 2019. An eight-month fellowship to develop strategic thinking by writing regular articles for national and international media outlets.

Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellow, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, 2017. For students showing promise of future achievement and dedication to diversity in the academe.

Raymond Vernon Fellow, Harvard University Department of Government, 2015. Departmental prize awarded to a top-ranked applicant to the Ph.D. program as a mark of scholarly potential.

International and Global Affairs Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School, Belfer Center of Science and International Affairs, 2008. Member of the first cohort of 11 Belfer IGA Fellows. http://belfercenter.ksg.harvard.edu/about/iga.html

Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellow, U.S. Department of State, 2006-2010. A prestigious fellowship preparing students for a career as a Foreign Service Officer (Public Diplomacy cone).

Public Policy and International Affairs Fellow, Princeton University, Woodrow Wilson School, 2007. According to evaluators, "should have no problem excelling at the top graduate programs in public policy and international affairs."

Fulbright–Hays Fellow, U.S. Department of Education, 2006. 8-week Zulu language and culture program in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa.

National Achievement Scholar, National Merit Scholarship Corporation, 2004.

AWARDS

Harvard Distinction in Teaching Award, Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning, 2018. Awarded to teaching fellows for a evaluation score of 4.5 or above. Course: Chinese Foreign Policy.

Superior Honor Award, U.S. Department of State, 2013. Awarded for outstanding performance as head of the of Public Affairs section at U.S. Consulate General Alexandria in the aftermath of the Egyptian Revolution.

Shanta Annan Memorial Award, Stanford University, 2005. Awarded for outstanding performance by a freshman in an African and African American Studies Course at Stanford University.

Dean's Award for Academic Excellence, Stanford University, 2004-2008.

GRANTS

Doctoral Dissertation Grant, Center on Public Diplomacy, University of Southern California, 2019.

Harvard Law School Program on Negotiation Research Grant, 2019.

Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies Summer Research Grant, 2019.

Harvard Experimental Working Group Research Grant, 2019.

Harvard Kennedy School Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs Grant, 2019.

Institute for Quantitative Social Science Graduate Research Grant, 2019.

Harvard Kennedy School Ash Center China Programs Grant, 2019.

Center for American Political Studies Seed Grant, 2019.

Smith Richardson Foundation World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship Grant, 2019.

Weatherhead Graduate Student Associate Grant, 2018.

Harvard Experimental Working Group Research Grant, 2017.

Fung Foundation Graduate Summer Grant, 2017. For Chinese language study in Beijing.

Center for American Political Studies Seed Grant, 2017. For a survey experiment-based project.

East Palo Alto Social Venture Fellowship, Stanford Haas Center for Public Service, 2007. $10,000 grant awarded to one or two juniors proposing a year-long public service project with a community organization in the inner city area of East Palo Alto, CA. Created the "Heritage Project," a history- and performance-based class that encouraged students to understand their connections to other global cultures by exploring family oral history and researching genetic ancestry.

Major Grant, Stanford University Research Office, 2007. $5,000 grant towards undergraduate honors thesis research.

PUBLICATIONS and PAPERS

WORKING PAPERS

"Teargas and Selfie Cams: Foreign Protests and Media in the Digital Age," with Ze Fu and Dominika Kruszewska, 2018.

"Activating Intolerance: How Rising Levels of Authoritarianism and the Threat of War Affect Foreign Policy Attitudes in China," 2017.

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

"News from Afar: Foreign Media and U.S. Public Opinion," with Joshua Kertzer, Pablo Barberá, Andrew Guess, Simon Munzert, and JungHwan Yang.

"Intervening Variables: Race, Ethnicity, and Preferences for the Use of Force Abroad, " with Andrew Leber.

"The Sociology of Diplomacy," with Tyler Jost and Robert Schub.

MEDIA

"Pacific Island Nations Want Partners That Will Help Them Fight Climate Change," Opinion, The Diplomat, October 18, 2019: https://thediplomat.com/2019/10/pacific-island-nations-want-partners-that-will-help-them-fight-climate-change/

"Cambodia and Other Southeast Asian Nations Shouldn't Be Stuck with Western Trash," Opinion, Geopolitical Monitor, August 13, 2019: https://www.geopoliticalmonitor.com/cambodia-and-other-southeast-asian-nations-shouldnt-be-stuck-with-western-trash/

"For the Chinese, Trade War Success is a Matter of Pride," Opinion, Charged Affairs, July 22, 2019: https://chargedaffairs.org/for-the-chinese-trade-war-success-is-a-matter-of-pride/

"Huawei's Teachable Moment on Public Diplomacy," Opinion, Geopolitical Monitor, May 21, 2019: https://www.geopoliticalmonitor.com/huaweis-teachable-moment-on-public-diplomacy/

"Make America Great with More Overseas Travel and Study Opportunities for Young People," Op-Ed, The Plain Dealer (Cleveland, OH), April 7, 2017: http://www.cleveland.com/opinion/index.ssf/2017/04/making_overseas_travel_more_av.html#incart_river_index

"Naima Green & the Dialogue with Young African Leaders," YouTube video for U.S. Department of State, April 27, 2011. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NLD_yUUKTuQ

"White House Internship: Memories that Motivate," White House blog, September 6, 2011. https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/blog/2011/09/06/white-house-internship-memories-motivate

ACADEMIC and PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

ADVISOR, Envision, International Scholar Laureate Program–China, Summers 2018 and 2020. Designated advisor to a group of 20 international undergraduates for 2-week trips to China (2018) and South Africa (2020). Led International Relations and Diplomacy delegations of the Envision ISLP program. Taught lessons, oversaw final projects, and accompanied students to a series of visits in multiple cities.

RESIDENT TUTOR and GOVERNMENT CONCENTRATION ADVISOR, Adams House, Harvard University, August 2016 - present. Designated College Officer and academic advisor for Harvard undergraduates students living in Adams House. Special assignments: Race Relations, International, Fellowships.

INSTRUCTOR, Freedom Summer Teaching Fellowship, Summer 2016. Developed a syllabus for a college-level course on U.S.-China relations, instructed a class of 16 rural high school students in Eudora, Arkansas to prepare them for college, executed a real-life diplomatic simulation as a final exercise, taught math ACT skills.

DIPLOMAT, U.S. Department of State, October 2010 to August 2015.

2014 – 2015 | Consular Officer – U.S. Consulate General Guangzhou, China. Interviewed Chinese applicants seeking non-immigrant visas to the U.S. in one of the top three highest-volume visa posts worldwide. Served as a student/exchange visa expert and organized campaigns to provide up-to-date information regarding student visas.

2011 – 2013 | Public Affairs Officer – U.S. Consulate General Alexandria, Egypt, **Superior Honor Award for outstanding performance, 2013.* Ran the Public Affairs office in the midst of the Egyptian revolution. Supervised a staff of 5 local employees, overseeing all cultural, press, education, and public outreach events in Egypt's North Coast and Delta regions. Supported upgrade of the cultural center in Alexandria to a Consulate General, marked by an opening ceremony hosted by Secretary Hillary Clinton in July 2012. Created the Consulate website, ran the American library and a branch library in Damanhour, collaborated on community programs with institutions such as the Bibliotheca Alexandrina and the University of Alexandria, developed relationships with civil society actors in post-revolution Egypt, coordinated press opportunities for U.S. officials, managed more than 50 cultural visitors including Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and oversaw a budget of over $250,000.

2011 | Delegate to the African Union Youth Summit – Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Assisted with the State Department's "Dialogue with Young African Leaders" and served as one of two delegates to the African Union Youth Summit.

ADVANCE ASSOCIATE, The White House, Office of the Vice President, September 2010 to October 2010. Worked with a small advance team to prepare for Vice Presidential visits to cities in the United States. Roles: motorcade advance, site assistant.

INTERNSHIPS:

- The White House, Office of Public Engagement, Summer 2010. Portfolios: International Affairs/ Disabilities/Arts. Researched and wrote background memoranda, assisted in planning and staffing events, organized briefings with NSC officials, helped draft blog posts and talking points, compiled contact databases, various administrative tasks. Events: President's Forum for Young African Leaders and African Diaspora Communities Follow-up Briefing, 20th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Comprehensive Iran Sanctions Act Bill Signing.

- Mission to the African Union, U.S. Department of State, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Summer 2009. Took the lead on several projects and tasks: creation of a USAU Facebook page, press releases and outreach for Public Diplomacy events, assistance on USAID and DOD initiatives, managing a visiting group of DOD audiovisual consultants to the AU, cables to DC, and liaising with African Union-related youth organizations.

TEACHING and RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

Teaching Assistant, "Chinese Foreign Policy," Harvard University, taught by Alastair Iain Johnston, Spring 2018. Taught a weekly review session. Assisted with syllabus development.

Teaching Assistant, "American Foreign Policy," Harvard University, taught by Joshua Kertzer, Fall 2017. Taught two weekly review sessions. Assisted with syllabus development.

Research Assistant, University–Wide Inclusion and Belonging Task Force, Harvard University, under guidance of co–chair Danielle Allen, Spring 2017. Compiled and designed questions for a survey on diversity and social capital outcomes to be administered to all Harvard students, faculty and staff.

Course Assistant, "Modern Diplomacy," taught by former Undersecretary of State R. Nicholas Burns at Harvard Kennedy School, Spring 2010. Researched, compiled, and created a module on the use of diplomacy to end South African apartheid, advised Prof. Burns on course readings and materials, organized student group work, created weekly study questions, recorded and assessed class participation, created multimedia presentations for class lectures. Delivered two lectures for the Darfur and South Africa modules of the Modern Diplomacy course: "NGO Involvement in the Darfur Conflict" and "The Impact of U.S. Public Action on Diplomatic Relations with South Africa during the Apartheid Era."

Student Assistant, Chasing the Flame Campaign, directed by Samantha Power at Harvard Kennedy School, September 2008-May 2009. One of four Kennedy School students chosen by Samantha Power to help craft a campaign surrounding her February 2008 book about the life of UN diplomat Sergio Vieira

de Mello to engage youth, international NGO professionals, diplomats, and civic society groups in foreign policy. Worked with Samantha Power, Cause & Affect, Facing History and Ourselves, and a Harvard Graduate School of Education team. Contributed as a blogger on the Chasing the Flame website.

CONFERENCES

(O, conference organizer; C, panel chair; D, discussant/commenter; P, paper/panel; PS, poster)

International Studies Association (ISA) Conference, Honolulu, HI, March 2020. (O/P - "Public Diplomacy, Propaganda, and Public Opinion in Authoritarian Contexts; P - "Global Opinion and Soft Power in International Politics"; C - "New Directions in Public Opinion about Foreign Policy I")

National Security Action Retreat, Albuquerque, NM, December 2019. Invited participant.

Peace Science Conference, Manhattan, KS, November 2019. (P)

George H.W. Bush Conference on U.S.–China Relations, Houston, TX, October 2019. (Selected as a "Millenial Mastermind")

American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference, Washington, DC, August 2019. (P, Session: "Organizing and Communication")

Aspen Strategy Group (ASG) Summer Workshop, Aspen, CO, August 2019. (D, Session: "The Case for Allies: Coordinating a Response to China")

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2019. (P, Session: "Public Opinion - Race, Gender, Immigration, and Nation")

Future Strategy Forum: "The Future of Statecraft," Smart Women, Smart Power Initiative, CSIS, Washington, DC, April 2019. (P, Session: "Future of International Organizations")

International Studies Association (ISA) Conference, Toronto, Canada, March 2019. (PS, Session: "Frames for Understanding: Gender, Identity and New IR Theory")

National Collegiate Research Conference, Cambridge, MA, January 2019. (P, Session: "Diversity and Advocacy in Research")

Conference of Ford Fellows, Irvine, CA, October 2018. (P)

APSA Political Communication Pre–Conference, Boston, MA, August 2018. (P)

International Studies Association (ISA) Conference, San Francisco, CA, April 2018. (P, Session: "Publics and Audiences: The Politics of Information Control and Dissemination")

International Studies Association (ISA) Hong Kong Conference, Hong Kong University, June 2017. (P, D, C, Session: "Rationality and Cognition in Foreign Policy")

China and International Relations (CHAIR) Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, November 2016. (P)

New Era Foreign Policy Conference, hosted by the Bridging the Gap project at American University, March 2016. Scholar profile at: http://bridgingthegapproject.org/btg-scholars/naima-green/

Black Policy Conference, Harvard Kennedy School, April 2009 (O, Vice Chair) and April 2010 (O, Co-Chair). Served as chief logistical and management lead for a conference that aims to create a network of black leaders in public service and to brainstorm innovative policies to resolve issues facing African Diaspora communities.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Young Professionals in Foreign Policy, Member (2019-)
Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Graduate Student Associate (2018-)
Midwest Political Science Association, Member (2019-)
International Studies Association, Member (2018-)
Peace Science Society, Member (2018-)
Pacific Council, Member (2018-)
American Political Science Association, Member (2016-)
Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard University, Graduate Student Affiliate (2016-)
Affiliate profile at: http://www.iq.harvard.edu/people/naima-green
Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, Harvard University, Student Advisory Board (2016-2017)

TRAINING

Visual Teaching Studio, Seminar at The Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning, Cambridge, MA, Fall 2019.

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Summer Workshop, Cambridge, MA, June 2019.

International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) Summer Academy, San Antonio, TX, July 2018

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR), Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, June 2018

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Curriculum Committee, Department of Government, 2019-2020

Graduate Student Coordinator, IR Research Workshop and Speakers Series, 2017-2018

LANGUAGES

CHINESE (MANDARIN), advanced proficiency
ARABIC (EGYPTIAN), intermediate proficiency

SOFTWARE

R – LaTeX – Qualtrics – Final Cut Pro – Adobe Premiere – ArcMap