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### **Academic Appointments**

Visiting Assistant Professor at the University of Kentucky (Aug 2021-Present)

### **Education**

**PhD** (2021) University of Kentucky, Political Science

Dissertation Title: International Cooperation Networks and Economic Sanction Effectiveness

Committee: Dr. Jesse Johnson (chair), Dr. Tiffany Barnes, Dr. Daniel Morey, Dr. Clayton Thyne and Dr. Tony Love

**MA** (2021) University of Kentucky, Political Science

**BA** (2016) University of Richmond, Political Science and International Studies

### **Research and Teaching Interests**

International Relations, Conflict Processes, International Political Economy, Asian Politics

### **Publications**

Vyas, Gargi (2016). "The US-Japan Alliance: Japan's Security Provider?" In *Maritime Perspectives 2015*, ed. Vijay Sakhuja and Gurpreet S. Khurana, New Delhi: National Maritime Foundation.

Vyas, Gargi (2015). "Book Review on The People's Republic of Amnesia: Tiananmen Revisited (2014) by Louisa Lim" In *East Asia Monitor 2* (1), New Delhi: Institute for Defense Studies and Analyses.

### **Working Papers**

Vyas, Gargi. "Multilateral Sanction Effectiveness and Sender Cohesion."

Vyas, Gargi. "Constraining the Sanction Buster: State Network Ties and Sanction Effectiveness"

### **Awards, Fellowships, and Scholarships**

2021 Malcolm E. Jewell Outstanding Graduate Student Award

- 2021 Women in Political Science (WIPS) Scholarship
- 2020 Lyman T. Johnson Fellowship (Fall Semester)
- 2020 Crum Graduate Student Paper Award, University of Kentucky
- 2019 Lyman T. Johnson Fellowship (Fall Semester)
- 2019 Emerging Scholar in International Relations Award, University of Kentucky
- 2018 Lyman T. Johnson Fellowship (Fall Semester)
- 2013 Arts and Sciences Summer Research Fellowship, University of Richmond
- 2013 Presidential Scholarship, University of Richmond
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### **Research Experience**

2020-2021 PhD candidate, University of Kentucky

- Investigated the effect of cohesion within state networks on sanction success
- Examined how state relations can prevent sanction busting from causing economic sanction failure
- Evaluated potential explanations for sanction coalition formation
- Studied the influence of economic sanctions on civil war onset in neighboring states

2017-2019 Graduate Student, University of Kentucky

- Studied the effect of interstate cooperation on multilateral sanction effectiveness using regression methods and social network analysis
- Tested the relationship between a state's governance quality and respect for rights using an instrumental variable design
- Studied the influence of a state's human rights performance on citizens' trust in government using multilevel modeling
- Examined how coalition governments affect interstate crisis bargaining duration based on self-collected data on 114 cases of coalition governments from 1919 to 2015
- Tested the impact of terrorist activity on foreign policy attitudes held by Israeli citizens

2016 Undergraduate Student, University of Richmond

- Thesis for the International Studies major with specialization in World Politics and Diplomacy focused on the Moro civil conflict in the Philippines and human rights violations committed in the region

2016 Research Assistant, Dr. Stephen Long

- Independent Study on the effect of ideological threats on rates of military development in states

2015 Research Intern, National Maritime Foundation

- Presented and published research on the US-Japan Security Alliance and its role in the Diayou/Senkaku islands dispute

- Studied the role of the Indian Navy in free international navigation measures

2014 Research Assistant, Dr. Vincent Wang

- Independent Study on Sino-Indian relations, with a specific focus on territorial disputes

2013 Research Assistant, Dr. Cornelius Beausang

- Gamma-Ray Spectroscopy research in the field of Environmental Radioactivity at the University of Richmond and the Cyclotron Laboratory at Texas A&M University

- Presented research at the American Physical Society Department of Nuclear Physics Conference, and at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute Research Symposium

### **Conference Presentations and Participation**

2021 Accepted to present in the International Collaboration section at the American Political Science Association Conference (APSA), Seattle WA

2021 Accepted to present in the Peace Science section at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA), Chicago IL (virtual due to Covid-19)

2021 Discussant for the Regional Politics Undergraduate Panel at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA), Chicago IL (virtual due to Covid-19)

2020 Accepted to present in the Markets and Conflict subsection of the Conflict Processes Division at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA), Chicago IL (conference cancelled due to Covid-19)

2020 Discussant for the Inequality and Development E-Panel and the International Political Economy and Development Poster Session at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA), Chicago IL (conference cancelled due to Covid-19)

2020 Presented paper titled “Constraining the sanction buster: State network ties and sanction effectiveness” in the Kentucky Political Science Association Conference (KPSA), Morehead KY

2019 Presented research at the American Political Science Association Political Networks Conference at Duke University, Durham NC

2019 Presented in the Domestic Politics and International Relations Junior Scholar Symposium at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA), Chicago IL

2019 Chair for the Political Violence and Human Rights Lightning Talk at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA), Chicago IL

2019 Discussant for The Cross-Strait Relationship: The Way Towards Reunification Poster Session at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA), Chicago IL

2018 Presented paper titled “Multilateral Sanction Effectiveness and Issue Linkages” in the Kentucky Political Science Association Conference (KPSA), Murray KY

### **Travel Grants and Funding**

2021 Arts and Sciences Block Fund Scholarship (\$2,000)

2020 Coleman Awards for Summer Research, University of Kentucky (\$1,500)

2020 Conference Travel Funds (MPSA), University of Kentucky (\$650)

2019 Conference Travel Funds (APSA PolNet), University of Kentucky (\$700)

2019 Coleman Awards for Summer Research, University of Kentucky (\$1,500)

2019 Conference Travel Funds (MPSA), University of Kentucky (\$550)

2018 Coleman Awards for Summer Research, University of Kentucky (\$1,200)

2017 Confucius Institute funding towards Chinese language study, Shanghai University (~\$1,000)

2015 Internship Funds, University of Richmond (~\$4,000)

2013 Travel funds for the Scholars in Residence Program, University of Richmond (~\$2500)

### **Teaching Experience**

Fall 2021 Global Peacebuilding (Primary Instructor)

Fall 2021 Asian Politics (Primary Instructor)

Fall 2021 Introduction to Comparative Politics (Primary Instructor)

Spring 2021 Peace Studies Capstone Seminar (Primary Instructor)

Winter 2021 Contemporary Global Conflicts (Primary Instructor)

Summer 2020 Introduction to International Relations (Primary Instructor)

Spring 2020 Introduction to International Relations (Primary Instructor)

Summer 2019 Summer Internship in Political Science (Teaching Assistant)

Spring 2019 Introduction to Comparative Politics (Primary Instructor)

Spring 2018 Introduction to Comparative Politics (Teaching Assistant)

Fall 2017 Introduction to American Politics (Teaching Assistant)

Spring 2017 Introduction to International Relations (Teaching Assistant)

Fall 2016 Introduction to International Relations (Teaching Assistant)

### **Teaching Training**

2021 Engaging Students in Discussion Workshop, Center for Learning and Teaching, University of Kentucky

2021 Fostering (Inter)Active Learning with Google Apps Workshop, Center for Learning and Teaching, University of Kentucky

2020 Webinar on Online Instruction: Moving Oral Presentations Online, Center for Learning and Teaching, University of Kentucky

2019 Active Listening Workshop, Counseling Center and the Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky

2019 Anti-Discrimination Training, Office of Institutional Equity and Equal Opportunity, University of Kentucky

2019 Team Based Learning, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky

2018 Identifying and Responding to Microaggressions Teaching Workshop, Center for Learning and Teaching, University of Kentucky

2017 Cultural Competence 101, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky

2017 Team Based Learning, Department of Sociology, University of Kentucky

2017 Navigating Conflict and Building Bridges Teaching Workshop, Center for Learning and Teaching, University of Kentucky

### **Methods and Research Writing Training**

2020 Research Writing, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky

2019 Social Network Analysis Workshops at the APSA PolNet Conference, Duke University

2018 Causal Inference, Martin School of Public Policy, University of Kentucky

2018 Introduction to Social Network Analysis, Department of Education, University of Kentucky

2018 QGIS Workshop, Quantitative Initiative for Policy and Social Research, University of Kentucky

2018 Multilevel Analysis Training, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky

2018 Introduction to Text Analysis, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky

2018 Grant Writing Workshop, Quantitative Initiative for Policy and Social Research, University of Kentucky

2018 Regression in R, Quantitative Initiative for Policy and Social Research, University of Kentucky

2017 Multivariate Regression, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky

2016 OLS Regression, Department of Sociology, University of Kentucky

### **Professional Experience**

2020 Speaker, Asian and Asian-American Experiences of Race and Equity, University of Kentucky

2019 Copyeditor, Dr. Jilliene Haglund's book project, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky

2019-20 Vice President, University of Kentucky Political Science Graduate Student Association

2019 Research Assistant, Special Collections Research Center, University of Kentucky Libraries

2018-19 Secretary, University of Kentucky Political Science Graduate Student Association

2018 Research Assistant, Special Collections Research Center, University of Kentucky Libraries

2017 Chinese Language and Culture Program Participant, Shanghai University and Confucius Institute at the University of Kentucky

2015 Research Intern, National Maritime Foundation

- Published and presented research on the US-Japan Security Alliance
- Studied the role of the Indian Navy in free international navigation measures
- Participated in seminar with the French Embassy in India and the Indian Navy and Coast Guard.
- Engaged in talks on the Philippines vs. China UNCLOS tribunal organized by the Embassy of the Philippines in India at the Institute for Defense Studies and Analyses, New Delhi

2014 Intern, National Commission for Women in New Delhi, India

- Studied and assisted with legal and human rights cases received by the Non-Residential Indian Department of the Commission

2013 Sophomore Scholars in Residence Program Participant, University of Richmond

- Participated in a course on “Post-Blackness in the UK” for the 2013-14 academic year
- Studied racial issues and ethno-national identities in modern day Britain
- Travel component involved a university sponsored week-long visit to London, UK

### **Skills**

Trained to use STATA, R, SPSS, JAVA and C++

Native/Bilingual Proficiency in Hindi and English

Beginner proficiency in Mandarin