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APPOINTMENTS

Professor, Department of Political Science, Ohio State University, Columbus OH. 2022-present.

Associate Professor with tenure, Department of Political Science, Ohio State University, Columbus OH. 2012-2022.

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Ohio State University, Columbus OH 2004-2012.

Co-Chair, International Studies Concentration. University of Chicago, 2001-2004.

Instructor, Committee on International Relations, University of Chicago, 2001-2004.

Visiting Professor, Lund University. 2021-2022 (supported by the WennerGren Foundations); spring 2017.

EDUCATION

PhD., University of Chicago, Chicago, IL., political science, August 2001.

M.A., University of Chicago, Chicago, IL., international relations, *with honors*.

B.A., Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT., economics.

GRANTS

Individual

Research Grant, Mershon Center for International Security Studies. For project: The Unthinkability of Genocide, summer 2023.

Research Grant, Wenner-Gren Foundations, 2021-2022. For project: Ontological Insecurity and far right populism: Disinformation, Fantasy, and emotional governance (USD 22,210).

Faculty Research Grant, Mershon Center for International Security Studies, Ohio State University, spring 2022.

Casper Fellow, Ohio State University Department of Political Science, 2018-2019.
International Policy Summer Institute, Bridging the Gap Washington, D.C., June 2018.

Group

Advisory Board, “Ritual Action: Making Deterrence Matter in International Security and Memory Politics” PI: Maria Malksoo, University of Copenhagen, Consolidator Grant, European Research Council. Funded from 2023-2028.

International Cooperating Partner, Research Training Group on “The Emergence of Modern World Politics.” Professor Mathias Albert, University of Bielefeld, Germany. Funded from October 2017-March 2022.

Scientific Advisory Board, GLOBUS: Reconsidering Europe’s Contributions to Global Justice, a Horizon 2020 project funded from 2016-2020. PI: Helene Sjørnsen, ARENA, Oslo, Norway.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Article, Diplomatic Studies Section, International Studies Association, for “The Dark Matter of World Politics: System Trust, Summits, and State Personhood,” March 2023.

ISSS Best Book Award, International Security Studies Section (ISSS), International Studies Association, 2015, for *Power in Concert: The Nineteenth Century Origins of Global Governance*.

Honorable Mention, Francesco Guicciardini Prize, Historical International Relations Section, International Studies Association, 2015, for *Power in Concert: The Nineteenth Century Origins of Global Governance*.

Honorable Mention, Jervis-Schroeder Award, International History and Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2014, for *Power in Concert: The Nineteenth Century Origins of Global Governance*.

Best Article 2006, *European Journal of International Relations*, for “Ontological Security in World Politics: State Identity and the Security Dilemma.”

PUBLICATIONS

Solo Authored Book

Mitzen, Jennifer. 2013. *Power in Concert: The Nineteenth Century Origins of Global Governance*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Roundtable/Exchanges:

1. 2016. “Critical Dialogue,” *Perspectives on Politics*, 14 (1): 184-190.
2. 2015. H-Diplo/ISSF Roundtable, VII (11):1-49.

Reviews: *Choice*; *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*; *Ethics and International Affairs*; *International Studies Review*; *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*.

Co-Edited Book

Kinnvall, Catarina, Ian Manners and Jennifer Mitzen, eds. 2019. *Ontological (In)Security in the European Union*, Routledge Press.

Journal Publications

15. Mitzen, J. 2023. "One Concept, Many Worlds: Teaching Toward the Future in an Imperfect Discipline," *Global Studies Quarterly*, 3 (1), <https://doi-org.proxy.lib.ohio-state.edu/10.1093/isagsq/ksad008>.
14. Ku, M. and J. Mitzen. 2022. "The Dark Matter of World Politics: System Trust, Summits, and State Personhood," *International Organization*, 76(4): 799-829.
13. Kinnvall, C. and J. Mitzen. 2020. "Anxiety, fear, and ontological security in world politics: thinking with and beyond Giddens," *International Theory*, 12(2): 240-256.
12. Mitzen, J. 2018. "Feeling at home in Europe: migration, ontological security, and the political psychology of European borders," *Political Psychology*, 36(9): 1373-1387.
11. Mitzen, J. 2018. "Anxious community: Europe as (in) security community," *European Security*, 27(3): 393-413.
10. Kinnvall, C., I. Manners, and J. Mitzen. 2018. "Ontological (in)security in the European Union," *European Security*, 27(3): 249-265.
9. Kinnvall, C. and J. Mitzen. 2018. "Ontological security: dynamics of crisis and constitution of community," *Journal of International Relations and Development*, 21(4): 825-835.
8. Agnew, J.; Checkel, J.T.; Deudney, D.; Mitzen, J.; Guzzini, S. 2017. The return of geopolitics in Europe? Social mechanisms and foreign policy identity crises. *Cooperation and Conflict*, 52 (3), 399-422.
7. Kinnvall, C. and J. Mitzen. 2017. "Ontological securities in world politics," *Cooperation and Conflict*, 52 (1): 3-11.
6. Mitzen, J. 2016. "Security communities and the unthinkabilities of war," *Annual Review of Political Science*, 19: 229-248.
5. Mitzen, J. 2015. "Illusion or intention?: talking grand strategy into existence," *Security Studies*, 24(1): 61-94.
4. Mitzen, J. and R. Schweller. 2011. "Knowing the unknown unknowns: misplaced certainty and the onset of war," *Security Studies*, 20(1): 2-35.
3. Mitzen, J. 2006. "Ontological security in world politics: state identity and the security dilemma," *European Journal of International Relations*, 12(3): 341- 370.
2. Mitzen, J. 2006. "Anchoring Europe's civilizing identity: habits, capabilities, and ontological security," *Journal of European Public Policy*, 13(2): 270-285.
1. Mitzen, J. 2005. "Reading Habermas in anarchy: multilateral diplomacy and global public spheres," *American Political Science Review*, 99(3): 401-417. Reprinted in

International Diplomacy, edited by Iver Neumann and Halvard Leira, (SAGE Publications, 2013).

Book Chapters

4. Mitzen, J. and J. Rogg. 2023. "The Congress of Vienna in History and IR Theory," *Oxford Handbook on History and International Relations*, Ed.s Mlada Bukovansky, Edward Keene, Chris Reus-Smit, Maja Spanu.
3. Mitzen, J. and K. Larson. 2017. "Ontological Security and Foreign Policy," *Encyclopedia of Foreign Policy Analysis*, Oxford University Press. (10,909 words)
2. Mitzen, J. 2015. "From Representation to Governing: Diplomacy and the Constitution of Public Power," in Iver Neumann, Vincent Pouliot, and Ole Jacob Sending, eds. *Diplomacy: The Making of World Politics* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), pp. 111-139.
1. Mitzen, J. 2010. "Collective Intentionality and Global Governance," in Markus Kornprobst and Corneliu Bjola, eds. *Arguing Global Governance: Agency, Lifeworld, and Shared Reasoning* (NY: Routledge), pp.52-66.

Editorships of Symposia, Forums, and Special Issues

4. Kinnvall, C. and J. Mitzen, eds. 2020. "Anxiety, Ontological Security, and World Politics," *International Theory*, 12(2).
3. Kinnvall, C., I. Manners and J. Mitzen, eds. 2018. "Ontological (in)security in the European Union," 2018. Co-editor and co-author of introduction with Catarina Kinnvall and Ian Manners, *European Security*, 27(3).
2. Kinnvall, C. and J. Mitzen, eds. 2018. "Ontological Security: Dynamics of Crisis and Constitution of Community," *Journal of International Relations and Development*, 21(4).
1. Kinnvall, C. and J. Mitzen. 2017. "Ontological Securities in World Politics," *Cooperation and Conflict*, 52(1).

Book Reviews

6. 2023. Caiani, A., de Lange, E., Mori, J., Verpoest, L., Mitzen, J., and Sluga, G. Roundtable Review of Glenda Sluga. *The Invention of International Order: Remaking Europe after Napoleon*. H-Diplo. I wrote the introduction to this Roundtable.
5. 2021. Bell, D.A., de Graaf, B., Heuser, B., Mitzen, J., Nakhimovsky, I., Ott, T.G., Vick, B. Roundtable Review of Beatrice de Graaf's *Fighting Terror after Napoleon*:

How Europe Became Secure after 1815. H-Diplo Vol. XXII-38. 30 pages. I wrote the introduction to this Roundtable.

4. 2016. Review of Barry Buzan and George Lawson, *The Global Transformation: History, Modernity and the Making of International Relations* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press), H-Diplo/ISSF Roundtable VIII (10): 8-12.
3. 2013. "The Irony of Pinkerism," a review of Steven Pinker, *The Better Angels of our Nature: Why Violence Has Declined* (NY: Penguin Books 2011), *Perspectives on Politics*, 11(2): 525-528.
2. 2008. Review of Ian Clark, *International Legitimacy and World Society* (NY: Oxford University Press), *Ethics and International Affairs*, 22(2): 223- 225.
1. 2001. Book Note: Andrew Valls, ed. 2000. *Ethics in International Affairs: Theories and Cases*," *Ethics*, 111(4): 850-1.

MEASURES OF IMPACT

Web of Science Citation Count: 9 9 1 (979 without self-citations) h-index 11

Google Scholar Citation Count: 3679 h-index 16

WORKS UNDER REVIEW

- "The Disciplinary Exemplarity of the Congress of Vienna" part of a proposed volume, *The Global Politics of Example*, edited by Dorothy Noyes (Ohio State) and Tobias Wille (Goethe Institute Frankfurt and Columbia University).

WORKS IN PREPARATION

Co-author:

- with Kara Hooser. "Welcome to the Gray Zone: A Gender Analysis of US Strategic Anxiety."
- with Catarina Kinnvall, "All Security is Ontological."
- With Minseon Ku, "System Trust and International Conflicts"

Solo author:

- "The Problem with Order: Three Variations on a Theme."
- "Unthinkabilities in World Politics," book MS.

INVITED TALKS (selected)

Keynote Address: “One Concept, Many Worlds: Teaching Toward the Future in an Imperfect Discipline,” International Studies Association Northeast Annual Conference, November 2022.

“The Dark Matter of World Politics: System Trust, Summits, and State Personhood,” presented at Oxford University, June 2022; Tel Aviv University April 2022.

“Thinking About Unthinkability,” presented at NUPI, Oslo, June 2022; “Workshop on Ontological Security Studies,” Hebrew University, Jerusalem, April 2022; Higher Research Seminar, Lund University, May 2022; “International Order, Governance, and Networks of Cooperation,” Mershon Center, Ohio State University, April 2022.

“Trusting Anarchy: Summits and the Production of State Personhood,” with Minseon Ku. Presented at (1) Political Psychology Workshop, Lund, Sweden, May 2021, and (2) Serbian Educational Alliance, Belgrade University, April 2021.

“US Diplomacy in the Trump era: Back to the Future,” presented at Bielefeld University, May 2019.

“Concerting for peaceful change,” presented at Workshop on Peaceful Change, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, March 2019.

Panelist, Global Trends Blue Sky Meeting, National Intelligence Council (NIC), Notre Dame International Security Center, October 2018.

“Ontological Security as a Holistic Framework of Analysis,” presented at 1) Workshop on Hybrid Peacebuilding, Brisbane, AU, July 2018; 2) DIIS, Copenhagen, Denmark, 23 May 2017.

“Ontological Security and Foreign Policy, presented at the STANCE workshop, Lund University, 26 April 2017.

Keynote Address: Ontological Security, Workshop on Ontological Security and East Asia, University of Birmingham, UK June 2016.

“All Security is Ontological,” presented at 1) Lund University, Sweden, 16 December 2014; 2) Yale University, 25 February 2015.

“Power in Concert,” presented at 1) University of Delaware, 11 April 2014; 2) University of Minnesota, 4 February 2014.

“Ontological Security in World Politics: The Dynamics of Crisis and the Constitution of Community,” presented with Catarina Kinnvall at the Center for Conflict, Cooperation, and Security, University of Birmingham, UK, 10 December 2013.

“Grand Strategy as Collective Intention: The Concert Talks Russia out of Greece by Talking Greece into Europe,” presented at Dartmouth College IR faculty seminar 13 March 2013.

“Diplomacy and the Constitution of Public Power,” presented at “The Future of Diplomacy,” a workshop at The New School for Social Research, New York, NY, September 2012.

CONFERENCES (selected)

Presenter

- “The Unthinkable Thinkability of Genocide,” presented at the International Studies Association Conference, Montreal, CN, March 2023.
- “Unthinkabilities in World Politics,” presented at the International Studies Association Conference, Nashville, TN April 2022.
- “The Ambivalence of Isolation,” presented as part of roundtable on mentorship, International Studies Association-Northeast Annual Conference, November 2021.
- “The Disciplinary Exemplarity of the Concert of Europe,” presented as part of roundtable at the International Studies Association Conference, April 2021; at Millennium Annual Conference, October 2021; at the International Studies Association Conference, Nashville, TN, April 2022.
- “Ontological Security, Anxiety, and Friendship,” presented as part of roundtable at the International Studies Association-Northeast Conference, November 2020.
- “Understanding Peace Anxieties: Hope, Fear, and the Difficulties of Establishing Basic Trust,” presented at “Exploring Obstacles to Social Cohesion in the Aftermath of Violent Conflict,” a Peacebuilding Symposium at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies, Ohio State, November 2019.
- “Back to Basics: Transactions and Trust in US-NK Denuclearization Diplomacy,” with Minseon Ku, presented at the International Studies Association – Northeast (ISA-NE) Conference, Providence, RI, Nov 2019.
- “Homesteading the Graduate IR Seminar: A pedagogy of Resistance,” presented at the International Studies Association – Northeast (ISA-NE) Conference, Providence, RI, Nov 2019.
- “Homeland or Homespace: Westphalian Territoriality and Beyond,” presented at the Central and Eastern European International Studies Association (CEEISA) Conference, Belgrade, Serbia, 2019.
- “Welcome to the Gray Zone: A Feminist Analysis of Strategic Anxiety,” with Kara Hooser, presented at the Central and Eastern European International Studies Association (CEEISA) Conference, Belgrade, Serbia, 2019.
- “All Security is Ontological,” International Political Science Association, Brisbane AU, 2018; European International Studies Association, Prague, CZ, 2018.
- “Anxious Community,” European International Studies Association, Prague, CZ, 2018.
- “Anxiety, Ontological Security, and World Politics,” presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP), Edinburgh, Scotland, July 2017.
- “Anxious Community,” presented at Ystad, Sweden October 2017; Helsinki, Finland,

June 2017.

“The EU’s migration crisis and ontological security,” presented at Ystad, Sweden, Oct 2017 and Copenhagen, DK, January 2017.

“Security Communities and the Unthinkabilities of War,” presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP), San Diego, CA, July 2015.

“All Security is Ontological,” presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), New Orleans, LA, February 2015.

“Grand Strategy as Collective Intention: The Concert Talks Russia out of Greece by Talking Greece into Europe,” presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), San Diego, CA, March 2012.

“On the Relationship Between Ontological and Physical Security-Seeking,” presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), San Diego, CA, March 2012.

Discussant

“Democracy and the Military in Uncertain Times,” a workshop hosted by Professor Sarah Maxey at Loyola University of Chicago, March 2023.

Roundtable on “The Problem with the Problem of Order,” a panel at the International Studies Association (ISA) Conference, Montreal CN, March 2023.

Roundtable on Swati Srivastava’s *Hybrid Sovereignty in World Politics*, a panel at the International Studies Association (ISA) conference, Montreal CN, March 2023.

“Early Twentieth Century International Relations,” a panel at the International Studies Association Conference, Nashville, TN, April 2022.

“New Directions in Ontological Security Research”, a panel at the International Studies Association (ISA) Conference, April 2021.

Roundtable on Brent Steele’s *Restraint in International Politics*, a panel at the International Studies Association – Northeast Conference (ISA-NE), Providence, RI, Nov 2019.

Conference Theme Roundtable on International Relations in the Age of Anxiety, at the Central and Eastern European International Studies Association (CEEISA) Conference, Belgrade, Serbia, 2019.

Discussant, ISA-Northeast Scholar Circle, Swati Srivastava honoree, International Studies Association – Northeast Conference (ISA-NE), Baltimore, MD, Nov 2018.

Roundtable on Andrew A. G. Ross’ *Mixed Emotions: Beyond Fear and Hatred in International Conflict*, International Studies Association-Northeast (ISA-NE), Providence, RI, November 2015.

“Ontological Security: An Emerging Research Agenda,” a panel at the International Studies Association-Northeast (ISA-NE) conference, Providence, RI, November

2015.

“Historicizing the Social in International Thought,” a panel at the International Studies Association-Northeast (ISA-NE) conference, Providence, RI, November 2015.

“Ontological Securities in World Politics,” a panel at the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) annual meeting, San Diego, CA, July 2015.

Roundtable on Rethinking the Origins of the Modern International Order, a panel at the British International Studies Association (BISA) conference, London, England, June 2015.

Roundtable on Recognition and Misrecognition in International Politics, at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), New Orleans, LA, February 2015.

“Crucible of Transformations: International Relations in the Long 19th Century,” a panel at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA), New Orleans, LA, February 2015.

Roundtable on Stefano Guzzini editor, *The Return of Geopolitics in Europe? Social Mechanisms and Foreign Policy Identity Crises* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012), International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Toronto, Canada, March 2014.

Roundtable on Ontological Security Studies, International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, Toronto, Canada, March 2014.

“Normative Power Europe: Empirical and Theoretical Perspectives,” a panel at the International Studies Association (ISA) annual meeting, San Diego, CA, March 2012.

TEACHING (selected)

Awards

- Undergraduate Teaching Award, Department of Political Science, 2015
- Faculty Research Mentorship Award, Sphinx Senior Class Honorary and Mortar Board Senior Honor Society, 2008.

Professional Development/Training

- Drake Institute Teaching Support Program, 2020
- Drake Institute Carmen Common Sense training for on-line teaching, 2020
- REACH Suicide Prevention training, 2020

Graduate

- Ontological Security in World Politics (Technische Universität Darmstadt,

Germany, 2016)

- Writing for Publication (Ohio State University)
- Critical Security Studies (Ohio State University)
- International Organization/Global Governance (Ohio State University)
- Field Seminar: International Relations (Ohio State University)
- Deliberative Processes in World Politics (Ohio State University).

Undergraduate

- Research Colloquium: BA Thesis (Ohio State University)
- Critical Security Studies (Ohio State University)
- Politics of Global Problems (Ohio State University).
- Global Governance (Ohio State University, University of Chicago).
- Theories of International Relations (Ohio State University).

DISCIPLINARY SERVICE

Founding Co-Chair, International Relations Theory Section, American Political Science Association, Sept 2021-

Co-Division Chair, International Relations Theory Section, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting 2022, 2023.

Co-Coordinator, International Relations Theory Colloquium (IRTC), 2022+.

Regional Editor, North America, *European Journal of International Security* (Cambridge U Press, 2020+). This is the journal of the British International Studies Association (BISA).

Member, Governing Council, ISA-Northeast, 2020-.

Editorial Boards

- *Cooperation & Conflict*, September 2020+
- *Contemporary Security Policy*, January 2017+
- *Hague Journal of Diplomacy*, April 2016-June 2022
- *Security Studies*, May 2015+
- *Journal of Global Security Studies* (JoGSS), September 2014 +
- *International Theory*, second term June 2020+

Additional Disciplinary Service

- Co-Organizer, “Serious Games in World Politics,” a workshop on pedagogy and research, building ties between research communities at University of

Belgrade and Ohio State University, sponsored by the Serbian Educational Alliance (SEA), June 2023.

- Co-Organizer, “What States Do, Who States Are: Routines, Foreign Policy, and International Politics,” a symposium at Ohio State University, sponsored by the Serbian Educational Alliance. Co-organizer: Filip Ejdus, University of Belgrade. April 2022.
- Committee Member, Karl Deutsch Award Committee, International Studies Association (ISA), March 2022-March 2024.
- Co-Organizer, “Ontological Security and International Relations II,” a workshop at Lund University, Sweden, sponsored by *Political Psychology* and the Political Science Departments of Lund University and Ohio State University. Co-organizer: Catarina Kinnvall, Lund University 2019.
- Mentor, Pay it Forward, Women’s Caucus of the International Studies Association (WCIS), CEE-ISA, Belgrade, Serbia, June 2019.
- Mentor, Junior Scholar Symposium, ISA San Francisco 2018.
- Committee Member, Jervis-Schroeder Award (APSA), 2014.
- Faculty Mentor, Workshop on Interpretive and Relational Methodologies, ISA Northeast, Baltimore, MD November 2014.
- Co-Organizer, “Ontological Security and International Relations,” a workshop at Lund University, Sweden, sponsored by Riksbanken and the Political Science Department, Ohio State University. Co-organizer: Catarina Kinnvall. 2013.
- Co-Organizer, “The Politics of Talk in International Relations,” a workshop at the Research Centre ‘Transformations of the State’, sponsored by the University of Bremen & Jacobs University Bremen. Co-organizers: Jens Steffek and Ron Krebs. 2008.
- Committee Member, ISA Theory Section, Best Paper Awards. 2013.
- Reviewer for: *Acta Politica*; *American Political Science Review*; *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*; *Disasters*; *Contemporary Security Policy*; *European Journal of International Relations*; *Hague Journal of Diplomacy*; *International Organization*; *International Political Sociology*; *International Relations*; *International Studies Quarterly*; *International Studies Review*; *International Theory*; *Journal of International Relations and Development*; *Journal of Global Security Studies*; *Journal of Peace Research*; *Journal of Politics*; *Review of International Studies*; *Security Dialogue*; *Security Studies*; *Texas National Security Review*.

Cambridge University Press; Oxford University Press; Princeton University Press; Routledge Press; Polity Press; Grawemeyer Award; ISA Compendium; Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada; Israel Science Foundation.

Ohio State University

University Service

- Mentor, Community of Scholars (pilot program), Arts and Sciences, spring 2023.
- Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee (ASCC) 2014-15
- Social and Behavioral Sciences (ASC) Panel 2014-15
- ASC Honors Committee 2014-2018, including Graduation subcommittee, 2014-15; Research Awards Subcommittee, 2015 -18.
- Globalization Studies 2005-06, 2006-07.
- Advisory Board, Public Sphere and Social Imaginaries Working Group, 2009-10.

University Affiliations

- Faculty Affiliate, Modeling Emergent Social Order (MESO) Lab, Ohio State University, 2022.
- Core Team Member for Political Science/US Studies, Serbian Educational Alliance (SEA), Center for Slavic and East European Studies (CSEES), 2022.

Department Service

- **Chair:**
- Undergraduate Studies and Assessment, 2014-2018
- Honors, 2014-18
- **Member:**
- Diversity, 2017-18, 2018-19
- Executive, 2014-2019
- Graduate Studies Committee 2004-05; 2005-06; 2019-2022
- Undergraduate Thesis Awards Committee 2006
- IR Search Committee 2006-07, 2022-2023
- Admissions Committee 2008; 2013; 2020; 2023
- Undergraduate Studies Committee 2010-11; 2011-12; 2012-13
- Undergraduate Awards Committee 2011
- Global Justice Search Committee 2012

Faculty advisor/coordinator

Undergraduate:

- *Journal of Politics and International Affairs (JPIA)*, a student-run journal publishing original research, August 2017+.
- *Leading Women of Tomorrow*, undergraduate student organization, local chapter of national group, 2018-2020.

Graduate

- *Women in Political Science (WIPS)*, graduate student organization, 2018-2019.
- *Critical Research in International Politics (CRIP)*, a speaker series co-coordinated with Alexander Wendt, funded by the Mershon Center, 2016-17.