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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, Purdue University Expected: May 2027
Dissertation: Naming, Shaming, and Feeling: The Emotional Dynamics of International Human Rights Shaming and Bystander Reactions
Committee: Drs. Ann Marie Clark (Co-chair), Tyler Girard (Co-chair), Mollie Cohen, K.Chad Clay (University of Georgia)
Fields: International Relations, Political Psychology

M.A., Political Science, Purdue University 2023

B.Sc., Psychology & B.A., Political Science, Purdue University 2021
Minors in Philosophy, English, Human Rights
Certificate in Public Policy

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

Lab Manager Fall 2024 - Present
Joe and Maggie Kernan (JMK) Experimental Social Science Lab

Genocide and Atrocity Prevention Research Fellow 2026-2027
Simon-Skjodt Center for the Prevention of Genocide
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

Todd Scholar 2025-2027
Peace-building and Conflict Prevention, Rotary Global Grant
The Rotary Foundation

Graduate Fellow and Lab Manager Fall 2023 - Summer 2024
Law and Conflict (LAC) Research Lab

RESEARCH

** denotes graduate co-author, ** denotes external co-author*

Conditionally Accepted

Mukherjee, Mitushi. "Social Capital, Platform Power, and the Private Authority of Big Tech Firms: Theorizing The Micro-Foundations of Platform Power Among Social Networking Sites".
Conditionally Accepted at *International Studies Quarterly.*

Mukherjee, Mitushi."Naming, Shaming, and Framing: Patterns of Accountability for HR Violations by the US".
Conditionally Accepted as a part of the *Symposium for Human Rights in the US* at *PS: Political Science and Politics.*

Grillos, Tara, Janel Jett**, **Mitushi Mukherjee**, and Erin P. Hennes**. "Disentangling Distrust: Biased metaperceptions of altruism, reciprocity, and competence from out-partisans".

Working Papers

Kunkel, Sky*[1], and **Mitushi Mukherjee[1]**."What's in a Name? Implications of Overusing 'Sub-Saharan Africa'."Invited to Revise and Resubmit at *International Studies Perspectives.*

Cohen, Mollie J.[1], **Mitushi Mukherjee[1]**, and Laura Quintero*[1]. "Do Advances in the Measurement of Authoritarianism Travel? "Under Review.

Mukherjee, Mitushi, Tyler Girard, Logan Strother, and Daniel Bennett."Human Rights and Public Opinion."

Cohen, Mollie J.[1], Caroline Lindey**[1], and **Mitushi Mukherjee[1]**."Economic boon or political deterrent: explaining the placement of immigration detention facilities."

Cohen, Mollie J.[1], Caroline Lindey**[1], and **Mitushi Mukherjee[1]**."Fire and ICE: How emotional appeals affect anti-ICE protest behaviour."

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

External

Institute for Humane Studies Academic Mentorship Program ($8,000)
The Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University 2026-2027
With Dr. Mollie J. Cohen

Genocide and Atrocity Prevention Research Fellowship ($20,000)
Simon-Skjodt Center for the Prevention of Genocide
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum 2026-2027

Humane Studies Fellowship ($5000)
The Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University 2025

Todd Scholarship for Research in Peace Building and Conflict Prevention ($40,000)
Rotary Global Grant, The Rotary International 2025-2027

Human Rights Measurement Workshop Honorarium ($1000)
Center for Nonviolence and Peace Studies, University of Rhode Island 2024

Conference Travel Grant ($400)
International Studies Association 2023

Conference Travel Grant ($400)
American Political Science Association 2025, 2024

Purdue University

Type I Laboratory and University Core Facility Research Equipment Program ($21,838)
Office of Research, Purdue University 2025
With Dr. Bryce Dietrich for Joe and Maggie Kernan Experimental Social Science Lab

Summer School in International Survey Methods Attendance Scholarship ($1500)
Department of Political Science, Purdue University 2024

ICPSR Attendance Scholarship ($2600)
Department of Political Science, Purdue University 2022

Graduate Student Organization Grant Allocation ($1500)
Purdue Graduate Student Government on behalf of the Political Science Graduate Student Association
With Kayla Gurganus and Alexander Wilhelm 2022

Indian Emerging Scholar ($15,000) 2017-2021
Veeyes Charities – Indian Emerging Scholar Scholarships, Purdue University

AWARDS

External

Early Career Scholar Award ($500)
International Society of Political Psychology 2025

Author Symposium Award ($400)
Global South Caucus, International Studies Association 2025; 2024

Purdue University

Best Graduate Student Grant Award x2 ($500)
Department of Political Science, Purdue University 2025

Honourable Mention, Outstanding Prospectus Award ($500)
Department of Political Science, Purdue University 2025

McDaniel Graduate Research Award ($1000)
College of Liberal Arts, Purdue University 2023

PROMISE Research/ Travel Award Tier II ($1500)
College of Liberal Arts, Purdue University 2022

PROMISE Research/ Travel Award Tier I X2 ($1500)
College of Liberal Arts, Purdue University 2022; 2021

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL 2026
Paper: Do Advances in the Measurement of Authoritarianism Travel? (With Laura Quintero)

The Society for Personality and Social Psychology, Chicago, IL 2026
Political Psychology pre-conference
Poster: Disentangling Distrust: Biased Metaperceptions of Altruism, Reciprocity, and Competence from Out-partisans

American Political Science Association, Vancouver, Canada 2025
Paper: Naming, Shaming, and Feeling

International Studies Association, Chicago, IL 2025
Paper: Emotions and INGO Messaging

International Studies Association, San Francisco, CA 2024
Paper: Anger and Attribution: What Drives Individuals to Care about Human Rights Violations?

International Studies Association Global South Caucus, Bangkok, Thailand 2023
Paper: What's in a Name? Implications of Overusing 'Sub-Saharan Africa.

British International Studies Association, Glasgow, Scotland 2023
Paper: What Drives People to Care about Human Rights Violations? Emotional Dynamics of Human Rights Violations

American Political Science Association, Los Angeles, CA 2023
Poster: Are Universal Human Rights Really Universal? Measuring Cross-National Public Perceptions of Human Rights

Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA 2023
Paper: Disentangling Partisan Trust.

International Studies Association North East, Baltimore, MD 2022
Paper: Human Rights and Public Opinion: Does it Matter How Much the Public Cares About Human Rights?

INVITED WORKSHOPS

SouthEastern Rights Network (SERN)
Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA February 2026
Presentation: Naming, Shaming, and Framing

Examining Repertoires of Repression, Consortium for Human Rights Analysis and Measurement (CRAM)
Peace Science Society International Conference, Ann Arbor, MI November 2025, 2024
Workshop participant

Consortium for Rights Analysis and Measurement (CRAM) Workshop
Center for Nonviolence and Peace Studies, University of Rhode Island, RI May 2025
Special Issue author: Human Rights in the United States

Global South Caucus for International Studies Author Symposium,
International Studies Association, Chicago, IL March 2025
Presentation: Naming, Shaming, and Feeling

University of Rhode Island Human Rights Measurement Workshop
Center for Nonviolence and Peace Studies, University of Rhode Island, RI June 2024
Presentation: Anger, Attribution, and Public Reactions toward Human Rights

Global South Caucus for International Studies Author Symposium,
International Studies Association, San Francisco, CA April 2024
Presentation: Are Universal Human Rights Really Universal? Measuring Cross-National Public Perceptions of Human Rights (With Tyler Girard, Logan Strother, and, Daniel Bennet)

New Research about Preventing Mass Atrocities
Peace Science Society International Conference, St Louis, MO November 2023
Panel Participant

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record
Introduction to International Relations Summer 2025; Summer 2024; Summer 2023

Introduction to American Government and Politics Summer 2022

Teaching Assistant, Graduate Courses
Dr. Tara Grillos: Experimental Methods Fall 2024

Teaching Assistant, Undergraduate Courses
Dr. Reed Kurtz : Introduction to Environmental Policy Spring 2023

Dr. John Megson: Introduction to American Government and Politics Spring 2022

Dr. John Megson: Governments of the World Spring 2022

Professor Melissa Will: Introduction to International Relations Fall 2021

Guest Lecturer, Purdue University
United States Foreign Policy Making Spring 2026
Lecture: Political Psychology in International Relations

International Law and Conflict — Fall 2025
Lecture: International Statebuilding and the Domestic Politics of State Development

International Organizations — Fall 2024
Lecture: Poverty, Human Rights, and International Organizations

Experimental Methods — Fall 2024
Lecture: Workshop on Survey Design in Political Science

Governments of the World — Spring 2022
Lecture: Indian Democratic System

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

International Society for Political Psychology (ISPP) Summer Academy — Summer 2026
University of New Castle, United Kingdom
Trained in Latest Empirical Methods in Political Psychology

Summer School in International Survey Methods — June 2024
Vanderbilt University
Trained in Multi-Modal Survey design, Sampling, and Survey Experiments

The Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) — Summer 2022
University of Michigan
Trained in Time Series Analysis, Data Visualization, and Introduction to R

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Purdue University
Dr. David Yu — Fall 2025

Dr. Liana Eustacia Reyes — Fall 2023 - Summer 2024

Dr. Bryce Dietrich — Summer 2023

Dr. Tara Grillos — Fall 2022
Funded by Purdue Climate Change Research Centre Seed Grant, 2021

Dr. Franki Kung — Aug 2018 - May 2019
Industrial-Organizational Psychology Lab

SERVICE

Discipline

Chair — April 2026
Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL

Discussant — February 2026
Pi Sigma Alpha Undergraduate Conference, Washington DC

Convention Volunteer — March 2025
International Studies Association, Chicago, IL

Reviewer — February 2025
International Studies Quaterly

Editorial Assistant — Summer 2021
Dr. Valeria Sinclair Chapman, American Political Science Review

Purdue University

Student Project Supervisor Aug 2025 - Present
Undergraduate Research Collaboratory

Workshop Panelist: How to pass your comprehensive exams March 2025

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Chair May 2022 - April 2024
Purdue Political Science Graduate Student Association

Workshop Panelist: International Student Orientation August 2023; August 2024

Graduate Representative April 2022
Devin Roberson Memorial Award Committee, Purdue University

SKILLS

Software
R, Qualtrics , STATA , LaTeX

Learning Management Systems
Brightspace

Languages
English, Hindi, Bangla

REFERENCES

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