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## EDUCATION

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### **PhD Candidate in Political Science, The Ohio State University (expected completion Spring 2019)**

Working dissertation title: “Climate Change and the Ecology of the Political: Hegemony and the Struggle for Climate Justice”

Dissertation committee: Alexander Wendt (co-chair), Joel Wainwright (co-chair, Geography), Alexander Thompson, Inés Valdez, and Jason Moore (Sociology, SUNY-Binghamton)

Primary Research: Global Environmental Politics; Critical Theory and Marxism(s); Social Movements and Resistance; Global Governance and International Institutions; International Political Economy; Politics of Development; Environmental and Climate Justice; Gramsci; Politics of Climate Change

Cognate Research: Qualitative, Interpretive, and Fieldwork Methods and Methodologies; Critical Human Geography and Geopolitics; Politics and/of Difference; Environmental Policy and Law; Space and Spatiality; State Theory and Globalization; History of International Political Thought

### **M.A. in Political Science, The Ohio State University, December 2015**

Major Field: International Relations; Minor Field: Political Theory

### **B.A. Butler University, May 2009**

*Magna cum laude*

Majors: Political Science (Highest Honors) & Spanish (Honors); Minor: Philosophy

## RESEARCH

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### **Publications in preparation**

“Ecology, Hegemony, and Direct Action: Global Ecological Politics of Climate Justice at the COP-23 in Bonn.” Paper manuscript in preparation for submission to *European Journal of International Relations*.

“Climate Change and the Ecology of the Political: Moderate, Radical, and Marxist Perspectives on the Climate Crisis.” Paper manuscript in preparation for submission to *New Political Science*.

### **Grants and Fellowships**

2018, 2016    Recipient, Graduate Student Research Grant, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University

2018            Recipient, Travel Grant, American Political Science Association

- 2017-18 Recipient, Graduate Student Research Grant, The Mershon Center for International Security Studies, The Ohio State University
- 2015 Recipient, Travel Grant, International Studies Association Northeast
- 2013-14 University Fellowship for Graduate Studies, The Ohio State University

**Academic Honors and Awards**

- 2009 Political Leadership Award and Dave Mason Award (for exemplifying dedication towards a career in political science), Department of Political Science, Butler University

**Fieldwork**

- 2016-Present Site-specific research, interviews, and participant observation: Climate and environmental justice activism and community organizing with various groups and organizations, Central and Southeastern Ohio (Columbus, Nelsonville/Athens, Gambier)
- 2017 Site-specific research, interviews, and participant observation: COP23, Bonn, Germany (November)  
 Site-specific research: UNFCCC Secretariat, Bonn, Germany (June)  
 Site-specific research, interviews, and participant observation: People’s Climate March, Washington, DC (April-May)
- 2016 Site-specific research, interviews, and participant observation: COP22, Marrakech, Morocco (November)

**Scholarly Work and Presentations**

Includes: a) Research Papers Presented at Scholarly Meetings; b) Panel Presentations Organized at Scholarly Meetings; c) Invited Talks, Presentations, and Other Scholarly Activities; d) Posters

a) Research Papers Presented at Scholarly Meetings

- 2018 “Politics of Climate Justice: Ecology, Hegemony, and Direct Action.” Paper presented at the American Political Science Association (APSA) conference. Boston, MA, Aug. 30 – Sept. 2.  
  
 “Ecology, Hegemony, and the Struggle for Climate Justice: Politics of the Climate Justice Movement.” Paper presented at the American Association of Geographers (AAG) conference. New Orleans, LA, April 10-14.  
  
 “Ecology, Hegemony, and the Struggle for Climate Justice: Politics of the Climate Justice Movement at COP23.” Paper presented at the Junior Scholar Symposium at the International Studies Association (ISA) conference. San Francisco, CA, April 4-7.
- 2017 “Climate Change and the Ecology of the Political: Liberal, Radical, and Marxist Perspectives on the Politics of Climate Change.” Paper presented at the ISA annual conference. Baltimore, MD, February 22-25.
- 2016 “Towards an Ecological Critique of the Political.” Paper presented at the Association for Political Theory (APT) conference. Columbus, OH, October 20-22.

“Climate Change and the Political Production of Nature; Or, Towards a Natural History of Capitalist Climate Governance.” Presentation given at AAG annual conference. San Francisco, CA, March 29-April 2.

2015 “From Global Governance to World Politics of Climate Change: Towards an Ecological Critique of International Relations.” Paper presented at the International Studies Association Conference Northeast (ISA-NE) conference. Providence, RI, November 6-7.

“Transcending Capital-Nation-State in the Anthropocene: From Global Governance to World Politics of Climate Change.” Paper presented at World Society, Planetary Natures: Crisis and Sustainability in the Capitalocene and Beyond conference. Binghamton, NY, July 9-11.

#### b) Panel Presentations Organized at Scholarly Meetings

2018 Co-organizer of the panel “Marxist Perspectives on Capitalism, Climate Change, and History,” held at the American Association of Geographers (AAG) conference. New Orleans, LA, April 10-14.

2016 Co-organizer of the panel “Capitalism and Climate Change: Crisis, Politics, Governance,” held at the AAG conference.

#### c) Invited Talks, Presentations, and Other Scholarly Activities

2018 “Ecology, Hegemony, and the Struggle for Climate Justice: The Politics of the Climate Justice Movement.” Working paper presented in the Research in International Politics (RIP) workshop, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University.

2017 “COP23, Two Americas, and the Politics of Climate Justice.” Presentation given for Geography 3597 “Environmental Citizenship,” Professor Joel Wainwright, Department of Geography, The Ohio State University.

“Ohio Youth, Global Warming, and a Just Transition to a Green Economy: The Political Need for Climate Action Now.” Presentation given for Defend Our Future – Ohio, Columbus, OH.

“Climate Change and the Ecology of the Political: Liberal, Radical, and Marxist Perspectives on the Politics of Climate Change.” Working paper presented in the Political Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University.

2016 “COP22 and 2016 Presidential Election: Reflections on the Conjuncture.” Presentation given for Geography 5801 “Environmental Conservation,” Professor Joel Wainwright, Department of Geography, The Ohio State University.

Guest lecturer for PO 340 “The Earth Charter,” Associate Professor Craig Auchter, Department of Political Science, Butler University.

Invited lecturer for PL 410 “Seminar in Philosophy: Responsibility and Collective Harm,” Professor Harry van der Linden, Department of Philosophy, Butler University.

Discussant, “The Paris Decision: A Major Step in Protecting Human Rights,” working paper presented by Corey Katz in the Political Theory Workshop, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University.

2015 Graduate student participant in Relational and Interpretive Methods Workshop at ISA-NE conference, Providence, RI, November 6-7.

“From Global Governance to World Politics of Climate Change: Towards an Ecological Critique of International Relations.” Working paper presented in RIP workshop, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University.

2014 Discussant, “The International System as Superorganism” (Sebastien Mainville), Research in International Politics (RIP) Workshop, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University

d) Posters

2018 “Ecology, Hegemony, and the Struggle for Climate Justice: Politics of the Climate Justice Movement at COP23.” Poster presented at the Junior Scholar Symposium at the International Studies Association (ISA) conference. San Francisco, CA, April 4-7.

## TEACHING

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### **Instructor of Record**

2018 PS 4335: International Environmental Politics, Ohio State (Autumn, 6-week Session 1)  
PS 4335: International Environmental Politics, Ohio State (Summer, 6-week Session 2)  
PS 4335: International Environmental Politics, Ohio State (Spring semester)

2017 PS 4335: International Environmental Politics, Ohio State (Autumn, 6-week Session 1)  
PS 4335: International Environmental Politics, Ohio State (Summer, 6-week Session 2)  
PS 3460: Global Justice, Ohio State (Spring semester)

2016 PS 4335: International Environmental Politics, Ohio State (Autumn semester)  
PS 4335: International Environmental Politics, Ohio State (Summer semester)

### **Teaching Assistant (TA)**

2016 PS 4335: International Environmental Politics, Alexander Thompson, Ohio State (Spring)

2015 PS 4315: International Security and the Causes of War, Chris Gelpi, Ohio State (Autumn)  
PS 4335: International Environmental Politics, Alexander Thompson, Ohio State (Spring)

2014 PS 4331: The United Nations System, Alexander Thompson, Ohio State (Autumn)

### **Workshops**

2017 Participant in “Teaching Excellence: Developing Effective Practices for Inclusive Classrooms,” Inclusive Teaching Workshop with Dr. Chavella Pittmann. Organized by The College of Public Health, The Ohio State University.

## ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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Includes: a) Service to field; b) Service to institution; c) Service to community

a) Service to field (divided by: journal manuscript reviews; professional associations)

i. Journal Manuscript **Reviewer** for the following publications:

*Radical Philosophy Review, International Theory*

ii. Professional associations:

2017 **Delegate Observer** for American Association of Geographers (AAG) at COP23, Bonn, Germany, November 6-10.

b) Service to institution (divided by: department service; university service)

i. Department service

2016-18 At-large Representative for Parallel Graduate Studies Council (PGSC), Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University

2015-16 Third-year Representative for PGSC, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University

2015 Graduate Research Assistant to Professor Jennifer Mitzen for development of Mershon Faculty Grant Proposal for Conference Workshop Series “Critical Research in International Politics (CRIPs)” (Accepted)

2013-14 First-year Representative for PGSC, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University

ii. University service

2016-17 Representative for Department of Political Science, Council of Graduate Students (CGS), The Ohio State University.  
Committees: Ray Travel Grant, Comprehensive Energy Management Program Committee (ad hoc)

c.) Service to community

2018 Founding member, Ohio State University Labor Council (OSULC)

2017-Present Member, Industrial Workers of the World (IWW), Industrial Union No. 620, Department of Public Service

Founding member, Central Ohio branch of the IWW, Columbus, OH

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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American Association of Geographers (AAG)  
American Political Science Association (APSA)  
Association for Political Theory (APT)  
International Network of Scholar Activists (INoSA)  
International Studies Association (ISA)  
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)  
North American Anarchist Studies Association (NAASN)

## LANGUAGES

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**Spanish:** Fluent (non-native)  
**Portuguese (Brazilian):** Basic Oral and Written Proficiency

## OTHER EDUCATION

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**Certification in Teaching English as a Foreign Language/Second Language, 2012**  
Institute: i-to-i TEFL

**Study Abroad, University of Alcalá (Spain), Fall 2007**  
Hispanic Studies Program  
Studied Political Science, History, and Business courses in Spanish immersion program

## OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

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**English as a Second Language Teacher, August 2009-April 2013**  
Centro de Capacitación en Idiomas; Viña del Mar, Chile; March 2010-April 2013  
Classes taught at: Congreso Nacional de Chile; Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso; Empresa Portuaria Valparaíso; Terminal Pacífico Sur; Chilquinta  
International Center; Viña del Mar, Chile; May 2012-April 2013  
Instituto Chileno-Norteamericano; Viña del Mar; August 2012-Present  
Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso; Dirección de Programas Internacionales, Programa de Movilidad Estudiantil; Valparaíso, Chile; April-July 2012  
Private English Tutoring; Beijing, China; August-November 2009

**Translations (Spanish to English), October 2010; February 2012**  
Corporate Annual Report and Sustainability Report 2011; Ultramar; Valparaíso, Chile  
Tourist Guide; Ruta Patrimonial Bienes Nacionales; Valparaíso, Chile

**Intern, May–November 2008**  
Indiana Democratic Party; Indianapolis, IN

**Grassroots Organizer, June-August 2006 & 2007**  
Hoosier Environmental Council, Indianapolis, IN

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

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### **English Teacher, November-December 2011**

Universidad Popular de Valparaíso  
Viña del Mar, Chile

### **Research Assistant, North American Congress on Latin America, October 2009 – February 2010**

Online publication

### **ESL Tutor, January–May 2008**

Indianapolis Public Schools, Indianapolis, IN

### **Refugee Resettlement Volunteer, March–May 2006; July–Sept. 2008**

Exodus Refugee Immigration, Indianapolis, IN

## SKILLS

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Computer: Course Management Software (**Canvas**); Statistical Processing Software (**R, Stata**); Word Processing, Spreadsheet, and Presentation Software (**Microsoft Office**); Online publication and social media