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Curriculum Vitae, September 2025

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Education and Training

Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science,
University of North Texas
Fields: International Relations and Comparative Politics
Specialization: Conflict Management
Dissertation title: "Sequences of Conflict Management
Techniques (CMTs); Patterns, Factors and Outcomes"
Committee Members: Dr. Michael Greig (Chair),
Dr. Andrew Enterline, Dr. Marijke Breuning,
Dr. John Ishiyama

Expected May 2026

A.A., International Business and Trade,
Richland College, Dallas, Texas

May 2020

Technical training and Certification,
Programme For Foreign Diplomats 2017,
Diplomatic Academy, Singapore, Singapore
A two week-long course for foreign diplomats organized
by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Singapore

May 2017

Technical training and Certification,
60th Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats, Foreign
Service Institute, New Delhi, India,
A month-long course organized by the Ministry of
External Affairs of India

August 2015

B.A., International Relations and Diplomacy,
International Turkmen Turkish University,
Ashgabat, Turkmenistan

May 2013

Teaching and Research Interests

Research	Conflict management strategies, sequential patterns, conflict resolution, international conflicts, peace studies
Teaching	Conflict management, peace studies, security, intro to IR, intro to Comparative Politics, American Politics

Teaching Experience

Course Instructor, University of North Texas August 2025-Current

- PSCI 2305: US Political Behavior and Policy
 - Responsible for teaching a fast-paced online course, planning, and organizing the course materials of the 150-student class

Course Instructor, University of North Texas Spring 2025

- PSCI 3500.001: Human Security
 - Responsible for teaching, planning, and organizing the course materials of the 52-student class

Teaching Assistant, University of North Texas 2022-current

- PSCI 4952: Political Science Capstone Seminar (2 courses)
- PSCI 2306: US and Texas Constitutions and Institutions (8 courses)
- PSCI 2305: US Political Behavior and Policy (7 courses)
 - Responsible for organizing course materials, communicating with students, taking records, grading assignments

Professional Experience

International Trade Manager (Optional Practical Training), AAA Lux Auto, LLC, Rockwall, Texas October 2020-August 2021

Third Secretary, Asia-Pacific Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan December, 2016-March, 2022
April, 2015-December, 2016

- Responsible for liaising with diplomatic corps, coordinating domestic and international visits,

conducting and organizing meetings and events on various levels, providing oral and written translation services

Senior Specialist, International Relations Department,
Office of the President of Turkmenistan
Ashgabat, Turkmenistan

December 2015-December, 2016
December, 2013-April, 2015

- Responsible for organizing meetings on the highest level, providing oral and written translation services during top-level domestic and international visits, preparation of relevant documents and materials for top-level meetings and communication

Senior Specialist, State Service of Intellectual Property
of the Ministry of Economy of Turkmenistan
Ashgabat, Turkmenistan

May-December, 2013

- Responsible for digitization of the documents and materials related to innovations, conducting research to identify and verify international regulatory analogs, if applicable

Conference Papers

“Factors affecting the shift in conflict management techniques applied to international conflicts”, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois 2025

“Identification of the Sequence Patterns of Conflict Management Approaches in Militarized Conflicts”, International Studies Association, Chicago, Illinois 2025

“Identification of the Sequence Patterns of Conflict Management Approaches in Militarized Conflicts”, International Studies Association Midwest, St. Louis, Missouri 2024

“Smaller states in conflict mediation: portraying trust and credibility”, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois 2024

“Migration for better future or free expression”, Southwestern Social Science Association, Fort Worth, Texas 2023

Work in progress

“The Impact of Sudden-Onset Natural Disasters on Rebel Group Behavior”, in preparation for review (with Michael Greig and Sabina Taghiyeva)

“Smaller states in conflict mediation: portraying trust and credibility”, in preparation for review.

Honors and Awards

Steven C. Poe Scholarship, UNT	May, 2022
The Southwestern Social Science Association Student Travel Grant Award (300 dollars)	March, 2023
Most Outstanding Teaching Assistant in the Department of Political Science Award, UNT	April, 2023
The McAlister Society Fund Scholarship, UNT	April, 2023
The Political Science Department Travel Award (500 dollars), UNT	September, 2024
The International Studies Association Travel Award (500 dollars)	March, 2025
Toulouse Graduate School Travel Award (500 dollars), UNT	February, 2025
C. Neal and Carol Tate Fund Scholarship, UNT	May, 2025

Languages and Skills

English, Russian, Turkish and Turkmen	Native fluency
Spanish	Intermediate level
Stata, R	Proficient
Python	Beginner level

References

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