

# IRIS MALONE

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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APPOINTMENTS **Assistant Professor** 2020 –  
Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University

EDUCATION **Postdoctoral Fellow** 2019-2020  
Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University

**Ph.D., Political Science**, Stanford University 2019  
Fields: International Relations and Political Methodology  
Dissertation: Insurgency Formation and Civil War Onset  
Committee: James Fearon (Chair), Martha Crenshaw, Ken Schultz, Michael Tomz

**B.A., Chemistry and Government**, Cornell University 2011  
*Summa Cum Laude*

## RESEARCH

### Publications

“The Uncertainty Tradeoff between Opportunity Costs and War.”  
(with William Spaniel) *International Studies Quarterly*. 2019.

### Under Review

“Uncertainty and Civil War Onset”

“Raising Stakes, Raising Risk” (with William Spaniel)

### Working Papers

“Introducing the Armed Group Dataset, 1970-2012”

“Negative Economic Shocks and Militant Formation”

“Motives, Opportunity, and Militant Formation”

“Agents of Subversion? Subnational Analysis of State-Sponsored Terrorism”

“Dangerous Offshoots? Splintering, Extremism, and Militant Violence.”  
(with Kaitlyn Robinson)

## CHAPTER PUBLICATIONS

“Analyzing ISIS in the Contemporary Environment.” 2018. *Military Strategy, Joint Operations, and Airpower*. Ed. Ryan Burke, Michael Fowler, and Kevin McCaskey. Georgetown University Press.

## ORIGINAL DATASETS

**Armed Group Dataset.** Quantitative dataset recording 30 different organizational variables for 1,934 militant groups around the world. Dataset is accompanied by 3,600 page encyclopedia with narratives and bibliography for each group. Population is based on Terrorist Organization (TORG) Crosswalk data from the Uppsala Armed Conflict Data, Global Terrorism Database, and Minorities at Risk dataset.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS	Walter J. Gores Award for Excellence in Teaching (by nomination)	2019	
	Institute for Research in the Social Sciences Dissertation Fellow	2018—2019	
	Hoover Institution Graduate Research Fellowship	2018—2019	
	Centennial Teaching Award (by nomination)	2018	
	Tobin Project Graduate Student Fellow	2018	
	Stanford International Conflict and Negotiation Graduate Fellow	2017—2018	
	Ric Weiland Fellowship (by nomination)	2016—2018	
	Fulbright Scholar, Indonesia	2012—2013	
GRANTS	<b>External</b>		
	Co-Principal Investigator, DHS NCITE Sub-Award (with Martha Crenshaw and Colin Kahl) (\$138000)	2020	
	Tobin Project Research Grant (\$1000)	2018	
	Milt Lauenstein Research Grant on Cost-Effectiveness (\$5000)	2018	
	Archives Unleashed Travel Grant (\$2000)	2017	
	<b>Internal</b>		
	Stanford Europe Center Research Grant (\$3600)	2017	
	Stanford Graduate Research Opportunity Grant (\$1500)	2017	
	Goldsmith Research Grant (\$1500)	2017	
	Stanford Security Working Group Enhancement Grant (\$2500)	2017—2019	
	PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED WORKSHOPS	Bridging Approaches to Civil War, Rice University	Scheduled 2021
		ISS-IS Annual Conference, University of Denver	2019
		Emerging Scholars in Grand Strategy, Notre Dame International Security Center	2019
		Visions in Methodology Conference, University of Georgia	2019
		International Relations Workshop, Stanford Political Science Department	2018
Stanford Security Studies Conference		2018	
International Studies Association		2018	
American Political Science Association		2017, 2018, 2019	
New Era Foreign Policy Conference		2017	
Midwest Political Science Association		2016, 2017	
Summer Workshop on Analysis of Military Operations		2016	
Very Applied Methods Workshop, Stanford Political Science Department		2015	
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	<b>Head Research Assistant</b>		
	Mapping Militants Project, Martha Crenshaw	2017—2018	
	MIDipedia Project, Michael Tomz and Jessica Weeks	2010—2013	
	<b>Research Assistant</b>		
	Political Risk, Amy Zegart and Condoleezza Rice	2016	
	Climate Change Rhetoric, Dustin Tingley and Michael Tomz	2014	
CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT	Asia-Pacific Security Crisis 48-Hour Simulation, 35 participants	2019	
	European Union Migration Crisis 48-Hour Simulation, 35 participants	2019	
	North Korean Nuclear Crisis 48-Hour Simulation, 35 participants	2018	
	Post-ISIS Iraq Crisis 48-Hour Simulation, 35 participants	2017	
	Syrian Civil War Crisis 48-Hour Simulation, 35 participants	2016	

	National Security Council Emergency Crisis Simulation, 15 participants	2016
	NPT Review Conference 72-Hour Simulation, 150 participants	2016
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<b>Instructor</b>	
	Civil Wars in World Politics	Fall 2020
	<b>Head Teaching Assistant</b>	
	Science of Politics, Michael Tomz and Ken Schultz	2017
	International Security in a Changing World, Scott Sagan and Gil-li Vardi	2016
	<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	
	Introduction to International Relations, Michael Tomz	2019
	Challenges and Dilemmas in U.S. Foreign Policy, Condoleezza Rice	2018
	Ethics and Politics of Public Service, Brian Coyne	2017
	Introduction to International Relations, James Fearon	2016
	Science of Politics, Michael Tomz and Stephen Haber	2016
	International Security in a Changing World, Scott Sagan and Gil-li Vardi	2015
	<b>Course Assistant</b>	
	Modern Military Strategy, Gil-li Vardi	2015, 2017
	Political Methodology IV: Bayesian Statistics, Doug Rivers	2015
SERVICE	<b>Reviewer:</b> International Organization, Journal of Politics, Journal of Conflict Resolution	
	Stanford Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning Mentor	2016—2018
	Stanford Political Science Graduate Student Association First-Year Mentor	2017
	Stanford Political Science Graduate Student Association Co-President	2016—2017
WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED	Stanford Security Working Group (Co-Founder)	2016—2020
	Stanford Security Studies Conference, 20 participants	2018
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS	Bridging the Gap Project, International Studies Association, American Political Science Association	
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	Research Director, Office of Condoleezza Rice	2018—2019
	Terrorism Expert Witness, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project	2018—2019
	Election Monitor (Egypt), Democracy International	2014
	Field Organizer, Obama for America	2008
SKILLS	<b>Computer</b>	R, Python, HTML, QGIS, STATA, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X
	<b>Fieldwork</b>	Elite Interviews (Washington, D.C.), National Archives (London)

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