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DEGREES AWARDED

- Ph.D. in Security Studies, Kansas State University (2016)
- Master of Military Arts and Science (MMAS)-Theater Operations, School of Advanced Military Studies (2013)
- MMAS-Security and Conflict Studies, Command and General Staff College (2012)
- MPA, University of Oklahoma (2005)
- BA in Political Science, Pittsburg State University (1998)

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2023-Current: Academic Director, Global and National Security Institute-University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
- 2022-2025: Visiting Research Fellow, Department of War Studies, King's College-London, UK
- 2021-2023: Associate Professor and Department Chair, Joint Special Operations University, Tampa, FL
- 2016-2020: Assistant Professor, Department of War and Conflict Studies, College of International Security Affairs-National Defense University, Washington, D.C.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, University Press of Kentucky. 2019.

Chapters in Edited Books

- “Intelligence in Ukraine: Success, Failure, or Signaling Revolutionary Change,?” in Adib Farhadi, Mark Grzegorzewski, and Anthony J. Masys (Eds.), *Great Power Competition – Russia’s Invasion of Ukraine*. Springer Publishing. 2023.
- “Organizing for the ‘Gray Zone’ Fight: Early Cold War Realities and the CIA’s Directorate of Operations,” in Thomas A. Marks and Kirklin J. Bateman (Eds.), *Perspectives on the American Way of War: The U.S. Experience in Irregular Conflict*, Routledge Press. 2020.

Peer Reviewed Articles

- “Want ‘Strategically Minded Warfighters?’ Then Make ‘Intellectualism’ a Military Value,” *InterPopulum: Journal of Irregular Warfare and Special Operations*. <https://interpopulum.org/want-strategically-minded-warfighters-then-make-intellectualism-a-military-value/>.
- “Spreading the “Smog of War”: The Impact of Propaganda, Social Media, and OSINT on U.S. Civil-Intelligence Relations,” (co-authored with Jeff Rogg), *Intelligence and National Security*. DOI: 10.1080/02684527.2024.2322803.
- “Organizing for the ‘Gray Zone’ Fight: Early Cold War Realities and the CIA’s Directorate of Operations,” *Small Wars and Insurgencies*. Vol. 30, Issue 01, 62-80.
- “Adapting to Change: Strategic Turning Points and the CIA/DoD Relationship,” *InterAgency Journal*. 5(1), Winter 2014, 3-11.
- “Ten Years of GWOT, the Failure of Democratization and the Fallacy of Ungoverned Spaces” (co-authored with Pat Proctor), *Journal of Strategic Security*. 5 (1): 1-14.
- “Taming the Rogue Elephant?,” *American Intelligence Journal*. Winter 2008/2009, 61-67.

Other Publications

- “Appreciating the World: A Framework for Doing Socio-Political Analysis,” in Robert Burrell (Ed), *Resilience and Resistance: Interdisciplinary Lessons in Irregular Warfare, Competition, and Deterrence*. JSOU Press. Pending.

- “Educate as You Operate: Developing National Security Practitioners for Strategic Competition” (co-authored with David Ucko), *GNSI Decision Brief*. February 7, 2024.
- “The Problems of a Militarized Foreign Policy for America’s Premiere Intelligence Agency,” *War on the Rocks*, 02 May 2019 (<https://warontherocks.com/2019/05/the-problems-of-a-militarized-foreign-policy-for-americas-premier-intelligence-agency/>).
- “Perfection of Process Does Not Equal Perfect Understanding,” *Military Review*. January/February 2015.
- “Partners or Competitors?: The Evolution of the DoD/CIA Relationship since Desert Storm and its Prospects for the Future,” *Joint Special Operations University Report 14-2*. May 2014.

Book Reviews

- Review of *The Insurgent’s Dilemma: A Struggle to Prevail*, by David H. Ucko, *Special Operations Journal*, Vol. 1, No. 2 (Winter 2023).
- Review of *The Recruiter: Spying and the Lost Art of American Intelligence*, by Doug London, *Special Operations Journal*, Vol. 1, No. 1 (Fall 2023).
- Review of *The Conceit of Humanitarian Intervention*, by Rajan Menon, *InterAgency Journal*, 12-1 (March 2022), 70-72.
- Review of *Special Forces Berlin: Clandestine Cold War Operations of the US Army’s Elite: 1956-1990*, *Parameters*, Autumn 2021.
- Review of *Security as Politics: Beyond the State of Exception*, by Andrew W. Neal, *Intelligence and National Security*, 36(1), 139-140.
- Review of *Secret Intelligence: A Reader*, edited by Christopher Andrew, Richard J. Aldrich, and Wesley K. Wark, *Intelligence and National Security*, 35(6), 911-915.
- Review of *Statecraft by Stealth: Secret Intelligence and British Rule in Palestine*, by Steven Wagner, *Special Operations Journal*, 5(2): 199-200.
- Review of *A Spy Among Friends: Kim Philby and the Great Betrayal*, by Ben Macintyre, *Military Review* (November/December 2014): 135-136.
- Review of *Breach of Trust: How Americans Failed Their Soldiers and Their Country*, by Andrew Bacevich, *Military Review* (July/August 2014): 102-103.

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Co-editor for a PME Handbook project that “will explore professional military education PME from a thematic perspective as practised in military colleges and academies throughout the world”
- Co-editor for a journal special issue titled “Educating the Military Intelligence Community: From all source fusion to strategic competence, opportunities and constraints for Professional Military Education”
- Co-editor for a journal special issued focused on “Educating the Military Practitioner”

PRESENTATIONS/TALKS/CONFERENCES/EVENTS/MOBILE EDUCATION TEAMS/MEDIA

Presentations

- Presentation on “Teaching Intelligence Studies: Intelligence” at the University of Central Florida’s Intelligence Community Center of Academic Excellence (ICCAE) Workshop on Intelligence Teaching, 10 May 2023.
- Presentation on “The Strategic Response Framework” to Hellenic National Defence General Staff/Joint Special Operations Command (HNDGS/JSOC) and their partner organizations, Athens, Greece, 12 September 2019.
- Presentation on “The Strategic Response Framework” to Hellenic National Defense Senior Leaders, Athens, Greece, 10 September 2019.
- Book Presentation on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, National Defense University, Washington, D.C. 19 March 2019.

Invitational Talks

- Invitational talk on “U.S. intelligence and special operations,” King’s Centre for the Study of Intelligence, 04 October 2023.

- Invitational talk on “The Field of Intelligence Studies,” San Jose State University Intelligence Community Center for Academic Excellence Scholars, 22 April 2022.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, Association of Former Intelligence Officers-Suncoast Chapter, 24 February 2022.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, University of Central Florida’s Intelligence Community Center of Academic Excellence, 01 February 2022.
- Invitational talk as part of the Centre for Historical Analysis and Conflict Research (CHACR) “Take Away Series,” 30 April 2020.
- Invitational talk on DoD/CIA relationship with staff members of the United States House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI), 16 April 2020.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, Defense Intelligence Agency, 09 February 2020.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, to U.S. service members, allied nation service members, and law enforcement personnel deployed as part of an international/interagency task force, Jordan, 13-14 October 2019.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, The Strategy Bridge’s Carlisle Strategy Session, Carlisle, PA, 24 September 2019.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, Joint Interagency Task Force-National Capital Region, 05 August 2019.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, The Institute of World Politics, Washington, D.C., 23 May 2019.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, United States Army War College, Carlisle, PA, 30 April 2019.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, University of Kansas’ Intelligence & National Security Program, Lawrence, Kansas, 18 April 2019.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, 15 April 2019.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, Joint Special Operations University, MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida, 11 April 2019.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship*, The Strategy Bridge’s Cigars, Scotch, and Strategy, National Press Club, Washington, D.C., 03 April 2019.
- Invitational talk on *Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship* book presentation as part of “Intelligence History Brownbag” series, Johns Hopkins University, Washington, D.C. 20 March 2019.
- Invitational talk on “Evolution of CIA/DoD Relationship,” at the University of Texas LBJ Washington Center, Washington, D.C., 10 January 2018.

Conference and Event Participation

- Panelist at the Swedish Defence University’s Educating the Military Intelligence Community Conference, Stockholm, Sweden, 17 December 2024.
- Panel Chair at the Swedish Defence University’s Educating the Military Intelligence Community Conference, Stockholm, Sweden, 17 December 2024.
- Discussant on “Intelligence in Democracies: Dynamic or Dormant,” at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, 06 September 2024.
- Panelist on “Intelligence in Democracies: AI, Film, and the Smog of War,” at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, 06 September 2024.
- Moderator on “China: Is Conflict Inevitable” Panel at the Cambridge Security Initiative’s Intelligence and National Security in a Changing World Conference, Cambridge, UK, 26 July 2024.
- Moderator on “Threads of Oppression: The Global Impact of Transnational Repression” Panel at the USF-GNSI Endangered Freedoms: Transnational Repression in North America Policy Dialogues, Tampa, FL, 15 May 2024.
- Discussant on “Intelligence Analysis within the Larger Intelligence Cycle” Panel at the International Studies Association’s Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, 06 April 2024.
- Commentator on “China and Integrated Deterrence: Understanding how Cyberspace Operations Contest and Influence People,” Panel at the International Studies Association’s Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, 05 April 2024.

- Moderator on “Data Dominance and its Impact on AI,” at the USF-GNSI Great Power Competition Series: Artificial Intelligence in the Era of Strategic Competition, 06 March 2024.
- Moderator on “Artificial Intelligence is Disrupting National Security,” at the St. Petersburg Conference on World Affairs, 06 February 2024.
- Panelist/Moderator on “The Interagency and Irregular Warfare,” at the Irregular Warfare Forum, 06 December 2023.
- Panelist on “Educating the SOF Practitioner,” Roundtable at “1st Special Forces Command (A) Geostrategic Symposium 2023,” 17 May 2022.
- Panelist on “OSINT in Ukraine,” Discussion Panel at the Irregular Warfare Forum, Fort Liberty, NC, 01 May 2023.
- Panelist at Oxford Intelligence Group Event honoring Michael Herman and the publication of *Intelligence Power in Practice*, Oxford, UK, 27 July 2022.
- Panelist on “Intelligence and Foreign Policy” Panel at the University of Central Florida’s “American Foreign Policy and Intelligence Conference, Orlando, FL, 21 April 2022.
- Discussant for “Civilian and Military Perspectives on the Evolution and Adaptation of Intelligence” Panel at the International Studies Association’s Annual Conference, Toronto, ON, 28 March 2019.
- Chair of “Building Partner Capacity” Panel at National Defense University’s Global Alumni Summit “Combatting Terrorism and Building Partner Capacity,” Rabat, Morocco, 26-29 June 2018.
- “Partner’s or Competitors: The Evolution of the DoD/CIA Relationship since Desert Storm and its Prospects for the Future,” presented at the 2014 International Studies Association’s Annual Conference, Toronto, ON, 28 March 2014.
- Panel Participant- “Civil/Military Collaboration: Integrating the Interagency Process and Leveraging International Organizations/Institutions to Enhance the Capacity of Defense, Development and Diplomacy,” 2011 Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society, Chicago, IL, 22 October 2011.
- “Understanding Our Limits and Applying the Lessons of Nine Years of GWOT” –co-presented with Pat Proctor at the 9th Centre for International Peace and Security Graduate Conference, Montreal, QC, 15 April 2011.

Mobile Education Teams and Talks

- Co-Seminar lead for a mobile education team to the Hellenic National Defence General Staff/Joint Special Operation Command (HNDGS/JSOC), Athens, Greece, 10-13 September 2019.
- Member of NDU CISA’s Mobile Education Team to National Defence College (NDC), Abuja, Nigeria, 30 April-4 May 2018.
- “NMCC: Establishing Understanding and Enabling Decision-making,” presentation to Afghan military delegation from the Afghanistan National Military Command Center at National Defense University’s Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, VA, 18 January 2017.
- “Concept of Power and Elements of National Power,” presentation to the Reserve Component National Security Course (RCNSC) at the College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University, Washington, D.C., 23 January 2017.
- “DoD and CIA Relationship,” presentation to the Reserve Component National Security Course (RCNSC) at the College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University, Washington, D.C., 6 February 2019.
- “Military Support to Civilian Authority,” presentation to the Reserve Component National Security Course (RCNSC) at the College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University, Washington, D.C., 25 June 2018.

Hosting/Interviews/Media

- Interviewed Dr. Frank Sobchak, Chair of Irregular Warfare Studies at the Modern War Institute, on his book, *Training for Victory: U.S. Special Forces Advisory Operations from El Salvador to Afghanistan*, 26 November 2024.
- Interviewed Mr. Doug London, former senior operations officer with the Central Intelligence Agency, on his book, *The Recruiter: Spying and the Lost Art of American Intelligence*, 20 August 2024.
- Interviewed Dr. Chris Kolenda, founder of Strategic Leaders Academy, on his book, *Zero Sum Victory: What We’re Getting Wrong About War*, 23 July 2024
- Interviewed Dr. David Gioe, Visiting Professor of Intelligence and International Security in King’s College London’s Department of War Studies, 13 February 2024.
- Interviewed Mr. Doug Wise, former Deputy Director Defense Intelligence Agency on leading interagency/integrated teams and on issues in national security/intelligence, Joint Special Operations University, 03 March 2022.
- Host “Harvesting History/Forecasting the Future: Special Operations 20 Years after 9/11,” Forum 08-09 September 2021.

- ThinkJSOU Webinar Interview with Dr. Christian Vianna de Azevedo, Special Agent with the Brazilian Federal Police, on the topics of the Tri-border region and importance of educating the practitioner.
- ThinkJSOU: Webinar Interview with Aden Magee on his book *The Cold War Wilderness of Mirrors: Counterintelligence and the U.S. Soviet Military Liaison Missions 1947-1990*.
- ThinkJSOU: A Conversation with COL Mike Obadal: Collaborating with Interagency and International Partners.
- ThinkJSOU Live Webinar Interview with Dr David Ucko on his book *The Insurgents Dilemma: A Struggle to Prevail*.
- “ThinkJSOU: A Conversation with Dr. Dave Oakley and Mr. J. Paul Pope.”
- “ThinkJSOU Live Webinar Interview with CIA (Ret.) Mr. Douglas London.”
- ThinkJSOU Live Webinar “A Conversation with COL(R) Chris Costa-SOF Working with the Intelligence Community.”
- ThinkJSOU Live Webinar “A Conversation with Dr. Mark Stout-What is Intelligence?”
- “CHACR Take Away-Intelligence and its Changing Context,” *CHACR Take Away*.
- “The DoD-CIA Relationship: Are We Militarizing Strategic Intelligence?” *The War Room*.
- “Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship,” *The Institute of World Politics*.
- “David Oakley Pittsburg State Alum and Army Officer Talks About His New Book Focusing on the Relationship Between US DoD and CIA,” *KRPS Public Radio*.
- “Intelligence History Brown Bag with David Oakley discussing his book "Subordinating Intelligence: The DoD/CIA Post-Cold War Relationship," *North American Society for Intelligence History*.
- “CIA vs DOD: A Conversation with David Oakley,” *The International Spy Museum*.

TEACHING AND ADVISING

Courses Taught

- Elements of American Statecraft, University of South Florida (Spring 2025)
- Special Operations Intelligence Course, Joint Special Operations University (Spring 2022, Summer 2022)
- Irregular Warfare Strategy and Policy, NDU-College of International Security Affairs (Spring 2020)
- Countering Irregular Warfare, NDU-College of International Security Affairs (Spring 2020)
- Dynamics of Irregular Warfare, NDU-College of International Security Affairs (Fall 2019, Fall 2020)
- Policy Analysis and Critical Thinking, NDU-College of International Security Affairs (Fall 2019)
- Dynamics of Terrorism, NDU-College of International Security Affairs (Fall 2016, 2017 and 2018)
- Principles of Homeland Security, NDU-College of International Security Affairs (Spring 2017, Fall 2017 and Fall 2018)
- Dynamics of Counterterrorism, NDU-College of International Security Affairs (Spring 2017, 2018 and 2019)
- Counterterrorism Strategy and Policy, NDU-College of International Security Affairs (Spring 2017, 2018 and 2019)
- Strategic Advising for Contemporary Challenges, NDU-College of International Security Affairs (Spring 2018 and Spring 2019)
- Strategic Leader Foundational Course, NDU-College of International Security Affairs (Fall 2016, Fall 2018, and Fall 2019)

Advising: Thesis advisor to seventeen students over four academic years.

SERVICE

- Associate Editor (North America): *Intelligence and National Security* (Current)
- Editorial Board: *Inter Populum* (Current)
- Editorial Board: Joint Special Operations University Press
- Member of NDU-CISA Curriculum Review Committee (2022-2023)
- Deputy Department Chair for NDU-CISA’s War and Conflict Studies (2019-2020)
- Course Co-Director for NDU-CISA’s Strategic Leaders Foundation Course (2020)
- Member of NDU-CISA’s Honors Thesis Committee (2020)
- Member of NDU’s Award Committee (2019)
- Member of University-wide planning team on NDU-Eisenhower School’s renovation project (2019)

- Course Director for NDU-CISA's Irregular Warfare Strategy and Policy (AY 2019/20)
- Member of NDU's Critical Thinking Curriculum Review Working Group (2018)
- Member of NDU-CISA Faculty Promotion Criteria Review Committee (2018)
- NDU-CISA's Army Chair (2016-2020)
- Faculty Reviewer for Cornell University Undergraduate History Symposium at CISA (2019)
- NDU-CISA's Historical Staff Ride Coordinator (2017-2018)
- Member of NDU-CISA's International Student Graduate Admissions Committee (2016-2017)
- Reviewer: Lynne Rienner Publishers, Vernon Press, *Diplomacy & Statecraft*, *Intelligence and National Security*, *Joint Forces Quarterly*, *Journal of Intelligence History*, *Journal of Strategic Security*

NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Clearance: Top-Secret/SCI

Military Assignments

- Jun 2013-May 2015: Defense Support of Civil Authorities Planner, G3-FUOPS United States Army North-Fifth Army, Fort Sam Houston, TX
- Jan 2011 - Jun 2011: Strategic Plans and Policy Officer, First Infantry Division, Fort Riley, KS
- Feb 2010 - Dec 2010: United States Division South (USD-S) Liaison Officer (LNO) to the Office of Regional Affairs, United States Embassy-Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq
- Dec 2007 - Jan 2010: Strategic Plans and Policy Officer and then Red Team Member, First Infantry Division, Fort Riley, KS
- Jun 2005 - Dec 2007: Element Leader, European Command Joint Analysis Center-Reserve Individual Mobilization Augmentee (IMA)
- Mar 2004 - Feb 2005: Company Commander, Charlie Company, 1st Battalion, 78th Field Artillery, Field Artillery Training Center, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
- May 2003 - Mar 2004: Battery Commander, Delta Battery, 1st Battalion, 22nd Field Artillery, Field Artillery Training Center, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
- Jun 2002 - Apr 2003: Assistant Operations Officer, Field Artillery Training Center, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
- Sep 2001 - May 2002: Detachment Commander, Detachment Alpha, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, Field Artillery Training Center, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
- Apr 2001 - Aug 2001: Executive Officer, Foxtrot Battery, 1st Battalion, 79th Field Artillery, Field Artillery Training Center, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
- Oct 2000 - Feb 2001: Executive Officer, Charlie Battery, 1st Battalion, 79th Field Artillery, Field Artillery Training Center, Fort Sill, Oklahoma
- Nov 1999 - Oct 2000: Platoon Leader, Charlie Battery, 6th Battalion, 37th Field Artillery, 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Stanley, South Korea

Civilian Positions

- Contractor, Directorate of Strategic Operational Planning, National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC)
- Staff Operations Officer, Near East Division, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)

Consultant Work

- Served as a senior researcher on projects evaluating the effects of the State Partnership Program and security cooperation on great power competition for the Department of Defense.

Military Schools

- Joint and Combined Warfighting School (2017)
- Defense Support of Civil Authorities Phases I and II (2014-15)
- School of Advanced Military Studies (2013)
- Command and General Staff School-Local Dynamics of War Scholars Program (2012)
- Red Team Leader Course (2009)
- Defense Strategy Course (2008)

- Basic Strategic Arts Program (2008)
- Infantry Maneuver Captains Career Course (2007)
- Field Artillery Officer Basic Course (1999)
- Basic Parachutist Course (1996)

Civilian Schools/Training

- CIA Staff Operations Officer Course
- CIA Clandestine Service Trainee Program

Military Qualifications

- Joint Planner (3H)
- Joint Qualified Officer (3L)
- Parachutist (5P)
- Advanced Military Studies Program (6S)
- Strategist (6Z)
- Red Team Leader (7G)

AWARDS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Awards

- Intelligence and National Security Alliance Sidney D. Drell Academic Award (2020)
- Pittsburg State University's Kenneth Bateman Outstanding Alumni (2017)
- CGSC's School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS) Class #13-01 Best Interagency Paper (2013)
- Phi Kappa Phi (All Academic Disciplines)
- Golden Key International Honour Society (All Academic Disciplines)
- Pi Sigma Alpha (Political Science)
- Alpha Kappa Delta (Sociology)

Military Awards

- Bronze Star Medal
- Defense Meritorious Service Medal
- Meritorious Service Medal (3 Awards)
- Army Commendation Medal
- Army Achievement Medal (2 Awards)
- Joint Meritorious Unit Award
- Meritorious Unit Citation
- National Defense Service Medal
- Iraq Campaign Medal (2 Awards)
- Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
- Korean Defense Service Medal
- Army Service Ribbon
- Overseas Service Ribbon (2 Awards)
- Honorable Order of Saint Barbara

Professional Associations

- American Political Science Association
- Association of Former Intelligence Officers
- British International Studies Association
- International Studies Association
- Term Member Council on Foreign Relations (2013-18)