

Justin Kinney

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Education

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science (International Relations) 2014 - 2019

- **Dissertation:** The Social Media Decision: Why Some Terrorist Organizations Choose to Use and Build Online Presence and Others Do Not
- **Graduate Certificate:** Global Security Studies – Nuclear Studies
- **Awards:** David Mock Award for Outstanding Performance by a Graduate Teaching Associate, 2018
- **Areas of interest/research:** Radicalization & Recruitment on Social Media, Terrorism and the relationship to the Media, Intelligence & Security Analysis, Religious Terrorism, Territorial Conflict, Interstate conflict, Terrorist Organization Survival

Overall Grade Point Average: 3.86

George Washington University, Washington, DC

Master of Science, Crime Scene Investigation 2011-2012

- **Vice-President** of the Association of Forensic Science Students at GWU, 2011-2012
- Study of forensics, criminal law, and intelligence through theoretical principles and hands-on techniques

Overall Grade Point Average: 3.6

Duke University, Durham, NC

Bachelor of Science, Psychology 2006- 2010

- Concentration in Personality Psych, emphasis on physical/analytical sciences and their relation to psychology
- Overall Grade Point Average: 3.3*

Research Publications

- “Any Press is Good Press?": Rebel Political Wings, Media Freedom, and Terrorism in Civil Wars, *International Interactions*, October 2018.
- Laboratory Researcher, “Bilobalide, a Major Ingredient of Gingko Biloba Leaves, Represses Hepatitis C Viral Replication in HCV Genotype 1b Replicon Cells”, which was presented at the 2011 American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases Conference

Professional Experience

University of Tennessee – Knoxville

Graduate Teaching Associate August 2014-Present

- Courses Taught - Instructor of Record:
 - *Introduction to International Relations* (2 semesters on campus, 1 Online)
 - *US Foreign Policy Processes* (3 semesters)
 - *Contemporary International Problems (Terrorism Studies)* (2 semesters on campus, 1 Online)
- Courses Assisted - Teaching Assistant:
 - *Intro to International Relations* (2 semesters), *Contemporary International Problems* (1 semester)
- Guest Lectured
 - *Honors: US Government & Politics* (1 lecture), *Intro to Public Administration and Public Policy*
- Teaching Interests:
 - *International Relations, U.S. Foreign Policy, Conflict Processes, Civil War Studies, Non-State Actors, Terrorism Studies & Rebel Groups, Interstate War, Radicalization and Recruitment, Foreign Policy and the Media, International Relations through film and TV, Democracy and Peace, Intelligence & Counterintelligence Analysis*
- Analyzed various policy/articles in research, critique, and analysis assignments

International Journal of Nuclear Security, Knoxville, TN

Editor October 2016 - January 2017

- Edited nuclear science articles for the journal

KLRNRadio

Collaborator/Guest, Recurring

September 2016 – October 2018

- Give interviews and speak about various aspects of terrorism and international relations, including (but not limited to) history, four waves of modern terrorism, psychological correlates, causal factors, and current events.
- Gave one interview about my work as a published mystery author of *Precipice*

National Museum of Crime & Punishment, Washington, DC

Forensic Instructor

December 2011-July 2014

- Presented forensic demonstrations, teaching forensic skills from lifting latent fingerprints to examining blood spatter
- Lectured on forensic/intelligence topics, including Blood and DNA, Body Decomposition, Forensic Pathology, and others to educate the public on the true capabilities and techniques investigators utilize in investigation
- Conducted and managed traveling workshops & Represent the organization at state conferences
- Designed and constructed a new workshop in Behavioral Analysis, Trained new instructors

Family Research Council, Washington, DC

Center for Human Life and Bioethics Intern

Sept. 2010 – May 2011, Sept. 2011-May 2012

- Collected, analyzed and interpreted government policies, public issues, and legislation
- Maintained thorough understanding & awareness of government policy (enacted & prospective) & legal issues
- Sorted, synthesized, analyzed and collated policy data from diverse sources into easily understood arrangements
- Crafted policy wording used in prospective state legislation
- Composed a book review of an award-winning journalist on a nationally recognized blog
- Authored an op-ed published in an international, online publication
- Aided a U.S. Senate subcommittee presentation on stem cell research

Related Coursework/Projects/Activities

- **Professional Membership:** The American Political Science Association
- **Nuclear Iran:** National Intelligence Council workshop participant, April 2018
 - Backcasting Post-JCPOA Middle East Nuclear Scenarios
- **Conference:** APSA Teaching & Learning 2016
 - Killer Nashville International Writers Conference: speaker
- **Community:** Optimist Club of Knoxville lecturer on the topic of Terrorism
- **U. of Tennessee Coursework:** Research Methods/Design, Statistics, Econometrics, Conflict Processes, Qualitative Methodology, International Relations, Comparative Politics, Political Institutions, Political Parties
- **GWU Coursework:** Criminal Law, Crime Scene Investigation, Firearms/Toolmarks, Forensic Psychiatry
 - Co-presented “*The Beginning of the End...of Forensic Photography*” at the Chesapeake Bay Division of the International Association for Identification Conference 2011

Additional Skills, Information

- Published mystery fiction author
 - *Precipice*, released April 2016
 - *Splintered State*, November 2018
- Podcast Host, *Nutshell Politics*, June 2018-Present
 - I host a weekly podcast to inform/educate on international political topics, current events, intelligence & security studies, & theory
- Able to obtain & maintain a security clearance
- Languages: Spanish, Swedish, and Italian (basic conversational)
- **Software/Professional Skills**
 - Blackboard, Canvas
 - Microsoft Access, Excel, PowerPoint, SharePoint, Word (Proficient)
 - SPSS, Stata

REFERENCES

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