

# Simon Rotzer

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## Education

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- 2016 – 2022 Ph.D. Political Science  
Major: International Relations; *Minor*: Comparative Politics  
Cross-Field Concentration: Public Policy  
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2013 – 2014 Graduate Exchange Student  
Graduate School of Public and International Affairs  
University of Pittsburgh
- 2009 – 2012 B.A. Political Science and Social Studies  
Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Germany

## Dissertation

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- “Conscientious Acceptance: The Impact of Public Support on Conscription”  
Investigating the connections between domestic politics and security policy to establish why countries keep conscription in peace time.

## Working Papers

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- “Why Keep Conscription? The ‘Domestication’ of Western Europe’s Armed Forces”
- “Justifying Peacekeeping Operations Internationally: The Influence of Regime Type”
- “Ending Conscription: Consequences for German Civil-Military Relations”  
(with Ryan Grauer)

## Conference Presentations

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- 2021 “Conscientious Acceptance: The Impact of Public Support on Conscription”
- International Security Studies Section of ISA (ISSS) and the International Security and Arms Control Section of APSA (IS) Annual Conference
  - Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society (IUSAFS) Biennial International Conference

Panel Chair and Discussant: “Conscription – Transnational Perspectives”

- Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society (IUSAFS) Biennial International Conference

2019 “Why Keep Conscription? The ‘Domestication’ of Western Europe’s Armed Forces”

- Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society (IUSAFS) Biennial International Conference
- International Security Studies Section of ISA (ISSS) and the International Security and Arms Control Section of APSA (IS) Annual Conference
- American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting and Exhibition

“Justifying Peacekeeping Operations Internationally: The Influence of Regime Type”

- International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention

2017 “Ending Conscription: Consequences for German Civil-Military Relations” (with Ryan Grauer)

- International Security Studies Section of ISA (ISSS) and the International Security and Arms Control Section of APSA (IS) Annual Conference

## Invited Talks

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2021 Talk: “Meet-a-German”  
Fulbright Germany  
Baylor School, Chattanooga, TN

2018 Talk: “Civil-Military Relations in Germany”  
Course: “Introduction to American Government and Foreign Policy”  
United States Air Force Academy

## Teaching

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### Teaching Experience

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- Introduction to Political Science (Fall 2016, 2017, Spring 2017, 2018)
- Introduction to International Relations (Fall 2018)
- Arts & Politics (*UTK Political Science in Italy*, Summer 2019)
- Medieval Political Thought (*UTK Political Science in Italy*, Summer 2019)

## Additional Classes Ready to Teach

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- Introduction to Comparative Politics
- Civil-Military Relations
- Security Studies
- Politics in the European Union
- Politics in Germany

## Professionalization

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### Research

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- Since 2016 Bi-Weekly Workshop, *Political Science Graduate Student Association Research Workshop*, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Bi-Weekly Workshop, *Global Security Research Workshop*, Howard H. Baker Jr. Center for Public Policy, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2021 Workshop Series, *What's Your Work About? Written, Visual & Spoken Communication of Research*, Judith Anderson Herbert Writing Center, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Workshop, *Conflict of Interest for Graduate Students*, Office of Research, Innovation & Economic Development, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Workshop, *Transforming a Paper or Chapter into a Publishable Article*, Judith Anderson Herbert Writing Center, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2020 Workshop, *Transferable Skills: Communicating your Academic Experience to a Nonacademic Audience*, International Studies Association
- 2019 Workshop Series, *Best Practices in Publishing*, Graduate School, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2017 Workshop, *Digital Scholarship Bootcamp*, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Workshop, *Machine Learning Hackathon*, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

### Teaching

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- 2020 Workshop-Series, *Responding to Student Writing*, Judith Anderson Herbert Writing Center, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Seminar-Series, *CIRTL Practitioner Level – Introduction to Online Teaching*, Center for the Integration of Research Teaching and Learning, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

2017 Workshop, *Best Practices in Teaching*, Graduate School, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Workshop-Series, *CIRTL Associate Level*, Center for the Integration of Research Teaching and Learning, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Attendee, *APSA – Teaching and Learning Conference*

2016 Course, *College Teaching in Political Science*, Department of Political Science, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

## Skills (Other)

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Statistical Packages

- NVivo
- Stata
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Applications

- Microsoft Office
- ScholarOne (Manuscript Central)

Languages

- German (native)
- English (fluent)
- French (intermediate)

## Awards and Honors

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2021 - 2022 *Graduate Research Assistantship*, Minerva Research Initiative Grant “Maritime Law Enforcement in the Indo-Pacific: Building Capacity to Confront Militia Groups and Maritime Crime”, PI: Dr. Brandon Prins, Howard Baker Center and Department of Political Science, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

2016 - 2021 *Graduate Assistantship*, Department of Political Science, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

2021 *William G McCall Dissertation Research Award*, Department of Political Science, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

*APSA Travel Grant*, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC

- Graduate Student Senate Academic Support Reimbursement Award*,  
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2020 *Best Conference Paper Award*, Department of Political Science, University  
of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Graduate Fellowship for Professionalism and Academic Performance*,  
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2019 *Graduate Student Senate Travel Awards*, University of Tennessee,  
Knoxville
- American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting and  
Exhibition
  - Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society (IUSAFS)  
Biennial International Conference
- 2017 *Graduate Student Senate Travel Awards*, University of Tennessee,  
Knoxville
- International Security Studies Section of ISA (ISSS) and the  
International Security and Arms Control Section of APSA (IS)  
Annual Conference
- 2013 *Study Abroad Partial Scholarship*, University of Augsburg, Germany
- 2011 *Student Mobility Stipend*, German Academic Exchange Service, Catholic  
University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Germany

## **Professional Service**

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- 2016 – 2022 Member, *Political Science Graduate Student Association*, University of  
Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2019 - 2021 Production Manager, *International Studies Quarterly*, University of  
Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2016 - 2021 Instructor/Leader, *German Language Table*, University of Tennessee,  
Knoxville
- 2019 - 2020 Member, *Technology Fee Advisory Board*, University of Tennessee,  
Knoxville
- 2018 - 2020 Secretary, *Graduate Student Senate*, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2018 - 2020 Member, *Graduate Student Senate Travel Awards Committee*, University of  
Tennessee, Knoxville

2018 – 2019 Secretary, *Political Science Graduate Student Association*, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

2017 - 2018 Treasurer, *Political Science Graduate Student Association*, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

## Professional Membership

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- American Political Science Association
- International Political Science Association
- International Studies Association
- Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society

## Education (Other)

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2014 *Research Assistant (Intern)*, Dr. Ryan Grauer, University of Pittsburgh, PA

2012 *Intern*, Christine Kamm, Member of the Bavarian State Parliament, Augsburg, Germany

2011 *Exchange Student (Undergraduate)*, Maryville College, TN

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