

PUBLICATIONS and WORKS IN PROGRESS

Books

To Shape Our World For Good: Master Narratives and Forceful Regime Change in United States Foreign Policy, 1900-2011 (Cornell University Press, 2019)

Just Politics: Human Rights and the Foreign Policy of Great Powers (Cornell University Press, Studies in Security Affairs, 2008)

- International Studies Association ISSS Best Book Award, 2009

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“When Humanitarianism Matters: Liberalism and the Termination of Security Commitments,” *Security Studies*, 14, 2 (April-June, 2005), 232-273.

Book Chapters

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Reviews and Essays

“Why the Fight Against ISIS Won’t Be ‘Another Iraq,’” *Huffington Post*, 24 September 2014

“Best Hope in Iraq is New Regional Order,” Op-Ed, *The Salem (Massachusetts) News*, 30 January 2005

“America in the World: An Annotated Bibliography,” *The Hedgehog Review*, 5, 1 (Spring 2003)

Articles in Progress and Under Review

“Master Narratives and Retrenchment in Contemporary United States Foreign Policy”

“Restrained Internationalism: A Grand Strategy for United States Engagement Abroad in an Age of Retreat”

“Bringing Events Back In: Trauma and Narrative Construction in United States Foreign Policy”

Current Book Projects

Losing Yourself: The Ideational Sources of Great Power Decline

This book explores the role of ideas in explaining why great powers decline. The working premise is that when certain traumatic events lead great powers to see themselves as less than what they used to be, the tendency to pull-back and retreat that follows often leads to a self-

fulfilling prophecy of decline. There is a domestic and international component to this. A great power's waffling sense of itself leads others in the international system to respond with new, independent initiatives that only furthers the great power's growing status as a lesser state, effectively helping to socialize the power into a more secondary role. In the end, then, rather than following traditional arguments that focuses solely on power, this book explores the important intermixing of geostrategic factors and identity to explain the decline of great powers. The book focuses primary attention on the contemporary United States as well as historical great powers like Great Britain, France, and Germany.