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Academic Positions

2014 – Present **Assistant Professor**, University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, GA, US
2012 – 2014 **Graduate Instructor**, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA, US
2005 – 2014 **Adjunct Instructor**, Drury University, Springfield, MO, US

Education

PhD **Louisiana State University**, Political Science, 2014
Dissertation: *Raising the Black Flag: State Capacity, Geography, International Law, and Maritime Piracy*
First Field: International Relations
Second Field: Comparative Politics

MHA **Missouri State University**, Management, 2008
First Field: Management
Second Field: Health Policy

MIAA **Missouri State University**, Political Science, 2005
First Field: International Relations
Second Field: Comparative Politics

BA **Missouri State University**, Political Science, Computer Information Systems, 2003

Peer Reviewed Work While Employed by UNG

Rohrer, S.; and Sobek D. (2016) "Name Your Price: Economic Compensation and Suicide Terrorism" *International Journal of Peace and Development Studies*. 7(8),76-88

Rohrer, S. (2015). "When is a Pirate a Pirate?: The Evolution of Piracy and Maritime Sovereignty." *Coriolis: The Interdisciplinary Journal of Maritime Studies*. 5(2), 20-45

Rohrer, S. (2014). "What Makes a Prime Minister Great?: The Impact of LTA Psychological Characteristics and the Perceived Effectiveness of British Prime Ministers (1902-2004)." *Journal of Research and Politics*. October-December, 1-8

Working Papers

Rohrer, S.; and Tirone. D. "Foreign Aid as a Policy Tool for Combatting Privation Driven and Cartel Based Maritime Crime"

Rohrer, S.; and Tirone D. "Maritime Crime Database v.2.0 Data Release: State Sponsored, Cartel, and Privation Driven Piracy 1990 – 2018"

Rohrer, S. "Piracy on the High Seas: A Macro Analysis of Geographic, Political, and Economic Drivers of Maritime Piracy."

Rohrer, S.; Price, N. "The Scottish Independence Referendum: Referendum Timing in a Complex State System"

Rohrer S.; Rauhaus B.; and Sakiev A. "Traits, Gender, and Leadership: An Analysis of Angela Merkel's Early Chancellorship."

Book Projects Under Contract

Rohrer, S.; and Tirone. D. "A Political Economy of Contemporary Piracy and Maritime Crime." Palgrave. International Political Economy Series.

Rohrer S. "War and Terrorism." *The Basics of International Relations*. University of North Georgia Press.

Conference Participation While Employed by UNG

"Paying for Safe Passage: Foreign Aid as a Policy Tool for Combatting Maritime Crime" (with Daniel C. Tirone)

- *International Studies Association*, San Francisco CA, US, 2018
- *Southern Political Science Association*, San Juan, PR, US, 2016
- *International Studies Association*, New Orleans, LA, US, 2015

"The Scottish Independence Referendum: Referendum Timing in a Complex State System" (with Nathan Price)

- *Western Political Science Association*, San Francisco, CA, US 2018
- *Transatlantic Studies Association*, Dahlonga, GA, US 2018

"Salty Dogs and Weekend Warriors: A Typology of Maritime Crime" (with Daniel C. Tirone)

- *International Studies Association – Midwest*, Saint Louis, MO, US, 2017
- *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL, US, 2017

"Traits, Gender, and Leadership" (with Beth Rauhaus and Azamat Sakiev)

- *Southern Political Science Association*, New Orleans, LA, US, 2017
- *Southern Political Science Association*, San Juan, PR, US, 2016
- *International Studies Association – South*, Tampa, FL, US, 2015

"Name Your Price: Economic Recruiting for Prolonged Campaigns of Suicide Terrorism" (with David Sobek)

- *International Studies Association – Midwest*, Saint Louis, MO, US, 2016

"The Scottish Independence Vote: What Next?" (with James Gilley and James Marchbanks)

- *International Studies Association*, Atlanta, GA, US, 2016
- *International Studies Association*, New Orleans, LA, US, 2015

"Maritime Piracy Across Time: Recurring Systemic Patterns from the Bronze Age to Today."

- *American Political Science Association*, San Francisco, CA, US, 2015

Courses Taught by Institution

University of North Georgia

Undergraduate Courses

- POLS 1101: Introduction to American Politics
- POLS 2401: Introduction to International Relations – Double Sections
- POLS 3204: International Organizations
- POLS 3205: International Law
- POLS 3209: Comparative Politics of the Middle East
- POLS 4201: Introduction to Comparative Politics
- POLS 4209: International Relations of the Middle East
- POLS 4244: Terrorism and Political Violence
- POLS 4320: International Relations Theory

Graduate Courses

- POLS 7240: Special Topics: Middle East – Piracy, Terrorism, and Natural Resources
- POLS 7241: Special Topics: Non-Democratic Governance – Authoritarian and Competitive Authoritarian Systems (Also taught using the class title, “Authoritarianism.”)
- POLS 7241: Special Topics: Contemporary Secessionist Movements
- POLS 7244: Political Violence

Louisiana State University

- POLS 2057: Introduction to International Politics
- POLS 4059: International Politics of the Middle East

Drury University

- GLST 0201: Global Awareness and Cultural Diversity

New Curriculum Developed for UNG

- POLS 7240: Special Topics: Middle East – Piracy, Terrorism, and Natural Resources
- POLS 7241: Special Topics: Non-Democratic Governance – Authoritarian and Competitive Authoritarian Systems
- POLS 7241: Special Topics: Contemporary Secessionist Movements

University Service Tasks by Date of Completion

2017 – Present. **Member**, University System of Georgia Middle East Council (USGMEC), University of North Georgia

- **System Level Service**
 - Work with the USMEC to determine appropriate locations, and organizational support for the annual Middle East Student Symposium.
 - Assist in promoting the event and encouraging student participation and interest in the politics, culture, and history of the Middle East

2015 – Present. **Advisor**, International Affairs Academic Advisement, University of North Georgia

- **Department Level Service**

- Current advisement load: 16 students.
- Assist student in navigating through course selection to complete the International Affairs Degree in a timely manner.
- Assist students in preparing for searching and applying for the mandatory regional international internship.
- Assist students in locating and registering for an appropriate regional study abroad program.

2014 – Present. **Corps Advocate – Charlie Company**, Corps of Cadets, University of North Georgia

- **University Level Service**

- Provide advice and guidance to the members of Charlie Company.
- Each year 20-30 Freshmen cadets are assigned. This number is in addition to returning Sophomore, Junior, and Senior level students who can continue to seek advice and counsel.
- This service provides an opportunity to provide advisement at the university level and to students other than my assigned departmental advisees.

2017 – 2018, **Member**, Faculty Job Search Committee, University of North Georgia

- **Department Level Service**

- Review and assess 45 candidates for an East Asian specialist tenure track opening.
- Assist in transporting and arranging meals for candidates.
- Assist in contacting references for candidates.

2017, **Co-Chair**, Dual Tenure Track Proposals Committee, University of North Georgia

- **Department Level Service**

- Survey faculty across multiple campuses to determine what features they believe that a separate teaching and research tenure track should require.
- Assess dual tenure track options at comparable universities and determine what feature would be potentially applicable to our department.
- Assemble faculty feedback and out viable track options into a framework to demonstrate what a dual track system might look like for the department.

2017, **Member**, Dual Tenure Track Research Committee, University of North Georgia

- **Department Level Service**

- Determine if comparable departments and universities offer multiple tenure track options.
- Collect information regarding how these review criteria are structured.

2017, **Member**, New Student Orientation, University of North Georgia

- **Departmental Level Service**

- Assist the Master Faculty Advisory in orienting and registering incoming majors on the Gainesville campus.
- Assisting in this orientation was outside of the contractually obligated orientations while teaching a summer course.

2016 – 2018. **Member**, College of Arts and Letters Course Curriculum Committee, University of North Georgia

- **College Level Service**
 - Review and discuss proposed changes in programs of study within the College of Arts and Letters.
 - Review and discuss proposed new, or revised, courses, within the College of Arts and Letters.
 - 2016-2017: 226 Course and program proposals were reviewed.
 - 2017-2018: 200 Course and program proposals were reviewed.

2016. **Member**, Adjunct Faculty Hiring Committee, University of North Georgia

- **Department Level Service**
 - Review the applicant pool to identify potential adjunct faculty that can maintain UNG's high teaching standards for American Politics and Global Issues courses.

2015 – Present. **Member**, Master of Arts in International Affairs Admission Committee, University of North Georgia.

- **Department Level Service**
 - Review and assess the viability of candidates for graduate level studies within the department's M.A.I.A. program.

2015. **University Representative -Visiting Educator from the Tanzanian Military High School in Dar es Salaam**

- **University Level Service**
 - The College of Education contacted me to see if Mr. Charles Msumule could sit in on my POLS 2401 course. Mr. Msumule was curious how courses exceeding 50 students were handled at an American military college.
 - Following the course, I chaperoned Mr. Msumule on a tour of the campus.

2015. **Member**, Comparative Politics Curriculum Development Committee, University of North Georgia

- **Department Level Service**
 - Examine and ensure that POLS 2301 and POLS 4201 have distinct course objectives as both courses are located within the Comparative Politics subfield.

2015. **Survey Design, Administration, and Assessment**. Social Media Usage of Students in POLS 2401. University of North Georgia

- **Department Level Service**
 - Design and assess a survey to analyse the social media usage of students enrolled in POLS 2401.
 - Determine what social media platforms students utilize, and how much contact from a university entity that they would consider acceptable.

2015. **Panellist**, Origins and Objectives of ISIS. Big Canoe Foreign Policy Brunch

- **University / Community Service**
 - Attend to public forums focused on discussing the rise of ISIS in the wake of the Iraqi Civil War.
 - This event was attended by both the general public and local newspaper outlets.

2014. **Panellist.** Maritime Law and Piracy. Student Council of International Affairs, University of North Georgia

- **Department Level Service**

- Assist SCIA members in researching the role that maritime law plays in classifying acts of maritime crime. Additionally, assisted students in exploring what political, economic, and geographic, conditions encourage outbreaks of maritime crime.
- I served as a panel expert when SCIA presented their work to the wider university.

Journal Reviewer

Democracy and Security, Research and Politics, Political Studies, Journal of Social and Political Psychology

Community Outreach Events 2003-2012

- 2012 **Sweatshops and Globalization: A Roundtable**, Baton Rouge, LA, US
An interdisciplinary panel of LSU faculty discussed the economic, moral, and varying political perspectives on sweatshops. This roundtable was inspired based on concerns raised by the student body following LSU's partnership with Nike to produce collegiate apparel.
- 2005 **W.H.O. Cares About Taiwan?**, Springfield, Missouri, US
Dr. Dennis V. Hickey presented a lecture on Taiwan's efforts to join the World Health Organization, and the potential impact this might have on the recent Taiwanese movement to formally declare independence from the Peoples' Republic of China
- 2005 **Tsunami Aid**, Springfield, Missouri, US
Organized student and community volunteers to sell commemorative ribbons and arrange a series of charity concerts for those affected by the Tsunami in Southeast Asia and East Africa. All proceeds were donated to the International Committee of the Red Cross.
- 2004 **American Foreign Policy in Afghanistan**, Springfield, Missouri, US
Former U.S. Ambassador to Afghanistan, Theodore Elliott, discussed American policies regarding Afghanistan and their impact on domestic politics in the United States.
- 2004 **An Update on the War on Terrorism: Afghanistan**, Springfield, Missouri, US
Erlan Satibekov, a Turkmen journalist, shared his experiences as a war correspondent in Afghanistan via a translator.
- 2004 **The Roots of Muslim Anti-Americanism in the Middle East**, Springfield, Missouri, US
Director of the State Department's Office of Foreign Press, David Ballard, and Kamran Bokhari a policy analyst of Strategic Forecasting, discussed recent causes of the increase in anti-American sentiment within the states of the Middle East and North Africa.
- 2003 **Nuclear, Chemical, & Biological Nonproliferation**, Springfield, Missouri, US
State Department Analyst, Mr. Rexon Y. Ryu, presented a lecture on nuclear, chemical, biological and ballistic missile non-proliferation issues with an emphasis on Iran and Iraq.
- 2003 **The Arab-Israeli Conflict: A State Department Update**, Springfield, Missouri, US
State Department Analyst, Mr. Rexon Y. Ryu, presented a lecture on his experiences in Israel working on the Bush administration's peace initiative.

Research Interests by Field

International Relations:

- Modern Maritime Crime
- Terrorism

Comparative Politics:

- Non-Democratic Systems
 - Political Psychology
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Professional Service and Memberships

Manuscript reviewer for: *Political Studies*, *Research and Politics*, *Journal for Social and Political Psychology*, *Democracy and Security*

- American Political Science Association – Member
 - Southern Political Science Association – Member
 - International Studies Association – Member
 - International Studies Association – Midwest - Member
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Academic Software and Skills

Statistical Analysis:

- STATA
- Profiler+
- ArcGIS

Research:

- EndNote
- Word
- PowerPoint
- Excel
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Learning Management Systems:

- Moodle 2
- Blackboard 9
- D2L/Brightspace

Online Course Evaluation Training

- Quality Matters (QM)

References

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