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## **CURRENT POSITIONS**

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### **Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments**

Senior Fellow and Director of Research and Studies

### **Georgetown University**

Adjunct Associate Professor of Security Studies

## **PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

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### **Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments**

Research Fellow

Analyst

### **Department of Defense**

Special Advisor to the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

## **EDUCATION**

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### **University of Virginia**

Ph.D., Foreign Affairs

M.A., Foreign Affairs

### **Villanova University**

B.A., *summa cum laude*, Political Science and Sociology

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

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Department of Defense Joint Civilian Service Commendation Award

Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellowship

Smith Richardson Foundation Strategy and Policy Fellowship

University of Virginia Graduate Studies Office Award for Excellence in Humanities & Social Sciences

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship

Villanova University Department of Sociology John Hughes Medallion for Excellence

Phi Beta Kappa

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Book

2016 *In the Hegemon's Shadow: Leading States and the Rise of Regional Powers* (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press). Part of the Cornell Studies in Security Affairs series.

Reviewed in *Foreign Affairs*, *International Studies Review*, *Choice*, *H-Diplo*, *Strategic Analysis*, *Global Affairs*, and *Critique Internationale*.

### Peer-Reviewed Articles

Forthcoming. "Posturing for Great Power Competition: Identifying Coercion Problems in US Nuclear Policy," *Journal of Strategic Studies* (online first).

2020 "Primacy and Punishment: U.S. Grand Strategy, Maritime Power, and Military Options to Manage Decline," *Security Studies* 29/4.

2020 "Signals of Strength: Capability Demonstrations and Perceptions of Military Power," *Journal of Strategic Studies* 43/2.

2015 "Rethinking Stability in South Asia: India, Pakistan, and the Competition for Escalation Dominance," *Journal of Strategic Studies* 38/1-2. With Eric S. Edelman.

2014 "Contested Primacy in the Western Pacific: China's Rise and the Future of U.S. Power Projection," *International Security* 38/4.

2013 "Reconsidering a Naval Blockade of China: A Response to Mirski," *Journal of Strategic Studies* 36/4.

2013 "Competitive Strategies against Continental Powers: The Geopolitics of Sino-Indian-American Relations," *Journal of Strategic Studies* 36/1.

- 2013 "Counterfeit Diplomacy and Mobilization in Democracies," *Security Studies* 22/1.
- 2010 "Democratization, Instability, and War: Israel's 2006 Conflicts with Hamas and Hezbollah," *Security Studies* 19/3. With Stacie L. Pettyjohn.
- 2006 "Breaking Out of the Security Dilemma: Realism, Reassurance and the Problem of Uncertainty," *International Security* 31/2. Reprinted in Colin Elman and Michael Jensen, eds., *The Realism Reader* (New York: Routledge, 2014).

### Non-Peer Reviewed Articles and Book Chapters

- Forthcoming. "China's Post-Minimalist Nuclear Strategy: Implications for U.S. Deterrence and Assurance," *The Washington Quarterly*. With Toshi Yoshihara.
- 2020 "Opportunistic Aggression in the Twenty-first Century," *Survival: Global Politics and Strategy* 62/4. With Hal Brands.
- 2020 "One War is Not Enough: Strategy and Force Planning for Great Power Competition," *Texas National Security Review* 3/2. With Hal Brands.
- 2019 "Assessing the Changing Nuclear Balance," *The SAIS Review* 39/2. With Thomas G. Mahnken and Jacob Cohn.
- 2018 "Sources of Instability in the Second Nuclear Age: An American Perspective," in Lawrence Rubin and Adam Stulberg, eds., *The End of Strategic Stability? Nuclear Weapons and the Challenge of Regional Rivalries* (Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press).
- 2017 "Correspondence: How Good Are China's Antiaccess/Area-Denial Capabilities?" *International Security* 41/4.
- 2012 "Developing a Strategy for a Long-Term Sino-American Competition," in Thomas G. Mahnken, ed., *Competitive Strategies for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Theory, History, and Practice* (Stanford: Stanford University Press). With James P. Thomas.
- 2011 "Response: The War over Containing Iran," *Foreign Affairs* 90/2 (2011). With Eric S. Edelman and Andrew F. Krepinevich.
- 2011 "The Dangers of a Nuclear Iran: The Limits of Containment," *Foreign Affairs* 90/1. With Eric S. Edelman and Andrew F. Krepinevich.
- 2007 "Correspondence: Uncertainty and Reassurance in International Politics," *International Security* 32/1.
- 2006 "Ideology, Propaganda, and Revolution," in James V. DeFronzo, ed., *Revolutionary Movements in World History: From 1750 to the Present* (Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO). With Stacie L. Pettyjohn.

## CSBA Reports

- 2019 *Assessing the Arsenals: Past, Present, and Future Capabilities* (Washington, DC: CSBA). With Jacob Cohn and Adam Lemon.
- 2017 *Reinforcing the Front Line: U.S. Defense Strategy and the Rise of China* (Washington, DC: CSBA).
- 2016 *Extended Deterrence in the Second Nuclear Age: Geopolitics, Proliferation, and the Future of U.S. Security Commitments* (Washington, DC: CSBA).
- 2015 *The Cost of U.S. Nuclear Forces: From BCA to Bow Wave and Beyond* (Washington, DC: CSBA). With Todd Harrison.
- 2013 *The Future of America's Strategic Nuclear Deterrent* (Washington, DC: CSBA).
- 2010 *Defense Planning for the Long Haul: Scenarios, Operational Concepts, and the Future Security Environment* (Washington, DC: CSBA).
- 2010 *Reshaping America's Alliances for the Long Haul* (Washington, DC: CSBA).
- 2010 *Nuclear Terrorism: Assessing the Threat, Developing a Response* (Washington, DC: CSBA).

## CSBA Policy Briefs

- 2021 "Aligning South Korea's Defense Strategy and Capabilities" (7 September). With Jack Bianchi, Josh Chang, Madison Creery, and Regan Cople.
- 2013 "Rethinking the Road to Zero" (27 June).
- 2011 "Changing the Business of Defense" (18 October). With Todd Harrison.
- 2010 "The Logic and Limitations of the Nuclear Posture Review" (23 April).
- 2009 "Life after FCS" (26 August).
- 2009 "Correcting Course: The Cancellation of the Future Combat Systems Program" (30 July). With Andrew F. Krepinevich.

## Public Commentary

- 2022 "Leaderless, Cut Off, and Alone: The Risks to Taiwan in the Wake of Ukraine." *War on the Rocks* (5 April). With Toshi Yoshihara.

- 2021 "Credibility Controversies: The Implications of Afghanistan for the Indo-Pacific," *War on the Rocks* (7 September).
- 2021 "Defense Strategy and the Empire State of Mind: How Preparing for the Best Can Leave Washington Vulnerable to the Rest," *War on the Rocks* (19 February).
- 2020 "Kill 'Em All? Denial Strategies, Defense Planning, and Deterrence Failure," *War on the Rocks* (24 September).
- 2018 "Avoiding Fair Fights: Military Superiority and U.S. National Security," *Texas National Security Review* (27 June). Republished as "Unpacking Overmatch: Three Crucial Questions about U.S. Military Superiority," *War on the Rocks* (6 July 2018).
- 2017 "U.S.–China Competition in Technological and Defense Industrial Development: Implications for the Balance of Power over the Long Term," Research Brief, *UCSD Institute for Global Conflict and Cooperation* (13 January).
- 2016 "America's Nuclear-Deterrence Challenge in Asia," *Wall Street Journal* (7 June).
- 2015 "Changing Tides in the South China Sea," *Wall Street Journal* (25 August). With Elbridge Colby.
- 2015 "Rethinking Taiwan's Submarine Dream," *Real Clear Defense* (28 October).
- 2014 "Time for American Land-Based Missiles to Counter China?" *The National Interest* (13 October).
- 2014 "How Should America Respond to China's Deadly Missile Arsenal?" *The National Interest* (19 September).
- 2014 "China's Missile Forces are Growing: Is it Time to Modify the INF Treaty?" *The National Interest* (2 July).
- 2014 "Time to Worry about China's Military Rise," *Belfer Center Policy Brief* (June).
- 2014 "China's Rising Military Might: A Grand Strategy Surprise?" *The National Interest* (11 June).
- 2013 "The Future of America's Nuclear Deterrent," *The National Interest* (6 December).
- 2013 "By Land and By Sea: Balanced Forces for a Complex Region," *Foreign Affairs* (19 July). With Stacie L. Pettyjohn.
- 2012 "Telling Hard Truths," *Defense News* (24 June). With Mark Gunzinger.
- 2012 "India's Anti-Access Trump Card," *The Diplomat* (6 June).
- 2012 "Returning to the Land or Turning Toward the Sea? India's Role in America's Pivot," *The Diplomat* (28 April).

## Book Reviews

- 2022                      Review of Raymond Kuo, *Following the Leader: International Order, Alliance Strategies, and Emulation* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2021), *H-Diplo*.
- 2019                      Review of Joshua R. Itzkowitz Shiffrin, *Rising Titans, Falling Giants: How Great Powers Exploit Power Shifts* (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2018), *H-Diplo/ISSF Roundtable* (28 October).
- 2018                      Review of David C. Kang, *American Grand Strategy and East Asian Security in the Twenty-First Century* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2017), *H-Diplo/ISSF Roundtable* (29 November).
- 2018                      Review of John M. Schuessler, *Deceit on the Road to War: Presidents, Politics, and American Democracy* (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2015), *Journal of Strategic Studies* 40/3.
- 2018                      Review of Christopher Hemmer, *American Pendulum: Recurring Debates in U.S. Grand Strategy* (Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2015), *Perspectives on Politics* 15/1.

## Testimony

- 2015                      “Managing China’s Missile Threat: Future Options to Preserve Forward Defense,” *Testimony before the U.S. China Economic and Security Review Commission* (1 April).

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Georgetown University

- SEST 500: Theory and Practice of Security  
SEST 516: Military Effectiveness  
SEST 661: A New Great Power Competition

### University of Virginia

- PLIR 101: Introduction to International Relations  
PLIR 306: Military Force in International Relations  
PLIR 424D: American Grand Strategy and the Bush Presidency

## **ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

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### **American Political Science Association**

2006, 2009, 2013-14, 2016-17, 2021

### **International Studies Association**

2008, 2013-2020

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

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Philip Merrill Center for Strategic Studies, Basin Harbor Face of Modern War Workshop (2016)

Philip Merrill Center for Strategic Studies, Basin Harbor Teachers' Workshop (2012)

Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (2005)

## **REVIEWER**

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*International Security, Security Studies, Journal of Strategic Studies, International Studies Quarterly, PS: Political Science & Politics, American Political Science Review, Contemporary Security Policy, Cambridge Review of International Affairs, Defence Studies, Chinese Journal of International Politics, Asian Security, Asian Politics and Policy, Texas National Security Review, War on the Rocks, Georgetown University Press, Center for a New American Security, RAND Corporation, CNA, Smith Richardson Foundation*