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POSITIONS

Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs, Pardee RAND Graduate School, 2019-Present
Senior Political Scientist, RAND Corporation, 2015-Present
Faculty, Pardee RAND Graduate School, 2014-Present
Political Scientist, RAND Corporation, 2011-2015
Assistant Professor, Political Science, University of British Columbia, 2003-2011
Visiting Researcher, International Economic Analysis Division, Bank of England, 2000
Research Assistant, HSBC James Capel, Mexico, 1997
Research Assistant, Ecanal: Economic Analysis for Company Planning, Mexico, 1997

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Political Science, University of California, San Diego, 2003
B.A. in Economics and Political Science, University of California, Los Angeles, 1997
Magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

AWARDS

RAND Innovation Award, 2015
RAND Silver Medal, 2015
RAND Spotlight Award, 2015
RAND Impact Award, 2013

ACADEMIC RESEARCH GRANTS

UBC Michael Smith Foundation Institutional Infrastructure Support Program, 2004-05
UBC Humanities and Social Sciences Large Grant, 2004-05
UBC Humanities and Social Sciences Bridging Grant, 2003-04
UC Institute for Global Conflict and Cooperation Dissertation Fellowship, 2001-02
UCSD Center for Iberian & Latin American Studies Dissertation Fellowship, 2000-01
UCSD Division of Social Sciences Dean's Travel Grant, 2000-01
APSA and ICPSR Clifford Clogg Scholarship, ICPSR Summer Methods Program, 1999
Edmund G. Brown Fellowship, UCSD Department of Political Science, 1997-98

RAND REPORTS

Influencing Adversary States: Quelling Perfect Storms. Paul K. Davis, Angela O'Mahony, Christian Curriden, and Jonathan Lamb. 2021. RR-A161-1.

Chasing Multinational Interoperability: Values, Objectives, and Strategies. Christopher G. Pernin, Angela O'Mahony, Gene Germanovich, and Matthew Lane. 2020. RR-3068-A.

A Complex Systems Agenda for Teaching and Conducting Policy Studies. Paul K. Davis, Tim McDonald, Ann Pendleton-Jullian, Angela O'Mahony and Osonde A. Osoba. 2020. WR-1326.

Priority Challenges for Social and Behavioral Research and its Modeling. Paul K. Davis, Angela O'Mahony, Timothy R. Gulden, Osonde A. Osoba. Katharine Sieck. 2018. RR-2208-DARPA.

Assessing, Monitoring, and Evaluating Army Security Cooperation: A Framework for Implementation. Angela O'Mahony, Ilana Blum, Gabriela Armenta, Nicholas Burger, Joshua Mendelsohn, Michael J. Mc Nerney, Steven W. Popper, Jefferson P. Marquis, Thomas S. Szayna. 2018. RR-2165-A.

Pacific Engagement: Forging Tighter Connections between Tactical Security Cooperation Activities and U.S. Strategic Goals in the Asia-Pacific. Stephen Watts, Christopher M. Schnaubelt, Sean Mann, Angela O'Mahony, and Michael Schwillie. 2018. RR-1920-A.

U.S. Presence and the Incidence of Conflict. Angela O'Mahony, Miranda Priebe, Bryan Frederick, Jennifer Kavanagh, Matthew Lane, Trevor Johnston, Thomas S. Szayna, Jakub Hlavka, Stephen Watts, and Matthew Povlock. 2018. RR-1906-A.

What are the Trends in Armed Conflicts, and What do They Mean for U.S. Defense Policy? Thomas S. Szayna, Stephen Watts, Angela O'Mahony, Bryan Frederick, and Jennifer Kavanagh. 2017. RR-1904-A.

The Past, Present, and Future of U.S. Ground Interventions: Identifying Trends, Characteristics, and Signposts. Jennifer Kavanagh, Bryan Frederick, Matthew Povlock, Stacie L. Pettyjohn, Angela O'Mahony, Stephen Watts, Nathan Chandler, John Speed Meyers, Eugeniu Han. 2017. RR-1831-A.

Supporting Persistent and Networked Special Operations Forces (SOF) Operations: Insights from Forward-Deployed SOF Personnel. Derek Eaton, Angela O'Mahony, Thomas S. Szayna and William Welser IV. 2017. RR-1333-USSOCOM.

A More Peaceful World? Regional Conflict Trends and U.S. Defense Planning. Stephen Watts, Bryan Frederick, Jennifer Kavanagh, Angela O'Mahony, Thomas S. Szayna, Matthew Lane, Alexander Stephenson, Colin P. Clarke. 2017. RR-1177-A

Conflict Trends and Conflict Drivers: An Empirical Assessment of Historical Conflict Patterns and Future Conflict Projections. Thomas S. Szayna, Angela O'Mahony, Jennifer Kavanagh, Stephen Watts, Bryan A. Frederick, Tova C. Norlen, Phoenix Voorhies. 2017. RR-1063-A.

Understanding Conflict Trends: A Review of the Social Science Literature on the Causes of Conflict. Stephen Watts, Jennifer Kavanagh, Bryan Frederick, Tova C. Norlen, Angela O'Mahony, Phoenix Voorhies, Thomas S. Szayna. 2017. RR-1063/1-A

Global Landpower Network: Recommendations for Deepening Army Engagement. Angela O'Mahony, Christopher G. Pernin, Laurinda L. Rohn, Derek Eaton, Elizabeth Bodine-Baron, Joshua Mendelsohn, Thomas S. Szayna, Osonde A. Osoba, Sherry Oehler, Katharina Ley Best, Leila Bighash. 2016. RR-1813-A.

Assessing the Value of Regionally Aligned Forces in the Army Security Cooperation: An Overview. Angela O'Mahony, Thomas S. Szayna, Michael J. McNerney, Derek Eaton, Joel Verneti, Michael Schwillie, Stephanie Pezard, Tim Oliver, Paul S. Steinberg. 2016. RR-1341/1-A.

Considerations for Integrating Women into Closed Occupations in the U.S. Special Operations Forces. Thomas S. Szayna, Eric V. Larson, Angela O'Mahony, Sean Robson, Agnes Gereben Schaefer, Miriam Matthews, J. Michael Polich, Lynsay Ayer, Derek Eaton, William Marcellino, Lisa Miyashiro, Marek Posard, James Syme, Zev Winkelman, Cameron Wright, Megan Zander-Cotugno, William Welser, IV. 2016. RR-1058-USSOCOM.

Defense Institution Building in Africa. Michael J. McNerney, Stuart E. Johnson, Stephanie Pezard, David Stebbins, Renanah Miles, Angela O'Mahony, Chaoling Feng, Tim Oliver. 2016. RR-1232-OSD.

National Security Implications of Virtual Currency. Joshua Baron, Angela O'Mahony, David Manheim, Cynthia Dion-Schwarz. 2015. RR-1231-OSD.

SOF Partner Assessment: Introduction to Country Characteristics. Angela O'Mahony, William Welser, IV, Thomas S. Szayna. 2014. (Podcast)

Assessing Security Cooperation as a Preventive Tool. Michael McNerney, Angela O'Mahony, Thomas S. Szayna, Derek Eaton, Caroline Baxter, Colin Clarke, Emma Davies, Michael McGee, Heather Peterson, Leslie Payne, and Colin Trenkov-Wermuth, 2014. RR-350.

A Computational Model of Public Support for Insurgency and Terrorism: a Prototype for More-General Social-Science Modeling. Paul K. Davis and Angela O'Mahony. 2013. TR-1220.

Other limited distribution reports available upon request.

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Book

Paul K. Davis, Angela O'Mahony and Jonathan Pfautz, eds. *Social-Behavioral Modeling for Complex Systems*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. 2019.

Journal Articles

"Reforming the Teaching and Conducting of Policy Studies to Deal Better with Complex Systems." With Paul K. Davis, Tim McDonald, Ann Pendleton-Julian and Osonde Osoba. Forthcoming in *Journal of Policy and Complex Systems*. 2021.

"Special Issue: Representing Social Science in National-Security-Related Modeling and Simulation." With Paul K. Davis, in a special issue of *Journal of Defense Modeling and Simulation*, edited by Paul K. Davis and Angela O'Mahony. 14(1): 3-5. 2017.

"Representing Qualitative Social Science in Computational Models to Aid Reasoning Under Uncertainty: National Security Examples." With Paul K. Davis, in a special issue of *Journal of Defense Modeling and Simulation*, edited by Paul K. Davis and Angela O'Mahony. 14(1): 57-78. 2017.

"What is the Global Landpower Network and What Value Might it Provide?" Christopher G. Pernin, Angela O'Mahony, Thomas S. Szayna, Derek Eaton, Katharina Ley Best, Elizabeth Bodine-Baron, Joshua Mendelsohn, and Osonde A. Osoba. *Defense and Security Analysis* 33(3): 209-222. 2017.

"Social Media Data and the Dynamics of Thai Protests." With Benjamin Nyblade and Aim Sinpeng. in a special issue of *Asian Journal of Social Science* on "Digital Methods in Asian Studies". 43: 545-566. 2015.

"Playing with Fire: Pre-Electoral Fiscal Manipulation and the Risk of a Speculative Attack." *International Studies Quarterly*. With Benjamin Nyblade. 58(4): 828-838. December 2014.

"Migrants' Remittances and Home Country Elections: Cross-National and Sub-National Evidence." 49(1): 44-66. With Benjamin Nyblade. In a special issue of *Studies in Comparative and International Development* on "Politics and Migration in Outmigration Countries", March 2014.

"Political Investment: Remittances and Elections." *British Journal of Political Science*. 43(4): 799-820. October 2013.

"Engineering Good Times: Fiscal Manipulation in a Global Economy." *British Journal of Political Science*, 41(2): 315-340. April 2011.

"International Scrutiny and Pre-Electoral Fiscal Manipulation in Developing Countries." *Journal of Politics*, 72(2): 690-704. July 2010. With Susan D. Hyde.

“Escaping the Ties that Bind: Exchange Rate Choice under Central Bank Independence.”
Comparative Political Studies 40(7): 808-31. July 2007.

“The Incredible Shrinking State: Explaining Change in the Territorial Size of Countries.”
Journal of Conflict Resolution 48(5): 699-722. October 2004. With David A. Lake.

Book Chapters

“Understanding and Improving the Human Condition: A Vision of the Future for Social-Behavioral Modeling,” Paul K. Davis, Angela O’Mahony and Jonathan Pfautz, in Paul K. Davis, Angela O’Mahony and Jonathan Pfautz, eds. *Social-Behavioral Modeling for Complex Systems*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. 2019. 3-14.

“Improving Social-Behavioral Modeling,” Paul K. Davis and Angela O’Mahony, in Paul K. Davis, Angela O’Mahony and Jonathan Pfautz, eds. *Social-Behavioral Modeling for Complex Systems*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. 2019. 15-48.

“Ethical and Privacy Issues in Social-Behavioral Research,” Rebecca Balebako, Angela O’Mahony, Paul K. Davis and Osonde A. Osoba, in Paul K. Davis, Angela O’Mahony and Jonathan Pfautz, eds. *Social-Behavioral Modeling for Complex Systems*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. 2019. 15-48.

“Building on Social Science: Theoretic Foundations for Modelers,” Benjamin Nyblade, Angela O’Mahony and Katharine Sieck, in Paul K. Davis, Angela O’Mahony and Jonathan Pfautz, eds. *Social-Behavioral Modeling for Complex Systems*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. 2019. 65-100.

“Panel Discussion: Moving Social-Behavioral Modeling Forward,” Angela O’Mahony, Paul K. Davis, Scott Appling, Matthew E. Brashears, Erica Briscoe, Kathleen M. Carley, Joshua M. Epstein, Luke J. Matthews, Theodore P. Pavlic, William Rand, Scott Neal Reilly, William B. Rouse, Samarth Swarup, Andreas Tolk, Raffaele Vardavas, and Levent Yilmaz, in Paul K. Davis, Angela O’Mahony and Jonathan Pfautz, eds. *Social-Behavioral Modeling for Complex Systems*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. 2019. 753-785.

“Territory and War: State Size and Patterns of Interstate Conflict.” In Miles Kahler and Barbara Walter, eds., *Territoriality and Conflict in an Era of Globalization*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2006. With David A. Lake.

Reviews

Turbulent Waters: Cross-Border Finance and International Governance, Ralph C. Bryant.
Reviewed in *International Journal* 59(1): 239. Winter 2004/2005.

COURSES TAUGHT

Policy Making in Complex Environments (Pardee RAND Graduate School)

International Security (Pardee RAND Graduate School)

International Political Economy (University of British Columbia)

Economic Statecraft (University of British Columbia)

Political Science Honours Thesis (University of British Columbia)

DISSERTATION COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

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Eric Fowler (2016, committee member)
Stephen Peplow (2011, committee member)
Hyunji Lee (2010, committee member)
Mark Pickup (2005, committee member)

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

American Political Science Association Annual Meetings: 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2009
Applied Human Factors and Ergonomics International: 2012
Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, Institutions, Organizations and Growth Program, Vancouver, Canada, 2005
Centro de Investigacion y Docencia Economicas, A.C. Conference on Politics and Migration in Out-Migration Countries, Mexico City, Mexico, 2012.
Decision Making Under Deep Uncertainty Annual Meetings: 2018
European Consortium for Political Research Joint Sessions: 2011
International Political Economy Society Annual Meetings: 2006, 2008, 2010
International Studies Association Annual Meetings: 2003, 2004, 2012
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meetings: 2004, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2016
Peace Science Society Annual Meetings: 2001, 2002
Political Methodology Annual Meetings: 1999, 2000, 2002
Southern California Applied Methods Program Meetings: 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002
Southern California Comparative Political Institutions Conference: 2013
Stanford Workshop on Public Policy Education Reform: 2019
Western Political Science Association Annual Meetings: 2002, 2013
Yale University Conference on the New Political Economy of Monetary Policy and Financial Regulation: 2015

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

Reviewer for: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Economics & Politics*, *European Political Science Review*, *European Union Politics*, *International Interactions*, *International Journal of Drug Policy*, *International Organization*, *International Political Science Review*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *International Studies Review*, Israel Science Foundation, *Journal of Defense Modeling and Simulation*, *Journal of Politics*, *Review of International Political Economy*, *Review of International Organizations*, *World Politics*