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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Political Science, International & Public Affairs <i>Department of Political Science, Brown University</i>	Providence, RI 2019–Present
Watson Institute Assistant Professor of China Studies <i>Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University</i> <i>Faculty Affiliate, The China Initiative</i>	Providence, RI 2019–Present
David and Cindy Edelson Fellow in U.S. Foreign Policy and International Security <i>John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College</i>	Hanover, NH 2023–2024
Postdoctoral Fellow <i>Belfer Center International Security Program, Harvard University</i>	Cambridge, MA 2018–2019
Postdoctoral Research Associate <i>China and the World Program, Columbia University</i>	New York, NY 2018–2019

EDUCATION

Harvard University <i>Ph.D., Political Science</i> <i>Senator Charles Sumner Dissertation Prize</i>	Cambridge, MA 2014–2018
SOAS, University of London <i>M.A., Chinese Studies</i>	London, UK 2008–2009
United States Military Academy <i>B.S., International Relations and Chinese</i> <i>Honor Graduate</i>	West Point, NY 2004–2008

BOOK

Bureaucracies at War: The Institutional Origins of Miscalculation. Cambridge University Press, 2024.
Cambridge Studies in International Relations Series
Winner, American Political Science Association Robert Jervis Best International Security Book Award
Winner, American Political Science Association Herbert A. Simon Book Award
Winner, International Studies Association Asia-Pacific Distinguished Book Award
Reviewed in *Foreign Affairs*, *Perspectives on Politics*, H-Diplo ISSF Roundtable (in progress), *Choice*
Coverage in *Pekingology*, *Trending Globally: Politics and Policy*, *China 21*, *ChinaTalk*, *Weatherhead*
Center for International Affairs 2025 International Book Blitz

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Tyler Jost, “Decision by Design: Leaders, Bureaucracy, and International Crisis Performance.” *International Studies Quarterly*, forthcoming.

Tyler Jost and Yucong Li, "The Politics of Promotion in China's Foreign Policy Bureaucracy." *The China Quarterly* (June 2025), early view.

Don Casler and Tyler Jost, "Lost in Transmission: Bureaucracy, Noise, and Communication in International Politics." *International Security*, 49, no. 4 (Spring 2025).

Tyler Jost and Daniel C. Mattingly, "Networks of Coercion: Military Ties and Civilian Leadership Challenges in China." *American Journal of Political Science* (April 2025), early view.

Tyler Jost and Joshua D. Kertzer, "Armies and Influence: Elite Experience and Public Opinion about Foreign Policy." *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 68, no. 9 (October 2024).

Tyler Jost, Joshua D. Kertzer, Eric Min and Robert Schub, "Advisers and Aggregation in Foreign Policy Decision-Making." *International Organization*, 78, no. 1 (Winter 2024).

Heidi Demarest, Tyler Jost and Robert Schub, "Bureaucracy and Cyber Coercion." *International Studies Quarterly*, 68, no. 1 (March 2024).

Tyler Jost, "The Institutional Origins of Miscalculation in China's International Crises." *International Security*, 48, no. 1 (Summer 2023).

Tyler Jost, Kaine Meshkin and Robert Schub, "The Character and Origins of Military Attitudes on the Use of Force." *International Studies Quarterly*, 66, no. 2 (June 2022).

UNDER REVIEW

"How Hawks Win: Dispositions and Advisory Influence in Foreign Policy Decision-Making" with Joshua D. Kertzer, Eric Min and Robert Schub (invited to revise and resubmit at the *American Political Science Review*)

Winner of the 2025 American Political Science Association Foreign Policy Section Best Paper Award

"Bureaucratic Influence in International Politics" with Lindsay Dolan and Richard Clark (invited for the *Annual Review of Political Science*)

"Protecting the Messenger: Patrons and Foreign Policy Reporting in China" with Eric Min

"Perception, Institutions, and Theories of Chinese Foreign Policy"

"The Non-American Moment? International Origins of the Evolving Global Order" with Susan Colbourn and Rachel Myrick

BOOK PROJECTS

The Rise and Fall of Major Power Cooperation

Strategy & Policy Fellowship Grant, Smith Richardson Foundation

Preliminary workshop held April 2024

Advisers in International Politics, with Joshua D. Kertzer, Eric Min and Robert Schub

Under review for advance contract at Princeton University Press

BOOK CHAPTERS & REVIEWS

Tyler Jost, Joshua D. Kertzer, Eric Min and Robert Schub, "The Role of Advisors: How Ideas Shape International Crises." In *Inside the Situation Room: The Theory and Practice of Crisis Decision Making*, edited by Hillary Rodham Clinton and Keren Yarhi-Milo. Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

Tyler Jost, "Review of Oriana Skylar Mastro's *Upstart: How China Became a Great Power*." *The China Journal*, forthcoming.

Tyler Jost, "Review of Elizabeth Saunders' *The Insiders' Game: How Elites Make War and Peace*." *H-Diplo*, ISSF Roundtable, forthcoming.

Tyler Jost, "Rethinking the Study of Chinese Foreign Policy Decision-Making: A Review of the Literature." In *Understanding China: A Conversation for the Chinese Research and Policy Community*, edited by Scott W. Harold. RAND Corporation, forthcoming.

Tyler Jost, "Autocratic Institutions and Foreign Policy." In *The Oxford Handbook of Foreign Policy Analysis*, edited by Cameron Thies and Juliet Kaarbo. Oxford University Press, 2024.

Tyler Jost and Paul Scharre, "Technological 'Wild Cards' and Twenty-First Century Naval Warfare." In *Chinese Naval Shipbuilding: An Ambitious and Uncertain Course*, edited by Andrew S. Erickson. Naval Institute Press, 2016.

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Regime Security and the Origins of China's Military Modernization"

"The Regime Security Dilemma in International Politics"

"Repression and Promotion in Coercive Organizations: Evidence from China" with Daniel C. Mattingly

"Spotlight Effects in International Politics" with Kathleen E. Powers

"What Makes Face-to-Face Diplomacy Work: Evidence from Five Major Power Archives" with Eric Min

INVITED TALKS, CONFERENCES & LECTURES

AY2025–2026: Fudan University (scheduled); Emerging Technologies and Cybersecurity, Columbia University (scheduled); China and the World Program, Columbia University (scheduled); Empirical Study of Conflict Conference, National Taiwan University

AY2024–2025: Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University; Great Power Competition and Cooperation Conference, Yale University; Public Lecture Series, University of California, San Diego; Oxford University; China Colloquium Lecture Series, Yale University; University of Southern California (guest lecture); Providence College; Chinese Politics Research in Progress Series (discussant); Asia Policy Program, University of Texas at Austin; Texas A&M University; Conference on China-US Relations in a Turbulent Era, Fudan University; Conference on the Future of War, Harvard University; Washington University in Saint Louis (guest lecture); Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University; U.S. Naval War College; Belfer Center International Security Program, Harvard University; Critical Issues Confronting China Series, Harvard University; University of Maryland College Park; Understanding China Conference, RAND Corporation; Institute for Security and Conflict Studies, George Washington University; China Open-Source Research Conference, Center for Strategic and International Studies

AY2023–2024: Frontiers in Empirical Research on East Asia, New York University; Conference on China's International Politics, Yale University (co-organizer); Societal Actors and Authoritarian States' Foreign Policy, Columbia University; International Relations Seminar, Dartmouth College; Rethinking China's International Relations, Harvard University; School of International Studies, Peking University; The People's Republic of China's View of Security Conference, Tufts University; China Centre Speaker Series, Oxford University; International Relations Workshop, University of Minnesota; Threats and Promises in International Politics, Brown University; Diplomats and Bureaucrats in International Relations Conference, Prince-

ton University

AY2022–2023: Domestic Politics in the Shadow of International Competition Conference, University of Chicago; Workshop on Chinese Politics and Foreign Policy, Harvard University; Center for International Studies, University of Southern California; Workshop on International Politics, University of Chicago; Book Adda on *The Difficult Politics of Peace: Rivalry in Modern South Asia*, Brown University; International Relations Workshop, University of Virginia; Security Studies Program, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; China Research Workshop, University of California San Diego; Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, Cornell University; Aggregation in Foreign Policy Conference, Harvard University

AY2021–2022: Bureaucracy and International Relations, Brown University (co-organizer); The Chinese Communist Party at 101 Conference, U.S. Naval War College; China and the World Speaker Series, Columbia University

AY2020–2021: China and International Relations Speaker Series, University of Pennsylvania; International Relations Workshop, Yale University; Asian Online Political Science Seminar Series (discussant); Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies Director Series, Harvard University

AY2019–2020: U.S.-China Engagement Conference, Harvard-Yenching Institute; China in the World Conference, Duke University

AY2018–2019: Young Scholars in International Relations, University of Pennsylvania; Senior Conference, U.S. Military Academy; Causal Inference in International Political Economy, Columbia University

AY2014–2018: International Security Workshop, Harvard University (co-organizer); U.S.-China Next Generation Scholars Dialogue, Peking University; China and International Relations Research Workshop, University of Pennsylvania; China Maritime Studies Institute Conference, U.S. Naval War College

American Political Science Association Annual Conference: 2015–2020, 2022–2024, 2025 (scheduled)

International Studies Association Annual Conference: 2015–2019, 2021–2025

Peace Science Society Annual Conference: 2022

RESEARCH GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

Humanities Research Funds, Brown University	2025–2026
Birkelund Faculty Research Grant, Watson Institute (Major Power Cooperation)	2024–2025
Strategy & Policy Fellowship, Smith Richardson Foundation	2021–2025
Birkelund Faculty Research Grant, Watson Institute (Bureaucracy and International Politics)	2022–2023
Defense Advanced Research Project Agency (DARPA) Award with Marcus Holmes, Joshua D. Kertzer (PI), Brad L. LeVeck, Eric Min, Robert Schub, Carly Wayne	2019–2020
Smith Richardson World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship	2017–2018
Mid-Dissertation Research Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs	2017
Research Grant, Institute for Quantitative Social Science	2017
U.S. Institute of Peace Jennings Randolph Dissertation Fellowship	2016–2017
Frederick Sheldon Traveling Fellowship, Harvard University	2016–2017
Fung Foundation Research Grant, Asia Center, Harvard University	2016
Next Generation Grant, Program on Negotiation, Harvard Law School	2016
Graduate Student Fellowship, The Tobin Project	2015–2016

AWARDS & HONORS

American Political Science Association Robert Jervis Best International Security Book Award	2025
American Political Science Association Herbert A. Simon Book Award	2025
International Studies Association Asia-Pacific Distinguished Book Award	2025

Term Member, Council on Foreign Relations	2022–present
Associate in Research, Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, Harvard University	2018–present
Bridging the Gap International Policy Summer Institute, American University	2023
Senator Charles Sumner Dissertation Prize	2019
Graduate Student Associate, Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies, Harvard University	2017–2018
Carnegie International Policy Scholar	2016–2017
Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Bok Center, Faculty of Arts and Sciences	2016
Visiting Fellow, Institute for Security and Conflict Studies, George Washington University	2016
Next Generation Security Leader Program, Center for a New American Security	2014
Bronze Star Medal	2012
Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar	2008–2009

POLICY ENGAGEMENT

“The Sources of Chinese Foreign Policy,” Korea United Strategy Symposium, U.S. Naval War College, July 12, 2024.

“Spy Balloons, Crisis Management, and Implications for U.S.-China Relations,” National Committee on U.S.-China Relations, April 2023.

Testimony at a Hearing on Confronting Threats Posed by the Chinese Communist Party on the U.S. Homeland, U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Law Enforcement, and Intelligence, March 2023.

Consultant for the U.S. Department of State on Chinese Foreign Policy, Summer 2022.

SELECTED POLICY COMMENTARY

“After Xi: The Succession Question Obscuring China’s Future—And Unsettling Its Present.” *Foreign Affairs*, September/October 2025. With Daniel C. Mattingly.

“The Future of US-China Relations Under a New Trump Administration.” *Trending Globally: Politics and Policy* (podcast), February 19, 2025.

“Wolf Warrior Diplomacy.” *Future Tense* (podcast), October 19, 2024.

“Have China’s Wolf Warriors Gone Extinct?” *Foreign Affairs*, June 27, 2024.

“How Information Flows Impact Decision Making.” *Pekingology* (podcast), Center for Strategic and International Studies, May 11, 2023.

“The Bad Advice Plaguing Beijing’s Foreign Policy.” *Foreign Affairs*, April 27, 2023.

“Who’s Advising Trump on Iran?” with Robert Schub. *The Washington Post*. May 18, 2019.

“The New Pessimism of U.S. Strategy Towards China.” *War on the Rocks*. December 28, 2017.

GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE

Office of the Secretary of Defense – Cyber Policy	Summer 2014
Company Commander, U.S. Army Cyber Brigade, Fort Meade	2013–2014
Aide-de-Camp to Commander, NATO Rule of Law Field Force, Afghanistan	2011–2012
Intelligence Officer, U.S. Army, Afghanistan	2010–2011
Office of the Secretary of Defense – Asian and Pacific Security Affairs	Summer 2008

TEACHING & ACADEMIC SERVICE

Courses: Chinese Foreign Policy; U.S.-China Relations; National Security Decision-Making; Diplomacy, Crisis, and War in the Modern Era; International Security

Reviewer: American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Asian Survey, Chinese Journal of International Politics, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Discourse & Communication, European Security, Global Studies Quarterly, International Interactions, International Security, International Organization, International Studies Quarterly, International Studies Review, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Peace Research, Naval War College Review, Political Science Research and Methods, Review of International Organizations, Oxford University Press, Security Studies, World Politics

Department Service: Graduate Affairs Committee (2020–2022, 2024–present); Watson MPA Faculty Committee (2024–present); Faculty Search Committee (2022–2023); Watson Institute Security Studies Series Coordinator (2024–present); Rhodes Scholarship Committee (2025–2026)
University Service: Rhodes Scholarship Committee (2025–2026)

Invited Book Workshops: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Stanford University