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Appointments

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Tennessee, 2022-
Postdoctoral Fellow, Varieties of Democracy Institute, University of Gothenburg, 2021-2022

Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Pittsburgh, 2021

Dissertation: *Repression and Reelection in Democracies*

Committee: Burcu Savun (Chair), Michael Colaresi, Steven Finkel, Courtenay Conrad
(University of California, Merced)

M.A., Political Science, University of Pittsburgh, 2018

B.A., Political Science and Spanish, Lee University, *Summa Cum Laude*, 2016

Research Interests

Human Rights, State Repression, International Organizations, International Law, Political Violence, Democratic Institutions, Elections, Democratic Accountability, Regime Change, Public Opinion

Peer-Reviewed Article

1. Donno, Daniela, **Kelly Morrison**, and Burcu Savun. 2022. “Not All Elections Are Created Equal: Election Quality and Civil Conflict.” *Journal of Politics* 84(1): 134-147.

Other Publications

2. Boese, Vanessa A., Martin Lundstedt, **Kelly Morrison**, Yuko Sato, and Staffan I. Lindberg. 2022. “State of the World 2021: Autocratization Changing Its Nature?” *Democratization* 29(6): 983-1013.
1. Morgenstern, Scott and **Kelly Morrison**. 2020. “Comparative Political Science Research on Diversity.” In *Diversity Across the Disciplines: Research on People, Policy, Process, and Paradigm*, ed. Audrey J. Murrell, Jennifer L. Petrie-Wyman, and Abdesalam Souidi. Charlotte, NC: Information Age Publishing, Inc.

Selected Work in Progress

7. **Morrison, Kelly**. “Named and Shamed: International Advocacy and Public Support for Repressive Leaders” *R&R*
6. Pérez-Liñán, Anibal, Luis Schenoni, and **Kelly Morrison**. “Time and Compliance with International Rulings: The Case of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights” *R&R*
5. **Morrison, Kelly**. “Why Voters (Sometimes) Punish Repression” *Under Review*

- Winner, 2021 Dina Zinnes Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Scientific Study of International Processes Section, International Studies Association
- 4. Gentil-Fernandes, Leonardo, **Kelly Morrison**, and Jacob Otto. “Buying Survival: Coup Risk, International Accountability, and Mercenary Use” *Under Review*
- 3. Sato, Yuko, Martin Lundstedt, **Kelly Morrison**, Vanessa A. Boese, and Staffan I. Lindberg. “Institutional Order in Episodes of Autocratization” *Under Review*
- 2. Gentil-Fernandes, Leonardo and **Kelly Morrison**. “Sector-Based Support for Repressed Groups: Evidence from the Brazilian Landless Rural Workers’ Movement”
- 1. Donno, Daniela, **Kelly Morrison**, Burcu Savun, and Perisa Davutoglu. “Competing Verdicts: Multiple Election Monitors and Post-Election Contention”

Conferences

American Political Science Association: 2018, 2020, 2021, 2022

European Peace Science Society: 2018

European Political Science Association: 2019, 2022

International Studies Association: 2019, 2021, 2022

Latin American Peace Science Society: 2021

Midwest Political Science Association: 2021, 2022*†

Midwest Workshop in Empirical Political Science: 2020

Peace Science Society: 2020, 2022

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Teaching

Instructor, International Relations, University of Tennessee, 2022

Instructor, International Relations, University of Pittsburgh, 2019

Teaching Assistant, International Relations, University of Pittsburgh, 2019

Guest Lecturer, Peacemaking and Peacekeeping, University of Pittsburgh, 2019

Guest Lecturer, Building Democracy around the World, University of Pittsburgh, 2018

Guest Lecturer, Capstone Seminar in International Relations, University of Pittsburgh, 2018

Teaching Assistant, Research Methods and Statistics, Lee University, 2014-2016

Teaching Assistant, Model United Nations, Lee University, 2014-2016

Grants

Summer Degree Completion Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh, 2021

Dean’s Summer Tuition Scholarship, University of Pittsburgh, 2021

Mellon Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh, 2020-2021

Social Science Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh, 2019-2020

Arts and Sciences Summer Research Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh, 2017, 2019, 2020

Richard Cottam Memorial Prize, University of Pittsburgh, 2019

Umberger Graduate Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh, 2016-2017

Service

Referee: *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *International Interactions*, *International Organization*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Political Science Research and Methods*

Supervision: Ann-Kathrin Schnelle (M.A., University of Gothenburg), Tobias Wasserman (M.A., University of Gothenburg)

Workshop Organizer, Peace Science Society (International) Conference, 2022

Committee Member, Postdoctoral Search Committee, University of Gothenburg, 2022

Managing Editor, *International Interactions*, 2018

Graduate Student Mentor, University of Pittsburgh, 2017-2020

Representative, Graduate Student Executive Committee, University of Pittsburgh, 2019-2020

Committee Member, Faculty Search Committee, University of Pittsburgh, 2019

Policy Work and Publications

Faculty Affiliate, Howard H. Baker Jr. Center for Public Policy, University of Tennessee, 2022-

Invited Speaker, "Threats to Democracy: The Challenges of Communications in an Age of Disinformation," Canadian International Council, 2022

Alizada, Nazifa, Vanessa A. Boese, Martin Lundstedt, **Kelly Morrison**, Natalia Natsika, Yuko Sato, Hugo Tai, and Staffan I. Lindberg. 2022. "[Democracy Report 2022: Autocratization Changing Nature?](#)" Varieties of Democracy Institute.

Boese, Vanessa A. and **Kelly Morrison**. 2022. "[The Case for Democracy: Democracies Produce More Transparent and Higher-Quality Data.](#)" Varieties of Democracy Institute.

Invited Speaker, "Democracy on Trial," Robert A. Jackson Center, 2022

Alizada, Nazifa, Martin Lundstedt, **Kelly Morrison**, Yuko Sato, Vanessa A. Boese and Staffan I. Lindberg. 2022. "[Case for Democracy Conference Report.](#)" Varieties of Democracy Institute.

Organizer, Case for Democracy Conference, Varieties of Democracy Institute, 2021

Consultant, Democracy Arch, 2021

Invited Speaker, International Democracy Days, Umeå University, 2021

Discussion Leader, Pitt Global Town Hall on Climate, Gender, and Sustainability, 2019

Assistant Director, National Model United Nations, 2015-2016

Research Associate, Council on Hemispheric Affairs, 2015

Skills

Software: R, Stata, Python

Languages: Spanish (advanced), Portuguese (intermediate)