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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO , Chicago, IL		
Department of Political Science	PhD	2019
Field	Comparative Politics/ International Relations	
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN , Ann Arbor, MI		
Department of Political Science	M.A.	2008
Field	Comparative Politics	
UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA , Philadelphia, PA		
College of Arts and Sciences	B.A.	2006
Major	Political Science	

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Australian National University

Research Fellow and Lecturer, Department of Political and Social Change, Canberra 2023-Present

- Research to investigate role of neighborhood leaders in governance in Southeast Asia
- Preparing book manuscript “*Minding the Mob: Vigilantism and Impunity in Democratic Indonesia*”
- Teaching undergraduate and graduate courses on state-building and democratization in Asia
- Chairperson: New Mandala Editorial Board

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Non-Resident Scholar, Asia Program, Washington DC 2019-Present

- Contribute current-affairs commentary on Indonesia and Southeast Asia
- Brief US government officials on evolving security issues in Asia

Institute for Policy Analysis of Conflict (IPAC)

Director, Jakarta 2021-2022

- Directed analytical work on violent conflict and extremism in Southeast Asia with a focus on Indonesia
- Led a team of researchers and administrative staff to publish timely reports for policymakers, and donors
- Authored original research on separatism in Papua and the impact of Covid-19 on conflict in Indonesia
- Headed policy advocacy efforts and served as a liaison with international donors and government agencies
- Raised and managed an annual budget of half-million dollars from DFAT, Netherlands, NZ and Canada.

National University of Singapore

Postdoctoral Fellow, Asia Research Institute, Singapore 2019-2020

- Prepared journal article manuscripts related to religious extremism and vigilantism in Asia
- Implemented survey to assess the role of neighborhood leaders in management of Covid-19

The World Bank

Consultant, Fragility, Conflict and Violence Group, Washington DC 2017

- Wrote the Indonesia study for the UN-World Bank flagship publication on conflict prevention
- Evaluated the effectiveness of donor led conflict mitigation efforts in high-risk areas

Lead Researcher, National Violence Monitoring System, Social Development, Jakarta 2008-2013

- Led the development of methodology for the dataset recording 40 variables for 240,000 events
- Developed an implementation strategy and managed nationwide field operations
- Conducted technical consultations with senior government counterparts and aid agencies
- Supervised assessments of 110 local news sources and digitalization of 3 million pages
- Developed funding proposal and secured financing for monitoring activities
- Analyzed data to support government’s policy initiatives
- Served as technical advisor for the Philippines violence monitoring initiative in Mindanao

PUBLICATIONS

Research Publications

- "Indonesian On the Edge of Competitive Authoritarianism" (with Eve Warburton), forthcoming in *Bulletin of Indonesian Economic Studies*, Dec 2024.
- "Reluctant Spies: The Role of Neighbourhood Leaders in Indonesia's PVE Strategy" (with Rofhani Rofhani, and Irsyad Rafsadi), *Terrorism and Political Violence* (Published online 22 Nov 2024)
- "Mechanics of Impunity: Vigilantism and State-Building in Indonesia." *Comparative Politics* 55, no. 2 (January 1, 2023): 287–311.
- "Social Conflict in Indonesia During the Covid-19 Pandemic." *Institute for Policy Analysis of Conflict (IPAC)*, no. 78, October 2022.
- "Escalating Armed Conflict and a New Security Approach in Papua." (with Deka Anwar) *Institute for Policy Analysis of Conflict (IPAC)*, no. 77, July 2022.
- "Indonesia in 2021: In the Eye of the Storm." *Southeast Asian Affairs* 2022, no. 1 (2022): 141–61.
- "Diminished Autonomy and the Risk of New Flashpoints in Papua." *Institute for Policy Analysis of Conflict (IPAC)*, no. 74, December 2021.
- "Right-Wing Populism and Vigilante Violence in Asia." *Studies in Comparative International Development* 56, no. 2 (June 1, 2021): 223–49.
- "In the state's stead? Vigilantism and policing of religious offence in Indonesia" In *From stagnation to regression? Indonesian democracy after twenty years* eds Warburton and Power, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, 2020.
- "Violence and Regimes in Asia: Capable States and Durable Settlements." (with Dan Slater) in *The State of Conflict and Violence in Asia*. The Asia Foundation, September 2017.
- "When Large Conflicts Subside: The Ebbs and Flow of Violence in Post-Suharto Indonesia." (with Ashutosh Varshney and Patrick Barron) *Journal of East Asian Studies* 16, no. 2, 2016.
- "How Large Conflicts Subside: Evidence from Indonesia." (with Ashutosh Varshney and Patrick Barron) *Indonesian Social Development Paper no. 18*, World Bank, 2014.

Policy Commentary

- "Prabowo's Indonesia: Inheriting democracy at dusk" (with Eve Warburton), Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, October 2024
- "Explaining the Prabowo Landslide", (with Eve Warburton) New Mandala, Feb 2024
- "Indonesia's 2024 Presidential Election Could Be the Last Battle of the 'Titans'", Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Oct 2023
- "Indonesia's new criminal code turns representatives into rulers", (with Eve Warburton) New Mandala, Dec 2022
- "At the G20, Indonesia Claims Long-Overdue Limelight on the Global Stage", Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Nov 2022
- "How the Global Vaccine Divide Is Fueling Indonesia's Coronavirus Catastrophe", Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, August 2021
- "End of Myanmar's Rocky Road to Democracy?", Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Feb 2021
- "The role of neighborhood leaders in Indonesia's COVID-19 response", New Mandala, Nov 2020
- "Coronavirus Blunders in Indonesia Turn Crisis Into Catastrophe", Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, April 2020
- "Is Indonesia becoming a two-tiered democracy?", Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Jan 2020
- "Protests against Joko Widodo Rock Indonesia", Foreign Policy, Sept 2019
- "Civic structures and uncivil demands in Indonesia", New Mandala, April 2018
- "Between persecution and prosecution: vigilantes, the state and the politics of offence" (with Siswo Mulyartono), Indonesia at Melbourne, June 2017
- "Justice by Numbers: The rising specter of vigilantism in Indonesia", New Mandala, Jan 2017
- "Marveling at Indonesian Democracy in Myanmar", New Mandala, Dec 2016
- "Street Power and Local Elections in Indonesia" (with Ihsan Ali Fauzi), New Mandala, April 2016

Book Reviews:

- "Unity Through Division, by Diego Fossati." *The National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR)*, April 2024.

- "Rioting for Representation, by Risa Toha", *Political Science Quarterly*, Volume 138, Issue 2, Summer 2023, Pages 308–309
- "Witch-Hunt and Conspiracy, by Nicholas Herriman." *Contemporary Southeast Asia*, August 2017
- "Defect or Defend. Military Responses to Popular Protests in Authoritarian Asia, by Terence Lee." *Journal of the Humanities and Social Sciences of Southeast Asia* 172, no. 4 (January 1, 2016).
- "Indonesia. Money, Power, and Ideology: Political Parties in Post-Authoritarian Indonesia By Marcus Mietzner" *Journal of Southeast Asian Studies* 45, no. 03 (October 2014)

Publications in Bahasa Indonesia:

- "Keadilan Berdasarkan Angka: Bayang-bayang Vigilantisme di Indonesia", PUSAD Paramadina, 2017
- "Mempelajari Konflik Keagamaan Di Indonesia: Pengetahuan Dan Implikasi Kebijakan" In *Kebebasan, Toleransi Dan Terorisme: Riset Dan Kebijakan Agama Di Indonesia*, disunting oleh Ihsan Ali Fauzi, Zainal Abidin Bagir, dan Irsyad Rafsadi. Jakarta: PUSAD Paramadina, 2017
- "Kuasa Jalanan: Milisi dan Politik Pilkada di Indonesia" (dengan Ihsan Ali Fauzi), PUSAD Paramadina, 2016
- "Berlagak Aparat: Telaah Dampak Kapasitas Negara Terhadap Tindakan Main Hakim Sendiri" di *Sisi Gelap Demokrasi: Kekerasan Masyarakat Madani Di Indonesia*, disunting oleh Husni Mubarok dan Irsyad Rafsadi. Jakarta: PUSAD Paramadina, 2015

GRANTS & AWARDS

- Research Grant for International Collaboration, Hassanuddin University, Makasar (IDR 150 mil) 2024
- Australian National University Futures Scheme Grant (AUD 200,000) 2023-2026
- Investigative Reporting and Research Grant, Global Center on Cooperative Security (USD 10,000) 2023
- International Counter-Terrorism Engagement Program, Australian DFAT (for IPAC) (AUD 232,000) 2022
- Global Security Fund Grant, Government of New Zealand (for IPAC) (NZD 75,000) 2022
- Trilateral Police Cooperation Grant, United Kingdom (for IPAC) (GBP 40,000) 2021-22
- Canada Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI), Government of Canada (for IPAC) (CAD 33,000) 2021
- 2020 Best Dissertation Fieldwork Prize, American Political Science Association 2020
- Young Southeast Asia Fellow, Southeast Asia Research Group (SEAREG) 2019
- WhatsApp Research Awards for Social Science (shared with PUSAD Paramadina) (USD 50,000) 2018-2019
- Mellon Foundation Dissertation-Year Fellowship (USD 29,000) 2018-2019
- Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation Dissertation Fellowship (USD 20,000) 2018-2019
- Committee on Southern Asian Studies Fieldwork Grant, University of Chicago (USD 22,000) 2014-2019
- The Pearson Institute Field Research Grant, University of Chicago (USD 5,000) 2017-2018
- Center for International Social Science Research (CISSR), University of Chicago (USD 5,000) 2017-2018
- Research Fellow, Center for Study of Religion and Democracy (PUSAD Paramadina) 2015-2017
- Bienen Research Fund, University of Chicago (USD 2,5000) 2014

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT (Selected)

Invited Talks

- "The future of democracy under Prabowo", Roundtable on Prabowo residency in Indonesia, Keio University (Japan), 2024
- "2024 Indonesian elections and the future of democracy" Indonesia Update Conference, Ritsumeikan University (Japan), 2024.
- "The Universe of Data: How fieldwork shapes better analysis", *Southeast Asia from the Ground Up*, Australian National University 2024
- "Indonesia's Landmark Election" Shorenstein Asia Pacific Research Centre, Stanford University, 2024
- "The Role of Neighbourhood Leaders in Indonesia's Counterterrorism Strategy", Hassanuddin University, 2024
- "Why you should pay attention to the Indonesian Election", Global Journalism Seminar Series, Reuters Institute, Oxford University, 2024

- "Indonesia Votes: Candidates, campaigns and consequences", Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, 2024
- "Neighbourhood governance in Indonesia", Universitas Islam Negara Sunan Ampel, Surabaya, 2023
- "Southeast Asia Forum: Southeast Asia's Political Futures", London School of Economics (LSE), 2023.
- "The Impact of Taliban Rule on Terrorism in Southeast Asia", DFAT Regional Staff Orientation led by Australian Ambassador for Counter-terrorism, Australian Embassy in Jakarta, 2022
- "The deepening crisis in Myanmar" US House of Representatives, Permanent Committee on Intelligence, 2021
- "Is this the end for democracy in Myanmar?", *The World Unpacked*, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, 2021
- "Returning foreign fighters in Southeast Asia: Emerging challenges", Senior Officials Counter-Terrorism Policy Forum, DFAT, 2021
- "The Role of Neighborhood Organizations in Managing Public Health Crises" Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, 2020
- "In the State's Stead? The rise of vigilantism as a new coercive force in democratic Indonesia", Indonesia Update 2019, Australian National University, Canberra 2019
- "Leveraging the Leviathan: politics of impunity and the rise of vigilante violence in democratic Indonesia", Southeast Asia Research Group (SEAREG), Singapore 2018
- "Rumors to Rampage: When does misinformation on social media lead to mob violence in Indonesia?", Facebook Research, Menlo Park, 2018
- "Violence and Regimes in Asia: Capable States and Durable Settlements", The Asia Foundation, DC, 2017
- "How violent is peace? Introducing the National Violence Monitoring System Dataset from Indonesia", Conflict Consortium Virtual Workshop, University of Michigan, 2015

Conferences

- Indonesia Update 2024: How Jokowi Changed Indonesia (co-convenor with Eve Warburton), Australian National University, 2024
- "Serving Two Masters: Neighbourhood leaders and urban governance in Indonesia" (with Ihsan Ali Fauzi), American Political Science Association (APSA), 2024
- Roundtable on Democratic Retrenchment in Asia, (organizer and presenter), American Political Science Association (APSA), 2024
- "Reluctant Spies: The role of neighborhood leaders in Indonesia's PVE efforts." (with Rofhani Rofhani and Irsyad Rafsadi), Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting in Asia, 2024
- "Representatives or Rulers? The role of neighbourhood leaders in grassroots governance in Indonesia", Southeast Asia Research Group (SEAREG), 2023
- "The 2024 Elections and Indonesia's Democratic Trajectory", Roundtable, Indonesia Council Open Conference, 2023
- "Indonesian Democracy in Retreat?" Special Roundtable, Association of Asian Studies Annual Meeting, 2022
- "Mechanics of Impunity: Vigilantism and State-building in Indonesia", The Political Science of Collective Vigilantism and Lynching in Global Comparative Perspective, Harvard University, 2020
- "Risk in Rampage: How communities negotiate impunity for vigilante violence", American Political Science Association (APSA), 2020
- "Fanning Fears: Populism and the Rise of Mob Violence in Asian Democracies", American Political Science Association (APSA,) 2019
- "Fear or Fury? Democratic Change and Politics of Coercion in Indonesia" Association of Asian Studies Annual Meeting, 2018
- "Authoritarian Origins of Vigilantism and Quotidian Order in Indonesia", American Political Science Association (APSA), 2016

TEACHING

Australian National University, Department of Political and Social Change

(2023-Present)

Research Fellow and Lecturer

- Origins of Political Order in Asia
- Civil Wars and Political Violence in Asia

Yangon School of Political Science, Myanmar Political Science Association

2016-2023

Visiting Lecturer

- Taught a graduate-level course on comparative democratization in Southeast Asia

University of Chicago, Department of Political Science

2014-2016

Co-instructor

- Democracy in Indonesia with Prof. Dan Slater

Teaching Assistant

- Introduction to Comparative Politics with Prof. Dan Slater
- Politics of Criminal Conflict with Prof. Benjamin Lessing
- Politics and Public Policy with Prof. Christopher Berry

University of Michigan, Department of Political Science

2007-2008

Graduate Instructor

- Democracy and Politics in India with Prof. Ashutosh Varshney (Winter 2007)
- International Organizations with Prof. Jana von Stein (Spring 2008)

SKILLS

- English (Fluent), Bahasa Indonesia (Fluent), Urdu (Native), Arabic (Basic)
- Proficient in Microsoft Office, STATA and Arc GIS
- 15 years of experience in conducting independent field research in Indonesia
- Skilled in managing quantitative and qualitative data collection teams
- History of productive collaboration with Indonesian academics, policy makers and research organizations