

JENNIFER M. KEISTER

CURRENT APPOINTMENT

Notre Dame's Initiative for Global Development	2013 – present
Associate Research Fellow	
World Bank	2013 – present
Consultant	

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego	
Ph.D., Political Science “States Within States: How Rebels Rule”	2011
Committee: David A. Lake (chair), Eli Berman, Branislav L. Slantchev, Edmund J. Malesky, Peter A. Gourevitch, Clark Gibson	
M.A., Political Science	2006
College of William and Mary	2003
B.A., Government (<i>summa cum laude</i>)	
Phi Beta Kappa	
Honors thesis awarded high honors	

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of California, San Diego	
Field research (over 21 months in-country), Mindanao, Republic of the Philippines	2008 – 2011
Investigating how rebel movements govern and interact with civilian populations—balancing foreign sponsorship with domestic constituencies.	
Conducted over 200 interviews (with rebel, government and military personnel, NGO members, and civilians), archival research	
Designed and implemented civilian survey in conflict-affected areas. Recruited, trained, and managed a team of 110 surveyors, collecting 1522 surveys	
Statistical analysis of survey data	
University of California, San Diego	2004 – 2006
Research Assistant for Dr. David A. Lake, Professor of Political Science	
Collected and collated data on failed states and international trusteeship arrangements	
College of William & Mary	2003 – 2004
Co-researcher, <i>Teaching & Research in International Politics Project</i>	
Coding entries for large-N database tracking trends in journal articles' focus and methodologies	2006 – 2008
College of William & Mary	2003
Research Assistant, Project-Level Aid Database (renamed <i>AidData</i>)	
Measuring trends in aid types allocated by international financial institutions	

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

World Bank , Consultant (Philippines)	Present
Aid design and implementation of a needs assessment to demobilize rebel combatants.	
University of Notre Dame Initiative for Global Development , Associate Research Fellow	Present
Research design and assistance on a range of projects, strategic planning advice	
Cato Institute	2013 – 2014
Visiting Research Fellow	
Catholic Relief Services , Consultant (Kenya)	2014
Instruction in monitoring and evaluation for annual Summer Institute of Peacebuilding	
World Bank , Consultant (Philippines)	2013
Identifying and measuring leakage in aid programming	
University of Oslo	2013
Designed and ran workshop series on field research methods and conflict studies	

Imagine Schools	2004
Legal research, needs assessment, grant- and application-writing for charter schools	
AES Kyivoblennargo , Cultural/Corporate Ambassador (Ukraine)	2001
Member of acquisition/privatization team, liaising with local workers, disseminating information on corporate policy and privatization	

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS

University of Notre Dame , Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies	2012 – 2013
Visiting Research Fellow	
Harvard University , Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs	
Intrastate Conflict Program, Research Fellow	2009 – 2010
International Security Program, Research Fellow	2009 – 2012
National Science Foundation , Dissertation Improvement Award	2010 – 2011
U.S. Institute of Peace , Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar Fellowship	2010 – 2011
Smith Richardson Foundation , World Politics and Statecraft Fellowships	2008 – 2009
	2009 – 2010
University of Maryland , National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism	
Pre-doctoral fellowship awards	2008 – 2009
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Funding for pilot survey	2009
Princeton University Empirical Studies of Conflict Project, funding for survey research	2010
University of California Development and Conflict Research Project at the UC Institute on Conflict and Cooperation, funding for survey research	2009
University of California Institute for Global Conflict and Cooperation ,	
Pre-doctoral fellowship	2010 – 2011
Research travel fellowship	2010 – 2011
University of California, San Diego Sanford Lakoff Fellowship	2010 – 2011
College of William & Mary , Honors thesis (high honors)	2003

CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND INVITED TALKS

Hinkley Institute, University of Utah	2014
Global Impact Forum, Notre Dame Initiative for Global Development	2014
International Centre for Tax and Development, Workshop on Conflict and Political Order	2014
American Political Science Association	
“The Role of Foreign Sponsors in Shaping Rebel Rule”	2013
Panel organizer: “Dimensions of Power and Persuasion in Contested Spaces”	
“Rebel Rule in Mindanao”	2012
“Social Contracts of Armed Groups: Survey Evidence From Mindanao”	2011
“Social Contracts of Armed Groups: the Moro National Liberation Front and the Abu Sayyaf Group”	2010
“Towards a Resource-Based Explanation of Insurgency Behavior: A Relational Contracting Approach”	2007
“Teaching and Research in International Politics: Surveying Trends in Faculty Opinion and Publishing” (with Michael Tierney and James Long)	2004
Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO), Junior Researchers’ Forum	2013
“States within States: How Rebels Rule”	
Empirical Studies of Conflict, Annual Research Conference	2013
World Bank Fragility Forum 2013: Stop Conflict, Reduce Fragility, End Poverty	2013
Texas A&M Conflict & Development Center, Strategy Workshop	2013
International Studies Association	2012
“Rebel Rule in Mindanao: Statistical Evidence”	
University of North Florida, Department of Political Science	2012
“Rebel Governance in Mindanao”	

University of Notre Dame, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies "States within States: Evidence from Mindanao"	2012
Harvard-MIT-Yale Graduate Student Conference on Civil Conflict "States within States: Rebel Governance in Mindanao"	2012
U.S. Institute for Peace, Academy for International Conflict Management and Peacebuilding Briefing on the Mindanao conflict and participation in a simulated peace-settlement representing the rebel perspective	2010, 2011
Rebel Governance Conference "The influence of shifting preferences in foreign support: Evidence from Mindanao"	2010
"A Relational Contracting Approach to Rebel Governance"	2009
International Security Program, Belfer Center, Harvard Kennedy School "States within States: the Social Contracts of Armed Groups with Statistical Evidence"	2011
"States within States: A Theory of Rebel Rule"	2009
START Consortium and Annual Meeting, National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism, University of Maryland	2008, 2009, 2010
Governance, Development, and Political Violence Workshop, University of California Institute for Global Conflict and Cooperation	2009
The Political Economy of Terrorism and Insurgency, conference and roundtable, University of California Institute for Global Conflict and Cooperation	2009
Political Violence and the Growth of Anti-Americanism, roundtable sponsored by the MacArthur Foundation, Stanford Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences and the University of California Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation	2008
Institute on Qualitative and Multi-Method Research	2008
Summer Workshop on Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy, Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Studies	2007
Terrorist Organizations: Social Science Research on Terrorism, conference and roundtable sponsored by the University of California Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation	2007

PAPERS & PUBLICATIONS

Online media:

Multiple posts at http://www.cato.org/blog	
<i>Washington Post</i> , "Political dysfunction in the Philippines is hurting Haiyan's victims,"	2013
<i>The National Interest</i> , "Why America Must Choose Its Partners Wisely"	2014
Cato Institute, <i>Policy Analysis</i> , "The Illusion of Chaos: The Challenge of "Ungoverned" Spaces"	Forthcoming
Cato Institute, <i>Policy Analysis</i> , "The Allure of "Helping Others Defend Themselves""	Forthcoming
U.S. Institute of Peace, <i>Peace Brief</i> "A Diplomatic Milestone for Mindanao?"	2012
"Shadow States: the Structure of Rebel Rule"	Under review
"Statebreakers to Statemakers: Strategies of Rebel Governance "	Under review
(with Branislav L. Slantchev, UCSD)	
"The Abu Sayyaf Group: Interests and Influence of Foreign Sponsors on Rebel Rule"	Working paper
"Navigating the Challenges of Field Research in Dangerous Places"	Working paper
<i>Journal of Southeast Asian Studies</i> , "Review: Brokering a revolution: Cadres in a Philippine Insurgency"	2010

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer for *International Security*, *Journal of Southeast Asian Studies*, *Civil Wars*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *Terrorism and Political Violence*, *British Journal of Political Science*

LANGUAGES & SKILLS

Stata (statistical software package), some French and Russian