

Curriculum Vitae

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2009- Associate Professor, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University
- Core Faculty, Security Studies Program (SSP)
 - Joint Appointment, Department of Government
- 2008-2009 Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Notre Dame
- Co-Director, Notre Dame International Security Program (NDISP)
 - Fellow, Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies
 - Fellow, Nanovic Institute for European Studies
- 2001-2008 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Notre Dame

EDUCATION

- 2000 Ph.D., University of Chicago, Political Science
1996 M.A., University of Chicago, Political Science
1992 B.A., University of Wisconsin, Political Science and International Relations (Phi Beta Kappa)

PUBLICATIONS

Books:

Keir A. Lieber, ed., War, Peace, and International Political Realism: Perspectives from The *Review of Politics* (Notre Dame, Ind.: University of Notre Dame Press, 2009).

Keir A. Lieber, War and the Engineers: The Primacy of Politics over Technology (Ithaca, N.Y.: Cornell University Press, 2005). Paperback edition published in 2008.

Refereed Journal Articles:

Keir A. Lieber, "Mission Impossible: Measuring the Offense-Defense Balance with Military Net Assessment," Security Studies, Vol. 20, No. 3 (2011), pp. 451-459.

Jack Snyder and Keir A. Lieber, "Defensive Realism and the 'New' History of World War I," International Security, Vol. 33, No. 1 (Summer 2008), pp. 174-194.

Keir A. Lieber, "The New History of World War I and What It Means for International Relations Theory," International Security, Vol. 32, No. 2 (Fall 2007), pp. 155-191.

Keir A. Lieber and Daryl G. Press, "U.S. Nuclear Primacy and the Future of the Chinese Nuclear Deterrent," China Security Quarterly, No. 5 (Winter 2006/07), pp. 66-89.

Jeffrey S. Lantis, Tom Sauer, James J. Wirtz, Keir A. Lieber and Daryl G. Press, "The Short Shadow of U.S. Primacy?" International Security, Vol. 31, No. 3 (Winter 2006/07), pp. 174-193.

Keir A. Lieber and Daryl G. Press, "The End of MAD? The Nuclear Dimension of U.S. Primacy," International Security, Vol. 30, No. 4 (Spring 2006), pp. 7-44.

Robert J. Art, Stephen G. Brooks and William C. Wohlforth, Keir A. Lieber and Daryl G. Press, "Striking the Balance," International Security, Vol. 30, No. 3 (Winter 2005/06), pp. 177-196.

Keir A. Lieber and Gerard Alexander, "Waiting for Balancing: Why the World Is Not Pushing Back," International Security, Vol. 30, No. 1 (Summer 2005), pp. 109-139.

- Reprinted in Michael E. Brown, Owen R. Cote Jr., Sean M. Lynn-Jones, and Steven E. Miller, eds., Primacy and Its Discontents: American Power and International Stability (Cambridge, Mass.: MIT Press, 2009).

Keir A. Lieber, "Grasping the Technological Peace: The Offense-Defense Balance and International Security," International Security, Vol. 25, No. 1 (Summer 2000), pp. 71-104.

- Reprinted in Michael E. Brown, Owen R. Cote Jr., Sean M. Lynn-Jones, and Steven E. Miller, eds., Offense, Defense, and War: An International Security Reader (Cambridge, Mass.: MIT Press, 2004).

Invited Articles:

Keir A. Lieber and Daryl G. Press, "Obama's Nuclear Upgrade: The Case for Modernizing America's Nukes," Foreign Affairs (July 2011, Postscript), <<http://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/67973/keir-a-lieber-and-daryl-g-press/obamas-nuclear-upgrade>>.

"Strategic Stability and U.S. Nuclear Modernization," Program on Strategic Stability Evaluation (POSSE), Georgia Institute of Technology, June 20, 2011 <<http://www.posse.gatech.edu>>.

Jan Lodal; James M. Acton; Hans M. Kristensen, Matthew McKinzie, and Ivan Oelrich; and Keir A. Lieber and Daryl G. Press, "Second Strike: Is the U.S. Nuclear Arsenal Outmoded?" Foreign Affairs, Vol. 89, No. 2 (March/April 2010), pp. 145-152.

Keir A. Lieber and Daryl G. Press, "The Nukes We Need: Preserving the American Deterrent," Foreign Affairs, Vol. 88, No. 6 (November/December 2009), pp. 39-51.

Keir A. Lieber and Daryl G. Press, "Superiority Complex: Why America's Growing Nuclear Supremacy May Make War with China More Likely," Atlantic Monthly, Vol. 300, No. 1 (July/August 2007), pp. 86-92.

Peter C. W. Flory, Keith Payne, Pavel Podvig, Alexei Arbatov, Keir A. Lieber and Daryl G. Press, "Nuclear Exchange: Does Washington Really Have (Or Want) Nuclear Primacy," Foreign Affairs, Vol. 85, No. 5 (September/October 2006), pp. 149-157.

Keir A. Lieber and Daryl G. Press, "The Rise of U.S. Nuclear Primacy," Foreign Affairs, Vol. 85, No. 2 (March/April 2006), pp. 42-54.

Keir A. Lieber and Robert J. Lieber, "The Bush National Security Strategy," U.S. Foreign Policy Agenda, Vol. 7, No. 4 (December 2002), pp. 32-35.

Book Reviews:

Keir A. Lieber, "Complex Deterrence: Strategy in the Global Age, edited by T. V. Paul, Patrick M. Morgan, and James J. Wirtz," Perspectives on Politics, Vol. 8, No. 3 (2010), pp. 998-990.

Keir A. Lieber, "The Psychology of Nuclear Proliferation: Identity, Emotions, and Foreign Policy, by Jacques E. C. Hymans," Journal of Politics, Vol. 69, No. 1 (February 2007), pp. 254-256.

Keir A. Lieber, "Glimmer of a New Leviathan: Total War in the Realism of Niebuhr, Morgenthau, and Waltz, by Campbell Craig," Ethics & International Affairs, Vol. 18, No. 2 (2004), pp. 107-109.

Keir A. Lieber, "Constructivism in International Relations, by Maja Zehfuss," Review of Politics, Vol. 65, No. 4 (Fall 2003), pp. 466-469.

Keir A. Lieber, "The Tragedy of Great Power Politics, by John J. Mearsheimer," America, Vol. 186, No. 14 (April 29, 2002), pp. 23-24.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"The Durability of the Nuclear Taboo," article ms. (with Rebecca Davis Gibbons).

"Nuclear Weapons and International Security," book ms. (with Daryl Press).

"No Return Address? Attributing Nuclear Terrorist Attacks," article ms. (with Daryl Press).

"How Much is Enough? Testing Schools of Nuclear Deterrence Theory," article ms. (with Daryl Press).

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Graduate School of Arts and Science, Georgetown University, Summer Academic Grant, 2012
Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies (UND), Faculty Associate Fellowship, 2008-2009
Council on Foreign Relations, International Affairs Fellowship, 2007-2008 (deferred)
Smith Richardson Foundation, Junior Faculty Research Grant, 2006-07
Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (UND), Summer Research Grant, 2005
Earhart Foundation, Fellowship Research Grant, 2004-05
Graduate School Office of Research (UND), Faculty Research Grant, 2004
Foundation for the Defense of Democracies, Academic Fellowship, 2003-04
Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts (UND), Summer Research Grant, 2003
Graduate School Office of Research (UND), Faculty Research Grant, 2002
Brookings Institution, Residential Research Fellowship, 1999-2000
Social Sciences Collegiate Division (UC), Grodzins Prize Lectureship, 1999-2000 (declined)
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, Dissertation Fellowship, 1999-2000
John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Dissertation Fellowship, 1998-99
Institute for the Study of World Politics, Research Fellowship, 1998
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, Pre-Dissertation Research Fellowship, 1997-98
Century Scholarship, University of Chicago, 1994-2000
Phi Beta Kappa, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1992

LECTURES AND PAPER PRESENTATIONS

“U.S. Nuclear Posture: Reassessing Deterrence Requirements in the 21st Century” (various titles)

- Pacific Air Forces (PACAF), Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, Feb. 16, 2012
- Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, October 11, 2011
- U.S. Air Force, A-10, Pentagon, September 7, 2011
- U.S. Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM), Deterrence Symposium, Omaha, Neb., Aug. 4, 2011
- U.S. Air Force, Strategic Studies Group (SSG), Pentagon, June 8, 2011
- Naval War College, October 21, 2010
- DTRA/ASCO Strategic Concepts Roundtable, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado, Aug. 24, 2010
- Air Force Association National Conference, Washington, DC, September 14, 2010
- United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, CO, August 25, 2010
- Pi Sigma Alpha, University of Notre Dame, April 21, 2010
- Nuclear Strategy Forum, Pentagon City, VA, March 26, 2010
- Johns Hopkins University, Washington, DC, March 10, 2010
- Center for Peace & Security Studies, Georgetown University, March 4, 2010
- United States Department of State, Washington, DC, January 12, 2010
- James Martin Center, Washington, DC, December 17, 2009

“No Return Address? Attributing Nuclear Terrorist Attacks”

- Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC), Washington, DC, Dec. 15, 2011

“Lessons of the Past: Nuclear Weapons in Theory and Practice”

- Danish Institute for International Studies, Copenhagen, Denmark, November 12, 2009

“Does the Nuclear Taboo Matter?”

- International Studies Association, New Orleans, LA, February 18, 2010
- American Political Science Association, Toronto, Canada, September 4, 2009

“How Much is Enough? Nuclear Deterrence Then and Now” (various titles)

- University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, March 28, 2011.
- Lone Star National Security Forum, Galveston, TX, April 10, 2010
- National Security Studies Program, Harvard University, February 3, 2010
- Georgetown University International Theory and Research Seminar, January 25, 2010
- American Political Science Association, Toronto, September 3, 2009
- Notre Dame International Security Program, University of Notre Dame, January 29, 2009
- Program on International Security Policy, University of Chicago, January 28, 2009
- U.S. Strategic Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska, December 2, 2008
- Center for Peace and Security Studies, Georgetown University, October 29, 2008
- Center on American and Global Security, Indiana Univ.-Bloomington, October 13, 2008
- Atomic Weapons Establishment, Reading/Berkshire, United Kingdom, October 9, 2008
- New America Foundation, Washington, DC, April 18, 2008
- American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 30-September 2, 2007
- Naval War College, Newport, RI, October 24-25, 2007

“Security Dilemmas and Spiral Models: Challenging Assumptions About International Relations”

- Central Intelligence Agency, Langley, VA, July 10, 2008

“U.S. Nuclear Primacy: The End of Mutual Assured Destruction?” (various titles)

- Chatham House, London, United Kingdom, April 19, 2007
- International Institute for Strategic Studies, London, United Kingdom, April 18, 2007
- Einstein Forum, Potsdam, Germany, April 17, 2007
- Howard Trivers Memorial Lecture on Foreign Affairs, Ball State University, April 10, 2007
- Center for Peace and Security Studies, Georgetown University, March 22, 2007
- Managing the Atom Seminar, Harvard University, November 28, 2006
- National Security Seminar Series, Bush School of Government and Public Service, Texas A&M University, January 20, 2006
- Program on International Security Policy, University of Chicago, November 15, 2005

- Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Studies, Columbia University, October 4, 2005
- McCloy Roundtable at the Council on Foreign Relations, New York, October 4, 2005
- John M. Olin Institute for Strategic Studies, Harvard University, April 11, 2005
- American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2-5, 2004

“The New History of World War I and What It Means for International Relations Theory”

- Program on International Politics, Economics and Security, Univ. of Chicago, April 12, 2007
- International Security Colloquium, University of Washington, December 1, 2006
- American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 30-September 3, 2006

“Waiting for Balancing: Why the World Isn’t Pushing Back”

- American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2-5, 2004

“Technological Opportunism and U.S. Nuclear Weapons Policy” (various titles)

- International Studies Association, Montreal, Quebec (Canada), March 17-20, 2004
- American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 28-August 31, 2003
- Program on Intl. Politics, Economics, and Security, University of Chicago, October 25, 2001
- American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 30-September 2, 2001

“The Offense-Defense Balance and International Security” (various titles)

- International Studies Association, Arlington, VA, November 11-13, 1999
- American Political Science Association, Atlanta, September 2-5, 1999
- Program on International Politics, Economics and Security, Univ. of Chicago, March 4, 1999
- Revolutions in Military Affairs Conference, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, August 26-29, 1996

“Multilateralism Matters? U.S. Foreign Policy after the Cold War” (various titles)

- European Security Working Group, Georgetown University, April 26, 2001
- Program on International Security Policy, University of Chicago, February 10, 1998
- Program on International Politics, Economics and Security, Univ. of Chicago, May 15, 1997

OTHER TALKS AND PANEL PRESENTATIONS

- “What is the Purpose of U.S. Nuclear Weapons?” Security Studies Program New Student Orientation, Georgetown University, Washington, DC August 26, 2011.
- “Do Nuclear Weapons Have a ‘Civilizing’ Influence on Discontented Powers,” 2011 United States Strategic Command Deterrence Symposium, Omaha, Neb., August 3, 2011.
- “Transatlantic Divisions over the Role of Nuclear Weapons in National Security Policy,” Georgetown University (Conference on International Law, Politics and Economics: Perspectives from Spain and the USA; co-sponsored with the Universidad Rey Juan Carlos), October 1, 2010.

- “U.S. Grand Strategy: A Debate,” Seminar XXI: Foreign Politics, International Relations, and the National Interest, Warrenton, VA, April 30, 2011; May 1, 2010; May 2, 2009; May 3, 2008; May 5, 2007; April 29, 2006.
- “Bridging the Gap Between Theory and Policy,” The Influence of Social Science Theory Upon National Security Policy, University of Notre Dame, April 22-23, 2010.
- “Roundtable: The Impact of World War I on Security Studies: Reflections and Reconsiderations,” American Political Science Association, Boston, August 28-31, 2008.
- “Iran, Israel, and Nuclear Deterrence in the Middle East,” Knott Hall, University of Notre Dame, December 6, 2007.
- “Military Transformations: Debating the Roles of Politics vs. Technology,” International Studies Association, Chicago, March 2, 2007.
- “Qualitative Research Methods in Theory and Practice,” Institute for Qualitative Research Methods (IQRM), Arizona State University, January 7, 2005.
- “Remembering Rwanda: 10 Years After Genocide,” Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, March 2, 2004.
- “The Future of American Grand Strategy,” Knott Hall, University of Notre Dame, March 23, 2004.
- “Iraq One Year After: What Have We Learned?” Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, March 2, 2003.
- “The War on Terrorism after the Fall of Baghdad,” Stanford Hall, University of Notre Dame, December 3, 2003.
- “Focus Iraq: Questions of Justice and Responsibility,” Notre Dame Peace Coalition, University of Notre Dame, October 8, 2003.
- “Americans Are From Mars, Europeans Are From Venus: Can We Still Talk?” Nanovic Institute for European Studies, University of Notre Dame, September 16, 2003.
- “The Ethical Use of the Military: Is the War on Terror a Just War?” University of Notre Dame Air Force ROTC, University of Notre Dame, December 4, 2002.
- “Politics and Strategy of a War with Iraq,” Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, October 15, 2002.
- “The Bush Doctrine: The Future of ‘A Distinctly American Internationalism.’” Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, September 25, 2002.
- “Making Sense of a Crisis: What is Happening in the Middle East?” A Dialogue in the Dorms, University of Notre Dame, April 24, 2002.
- “Fighting Terrorism,” A Week of Education on Peace and War, University of Notre Dame, November 15, 2001.
- “American Democracy after 9/11: Foreign Policy Implications,” Institute for American Democracy, University of Notre Dame, September 14, 2001.
- “Nuclear Weapons and International Security in the 21st Century,” New Faces Conference, German Council on Foreign Relations and the Center for Security Studies and Conflict Research of the ETH Zurich, Chexbres, Switzerland, October 12-15, 2000.
- “Offense-Defense Theory: Retrospectives and Future Directions,” Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, September 21-22, 2000.

- “The United States and Foreign Intervention in the New Century,” We The Future 2000 Conference, Foundation for Individual Responsibility and Social Trust, Philadelphia, April 2000.

DISCUSSANT/PANEL CHAIR

- “Psychological Mechanisms and the Differences Among Clinton, Bush, and Obama,” Paper discussant for Robert Jervis, Miller Center/*Security Studies* Conference, University of Virginia, October 27, 2011.
- “War, Alliances, and Appeasement: Lessons from WWII.” Panel discussant, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 5, 2010.
- “Debating the Costs and Benefits of the American Empire.” Panel discussant, International Studies Association, Chicago, February 28, 2007
- “Balancing in Theory and Practice.” Panel discussant and chair, American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 30-September 3, 2006
- “The Political Economy of Defense Spending and Military Policy.” Panel discussant, American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 27-31, 2003
- “Learning, Norms, and Arms Control.” Panel discussant, American Political Science Association, Boston, August 29-September 1, 2002
- “A Friend in Need: Alliances and Multilateral Security.” Panel discussant, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 31-September 3, 2000
- “The Role of NATO.” Panel chair and discussant, International Security Studies Section of the International Studies Association, Arlington, November 11-13, 1999
- “What is Transparency in International Politics?” Paper discussant for James Marquardt, Program on International Politics, Economics and Security, University of Chicago, October 19, 1995
- “In and Out of the Cold: Diplomatic and Domestic Linkages and U.S. Foreign Policy.” Paper discussant for Joseph Lepgold and Alan Lamborn, Program on International Politics, Economics and Security, May 30, 1996
- “Political Competition and Foreign Policy Power Sharing.” Paper discussant for Kurt Taylor Gaubatz, Program on International Politics, Economics and Security, January 16, 1997
- “Parsimony is No Simple Matter: International Relations Theory, Area Studies, and the Rise of China.” Paper discussant for Thomas Christensen, Program on International Politics, Economics and Security, February 26, 1998
- “Institutions and the Persistence of Western Postwar Order.” Paper discussant for John Ikenberry, Program on International Politics, Economics and Security, April 23, 1998
- “The Israeli-Turkish Strategic Partnership.” Paper discussant for Efraim Inbar, Program on International Politics, Economics and Security, February 4, 1999

PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

- Visiting Assistant Professor, National Security Studies Program, School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, 2000-2001
- Coordinator, Program on International Security Policy (PISP) Workshop, University of Chicago. 1997-1998

- Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago (Professors Charles Lipson and John Mearsheimer), 1996-1997
- Research Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago (Professor John Mearsheimer), 1995-1996
- Research Assistant, Henry L. Stimson Center, Washington, DC (Michael Krepon, Barry Blechman and Amy Smithson) 1993-1994
- Editorial Assistant, Foreign Policy, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, DC, 1993
- Visiting Lecturer, Slovak Technical University, Bratislava, Czechoslovakia, 1990

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- “The Cult of the Irrelevant in Academia,” Sponsored by the Carnegie Corporation, University of Notre Dame International Security Program, and Massachusetts Institute of Technology Security Studies Program (June 28, 2011).
- Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory, “Nuclear Futures Workshop,” October 28-29, September 29-October 1, August 19-21, 2009.
- Joan B. Kroc Institute Faculty Development Seminar, “Peace Studies,” May 2008
- Liberty Fund Colloquium, “Just and Unjust War,” Louisville, KY, March 15-18, 2007
- Liberty Fund Colloquium, “Freedom and Empire in Herodotus’s “The History,”” Chicago, Illinois, March 9-12, 2006
- Institute for Qualitative Research Methods (IQRM), Arizona State University, January 2005
- Foundation for the Defense of Democracies, Program on Defending Democracy, Defeating Terrorism, Tel Aviv, Israel, May 2003
- Basin Harbor Workshop on the Teaching of Strategic Studies, Center for Strategic Education, School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, June 1999
- Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (SWAMOS), Institute of War and Peace Studies, Columbia University, June 1997
- Program on International Security Policy (PISP) Workshop, University of Chicago, 1997-1999.
- American Political Science Association Short Course on Nuclear Proliferation: Fifty Years After Hiroshima, Chicago, IL, August 1995
- Program on International Politics, Economics and Security (PIPES) Workshop, University of Chicago, 1994-1999

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Associate Editor Security Studies

Referee American Political Science Review
International Security
Journal of Conflict Resolution
Journal of Peace Research

Journal of Politics
Naval War College Review
Security Studies
Cambridge University Press
Cornell University Press

Member American Political Science Association (APSA)
International Studies Association (ISA)
International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS)
Academy of Political Science (APS)

COURSES

International Security
Introduction to International Relations
Nuclear Weapons: History, Strategy, and Technology
Qualitative Methods
Research Seminar
Theories of International Relations
Theory and Practice of Security Studies
U.S. Grand Strategy
War and the Nation-State