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Academic Appointments

University of Massachusetts, Amherst 2018- p
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

Education

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Washington 2018
*Dissertation: Women in War: Militancy, Legitimacy,
and Rebel Success*

M.A. Political Science, University of Washington 2014

B.A. Political Science and Women's, Gender, & Sexuality
Studies, College of Wooster 2012

Journal publications

Meredith Loken, Milli Lake, and Kate Cronin-Furman, 2018
"Deploying Justice: Strategic Accountability for Wartime Sexual
Violence," *International Studies Quarterly* 52(4): 751-764

Meredith Loken and Anna Zelenz, "Explaining Extremism: Western
Women in Daesh," *European Journal of International Security* 3(1):
45-68 2018

Meredith Loken, "Rethinking Rape: The Role of Women in Wartime
Violence," *Security Studies* 26(1): 60-92 2017

Meredith Loken, 2014. "#BringBackOurGirls and the Invisibility
of Imperialism," *Feminist Media Studies* 14(6): 1100-1101 2014

Manuscripts under review

'Both Needed and Threatened:' Armed Mother Imagery in Militant Visuals

Work in progress

The Visual War: Violence and Legitimacy in Irish Republican Army Propaganda

Militant Visuals Database (data collection project, 1000+ visuals)

'Invisible' Wars: Women's Organizational Support in Civil Conflicts

Militarizing the 'Double Bind:' Perceptions of Women Veteran Candidates in the 2018 Election (with Meredith Conroy)

Women Combatants and Conflict Management (with Robert U. Nagel)

Policy and public scholarship

Kanisha D. Bond, Kate Cronin-Furman, Meredith Loken, Milli Lake, Sarah Parkinson, and Anna Zelenz, 2019. "The West Needs to Take the Politics of Women in ISIS Seriously," *Foreign Policy*, March 2019

Hilary Matfess, Robert U. Nagel and Meredith Loken, "Gendered Violence and Political Agendas," *Political Violence @ a Glance*, February 2019

Interview with *Public Radio International*, Global Security, February 2019

Meredith Loken, "No, Your Trump-is-gay-for-Putin Jokes Aren't Funny," *The Washington Post*, July 2018

Meredith Loken, "The Reckoning Must Also Come for Democrats," *The Stranger*, November 2017

Meredith Loken, "Will Integrating Women Into Armed Groups Prevent Rape?" *Political Violence @ a Glance*, January 2017

Meredith Loken and Anna Zelenz, "Why do Western Women Join Daesh?" *Sustainable Security* (Oxford Research Group), July 2016

Grants and fellowships

Flex Grant for Teaching/Faculty Development, The Institute for Teaching Excellence & Faculty Development, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, 2018

Graduate School Presidential Dissertation Fellowship, University of Washington, 2017-2018

Richard B. Wesley Endowed Fellowship in Comparative Politics, University of Washington, 2017-2018

Peter May Graduate Research Grant, University of Washington, 2016

Richard B. Wesley Endowed Fellowship in International Security, University of Washington, 2015-2016

Invited talks and workshops

Women Waging War, Columbia University Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Studies and City College's Politics of Sexual Violence Initiative: "'Invisible' Wars: Women's Organizational Support in Civil Conflicts," 2019

University of Massachusetts Conflict, Violence and Security Workshop: "Women, Gender, and Gender Order in Conflict Visuals," 2018

Wesleyan University Allbritton Center for the Study of Public Life: "Militant Women: Rebels and Terrorists in Modern Wars," 2018

Workshop on Measuring Inclusion, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver: "Measuring Women's Participation in Civil Conflict," 2017

Women's University Club of Seattle: "Responding to Sexual Violence: Lessons and Ways Forward," 2017

Washington State Democratic Central Committee Annual Meeting: "Recognizing and Combating Sexual Violence," training and workshop, 2017

The Conceptualization and Measurement of Female Combatants Workshop, School of International Service, American University: "Rethinking Rape: The Role of Women in Wartime Violence," 2016

Select conference presentations

International Studies Association Annual Convention: 2016, 2017, 2019

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting: 2018

Law and Society Association: 2015

National Women's Studies Association Annual Conference: 2014

Other professional development and experience

Council on Foreign Relations College and University Educators Workshop, 2019

Researching and Teaching Security, Alliance to Advance Liberal Arts Colleges, 2019

Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy, Columbia University, 2017

Chair, University of Washington International Security Colloquium, 2015-2016

Research Consultant, UC Berkeley School of Law Human Rights Center: “The Long Road: Accountability for Sexual Violence in Conflict,” 2014

Teaching

Courses

World Politics (Fall 2018, Spring 2019)

Gender, Conflict, and Security (Fall 2018)

Sexual Violence, Justice and the Law (Spring 2017, Spring 2019)

Teaching awards

University of Washington Excellence in Teaching Award finalist, 2018

University of Washington College of Arts & Sciences commendation for excellence in teaching, 2013-2014 and 2015-2016

External service and professional memberships

Creator and manager, Gender and IR/Security Opportunities Database, 2019-p

Reviewer, *International Security*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *European Journal of International Security*, *International Feminist Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Global Security Studies*, *International Affairs*, *Feminist Media Studies*, *Swiss National Science Foundation*, and the *National Science Foundation*

Member, American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, United States Institute of Peace Missing Piece Network on Sexual Violence