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EDUCATION:

New School for Social Research, New York, NY
Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science May 2007
Major in Comparative Politics, Minor in Political Theory
Dissertation: "The Development of Social Citizenship in Post-Conflict Kosovo"
Dissertation Committee: Prof. Aristide Zolberg (Chair), Prof. David Plotke, Prof. Susan L. Woodward (City University of New York – Graduate Center), Prof. Robin Blackburn

Columbia University, School of International and Public Affairs, New York, NY
Masters of International Affairs May 1999
Concentration in International Security Policy, specializing in Conflict Resolution
Coursework included: International Law, International Conflict Resolution, Peacekeeping in the Middle East, Nationalism and Revolution, Limited War and Low Intensity Conflict

Catholic University of America, Washington, DC
Bachelor of Arts in World Politics May 1994
Concentration in Latin American Affairs

La Universidad de El Salvador, San Salvador
Independent research under the direction of Dr. Michael Foley, August to September 1992.

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS:

Dissertation Fellowship, Department of Political Science, Graduate Faculty, New School for Social Research, 2005 – 2006 Academic Year

Inter-University Consortium on Security and Humanitarian Action Mellon Fellowship, Funded through the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and Administered through the Ralph Bunche Institute for International Studies, Graduate Center of the City University of New York, Summer 2004 (for field work in Kosovo and Serbia)

Social Science Research Council - Consiglio Italiano per le Scienze Sociali Balkan Exchange Fellowship, Funded by the U.S. State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Summer 2003 (for field work in Kosovo, Bosnia – Herzegovina and Serbia)

European Union in New York Field Research Fellowship, Administered by the Graduate Faculty for Political and Social Sciences, New School for Social Research, Summer 2002 (for field work in Kosovo)

The Dasturzada Dr. Jal Pavry Memorial Award in International Peace and Understanding from the School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University for a paper entitled *Problematizing the Disconnect from Warning to Response in Early Warning Systems to Detect Violent Conflict*, May 1999

PUBLISHED AND PRESENTED ACADEMIC WORK:

Kosovo, in *Social Policy and International Interventions in South East Europe*, ed. Bob Deacon and Paul Stubbs, Edward Elgar Publishing, Cheltenham, UK: Oct 2007 (Forthcoming)

The Role of Social Policy in Post-Conflict Reconstruction, in *The Journal of Peacebuilding and Development*, 2006, Vol. 2, No. 3. Washington, DC: American University Center for Global Peace

"The Role of Social Policy in Post-Conflict Reconstruction" Presented at the 36th Annual meeting of the Northeast Political Science Association in November 11-13, 2004

Contributer to the United Nations Development Programme *Kosovo Human Development Report 2004*, UNDP, Prishtinë, Kosovo: July 2004

"Social Policy in Post-Conflict Kosovo" Presented at the 9th Annual Association for the Study of Nationalities Convention, Columbia University, New York City, April 15-17, 2004

"Political Parties in Kosovo, 2003", *GSC Quarterly*, No. 11 Winter 2004, Social Science Research Council, Program on Global Security and Cooperation, http://www.ssrc.org/programs/gsc/gsc_quarterly/newsletter-winter04/index.page

"Kosovo at the Crossroads: Competing Solidarities", Social Science Research Council on-line essays in Global Security and Cooperation, Regions, Europe, <http://www.ssrc.org/programs/gsc/themes/regions/europe.page>

PROFESSIONAL ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE:

Department of Government and Politics, St. Johns University, Queens, NY
Fall 2006 – current
Instructor (tenure-track)

Department of Government and Politics, St. Johns University, Queens & Staten Island, NY
2005 – 2006 Academic Year
Visiting Instructor

NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

International Center for Migration, Ethnicity and Citizenship, New School University, New York, NY
September 2001 to July 2002
Research Assistant to the Director, Prof. Aristide Zolberg
Researched administrative interaction and recognition of ethnic and religious communities in New York City.

UN Project of the World Policy Institute, New York, NY

September 2000 to September 2001

Project Assistant

Assist with the development of new initiatives at the UN Project; Liaison with representatives from the academic, NGO, corporate, governmental and diplomatic communities; Organized panel discussions.

Catholic Relief Services / Kosovo (Consultant), Prizren, Kosovo

June 2000 to August 2000

Transition Advisor, Humanitarian Relief to Sustainable Welfare

Advised the CRS / Kosovo Humanitarian Assistance Team on the transition from humanitarian relief to a sustainable welfare program; Served as liaison between CRS, the United Nations Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK), USAID, WFP, UNHCR, local Centers for Social Work and other international and national NGOs.

Catholic Relief Services / Kosovo, Prizren, Kosovo

July 1999 to April 2000

Senior Field Monitor, Humanitarian Relief

Supervised distribution of humanitarian aid; Responsible for food and non-food distribution in the municipalities of Suva Reka and Dragas, totaling 93,199 beneficiaries.

National Coordinating Office for Refugees and the Displaced of Guatemala (NCOORD)

June 1998 to August 1998

Human Rights Observer, Xaman, Alta Vera Paz, Guatemala

Reported on human rights, solidarity and development organizations on the human rights situation in the community.

International Young Christian Workers, Baltimore, MD

September 1996 to August 1997

Organizer / Administrator

As an organizer, arranged small group meetings, coordinated activities and worked with members to develop awareness of social and political issues; As an administrator, wrote grant proposals, and participated in long range planning.

Voices on the Border, Washington, DC

June 1994 to August 1995

Executive Director

Responsible for all U.S. operations of Voices on the Border, including administration, fund-raising, and program work; Voices on the Border is a small U.S. NGO that works with communities in El Salvador.