

# Joseph P. Braun

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## EDUCATION

PhD – University of Maryland-College Park; Expected May 2017

- Major: Government and Politics
- Primary Field: International Relations
- Second Field: Political Theory
- GPA: 4.0
- *Distinction* on primary field comprehensive exams
- Dissertation topic: The Political Psychology of Human Rights
- Committee: William Reed (chair), Sarah Croco, Scott Kastner, John Hibbing

Master of Arts – University of Nebraska-Lincoln; May 2011

- Major: Political Science
- Specializations: International Relations; Political Theory
- Thesis title: “Populism and Human Rights in Theory and Practice: Chavez’s Venezuela and Fujimori’s Peru”
- Degree Certificate from Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs program

Bachelor of Arts – University of Nebraska Lincoln; May 2007

- Majors: Political Science; Philosophy
- Minors: History, International Studies

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of Maryland-College Park: Government and Politics Department; 2013-Present; College Park, MD

- Title: Associate Director: College Park Scholars-International Studies (Acting Director Fall 2014)
- Designing program curriculum, syllabi, assignments, exams, organizing and obtaining funding for events for undergraduates including off-campus service-learning trips, serving as instructor for program courses

University of Maryland-College Park: Government and Politics Department; 2012-Present; College Park, MD

- Title: Teaching Assistant
- Ranked among the top ten TAs in student evaluations

University of Nebraska-Lincoln: Political Science Department; 2009-2010; Lincoln, NE

- Title: Research Assistant
- Participated in the design and execution of an \$850,000 NSF-funded project on the physiological, genetic, cognitive, and behavioral aspects of political ideology and identification
- Developed and implemented experimental protocols dealing with human subjects

## **OTHER EMPLOYMENT**

United States Agency of International Development (USAID): 2011-2013; Washington, D.C.

- Title: M/CIO Staff Assistant for Knowledge Management (KM)
- Improved transparency of foreign aid through participation in the design and deployment of <http://map.usaid.gov> and <http://projects.usaid.gov>

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Instructor

- GVPT 351: Model United Nations
- CPSN 239N: Scholars Internship Practicum
- CPSN 249N: Scholars Service Learning
- CPSN 259/359N: Scholars Research Practicum
- CPSN 100: Colloquium: Introduction to International Studies
- CPSN 101: Colloquium: Topics in International Studies

Teaching Assistant

- GVPT 241: Political Philosophy: Ancient and Modern
- GVPT 388A: The Politics of Terror: In the Self, the Community and State
- GVPT 205S: Special Topics in International Ethics, Conflict, and Immigration

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND ATTENDANCE**

2015 American Political Science Association Conference (APSA); Washington, D.C.

- Paper title (with Kiyong Chang): “The ‘Nayirah’ Effect: The Role of Target States’ Human Rights Violations and Victims’ Emotive Images in War Support”

2015 International Studies Association (ISA) Conference; New Orleans, LA

- Paper title (with Steve Arves): “On Solid Ground: Evaluating the Effects of Foundational Arguments on Human Rights Attitudes”

2014 American Political Science Association Conference (APSA); Washington, D.C.

- Paper title (with Steve Arves): “See no Evil: Measuring the Effects of Imagery and Narrative on Human Rights Attitudes”

2014 Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference; Chicago, IL

- Paper title (with Noa Balf): “Strength in Numbers? Exploring the Effect of Women Parliamentarians on Political Outcomes: Evidence from Israel.”

2013 BRIDGES Conference; College Park, MD

- Paper title (with Steve Arves): “See no Evil: Measuring the Effects of Imagery and Narrative on Human Rights Attitudes”

2013 Summer Institute of Civic Studies; Tufts University; Medford, MA

- Participated in small, two-week intensive study of theoretical and empirical work in emerging field of Civic Studies

2013 Frontiers of Democracy Conference; Tufts University, Medford, MA

2011 Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference; Chicago, IL

- Paper title: “Populism as Politics and its Impact on Human Rights: Fujimori’s Peru and Chavez’s Venezuela”

## **OTHER LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS**

Paper Presentation: Center for International Development and Conflict Management (CIDCM)/International Relations Field Workshop: University of Maryland (October 2014)

- Faculty-led departmental workshop; presented and discussed co-authored research (with Steve Arves).

Paper Presentation: Comparative Politics Field Workshop: University of Maryland. (May 2015)

- Faculty-led departmental workshop; presented and discussed co-authored research (with Steve Arves).

Invited Lecture: GVPT 100: Presented research to undergraduate methods course to illustrate sound experimental research (Spring 2014)

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

The Good Society: A Journal of the Committee of the Political Economy of the Good Society (2013-2015)

- Title: Assistant Managing Editor

Reviewer: The Journal of Politics (2014-present); Journal of Conflict Research (2015-present).

Graduate Student Association: Representative for Political Theory (2013-present)

College Park Scholars “Service Day” co-coordinator and facilitator (2013-present)

Harvard Model United Nations: Faculty co-coordinator for undergraduate team (2014-present)

## **AWARDED FUNDING**

2015 Don C. Piper Award (with Steve Arves)

- Awarded by the UMD Department of Government and Politics for the best conference paper or journal article for the academic year.

Research funding (with Kiyong Chang): International Relations Field: University of Maryland Department of Government and Politics (2015)

- Awarded for human-subjects research project on how race and gender dynamics affect support for humanitarian war

Research funding (with Felipe Westhelle): UMD Program for Society and the Environment (2015)

- Awarded for human-subjects research project on the factors that influence pro-environmental belief and action

Research funding (with Felipe Westhelle): Political Theory Field: University of Maryland Department of Government and Politics (2015)

- Awarded for human-subjects research project on the factors that influence individual conflict behavior

Research funding (with Steve Arves): Political Theory Field: University of Maryland Department of Government and Politics (2014)

- Awarded for IRB-approved human-subjects research project on the factors that influence individual human rights attitudes
- Co-Principal Investigator

Research funding (with Steve Arves): Political Theory Field: University of Maryland Department of Government and Politics (2013)

- Awarded for IRB-approved human-subjects research project on the factors that influence individual human rights attitudes
- Principal Investigator

Research funding: Political Theory Field: University of Maryland Department of Government and Politics

- Travel, lodging, and participation in two-week 2013 Summer Institute of Civic Studies

Research funding: University of Maryland Department of Government and Politics

- 2013, 2014 summer research funding

Travel Funding: Jacob K. Goldhaber Travel Grant

- 2015 International Studies Association Conference

Travel Funding: University of Maryland Department of Government and Politics

- 2014 Midwestern Political Science Conference
- 2015 International Studies Association Conference

Travel Funding: University of Nebraska Department of Political Science

- 2011 Midwestern Political Science Conference