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## **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

### **Educational Background**

- Ph.D., Political Science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2008
- B.A., Political Science and History, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2000, Highest Distinction in Political Science

### **Academic Appointments**

University of Maryland, College Park

- College of Behavioral & Social Sciences, Government & Politics, Full Professor
- Center for International Development and Conflict Management
- Political Methodology Field Chair
- Director, Honors Global Communities Living Learning Program

## **RESEARCH, SCHOLARLY AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES**

### **Books**

- Sarah E. Croco, *Peace at What Price? Leader Culpability and the Domestic Politics of War Termination*, Cambridge University Press, 2015

### **Chapters**

- Croco, Sarah E. and Tze Kwang Teo, "Assessing the Dyadic Approach to Interstate Conflict Processes: a.k.a. 'Dangerous Dyad' Years", *The Causes of International Conflict: Data, Methods and Theory*, 145-162, 2008

### **Articles in Refereed Journals**

#### **Peer Refereed Articles**

- Croco, Sarah E., Kathleen G. Cunningham, and Taylor Vincent. 2023. "Protests and Persuasion: Partisanship Effect on Evaluating Nonviolent Tactics in the United States"
- Croco, Sarah E., Jared McDonald, and Candace Turitto. 2021. "The Face of the Problem: How Subordinates Shield Executives from Blame." *Journal of Experimental Political Science*
- Croco, Sarah, Michael Hanmer, and Jared McDonald. 2021. "At What Cost? Reexamining Audience Costs in Realistic Settings." *The Journal of Politics*, 83(1): 8-22.
- Croco, Sarah, Jared McDonald, and Candace Turitto. 2021. "Making them Pay: Using the Norm of Honesty to Generate Costs for Political Lies." *Electoral Studies*, 69: 1-12.
- Jared McDonald, Sarah E. Croco, and Candace Turitto. (2019) "Teflon Don or Politics as Usual? An Examination of Foreign Policy Flip-Flops in the Age of Trump" *The Journal of Politics* 81.2.
- Croco, Sarah E., Elizabeth Suhay, Rachel Blum, Lilliana Mason, Hans Noel, Jonathan Ladd, and Michael A. Bailey. (2019) "Student-Run Exit Polls 101." *PS: Political Science & Politics* 52.2

- Conrad, Cortenay, Sarah E. Croco, Brad Gomez and Will Moore. "Threat Perception and American Support for Torture" *Political Behavior*. 2017. 1-21.
- Croco, Sarah E. and Jessica L.P. Weeks. "War Outcome and Leader Tenure" *World Politics*, 68.4, 2016.
- Croco, Sarah E., "The Flipside of Flip-Flopping: Citizen Preferences, Leader Inconsistency and the War in Iraq", *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 12.3, 2016
- Croco, Sarah E. and Scott S. Gartner, "Flip-flops and High Heels: An Experimental Analysis of Elite Position Change and Gender on Wartime Public Support", *International Interactions*, 40.1, 2014
- Huth, Paul K., Sarah E. Croco and Benjamin J. Appel, "Bringing Law to the Table: Legal Claims, Bargaining Leverage and the Settlement of Territorial Disputes Since 1945", *The American Journal of Political Science*, 57.1: 90-103, 2012
- Huth, Paul K., Sarah E. Croco, and Benjamin J. Appel, "Law and the Use of Force in World Politics: The Varied Effects of Law on the Exercise of Military Power in Territorial Disputes", *International Studies Quarterly*, 56.1: 17-31, 2012
- Croco, Sarah E., "The Decider's Dilemma: Leader Culpability, Domestic Politics and War Termination", *The American Political Science Review*, 105.3: 457-77, 2011
- Huth, Paul K., Sarah E. Croco and Benjamin J. Appel, "Does International Law Promote the Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes? Evidence from the Study of Territorial Conflicts Since 1945", *The American Political Science Review*, 105.2: 415-36, 2011
- Huth, Paul K., Sarah E. Croco and Benjamin J. Appel, "Bear Any Burden? How Democracies Minimize the Costs of War", *The Journal of Politics*, 72.2: 528-44, 2010
- Valentino, Benjamin, Paul K. Huth and Sarah E. Croco, "Covenants without the Sword: International Law and the Protection of Civilians In Times of War", *World Politics*, 58: 339-77, 2010
- Croco, Sarah E. and Tze Kwang Teo, "Assessing the Dyadic Approach to Interstate Conflict Processes: a.k.a. 'Dangerous Dyad' Years", *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, 22: 5-18, 2005

### **Significant Works in Public Media**

#### Commentary/Analysis

- Sarah E. Croco, Hein Goemans, Michael Joseph, Page Fortna, Alex Weisiger, and Thomas M. Dolan. "The Prospects for a Negotiated Peace in Ukraine are Bleak" *The Washington Post*, Mar 24 2022
- Sarah E. Croco and Jacob M. Silverman "Trump didn't shake hands. Pelosi ripped up his speech. Do Americans care about civility?" *The Washington Post*, Feb 5 2020.
- Sarah E. Croco, Jared A. McDonald, and Candace Turitto. "Here's Another Way Trump is Different: Flip-Flopping Doesn't Affect His Public Approval" *The Washington Post*, March 12, 2019.
- Sarah E. Croco, Jared A. McDonald, and Candace Turitto. "How to Make Politicians Pay for Lying" *Vox*, July 2, 2018.
- Sarah E. Croco and Jared A. McDonald. "Trump's Supporters Don't Care About His Flip-Flop on Syria. We Checked." *The Washington Post*, May 3, 2016.

- Sarah E. Croco and Scott S. Gartner, "Walking a Fine Line on Iraq", *The Baltimore Sun*, 2014, July
- Sarah E. Croco and Scott S. Gartner, "Mitt Romney's Flip-Flopping Didn't Hurt Him", *Christian Science Monitor*, 2012, November

### **Sponsored Research (abridged list)**

- Croco, Sarah With Benjamin Appel and Paul Huth, Behind the Legal Shield: International Law, Territorial Settlements and Domestic Punishment, National Science Foundation: Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (TESS), 2009, PI
- Looking Weak in the War on Terror: Policy Reversals, Partisanship and International Reputations for Resolve, National Science Foundation: Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (TESS), 2008, PI
- Changing Horses Midstream: Leadership Turnover, Public Opinion and War Termination, National Science Foundation: Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (TESS), 2007, PI
- Veterans for Peace Dissertation Research Grant, 2006, PI

## **AWARDS, HONORS AND RECOGNITION**

### **Research Fellowships, Prizes and Awards (abridged list)**

- Selected for the U21 Global Leadership Programme, 2022
- Kekst Family Endowed Research Fellow, 2020-2021
- Grant from the Center for Democracy and Civil Engagement, 2020
- Dean's Research Initiative, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences UMD, With Jared McDonald, 2019
- Dean's Research Initiative, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences UMD, With Michael Hanmer and Jared McDonald, 2013
- Elmer Plischke Annual Faculty Research Award, University of Maryland, 2012, (Annual award given to the Government and Politics faculty member with the most outstanding research record for the previous academic year.)
- College of Behavioral and Social Sciences Emerging Scholars Award, University of Maryland, 2012
- Dean's Initiative Grant, University of Maryland, (with Candace Turitto) (2011)
- Graduate School at the University of Maryland, College Park, 2010, One semester leave to work on a project with a graduate student (Benjamin Appel) as a coauthor
- Best Dissertation Award in the field of Strategic Studies, Committee for the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (CAMOS), 2009

### **Teaching Awards**

- Excellence in Teaching Award, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, University of Maryland, 2022

- Excellence in Teaching Award, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, University of Maryland, 2010
- Horace Rackham Graduate School Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, University of Michigan, 2004
- Honors Council's Lurie Award for Honors Teaching, University of Michigan, 2003

**Other Special Recognition**

- Philip Merrill Presidential Scholar Mentor, (for Caroline Johnson) (2016-17)
- Winston Family Honors Academic Excellence Award Mentor (for Jessica Liu)
- Philip Merrill Presidential Scholar Mentor, (for Marcus Johnson) (2010-11)