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- RESEARCH INTERESTS** International security, foreign-policy decision-making, bureaucratic politics, elite politics, India and South Asia, domestic sources of foreign policy, political parties and public opinion, mixed-methods research.
- EMPLOYMENT**
- Stanford University** September 2025 - Present
Postdoctoral Fellow
The Center for International Security and Cooperation
Stanford University
- Henry L. Stimson Center** 2017 - 2025
South Asia Program
Research Assistant (2017-2019), Associate Editor (by contract, 2019-2025)
Washington, D.C.
- EDUCATION**
- University of Chicago**, Chicago, IL 2025
Ph.D., Political Science
Field Exams: International Relations, Comparative Politics
Dissertation: *Organizing Mistrust: How Leaders Navigate Bureaucratic Resistance on Foreign Policy*
Committee: Paul Staniland (co-chair), Austin Carson (co-chair), Susan Stokes, Jon Rogowski
- Indiana University**, Bloomington, Indiana 2017
Bachelor of Science, International Studies
Phi Beta Kappa
- BOOK PROJECT** *Enemies Within: Leaders, Bureaucratic Distrust, and the Politics of Foreign Policymaking*
- GRANTS & AWARDS**
- Committee on Southern Asian Studies, University of Chicago 2021-2024
\$17,000 research grant
- Bienen Research Award 2023
University of Chicago
\$1,000 research grant
- Lloyd and Susanne Rudolph Field Research Fellow 2022-2023
Center for International Social Science Research
\$4,000 research grant
- Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship 2020
Hindi

	Critical Language Scholarship Program Award <i>Hindi*</i>	2020
WORKING PAPERS	Emily Tallo. "Fighting Servants: Why Leaders Politicize Foreign Policy Bureaucracies."	
	Emily Tallo, Eyal Hanfling, and Paul Staniland. "Party-building and Foreign Policy: Evidence from Indian Party Politics."	
WORKS IN PROGRESS	"Caution in the Ranks: How Leaders Confront Bureaucratic Restraint on the Road to War."	
	"Framing the Flag: Governing Parties and the Politics of National Security Crises," with Eyal Hanfling (Rutgers University).	
	"Elites, Expertise, and Effectiveness: Cold War Diplomatic Networks in India and the United States," with Matt Conklin (Dartmouth).	
OTHER WRITING	Sameer Lalwani and Emily Tallo. "Did India shoot down a Pakistani F-16 in February? This just became a big deal," <i>The Washington Post</i> . April 7, 2019.	
	Emily Tallo. "What will be the Strategic Ripple Effects of Balakot?" <i>The Wire</i> . March 27, 2019.	
	Sameer Lalwani and Emily Tallo. "Drivers, Decisions, Dilemmas: Understanding the Kashmir Crisis and its Implications," <i>War on the Rocks</i> . February 20, 2019.	
	Sameer Lalwani and Emily Tallo. "India and Pakistan Aren't Ready for Another Terrorist Crisis," <i>Foreign Policy</i> . November 30, 2018.	
WORKSHOPS	South Asia Security Studies Workshop Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, D.C.	2025
	Emerging Scholars in Grand Strategy Conference University of Notre Dame, International Security Program	
	Tepsis-UChicago Workshop École des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris, France	2024
	Theory and Practice of South Asia University of Chicago	
	Workshop on International Politics University of Chicago	2023, 2024
CONFERENCES	International Studies Association American Political Science Association	2022-2025 2025
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Making, Breaking, and Shaping Foreign Policy Instructor, University of Chicago	Spring 2024
	Introduction to International Relations Teaching Assistant, Paul Poast	Fall 2021, Fall 2022

Democratic Erosion Winter 2022
Teaching Assistant, Susan Stokes

**INVITED
TALKS**

“Enemies Within: Leaders, Bureaucratic Distrust, and the Politics of Foreign Policymaking.” Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University. September 2025.

“Levels of Analysis in International Relations.” Indo-Pacific Conference, Center for Strategic and Defense Research & Centre for Policy Research. Chennai, India. 2022.

Institute for Defence Studies and Analysis. New Delhi, India. 2018.

Centre for Air Power Studies. New Delhi, India. 2018.

LANGUAGES

Hindi (Intermediate), French (Advanced).

FIELDWORK

Prime Minister’s Memorial Library, New Delhi June-August 2022

Elite interviews, New Delhi, India Nov 2023-Feb 2024

Jimmy Carter Presidential Library, Atlanta, GA October 2023

SERVICE

University of Chicago

Discussant, Race and IR Workshop 2022

Board Member, Political Science Association 2020-2022

Discussant, Comparative Politics Workshop 2020

Peer Mentor, Political Science Department 2020

REFERENCES

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