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- RESEARCH INTERESTS** Foreign policy decision-making, international security, domestic-elite politics, political parties, public opinion, mixed-methods research, nuclear politics, India, South Asia.
- EMPLOYMENT**
- Stanford University** September 2025 - July 2026
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*
- WORKING PAPERS** “Fighting Servants: Why Leaders Politicize Foreign Policy Bureaucracies.” (revise and resubmit, *International Organization*)
- Emily Tallo, Eyal Hanfling, and Paul Staniland. “Party-building and Foreign Policy: Evidence from Indian Party Politics.” (under review)
- WORKS IN PROGRESS** “India–Pakistan Rivalry and Regionalism.” In *The Oxford Handbook of South Asian Regionalism*, edited by Sumit Ganguly and Surupa Gupta.
- “Persuading the Atom: Bureaucratic Support for the Global Nonproliferation Regime,” with Sulgiye Park and Jenna Gibson.
- “The Three Faces of Foreign Policy Politicization: Partisan, Epistemic, and Bureaucratic Logics.”

GRANTS & AWARDS	Postdoctoral Fellowship, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Center for Global Security Research	2026
	Postdoctoral Fellowship, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, International Security Program (declined)	2026
	Committee on Southern Asian Studies, University of Chicago <i>\$17,000 research grant</i>	2021-2024
	Bienen Research Award University of Chicago <i>\$1,000 research grant</i>	2023
	Lloyd and Susanne Rudolph Field Research Fellow Center for International Social Science Research <i>\$4,000 research grant</i>	2022-2023
	Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship <i>Hindi</i>	2020
	Critical Language Scholarship Program Award <i>Hindi*</i>	2020
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	International Policy Summer Institute Bridging the Gap, Washington, D.C.	2026
	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	2022-2026
	American Political Science Association	2024
INVITED TALKS	“Understanding India’s Policy Landscape: Insights from the Survey of India.” Hoover Institution, Huntington Program on Strengthening US-India Relations. March 2026.	
	Oksenberg Symposium. “Coping with a Less Predictable United States: Perceptions and Policy Calculations of other Regional Actors.” Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies (FSI) and China Program at the Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center, Stanford University. March 2026.	
	“Fighting Servants: Why Leaders Politicize Foreign Policy Bureaucracies.” Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University. February 2026.	
	“Party-building and Foreign Policy: Evidence from Indian Party Politics.” Hoover Institution, Stanford University. January 2026.	
	“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
TEACHING	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 Teaching Assistant, Susan Stokes	Winter 2022
SERVICE	Stephen P. Cohen Best Paper Award Committee South Asia in World Politics Section International Studies Association	2026-2027
	Stanford University	
	Mentor, Undergraduate Mentorship Program, Center for International Security and Cooperation	2026

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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