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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Domestic politics of international relations, bureaucratic politics of foreign policy and national security, nuclear politics, and civil-military relations, with a focus on India and South Asia	
EMPLOYMENT	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory	August 2026 - present
	Postdoctoral Fellow Center for Global Security Research	
	Stanford University	September 2025 - July 2026
	Postdoctoral Fellow The Center for International Security and Cooperation	
	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
	<i>Ph.D.</i> , Political Science Field Exams: International Relations, Comparative Politics Dissertation: <i>Organizing Mistrust: How Leaders Navigate Bureaucratic Resistance on Foreign Policy</i> Committee: Paul Staniland (co-chair), Austin Carson (co-chair), Susan Stokes, Jon Rogowski	
	Indiana University , Bloomington, Indiana	2017
	<i>Bachelor of Science</i> , International Studies Phi Beta Kappa	
BOOK PROJECT	<i>Enemies Within: Leaders, Political Orders, and the Politics of Foreign Policymaking</i>	
WORKS IN PROGRESS	“Fighting Servants: Why Leaders Politicize Foreign Policy Bureaucracies.” (Revise and Resubmit, <i>International Organization</i>)	
	Emily Tallo, Eyal Hanfling, and Paul Staniland. “Party-building and Foreign Policy: Evidence from Indian Party Politics.” (Under Review)	
	“Negotiating the Atom: Explaining the Permissiveness of Nuclear Cooperation Agreements,” with Jenna Gibson and Sulgiye Park.	
	“The Three Faces of Foreign Policy Politicization: Partisan, Epistemic, and Bureaucratic Logics.”	

“India–Pakistan Rivalry and Regionalism.” In *The Oxford Handbook of South Asian Regionalism*, edited by Sumit Ganguly and Surupa Gupta.

GRANTS & AWARDS

Postdoctoral Fellowship, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, 2026
International Security Program (declined)

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 2020
*Hindi**

OTHER WRITING

Sameer Lalwani and Emily Tallo. “Did India shoot down a Pakistani F-16 in February? This just became a big deal,” *The Washington Post*. April 7, 2019.

Emily Tallo. “What will be the Strategic Ripple Effects of Balakot?” *The Wire*. March 27, 2019.

Sameer Lalwani and Emily Tallo. “Drivers, Decisions, Dilemmas: Understanding the Kashmir Crisis and its Implications,” *War on the Rocks*. February 20, 2019.

Sameer Lalwani and Emily Tallo. “India and Pakistan Aren’t Ready for Another Terrorist Crisis,” *Foreign Policy*. November 30, 2018.

WORKSHOPS

International Policy Summer Institute 2026
Bridging the Gap, Washington, D.C.

South Asia Security Studies Workshop 2025
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, D.C.

Emerging Scholars in Grand Strategy Conference
University of Notre Dame, International Security Program

Tepsis-UChicago Workshop 2024
École des hautes études en sciences sociales, Paris, France

Theory and Practice of South Asia
University of Chicago

Workshop on International Politics 2023, 2024
University of Chicago

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES	International Studies Association	2022-2026
	American Political Science Association	2024, 2026
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.	
LANGUAGES	Centre for Air Power Studies. New Delhi, India. 2018.	
	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
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS	Affiliate, Center for International Security & Cooperation, Stanford University	2026 - present
	Member, American Political Science Association	2024 - present
	Member, International Studies Association	2022 - present
SERVICE	Stephen P. Cohen Best Paper Award Committee South Asia in World Politics Section	2026-2027

International Studies Association

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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Director of Chicago Center on Democracy, University of Chicago
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