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## **EDUCATION**

**University of Maryland, College Park** (August 2005- )

Currently pursuing Ph.D. in Political Science

Relevant coursework in international conflict, research methodology, and international political economy

**Mercyhurst College** (August 1997 – May 2001)

B.A. Intelligence Studies

## **METHODS TRAINING**

2005 ICPSR Summer Program (Regression III, MLE, Advanced MLE)

2007 ICPSR Summer Program (Intro to Bayesian Statistics, Scaling and Dimensional Analysis, Game Theory)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

“Does International Law Promote the Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes? Evidence from the Study of Territorial Conflicts Since 1945” with Paul Huth and Sarah Croco (under review APSR)

“Never Again: An Empirical Assessment of Genocide since 1955” with Christian Davenport (under review AJPS)

“War Outcomes and the Targeting of Civilians” with Benjamin Valentino, Paul Huth, and Sarah Croco (under preparation for journal submission).

“Bargaining Power and Terms of Settlement in Territorial Disputes” with Paul Huth and Sarah Croco (under preparation for journal submission).

“International Law and Military Escalation? Evidence Drawn From the Study of Diplomacy and Force in Territorial Disputes Since 1945” with Paul Huth and Sarah Croco (under preparation for journal submission).

“HIV Prevalence Rates and Conflict: Indirect and Direction Evidence since 1991” with Christian Davenport and Cyanne Loyle (under preparation for journal submission).

## **CURRENT PROJECTS**

Dissertation: The Effectiveness of International Law in the post-Cold War World

Dissertation Committee Members: Paul K. Huth (Chair), Sarah E. Croco, and Scott Kastner

## **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

“Never Again: An Empirical Assessment of Genocide since 1955” Presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association San Francisco, CA 2008

“Understanding When Trade Promotes Peace: Core-Periphery Dyads and the WTO” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association Boston, MA August 2008

“Abridging the Digital Divide: A Key to the Global Future” Presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association, San Diego, CA, March 2006

## **RESEARCH/TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Research Assistant, Paul Huth (August 2005 - )

Teaching Assistant, GVPT100 (January 2006 – Spring 2006)

## **RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Center for International Trade and Security** (August 2004 – December 2005)

Research Assistant, Export Control and Nonproliferation issues

**International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia** (Summer 2005)

Open Source Intelligence Analyst, Prosecution’s case against Brig. Gen. Stanislav Galic