

Stanton Nuclear Security Fellows Seminar

Fellows - Alphabetically by Institution

Mansoor Ahmed, BCSIA

Mansoor Ahmed has served as a Lecturer in the Department of Defense and Strategic Studies, Quaid-i-Azam University (QAU), Islamabad, Pakistan since January 2011. Before joining the academia, he served in the Civil Service of Pakistan from July 2003 to January 2011 where his last assignment was Deputy Director, Audit, (Defense Services) in the Office of the Auditor-General of Pakistan, Islamabad. He was a Visiting Research Scholar at the Cooperative Monitoring Center, Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, N.M. during 2013. His research interests include the evolution and development of Pakistan's nuclear program; the country's nuclear policy, posture, fissile materials, strategic stability, evolving force postures and emerging military technologies with special reference to South Asia. He has been regularly engaged in different Track-II dialogues related to arms control, escalation control dynamics and emerging nuclear postures in South Asia. He received a Ph.D. in International Relations in 2012 from QAU.

Eliza Gheorghe, BCSIA

Eliza Gheorghe is a Stanton Nuclear Security Fellow in the International Security Program and Project on Managing the Atom at the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard University. She holds a doctorate in International Relations from the University of Oxford. She writes on reactive proliferation within alliances, nuclear technology transfers, nuclear sharing, and smuggling networks. Eliza was a fellow at the Norwegian Institute for Defense Studies (2011–2014), a George Abernethy pre-doctoral fellow at the Johns Hopkins University SAIS Center in Bologna (2013–2014), and a postdoctoral fellow at the Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University (2014–2015). She has taught classes on International Relations, U.S. Foreign Policy, and nuclear proliferation. She holds an M.A. with distinction in Security Studies from Georgetown University, where she was a Fulbright scholar.

Kalman Robertson, BCSIA

Kalman A. Robertson is a Stanton Nuclear Security Postdoctoral Fellow in the International Security Program and the Project on Managing the Atom at the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs. His research focuses on the verification of nuclear nonproliferation and arms control agreements. He holds a Ph.D. in International, Political, and Strategic Studies from the Australian National University (ANU), where he also received the University Medal for Physics and First Class Honours in Law. Prior to his arrival in Cambridge, he worked as a lecturer in the School of Politics and International Relations at the ANU where he convened the Politics of Nuclear Weapons program.

Tristan Volpe, CEIP

Tristan Volpe is a Stanton Nuclear Security Fellow and an associate in the Nuclear Policy Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, where his research focuses on the use of nuclear technology as a bargaining chip in world politics. Prior to working at Carnegie, Volpe was a Lawrence Scholar at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL). In this capacity, he served as a consultant to the Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation at the U.S. Department of State, and founded LLNL's Nuclear Crossroads Initiative to bring together the laboratory, academic, and policy communities to address issues at the intersection of nuclear deterrence and proliferation. Volpe remains a Visiting

Scientist at LLNL's Center for Global Security Research. Volpe received a Ph.D. in political science from the George Washington University and a B.A. in political science from the University of California, Los Angeles.

Amy Nelson, CFR

Amy was previously a policy analyst at the State Department in the Bureau of Political Military Affairs, where she worked on defense trade export controls. Her current research project focuses on the use of empirical information to justify goal-setting for arms control negotiations, the effect of missing information on the negotiation of arms control agreements, and the ability of arms control agreements to manage uncertainty in the long run. Her research interests include arms control, arms trade, international regimes, decision-making, and political psychology. Prior to the State Department, she was a Research Fellow at the Stimson Center and the Arms Control Fellow at SIPRI North America in Washington, D.C. Amy received her Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of California, Berkeley. Amy also has an M.A. in Intellectual History from Columbia University and an A.B. in Philosophy from Stanford University.

Elizabeth Saunders, CFR

Elizabeth N. Saunders is an assistant professor of political science and international affairs at George Washington University. Her research and teaching interests focus on international security and U.S. foreign policy, including the presidency and foreign policy. Her book, *Leaders at War: How Presidents Shape Military Interventions*, was published in 2011 by Cornell University Press and won the 2012 Jervis-Schroeder Best Book Award from APSA's International History and Politics section. She has previously been a fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, a postdoctoral fellow at the Olin Institute for Strategic Studies at Harvard University, a Brookings Institution research fellow in foreign policy studies, and a National Science Foundation graduate research fellow. She holds an AB in physics and astronomy and astrophysics from Harvard College, an MPhil in international relations from the University of Cambridge, and a PhD in political science from Yale University.

Andreas Lutsch, CISAC

Andreas Lutsch is a Stanton Nuclear Security Postdoctoral Fellow at CISAC. In August 2015 he received his Doctor of Philosophy in history at the University of Mainz, Germany. His dissertation offers a new interpretation of West Germany's nuclear policy during the 1960s and 1970s - from the controversy about the Non-Proliferation Treaty since the early 1960s until the agreement on NATO's dual track decision in 1979. The dissertation is based on printed and edited sources and on multi-archival research in Germany, the U.S., the UK and Belgium, thus making use of recently declassified files. Besides completing the book manuscript, he is engaged in a research project on the historical management of U.S. extended nuclear deterrence regarding NATO Europe. Andreas analyzes whether, why and to what extent mechanisms of nuclear consultation were important as tools of extended deterrence management. A previous research fellow at the University of Mainz, Germany, Andreas is an Assistant Professor (on leave in the academic year 2015-16) at the University of Würzburg, Germany. He organized three workshops for PhD students and postdocs and is affiliated with the Woodrow Wilson Center's Nuclear Proliferation International History Project (NPIHP).

Nina Silove, CISAC

Dr. Nina Silove is a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC) at Stanford University. Her research focuses on grand strategy, strategic planning, and U.S. policy toward the Asia-Pacific region. She holds a DPhil (PhD) in International Relations from the University of Oxford and a degree in law with first class honors from the University of Technology, Sydney, where she

also received the Alumni Association Achievement Award for Contribution to the University. Previously, Dr. Silove was a Research Fellow in the International Security Program at the Belfer Center in the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, a visiting Lecturer in the Department of Government and International Relations at the University of Sydney, and the Tutor for International Politics in Diplomatic Studies at the University of Oxford.

William Spaniel, CISAC

William Spaniel received a PhD in international relations, formal theory, and quantitative methodology from the University of Rochester in 2015. His research investigates the credibility of nuclear agreements in the absence of verifiable compliance. As a Stanton Nuclear Security Fellow at CISAC for 2015-2016, he is working on the potentially perverse effects of nuclear safeguards. His publications have appeared in *International Studies Quarterly*, *International Interactions*, and *The Journal of Theoretical Politics*.

Brendan Green, MIT

Brendan Green is an Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Cincinnati. Prior to his present appointment, he held a number of pre- and post-doctoral fellowships at institutions like the Belfer Center (Harvard Kennedy School of Government), the Miller Center (University of Virginia), and Williams College. He holds an A.B. from the University of Chicago and a Ph.D from MIT, both in political science. Green's research interests include nuclear strategy, military operations, American grand strategy, and liberal ideologies in international politics. He has published a number of scholarly and popular articles on these topics; a recent article, "Stalking the Secure Second Strike" (with Co-author Austin Long), was awarded the 2014 Amos Perlmutter Prize for best article in the *Journal of Strategic Studies*. He is never quite sure how to conclude his biographical sketches.

Galen Jackson, MIT

Galen Jackson is a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Political Science at the University of California, Los Angeles. His research interests include great power politics; nuclear security studies; the interaction between domestic politics and foreign policy; and qualitative methods. He holds an M.A. in International Relations from the University of Chicago and a B.A. in History and Political Science from Williams College.

Rohan Mukherjee, MIT

Rohan Mukherjee is a sixth-year PhD candidate in Politics at Princeton University and a non-resident fellow at the United Nations University in Tokyo. In July 2016, he will join Yale-NUS College in Singapore as an assistant professor of political science. His dissertation focuses on how the desire for great power status influences the behavior of rising powers in international arms control regimes. Rohan's work on India's national security and foreign policy has been published in *Survival*, *Global Governance*, *International Affairs*, and *International Journal*. He is co-editing a volume titled *Poised for Partnership: Deepening India-Japan Relations in the Asian Century* (Oxford University Press), to be released in January 2016.

Edward Cazalas, RAND

Edward Cazalas is a Stanton Nuclear Postdoctoral Fellow at RAND Corporation with research interests in the technical and policy related aspects of the detection and interdiction of nuclear and radiological materials and weapons. Edward holds a Ph.D. in Nuclear Engineering from the Pennsylvania State University, where he aided the development of radiation detection technologies and has published on detection relevant concepts in nuclear physics, and the science of micro- and nano-sensors. He also

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Carrie A. Lee, RAND

Carrie Lee is a postdoctoral fellow at the RAND Corporation. Her work focuses on the role that electoral politics play in affecting nuclear arms control agreements and proliferation treaties, as well as how election cycles affect crisis bargaining between nuclear states. Her dissertation, titled *The Politics of Military Operations*, adds a new dimension to current understandings of civil-military relations and evaluates how domestic political incentives influence executive decision-making at the operational and tactical levels of war. Carrie holds a PhD in Political Science from Stanford University and an S.B. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Todd Robinson, RAND

Todd C. Robinson is a Stanton Nuclear Security Fellow at the RAND Corporation, where he is working on a book manuscript that looks at historical efforts to curb the spread of nuclear weapons-related technologies. He was previously the Associate Director of the Program in Arms Control, Disarmament, and International Security (ACDIS) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where conducted research and taught classes on a range of international security related issues. His research has been published in the *Non-Proliferation Review* and the *Yale Journal of International Affairs*. He received a B.A. in Asian Studies from the University of Alabama, an M.A. in Security Policy Studies at the George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs, and a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.