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EDUCATION

SECURITY CLEARANCE: TS/ SCI

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, McCombs School of Business, Austin, TX **May 2028**

Master of Business Administration | Relevant coursework: Finance, Accounting, and Statistics

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, College of Social Sciences and Public Policy, Tallahassee, FL **December 2019**

Master of Science in International Affairs

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY, The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Tempe, AZ **December 2017**

Bachelor of Arts in Global Studies

- 2 semesters abroad in St. Petersburg Russia

EXPERIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, Washington, D.C. **2022 - 2026**

Counter-WMD International Engagements Analyst (2025 - 2026)

- *DEFENSE THREAT REDUCTION AGENCY*: Coordinated and negotiated with foreign partners, 3 multinational R&D agreements, establishing joint-development frameworks across U.S. and allied defense organizations

Counter-Drone Policy Analyst (2024 - 2025)

- *DoD POLICY*: Analyzed dual-use drone technologies and supply-chain networks, synthesizing technical capabilities, disruption opportunities, and threat implications for 5 senior-leader reviews and 2 executive decision forums
- Organized and led a bi-monthly General / Admiral-level decision forum and weekly colonel-level working groups to drive interagency coordination and consensus on operational targets and priorities

CBRN International Engagements Analyst (2024 - 2024)

- *JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF*: Collaborated with foreign partners from 4 allied countries to identify 25 shared CBRN capability gaps, prioritize joint R&D opportunities, and reduce duplicative investments, saving \$45 million

Counter-WMD International Engagements Analyst (2022 - 2024)

- *WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION DEFENSE PROGRAMS*: Built a lifecycle reporting system for 16 multinational R&D projects, tracking scope, milestones, schedule, cost, and execution risk to support CBRN-Defense program decisions

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Washington, DC

2021-2022

International Engagements Policy Analyst

- Briefed senior leaders on global AI and quantum computing trends and prepared decision memos, talking points, and meeting materials for engagements with foreign counterparts
- Managed technology cooperation with 4 foreign ministries and delivered a joint U.S.-Australia quantum science statement

NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (NNSA), Washington, DC

2020 - 2021

Program Analyst (Summer & Fall 2021)

- Interviewed national-laboratory program offices to collect and analyze data to identify overlapping efforts, reporting gaps, and execution risks; designed a standardized framework for escalating project issues to senior leaders

Graduate Fellow (Pacific Northwest National Laboratory) (2020 - 2021)

- Tracked contract deliverables and budgets totaling \$75 million across a six-country program portfolio, monitoring execution and supporting resource-allocation decisions
- Produced 10 country-level risk assessments and evaluated partner capabilities to inform equipment packages, training plans, and strategic engagements

US NAVY, Virginia Beach, VA

2010 - 2014

Quartermaster

- Maintained real-time navigation and movement tracking aboard forward-deployed warships and conducted 23 maritime security operations as a Visit, Board, Search & Seizure team member

ADDITIONAL

- Published Author focused on U.S. global security issues: INK STICK MEDIA - [How Many Americans Is Taiwan Worth?](#)
- Kay Bailey Hutchison Energy Center Student Advisory Council