

# Michael Kriner

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## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

International relations, comparative politics, international security, peace operations, security assistance, political violence

## EDUCATION

**Cornell University**, Ithaca, NY **2018 – present**  
PhD Candidate- Government; Expected May 2024  
Dissertation: *Autocrats Keeping Peace? An Analysis of the Impact of Autocratic Contributions to Peace Operations*

- International Relations (major), Comparative Politics (minor)  
Committee: Sarah E. Kreps (chair), Sabrina M. Karim, Christopher R. Way

  
**New York University**, New York, NY **2016 – 2018**  
MS in Global Affairs, Peacebuilding Concentration, *Distinction*  
  
**Providence College**, Providence, RI **2007-2011**  
BA in Global Studies; Liberal Arts Honors Program, *Summa Cum Laude*, *Dean's List*

- Summa Cum Laude, Dean's List, Liberal Arts Honors Certificate

## PAPERS

### Publications

- “Paid Sick Leave and the States: An analysis of the adoption of paid sick leave provisions at the state level in the US” (2024) with Christopher Way *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*
- Biswas, Niloy Ranjan, Lailufar Yasmin, Sabrina Karim, Roya Izadi, Sara Fox, Cameron Mailhot, **Michael Kriner**, Priscilla Torres, Zinab Attai, Heather Huhtanen (2023) “Bangladesh Armed Forces MOWIP Report” Geneva Centre for Security Sector Governance  
<https://www.dcaf.ch/bangladesh-armed-forces-mowip-report>
- Mailhot, Cameron, **Michael Kriner**, and Sabrina Karim (2022) “International Involvement in (re-)building police forces: a comparison of US and UN police assistance programs around the world.” *Small Wars and Insurgencies*, 33(4-5) DOI: 10.1080/09592318.2022.2041367.
- Olsson, Louise, Megan Shannon, Anna Marie Obermeier, Birthe Einen, Ida Rødningen, Nora Stai, Emily Jackson, and Andreas Forø Tollefsen, Sabrina Karim, Taylor Vincent, Cameron Mailhot, Priscilla Torres, **Michael Kriner** (2022) “Norwegian Armed Forces MOWIP Report” Geneva Centre for Security Sector Governance  
<https://www.dcaf.ch/norwegian-armed-forces-mowip-report>.

### Under Review

- “Autocrats Keeping Peace? An Analysis of the Impact of Autocratic T/PCCs on Peace Operations”
- “When International Actors Build Police Institutions: Explaining the Determinants of International Police Assistance” with Cameron Mailhot and Sabrina Karim

### In Progress

- “Understanding Protection of Civilians: the Role of United Nations Peacekeeping Deployment” with Cameron Mailhot, Roya Izadi, Lindsey Pruett, Laura Huber, Priscilla Torres, Sara Fox, and Sabrina Karim
- “Crossing the Wall of Silence: Explaining Tolerance for Misconduct in the Security Forces” with Roya Izadi, Lindsey Pruett, Cameron Mailhot, Laura Huber, Priscilla Torres, Sara Fox, and Sabrina Karim

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

- GOVT 1101: Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding**, Cornell University  
Instructor of Record **Spring 2022**
- GOVT 2274: Global Studies Gateway**, Cornell University  
Teaching Assistant; Instructor: Professor Rachel Beatty Riedl **Fall 2020**
- GOVT 2041: Electoral (mal)practice**, Cornell University  
Teaching Assistant; Instructor: Professor Bryce Corrigan **Spring 2020**
- GOVT 1817: Making Sense of World Politics**, Cornell University  
Teaching Assistant; Instructor: Professor Sarah E. Kreps **Fall 2019**

RESEARCH  
EXPERIENCE

- Gender and the Security Sector Lab**, Ithaca, NY **Spring, Fall 2021**  
Graduate Fellow
- Conducted a cross-national survey of over 1,000 security personnel, the Measuring Opportunities for Women in Peace Operations (MOWIP) Methodology, in Norway, Liberia, and Sierra Leone with a team of 6
  - Wrote policy reports for country partners, the United Nations, and other outlets
- RAND Corporation**, Pittsburgh, PA **May – August 2021**  
Summer Associate
- Authored a literature review and a force structure for a project with USSOCOM
  - Developed skills to translate academic research into policy-relevant findings and recommendations
- Cornell University**, Ithaca, NY **April – December 2020**  
Research Assistant to Professor Sabrina M. Karim
- Conducted research on U.S. assistance to foreign police by reviewing Congressional records from 1960-2020
- New York University**, New York, NY **September 2017 – May 2018**  
Research Assistant to Professor John V. Kane
- Researched graduate student theses' methodologies to aid in the development of future thesis workshops at NYU
  - Systematically analyzed published articles for evidence of supplemental appendices in political science research

PRESENTATIONS

- American Political Science Association**  
Annual Conference- Los Angeles, CA, 2023
- "Autocrats Keeping Peace? An Analysis of the Impact of Autocratic TPCCs on Peace Operations"
- Academic Council on the United Nations System**  
Annual Conference- Washington, D.C., 2023
- "Autocrats Keeping Peace? An Analysis of the Impact of Autocratic TPCCs on Peace Operations"
- Conflict and Change PhD Workshop**  
Annual Workshop- London, UK, 2023
- "Autocrats Keeping Peace? An Analysis of the Impact of Autocratic TPCCs on Peace Operations"
- Peace Science Society**  
Annual Meeting- Denver, CO, 2022
- "When International Actors Build Police Institutions: Explaining the Determinants of International Police Assistance"

### **International Studies Association**

Annual Conference- Nashville, TN, March-April 2022

- "Bringing Peace Home: Peace Operations as a Socialization Factor for Restraint"
- "When Foreigners Build States: International Police Assistance"

Annual Conference, 2021 (Accepted 2020, cancelled due to COVID-19)

- "After Cooperation: The Rise and Fall of United Nations Peace Operations"

### **Midwest Political Science Association**

Annual Conference, 2021

- "I've got a fever, and the only prescription is more paid sick leave: An analysis of the spread of paid sick leave across the US"

### **FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS**

#### **Centre for the Comparative Study of Civil War**

Civil War Paths Fellow, 2023-24

#### **United States Institute of Peace**

USIP-Minerva Peace and Security Scholar, 2022-23

#### **American Political Science Association**

Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, 2022-23

#### **Cornell President's Travel Fund for the Humanities**

Spring 2023

#### **Cornell University Research Travel Grant**

Fall 2022

#### **Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies**

Graduate Fellow, 2018-2021

#### **Cornell University Conference Travel Grant**

2020, 2021

### **SERVICE**

#### **Graduate Student Editor**, Cornell International Affairs Review

Spring 2020- Spring 2021

#### **Graduate Student Representative**, Cornell University Government Department

Fall 2019- Spring 2020

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **Cornell University Government Department**, Ithaca, NY **September 2021 – May 2023**

Politics, Sandwiches, and Conversations Graduate Coordinator

- Coordinated visits for external speakers for the Cornell Government Department's PSAC speaker series

#### **Institute for Economics and Peace**, New York, NY

**June 2017 – June 2018**

Graduate Student Consultant

- Developed materials including presentations and scripts in support of the Institute's research including the Global Peace Index and Positive Peace Index
- Assisted in the construction of a course curriculum and materials for the production of an online Positive Peace Learning Academy

**CT Corporation, a Wolters Kluwer Business**, New York, NY     **April 2015 – June 2017**  
Customer Specialist

- Provided exceptional customer service to clients interested in maintaining compliance for their business entities
- Acted as a liaison between Secretaries of State and clients with regard to various business entity-related matters

**Corsearch, a Wolters Kluwer Business**, New York, NY     **November 2013 – March 2015**  
Client Support Professional

- Responded to support inquiries from clients working with Corsearch's product offerings including Corsearch's online Screening, Search and Watch platform, Online Brand Protection, Trademark Clearinghouse, and Domain Management
- Led classroom training sessions as well as online and in-person training sessions for internal and external clients

Senior Trademark Researcher     **June 2011 – November 2013**

- Performed multiple research projects for clients interested in clearing potential trade or service marks
- Effectively analyzed relevant trademark and copyright data

#### SKILLS

- Computer: Google Suite; LaTeX; Microsoft Suite- Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook; Salesforce; Statistical Software- R, Stata, and Python; Qualtrics
- Language: German (conversational), Russian (beginner)