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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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International Organizations, International Security, Decision-Making, Agenda-Setting, United Nations, Human Rights, Quantitative Research Methods

## CURRENT POSITION

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- **Visiting Assistant Professor** 2023-present  
*Albright College, Political Science Department*
- **Senior Data Analyst** 2022-present  
*Franklin & Marshall College, F&M Global Barometers*

## EDUCATION

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- **Ph.D. in Political Science** June 2023  
*Political Science Department, Temple University*
  - Committee: Ryan Vander Wielen (co-chair), Mark Pollack (co-chair), Richard Deeg, Johannes Karreth
  - Thesis: "Behind Closed Doors: Informal Governance in the UN Security Council"
- **EITM Certification in Advanced Game Theory** 2017  
*University of Michigan, MI*
- **Certificate of Teaching in Higher Education** 2016  
*Temple University, PA*
- **M.A. in Political Science** 2015  
*Temple University, PA*
- **M.A. in American Studies, Political Science, and International Law** 2013  
*Eberhard Karls University, Germany*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- **Government Department, Franklin & Marshall College** 2020-May 2023  
*Courses taught:*
  - International Organizations, Politics of the European Union, Introduction to International Relations, Political Research, War & Peace, Freshman Seminar
- **Sociology Department, Temple University** 2019  
*Course taught:*
  - Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences
- **Political Science Department, Temple University** 2014-2016  
*Courses taught:*
  - Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences, Introduction to International Politics, Research Design, War and Peace
- **National Model United Nations, Eberhard Karls University** 2010-11  
*Course taught:*
  - 6-month weekly workshop on the UN system; prepared students through skills in research, public speaking, debating, and working as a team; subject-specific teaching for subsidiary bodies and NMUN's agenda items.

## METHOD TRAINING & SKILLS

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Statistical Methods Training at the *Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research*:

- \* Advanced Game Theory
- \* Advanced Regression
- \* Maximum Likelihood Estimation
- \* Time-Series Analysis
- \* Social Choice Theory
- \* Network Analysis
- \* Mathematics for Social Scientists

## PUBLICATIONS & WORKING PAPERS

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### Book Chapter:

- Jay Jennings, **Stefanie Kasperek**, and Joseph McLaughlin, "Pennsylvania Policy Database Project", *Comparative Policy Agendas*. Eds. Frank R. Baumgartner, Christian Breunig, and Emiliano Grossman. Oxford University Press. April 2019. 210-216. Print.

### White Papers & Background Notes:

- Dicklitch-Nelson, S., Maxwell, E., Hallenbeck, E., **Kasperek, S.**, Moreno, A.R., & Stoll, J. (2023). "Global LGBT Human Rights, 2011-2020: A Decade of Progress?" F&M Global Barometers Annual Report. [www.fandmglobalbarometers.org](http://www.fandmglobalbarometers.org).
- Dicklitch-Nelson, S., Maxwell, E., Hallenbeck, E., **Kasperek, S.** (2023). "The F&M Global Barometers: Quantifying LGBT+ Human Rights Protections Worldwide." F&M Global Barometers Background Note 1, [www.fandmglobalbarometers.org](http://www.fandmglobalbarometers.org).
- Dicklitch-Nelson, S., Maxwell, E., Hallenbeck, E., **Kasperek, S.**, Moreno, A. (2023). "Democracy, Corruption, and Global Freedom: Comparing LGBTQI+ Legislation with Lived Human Rights Reality." Working Paper Series 1. Franklin & Marshall College Global Barometers.
- Dicklitch-Nelson, S., Maxwell, E., Hallenbeck, E., **Kasperek, S.**, Moreno, A. (2023). "Comparing Legislative Protections and Lived LGBTQI+ Human Rights Realities in 68 Countries: A Report Prepared for the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement." Working Paper Series 2. Franklin & Marshall College Global Barometers.

### Working Paper:

- "Are International Organizations Doomed to Fail? A Study of Europe's Ill-Prepared Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic"

## AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

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- **Faculty Research Grant** 2021  
*awarded by Franklin & Marshall College* \$1,000
- **Global Studies Graduate Research Grant** 2019  
*awarded by the Global Studies Program, Temple University* \$2200
- **Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Summer Institute (EITM)** 2018  
*National Science Foundation funded; award by Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models*  
\* Training in research strategies that integrate theoretical models and empirical research
- **EITM Certification Scholarship** 2017  
*awarded by Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models*  
\* Attendance at the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Research Methods
- **Janet Box-Steffensmeier Scholarship** 2016  
*awarded by the Society for Political Methodology*  
\* Attendance at the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Research Methods Training Grant

<b>•Research Methods Training Grant</b> <i>awarded by the Political Science Department, Temple University</i> * Attendance at the ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Research Methods Training Grant	2016 \$2500
<b>•Global Studies Student Group Grant</b> <i>awarded by the Global Studies Program at Temple University</i> * Speaker event: "Understanding Syria: Addressing the Conflict in the Middle East"	2015 \$750

## KEY SKILLS

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- \* **Computer Programs & Programming:** R, STATA, SPSS, Visone, Tableau, ArcGIS
- \* **Other Research Tools:** Qualtrics
- \* **Teaching Tools:** Hypothes.is, Nearpod, Screencast-O-Matic
- \* **Languages:** German (native), English (fluent), Spanish (intermediate), French (basic)

## SELECTED RESEARCH & ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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<b>–LGBTQI Perception Index</b>	2022-present
* statistical analysis of large-N survey results	
* focus on understanding the human rights situation for LGBTQI people in 204 countries	
<b>–Assistant Program Director for the Pennsylvania Public Policy Database Project</b>	2016-2020
* Large-N database management	
* Trained undergraduate researcher team in policy coding and data management	
* Database workshops & presentations for law- and policymakers	
<b>–Graduate Extern</b>	
* Student Success Center, Temple University	Summer 2018
* Collaborated on design and execution of study on demand for statistic tutoring services on the undergraduate and graduate level at the university.	
<b>–Graduate Extern to the Assistant Vice Provost for Undergraduate Studies</b>	
* at the Vice Provost Office, Temple University	Spring 2017
* Co-organizer of the Temple Undergraduate Research Forum - Creative Works Symposium	
<b>–Fellowship Advising Extern</b>	
* Fellowship Advising Office, Temple University	2016 – 2018
* Assisted students in all stages of the application process for competitive, merit-based national fellowships focusing on Fulbright, Truman, and Marshall applications.	
<b>–Oxford University Press Marketing Reviewer</b>	
* Reviewer for <i>Introduction to Global Politics</i> 4th Edition by Steven L. Lamy, honorarium.	2016
<b>–Temple Option</b>	
* Undergraduate Admission Office	2016 – 2017
* Evaluated student's entry essays designed to help first-generation students and those from under-served communities gain admission to college;	
* contributing to the new scoring system to evaluate student's college applications	

## MEDIA & PRESS APPEARANCES

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- \* Anthony, Ted. "Ukraine invasion spotlights the delicate state of democracy.", AP News, 28 Feb. 2022
- \* "A look at Russian/Ukrainian history to understand current Russian invasion" CBS21, 24 Feb. 2022.
- \* "Faith leaders pray for peace in.", Fox 43, 27 Jan. 2022.

## INVITED TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

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Bromley, M., Dicklitch-Nelson, S., & **Kasperek, S.** (2023, March 24). "Grading the Summit for Democracy Countries: the LGBTQI+ Human Rights Report Cards and the LGBTQI+ Perception Index" [Webinar]. Council for Global Equality.

Dicklitch-Nelson, S. & **Kasperek, S.** (2023, February 24). "Canaries in the Coalmine: Global LGBTQI+ Rights in the 21st Century" [Presentation]. Common Hour, Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, PA.

Dicklitch-Nelson, S. & **Kasperek, S.** (2023, January 11). "Introducing the F&M Global Barometers LGBTQI+ Perception Index (GBPI)" [Webinar]. Council for Global Equality.

"Germany's 2021 Federal Election: A Faculty Panel," Franklin & Marshall College (2021, Sept. 17)

## SERVICE

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### **Franklin & Marshall College:**

Honors defense advisor (AY '22-'23) \*\*\* Honors defense committee member (AY '21-'22, '22-'23) \*\*\*  
Independent Study Advisor (Spring 2022) \*\*\* Hackman Summer Scholar Advisor (Summer '22) \*\*\*  
Solomon Wank Memorial Peace and Human Rights Research Advisor (Summer '22) \*\*\* Mock interviewer for the Senior Boot Camp (Fall '21)

### **Temple University:**

Reviewer for the Temple University Undergraduate Research Journal Maneto (2017) \*\*\* Graduate Student Representative to the College of Liberal Arts Graduate Affairs Office Advisory Board (2016–2018) \*\*\* International Relations Annual Conference at Temple University, Panel Discussant (2015–2017) \*\*\* Comparative Politics Annual Conference at Temple University, Panel Discussant (2014–2017) \*\*\* President, Political Science Graduate Student Association (2015–2016) \*\*\* Vice President, Political Science Graduate Student Association (2014–2015) \*\*\* Member, Political Science Graduate Student Association (2013–present).

### **Academia:**

Discussant for International Politics: Conflict and Security, Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference (2018) \*\*\* Panel Chair and Discussant: Lightning Talk: Studies in Terrorism and Violence, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference (2017).

### **Community Service:**

Philadelphia Animal Welfare Society (2016–2023) \*\*\* Participatory Defense Philadelphia Hub (2018–2020) \*\*\* Pet Pantry Lancaster (2023–present)

## REFERENCES

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### **Dr. Ryan J. Vander Wielen**

Associate Professor of Political Science \* Dissertation Co-Chair \* Stony Brook University \*  
[ryan.vanderwielen@stonybrook.edu](mailto:ryan.vanderwielen@stonybrook.edu)

### **Dr. Stephanie McNulty**

Professor of Government \* Franklin & Marshall College \* [stephanie.mcnulty@fandm.edu](mailto:stephanie.mcnulty@fandm.edu)

### **Dr. Michael Amato**

Associate Professor of Political Science \* Albright College \* [marmato@albright.edu](mailto:marmato@albright.edu)

### **Dr. Susan Dicklitch-Nelson**

Professor of Government Department & founder of the F&M Global Barometers \*  
Franklin & Marshall College \* [susan.dicklitch@fandm.edu](mailto:susan.dicklitch@fandm.edu)

### **Dr. Richard Deeg**

Dean, Liberal Arts College \* Temple University \* [rdeeg@temple.edu](mailto:rdeeg@temple.edu)