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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Relations theory; international law, norms, and governance; conventional weapons disarmament; outer space; international justice

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

**University of St Andrews** (2015–)  
Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in International Relations  
Co-Director, Centre for Global Constitutionalism

**University of Oxford** (2013-15)  
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Postdoctoral Fellow  
Department of Politics and International Relations  
Non-Stipendiary Research Fellow, Nuffield College

**European University Institute**, Florence, Italy (2012-13)  
Max Weber Postdoctoral Fellow

## EDUCATION

**University of British Columbia** (2012)  
PhD, Political Science  
Dissertation: “Norm-Development Without the Great Powers”  
Committee: Richard Price (chair), Michael Byers, Katharina Coleman  
Field Exams: International Relations (major), Comparative Politics (minor)

**University of Toronto** (2005)  
Master of Arts, Political Science

**University of British Columbia** (2003)  
Bachelor of Arts, Political Science and History

## BOOKS

Bower, Adam. 2017. *Norms Without the Great Powers: International Law and Changing Social Standards in World Politics*. Oxford: Oxford University Press

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

Bower, Adam. 2020. “Entrapping Gulliver: The United States and the Antipersonnel Mine Ban.” *Security Studies* 29 (1): 128-161

Bower, Adam. 2019. “Contesting the International Criminal Court: Bashir, Kenya, and the Status of the Non-Impunity Norm in World Politics.” *Journal of Global Security Studies* 4 (1): 88–104

Bower, Adam. 2015. “Norms Without the Great Powers: International Law, Nested Social Structures, and the Ban on Antipersonnel Mines.” *International Studies Review* 17 (3): 347–73

Bower, Adam. 2015. “Arguing with Law: Strategic Legal Argumentation, US Diplomacy, and Debates over the International Criminal Court.” *Review of International Studies* 41 (2): 337–60

BOOK  
CHAPTERS

Bower, Adam. “Negotiating Responsibility in Conventional Weapons Disarmament.” In *The Rise of Responsibility in World Politics*, edited by Antje Vetterlein and Hannes Hansen-Magnusson. Under contract with Cambridge University Press, publication in 2020

Bower, Adam. 2016. “Networking for the Ban: Network Structure, Social Power, and the Movement to Ban Antipersonnel Mines.” In *The New Power Politics: Networks and Transnational Security Governance*, edited by Deborah Avant and Oliver Westerwinter, 169-195. Oxford: Oxford University Press

Bower, Adam, and Richard Price. 2013. “Moral Mission Accomplished? Assessing the Landmine Ban.” In *Justice, Sustainability, and Security: Global Ethics for the 21st Century*, edited by Eric A. Heinze, 131–69. New York: Palgrave Macmillan

OTHER  
PUBLICATIONS

Bower, Adam and Ryder McKeown, “The Indian ASAT Test and Space Security.” The Transatlantic Puzzle. 23 May 2019.  
<https://transatlanticpuzzle.com/2019/05/23/the-indian-asat-test-and-space-security>

WORKS IN  
PROGRESS

The International Criminal Court: Between the Internationalized Fight Against Impunity and Focus on Sovereignty  
Chapter under review as part of an edited volume

Space, Earth, and Global Security: A Holistic Approach (with Ryder McKeown)  
Article in preparation for submission

Outer Space and IR: A Research Agenda (with Ryder McKeown)  
Article under development

*J'accuse*: The Social Dynamics and Power of Accusations in World Politics  
Article under development

AWARDS

Leverhulme Trust Research Fellowship (2021)  
“Contesting the heavens: Power, norms, and law in space security governance” – £52,465

Carnegie Trust Research Incentive Grant (2017-18)  
“Gulliver Informally Bound: The United States and the Antipersonnel Mine Ban” – £6733

SSHRC Canada Postdoctoral Fellowship (2013-15)  
Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford

Max Weber Postdoctoral Fellowship (2012-13)  
European University Institute, Florence, Italy

UBC Security and Defence Forum Field Research Award (2011)  
Liu Institute for Global Issues, University of British Columbia – \$4000

SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship (Doctoral) (2007-10)  
Awarded \$35,000 per annum for three years

Security and Defence Forum Ph.D. Scholarship (2010)  
Canadian Department of National Defence – \$20,000  
One of five national award recipients

Graduate Research Award (Doctoral) for Disarmament, Arms Control, and  
Non-proliferation (2007-08 and 2010-11)  
Simons Foundation and Foreign Affairs Canada – \$5000  
One of four national award recipients

Frederic H. Soward Memorial Fellowship (2008-09)  
Department of Political Science, UBC – \$3800

UBC Graduate Entrance Scholarship (2006-07)  
University of British Columbia – \$10,000

Masters Research Award for Disarmament, Arms Control, and Non-  
proliferation (2004-05)  
Simons Foundation and Foreign Affairs Canada – \$5000  
One of four national award recipients

## TEACHING

### University of St Andrews

IR1005: Introduction to International Relations / Concepts in Global Politics  
Lectures on “Studying International Relations,” “International law,”  
“International organisations,” “Critical reading and writing”

IR1006: Foreign Policy and International Security  
Lectures on “Theories of foreign policy making,” “NGOs as foreign policy  
actors”

IR3067: The International Criminal Court in World Politics (2016)

IR3073: Dilemmas of International Order (2018-2020)

IR4559: Dilemmas of International Governance (2016, 2017)

IR4567: The International Criminal Court in World Politics (2017, 2019)

IR4099: Undergraduate dissertation supervision

IR5061: Security and Justice Institutions in World Politics (2016-2020)

IR5099/LC5099: MLitt and MRes dissertation supervision

LC5026: Special Topics (directed reading)

LC5099: MLitt supervision

### University of Oxford

MPhil Core Seminar in International Relations, Block 5 (with Nicola  
Leveringhaus) (2015)

### University of British Columbia

POLI364A: International Organizations (2011)

POLI364B: International Security and Justice Organizations (2012)

DOCTORAL SUPERVISION Robin El-Kady (co-supervisor): “Communicative Organizations: International Organizations’ Use of Public Communication.” Commenced September 2018

Piyanat Soikham (second supervisor): “Indian Soft Power Towards Southeast Asia.” Successful viva 25 July 2018. Piyanat was appointed Lecturer in the Faculty of Political Science, Ubon Ratchathanee University, Thailand

WORKSHOPS & CONFERENCES (ORGANISER) International Rules in Times of Fundamental Change. University of St Andrews, Spring 2021 (with Mateja Peter)

International Law in Times of Transformation: How Does International Law Deal With Systemic Change? BISA-ILAW Workshop, University of St Andrews, 8 November 2019 (with Mateja Peter)

WORKSHOPS & CONFERENCES (PARTICIPANT) Space Debris and National Security. Outer Space Institute, University of British Columbia. Salt Spring Island, 9-11 January 2020

The International Rule of Law – Rise or Decline? KFG Berlin Potsdam Research Group, Berlin, 24-25 November 2017

Law and War in the 21st Century. BISA-ILAW Workshop, University of Edinburgh, 6 September 2017

Unpacking the Dynamics of Norm Robustness. Frankfurt University and Peace Research Institute, Frankfurt, 8-10 December 2016

The Instrumental Uses of Norms in International Relations. ISA Workshop. International Studies Association Annual Convention, Atlanta, 15 March 2016

Unsteady Lives: The Dynamics of Norm Robustness. ISA Workshop. International Studies Association Annual Convention, Atlanta, 15 March 2016

A Phoenix Tale? The Dynamics of Norm Robustness. Goethe University, Frankfurt, 3-5 December 2015

Responsibility in World Politics. ISA Venture Research Workshop. International Studies Association Annual Convention, New Orleans, 17 February 2015

The New Power Politics: Networks, Governance and Global Security. University of Denver, 28 February – 2 March 2013

Papers presented at the Max Weber Fellows’ Conference on Social Issues for the Social Science, European University Institute, Florence, Italy, 2013-2016

Papers and roundtables at the International Studies Association Annual Convention (2011, 2012, 2014-19), British International Studies Association (2019), and Canadian Political Science Association (2008 and 2011)

INVITED  
TALKS

Book talk: “Norms Without the Great Powers.” College of Europe Natolin Campus. Natolin, Warsaw, Poland, 20 November 2018

Book talk: “Norms Without the Great Powers.” Vienna School of International Studies, Vienna, Austria, 8 June 2018

“The International Criminal Court and Contestation in World Politics.” International Relations Colloquium, Department of Politics & International Relations, University of Oxford, 18 January 2018

Book talk: “Norms Without the Great Powers.” Department of Political Science, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, 8 January 2018

Book talk: “Norms Without the Great Powers.” Department of Political Science, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, 3 January 2018

Roundtable: Biases in International Justice. Centre for Global Constitutionalism, University of St Andrews, 22 November 2017

“Contesting the ICC: Bashir, Kenyatta, and the Status of the International Criminal Accountability Norm.” Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Edinburgh, 15 May 2017

Roundtable: Africa and the International Criminal Court. University of Glasgow, 10 May 2017

“Contesting the ICC.” School of International Relations Staff & Research Seminar, University of St Andrews, 3 February 2016; and International Relations Seminar, University College Dublin, 12 November 2015

“Norms Without Great Power Leadership.” Global Governance and Diplomacy Plenary Lecture. Department of International Development, University of Oxford, 27 February 2015

“Nested Norms and the Social Power of Law: A Theory of Multilateral Treaty Influence Without the Great Powers.” International Relations Colloquium, Department of Politics & IR, University of Oxford, 19 June 2014; and International Relations Colloquium, Department of Political Science, UBC, Vancouver, 5 June 2014

SERVICE

Co-Director, Centre for Global Constitutionalism, University of St Andrews

Steering Committee, Institute for Legal and Constitutional Research, University of St Andrews

Careers Officer, School of International Relations

Faculty adviser, IR Crisis Simulation, University of St Andrews

Coordinator of the first-year undergraduate programme, School of International Relations, University of St Andrews (2016-19 and Fall 2020)

Reviewer for journals and presses: *Cambridge Review of International Affairs*, *Cooperation and Conflict*, *European Journal of International Relations*, *International Affairs*, *International Relations*, *International Studies Review*, *Journal of International Political Theory*, Macmillan Publishers, Oxford University Press, *St. Antony's International Review*

Reviewer for funding bodies: Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland, Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities & Social Sciences

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS British International Studies Association, International Studies Association

AFFILIATIONS Visiting Scholar, College of Europe Natolin Campus, Warsaw, Poland, 1 July – 31 December 2018

REFERENCES Professor Richard Price  
Department of Political Science  
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