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## Academic Affiliations

Lecturer, Department of Political Science, Santa Clara University. 2018-2021.

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Stanford University. 2017-2018.

Foreign Researcher, Center for Southeast Asian Studies-Indonesia, Jakarta. 2015-2016.

Visiting Research Fellow, Third World Studies Center, University of the Philippines. 2014-2015.

## Education

**Ph.D. Political Science**, Emory University. 2017.

Dissertation: Decentralization and the Politics of Local Taxation in Southeast Asia

Committee: Richard Doner (chair), Jennifer Gandhi, Douglas Kammen, Eric Reinhardt

**M.A. Southeast Asian Studies**, National University of Singapore. 2011.

Thesis: *Mafias, Machines and Mobilization: The sources of local power in three districts in North Sumatra, Indonesia*

Supervisor: Douglas Kammen

**B.A. English with honors**, Calvin College. 2004.

## Publications

"Coastal Reclamation and Balinese Identity," Forthcoming 2021. *Asian Politics & Policy*, special issue on Identity Formation and Ethnic Politics in East Asia.

"Business and Local Taxation in the Philippines," 2020. *Journal of East Asian Studies*.

"Property Price Determinants in Indonesia," with Matt Gnagey. 2018. *Bulletin of Indonesian Economic Studies* 54(1):61-84.

*Mobilizing Resources, Building Coalitions: Local Power in Indonesia*. 2012. Policy Studies 64. Honolulu, Hawaii: East-West Center.

## Working Papers

"The Politics of Coastal Reclamation in Indonesia," accepted for presentation at the Association for Asian Studies 2021 Annual Conference.

"Coastal Reclamation and Ethnic Mobilization in Bali," invited contribution to *Regionalism and Identity in Developing Democracies: Southeast Asia in Comparative Perspective*, edited by Amy Liu and Joel Selway (under review at University of Michigan Press).

"Business Networks," invited contribution to *Routledge Handbook of Civil Society in Southeast Asia*, edited by Eva Hansson and Meredith Weiss.

"Spatial Variation in Tenure Security Premium: Evidence from Indonesia," with Matt Gnagey.

## Courses Taught

Santa Clara University

*Introduction to Comparative Politics.*  
*Religion and Politics in the Developing World.*  
*Politics of Development.*  
*Political Science Research.*  
*Politics of Southeast Asia* (directed reading).

Emory University

*Politics of Southeast Asia* (co-taught with Rick Doner).

National University of Singapore

*Southeast Asia: A Changing Region* (teaching assistant).

Ar-Raniry State Islamic University, Banda Aceh, Indonesia

English instructor.

## Awards

Young Southeast Asia Fellow, Southeast Asia Research Group. 2017.

Mellon Graduate Teaching Fellowship, Spelman College. 2017 - 2018 (declined).

Fulbright Scholar in the Philippines, Institute of International Education and Philippine-American Educational Foundation. 2014.

American Institute for Indonesian Studies Research Grant in Indonesia, Council of American Overseas Research Centers. 2014.

Professional Development Support Research Grants, Emory University. 2013, 2015.

Professional Development Support Training Grant for Tagalog, Emory University. 2013.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Fellowship for Tagalog, SEASSI, University of Wisconsin. 2012.

Graduate Student Teaching Award, National University of Singapore. 2011.

Graduate Research Support Scheme Grant, National University of Singapore. 2010.

National University of Singapore Research Fellowship. 2009 - 2011.

## Invited Talks

"Business associations and local taxation in Southeast Asia." 2018. Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Stanford University.

"The Institutional Underpinnings of Fiscal Contracts: The Case of Surabaya." 2017. Southeast Asia Research Group Annual Meeting, University of Texas at Austin.

"Public Finance in New Reform Era: Comparison Between Indonesia and the Philippines." 2016. Department of Public Administration, Airlangga University.

"A Culture of Trust? Decentralization and Local Taxation in Indonesia." 2015. *International Lectures on Indonesian Studies*, Indonesian Studies Center, University of Indonesia.

"Decentralization and the Politics of Urban Taxation in Indonesia and the Philippines." 2014. University of the Philippines School of Economics.

## Conference Presentations

Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting: 2021.

Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting: 2020.

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting: 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018.

Southeast Asian Studies Graduate Conference, Cornell Southeast Asia Program: 2013.

*Southeast Asia: Between the Lines*, University of Michigan Center for Southeast Asian Studies: 2011.

*Lessons from Nargis: Disaster Management in Southeast Asia*, ISEAS, Singapore: 2009.

## Research and Work Experience

Dissertation fieldwork: conducting interviews, compiling statistics, exploring press archives, and collecting government documents

Indonesia. October 2015 - August 2016.

Philippines. September 2014 - May 2015.

Pre-dissertation field visit to Manila and Jakarta. June 2013.

Thesis fieldwork in North Sumatra, Indonesia. May-June, August-November 2010.

Post-tsunami development worker, Mennonite Central Committee. Aceh, Indonesia. 2005-2008.

Program writer, Hope for Change. Iligan City, Philippines. 2004-2005.

## Service

Member, Program Committee, APSA Southeast Asia Related Group. 2018-2019.

Member, Travel Grant Committee, Southeast Asia Research Group. 2019.

Reviewer, Draper Hills Summer Fellows Program. 2018.

Reviewer, *Asian Politics & Policy*, *International Political Science Review*.

## Languages

Advanced Indonesian, intermediate Tagalog.

## Software

R,  $\LaTeX$