

# Curriculum Vitae

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### Professional Interests

Peace, Conflict Resolution, and Reconciliation including Formal and Informal Alternative Dispute Resolution (Dialogue, Mediation, Negotiation); Gender, Race, Ethnic, Religious and other Group Relations; Political Psychology of Identity and Conflict/ Conflict Reduction

### Education

University of California Irvine, PhD in Political Science: Oct. 2015

- Dissertation: Identity Change in Jewish-Muslim Inter-Group Contact: A Longitudinal Study of Two Inter-Group Dialogue Programs
- Committee: Carrie Menkel-Meadow (Chair), Kristen Monroe & Daniel Brunstetter
- Major Fields: Political Psychology and Conflict Resolution/ International Relations

University of California Irvine, Masters of Arts in Political Psychology: Nov. 2010

Northwestern University, Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology: June 2008

University of Chicago, Bachelor of Arts in Human Development with Honors: June 2006

### Additional Trainings and Certifications

Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) Facilitator Training and Certification: 2016

Pepperdine Professional Skills Training in Group Facilitation: 2016

National Conflict Resolution Center Mediation Training: 2014

UCI Grant Writing Workshop: 2013

Orange County Human Relations Commission Advanced Mediation Training: 2012

Department of Justice, Community Relations Service Internship: 2011

Ombudsman's Mediation Training, California DRPA Mediation Certification: 2011

Stanford University Summer Institute on Political Psychology, Certificate: 2008

### Awards

2016-2018	Mellon Post-Doctoral Fellowship
2014-2015	International Global Conflict and Cooperation Grant (\$18,000)
2013-2014	Rotary District 5320 Global Grant Scholarship for Peace (\$30,000)
2013	Department of Political Science Travel Grant Award (ISPP)
2013	UCI School of Social Sciences Travel Grant Award (ISPP, MPSA)
2013	Associate Dean's Fellowship
2011, 2012, 2013	Public Impact Fellowship Nominee
2010, 2011, 2012, 2013	Department of Political Science Research Award
2010, 2011, 2012	Center of Citizen Peacebuilding Kugleman Award (\$5000/ year)
2010, 2011, 2012	CGPACS Research Grant Award (\$2500/year)

## **Academic Appointments**

### **Grinnell College:** 2016-present

Post-Doctoral Fellow in Peace and Conflict Studies with the Department of Political Science

- *Negotiation and Mediation: Non-Violent Dispute Resolution Foundations*
- *The Political Psychology of Gender in Politics*

### **Chapman University:** 2015-2016

Lecturer in the Department of Peace Studies

- *Research Methods in Peace Studies*

### **San Diego State University:** 2013-2016

Lecturer in the International Security and Conflict Resolution Program & the Department of Political Science:

- *Gender in Public Policy*
- *Alternative Dispute Resolution*

### **University of California Irvine:** 2009-2016

Researcher

- Dissertation Field Work, University of California Irvine  
*Interview, observation, and survey work with the Olive Tree Initiative and NewGround. Work focused on the impact of contact on identity and power.*
- UC Irvine Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Ethics and Morality  
*Worked with Professor Monroe to mentoring high-school and undergraduate researchers, as well as assisted with Ethical Games Project and other ongoing ethics center projects and events.*
- Political Psychology Program, University of California, Irvine  
*Research assistant working on the design and implement field work on two studies- one on collaborative educational settings and one on national identity (with Rosenberg).*

Lecturer

- *Osher Lifelong Learning Institute: Religion and Politics in the Middle East*
- *Mediation*

Teaching Assistant

- *International Studies Public Forum; Comparing Cultures; Social Movements; International Relations; Seminar in Conflict Resolution; Social Psychology (experimental class where I also served as research assistant); Ethics of Difference; Intro to Psychology 7A/9A*

### **Psychology Intergroup Conflict and Reconciliation Lab at IDC Hertzylia, Israel:** 2013-2014

Visiting Scholar

- *Conduct lab based theoretical and experimental research on motivations toward and away from Israeli-Jewish and Arab encounter programs (with Halperin and Saguy).*

### **Bar-Tal Working Group at The University of Tel Aviv, Israel:** 2013-2014

Visiting Scholar

- *Research on the long-term psychological impact of the Israeli Palestinian conflict (routinizaion)*

### **University of Haifa**

Adjunct Professor

- *Peace Psychology (Summer 2017 if conditions allow)*

## **Academic Publications**

*Willingness to engage in intergroup contact: A multi-level approach* (Ron, Solomon, Halperin & Saguy) in the “Contact between Groups, Peace and Conflict” special issue of *Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology* (2016). American Psychological Association. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1037/pac0000204>

*Identity Change in Jewish-Muslim Inter-Group Contact: A Longitudinal Study of Two Inter-Group Dialogue Programs* (2015). Dissertation published in completion of doctoral degree. University of California, Irvine.

*Multiplying Educational Perspectives: An Evaluation of The Olive Tree Initiative as an Experiential Education and Reconciliation Program* (Brunstetter, Solomon & Wehrenfennig) in Del Felice, C. and A. Wisler (2015) (eds.) *Peace education evaluation: Learning from experience and exploring prospects*. Charlotte, NC: Information Age Press.

## **Working Papers**

*The Triple Bind: Navigating American Politics as a Woman* (with Eva Lillienfeld, in data collection)

*The Role of AVP in Reducing Recidivism* (with Isabella De Soriano, in data collection)

*Creating a Non-Zero Sum Identity: Two Longitudinal Case Studies of Social Identity shifts during Inter-Group Dialogue* (in preparation for submission).

*Competitive Victimhood: An Analysis of The Black and Blue Lives Matter Movements* (with Adam Martin; in preparation for submission)

*Empowering Women through Contact: Psycho-Social Change in US Inter-Diaspora Dialogue Programs* (in preparation for submission to *Group Processes & Intergroup Relations*)

*Willingness for Contact: An Empirical Review of Power and Contact Willingness* (with Yiftach Ron, Tamar Saguy and Eran Halperin; in preparation for submission)

*Routinization: A Psychological Examination of the Normalcy and Symbology of Intractable Conflict* (with Daniel Bar-Tal and Keren Sharvit; in data collection)

## **Conference Presentations**

2017: *Competitive Victimhood: An Analysis of The Black and Blue Lives Matter Movements* (Solomon and Martin; International Society for Political Psychology hereafter referred to as ISPP)

2015: *Empowering Women through Contact: Two Longitudinal Examinations of the Role of Gender and Power on Self-Efficacy Change in Inter-Group Dialogue* (Midwest Political Science Association hereafter referred to as MPSA & ISPP)

2014: *Willingness for Contact: Mapping Barriers and Motivations* (Solomon and Ron; ISPP)

2013: *Contact in Hearts and Minds Diplomacy: Psycho-Social Change in People to People Peace Dialogue Programs* (ISPP)

2012: *Evaluating Transformation: Constructing an Evaluation Protocol for Peace Dialogue Programs* (MPSA)

2011: *Possibilities for Reconciliation through Targeted Intervention: Narrative and Psychological Change in the Olive Tree Initiative* (Solomon and Brunstetter) (MPSA)

2010: *In Context: A Study of Morality among First and Second Generation South Asian Indian-Americans* (ISPP) & *Forgive but Never Forget: Possibilities for Reconciliation through Targeted Intervention* (ISPP)

2009: *Images of the 'Ideal' President and of the Candidates: Data from the 2008 Campaign* (Joseph and Solomon; ISPP)

### **Invited Talks**

#### *Rotary*

Rotary Club of Jerusalem: Possibilities for Community Peace-building

Rotary Club of Tel Aviv: My Journey in Israel

Rotary Club of Fullerton: Contact and Dialogue: Conversations about the Middle East

Rotary Club of Santa Ana: Contact and Dialogue: Conversations about the Middle East

Rotary Club of Newport/Irvine: Contact and Dialogue: Conversations about the Middle East

\* Ongoing; beginning spring 2014.

#### *San Diego State University*

Introduction to International Security and Conflict Resolution (Fall 2012)

#### *University of California, Irvine*

Olive Tree Initiative Preparatory Course (Summer 2014): *Current Topics in the Middle East*

International Studies Public Forum (Winter 2011): *UCI Peace Initiative*

Model United Nations (Winter 2011): *India/ Pakistan & Conflict*

Naturalistic Field Research (Fall 2010): *Interview Techniques and Field Work*

Seminar in Conflict Resolution (Fall 2010): *Educationally based Conflict Resolution Programs*

Ethics of Difference (Winter 2010): *Identity*

Intro to Psychology 7A/9A (Fall 2009, Fall 2011): *Social Psychology, Audio-Visual Perception*

### **Other Research Experience**

#### **Olive Tree Initiative**

Program Evaluator: 2009-2014

Campus Coordinator for San Diego State: 2014

#### **NewGround: A Jewish Muslim Partnership for Change**

Program Evaluator: 2012-2014

#### **Harvard Student Study**

Research Assistant and Analyst: 2006-2009, 2015

*Analyzed narratives for Subjective Well Being, Political, and Mental Health trends & data; Helped conceptualize coding schema and conduct longitudinal analysis of personality. Editing and argument framing.*

#### **Northwestern University Mosaic Lab**

Research Assistant: 2008-2009

*Helped design, implemented, and analyzed results from a study conducted on voting behavior and political attitudes toward presidents (with Craig Joseph).*

### **University of Chicago Hospitals**

Research Assistant, Intensive Care Research Team: 2005

*Helped organize and develop studies on stress and coping, assisted doctors and nurses in distribution of studies, organized files electronically, and interacted with patients.*

## **Conflict Resolution Experience and Service**

### **Alternatives to Violence Program**

Outside Member and Facilitator: 2016-present

### **CalPak Education Management Service, US/Pakistan**

Fundraising Chair and Board Member: 2016-present

### **Center for Citizen PeaceBuilding, Irvine, CA**

Board Member: 2011-2016

### **National Conflict Resolution Center, San Diego, CA**

Court Mediator (volunteer), San Diego Small Claims Court: 2014-2016

### **Olive Tree Initiative, Irvine & San Diego, CA**

Liaison to the Director for San Diego State Club, Board Member: 2013-2016

### **Orange County Human Relations**

Community and Court Mediator/ Conciliator (volunteer): 2012-2013

### **Department of Justice, Community Relations Service, Region 9**

Internship: Summer 2011

Facilitation Trainer for High School Race Dialogue at CSU DH: 2012-2013

### **UC Irvine Peace Initiative**

Mediator: 2011

### **International Society for Political Psychology**

Panel Chair: 2013, 2015

### **UCI Department of Political Science**

Graduate Student Representative: 2012 - 2014

Graduate Student Association Peer-to-Peer Committee: 2013, founding member

### **University of Chicago Alumni Committee**

College Fair Representative and Alumni Interviewer: 2010- present

### **Guatemala Service Trip**

English Teaching and School Development: 2010

## **Professional Affiliations**

International Studies Association (2013-present)

Midwest Political Science Association (2011 - present)

American Political Science Association (2010 - present)

Center for Citizen Peace-building (2009- present)

International Society for Political Psychology (ISPP) (2008 - present)

UCI Center for Global Peace and Conflict Studies Affiliate (2009 - 2015)

UCI Center for Ethics and Morality Associate Member (2009-2015)

American Psychological Association (2006 - 2010)

Reviewer:

Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology

International Journal of Educational Research and Development

Political Psychology