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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University at Albany, Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security

Assistant Professor, 2018 –

Middlebury Institute, Center on Terrorism, Extremism, and Counterterrorism

Non-resident Fellow, 2024 –

Senior Research Fellow on Antigovernment Extremism, 2023 – 2024

VOX-Pol Network of Excellence, Dublin City University and Swansea University

Associate Member, 2018 –

EDUCATION

2018 Ph.D., Syracuse University, Social Science Doctoral Program

2016 M.A., Syracuse University, Political Science

2012 M.A., University of Manchester, Religion and Political Life

2009 B.A., University of Tennessee – Knoxville, Religious Studies

PUBLICATIONS (* Student co-author, # Equal authorship in alphabetical order)

Books

2020 **Sam Jackson**. *Oath Keepers: Patriotism and the Edge of Violence in a Right-Wing Antigovernment Group*. Columbia University Press. <[link](#)>

– Reviewed in *The Economist*, *Criminal Law and Criminal Justice Books* (Rutgers University), *Perspectives on Terrorism*, *Choice*, *Fascism: Journal of Comparative Fascist Studies*.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

J7 2023 Amber Silver and **Sam Jackson**. “Public attention during Hurricanes Florence and Michael.” *Weather, Climate, and Society*. <[link](#)>

J6 2022 **Sam Jackson**. “What is Anti-government Extremism?” *Perspectives on Terrorism*. Special issue on anti-government extremism. <[link](#)>

J5 2021 Olga Boichak, Jeff Hemsley, **Sam Jackson**, Rebekah Tromble, and Sikana Tanupabrungsun. “Not the Bots You Are Looking For: Patterns and Effects of Orchestrated Interventions in the U.S. and German Elections.” *International Journal of Communication*. <[link](#)>

J4 2020 Olga Boichak and **Sam Jackson**. “From National Identity to State Legitimacy: Mobilizing Digitally Networked Publics in Eastern Ukraine.” *Media, War & Conflict*. <[link](#)>

J3 **Sam Jackson**, Jennifer Stromer-Galley, and Jeff Hemsley. “Differentiated Information Flows: Social Media Curation Practices in the 2016 U.S. Presidential Elections.” *International Journal of Communication*. <[link](#)>

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- J2 2019 **Sam Jackson**. “Non-Normative Political Extremism: Reclaiming a Concept’s Analytical Utility.” *Terrorism and Political Violence*. <[link](#)>
- J1 **Sam Jackson**. “‘Nullification through Armed Civil Disobedience’: A Case Study of Strategic Framing in the Patriot/Militia Movement.” *Dynamics of Asymmetric Conflict*. Special Issue on Homegrown Violent Extremism. <[link](#)>

Peer-Reviewed Conference Proceedings

- P3 2018 Jeff Hemsley and **Sam Jackson**. “Political Issues that Spread: Understanding Retweet Behavior During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.” In *Proceedings of the 9th International Conference on Social Media & Society*. <[link](#)>
- P2 Olga Boichak⁺, **Sam Jackson**⁺, Jeff Hemsley, and Sikana Tanupabrungsun⁺. “Automated Diffusion? Bots and Their Influence During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.” In *Proceedings of the 2018 iConference*. Springer Lecture Notes in Computer Science. <[link](#)>
- P1 2017 **Sam Jackson**⁺, Feifei Zhang⁺, Olga Boichak⁺, Lauren Bryant, Yingya Li⁺, Jeff Hemsley, Jennifer Stromer-Galley, Bryan Semaan, and Nancy McCracken. “Identifying Political Topics in Social Media Messages: A Lexicon-Based Approach.” In *Proceedings of the 8th International Conference on Social Media & Society*. Toronto: ACM, 2017. <[link](#)>

Other Scholarly Writing

- 2024 **Sam Jackson**. “Mainstreaming Hate in Political Campaigns.” In *Terrorism, Extremism, and the 2024 Elections*. Report from CTEC. <[link](#)>
- Sam Jackson**. “Two Harms of Hate Speech and the Limits of Counter-Speech.” Research Note for CTEC. <[link](#)>
- 2023 **Sam Jackson** and J.M. Berger. “The Dangers of Generative AI and Extremism.” Research Note for CTEC. <[link](#)>
- Reposted by VOX-Pol. <[link](#)>
- Sam Jackson** and Amy Cooter. “Veterans and Extremism.” Research Note for CTEC. <[link](#)>
- 2022 **Sam Jackson**. “The Oath Keepers: Background and Trajectory Towards the Insurrection.” Expert statement for the United States House of Representatives Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol. <[link](#)>
- Sam Jackson**. “Fantasies of Violence in the Patriot/Militia Movement in the United States.” Book chapter for edited volume on *Right-Wing Extremism in Canada and the United States*, Palgrave MacMillan (Eds: Perry, Gruenewald, and Scrivens). <[link](#)> <[pre-print version](#)>
- Sam Jackson**[#] and Aron Lund. “Militias, Online and Off.” Commentary as part of The Century Foundation’s *Transnational Trends in Citizenship: Authoritarianism and the Emerging Global Culture of Resistance*. <[link](#)>

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- Kurt Braddock, Thanassis Cambanis, Nadwa Al-Dawsari, **Sam Jackson**[#], Aron Lund, Renad Mansour, Jacob Mundy, and Amanda Rogers. “Roundtable: The Age of Armed Groups.” Report from The Century Foundation’s *Transnational Trends in Citizenship: Authoritarianism and the Emerging Global Culture of Resistance*. <[link](#)>
- 2021 **Sam Jackson**, Brandon Gorman, and Mayuko Nakatsuka⁺. “QAnon on Twitter: An Overview.” Report for George Washington University’s Institute for Data, Democracy, and Politics. <[link](#)>
- 2019 **Sam Jackson**. “The Double-Edged Sword of Banning Extremists from Social Media.” Unpublished white paper. <[link](#)>
- Sam Jackson**. “A Schema of Right-Wing Extremism in the United States.” Report for the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism – The Hague. <[link](#)>
- 2017 **Sam Jackson**. “Conspiracy Theories in the Patriot/Militia Movement.” Commissioned report for George Washington University’s Program on Extremism. <[link](#)>
- Cited in FBI Intelligence Bulletin <[link](#)>

Book Reviews

- 2021 **Sam Jackson**. Review of Jay Julian Rosellini, *The Germany New Right: AfD, PEGIDA and the Re-Imagining of National Identity in Terrorism and Political Violence*. <[link](#)>
- 2016 **Sam Jackson**. Review of James Aho, *Far-Right Fantasy: A Sociology of American Religion and Politics in Conflict and Society*. <[link](#)>

Public Writing

- 2022 **Sam Jackson**. “Oath Keepers Leaders Were Found Guilty, but the Threat of Antigovernment Extremism Remains.” *Lawfare*. <[link](#)>
- Sam Jackson**[#], Matthew Kriner, and Jon Lewis. “Oath Keepers leader indictment just the tip of a scary iceberg.” *NBC News*. <[link](#)>
- 2020 **Sam Jackson**. “The long, dangerous history of right-wing calls for violence and civil war.” *The Washington Post’s* Monkey Cage. <[link](#)>
- 2018 **Sam Jackson**. “‘We Are Patriots’: Uses of National History in Legitimizing Extremism.” *EuropeNow*. <[link](#)>
- Sam Jackson**. “Flockwatch: Tracking Changes in Language in Text Datasets over Time.” VOX-Pol blog. <[link](#)>
- 2017 **Sam Jackson**. “Don’t assume the militias at the Charlottesville rally were white supremacists. This is what they believe now.” *The Washington Post’s* Monkey Cage. <[link](#)>
- 2016 **Sam Jackson**. “Follow the Leaders? Jill Stein and Gary Johnson’s Twitter and Facebook Activity.” Illuminating 2016 Project blog. <[link](#)>
- Reposted on the blog for the Tow Center for Digital Journalism at Columbia University. <[link](#)>

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CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION (*Non-presenting co-author)

Papers

- 2024 **Sam Jackson**. “Heroes in their own eyes: direct action as a strategy to address perceived crises among the paramilitary right.” Edited volume workshop on “A Republic Contested? The GOP and the Far Right in the United States.” Virtual, June 29-30.
- 2022 **Sam Jackson**. “Right-Wing Extremist Ideologies: Distinctions and Overlaps.” Workshop on Far-Right Extremism and Disinformation, American University, March 28-30
- 2021 **Sam Jackson***, Brandon Gorman, and Mayuko Nakatsuka. “The Global Diffusion of Distinctly American Conspiracy Theories.” International Studies Association, April 6-9
- 2020 **Sam Jackson**. “Oath Keepers: Patriotism and the Edge of Violence in a Right-Wing Antigovernment Group.” Council for European Studies Annual Conference, Virtual Session, June 23
- Sam Jackson**, Brandon Gorman, and Mayuko Nakatsuka. “The Global Diffusion of Distinctly American Conspiracy Theories.” Council for European Studies Annual Conference, June 22-24. (Conference cancelled due to COVID-19)
- 2019 **Sam Jackson** and Maura Conway. “What Does the Study of Platforms’ Affordances Tell Us About the Workings of Contemporary Online Extremism and Terrorism?” Terrorism and Social Media: An International Conference, June 25-26
- Sam Jackson*** and Maura Conway. “What Does the Study of Platforms’ Affordances Tell Us About the Workings of Contemporary Online Extremism and Terrorism?” International Studies Association Annual Conference, March 27-30
- 2018 **Sam Jackson**. “The Double-Edged Sword of Banning Extremists from Social Media.” Association of Internet Researchers Annual Conference, October 10-13
- Olga Boichak, **Sam Jackson**, Jeff Hemsley, Rebekah Tromble, and Sikana Tanupabrungsun. “Bot Interventions: Identifying Patterns of Orchestrated Activity Across Election Campaigns on Twitter.” The Internet, Policy & Politics Conference 2018, September 20-21
- Sam Jackson**. “The Double-Edged Sword of Banning Extremists from Social Media.” VOX-Pol Third Biennial Conference, August 20-22
- Sam Jackson**. “The Oath Keepers, the Revolutionary War, and Preparations for Rebellion.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference, August 11-14
- Olga Boichak and **Sam Jackson***. “Collective Identity and Its Boundaries: From ‘Cloud Protesting’ to State Legitimacy.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference, August 11-14
- Jeff Hemsley and **Sam Jackson***. “Political Issues that Spread: Understanding Retweet Behavior During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.” International Conference on Social Media & Society, July 18-20

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- Olga Boichak and **Sam Jackson***. “‘Mariupol is Ukraine’: Constructing Legitimacy through Digitally Networked Action.” International Studies Association Annual Conference, April 4-7
- Sam Jackson**. “‘We Are Patriots’: Uses of National History in Legitimizing Extremism.” Council for European Studies Annual Conference, March 28-30
- Olga Boichak, **Sam Jackson***, Jeff Hemsley, and Sikana Tanupabrungsun. “Automated Diffusion? Bots and Their Influence During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.” iConference, March 25-28
- 2017 Olga Boichak, **Sam Jackson***, Jeff Hemsley, and Sikana Tanupabrungsun. “Not All Bots Are Created Equal: Automated Sociality and the Spread of Political Information in the 2016 U.S. Presidential Elections.” European Symposium Series on Societal Challenges in Computational Social Science, November 15-17
- Olga Boichak, **Sam Jackson***, Sikana Tanupabrungsun, Daniela Fernandez Espinosa, and Jeff Hemsley. “Automated Diffusion? Bots and Their Influence During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.” Association of Internet Researchers Annual Conference, October 18-21
- Sam Jackson**. “‘We Are Patriots’: Uses of National History in Legitimizing Extremism.” European Consortium for Political Research General Conference, September 6-9
- Olga Boichak and **Sam Jackson***. “‘Mariupol is Ukraine’: Constructing Legitimacy through Digitally Networked Action.” European Consortium for Political Research General Conference, September 6-9
- Sam Jackson**, Feifei Zhang, Olga Boichak, Lauren Bryant, Yingya Li, Jeff Hemsley, Bryan Semaan, Jennifer Stromer-Galley, and Nancy McCracken. “A Method for Computational Topic Identification in Social Media Messages.” American Political Science Association Annual Conference, August 31-September 3
- Sam Jackson**. “Principled Law Breaking in America: Nullification and Civil Disobedience.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference, August 12-15
- Sam Jackson**, Feifei Zhang, Olga Boichak, Lauren Bryant, Yingya Li, Jeff Hemsley, Bryan Semaan, Jennifer Stromer-Galley, and Nancy McCracken. “Identifying Political Topics in Social Media Messages: A Lexicon-Based Approach.” International Conference on Social Media & Society, July 28-30
- Patricia Rossini, **Sam Jackson***, Feifei Zhang, Lauren Bryant, Kate Kenski, and Jennifer Stromer-Galley. “Disrupting Controlled Interactivity? An Analysis of Public Comments on Facebook in the 2016 U.S. Presidential Campaign.” International Communication Association, May 25-29
- Sam Jackson**. “The Oath Keepers: Patriotism, Dissent, and the Edge of Violence.” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, April 6-9
- Sam Jackson**. “The Oath Keepers: Patriotism, Dissent, and the Edge of Violence.” 14th Annual Conference of the Center for the Study of Citizenship, Wayne State University, March 30-April 1

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- 2016 **Sam Jackson.** “The American Revolution Redux: The Oath Keepers and the Ongoing Struggle over Natural Rights.” Social Science History Association Annual Conference, November 17-20
- Sam Jackson.** “Pragmatics, Dog Whistles, and Extremist Texts.” Council for European Studies Annual Conference, April 14-16
- 2015 **Sam Jackson.** “Nullification and Civil Disobedience: What Makes for ‘Good’ Law Breaking?” Social Science History Association Annual Conference, November 12-15
- Sam Jackson.** “Collecting and Storing Qualitative Data Using Online Sources.” Graduate Student Forum on Research Methodologies, Syracuse University, November 13
- Sam Jackson.** “Political Extremism: A Non-Normative, Comparative Definition.” Council for European Studies Annual Conference, July 8-10
- 2014 **Sam Jackson.** “A New Manifest Destiny: A Calling to Lead the World.” Social Science History Association Annual Conference, November 6-9

Posters

- 2018 Olga Boichak, **Sam Jackson***, Jeff Hemsley, Rebekah Tromble, and Sikana Tanupabrungsun. “Identifying Patterns of Bot Interference across Election Campaigns on Twitter” International Conference on Social Media & Society, July 18-20
- Jeff Hemsley, **Sam Jackson***, Jiyoung Lee, and Daniela Fernandez Espinosa. “The Viral Diffusion of Campaign Messages About Political Issues During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.” iConference, March 25-28
- 2017 Olga Boichak, **Sam Jackson***, Sikana Tanupabrungsun, Jeff Hemsley, Daniela Fernandez Espinosa. “Automated Diffusion? Bots and Their Influence During the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.” International Conference on Social Media & Society, July 28-30

INVITED TALKS

- 2023 “Towards a Linguistic Theory of Dog Whistles.” Center on Terrorism, Extremism, and Counterterrorism. October 31
- “Time To Talk: In Discussion with Sam Jackson.” Time and Space Limited, Hudson, NY. March 10
- “Anti-government extremist groups.” The Thomas S. Foley Institute for Public Policy and Public Service, Washington State University. February 8. <[link](#)>
- 2022 Panel on “Democracy as a Target of Hate.” Eradicate Hate Global Summit. September 21
- “From Extreme Beliefs to Extreme Actions: The Oath Keepers.” Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Rotary Club, New York. August 1
- “Oath Keepers: Challenges to Investigations.” New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services. May 18
- “The (Tweet) Storm Is Upon Us: A Look at QAnon on Twitter.” Center for Computational and Data Sciences, Syracuse University. April 7

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- “From Extreme Beliefs to Extreme Actions: The Oath Keepers.” Brooks Museum Lecture Series, SUNY Cortland. April 6
- 2021 “An Overview of the Oath Keepers Movement in the United States.” New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services. Part of a webinar series on “Emerging Issues, Trends, and Technologies” hosted by the New York State Preparedness Training Center and the Office of Counter Terrorism. March 25
- Panel on “The Nexus Between Violent Extremism and Conspiracy Theory Networks Online.” Tech Against Terrorism and the Global Internet Forum to Counter Terrorism. March 17
- Panel on “Guns in Crisis: Protest and Policing.” University of Arizona. March 16
- “Oath Keepers.” U.S. Air Force 348th Reconnaissance Squadron (part of extremism stand down day events). March 12
- Panel on “Extremism in Politics and Its Impact on Public Discourse.” Institute for Public Policy and Social Research, Michigan State University. February 25. <[link](#)>
- Panel on “A Not So Peaceful Transition of Power: Making Sense of the January 6th Attack on the Capitol.” Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, University at Albany. February 2
- 2020 “Oath Keepers: Patriotism and the Edge of Violence in a Right-Wing Antigovernment Group.” Washington Institute for Near East Policy CVE working group. November 30
- Panel on potential post-election violence. “Digital Citizenship In A Pandemic: Political Information And Action In 2020.” Institute for Data, Democracy & Politics, George Washington University. October 19. <[link](#)>
- “A Schema of Right-Wing Extremism in the United States.” New York State Intelligence Center. January 2
- 2019 “Right-Wing Extremism in the U.S.” Year Ahead 2020: A Strategic Outlook for Security, Intelligence, and Defence for Canada. Centre for Security, Intelligence, and Defence Studies at Carleton University. December 6
- 2018 “Introducing FlockWatch.” Workshop on Introducing VOX-Pol Tools. VOX-Pol Third Biennial Conference. August 22
- 2017 “Conspiracy Theories in the Patriot/Militia Movement.” New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness 2nd Annual Domestic Terrorism Conference. May 15
- Panel on domestic extremism. New York City Police Department Cyber and Counterterrorism Conference. February 1

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2019 Google Cloud Platform research credits (\$5000)
- 2013-2018 University Fellowship, Syracuse University

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AWARDS

2020 Mentoring Award. College of Emergency Preparedness, Homeland Security and Cybersecurity. University at Albany

2016 Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award. Syracuse University

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

FlockWatch – A Python tool to monitor text data collections for changes in discourse <[link](#)>

ServerReport – A Python tool to monitor basic Linux machine metrics and active processes <[link](#)>

domain_parser – A Python tool to expand shortened URLs and identify domains <[link](#)>

STACKS – A Python tool to collect, process, and store Twitter data <[link](#)>

MEDIA

2024 Research quoted in Leah Sottile. “How Western Washington history explains the rise of hate groups.” *High Country News*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Joanna Weiss. “The New Civil War Movie Is Eerily Right About How the Country Could Split Apart.” *Politico*. <[link](#)>

2023 Guest for *The Bunker*. Podcast on news and politics. Episode on “Make America hate again - How extremists turned patriotism into violence.” <[link](#)>

Quoted in Michael Williams. “Propelled by presence of hate group, Texas sees ‘alarming’ rise in extremism, report says.” *Dallas Morning News*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Li Zhou. “Two of January 6’s most famous faces are getting serious sentences.” *Vox*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Zoya Teirstein. “Boots on the Ground: As FEMA struggles to keep up with climate disasters, extremist groups see an opportunity.” *Grist*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Hannah Allam. “30 years later, Waco siege fascinates, infuriates new generations.” *Washington Post*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in “Experter: Domar stoppar inte högerextrema i USA.” *Folkebladet* (Swedish newspaper). <[link](#)>

Quoted in “How the Oath Keepers turned Pennsylvania into a far-right militia recruiting hotbed.” *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*. <[link](#)>

2022 Quoted in “Alaska lawmaker with Oath Keepers ties eligible for office.” *The Associated Press*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Spencer S. Hsu and Hannah Allam. “Landmark Oath Keepers verdict hobbles group, but the movement lives on.” *Washington Post*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in BBC’s *NewsHour* on Oath Keepers trial verdict. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Kat Lonsdorf, Ashley Brown, Miguel Macias, and Ari Shapiro. “A far-right extremism expert on the conviction of Oath Keepers founder Stewart Rhodes.” *All Things Considered*. <[link](#)>

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Quoted in Scott Tong. “Oath Keepers leader convicted of seditious conspiracy.” *Here & Now* (WBUR). [<link>](#)

Quoted in Danny McDonald. “Hundreds of Massachusetts residents joined the extremist Oath Keepers. Today, many are distancing themselves.” *Boston Globe*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Jacques Billeaud and Lindsay Whitehurst. “Oath Keepers founder Stewart Rhodes’ path: From Yale to jail.” *AP*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Alan Feuer. “Sedition Trial of Oath Keepers to Get Underway.” *The New York Times*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Maddie Singleton. “Over 1,000 North Carolinians, including elected officials, in group involved with Jan. 6 riot.” *The Daily Tar Heel*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Seth Klamann and Elise Schmelzer. “Leaked Oath Keepers list includes nearly 1,000 Coloradans, including cops and military.” *The Denver Post*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Michael Marks. “3,300 Texans, including dozens of public servants, on leaked roster of Oath Keepers.” *Texas Standard*. [<link>](#)

Guest for ROI. Interview about *Oath Keepers* (2020). *KALA*. [<link>](#)

- Additional conversation on ROI Podcast. [<link>](#)

Guest for *The Engagement Ring*. Podcast from UAlbany. “Right Wing Extremism in America.” [<link>](#)

Guest for *Diane Rehm: On My Mind* episode on “Jan. 6 And The Ongoing Threat Of Right-Wing Extremism.” *WAMU*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Kazi Stastna. “Inspiration but no clear co-ordination between Trump and Oath Keepers, Proud Boys, Jan. 6 hearing suggests.” *CBC News*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Hannah Allam. “Ex-Oath Keeper outlines dark worldview behind U.S. Capitol attack.” *Washington Post*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Sasha Ingber. “Jan 6. Hearing Focuses On Role Of Proud Boys and Oath Keepers.” *Newsy*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Zac Weisz. “Jan. 6 committee details extremist plot to overturn election.” *National Journal*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in *CNN’s* “The Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer” on January 6 Select Committee hearing. [<link>](#)

Guest for *New Day* segment on “January 6 Committee To Show Alleged Links Between Trump And Extremists.” *CNN*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Leila Goldestin. “What led so many Ohioans to attack the Capitol on Jan. 6?” *WYSO*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Susan Arbetter. “UAlbany professor on a thread that links conspiracy theories.” *Spectrum News 1*. [<link>](#)

Quoted in Spencer Conlin. “Hochul denounces big tech, but livestreams can be difficult to catch.” *Spectrum News 1*. [<link>](#)

Sam Jackson

- Guest for *Extremely*. Podcast from the Anti-Defamation League. Interview about *Oath Keepers* (2020). <[link](#)>
- Guest for *The Last Negroes at Harvard*. Interview about *Oath Keepers* (2020). <[link](#)>
- Guest for *The Lamfare Podcast*. Interview about *Oath Keepers* (2020). <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Tim Hume and Louise McLoughlin. “Why Far-Right Infiltration of the Military Is a Problem Across the West.” *Vice*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Erik Ortiz. “In battle against far-right extremists, an old strategy re-emerges: Bankrupt them.” *NBC News*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Colleen Long. “For Oath Keepers and founder, Jan. 6 was weeks in the making.” *AP*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Jacques Billeaud and Michael Kunzelman. “Legal risks in sedition conspiracy case against Oath Keepers.” *AP*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in “Tough Charges for Militia Group in Congress Storming.” *DW News*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Hannah Allam. “Who is Stewart Rhodes, the Oath Keepers leader arrested in connection with the Jan. 6 riot?” *Washington Post*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in “We have only begun to fight!: Phoenix man accused of conspiring with Jan. 6 rioters.” *12 News*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Nathan VanderKlippe. “Demonstrations in the U.S. are 6.5 times more likely to turn violent when protesters are armed, study finds.” *The Globe and Mail*. <[link](#)>
- 2021 Quoted in Carter Walker. “Anti-government group ‘Three Percenters’ hold ‘recruitment’ meeting at Miller’s Ale House.” *Lancaster Online*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Del Quentin Wilber. “An Oath Keeper’s wife feels the sting of Jan. 6.” *Los Angeles Times*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Odette Yousef, Tom Dreisbach, George Joseph, Huo Jingnan, and Micah Loewinger. “Active-duty police in major U.S. cities appear on purported Oath Keepers rosters.” *NPR*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Ali Breland. “How Do People Join Militias? A Leaked Oath Keepers Roster Has Answers.” *Mother Jones*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Zac Anderson. “Far-right Oath Keepers group had bigger presence in Sarasota/Manatee than previously known.” *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Jonathan Levinson. “Dozens of Oregon law enforcement officers have been members of the far-right Oath Keepers militia.” *Oregon Public Broadcasting*. <[link](#)>
- Congressional testimony quoted in Jordan Green. “Converting betrayal into mobilization for violent action: How the Oath Keepers radicalize military veterans.” *Raw Story*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in George Joseph, Matt Katz, Micah Loewinger, and Joseph Gedeon. “Hacked Records Reveal Hundreds Of Oath Keepers Across New Jersey.” *Gothamist*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in *On The Media*. Podcast from WNYC. “How Hacked Records Revealed Oath Keepers Ties With Police Departments.” <[link](#)>

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Quoted in Samantha Putterman. “‘Everything we trained for’: How the far-right Oath Keepers militia planned for violence on Jan. 6.” *Politifact*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Hannah Allam and Spencer S. Hsu. “Oath Keepers founder draws scrutiny from federal officials and followers.” *Washington Post*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Jose Pagliery and Shannon Vavra. “Judge Seals Report on Voting Machine Vulnerability.” *Daily Beast*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Tom Porter. “Under pressure after the Capitol riot, self-styled militias are regrouping around anti-vaxx conspiracy theories.” *Business Insider*. <[link](#)>

Guest for *Campbell Conversations*. Interview about *Oath Keepers* (2020). WRVO. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Vera Bergengruen and W.J. Hennigan. “Inside One Combat Vet's Journey From Defending His Country to Storming the Capitol.” *TIME*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Kelly Weill. “Plea deals are tearing the Oath Keepers apart.” *Daily Beast*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Zac Anderson and Dinah Voyles Pulver. “Florida emerges as a cradle of the insurrection as Jan. 6 Capitol riot arrests keep piling up.” *Sarasota Herald-Tribune*. <[link](#)>

Guest for *The Craig Silverman Show*. Podcast on “Fragile Democracy.” Interview about *Oath Keepers* (2020). <[link](#)>

Quoted in Malachi Barrett. “Pics or it didn’t happen: Indoctrinated on Facebook, Capitol rioters turn to social media to rehash their exploits.” *MLive*. <[link](#)>

Guest for *Radikaal*. Podcast on “the radical aspects of music, politics, and sports.” Episode on “Oath Keepers and Militias in the US.” <[link](#)>

Quoted in “Oath Keepers: Hotel weapons stash.” *CNN’s* “The Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer.” <[link](#)>

Quoted in Malachi Barrett. “How a fake lawyer and conservative outrage made Marlena’s Bistro a national symbol of pandemic freedom.” *MLive*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Malachi Barrett. “Armed boogaloo protesters get chilly reception at events in Lansing, Ann Arbor.” *MLive*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in Ryan Lucas. “Oath Keepers Founder Is Under Scrutiny, Court Documents Show.” NPR’s *Morning Edition*. <[link](#)>

- Native print version: “Who Are The Oath Keepers? Militia Group, Founder Scrutinized In Capitol Riot Probe.” NPR. <[link](#)>

Live interview for “Evidence Shows Oath Keepers and Proud Boys Collaborated On the US Capitol Insurrection.” KCBS Radio. <[link](#)>

Quoted in “Oath Keepers accused of weapons training.” *CNN’s* “The Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer.” <[link](#)>

Quoted in Dina Temple-Raston. “A Tale of 2 Radicalizations.” NPR’s *Morning Edition*. <[link](#)>

Quoted in “Oath Keepers leader under scrutiny over riot.” *CNN’s* “The Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer.” <[link](#)>

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- Quoted in Masood Farivar. “Oath Keepers Founder Stood Outside While Members Committed Mayhem in US Capitol.” *Voice of America*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Claire Hansen. “Anti-Government Militia Movement’s Future in Flux, But Threat Remains.” *U.S. News & World Report*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Matt Shuham. “Oath Keepers Repeatedly Spoke Of An Armed Backup Force For Capitol Attack, Feds Allege.” *Talking Points Memo*. <[link](#)>
- Guest for the Albany Writers Institute, “Rebuilding the Republic” series. Interview about *Oath Keepers* (2020). <[link](#)>
- Guest for *Albany Made*. Podcast from the Albany Public Library. Interview about *Oath Keepers* (2020). <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Malachi Barrett. “Constitutional sheriffs’ ask Michigan police to stand against Biden, COVID-19 orders.” *MLive*. <[link](#)>
- Guest for *The Michelangelo Signorile Show*. SiriusXM Radio. Interview about *Oath Keepers* (2020).
- Guest for *Tomohiro Machiyama’s Getting to Know America Now*. TV Asahi Network BS Asahi. Interview about *Oath Keepers* (2020). <[link](#)> (Japanese TV news show)
- Quoted in Josh Lederman. “The founder of a far-right militia once warned of federal tyranny. Then came Trump.” *NBC News*. <[link](#)>
- Quoted in Madelyn Beck. “The Oath Keepers: A Look At The Anti-Government Group Born In The Mountain West.” *Boise State Public Radio*. <[link](#)>
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Social Media Analysis

Extremism, Terrorism, and the Internet

Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism

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Information and Society

Gender and Extremism (Independent study)

SERVICE

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2024- Communications Committee, chair

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- 2022-2023 Undergraduate Committee, member
- 2022-2023 Communications Committee, member
- 2023 TT Faculty Hiring Committee, member

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- 2020-2022 Course lead for EHC Research Seminar
- 2021-2022 Graduate Committee, member
- 2022 Ad-hoc CEHC Commencement Awards Committee, member
- 2020-2022 INF PhD Admissions Committee, member
- 2018-2021 Policy Committee, member
- 2020 Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Structures and Policies Workgroup, member
- 2019 Ad-hoc Instructional Quality Assurance Subcommittee, chair

University-wide

- 2023 Advisory Committee on Campus Security
- 2021 New York State Legislative Internship Application Review Committee, CEHC representative

Conferences

- 2023 Jury Chair, Early Career Researcher Best Paper-In-Progress Award. Radicalism and Violence Research Network. Council for European Studies
- 2022 Invited Session Organizer and Presider, “National Identities, Perceptions of Threat, and Ideas of Security.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference
Jury Chair, Early Career Researcher Best Paper Award. Radicalism and Violence Research Network. Council for European Studies
- 2021 Jury Member, Early Career Researcher Best Paper Award. Radicalism and Violence Research Network. Council for European Studies
- 2020 Session Chair, Early Career Researcher Workshop. Radicalism and Violence Research Network. Council for European Studies. (Virtual workshop)
Session Chair, “Mobilizing Support for Radical Groups.” Council for European Studies Annual Conference. (Conference cancelled due to COVID-19)
Discussant, “Strategy in Revolutionary Movements.” Council for European Studies Annual Conference. (Conference cancelled due to COVID-19)
- 2019 Roundtable Organizer, “Roundtable on Online Data.” Society for Terrorism Research
Session Chair, “Political Effects of Digital Media.” International Studies Association
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- 2018 Panel Organizer, “Countermeasures and Responses to Misinformation and Manipulation Online.” Association of Internet Researchers Annual Conference
- 2016 Session Chair, “Responding to Radicalism 2.” Council for European Studies Annual Conference
- 2012 “Patriotism?” Conference Planning Team, Lincoln Theological Institute, University of Manchester

Reviewing

Editorial Board: *American Journal of Cultural Sociology*

Journals: *Social Media + Society*; *American Journal of Cultural Sociology*; *Perspectives on Terrorism*; *Policy & Internet*; *New Media and Society*; *The Communication Review*; *International Journal of Public Policy*; *Dynamics of Asymmetric Conflict*; *International Journal of Intelligence and CounterIntelligence*

Presses: Oxford University Press; Princeton University Press; Polity Books; Routledge; Berghahn Books; De Gruyter

Conferences: International Conference on Social Media & Society; Association of Internet Researchers Annual Conference

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Public Service

- 2024 - Subject Matter Expert, Science, Advice, and Guidance for Emergencies (SAGE) program, Department of Homeland Security
- 2021 - Advisory Board member, Accelerationism Research Consortium
- 2022 Invited witness, informational hearing on Oath Keepers. Alaska House of Representatives Military and Veterans’ Affairs Committee. <link>
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- Militias working group member, The Century Foundation’s *Transnational Trends in Citizenship: Authoritarianism and the Emerging Global Culture of Resistance*
- 2019 Facebook DC Academic Roundtable on Hate Speech Policies

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- 2019 TTLAL Course Design Academy, University at Albany
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- 2016 Certificate in University Teaching, Syracuse University
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