

ZACHARIAH PARCELS

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EDUCATION

Purdue University (West Lafayette, IN) 2023 - Spring 2028 (*expected*)

Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Political Science

Subfields: International Relations, Comparative Politics

Dissertation Title: “Ruling Water: Rebels and Water Governance in Rural Colombia”

Committee: Swati Srivastava (**Chair**), Andy Baker (Co-Chair), Tara Grillos, Tyler Girard

M.A., Political Science 2025

IQMR Summer Program (Syracuse, NY) Summer 2025

Qualitative and Mixed Methods Training

Reichman University (Herzliya, Israel)

M.A., Government 2022

Specialization in Counter-Terrorism and Homeland Security (*Summa Cum Laude*)

B.A., Government 2020

Specializations in Counter-Terrorism and Homeland Security (*Summa Cum Laude*)

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS & AFFILIATIONS

Johns Hopkins University 2026-2027

Predoctoral Fellow, SNF Agora Institute

Universidad de los Andes (Bogotá, Colombia) Fall 2026

Visiting Researcher, Departamento de Ciencia Política y Estudios Globales

Supervisor: Miguel García Sánchez

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Substantive: Nonstate Governance, Political Economy, Civil War, Proxy Wars, Violence against Civilians, Religion and Politics, Latin America.

Methods: Quantitative (Time Series, MLE, Text Analysis, Formal Theory, Surveys), and **Qualitative Methods** (Case Studies, Process-Tracing, Ethnographic Interviews, Mixed Methods).

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Magen, Amichai, and **Zachariah Parcels**. “Thinking about areas of limited statehood and the rule of law.” In *Rule of Law and Areas of Limited Statehood: Domestic and International Dimensions*, edited by Linda Hamid and Jan Wouters, 23-45. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing, 2021.

WORKING PAPERS

Parcels, Zachariah. “Who Sponsors and How? The Governance Effects of External Support in Civil War.” *R&R at Security Studies*.

Parcels, Zachariah. “When States Choose Their Local Partners in Civil War.” *R&R at Review*

of International Studies.

Benjamin Broman and **Zachariah Parcels**. “The Narrow Corridor Below the State: Traditional Political Institutions and Tenure Security in West Africa.”

Parcels, Zachariah. “When Rebels Go To Church: Catholic Institutions and Civilian Victimization.”

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

Parcels, Zachariah. “External Support and Rebel Environmental Governance in Civil War.”

Parcels, Zachariah. “Defenders or Actors? Rebel Human Rights Commitments and Non-Lethal Abuses.”

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Parcels, Zachariah. 2023. “Poland’s Territorial Defense Forces: A Solution for Revitalizing Canada’s Reservists.” *E-International Relations*.

Parcels, Zachariah. 2023. “Is Russia a Terrorist State?” *E-International Relations*.

Parcels, Zachariah. 2022. “Terrorist Financing Innovation in the Crime-Terror Nexus.” *Small Wars Journal*.

Parcels, Zachariah, and Lucia Santabarbara. 2022. “The Far Right’s Threat On and Offline.” *ITSS Verona*.

Martelli, Adelaide, Francesco Bruno, and **Zachariah Parcels**. 2022. “The Islamic State Khorasan Province (ISKP) and the Threat it Poses to and from the New Afghanistan.” *ITSS Verona*.

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

Internal

Purdue’s College of Liberal Arts (CLA) PROMISE Grant (\$825)	Spring 2026
Purdue’s College of Liberal Arts (CLA) PROMISE Grant (\$2,000)	Spring 2025
Purdue’s College of Liberal Arts (CLA) PROMISE Grant (\$750)	Fall 2024
Purdue’s College of Liberal Arts (CLA) PROMISE Grant (\$1105)	Summer 2024
Purdue Graduate School Ross Fellowship (\$28,000)	2023-2024
Reichman University’s Merit Scholarship (\$1,390)	Fall 2021
Reichman University, Dean’s List	2018-2020

External

Johns Hopkins University, Predoctoral Fellowship Stipend (\$50,000)	2026-2027
APSA Conflict Processes Travel Grant (\$300)	Fall 2026
HCG Public Choice Travel Stipend (\$650)	Spring 2026
2026 Student Fellow of the Public Choice Society (\$290)	Spring 2026
ISA Annual Convention Travel Grant Application Award (\$600)	Spring 2025

INVITED TALKS & WORKSHOPS

Harwood Graduate Colloquia, American Institute for Economic Research (AIER)	Spring 2026
Violence, Instability, and Peace (VIP) Workshop	Fall 2025

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference	2026
Public Choice Society Annual Conference	2026
International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Conference	2025
ISSS-IS Annual Conference	2024
European Initiative for Security Studies (EISS) Annual Conference	2024
Social Sciences Seminar at West Point	2024

TEACHING

Instructor of Record

Purdue University

International Relations Among Rich And Poor Nations (POL 235) Summer 2026

Teaching Assistant

Purdue University

Global Green Politics (POL 327), Dr. Reed Kurtz Fall 2025, Spring 2026

Reichman University

Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism Innovation (4733), Dr. Gil-ad Ariely Fall 2020

Guest Lecture

War and Security (*undergraduate seminar*), Indiana University Bloomington Spring 2026

MEMBERSHIP & AFFILIATIONS

Conflict Research Society, International Studies Association, American Political Science Association, Qualitative Bayesian Reasoning Network, Governance and Responsible AI Lab

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Dr. Benjamin Broman (Purdue). Summer 2025

Research Assistant, Dr. Miriam Barnum (Purdue). Summer 2024, Fall 2024

SERVICE

University: Judge, Purdue University's Undergraduate Research Conference.

Field: Social Media Manager, Irregular Warfare Initiative

LANGUAGES

English (native), Spanish (B1), German (B1), Arabic (A2)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

R, Python (basic), Shiny; L^AT_EX; Qualtrics; NVivo; Dedoose; Microsoft Office

REFERENCES

Swati Srivastava, Ph.D. Associate Professor, Purdue University	srivas70@purdue.edu
Kyle Haynes, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Purdue University	kylehaynes@purdue.edu
Andy Baker, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Purdue University	bakerab@purdue.edu