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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Stanford University
Gerhard Casper Postdoctoral Fellow, 2026-2027
Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law

EDUCATION

Stanford University
Ph.D., Political Science, 2026
Fields: Comparative Politics, International Relations, History

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
B.A., Political Science, *Highest Honors*, 2020
B.A., Environmental Science, 2020

PEER-REVIEW PUBLICATIONS

Russell, Emily and Margaret Levi. "Property Righting: the Politics of Rights over Land and Labor." *Annual Review of Political Science* 28 (2025).

WORKING PAPERS

"Policing the Plantation: Repressive Institutions and Labor Control in Assam, India."
(*Job Market Paper*)

- Best Paper on Social & Economic Inequality Prize
- Best Paper Award, ASPA South Asian Politics

"Data Centers and the Emerging Contentious Politics of AI," (with Simone Paci).

"From Indenture to Incarceration: The Economic Origins of State Coercion in Assam."

"Making Space for Mines: Mining Investment and State Infrastructure in India," (with Aliz Tóth).

"What Predicts Human Rights Violations in India? Evidence from 2 Million Public Sector Violation Cases at the National Human Rights Commission."

SELECT FELLOWSHIPS

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship: Recognizing significant contributions to scientific innovation and teaching.

Knight-Hennessy Scholarship: Fully-funded graduate studies awarded to Stanford students addressing complex challenges through collaboration and innovation.

Beinecke Scholarship: National scholarship (\$34,000) awarded for exceptional promise: intellectual merit, unusual creativity, and leadership.

RESEARCH GRANTS

2025	Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment, Emerging Environmental Scholar Research Award (\$3,000)
2024	Stanford Center for Latin American Studies, Tinker Fellowship (\$2,500)
2023	King Center for Global Development, Exploratory Fellowship (\$7,500) Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research, George P. Shultz Dissertation Fund (\$5,000)
2022	Center for South Asia, Summer Research Funding (\$4,000) King Center for Global Development, Travel Fellowship (\$5,000) Stanford Impact Labs, Collaborative Research Fellowship, (\$4,000)
2021	Center for South Asia, Summer Research Funding (\$4,000) KHeystone Project, Knight-Hennessy Seed Funding (\$1,000)
2020	Kleinman Political Science Essay Award (\$1,000) Matthew K. Smith Award in Political Science (\$500) William Jennings Bryan Leadership Prize (\$1,000)
2019	Davis United World Scholars Program, Projects for Peace (\$10,000) University of Michigan, LSA, Summer Research Funding (\$3,000)

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE	2023-2024	Margaret Levi, Ph.D, Stanford.
	2021	Saumitra Jha, Ph.D. and Steven Wilkinson, Ph.D, Stanford.
	2019-2022	Trivedi Centre for Political Data, Ashoka University.
	2018-2020	Christian Davenport, Ph.D., University of Michigan.
	2018	Icelandic Human Rights Centre, Reykjavik, Iceland.
	2017-2019	Barbara Koremenos, Ph.D., University of Michigan.
	2017-2019	Christopher Fariss, Ph.D., University of Michigan.
TEACHING	Undergrad	International Security, <i>Stanford</i> , 2023.
		The Politics of Climate Change, <i>Stanford</i> , 2022.
		International Relations, <i>Stanford</i> , 2021.
		Public International Law, <i>University of Michigan</i> , 2020.
	Graduate	Ideas in Honors, <i>University of Michigan</i> , 2018.
		Latin American Studies, <i>Stanford</i> , 2022.
		Authoritarian Politics, <i>Stanford</i> , 2022.
	Community	Global Politics, <i>Stanford Jail and Prison Education Project (SJPEP)</i> .
CONFERENCES & INVITED TALKS	2026	American Political Science Association, Boston
		Carnegie South Asia Security Workshop, Washington D.C.
		Stanford Law School JSD Colloquium Speaker Series
	2025	American Political Science Association, Vancouver
		Empirical Studies of Conflict (ESOC), Taipei
		Towards Liberation, UC Irvine
		Colonialism, Institutions, and Development Graduate Seminar, Vilanova
		International Studies Association, Chicago
	2024	American Political Science Association, Philadelphia
		Property Rights Workshop, CASBS, Stanford
		International Studies Association, San Francisco
	2023	Peace Science Society, St. Louis
		Justice and Injustice, Rutgers, New Brunswick
		Empirical Studies of Conflict (ESOC), Washington D.C.
		Beyond Cultures of Ownership, RadicalxChange, London
		Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago
	2022	Long-Range Development, Centro Cultural Universitario Tlatelolco, CDMX
		Carceral Policy, Policing, and Race, SOAS, London
		Trivedi Centre for Political Data Seminar, Ashoka University, India
		Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago
	2021	GSISE, New York University (virtual)
	2020	Honors Convocation, Keynote Speaker (invited); University of Michigan
	2019	Barger Leadership Institute: Dialogues on Peace, University of Michigan
		Empirical and Computational Social Sciences; Ashoka University, India
ACADEMIC SERVICE	2023-2026	Mentor, Research, Action, and Impact (RAISE) Doctoral Fellowship, Stanford
		Teaching Assistant Training, Political Science Department, Stanford
		Pedagogy Lead, Stanford Prison Education Program, Stanford
		RA Coordinator, Political Violence and Governance Lab (PovGov), Stanford
	2022-2026	Representative, Knight-Hennessy scholarship
		Organizer, Historical Social Science Workshop (w/ Vicky Fouka), Stanford
	2022	Co-Chairperson, Pathways to PhD Program, Stanford
		Peer Mentor, Stanford Center for Latin American Studies
SKILLS	Computational — R, GIS, L ^A T _E X	
	Languages — Urdu (<i>basic</i>); Hindi (<i>basic, spoken</i>); Spanish (<i>working</i>)	
	Fieldwork — India: Assam (2023-2025); Madhya Pradesh (2022); Delhi, Haryana, and Maharashtra (2019); Kashmir (2019)	
	Archives — British Library, London, UK; London Metropolitan Archives, UK; National Archives of India, Delhi, India; Kenya National Archives, Syracuse	
	Qualitative Methods: Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University (2022); Public Narrative Workshop with Marshall Ganz (2022)	