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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT **Columbia University**, New York, NY  
**Associate Professor** (without tenure), 2025 – present  
**Assistant Professor**, 2018 – 2025  
*Appointments:*  
School of International and Public Affairs, 2018 – present  
Department of Political Science (by courtesy), 2022 – present  
*Faculty Memberships:*  
Data Science Institute, 2018 – present  
Saltzman Institute of War and Peace Studies, 2020 – present  
Institute of Global Politics, 2023 – present  
**University of Michigan**, Ann Arbor, MI  
**Assistant Professor**, 2017 – 2018  
*Appointments:*  
Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, 2017 – 2018  
Department of Political Science (by courtesy), 2017 – 2018

EDUCATION **Columbia University**, New York, NY  
Ph.D., Political Science, 2017  
M.Phil., Political Science, 2015  
M.A., Political Science, 2013  
**New York University**, New York, NY  
B.A., Politics, 2012 (Highest Honors in Politics, *Summa Cum Laude*)

BOOK *[Safe Havens for Hate: The Challenge of Moderating Online Extremism](#)*  
(Princeton University Press, 2025).

PUBLICATIONS (AUTHORS LISTED ALPHABETICALLY)  
12. Manekin, Devorah, Tamar Mitts, and Yael Zeira. “[The Politics of Allyship: Multiethnic Coalitions and Mass Attitudes Toward Protest.](#)” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 121, no. 19 (2024): e2314653121.  
11. Buntain, Cody, Martin Innes, Tamar Mitts, and Jacob Shapiro. “[Cross-Platform Reactions to the Post-January 6 Deplatforming.](#)” *Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media* 3 (2023).  
10. Mir, Asfandyar, Tamar Mitts, and Paul Staniland. “[Political Coalitions and Social Media: Evidence from Pakistan.](#)” *Perspectives on Politics* 21, no. 4 (2023): 1337-1356.  
9. Mitts, Tamar, Nilima Pisharody, and Jacob Shapiro. “[Removal of Anti-Vaccine](#)

Content Impacts Social Media Discourse.” In *Proceedings of the 14th ACM Web Science Conference* 2022, pp. 319-326. 2022.

- *Media coverage: New Scientist Magazine (August 22, 2022)*

8. Grossman, Guy, Yotam Margalit, and Tamar Mitts. “How the Ultrarich use Media Ownership as a Political Investment.” *The Journal of Politics* 84, no. 4 (2022): 1913-1931.

- *Media coverage: TheMarker (September 3, 2020); The 7th Eye (September 3, 2020); +972 Magazine (September 14, 2020); The Washington Post (December 2022); The Conversation (November 2024)*

7. Manekin, Devorah, and Tamar Mitts. “Effective for Whom? Ethnic Identity and Nonviolent Resistance.” *American Political Science Review* 116, no. 1 (2022): 161-180.

- *Featured in POMEPS Middle East Political Science Podcast*

6. Mitts, Tamar, Gregoire Phillips, and Barbara F. Walter. “Studying the Impact of ISIS Propaganda Campaigns.” *The Journal of Politics* 84, no. 2 (2022): 1220-1225.

- *Media coverage: Fortune Magazine (April 8, 2019); IEEE Spectrum (April 10, 2019); Social Media and Politics Podcast (October 24, 2021)*

5. Mitts, Tamar. “Countering Violent Extremism and Radical Rhetoric.” *International Organization* 76, no. 1 (2022): 251-272.

- *Media coverage: Foreign Policy (December 11, 2018); War on the Rocks (January 16, 2020)*

4. Mitts, Tamar. “From Isolation to Radicalization: Anti-Muslim Hostility and Support for ISIS in the West.” *American Political Science Review* 113, no. 1 (2019): 173-194.

- *Media coverage: Boston Globe (July 17, 2016); Transformation of European Politics Podcast (November 11, 2020); Social Media and Politics Podcast (October 24, 2021)*

3. Mitts, Tamar. “Terrorism and the Rise of Right-Wing Content in Israeli books.” *International Organization* 73, no. 1 (2019): 203-224.

2. Grossman, Guy, Devorah Manekin, and Tamar Mitts. “Contested Ground: Disentangling Material and Symbolic Attachment to Disputed Territory.” *Political Science Research and Methods* 7, no. 4 (2019): 679-697.

- *Media coverage: Washington Post (February 13, 2017)*

1. Bauer, Michal, Christopher Blattman, Julie Chytilová, Joseph Henrich, Edward Miguel, and Tamar Mitts. “Can War Foster Cooperation?” *Journal of Economic Perspectives* 30, no. 3 (2016): 249-274.

- *Media coverage: Washington Post (June 28, 2016); VoxEU (July 2, 2016)*

#### BOOK CHAPTERS

2. Mitts, Tamar, and Nusrat Farooq. “Terrorism and Social Media.” In *What Do We Know about Terrorism?*, edited by Brian Phillips. Rowman & Littlefield/Bloomsbury, Forthcoming.

1. Snyder, Jack, and Tamar Mitts. “Regulating the Marketplace of Ideas.” In *Human Rights for Pragmatists: Social Power in Modern Times*, by Jack Snyder, Princeton University Press, 2022.

WORKING  
PAPERS

1. “[The Effectiveness of Wartime Information Operations in the Digital Age](#)” With Asfandiyar Mir and Austin Wright.
  - *Best Paper Award in the Conflict Processes Section, American Political Science Association*
2. “[How Media Coverage and Elite Communication Shape Public Opinion on AI Regulation](#)” With Shir Raviv.
3. “[Expression at the Edge: Student Perspectives on Free Speech Boundaries Amidst the Gaza Crisis](#).” With Ran Abramitzky, Guy Grossman, Yphtach Lelkes, and Hani Mansour.

WORK IN  
PROGRESS

- “When War Hits Home: Antisemitism and Attitudes toward the Israel-Hamas Conflict.” With Claire Adida.
- “The PIC Framework: Understanding the New Information Environment.” With Kyran Rutherford.
- “Mitigating Human Vulnerability to AI-Generated Disinformation.” With Shir Raviv.
- “Protests and Policy: How Violent Tactics and Protestor Race Shape Outcomes.” With James Druckman, Devorah Manekin, Jennifer Oser, and Lior Sheffer, Jae Yeon Kim, and Liz McKenna.
- “The Gendered Dimension of Non-Violent Mobilization: The Case of Iran’s Anti-Hijab Protests.” With Devorah Manekin.
- “How Affective Polarization Shapes Trajectories of Nonviolent Resistance.” With Devorah Manekin.
- “Influence Under Fire: Understanding the Conduct and Organization of Information Operations in the Israel-Hamas War.”

OTHER  
WRITING

- “Content Moderation is a Policy Problem, Not Just A Platform Problem.” *Princeton University Press Ideas Magazine*, March 11, 2025. [\[Link\]](#)
- “Why the Fight Against Online Extremism Keeps Failing.” *TIME Magazine*, March 6, 2025. [\[Link\]](#)
- “When Twitter Suspends Users, their Views Get More Extreme.” With Jack Snyder. *The Washington Post*, June 16, 2022. [\[Link\]](#)
- “Effective for Whom?” With Devorah Manekin. Reichman University, *The Institute for Liberty & Responsibility Blog*, Spring 2022. [\[Link\]](#) (in Hebrew)]
- “Media Ownership as a Political Investment.” With Guy Grossman and Yotam Margalit. *Journal of Politics Blog*. [\[Link\]](#)

MEDIA  
APPEARANCES

- KERA Think Radio (June 10, 2025): Interview “Where Violent Extremists Gather Online.”
- Texas Public Radio ‘The Source’ (March 4, 2025): Interview “The Persistent Threat

of Online Hate.”

Bloomberg TV ‘The Close’ (October 16, 2020): Interview on misinformation and extremism on social media platforms.

HONORS AND  
AWARDS

Department of Defense Minerva Bilateral Academic Research Initiative (BARI) Grant (with Martin Innes and Jacob Shapiro), 2024–2027.

Google CyberNYC Research Grant. 2024-2025.

Columbia University Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy Conference Grant (with Erica Lonergan). 2024-2025.

Columbia University SIPA Faculty Research Grant. 2024-2025.

Best Paper Award in the Conflict Processes Section, American Political Science Association. 2024.

Columbia University Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy Conference Grant (with Eunji Kim). 2023-2024.

Columbia University SIPA Faculty Research Grant. 2023-2024.

Principal Investigator, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Partnership for Countering Influence Operations, 2021-2022.

Facebook Core Data Science Research Grant. 2021-2023.

Columbia University Provost Grants Program for Junior Faculty who Contribute to the Diversity Goals of the University. 2021-2023.

Columbia University SIPA Faculty Research Grant. 2019-2020.

Columbia University Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy Conference Grant. 2019.

Patricia Weitsman Award for outstanding graduate student paper, International Security Studies Section (ISSS) of the International Studies Association (ISA). 2018.

Conference Travel Grants, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and Department of Political Science, Columbia University. 2015-2016.

Summer Research Grant, Center for the Study of Development Strategies, Columbia University. 2014.

Dissertation Fellow, Teaching Fellow, Dean’s Fellow, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University. 2012-2017.

Best Honors Thesis Prize in Politics, New York University. 2012.

Founders Day Award for Outstanding Scholarship, New York University. 2012.

Dean’s List, New York University. 2010 - 2012.

CONFERENCES/  
INVITED  
PRESENTATIONS

**2025**

Conference on the Empirical Studies of Antisemitism; Yale University; New Frontiers in AI Security and Governance Workshop, Columbia University; International Relations Seminar, Stanford University; Directors’ Seminar Series, Center for International Security and Cooperation, Stanford University; Workshop on Antisemitism, Princeton University; American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

**2024**

Browne Center Faculty Workshop, University of Pennsylvania; Strategies for Com-

bating Political Misinformation: The 2024 Election, Columbia University; Frontiers in Data Science Symposium, Princeton University; Center for International Security Studies, Princeton University; Computational Approaches to Studying Middle Eastern Politics, New York University; Empirical Studies of Conflict Annual Meeting; Department of Political Science, Rutgers University; Google Cyber NYC Workshop; McCourt School of Public Policy Faculty Seminar, Georgetown University; American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

### **2023**

Political Science Department Speaker Series, Temple University; Empirical Studies of Conflict Annual Meeting; American Political Science Association Annual Meeting; Media Effects Empirical Workshop, Columbia University; SNF Agora Institute seminar, Johns Hopkins University

### **2022**

Assessing the Effectiveness of Counter Disinformation Interventions, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; Big Data for Development and Governance Conference, University of Pennsylvania; Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Political Science Department Seminar; Security Seminar, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University; MIT Security Studies Program Wednesday Seminar Series; The 14th International ACM Conference on Web Science in 2022 (virtual); Summer Institute in Computational Social Science, Rutgers University (virtual); Political Science Department, Aarhus University, Denmark (virtual); Minority Politics Online Seminar Series (virtual); International Studies Association Annual Conference (virtual); Bridging the Measurements Divide Workshop, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace (virtual); Meta Computational Social Science Seminar (virtual)

### **2021**

IR Colloquium, University of Oxford; Faculty Seminar, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya; Political Science Department Seminar, Tel Aviv University; Workshop on International Politics, University of Chicago; Online Extremism Workshop, George Washington University (virtual); Politics and Computational Social Science Conference (virtual); NBER Summer Institute 2021 Economics of National Security (virtual); Empirical Studies of Conflict Annual Meeting (virtual); Politics Lectures Series, Humboldt University (virtual); CVE Working Group, Washington Institute for Near East Policy (virtual); UCLA Big Data and Politics Seminar Series (virtual); Comparative Politics Annual Conference at Washington University in St. Louis (virtual); Department of Political Science, Korea University (virtual); Political Methodology Colloquium at Columbia University (virtual)

### **2020**

Measuring the Effects of Influence Operations Working Group, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace (virtual); Stanford Center for International Security and Cooperation Seminar (virtual); Princeton Political Economy Workshop (virtual); Princeton Empirical Studies of Conflict Meeting (virtual); Monash University Business School SoDa Lab Webinar Series (virtual); UCLA Computational International Relations Conference; American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

### **2019**

NYU Methods Seminar; Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting; Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration Annual Conference; Amer-

ican Political Science Association, Annual Meeting; Global Research Network on Terrorism and Technology, Brookings; Empirical Studies of Conflict Project Annual Meeting; Content Policy Research Initiative Workshop, Facebook; Columbia University, SIPA Sustainable Development Seminar; Columbia University, Data Science Day; International Studies Association, Annual Convention; John Jay College, ARTIS Seminar Series on Political Violence

### **2018**

Global Internet Forum to Counter Terrorism, YouTube Space, NYC; American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting; University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy; Security and Human Behavior Workshop, University of Pittsburgh; Columbia University, School of International and Public Affairs

### **2017**

World Bank, Europe and Central Asia Social Development Unit, Washington, DC; Workshop on Violent Extremism hosted by the U.S. National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, Paris, France; Empirical Studies of Conflict Project Annual Meeting; Columbia University Computational Social Science Seminar; American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting; Midwest Political Science Association, Association Annual Conference; Intentional Studies Association Annual Convention

### **2016**

Northwestern University; Stanford University; University of Michigan; Brown University; Vanderbilt University; Emory University; Dartmouth College; New York University; International Studies Association, Annual Convention; Association for the Study of Nationalities World Convention

## TEACHING

### ***Columbia University***

Politics Core: Democracy and Democratic Erosion in the AI Era  
- Fall 2025

Politics of Policymaking: Comparative Politics  
- 2018; 2019; 2020; 2021; 2024

Data Science and Public Policy  
- 2019; 2020; 2021; 2024; 2025

Text as Data  
- 2020; 2021; 2023; 2024; 2025

### ***University of Michigan***

The Politics of Public Policy, Winter 2018.

## UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2023 - 2025 – Provost’s Advisory Committee on the Libraries

2022 - 2025 – Post-Doctoral Search Committee, Data Science Institute

2020 - 2025 – Faculty Mentor, Saltzman Institute Student Scholar Program

2023 - 2024 – Graduate Student Admissions, Political Science Department

2023 - 2024 – Co-Chair, Columbia University International Politics Seminar (CUIPS)

2023 - 2024 – Post-Doctoral Search Committee, Saltzman Institute  
2023 - 2024 – SIPA Generative AI Committee  
2023 - 2024 – Data Analytics and Quantitative Analysis Search Committee  
2022 - 2023 – Faculty Advisory Committee, Columbia University Presidential Search  
2022 - 2023 – IR Search Committee, Political Science Department  
2021 - 2022 – School of International and Public Affairs Dean Search Committee  
2019 - 2020 – Faculty Search Committee, School of International and Public Affairs

PEER REVIEWER

*American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Behavioral Sciences of Terrorism and Political Aggression, British Journal of Political Science, Cambridge Review of International Affairs, Cogent Social Sciences, Comparative Political Studies, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Contemporary Review of the Middle East, Cooperation and Conflict, Cyberpsychology, Behavior, and Social Networking, Discover Artificial Intelligence, Dynamics of Asymmetric Conflict, European Journal of International Relations, Foreign Policy Analysis, Global Society, International Interactions, International Organization, International Political Science Review, International Security, International Studies Quarterly, International Studies Review, Journal of Computational Social Science, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Experimental Political Science, Journal of International Communication, Journal of Online Trust and Safety, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Politics, Nationalism and Ethnic Politics, Journalism and Media, Nature and Human Behavior, Nature Scientific Reports, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Perspectives on Politics, PNAS, PNAS Nexus, Political Behavior, Political Science Research and Methods, Politics and Religion, Politics, Religion and Ideology, Public Opinion Quarterly, Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance, SAGE Open, Review of Economics and Statistics, Science, Science Advances, Security Studies, Social Network Analysis and Mining, Sociological Focus, Studies in Comparative International Development, The Lancet Planetary Health, World Politics*

*National Science Foundation, European Research Council, Swiss National Science Foundation, Israel Science Foundation*