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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2023 – present	**University of Amsterdam**, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
2024 – present	Assistant Professor (with tenure) of International Relations
2024 – present	Affiliated Lecturer, Amsterdam University College
2023 - 2024	Assistant Professor of International Relations
2022 - 2023	**Berlin-Potsdam Research Group, "The International Rule of Law - Rise or Decline?"**, Berlin, Germany Post-Doctoral Research Fellow

EDUCATION

2022	**Ph.D., Political Science and International Relations** University of Southern California, United States of America Dissertation: *By Word, Not Deed: Advancing a Theory of Rhetorical Compliance in International Law*
2021	**Visiting Fellow** Amsterdam Center for International Law
2019	**M.A., Politics and International Relations** University of Southern California, United States of America
2016	**M.Sc., Human Rights (First Honors)** University College Dublin (National University of Ireland, Dublin), Republic of Ireland
2015	**B.A., History (cum laude); Minors: Athletic Coaching, Music** Roberts Wesleyan University, United States of America

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

[9] **Reed, Kyle** (Forthcoming, 2026) Sanctioned Justice: State (Non)Responses to US Sanctions against the ICC. *Journal of International Criminal Justice*

[8] Baciu, Cornelia and **Kyle Reed** (2026). International organizations as places of remembrance: Norm legitimization through memory discourses. *Cooperation and Conflict*.

[7] **Reed, Kyle** (2025). The Argumentative Power of International Law: Legal Rhetoric, Human Rights, and the Universal Periodic Review. *International Studies Quarterly*. 69(2)

- Honorable Mention, Stephen C. Poe Best Graduate Student Paper Award, 2022 International Studies Association Human Rights Section

[6] **Reed, Kyle** and M.P. Broache. (2025). Bipartisanship in U.S. Foreign Policy: Explaining Congressional Criticism of the International Criminal Court. *Global Studies Quarterly*. 5(1)

[5] **Reed, Kyle**. (2023) Strategic Use of Law in Global Politics. *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Studies*. Oxford University Press.

[4] Broache, M.P. and **Kyle Reed**. (2022) Who Stands Up for the ICC? Explaining Responses to U.S. Sanction Threats. *Foreign Policy Analysis*. 19(1): 1-21.

[3] **Rapp, Kyle**. (2022) Justifying Force: International Law, Foreign-Policy Decision-Making, and the Use of Force. *European Journal of International Relations*. 28(2): 337-360.

- Best Graduate Student Paper Award, 2019 International Studies Association (West)

[2] **Rapp, Kyle**. (2021) Social Media and Genocide: The Case for Home State Responsibility. *Journal of Human Rights* 20(4): 486-502.

[1] **Rapp, Kyle**. (2020) Law and Contestation in International Negotiations. *Review of International Studies* 46(5): 672-690.

BOOK CHAPTERS

[3] **Reed, Kyle** (2026) "European and US Views of International Law in the Second Trump Administration." in *The Second Trump Administration and the Future of US-European Relations*, edited by: Georgios Giannakopoulos, Diane Labrosse, and Seth Offenbach. US, New York: *H-Diplo*

[2] **Reed, Kyle**. (2024) "Subject or Skill? Teaching (and Learning) International Law as an International Relations Scholar." in *Teaching International Law: Reflections on Pedagogical Practice in Context*, edited by Barrie Sander and Jean-Pierre Gauci. London, UK: Routledge.

[1] **Rapp, Kyle** and Wayne Sandholtz. (2020) "International Human Rights Law: Progress and Prospects." in *A Research Agenda for Human Rights*, edited by Michael Stohl and Alison Brysk. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing.

BOOK REVIEWS

[4] dos Reis, Filipe, Victoria Basualdo, Nina Reiners, Andrei Miroiu, **Kyle Reed**, and Raluca Grosescu. (2025). "Actors, Interpretation, and Sociological Views of International Law" in "Forum: Raluca Grosescu's Justice and Memory after Dictatorship," *New Perspectives: Interdisciplinary Journal of Central & East European Politics and International Relations* 33(1): 77-98

[3] **Reed, Kyle**. (2024) "The Duty to Secure: From Just to Mandatory Securitization, by Rita Floyd," *H-Diplo*

[2] **Rapp, Kyle**. (2022) "Criminalizing Atrocity: The Global Spread of Criminal Laws against Atrocity Crimes, by Mark Berlin," *Political Science Quarterly*

[1] **Rapp, Kyle** (2021) "Social Pressure, History, and the Expansion of International Humanitarian Law," review of "Lawmaking Under Pressure: international humanitarian law and internal armed conflict" by Giovanni Mantilla, *International Studies Review*

WORKING PAPERS

[9] "Transitional Justice and Human Rights in Taliban Controlled Afghanistan: Challenges, Approaches, and Actors," with Murid Partaw (Revise & Resubmit)

[8] "On What Grounds? Legal References and Effective Argumentation at the International Criminal Court" (Revise & Resubmit)

[7] "Conceptual Laundering and the Strategic Processes of International Legal Norm Creation" (Revise & Resubmit)

[6] "Arrest Warrants, Sanctions, and Domestic Politics: Explaining Congressional Opposition to the International Criminal Court During the Second Trump Administration," with M.P. Broache (Under Review)

[5] "In the Heart of the House of Legality: Invoking International Law to Name and Shame at the United Nations Security Council," with Caroline M. Brandt, Lisa Hultman, and Jenniina Kotajoki

[4] "Your Mess, My Problem: The Dual Nature of Norm Violations"

[3] "The Myth of Selection: The Language and Limits of Justification in Case Study Research"

[2] "Citations and Legal Reasoning at the International Criminal Court," with Joshua Turner

[1] "Whose Law? The Strategic Application of International Law in Human Rights"

WORKS IN PROGRESS

[3] "By Word, Not Deed: Rhetoric and the Construction of Compliance in International Law" (book manuscript)

[3] "Choreographing International Law: Practice, Performance, and Staging at the International Court of Justice"

[2] "It's Not What You Do, It's What You Say: The Rhetorical Foundations of International Legal Compliance"

[1] "The Quality of Legal Justifications and Domestic Support for the Use of Force," with Joshua Turner and Damian Boldt

OPINION AND COMMENTARY

[7] "Measuring Behavior, Not Compliance," The Loop – ECPR's Political Science Blog. Oct 3, 2022

[6] "Universal Jurisdiction is Making a Comeback," World Politics Review. Jul 27, 2021

[5] "Biden reversed Trump's sanctions on International Criminal Court officials. What happens now?" *The Washington Post [Monkey Cage]*. Apr 5, 2021 (with Kelebogile Zvobgo)

[4] "Justifying Force: The Use of International Law in Foreign Policy Justifications," *Public Diplomacy Magazine*. Jul 1, 2020

[3] "Uruguay Returns to the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance," *The Global Americans*. Mar 19, 2020 (with Nicolas Albertoni)

[2] "Uruguay and the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance," *The Global Americans*. Oct 3, 2019 (with Nicolas Albertoni)

[1] "A Golden Age for Whom?," (Invited Letter), *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. Jan 23, 2019

TEACHING

Classroom Instruction (Instructor of Record)

University of Amsterdam

Spring 2026	Law and Politics
Fall 2025	Beyond the Headlines: US Politics
Fall 2024, 2025	Politics and Practices of International Law
Spring 2024	International Organizations and Global Politics
Spring 2024, 2025	The Politics of International Law (MA Thesis Projects)
Fall 2023, 2024	The Strategic Uses of International Law (BA Research Projects)

Amsterdam University College

Spring 2025, 2026	The International (dis)Order: Past and Present

Arizona State University

Fall 2022, 2023	JHR 504: International Law and Organizations

Pepperdine University
Spring 2021 POSC/INTS 344: International Relations

Guest Lectures
"Combining Qualitative Analysis and Computational Text Analysis," Mixed-Methods in Practice (Research Masters), Universiteit van Amsterdam, 1/2026
"International Law and Human Rights," PSC 3315: Fundamentals of International Politics, Baylor University, 11/2021
"International Law, Social Media, and Genocide," International Law and Human Rights (Postgraduate), University College London, 10/2021
"International Law, Social Media, and Genocide," Global Challenges, University of Gloucestershire, 10/2021
"International Law, Social Media, and Genocide," IA 333: International Law, Lewis & Clark College, 3/2021

Pedagogical Training
2019 *Graduate Teaching Assistant Training*, ISA Innovative Pedagogy Conference
2018 *Future Faculty Teaching Institute*, USC Center for Excellence in Teaching

INVITED TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

2026 *Ontological Security, Emotions and Social Orders*, CEEISA and University of Freiburg's Institute of Advanced Studies, 6/2026
Politics and Law on the Use of Military Force, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, 2/2026
Foreign Intervention and Regime Change, SV Machiavelli Annual Symposium, 2/2026
Navigating the International Academic Job Market, University of Southern California-Center for International Studies, 1/2026
2024 *Change-Collapse-Chance: The Future of the International Legal Order*, Berlin-Potsdam Research Group "The International Rule of Law – Rise or Decline," 9/2024
Ontological Security Seeking and Global Orders, ISA Research Workshop, 4/2024
2023 *"(R)evolutions in International Human Rights Law and Politics: Actors, Norms, and Strategies*," ECPR Joint Session of Workshops, 4/2023
2022 *Research Luncheon*, KFG International Law Rise or Decline, 11/2022
International Law Working Group, ASU Global Human Rights Hub, 11/2022
Constructing and Deconstructing International Law, Arizona State University, 4/2022
USC, Center for International Studies Working Paper Series, 2/2022
Public International Law & Policy Group, Professional Development Programme, 1/2022
2021 *University of Saskatchewan*, Political Science Speaker Series, 11/2021
2020 Spring Seminar in Global History & International Law, Sciences Po, 5/2020
2019 *USC.* Center for International Studies Working Paper Series, 10/2019
2018 *USC.* USC/UCLA International Relations-International Law Workshop, 12/2018

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2026 International Studies Association (2 papers), European Political Science Society Annual Conference (1 paper), European International Studies Association (2 papers), Central and East European International Studies Association (1 roundtable)

2025 International Studies Association (1 panel chair, 1 discussant, 2 papers, 1 roundtable), European International Studies Association (1 discussant, 1 paper)

2024 European International Studies Association (1 paper, 1 roundtable), International Studies Association (1 paper, 1 roundtable, discussant)

2023 European International Studies Association (2 papers, panel co-organizer, scheduled); International Studies Association (2 papers and 1 roundtable); British International Studies Association (2 papers)

2022 International Studies Association

2021 International Studies Association – Northeast; American Political Science Association; Joint ISA-ECPR-APSA Human Rights Conference, British International Studies Association; International Studies Association (2 papers); Southern Political Science Association; The International Teacher, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

2020 American Society of International Law – Midyear Meeting Research Forum; American Political Science Association; International Studies Association – Midwest; International Studies Association – Northeast; International Studies Association – West; International Studies Association (2 papers, cancelled – COVID19)

2019 New Voices in the History of War, Society for the History of War (paper and panel organizer); American Political Science Association (poster); International Studies Association – West

2018 UT-Austin Graduate Public Law Conference, International Studies Association – West (2 papers, 1 roundtable)

RESEARCH

2021	**Research Assistant, Professor Wayne Sandholtz** *University of Southern California*
2019- 2021	**Research Assistant, Visualizing International Relations Project**, *PI Professor Patrick James, University of Southern California*
2020	**Research Assistant, Professor Gregory Treverton** *University of Southern California*
2019	**Research Assistant, Professor Alison Dundes Renteln** *University of Southern California*
2015 - 2016	**VSFS Research Intern,** *US Department of State, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights & Labor*

GRANTS AND FUNDING

2026	**AISSR Impulse Grant: Choreographing International Organizations** (€50.000) Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research, University of Amsterdam
2025	**Fieldwork Support Grant** (€2.700) Transnational Configurations, Conflict and Governance Group, University of Amsterdam
2023	**Research Fellow Travel Grant** (€2.500) Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
2022	**Hayek Fund for Scholars** ($750) Institute for Humane Studies
	Annual Meeting Travel Grant ($700) International Studies Association
2021	**Annual Meeting Travel Grant** ($300) American Political Science Association
	Graduate Student Research Grant ($1.000) Center for International Studies, University of Southern California
	Summer Research Award ($4.764) School of International Relations, University of Southern California
2020	**Summer Research Award** ($4.000) School of International Relations, University of Southern California
	Graduate Student Research Grant ($500) Center for International Studies, University of Southern California
	Travel Grant ($400) International Studies Association
2019	**Summer Research Award** ($2.110) School of International Relations, University of Southern California
2018	**Conference Travel Grant** ($350) Department of Government, University of Texas at Austin
	Summer Research Award ($3.100) School of International Relations, University of Southern California
2017-22	**Dornsife/Graduate School Ph.D. Fellowship**, University of Southern California
2015	**Sakharov Prize Travel Grant** (€250) European Parliament Office in Ireland

PROFESSIONAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Service to the Discipline

2026	*Mentorship Programme Co-Coordinator*, International Studies Association International Law Section
2020-23	*Social Media Coordinator,* APSA Human Rights Section
2019-23	*Regional Coordinator*, Journal on the Use of Force in International Law Digest of State Practice
2018-22	*Discussant*, USC Center for International Studies Working Paper Series
2020	*Discussant*, APSA Poster Session: Human Rights
2019	*Volunteer*, International Studies Association-West Annual Meeting

Reviewer for *Bristol University Press, International Studies Quarterly*, *Review of International Studies*, *International Studies Review*, *Journal of Genocide Research*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science, Journal of Politics*, *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Studies, Journal of Human Rights*

Service to the University

University of Amsterdam

2025	IR Tenure-Track Candidate Search Committee
2025	EU Tenure-Track Candidate Search Committee

University of Southern California

2020	*Panelist*, Graduate Student Research Panel, USC POIR
2019-20	*Committee Member*, Graduate Student Committee, CIS Working Paper Series
2019, 2020	*Guest Speaker*, "Writing an Undergraduate Thesis," USC Honors Thesis Seminar
2018-19	*Senator*, USC Graduate Student Government

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

2021	**Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research** Syracuse University, Syracuse, United States
2018	**Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis (Case Studies)** University of Essex, Colchester, United Kingdom
2016	**Summer School on the International Criminal Court** Irish Centre for Human Rights, NUI-Galway, Republic of Ireland
2015	**Sakharov Prize Seminar for Young Europeans** European Parliament, Strasbourg, France

MEMBERSHIPS

International Studies Association
Netherlands Network for Human Rights Research
British International Studies Association
European International Studies Association