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Research Interests

<i>Substantive</i>	Cyber strategy, geopolitics and digital technologies, policy conceptualization and development, European defence and security, EU foreign policymaking and global strategy, weaponized interdependence, capacity building, and consequences of great power competition for non-traditional actors
<i>Regional</i>	Europe (esp. the EU, Russia and the post-Soviet space), Africa-EU relations, NATO allies
<i>Methodological</i>	Qualitative analysis, elite interviews, quantitative text analysis, archival research

Postsecondary Education

2021-Present *DPhil (PhD) Candidate in International Relations*, Nuffield College, University of Oxford. Fully funded by the UK's Economics and Social Research Council/Nuffield College.

Dissertation research: *Virtually inconceivable: The role of geopolitics in the European Union's foreign policy development in cyberspace.* (See 'papers in progress' sec. for details.) Supervised by Dr. Robert Johnson and Professor Dominic Johnson.

Fully funded spring and summer schools 2022:

1. European Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operation and Strategy (Euro-SWAMOS), *European Initiative for Security Studies*, Hertie Centre for International Security, Germany
2. Oxford Spring School of Advanced Research Methods, Department of Politics and International Relations (Quantitative Text Analysis Course)

2019-2021 *MPhil in European Politics and Society* (Degree with Distinction), St Edmund Hall, University of Oxford

2015-2019 *Bachelor of Arts (Honours with Distinction) in Political Studies and World Languages* Queen's University, Canada

Academic Teaching and Lead Research Positions

2022-present *Special Lecturer in Politics*, Magdalen College, University of Oxford (stipendiary rate)
Tutoring Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE) and HistPOL undergraduate students the core International Relations and Practice of Politics papers. I also hold administrative responsibilities for these programmes, including collections (marking), revisions, and the organization of courses.

2022 *Tutor in Politics*, Regent's Park College (University of Oxford)
Tutored the core International Relations paper for second year HistPOL undergraduate students and carried out collections marking.

2021-present *Co-Convenor and Research Lead*, Cyber Strategy and Information Operations Working Group, Changing Character of War Centre, Univ. Oxford
Organizing and leading a weekly discussion group on cyber-related social science topics, with an emphasis on real-world policy implications and research challenges, as part of Changing Character of War Centre (CCW) programming.

Current Works in Progress and Academic Publications

- 2022- In progress Carver, Julia. 'Building Cyber Capacity for Strategic Advantage: A Comparative Analysis of American, EU, and Chinese Projects in Africa.' *Work in progress*.
- 2022 – In progress Carver, Julia. 'Ontological insecurities and the rise of geopolitical and sovereigntist concepts in EU cyber-foreign policy.' *Work in progress*.
- 2022-In progress Seitz, Sam, and Carver, Julia. 'NATO's Nordic Neophytes: How Sweden and Finland's Accession to NATO Alters the Military Balance in Northeast Europe.' *Work in progress*.
- 2021 -In progress Carver, Julia. 'Shallow words? European digital sovereignty discourse and the EU's evolving external relations policy towards cyberspace.' *Work in progress*.
- 2021- In progress Carver, Julia. 'Virtually inconceivable? Foregrounding the ontological dimension to cyber-IR.' *Work in progress*.
- 2019 Carver, Julia. 'Zero Tolerance for Gender Considerations: Deconstructing Barriers in Trump's America', *Politicus Journal* (Volume 5, April 2019). Article accessible online: <https://www.queenspoliticus.com/publications>.

Conference Papers and Academic Presentations

- March 2023 (Forthcoming) *Panellist* for the paper, 'Building Cyber Capacity for Strategic Advantage: A Comparative Analysis of American, EU, and Chinese Projects in Africa.' For the *International Studies Association 2023 Annual Convention*.
- 7 October 2022 *Panellist* for the paper, 'Developing Digital Peripheries for Strategic Advantage: A Comparative Analysis of American, EU, and Chinese Projects in Africa.' At the *Future of War Conference 2022*, at the Netherlands Defence Academy in Amsterdam.
- 9 June 2022 *Panel co-Chair* (together with Elke Schraik) and *presenter* at the European Consortium for Political Research's *11th Biennial Conference on the Standing Group on the European Union* (hosted at Luiss University, Rome, Italy). Presented the paper 'Mainstreaming a maverick? European digital sovereignty discourse and the EU's evolving external relations policy towards cyberspace.'
- 25 May 2022 *Panellist* for the discussion paper 'Cyber security and cyber defence: Pressing challenges and avenues for future cooperation between NATO and the EU.' At *The Future of NATO Conference*, hosted by the Changing Character of War Centre, Pembroke College, University of Oxford, UK.
- April 2022 *Presenter*, 'A sheep in wolf's clothing? The influence of European digital sovereignty discourse on EU external relations policy change.' For the *Digital Sovereignty – Rhetoric and Reality' Conference* (Centre for European Integration Research (EIF), Department of Political Science, University of Vienna).
- 2021-2022 *Seminar Lead and Presenter* for the below seminars, *Cyber Strategy & Information Operations Working Group (CSIO)*, for the Oxford Changing Character of War Centre (hosted at Nuffield College), University of Oxford.

Selected CSIO presentations (to be further updated for 2023):

- *Chinese tech statecraft in a world of interdependence* (together with Oxford China Policy Lab/China Research Group – Scott Singer, Kayla Blomquist, and Chris Cash)
- *Cyber Strategy in Democratic States*
- *AI in War and Conflict* (together with Haydn Belfield)
- *Cyber- and Space Domain Integration* (together with Christopher Morris)
- *Operational and Strategic Cyber Activities in Ukraine* (together with Christopher Morris)
- *Signalling, Shaping, and Coercion in the Cyber Domain* (together with Christopher Morris)
- *Digital sovereignty and cyber borders*
- *Cyber-Geopolitics*
- *Strategic Communications and Countering Disinformation* (together with Christopher Morris)
- *Disinformation and Information Operations*

Selected Honours & Awards

DPhil in International Relations (Univ. Oxford, 2021-present):

- 2021-2023 ESRC Grand Union Doctoral Training Partnership Studentship (with Nuffield College) – approx. £85200
Full international tuition and living stipend for the DPhil in International Relations, with membership at Nuffield College. Undertaking the studentship's International Relations doctoral training pathway. The ESRC is a UK government Research and Innovation Council. My profile can be found here: <https://www.granduniondtp.ac.uk/people/carver-julia>.
- 2022 Nuffield College Research and Travel Grant – £1073
- 2021-2023 Dahrendorf Scholarship, St Anthony's College (Univ. Oxford) - £1500
Awarded to work collaboratively on the Dahrendorf Programme's research project, 'Europe in a Changing World' alongside international institutional partners.
- 2021 William R. Miller Postgraduate Award, St Edmund Hall College (Univ. Oxford) - £6000
Entrance scholarship for the DPhil in IR programme at Oxford, granted by St. Edmund Hall on the basis of academic excellence. Declined due to alternative funding arrangements with Nuffield College.

MPhil in European Politics and Society (Univ. Oxford, 2019-2021):

- 2021 St. Edmund Hall Schools Prize and MPhil Distinction Degree Classification, for the MPhil in Politics: European Politics and Society (Univ. Oxford) - £100
- 2021 Graham Hamilton Travel Award, St Edmund Hall - £500
- 2020 Emerging Thought Leader for Law and Security, granted by the *Women in International Security Organization* (Canada Chapter) at the University of Toronto, Canada, for my research paper, "Defective or defensible? Policymaking and influence in a cyberized world."

B.A.(Hons.) in Political Studies & World Language Studies (Queen's Univ., Canada, 2015-2019)

- 2015-2019 Chancellor's (Alumni National) Scholarship, Queen's University - \$36,000 CAD
Major scholarship (full tuition with stipend, for four years) awarded for 'superior academic ability, creative and original thinking, and proven leadership qualities.'
- 2019 John Rae Prize in Political Studies - \$850 CAD
Awarded on the basis of academic excellence and distinction in Political Studies, awarded upon graduation by the Queen's University Department of Political Studies.
- 2018 Herbert F. Malcolm Award for German Language and Culture - \$700 CAD
Awarded to the student who has the most outstanding performance in second year German courses.
- 2016 Adam Shortt Prize in Political Studies - \$8300 CAD.
Awarded to the student with the highest academic standing in the first-year politics program.
- 2016 Garnet Grills Award for Political Studies - \$300 CAD
Awarded to the female student with the highest academic standing in the first-year politics program.
- 2016-2019 4x Dean's Honour List (Distinction)
- 2019 Honourable Mention for my conference paper, 'Ascription, association or animosity? Heating nationalism and cooling regional relations in the post-Soviet space.' Awarded by the National Undergraduate European Studies Conference (University of Guelph, Canada).
- 2016 Commended Entrant in Politics & International Relations Undergraduate Research, Global Undergraduate Awards Summit, Ireland: *For my conference paper submission on European-Eurasian regional competition.*

Research Training & Certifications (cont'd next page)

Overseas Institutional Training

- July 2022 European Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operation and Strategy (Euro-SWAMOS). *European Initiative for Security Studies* (EISS), organized by Hertie Centre for International Security, Berlin, Germany. Received 1000 Euro stipend for attendance costs.

Research Ethics and Teaching Training:

- February 2022 Tutor Training Certification for the Department of Politics and International Relations (Univ. Oxford). *Required to teach undergraduate tutorials in Politics, Philosophy and Economics at Oxford (PPE). Currently on Oxford's Tutorial Register, 2022-23.*
- January 2022 University of Oxford Research Integrity Core Course
- March 2016 Canadian Federal TCPS 2 CORE Certificate in Ethical Research (Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans), Social Sciences and Research Council of Canada

Postgraduate Social Science Training at Oxford

2021-Present: UK Economic and Social Research Council Doctoral Training
Monthly seminars for additional doctoral training: research methods, practical, teaching, and presentation skills.

April 2022 Quantitative Text Analysis Taught Module, at the Oxford Spring School of Advanced Research Methods, at the Department of Politics and International Relations (DPIR)
Recipient of the DPIR's full tuition bursary (£500).

- 2019-2021 Graduate Course
- Research Design in Comparative Politics and International Relations
 - Advanced Qualitative Methods
 - Introduction to Statistical Analysis
 - Research Approaches to Technology and Global Politics

Modules:

Technical Experience: R Studio/ R Programming, NVivo (Qualitative coding software), Microsoft Office Suite products

European Languages Training and Certifications:

Acquired from University of Oxford, Queen's University (Canada) or Université Sainte-Anne (Canada)

- English Native proficiency
- French Advanced Level (Certification) - Université Sainte-Anne Advanced Conversational French Certificate 2016, 10+ years of study
- German Intermediate Level (Certification) - Queen's University Intermediate German Certificate 2018, Herbert F Malcolm Award; 3 years of courses: GPA: 4.3/4.3
- Spanish and Italian Beginner Level - Courses, Queen's University, 2018, 2019, marks: A+
- Russian Beginner Level (Certification) - University of Oxford Language Centre, 2019-20
- Dutch Beginner Level - In progress, University of Oxford Language Centre, 2022

Professional Research & Editorial Experience (cont'd next page)

- 2020-2021 Desk Officer (Europe) for Information Activities, Changing Character of War Centre (Pembroke College, Univ. Oxford)
- 2020-2021 Research Assistant, Department of Politics and International Relations, Univ. Oxford
Assisted with the collection of data on educational systems across advanced industrial democracies as a part of Professor Jane Gingrich's research project (two separate work contracts, 2020 and 2021).
- 2020-2021 St. Anthony's International Review Journal (STAIR) Theme Section Co-Editor (Issue 16.2), Univ. Oxford
Co-Editor of the 16.2 Theme Section on 'Social Movements: Revolution, Retrenchment, or Reform? Social Movements in a Changing Political World', published in Spring 2021.
- 2018-2019 Research Assistant, Laboratory for Ethnic Research (LECR) at the Department of Political Studies, Queen's University, Canada
Researched cases of ethnic conflict (settler colonialism) for a nation-wide project funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada; analysed the Minorities at Risk dataset. Supervisor: Professor Oded Haklai (Director of LECR).

- 2018-2019 Editor-in-Chief, External Affairs and Investigative Journalism for The Observer, Queen's International Affairs Association, Canada
Chief Editor for the investigative journalism branch of the Observer publication, a student-run international affairs magazine with readership in over 75 countries.
- 2018 Editor of Fiction, Pamela Callow Publishing, Canada
Edited the novella, The Confidence Man, published in Legal Briefs: A Crime Fiction Anthology (2018: <https://www.pamelacallow.com/legal-briefs/>).
- 2017-2019 Undergraduate Tutor/Peer Writing Assistant, Queen's University Student Academic Success Services (Canada)
Offered individualised academic writing and editing assistance to undergraduate students, as part of the University's service.

Other Professional Experience & Leadership * - Denotes unpaid/volunteer position.

Academic Conference Facilitation/ Leadership:

- June 2022 ECPR/SGEU Conference on the European Union, Luiss University, Rome (Panel Co-Chair)*
- April 2022 Changing Character of War Centre Conference on Russia-Ukraine War (Notetaker)
- 2020 Changing Character of War Centre Policy Workshop on UK policy towards Russia (Notetaker)
- 2018 Queen's Female Leadership in Politics Conference (Publications and on-site logistics)*
- 2017 Queen's Model United Nations Conference, run by Queen's International Affairs Association (Scribe)*

Recent Univ. Oxford Leadership Positions

- 2021- Present Returning Officer (Independent Chair), St. Edmund Hall MCR (college graduate community), Univ. Oxford*
- 2021- Present Student Representative, DPhil in International Relations Course, Department of Politics and International Relations*
- 2020-2021 Vice President, St. Edmund Hall MCR, Univ. Oxford *
- 2019-2020 Student Representative, MPhil in European Politics and Society Course, Department of Politics and International Relations (Univ. Oxford) *
- 2019-2020 Women's Officer, St. Edmund Hall MCR, (Univ. Oxford) *

Public Relations, Communications and Marketing Experience:

- Executive Graphics and Communications Director, Queen's International Affairs Association (Queen's University, Canada) * - 2017-2019
- Publications Director, Queen's Female Leadership in Politics Club (Queen's University)* - 2017-2018
- Marketing Director, Political Studies Departmental Student Council (Queen's University)* - 2017-2018
- Digital Specialist Assistant & Communications Intern, Isaac Walter Killam Foundation, Halifax, Canada – 2017
- Digital Literacy Intern, Halifax Regional Community Access Program (Halifax Public Libraries) - 2016
- Media/software skills: Adobe PhotoShop/Adobe Suite products, social media platform management (Twitter, HootSuite, Instagram, Facebook Ad Manager, TikTok, etc.), and familiar with webpage html editing/basic coding

Mentorship and Tutoring:

- Undergraduate Tutor/Peer Writing Assistant, Queen's University *Student Academic Success Services* (2017-2019)
- Hurdles Coach, Citadel High School Track & Field – 2019, 2020*
- Coach, Halifax City Soccer, Canada – 2014-2017
- French and English Literacy Tutor, Queen's University/ Frontier College – 2015-2016*
- YMCA English Second Language Tutor (reading, writing, listening, speaking, and secondary school subjects) – 2014-2015 *

Customer Service:

- Waitress, Niche Lounge, Halifax, Canada – 2019
- Waitress, Queen's Pub, Kingston, Canada – 2019
- Sales Associate, Sport Chek Halifax, Canada – 2015-2019