
SANJIDA AMIN

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EDUCATION

University of Toronto

Expected Winter 2025

Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science

· Fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics

· Dissertation: *The Ties that Spoil: Explaining the nexus between foreign sponsorship and insurgent fragmentation*

University of Toronto

2017

Master of Arts, Political Science

York University

2015

Bachelor of Arts (Hons.), Political Science Major

· Magna Cum Laude

EXPERIENCE

Book manuscript

- *The Ties that Spoil: Explaining the nexus between foreign sponsorship and insurgent fragmentation.*

Manuscripts in progress

- Amin, Sanjida. "The Two-Level Game of Insurgent Leadership: How Foreign Sponsorship Affects Authority." – Working Paper
- Amin, Sanjida, and Alexander Pelletier. "Understanding the effect of multilateral intervention on armed group fragmentation." – Working Paper
- Amin, Sanjida, and Tanya Bandula-Irwin. "Unlocking Opportunity: The Potential of Virtual Research for Conflict Scholars." - Under Preparation
- Amin, Sanjida. "Competitive intervention, international mediation and the perils of external state building in East Africa" – Under Preparation

Public Reports

- Amin, Sanjida. "'Limited Security Alignments' in the Indo-Pacific and Africa and its Implication for International Conflict Management in South Sudan." The HORN Bulletin - July/August 2023 Issue.
- Amin, Sanjida, and Bandula-Irwin, Tanya. (2020). "Policy Brief: An alliance in trouble? Turkey and NATO in 2025." Prepared for the Department of National Defence on behalf of The Defence and Security Foresight Group.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Course Instructor

Summer 2024

Department of Political Science, University of Toronto

- Topics in International Relations: Contemporary Issues in International Security (300-level) Underground, providing user with an analysis how to optimize their activity based on past habits.

Course Instructor

Winter 2024

Department of Political Science, University of Toronto

- Topics in International Relations: Contemporary Issues in International Security in Indo-Pacific and Africa (400-level)

Teaching Assistant

2018 - 2023

Department of Political Science, University of Toronto

- Politics in a Global World
- Introduction to International Relations
- Critical Issues in Politics
- Revolutions, Democracy and Authoritarianism

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

CÉRIUM / EPICC Dissertation writing fellowship

2025

Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement

2024

Fulbright Visiting Scholar Award

2024

APSA First Generation Scholar Travel and Accessibility Grant

2023

SGS Research Travel Grant

2022-2023

Departmental Dissertation Research Travel Award

2022-2023

Trudeau Centre Fellow in Peace, Conflict and Justice

2022-2023

Joseph-Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarships – Doctoral

2020-2023

MINDS Initiative Doctoral Award (Declined)

2020-2021

Defence and Security Foresight Group (DSFG) Fellow

2020-2021

Ontario Graduate Scholarship Recipient

2019-2020

INVITED TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

- Amin, Sanjida. (2024). “Dissertation Research Travel Workshop”. University of Toronto.
- Amin, Sanjida. (2024). “Fieldwork in Post-Conflict Environment”. Guest lecture in PADM 5125 “Qualitative Methods for Public Policy”. Carleton University.
- Amin, Sanjida. (2023). “Recruitment and Rebel Alliances”. Guest lecture in POL487H1S “Topics in International Politics: Civil War and Insurgency”. University of Toronto.
- Amin, Sanjida. (2023). “The state sponsorship of terrorism and state as terrorists”. Guest lecture in POL403H5S “Advanced Topics in Terrorism Studies”. University of Toronto.
- Amin, Sanjida. (2023). “The nexus between interstate rivalry and rebel fragmentation in civil war”. Trudeau Centre Fellows Seminar Trudeau Centre for Peace, Conflict, and Justice: University of Toronto, November 2, 2022.

CONFERENCE (SELECTED) PRESENTATIONS

- Amin, Sanjida and Alexander Pelletier. “Understanding the effect of multilateral intervention on armed group fragmentation.” Paper presented at International Studies Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, California, April 3rd-6th, 2024.
- Amin, Sanjida. “International Rivalry and Rebel Fragmentation in Second Sudanese Civil War (1983-2005).” Paper presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, California, August 31-September 3, 2023.
- Amin, Sanjida. “The Interplay between International Rivalry and Rebel Fragmentation in Civil War.” Paper presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Quebec, September 15-18, 2022.
- Amin, Sanjida. “Intervener’s Trade-off: plausible deniability and indirect control in proxy wars.” Paper presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, virtual conference, September 28 - October 3, 2021.
- Amin, Sanjida. “The Nexus Between External Intervention and Rebel Fragmentation in Intra-State Conflicts.” Paper presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 10-13, 2020.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Course Instructor <i>Department of Political Science, University of Toronto</i>	Summer 2024
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- Topics in International Relations: Contemporary Issues in International Security (300-level)

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ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Institute for Multimethod and Qualitative Research at Syracuse University	<i>Summer 2021</i>
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SKILLS

Programs & Applications	<i>R, STATA, NVivo</i>
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AFFILIATIONS

Visiting Researcher: CISSM - University of Maryland, College Park
Graduate Researcher: Post-Conflict Research Lab, University of Toronto

ACHIEVEMENTS

Michigan Institute for Computational Discovery Fellow	<i>Spring 2015</i>
NSF GROW Fellowship Awardee	<i>Spring 2015</i>
Community Coordinated Modeling Center Research Winner	<i>Spring 2015</i>
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program Fellow	<i>Spring 2014</i>
Rackham Merit Fellow	<i>Fall 2013</i>

Template Developer for LaTeX

September 2013 - Present

Backpacker and Hiking Enthusiast - have climbed 7 > 14,000 ft peaks