

# JONATHAN ROBINSON

Civilian-Military Interaction | Human Security | Middle East Analysis

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## EDUCATION

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| 2010 | <b>The University of Edinburgh</b><br>MSc (by Research) in Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies | Edinburgh, United Kingdom |
| 2008 | <b>The University of Durham</b><br>BA in Archaeology (2.1 with Honors)                        | Durham, United Kingdom    |

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-Reviewed Articles

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| 2024 | “Leveraging Learning in Operational Environments: Lessons Learned from a Multinational Experience aboard USS George Washington during the Southern Seas 2024 Mission”, <i>Marine Corps University Press International Perspectives on Military Education Journal</i> , Volume 1, <a href="#">December 2024</a> .             |
|      | “An Anatomy of Russia’s Maritime Humanitarian Corridors in the Black and Azov Seas: Trends from Open-Source Data”, <i>DoD’s Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (CFE-DMHA) Liaison Journal</i> , Volume 16, Issue 1, <a href="#">September 2024</a> .                                   |
| 2022 | “Mapping Unexploded Ordnance in Syria: Harnessing the Power of Open-Source” with Hampton Stall, Jennifer Hudson, Evan Leendertse, Hari Prasad, Chris McNaboe, and Rana Shabb, <i>James Madison University’s Journal of Conventional Weapons Destruction</i> , Volume 26, Issue 1, Article 10, <a href="#">October 2022</a> . |
| 2022 | “Russian Foreign Humanitarian Assistance: Identifying Trends Using 15 Years of Open-Source Data”, <i>Marine Corps University Press Expeditions Journal</i> , <a href="#">April 2022</a> .  |
| 2021 | “Measuring Explosive Munitions Use with Open-Source Data: A New Tool for Enhancing Humanitarian Mine Action” with Christoph Baade, <i>James Madison University’s The Journal of Conventional Weapons Destruction</i> , Volume 25, Issue 1, Article 24, <a href="#">September 2021 (25 Year Celebration Edition)</a> .        |

### Scholarly Publications

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| 2024 | “Civil-Military What?! Making Sense of Competing Civil-Military Concepts”, with Henrique Garbino and João Valdetaro, <i>Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies, Brown University</i> , <a href="#">February 2024</a> .  |
| 2022 | “Reviewing Guidance and Perspectives on Humanitarian Notification Systems for Deconfliction” with Carmen Bebbington, Sierra Fang, Horvath, Georgia Harrington, and Dave Polatty, <i>Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies, Brown University</i> , <a href="#">October 2022</a> . |

### Commentary

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| 2023 | “Exploring Russia’s Views on Humanitarian Aid in Syria”, <i>The Washington Institute’s Fikra Forum</i> , <a href="#">January 2023</a> .              |
| 2021 | “Five Years of Russian Aid in Syria Proves Moscow is an Unreliable Partner”, <i>The Atlantic Council’s MENA Source</i> , <a href="#">June 2021</a> . |

- 2020 “Russian Aid in Syria: An Underestimated Instrument of Soft Power”, *The Atlantic Council’s MENA Source*, [December 2020](#).
- “Mapping Russia’s Soft Power Efforts in Syria Through Humanitarian Aid” with Marika Sosnowski, *The Atlantic Council’s MENA Source*, [June 2020](#).

## DATA SETS

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### 2024 **Dataset on People’s Republic of China (PRC) Medical Ship Ecosystem 1991 - 2024**

Open-source dataset covering a 33-year period detailing 17 medical ships that are part of PRC’s ecosystem since 1991, including 13 People’s Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) vessels and four commercially developed hospital ships. Found from searching 2,577 open sources using a systematic research method.

### **Dataset on Russia’s Maritime Humanitarian Corridors in the Black and Azov Seas 2022 – 2024**

Open-source [dataset](#) covering a two-year period of 541 Russian Ministry of Defence media reports about four Russian declared maritime humanitarian corridors in the Black and Azov Seas that contains information about each corridor’s coordinates, the number of vessels utilizing each corridor, and the 12 categories of threats and reassurances to maritime traffic if they use / don’t use the corridors described in the reports.

### **Global Civil-Military Approaches Repository 1996 - 2024**

Open-source [dataset](#) repository of 59 civil-military approaches from 44 national, multilateral, non-governmental, and non-state entities from the global north and south from 1996 to the present published with Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies.

### 2022 **Dataset on Global Humanitarian Notification System for Deconfliction (HNS4D) 2011 - 2020**

Open-source [dataset](#) of information on 13 HNS4D mechanisms used in 11 contexts from around the world from the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) in Libya (2011), Gaza (2013), Iraq (2014), Syria (2014), Yemen (2015), Ukraine (2017), South Sudan (2017), Afghanistan (2018), Nigeria (2019), and Mali (2020); as well as from USAID in Iraq (2014), Syria (2014), and Somalia (2017). Published with Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies.

### **Russian Foreign Humanitarian Assistance in Georgia, Nagorno Karabakh, Syria, and Ukraine 2006 – 2021**

Open-source [dataset](#) of 5014 geolocated reports of 14 types of humanitarian aid deliveries reported by 40 Russian government and non-government entities to the Georgian regions of Abkhazia and South Ossetia, the Nagorno Karabakh regions between Armenia and Azerbaijan, Syria, and Ukraine over a 15-year period between 2006 and 2021.

### 2020–2024 **Humanitarian Assistance / Disaster Response Online Research Guide**

Open source [repository](#) for the U.S. Naval War College’s Humanitarian Response Program that details over 500 hyperlinks to materials focused on humanitarian assistance and disaster response (HA/DR) that are split into 14 specialized categories. Designed to be of use by any civilian or military academic interested in HA/DR, the portal’s views and engagements have nearly doubled from 12,612 in 2020 and 2021 to 23,704 in 2022 and 2023.

## RESEARCH GRANTS

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### 2022–2024 Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies, Brown University

[Seed Grant](#) (\$3,800) for research into mapping global civilian-military approaches.

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

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### 2024 > United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA)

Member of the Consultation Group (CG) for updating the United Nations Civil Military Coordination (UN CMCoord) Field Handbook Version 2 (2018) in 2025.

### 2023 > United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA)

Member of the Civil Military Coordination Service's Monthly Advisory Group (CMAG).

### 2021 > Brown University

[Global Fellow](#) at the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHS)

### 2020 > Brown University

[Aid Worker Security Working Group Lead](#) at the Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHS)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Professional Military Education

#### 2020 > Instruction to International Students, Humanitarian Response Program, U.S. Naval War College

Combined Force Maritime Component Commander (CFMCC) – Flag Officer Level Course, Lecture on Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Response to senior-level U.S. and international military officers for *U.S. Naval War College's College of Maritime Operational Warfare (CMOW)*, Joint Base Pearl Harbour-Hickam, HI, USA. September 2022, September 2023, and September 2024.

Combined Force Maritime Component Commander (CFMCC) – Flag Officer Level Course, Lecture on Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Response to senior-level U.S. and international military officers for *U.S. Naval War College's College of Maritime Operational Warfare (CMOW)*, U.S. Southern Command, Doral, FL, USA. March 2023.

Legal Aspects of Maritime Security Operations (LAMSO) Course, Lecture on Humanitarian Assistance During Strategic Competition to international military officers for *Defense Institute for International Legal Studies (DIILS)*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. June 2022 and June 2023.

Foreign Disaster Relief: Improving Civilian-Military Coordination Annual Elective Course (539A), multiple lectures and tabletop exercise to U.S. and international military officers at the *U.S. Naval War College*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. Fall semesters in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024.

Innovations in Technology for Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Annual Elective Course (539B), multiple lectures to U.S. and international military officers at the *U.S. Naval War College*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. Winter semesters in 2020 – 2021 and 2021 – 2022.

Humanitarian Assistance in Complex Emergencies Annual Elective Course (539C), multiple lectures to U.S. and international military officers at the *U.S. Naval War College*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. Spring semesters in 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024.

International Maritime Staff Operators Course (IMSOC), Lecture on PRC and Russian actions in humanitarian assistance and disaster response to international military officers for the *U.S. Naval War College's International Programs* at Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. May 2024 and October 2024.

Introduction to Expeditionary Logistics Course (EXLOG), Lecture on Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Response to U.S. and international military officers at the *U.S. Navy Supply Corps School*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. February 2023, May 2023, September 2023, March 2024, and May 2024.

Maritime Security and Governance Course (MSGC), Lecture on Foreign Humanitarian Assistance Fundamentals to international military officers for the *U.S. Naval War College's International Programs*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. November 2024.

Tailored multinational team education aboard the USS George Washington (CVN 73), Lecture and table-top exercise focused on foreign humanitarian assistance and working in a multinational civilian-military environment to embarked international military officers deployed on *U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command's 10th Southern Seas Mission 2024*, USS George Washington (CVN 73) Atlantic Ocean. April – May 2024.

The U.S. Naval War College's 20<sup>th</sup> Regional Alumni Symposium, Lecture on Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Response to senior international military officers for the *U.S. Naval War College's International Programs*, Academia de Guerra de la Armada de Chile (The Chilean Naval War College), Viña del Mar, Chile, April 2023.

## **2020 > Instruction to U.S. Students, Humanitarian Response Program, U.S. Naval War College**

Executive Level Operational Level of War Course (ELOC), Lecture on Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Response to select U.S. Navy officers for *U.S. Naval War College's College of Maritime Operational Warfare (CMOW)*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. July 2021, December 2021, April 2022, July 2022, December 2022, March 2023, July 2023, March 2024, December 2024.

Maritime Humanitarian Assessment Training Course (MarHAST) for select U.S. Navy personnel from *Third Fleet's Amphibious Squadron 1* preparing for Pacific Partnership 2024-2, Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado, CA, USA. March 2024.

Maritime Humanitarian Assessment Training Course (MarHAST) for select U.S. Navy personnel from *Third Fleet's Amphibious Squadron 1* preparing for Pacific Partnership 2024-1, Naval Station San Diego, CA, USA. August 2023.

Maritime Humanitarian Assessment Training Course (MarHAST) for select U.S. Navy Personnel at the *Naval War College*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. March 2023.

Maritime Humanitarian Assessment Training Course (MarHAST) for select U.S. Navy personnel preparing for deployment aboard the *USS Tripoli (LHA-7)*, Virtual from Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. February 2022.

Maritime Humanitarian Assessment Training Course (MarHAST) for select U.S. Navy personnel from *Third Fleet* preparing for Pacific Partnership 2021, Virtual from Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. May 2021.

Tailored Flag-Level Education on Foreign Humanitarian Assistance and Foreign Disaster Response for senior level U.S. Navy officers by the *U.S. Naval War College's College of Maritime Operational Warfare (CMOW)*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. August 2022, September 2022, and March 2024.

### **Civilian Graduate Level**

#### **2020–2021 Instruction to U.S and International Students, Guest Lecturer**

Disaster Medicine Fellowship Program, lecture on aid worker security to U.S. and international students for *Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC), Harvard Medical School*, Virtual. March 2021.

Disaster Medicine Fellowship Program, lecture on aid worker security to U.S. and international students for *Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC), Harvard Medical School*, Providence Emergency Management Agency (PEMA), Providence, RI, USA. February 2020.

Disaster Management and Capacity Building Course (HS 303F), lecture on aid worker security and humanitarian civilian-military coordination lecture to U.S. and international students at the *Heller School for Social Policy and Management, Brandeis University*, Waltham, MA, USA. February 2020.

### **Civilian Undergraduate Level**

#### **2021–2022 Instruction to U.S and International Students, Guest Lecturer**

Humanitarian Response in Modern Conflict Course (APA 1803), lecture on aid worker security and the use of humanitarian notification systems for deconfliction (HNS4D) to U.S. and international students at *Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University*, Providence, RI, USA. November 2021 and November 2022.

### **TABLETOP EXERCISE EXPERIENCE**

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#### **Tabletop Exercises for International and U.S. Students**

##### **2024 Tailored Foreign Disaster Response Tabletop Exercise, Facilitator & Co-Designer**

Based around a fictional hurricane response to Honduras, the three-hour scenario was designed to encourage international military officers in eight teams to think about and engage in civilian-military coordination. Played with the participants from *U.S. Naval War College's Maritime Security and Governance Course (MSGC)* at Naval Station Newport, RI, USA, November 2024; the *U.S. Navy Third Fleet's Amphibious Squadron 1* preparing for Pacific Partnership 2024-2 at Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado, CA, USA, March 2024; the Foreign Disaster Relief: Improving Civilian-Military Coordination Elective Course (539A) at the *U.S. Naval War College*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA. October 2020, October 2021, October 2022, and October 2023; the *U.S. Navy Third Fleet's Amphibious Squadron 1* preparing for Pacific Partnership 2024-1 at Naval Station San Diego, CA, USA, August 2023; a Maritime Humanitarian Assistance Training Course (MarHAST) at the *U.S. Naval War College*, Naval Station Newport, RI, USA, March 2023.

##### **Tailored Foreign Disaster Response Tabletop Exercise, Facilitator & Co-Designer**

Based around the fictional Island nation of Nātu, the 1.5-hour scenario was designed to cement learning on team formation, coordination, and understanding multiculturalism to international military officers in four teams deployed on U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command's 10th Southern Seas Mission 2024, *USS George Washington (CVN 73)*, Atlantic Ocean, May 2024.

**2022      Tailored Foreign Disaster Response Tabletop Exercise, Facilitator & Co-Designer**

Based around the fictional Island nation of Nātu, the 1.5-hour scenario was designed to encourage discussion, coordination, and relationship building for senior-level international military officers in four teams participating in U.S. Naval War College's College of Maritime Operational Warfare (CMOW) Combined Force Maritime Component Commander (CFMCC) - Flag Officer Level Course in Joint Base Pearl Harbour-Hickam, HI, USA, September 2022.

**Tailored Protection of Civilians Tabletop Exercise, Facilitator & Co-Designer**

Based around a large-scale combat operation occurring on the fictional island nation of Royth between two near peer powers, the two-day scenario encouraged civilian, government, and military players in three teams to consider protection of civilians, humanitarian deconfliction, and civilian-military coordination during a closed-door event at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), Washington DC, USA, May 2022.

**2021      Tailored Maritime Infrastructure Resilience Tabletop Exercise, Facilitator**

Based around a fictional scenario of a category 5 hurricane and rising sea states impacting Aquidneck Island in RI, the two-day scenario was designed to encourage U.S. military and civilian participants in four teams to engage in discussions around interconnectivity between key maritime infrastructure in Naval Station Newport and surrounding communities from information modelled by the University of Rhode Island held at Innovate Newport, RI, USA, December 2021.

**INVITED SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS, EXPERT PANELS, AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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**2024**      “Russia’s non-kinetic means of warfare and influence”, Panellist during Swedish Defence University’s Strategic Talks event at the Försvarshögskolan (Swedish Defence University), Stockholm, Sweden, [November 2024](#).

“HADR Research: Trends and Challenges”, Panellist during the Department of Defence’s Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (CFE-DMHA) Focus In 2024 conference on Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbour-Hickam, HI, USA, November 2024.

“Civil Military What? Global Approaches to Civil-Military Coordination”, Lecture at the Department of Defence’s Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (CFE-DMHA) Focus In 2024 conference on Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbour-Hickam, HI, USA, November 2024.

“Exploring The People’s Republic of China’s Maritime Humanitarian Actions: Trends From Open Source Data 2010 – 2024”, Briefing to the China Maritime Studies Institute (CMSI), U.S. Naval War College, Newport, RI, USA, September 2024.

“Exploring The People’s Republic of China’s Maritime Humanitarian Actions: Trends From Open Source Data 2010 – 2024”, Briefing to Department of Defence’s Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (CFE-DMHA), Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbour-Hickam, HI, USA, September 2024.

“Setting the conditions for multinational interoperability. A case study from the NWC’s involvement in Southern Seas Mission 2024”, Lecture of Opportunity Presentation at the U.S. Naval War College, Newport, RI, USA, August 2024.

“Russia’s Actions in the Humanitarian Space: Trends from Open-Source Data”, Presentation during *U.S. Indo-Pacific Command (INDOPACOM), the Australian Defence Force (ADF), and the Defence Threat Reduction Agency’s (DTRA) 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Military Civilian Health Security Summit (MCHSS)*, Sydney, NSW, Australia, [June 2024](#).

“Trends in Aid Worker Security,” Presentation to Aid Worker Security Working Group during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHS)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (USNWC HRP) 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium*, Providence RI, USA, [May 2024](#).

“Limitations of Civilian Military Coordination with Parties to the Conflict” Moderator for panel during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHS)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (USNWC HRP) 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium*, Providence RI, USA, [May 2024](#).

“Trends in Russia’s Maritime Humanitarian Corridors in the Black and Azov Seas”, Presentation during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHS)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (USNWC HRP) 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium*, Providence RI, USA, [May 2024](#).

“Landmines and Unexploded Ordnance in the Humanitarian Sector”, Feedback session to participants on practical exercise during *Harvard Humanitarian Initiative Humanitarian Response Intensive Course Simulation, Harvard Humanitarian Initiative (HHI)*, Harold State Park, MA, USA, April 2024.

“Russia’s Actions in the Humanitarian Space: Trends from Open-Source Data”, Briefing to *Centre for Defence Engagement, UK Military*, Virtual, April 2024.

“Trends in Russia’s Maritime Humanitarian Corridors in the Black and Azov Seas”, Lecture of Opportunity Presentation at *the U.S. Naval War College*, Newport, RI, USA, February 2024.

“Civil Military What? Mapping Civil Military Approaches Around the World”, Presentation during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies Annual Global Fellows Research Symposium*, Virtual, January 2024.

## 2023

Trends in Russia’s Foreign Humanitarian Assistance in Ukraine”, *Briefing to Department of Defence’s Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies (DKI-APCSS)*, Honolulu, HI, USA, September 2023.

“Trends in Russia’s Foreign Humanitarian Assistance in Ukraine”, Briefing to *Department of Defence’s Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (CFE-DMHA)*, Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbour-Hickam, HI, USA, August 2023.

“Civilian-Military Engagement in Humanitarian Response: Experiences from the Field”, Presentation for the *Uniformed Services University’s Center for Global Health Engagement Global Health Strategies for Security (GHSS)* event, Virtual, August 2023.

“Assessing Civilian-Military Humanitarian Coordination”, Briefing for the *Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) Humanitarian Agenda’s Opportunities and Challenges in Civilian-Military Humanitarian Coordination Private Event*, Virtual, June 2023.



“Summary of 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Coordination Research Symposium and Workshop”, Panellist for the *Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) Humanitarian Agenda’s* Opportunities and Challenges in Civilian-Military Humanitarian Coordination Conference, Virtual, [June 2023](#).

“Trends in Aid Worker Security,” Presentation to Aid Worker Security Working Group during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHS)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (HRP)* 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium, Providence RI, USA. [May 2023](#).

“Humanitarian Access and Response Planning Considerations During the Era of Strategic Competition,” Moderator for panel during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHS)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (HRP)* 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium, Providence RI, USA, May 2023.

“Civil Military What? Mapping Civil Military Approaches Around the World”, Presentation during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHS)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (HRP)* 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium, Providence RI, USA. [May 2023](#).

“Aid Worker Security in Conflict: Experiences From the Field”, Presentation during *Team Rubicon USA’s* Leadership Conference 2023, Orlando, FL, USA, May 2023.

“Access Denial Amid Great Power Competition: Lessons Learned from the War in Ukraine”, Panellist for the *Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)* and *the Norwegian Refugee Council’s* Sustaining Access: Humanitarian Principles, Practice, and Policy for Today’s Challenges Conference, Washington DC, USA, [April 2023](#).

“Foreign Humanitarian Assistance in Conflict and Case Study of Russian Foreign Humanitarian Assistance in Ukraine”, Presentation during the *U.S. Naval War College’s 20<sup>th</sup> Regional Alumni Symposium*, Academia de Guerra de la Armada de Chile (The Chilean Naval War College), Viña del Mar, Chile, [April 2023](#).

## 2022

“Russia’s Foreign Humanitarian Assistance”, Briefing to *World Food Program’s Humanitarian-Military Interaction Team*, Virtual, December 2022.

“Humanitarian Response in Modern Conflict”, Panellist for *Brown University’s Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs* student event, Providence, RI, USA, November 2022.

“Humanitarian Assistance Amidst Great Power Competition in Syria”, Panellist for the *Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)* Washington Humanitarian Forum, Washington DC, USA, [November 2022](#).

“Trends in Russia’s Foreign Humanitarian Assistance from 2006 to 2021”, Briefing to Department of Defence’s *Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (CFE-DMHA)*, Ford Island, Joint Base Pearl Harbour-Hickam, HI, USA, September 2022.

“Russia’s Foreign Humanitarian Assistance”, Briefing to *Royal Centre for Defence Medicine*, UK Military Virtual, June 2022.

“Trends in Russia’s Foreign Humanitarian Assistance”, Briefing to the *Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)*, Washington DC, USA, April 2022.



“Deconfliction and Targeting of Humanitarians”, Presentation to Seminar Group during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHs)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (HRP)* 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium, Providence RI, USA, [March 2022](#).

“Trends in Aid Worker Security,” Presentation to Aid Worker Security Working Group during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHs)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (HRP)* 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium, Providence RI, USA, [March 2022](#).

“Comparative Approaches to International Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief”, Moderator for panel during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHs)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (HRP)* 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium, Providence RI, USA, [March 2022](#).

“Trends from 15 Years of Russia’s Foreign Humanitarian Assistance to Abkhazia / South Ossetia, Ukraine, Syria, and Nagorno Karabakh”, Presentation during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHs)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (HRP)* 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium, Providence RI, USA, [March 2022](#).

**2021** “Data for Good: Improving Humanitarian Mine Action Through Open-Source Conflict Data”, Presentation to *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies* during their Human Rights and Humanitarianism Action Lecture Series, Providence RI, USA, [October 2021](#).

“Trends in Aid Worker Security,” Presentation to Aid Worker Security Working Group during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHs)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (HRP)* 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium, Providence RI, USA, [September 2021](#).

“Measuring Explosive Munitions Use with Open-Source Data: A New Tool for Enhancing Humanitarian Mine Action” with Christoph Baade, Presentation to *James Madison University’s Center for International Stabilization and Recovery (CISR)* Exchange Conference, Virtual, [July 2021](#).

“Russian Humanitarian Operations in Syria” Presentation to the *U.S. Naval War College* during their Lecture of Opportunity Series, Virtual, [March 2021](#).

“Aid Worker Security”, Presentation for *Harvard Medical School’s Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC)* Disaster Medicine Fellowship course, Virtual, March 2021

**2020** “Trends in Aid Worker Security,” Presentation to Aid Worker Security Working Group during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies (CHRHs)* and *the U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program’s (HRP)* 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Workshop and Symposium, Providence RI, USA, [September 2020](#).

“Aid Worker Security”, Presentation for *Harvard Medical School’s Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC)* Disaster Medicine Fellowship Course, Providence, RI, USA, February 2020.

- 2019 “Using open-source conflict data to measure explosive weapons use in Syria”, Presentation to the *United Nations Humanitarian Mine Action Syria Working Group*, Amman, Jordan, September 2019.
- 2017 “Conflict Dynamics in Southern Syria”, Presentation to *The Beirut Exchange*, Beirut, Lebanon, April 2017.
- 2016 “Conflict Dynamics in Southern Syria Monthly Roundtable”, Tailored monthly briefings to multiple *governments and international humanitarian groups*, Beirut, Lebanon, and Amman, Jordan, February 2016 – August 2018.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- 2025 > **Assistant Professor | International Programs**  
*U.S. Naval War College* USA
- 2020–2025 **Operations Specialist | Civilian-Military Humanitarian Response Program**  
*Netsimco supporting the U.S Naval War College* Australia, Chile, and USA
- 2018–2020 **Senior Researcher | Syria Conflict Mapping Project**  
*The Carter Center* Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, and USA
- 2016–2018 **Humanitarian Security Advisor | Southern Syria**  
*International NGO Safety Organisation (INSO)* Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, and Turkey
- 2012–2014 **Security Analyst | Iraq and Qatar**  
*Olive Group* Iraq, Qatar, and UAE
- 2010–2011 **Political Risk Analyst**  
*Risk Advisory Group & United Nations Department for Safety and Security (UNDSS)* Syria and United Kingdom

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING AND COURSES

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### Academic Focused Courses

- 2016 **Leiden University**  
 Certificate in Terrorism and Counterterrorism: Comparing Theory and Practice, Virtual, November 2016.
- 2015 **Noor Majan Arabic Institute**  
 Language Training in Modern Standard Arabic, Ibri, Oman, February – December 2015.
- 2015 **St Andrews University**  
 Certificate in Terrorism Studies, Virtual, December 2015.
- 2010 **University of Damascus Higher Language Institute**  
 Language Training in Modern Standard Arabic, Damascus, Syria, September – October 2010.

### Practitioner Focused Training

- 2024 **International NGO Safety Organization**  
 NGO Security Management, Virtual, October 2024.

- 2024 U.S. Department of Defence's Joint Knowledge Online**  
Joint Planning Process, Virtual, July 2024.
- 2024 Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (CFE-DMHA)**  
Humanitarian Assistance Response Training (HART), Virtual, January 2024.
- 2021 United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA)**  
Humanitarian Civil Military Coordination (CMCoord), Virtual, February 2021.
- 2020 United States Agency for International development (USAID)**  
Joint Humanitarian Operations Course (JHOC), Virtual, October 2020.
- 2017 United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS)**  
Basic Security in The Field Basic Security in The Field, Virtual, December 2017.
- 2016 Safer Edge**  
High Intensity Hostile Environment Awareness Training, Clanfield, Oxfordshire, United Kingdom, September 2016.
- 2015 United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)**  
Conflict Analysis, Virtual, January 2015.
- 2010 United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS)**  
Relocation and Evacuation Training in Damascus, Syria, November 2010.
- 2010 United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS)**  
Safe and Secure Approaches in the Field Environment (SSAFE) Training in Damascus, Syria, and Nabaa al Fawer, Deraa, Syria, November 2010.

## INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### Africa (1 month of experience)

**2011-2012** On the ground experience in Egypt and South Africa.

### Americas and the Caribbean (9 months of experience)

**2003-2023** On the ground experience in Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Mexico, Peru, and St Barthelemy and Saint Martin.

### East Asia and Australia (4 months of experience)

**2009-2024** On the ground experience in Australia, Brunei, Cambodia, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam.

### Europe (38 years of experience)

**1986-2024** On the ground experience in Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Romania, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom (citizen).

### Middle East (10 years of experience)

**2010-2019** On the ground experience in Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Syria, Turkey, and the United Arab Emirates.

### South Asia (3 months of experience)

**2007-2018** On the ground experience in India, Nepal, and Sri Lanka.

## IMPACT AND AWARDS

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- 2024**      **Commendation by DoD's Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance**  
Received letter of commendation from CFE-DMHA for “valuable contributions” to their FOCUS IN event and for contributions that “significantly enriched the overall event experience and fostered a deeper understanding of the HA/DR landscape [for participants]” in November 2024.
- Commendation by BMJ Journal for support in 2023**  
Publicly acknowledged on the *BMJ Journal* website for efforts in reviewing papers in 2023, of which “the quality of the journal could not be sustained” in January 2024.
- 2023**      **Commendation by DoD's Center of Excellence in Protection of Civilians**  
Received commendation for producing the “clearest and most cogent document” about humanitarian notification systems from employee at *DoD's Center of Excellence for Protection of Civilians* from the co-authored report “Reviewing Guidance and Perspectives on Humanitarian Notification Systems for Deconfliction, Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies” in September 2023.
- Commendation by Executive Director of the Center for Civilians in Conflict (CIVIC)**  
Received letter of commendation for pivotal role in designing, planning, and executing a table-top exercise on the protection of civilians for the Naval War College, CIVIC, and the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) by Federico Borello, *CIVIC's* executive director in June 2022.

## COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

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- 2020 >**      **Expert Reviewer for Academic Publications**  
For the *Carter Center*, Syria Conflict Resolution Program, “Uncovering the Depths of UXO contamination: A Town Level Analysis of Three Areas in Syria”, [February 2024](#).
- For *BMJ Journal*, Samuel T Boland, Susannah Mayhew, and Dina Balabanova, “Securitising public health emergencies: a qualitative examination of the origins of military intervention in Sierra Leone’s Ebola Epidemic”, [August 2023](#).
- For the *Carter Center*, Syria Conflict Resolution Program, “A Call for Action: Data on Unexploded Ordnance in Syria and its Implications”, [March 2022](#).
- For *Brown University's Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies*, Brittany Card, Rob Grace, and Tarana Sable “Humanitarian Access, Great Power Conflict, and Large-Scale Combat Operations”, [February 2022](#).
- For the *Carter Center*, Syria Conflict Resolution Program, Nancy Azar, “Navigating Humanitarian Exceptions to Sanctions Against Syria: Challenges and Recommendations”, [October 2020](#).
- 2020 >**      **Expert Reviewer for Practitioner Publications**  
For the *United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs*, UN-CMCoord Field Handbook Version 2.0, pending publication.
- For the *U.S. Department of Defence Joint Chiefs of Staff*, Joint Publication 3-57 – Civil Military Operations (JP 3- 57), August 2024.

For the *World Health Organization*, A Guidance Document for Medical Teams Responding to Health Emergencies in Armed Conflicts and Other Insecure Environments (2021) (EMT Red Book), May 2024

For the *U.S. Naval War College's* College for Maritime Operational Warfare (CMOW), Maritime Component Commander (MCC) Guidebook HA/DR Annex, August 2023.

For the *U.S. Navy*, Navy Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures Policy NTTP 3-57.3 – Navy Humanitarian and Civic Assistance Operations, January 2023.

## **2021 Volunteer Relief Worker**

Provided registration support and Arabic interpretation to a *Providence Emergency Management Agency (PEMA)* run COVID-19 vaccination in Providence, RI, USA in March 2021.

Provided team support during *Calvary Baptist Church Foodbank* monthly food distribution in Providence, RI, USA between 2021 – 2022.

## **2016 > Student Advising**

For *Harvard Humanitarian Initiative* student participants of the Humanitarian Response Intensive Course Simulation (2022 – present)

For *Brown University* Watson School of International Studies and Public Affairs students (2020 to present).

For *U.S. Naval War College* HA/DR elective students (2020 to present).

For *U.S. Naval War College* Visiting International Fellows from the Chilean Navy to the Humanitarian Response Program (2020 to present).

Founded [\*Graduates in Security\*](#), a leading online platform dedicated to providing free advice and resources for any student seeking a career in security.

## **2021 > In the Media**

“Civil Military What?”, Speaker on Episode 171 of *The Civil Affairs Association* One CA Podcast, [March 2024](#).

“Summary of 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Civilian-Military Humanitarian Coordination Research Symposium and Workshop”, Speaker for the *Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) Humanitarian Agenda's* Opportunities and Challenges in Civilian-Military Humanitarian Coordination Conference, [June 2023](#).

“Civil Military What? Mapping Civil Military Approaches Around the World”, Speaker during *Brown University's Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies* and the *U.S. Naval War College Humanitarian Response Program's* Annual Research Symposium on Civilian-Military Humanitarian Coordination, [May 2023](#).

“Access Denial Amid Great Power Competition: Lessons Learned from the War in Ukraine”, Panellist for the *Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)* and the *Norwegian Refugee Council's* Sustaining Access: Humanitarian Principles, Practice, and Policy for Today's Challenges Conference, [April 2023](#).

“CHRHS Candid Reflections: Global Fellow – Jonathan Robinson” by the *Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies at Brown University*, [December 2022](#).

“Humanitarian Assistance Amidst Great Power Competition in Syria”, Panellist during *The Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)* Washington Humanitarian Forum 2022, [November 2022](#).

“Trends in Russian Foreign Humanitarian Assistance from 15 years of Open Source Data”, Speaker during *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies* and *U.S. Naval War College’s Humanitarian Response Program* Annual Research Symposium on Civilian-Military Humanitarian Coordination, [March 2022](#).

“CISR Exchange with Jonathan Robinson and Christoph Baade” by *The Center for International Stabilization and Recovery* at *James Madison University*, [November 2021](#).

“Jonathan Robinson-Global Fellow”, *Brown University’s Center for Human Rights & Humanitarian Studies*, [September 2021](#).