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- CONTACT INFORMATION Department of Political Science Email: wkakenma@nd.edu
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University of Notre Dame
Notre Dame, IN 46556, USA
- INTERESTS Comparative Politics, Political Economy, Methodology, Political Behavior,
Democracy and Democratization, Environmental Politics, Climate Change
- EDUCATION
- 2020 – Present **University of Notre Dame**
PhD Student in Political Science
- 2019 **London School of Economics and Political Science**
MSc (Distinction) Comparative Politics
Thesis: “Democratization and Climate Change Performance: An Empirical
Analysis of Cross-National Variation during Transition and Consolidation”
- 2017 **American University, School of International Service**
BA (Summa cum laude) International Studies
Thesis: “Political Violence and Genocide in Guatemala, 1982: Language and
the Construction of Indigenous Identity and Political Ideology”
- REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES
- 2021 Global Adaptation Mapping Initiative Team. “A Systematic Global Stocktake of
Evidence on Human Adaptation to Climate Change.” *Nature Climate Change*
11, 989-1000.
- 2019 Jordaan, Sarah M., Afreen Siddiqi, **William Kakenmaster**, and Alice C. Hill.
2019. “The Climate Vulnerabilities of Global Nuclear Power.” *Global
Environmental Politics* 19(4), 3-13.
- Kakenmaster, William.** 2019. “Articulating Resistance: Agonism, Radical
Democracy, and Climate Change Activism.” *Millennium: Journal of International
Studies* 47(3), 373- 397.
- BOOK CHAPTER
- 2019 Hill, Alice C. and **William Kakenmaster.** 2019. “Resilient Infrastructure:
Understanding Interconnectedness and Long-Term Risk.” In *Optimizing
Community Infrastructure: Resilience in the Face of Shocks and Stresses*, edited by
Ryan Colker. Cambridge, MA: Elsevier.
- WORKS IN PROGRESS
- Climate Policymaking under Dictatorship (under review).
- Economic Incentives for Coastal Homeowner Adaptations to Climate Change
(with Tracy Kijewski-Correa, Debra Javeline, and Angela Chesler).
- Does Climate Litigation Reduce Corporate Emissions? (with Jim Moster, Lauren
Oliver, and Ned Brose).

Behavioral Implications of Climate Policy (In)action: Evidence from Exposure to North Atlantic Hurricanes and Coal Mine Closures in the United States, 1970-2020 (with James Kirk and Juan Carlos Jimenez).

Transitions to Democracy, Political Institutions, and Climate Mitigation: An Empirical Analysis (with Jack Stuart).

Democratic Consolidation and Climate Change Mitigation: Climate Policies and Carbon Dioxide Emissions in 163 Political Regimes, 1960-2014.

Freedom and the Environment: A Re-Examination (with Jason Maloy).

RESEARCH

Fall 2020 **University of Notre Dame**

Research Assistant

Data collection and research design for Keough School of Global Affairs Presidential Transition Index.

2018 – 2019 **Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment**

Research Assistant

Desk research and data coding for Climate Change Laws of the World Project.

2017 – 2019 **Hoover Institution**

Research Assistant

Desk research, writing, and editing for projects on catastrophic risk, climate adaptation, and resilience in US policy and international relations.

TEACHING

Fall 2021 – **University of Notre Dame**

Spring 2022 Teaching Assistant, Regression I (Graduate)

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Sustainability (Undergraduate)

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Present **University of Notre Dame**

University Fellow

Kellogg Institute for International Studies

PhD Fellow

2022 **American Political Science Association**

Travel Grant (\$150)

2021 **University of Notre Dame, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts**

Estimating the Effects of Coal Mine and Plant Closures on Environmental and Partisan Voting in the United States (\$3,520 with James Kirk)

University of Notre Dame, Graduate School

Graduate School Professional Development Award (\$1,185.36)

Kellogg Institute for International Studies

Conference Travel Grant (\$877)

Southern Political Science Association

Prestage-Cook Travel Award (\$300)

2019 **International Studies Association**

Travel Grant (\$350)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2022 APSA, ISA, MPSA, SPSA

2021 ISA, MPSA

2020 APSA, ISA-Midwest, ISA-West

2019 ISA-South, ISA-West

INVITED TALKS

2022 “Difference-in-Differences Designs.” Regression I, University of Notre Dame, guest lecture, April 20 and April 25, 2022.

2021 “Transnational Mining.” Introduction to Sustainability, University of Notre Dame, guest lecture, September 23, 2021.

“Academia in the Virtual World: Perspectives from Australia, the US and the UK.” University of Birmingham, virtual panel, January 27, 2021.

“Regimes, Institutions, and the Political Economy of Climate Change.” Participatory Learning and Teaching Organization (PLATO), University of Wisconsin-Madison, virtual talk, January 12, 2021.

AWARDS

2022 **Excellence in Teaching Award**

Department of Political Science, University of Notre Dame

2019 **Best Overall Performance**

MSc in Comparative Politics, London School of Economics and Political Science

Jim Winkates Graduate Student Paper Award, 3rd Place

ISA-South

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2021 – Present **University of Notre Dame**

Comparative Politics Graduate Student Representative

External

Books Editor, E-International Relations

Editorial Board Member, *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*

Reviewer, E-International Relations, *Political Behavior*

Discussant, ISA

MEMBERSHIPS APSA, ISA, MPSA, SPSA, Phi Beta Kappa

LANGUAGES English (native), Spanish (advanced), French (basic)

SOFTWARE LaTeX, Python, R, Stata

REFERENCES Available upon request