Grand Strategy, Security, and Statecraft Fellows Program

The International Security Program at the Harvard Kennedy School and the Security Studies Program at MIT has begun their two year pre- or post-doctoral fellowships in Grand Strategy, Security, and Statecraft. The program is supported by a grant from the Charles Koch Foundation and is open to applicants from political science, history, and other relevant disciplines. It is intended to support research addressing fundamental issues of U.S. grand strategy, foreign policy, and America's role in the world. Each fellow will spend one year in residence at each institution and will be expected to participate in activities in both programs throughout the fellowship period. The first pre-doctoral fellow at MIT is William James who officially joined us in September. MIT News covers more extensively about the new program here. James' full bio can be accessed here.

William James, Grand Strategy, Security, and Statecraft Fellow, 2018-19

American Political Science Association in Boston

Daryl Press (SSP alum '01), associate professor of government at Dartmouth College, has received the American Political Science Association (APSA) award for best article on international security published in 2017. He was honored at the International Security Reception at APSA on August 31, 2018, which took place in Boston, MA. The award cites the article "The New Era of Counterforce: Technological Change and the Future of Nuclear Deterrence," jointly written by Keir A. Leiber and Daryl Press and published in International Security. Several SSP alums, affiliates and grad students were present at the awards reception.
SSP Welcomes New Fellows for the Academic Year 2018-19

In addition to the Grand Strategy, Security, and Statecraft fellow introduced above, many new fellows have joined us at SSP this year. Below you will find their names and links to fuller bios on our website. Welcome new fellows!

MILITARY FELLOWS

Jeffrey Bergman, Colonel, US Army
Sean Coakley, Lieutenant Colonel, US Army
David Emmel, Lieutenant Colonel, US Marine Corps
Chris Keithley, Lieutenant Colonel, US Air Force
Joshua Wenker, Commander, US Navy

STANTON FELLOWS

David Arceneaux, Stanton Nuclear Security Fellow
Se Young Jang, Stanton Nuclear Security Fellow
Paul Van Hooft, Stanton Nuclear Security Fellow
James Wynn has joined the SSP team as Conference Coordinator and Administrative Assistant! In previous roles he served as program associate with International Executive Service Corp (IESC) working on USAID-funded access to finance programs; a program officer at the American Council of Young Political Leaders; and a call time director on a congressional campaign in Ohio. He has a B.A. in Political Science and Latin American Studies from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. You can reach James at jpwynn@mit.edu. Welcome James to the SSP team!

Where We Spoke

**Jeanne Guillemin (Senior Advisor)**
Jeanne Guillemin presented her research on the Tokyo War Crimes Tribunal at the International Center for Ethics, Justice and Public Life at Brandeis University on September 25, and at the MIT SSP Wednesday Seminar on September 26.

**Se Young Jang (Stanton Nuclear Security Fellow, ‘18-19)**

**Eugene Gholz (Affiliate)**


**Kelly M. Greenhill (Research Affiliate)**
“Understanding Civil Wars,” MIT SEMINAR XXI, Airlie House, Warrenton, VA (September, 2018).

**Peter Krause (Research Affiliate)**

**Alan Kuperman (Alum ’02)**

**Reid Pauly (Graduate Student)**
“Elite Aversion to the Use of Nuclear Weapons: Evidence from War-Games,” at American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.

Presentation on dissertation topic at Seoul National University, South Korea, and at Yale University.

**Jeremy Pressman (Alum ’02)**
“Studying Protest in an Age of Resistance,” September 24, University of Maryland.

**Joshua Rovner (Alum ’08)**

**Joel Sokolsky (Senior Advisor)**

What We Wrote

**Boaz Atzili (Alum ’06)**

**Kevin Benson (Army Fellow, ’01-02)**

**Shawn Creamer (Army Fellow, ’16-17)**

Mayumi Fukushima (Graduate Student)

Eugene Gholz (Research Affiliate)

Kelly M. Greenhill (Research Affiliate)
An audiobook version of Coercion: The Power to Hurt in International Politics (Co-edited with P. Krause) (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018) was released by Tantor Media (September 2018).


Alan Kuperman (Alum ‘02)


Peter Krause (Research Affiliate)


Caglar Kurc (Fulbright Fellow, ’12-13)

Marika Landau-Wells (Alum ‘18)

Barry Posen (Faculty)
Barry Posen, “This 9/11, end the Afghanistan War,” USA Today, September 10, 2018.

Jeremy Pressman (Alum ’02)

Joshua Shifrinson (Alum ’13)

Joel Sokolsky (Senior Advisor)

David Andrew Weinberg (Alum ’12)

Awards and Scholarships

Ketian Zhang (Alum, ’18)
Zhang’s paper, “Killing the Chicken to Scare the Monkey: Explaining Chinese Coercion in The South China Sea,” is the winner of the 2019 International Studies Association Patricia Weitsman Award for best graduate student paper in security studies.

Notes From All Over
Boaz Atzili (Alum ’06)
Atzili has been nominated as the Director of the Doctoral Studies Program at the School of International Service, American University.

Shawn Creamer (Army Fellow, ’16-17)
Shawn Creamer assumed command of the 196 Infantry Brigade in Hawaii.

Barry Posen (Faculty)
Barry Posen was featured in MIT News, 3Q: Barry Posen on the NATO Summit and State of the Alliance on July 20, 2018. He was also featured on the Swedish SverigesRadio on September 29.

Joshua Rovner (Alum ’08)
Joshua Rovner is spending 2018-19 as Scholar-in-Residence at the National Security Agency and US Cyber Command.

Chris Savos (Alum ’93)
After 22 years at the CIA and stints at a consulting firm in DC and a software start-up in Abu Dhabi, Savos has recently become Vice President at Analytic Advantage Inc., a small training company in the DC area. AAI specializes in training on critical thinking, writing, briefing, and leadership. He will be devoting the bulk of his time to creating and delivering customized leadership and management training experiences for the Intelligence Community and other public- and private-sector clients.

Joshua Shifrinson (Alum ’13)
Shifrinson has moved to the Pardee School at Boston University and has also received a grant from the Charles Koch Foundation to head up BU’s Policy and Security Initiative.

Eric Thompson (Marine Fellow, ’14-15) and Doug Copeland (US Army Fellow, ’17-18) were both promoted to Colonel in September. Here they are pictured while attending Joint Professional Military Education Phase 2 at the Joint Forces Staff College in Norfolk, VA.
Timothy Wright (Alum ’18)
After leaving MIT in June, Wright took command of 1st Squadron, 2nd Cavalry Regiment and NATO Battle Group-Poland. The Battle Group consists of 1,100 people from four nations (US, UK, Croatia, and Romania) who are tasked with deterring Russian aggression in north east Poland. Wright’s Squadron redeployed from the mission at the end of September. He will command 1st Squadron for the next two years.