

CURRICULUM VITAE

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A. Personal Information

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Present Position:

Assistant Professor of Comparative Politics/Head Counselor
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Family Information:

Born – December 18, 1969, Watertown, South Dakota
Children – Duncan MacGregor Guthrie, 1999
Caitlyn Marie Guthrie, 2001

Professional Memberships:

International Studies Association (ISA)
European Union Studies Association (EUSA)
Women In International Security (WIIS)
Pi Sigma Alpha National Political Science Honor Society
Armed Forces Communications Electronics Association (AFCEA)
Association of the United States Army (AUSA)
Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
American Legion
National Military Families Association (NMFA)

B. Academic Background

2000-2002 Master of International Affairs, School of International and Public Affairs,
Columbia University.

1988-1992 Bachelor of Science in Management Information Systems, United States
Military Academy, West Point, New York

C. Faculty Experience

June 2004-Present: Head Counselor for the Department of Social Sciences

May 2003- Present: Assistant Professor of Comparative Politics, teaches International Relations, Conflict and Negotiation, "Winning the Peace," and European Politics in the Department of Social Sciences, U.S. Military Academy.

August 2002-June 2004 Social Science Department Academic Counselor for International Relations and Comparative Politics students.

January 2002-May 2003: Instructor, teaches International Relations, Comparative Politics, and European Politics in the Department of Social Sciences, U.S. Military Academy.

D. Scholarly Work

"Sharing Hegemony: The Future of Transatlantic Security," published in *Cooperation and Conflict*, Vol 38, No 3 (September 2003).

Presented this paper at the International Studies Association 44th Annual Convention, Portland, Oregon, February 2003.

Presented this paper at the European Union Studies Association Conference, Nashville, Tennessee, March 2003.

"Europe: Emerging Global Security Actor," pending publication in *European Security*.

Presented "Sharing Hegemony" and "Europe: Emerging Global Security Actor," at the Institute for National Security Studies Annual Research Results Conference, Colorado Springs, Colorado, November 2003.

"European Security and Defense Policy: Capabilities for a Complex World," pending publication as a book chapter, and presented at the International Studies Association 45th Annual Convention, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, March 2004.

"Challenging US Hegemony: Europe's Comparative Advantage in Nation-Building and Democratization," paper presented at the International Studies Association 45th Annual Convention, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, March 2004.

"The NATO-EU Nexus and Evolving Global Security Frameworks," pending publication in *Parameters*, and presented at the Institute for National Security Studies Annual Research Results Conference, McLean, Virginia, October 2004.

Awarded research funding grants for Fiscal Years 2003, 2004, and 2005 from the Institute for National Security Studies (INSS) and the Academic Research Division, United States Military Academy, for research related to Transatlantic Security.

Awarded research funding grant from the Foreign Military Studies Office, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, for Fiscal Year 2004 for the project: "Transformation in Training: The Nation-Building Imperative."

2004 European Union Visitors Program (EUVP) participant, Brussels, Belgium.

E. Military Experience

April 2003-Present Major, U.S. Army, West Point, New York

January 2002-March 2003 Captain, U.S. Army, West Point, New York

Instructor/Assistant Professor, International Relations and Comparative Politics, Department of Social Sciences, U.S. Military Academy. Instructor for undergraduate courses in International Relations and Comparative Politics, and Instructor/Course Director for undergraduate courses in European Politics and Conflict Negotiation. Responsible for teaching 40-60 cadets each semester, to include lesson planning, class presentation, and cadet evaluation and counseling. As Course Director, responsible for course design, textbook selection, and coordination of course enhancement activities outside the classroom. Conduct research for publication and presentation as part of Army Outreach, and provide relevant expertise to government agencies and military liaisons as required. Additional duties include serving as Department Academic Counselor for over 250 International Politics and Comparative Politics Majors; advise cadets on their course options; maintain files on each major; ensure graduation checks are completed and accurate. Currently Head Counselor responsible for course scheduling, instructor allocation, rooms, registration, and general liaison between the Registrar and the Department and Cadets. Served as Signal Officer for Cadet Summer Training, 2002, and Project Officer for the USMA-Picatinny Arsenal Partnership project.

January 2000-December 2001 Captain, U.S. Army, New York City, New York

Graduate Student, School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University – earned concentrations in European Studies and International Security Policy

February 1998-December 1999 Captain, U.S. Army, Landstuhl, Germany

Commander, Charlie Company, 1st Satellite Control Battalion, US Army Space Command. Commanded a geographically remote satellite control company with a mission that directly supported the communication networks of the President of the United States and his top level advisors through the White House Communications Agency and the National Airborne Operations Center, Joint Staff, NATO, and combatant commanders, including deployed forces. Responsible for 24-hour-a-day operation and maintenance of seven major control systems which provided communications network and payload control for the Defense Satellite Communications System (DSCS) and NATO Skynet. Responsible for the supervision, training, administration and welfare of 60 soldiers. Directed support of six contractor personnel. Managed equipment worth \$45 million and an annual budget of \$600,000.

January 1997-February 1998 Captain, U.S. Army, Miesau, Germany

Communications-Electronics Staff Officer, 191st Ordnance Battalion. Signal Officer for a multi-functional logistics battalion comprised of over 850 soldiers and civilians providing direct and general support ammunition, missile maintenance, air delivery/rigging, and theater-wide explosive ordnance disposal support to United States Army Europe. Overall responsible for tactical communications equipment readiness, training, and operational deployment. Performed duties as Battalion Automation Officer, to include accountability, distribution, training, installation, troubleshooting, and maintenance of automated equipment. Responsible for research and procurement of new and force modernization communications-electronics and automated equipment in excess of \$500,000 a year. Responsible for the welfare of ten soldiers in the Battalion Communications Section. Served as Signal Officer for the United States Army Europe Deployment Processing Center, and as the Installation Director of Information Management for Miesau Army Depot.

January 1995-June 1996 Lieutenant, U.S. Army, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Assistant Brigade S-1, XVIII Airborne Corps Signal Officer Personnel Manager, Brigade Protocol and Public Affairs Officer, 35th Signal Brigade (Corps)(Airborne). Served as Officer Personnel Manager for over 250 commissioned and warrant officers in the 35th Signal Brigade, the 82nd Airborne Division, and eight XVIII Airborne Corps separate units on Fort Bragg. Responsible for sponsorship, assignment, database management, and professional development of all officers. Managed officer selection boards and list releases. Acted as the Corps Signal Officer's personal advisor on all officer management issues. Responsible for researching and formulating all recommendations to assist in the decision-making process. Also served as Brigade Public Affairs Officer, Aide de Camp to the Brigade Commander, and Assisted Brigade S1. Assisted the Brigade S1 with Enlisted Strength Management for 2,500 assigned personnel, Readiness, and other S1 issues. Assisted in the supervision of fifteen non-commissioned officers and soldiers in the S1 section. Served as Brigade S1 in the absence of the Adjutant.

April 1993-January 1995 Lieutenant, U.S. Army, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Executive Officer, Bravo Company, 327th Signal Battalion (Airborne), 35th Signal Brigade (Corps)(Airborne). Executive Officer of a Contingency Corps Area Mobile Subscriber Equipment Company in the XVIII Airborne Corps. Responsible for providing tactical command and control communications for deployment of major subordinate command headquarters within the Corps. Maintenance Officer responsible for 36 communications assemblages, 68 tactical vehicles, and 59 trailers and power generation units. Supply officer responsible for accountability of government property worth in excess of \$43 million. Responsible for the health, welfare, training and morale of a headquarters platoon of 30 soldiers. Performed duties as Unit Movement Officer.

Platoon Leader, Bravo Company, 327th Signal Battalion (Airborne), 35th Signal Brigade (Corps)(Airborne). Platoon Leader of a Mobile Subscriber Equipment Nodal Platoon in support of the XVIII Airborne Corps Main and Rear Command Posts. Responsible for the health, morale, training, and professional development of 57 soldiers. Also responsible for the maintenance and accountability of all platoon property to include 18 major communications

assemblages, 11 tactical vehicles, and 29 trailers and electrical power generators worth in excess of \$16 million, as well as a Command Assault Vehicle. Performed additional duties as Supply and Maintenance Officer. Deployed and provided communications support to Operation Uphold Democracy in Haiti, September-December 1994.

1988-1992 Cadet, United States Military Academy, West Point, New York

- Major in Management Information Systems
- Dean's List, (4 semesters)
- Varsity Women's Swim Team
- Cadet Equestrian Team
- Drill Cadet Leader Training – Fort Jackson, South Carolina, 1990
- Summer Academic Enrichment Program – Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, 1991
- Commissioned, Regular Army, Signal Corps

F. Military Schools

- Command and General Staff College Selectee, 2002
- Combined Arms Service Staff School, 2002
- Joint Space Fundamentals Course – 1998
- United States Army Europe Company Commanders Course – 1997
- Signal Officer Advanced Course – 1996
- Battlefield Spectrum Management Course – 1993
- Signal Officer Basic Course – 1992

G. Awards and Decorations

- Meritorious Service Medal (2 awards)
- Army Commendation Medal (2 awards)
- Army Achievement Medal (3 awards)
- Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
- National Defense Service Medal (2 campaigns)
- Humanitarian Service Medal
- Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
- Army Overseas Ribbon
- Army Service Ribbon

H. Research Interests:

I am exploring the future shape of Transatlantic Security and the global security responsibilities of the United States and the European Union, specifically the interaction between NATO and the European Security and Defense Policy, in an attempt to prescribe an effective and efficient division of operational roles, and a politically acceptable, operationally efficient hierarchy and integration of command structures. I am also exploring how to improve the nation-building capacities of the United States Army and improving civil-military relations within the peace-building sectors.