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**EDUCATION**

**George Mason University (GMU) – M.S. (2010), ABD (2012); Conflict Analysis and Resolution**

Thesis: “This Machine Kills Fascists”: An Exploration into the Machinery of Music and Conflict

Dissertation: Anytown USA: Urban Conflict in the Midwestern United States

**The University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) – B.S., Education: Language Arts (2006), Minors: Religion; Women’s Studies**

Capstone Project: “With God on Our Side”: Religious Rhetoric and the Rise of Anti-Islamic Hate-Crimes After September 11, 2001

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**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Guest Teacher, District 66, Omaha, NE (2007-2008)**

Composition, English, French, Mathematics, Reading, Speech, Theatre

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**ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Academic Experience:**

Applied Practice and Theory: Conflict and Climate Change Narratives, GMU (2011-2012)

Political Styles in Escalated Conflict Research Project, GMU (2011-2012)

Parents of the Field Project, GMU, University of Baltimore (2010-2012)

**Extra Curricular Experience:**

Student Association, Ph.D. Representative to the Faculty, GMU (2011-2012)

Unrest Magazine Presents: Summer Detention (2011)

Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution Student Association, Interim Acting Vice President, GMU (2010-2011)

Graduate Students of Conflict Studies Treasurer, GMU (2009-2010)

Graduate Students of Conflict Studies Class Representative, GMU (2008-2009)

Vice-Chancellor's Student Leadership and Organization Committee, UNO (2004-2005)

Dean of Arts and Science Student Advisory Board, UNO (2005)

Cultural Awareness Program, UNO (2004-2005)

**Professional Experience:**

Editorial Cell, Unrest Magazine (2010-Present)

George Mason University

Graduate Research Assistant, School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution (2011-present)

Librarian, Institute for Conflict Analysis and Resolution John Burton Library and Resource Center (2009-2011)

Grants Coordinator, Center for World Religions, Diplomacy and Conflict Resolution (CRDC) (2009)

Program Associate, National Campaign for a Peace Tax Fund/Peace Tax Foundation (2008)

Organizer, Nebraska Education Association/National Federation of Teachers (2006)

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**PUBLICATIONS****Books:**

2012

***Manual on Narrative Conflict Resolution* (co-authored with Jacquelyn Bleak, Grace Chau, Sarah Cobb, Cecily Cutshall, Kristin Dorage, Hale Inanoglu, Jessica Mariglio, Jason Reader, Neil Stenhouse, E. Ted Thompson, Wonjung Yoon) (draft).**

**Articles:**

2013

**“Privatized Transformation of Public Space: Construction of a Marketplace Through The Cooptation of a Public Space by Private Enterprise and the Aesthetic of Exclusion/Inclusion”** Built Environment: Marketplaces as an Urban Development Strategy (under review)

2012

**“American Civil Religion: Mythology and Narrative”** Unrest Magazine (October 2012)

**“Violence and Guns in America”** S-CAR Newsletter (April 2012)  
reprinted by Unrest Magazine (May 2012)

2011

**“Invisible pilots at the Center of a Storm,”** Unrest Magazine (November 2011)

**“The Role of Music in Conflict Resolution,”** UMass Boston Conference Proceedings: Eighth Biennial Conference on Conflict Resolution (October 2011)

**“For Elise: Social Ecology in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,”** Unrest Magazine (July 2011)

**“Lacanflit,”** Unrest Magazine (January 2011)

2010

**“The Search for an Agreeable Definition of Peace,”** Unrest Magazine (September 2010)

**“Fwd: Fwd: A Good Story,”** Unrest Magazine (July 2010)

**“Prague, Czech Republic – Museum of Communism,”** Unrest Magazine (July 2010)

**“Wrong is Wrong, No Matter Who Says It: Critical Conflict Engagement,”** Unrest Magazine (June 2010)

**“Sweatshop Tourism,”** Unrest Magazine (June 2010)

**Book Reviews:**

2011

**“Art and Liberation: A Review,”** Unrest Magazine (January 2011)

**Other Public Writing:**

2009

**“An Acceptable Unilateral Action,”** [www.marcgopin.com](http://www.marcgopin.com) (June 2009)

<http://www.marcgopin.com/2009/06/04/an-acceptable-unilateral-action/>

**PAPERS, PUBLIC TALKS, AND PANEL PRESENTATIONS**

**Panel Presentation:**

**“The Role of Music in Conflict Resolution,”** The Eighth Biennial Conference for Graduate Students Studying Conflict: Conflict Studies: The New Generation of Ideas. University of Massachusetts, Boston (October 2010)

**Emcee:**

**Human Rights Conflict in Israel and Palestine,** Lecture by Dr. Jess Ghannam on the Israel-Palestine Conflict at UNO (2005)

**UN Millennial Development Goals,** Americans for Informed Democracy Video Conferences, University of Nebraska at Omaha (2005)

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**CONFLICT RESOLUTION PRACTICE**

**Citizen Diplomacy:**

**Syria,** (2011)

**Israel and Palestine** (2009)

**China** (2008)

**Conflict Coaching:**

**Family Coaching,** Gaithersburg, MD (2009)

**Facilitations:**

**“Future Coast,”** Community Dialogue Facilitation, Anne Arundel County, MD (2012)

**“The State and the Field: Military-Civilian Dialogues in the Field of Conflict Resolution,”** (2010)

**Workshops:**

**“Narratives of Climate Change,”** American Meteorological Association (AMS) Committee on Improving Climate Change Communication (CICCC) Workshop, New Orleans, Louisiana, 2012

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**CURRENT RESEARCH****Violence of the Post-Industrial Midwest as Performed by Omaha, NE.**

This project is looking at the conflicts of the post-industrial Midwestern urban space in order to understand the structural and direct violence of Urban America. The case in study is Omaha, Nebraska. The ultimate aim of this project will be to better understand the mechanisms of urban conflict in America's post-industrial age.

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**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

People's Film Festival, Promotions Director (2008)  
Omaha Peace and Justice Expo (2004-2005; 2007-2008)  
Event Planning Committee and Workshops Director (2008)  
Day of Event Committee (2007)  
Day of Event Committee and Volunteer Coordinator (2005)  
Location Coordinator and Closing Ceremony Participant (2004)

Americans for Informed Democracy (2004-2006)  
Treasurer (2005-2006)  
Amnesty International, University of Nebraska at Omaha Chapter (2002-2006)  
Founder and President (2002-2005)  
Secretary (2005-2006)  
Presidential Debate Watch: Religion and Politics, Volunteer Coordinator (2004)

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**HONORS AND AWARDS**

Golden Key International Honor Society  
National Dean's List (2005-06; 2006-07)  
Omicron Delta Kappa, National Leadership Honorary  
Kappa Delta Pi, International Education Honorary  
Academic All-American  
Eagle Scout

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**LANGUAGE SKILL**

German—Novice

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**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

**American Meteorological Society**—Full Member (2012)

## REFERENCES

**Andrea Bartoli**

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