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Positions

Royal Danish Defence College

Associate Professor (Tenured), 2019-
Assistant Professor of Military Operations / Military Studies, 2017-2019

University of Maryland

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Center for Research on Military Organization, 2014-

Education

Yale University

Ph.D., Sociology, 2014, M.Phil., 2011, M.A., 2009

La Trobe University

M.A. (Research), Literary Studies, 2008

Memorial University of Newfoundland

B.A. (Hons), English, 2005

Research and Teaching Interests

Political and Military Sociology; Military Operations; Security Studies; Mass Media and Communication;
Qualitative Methods

Monograph

Crosbie, T. *The Political Army* (under consideration)

Edited Volume and Special Issue

1. Lucas, E.R. and Crosbie, T. (eds.). (2019). "Anti-Access/Area Denial in the Baltic Sea Region."
Special issue of *The Scandinavian Journal of Military Studies*
2. Swed, O. and Crosbie, T. (eds.). (2019). *The Sociology of Privatized Security*. Palgrave Macmillan

Peer-Reviewed Articles

1. Crosbie, T. and Kleykamp, M. Forthcoming. "Military Systems of Justice: A Sociological Overview." *Political and Military Sociology*
2. Coletta, D. and Crosbie, T. Online First. "The Virtues of Military Politics." *Armed Forces & Society*
3. Swed, O., Kwon, J., and Feldscher, B., and Crosbie, T. 2020. "The Corporate War Dead: New Perspectives on the Demographics of American and British Contractors." *Armed Forces & Society*, 46(1): 3-24. * Featured in *The Atlantic*.
4. Crosbie, T. and Guhin, G. 2019. "On the Ambivalence of the Aphorism in Sociological Theory." *Sociological Theory*, 37(4): 381-400.
5. Crosbie, T. 2019. "Getting the Joint Functions Right." *Joint Force Quarterly*, 94(3): 108-112
6. Crosbie, T. 2018. "The Golden Age, Revisited: General George C. Marshall's Press Work, 1938-1945." *War In History*. Online First
7. Crosbie, T. and Kleykamp, M. 2018. "Ethical Lapses and the Military Profession: Three Problems and a Solution." A reply to Travis's comment on "Fault Lines". *Armed Forces & Society*, 44(4): 748-757
8. Crosbie, T. and Kleykamp, M. 2017. "Fault Lines of the American Military Profession." *Armed Forces & Society*, 44(3): 521-543
9. Swed, O., and Crosbie, T. 2017. "Private Military and Security Contractors: A Troubling Oversight." *Sociology Compass*, 11(11), 1-11
10. Crosbie, T. and Sass, J. 2017. "Governance by Scandal? Eradicating Sexual Assault in the Military." *Politics*, 37(2): 117-133
11. Crosbie, T. and Posard, M. 2017. "Barriers to Serve: Social Policy and the Transgender Military." *Journal of Sociology*, 52(3): 569-585
12. Sanz, E., and Crosbie, T. 2016. "The Meaning of Digital Platforms: Open and Closed Television Infrastructure." *Poetics*, 55: 77-89
13. Crosbie, T. 2015. "The US Army's Domestic Strategy, 1945-1965." *Parameters*, 44(4): 105-18
14. Crosbie, T. 2014. "Scandal and Military Mediatization." *Media, War & Conflict*, 7(1): 1-20
15. Sass, J., and Crosbie, T. 2013. "Democracy and Scandal: A Research Agenda." *Comparative Sociology*, 12(6): 851-862
16. Crosbie, T. 2007. "Critical Historiography in Atanarjuat The Fast Runner and Ten Canoes." *Journal of New Zealand Literature*, 24(2): 135-152

Selected Work in Progress

- Swed, O. and Crosbie, T. A study of the politics of PMSC use by states.

Research Grants

2018 Educating Military Officers. FoU-Grant, Royal Danish Defence College. PI: Thomas Crosbie. Co-PIs: Edward R. Lucas, Thomas Brønd

\$22,800.00 USD (130,000.00 DKK)

- 2016 Deep Sight: Algorithmic Visuality and Everyday Life in Canada. Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council. Co-PIs: Jonathan Roberge and Thomas Crosbie
\$44,000 USD (\$58,000 CAD)
- 2015 The Revolution in Military Professionalism. Army Research Institute Basic Research Program. Co-PIs: Thomas Crosbie and Meredith Kleykamp
\$929,803.00 USD

Fellowships and Awards

- 2016 The Charles H. Coates Commemorative Award. University of Maryland, College Park
- 2013 Smith Richardson Research and Travel Award in International History and Security, International Security Studies at Yale University
- 2012 George M. Camp Grant. Funding for research at the George Marshall Library and United States Army Heritage and Education Center
- 2010 Brady-Johnson Program in Grand Strategy Fellowship. Title of Project: Counterinsurgency and the Civil Turn in American Military Doctrine
- 2007 La Trobe University Postgraduate Research Scholarship. Full-year funding for M.A. research
- 2005 Captain George C. Whitely Prize for English. Prize for Best Undergraduate English Thesis

Book Chapters

1. Crosbie, T., Lucas, E. and Withander, N.E. 2019. “Educating Military Elites: Professional Military Education in NATO Countries.” *Processes and Practices in Military Education and Training*. Ed. Antti-Tuomas Pulkka and Soili Paanenen. National Defence University Press (Finland)
2. Crosbie, T. and Swed, O. 2018. “Sociology and the Privatization of Security and Military Affairs.” *The Sociology of Privatized Security*, Ori Swed and Thomas Crosbie (eds.). Palgrave Macmillan
3. Swed, O. and Crosbie, T. 2018. “Trendlines: Privatization and the Future of War and Security.” *The Sociology of Privatized Security*, Ori Swed and Thomas Crosbie (eds.). Palgrave Macmillan
4. Roberge, J. and Crosbie, T. 2017. “Toward an Algorithmic Sociology.” *Reading Sociology*. Lorne Tepperman, Patrizia Albanese and Emily Alexander (eds.). Oxford University Press
5. Crosbie, T. and Roberge, J. 2013. “Critics as Cultural Intermediaries.” *Knowledge for Whom? Public Sociology in the Making*. Christian Fleck and Andreas Hess (eds.). London: Ashgate

Book Reviews

1. Crosbie, T. 2016. Dorit Geva, *Conscription, Family and the Modern State: A Comparative Analysis of France and the United States*. For *American Journal of Sociology* 122(2)
2. Crosbie, T. 2014. Joseph W. Ryan, *Samuel Stouffer and the GI Survey: Sociologists and Soldiers during the Second World War*. For *Res Militaris* 4(1)
3. Crosbie, T. 2010. Dima Adamsky, *The Culture of Military Innovation*. For *Journal of Canadian Sociology* 35(4)

4. Crosbie, T. 2008. Atara Stein, *The Byronic Hero in Film, Fiction and Television*. For *Screening the Past* 23
5. Crosbie, T. 2007. Peter Decherney, *Hollywood and the Culture Elite: How the Movies became American*. For *Screening the Past* 21

Other Publications

1. Swed, O. and Crosbie, T. 2019. "Who are the Private Contractors Fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan? An Inside Look at this Invisible Military Force." *The Conversation*. March 14.
2. Crosbie, T. 2017. "Trump's Transgender Ban Reminds Us that the US Military Does Not Float Above Politics." *LSE US Centre*. September 12.
3. Sheppard, T. and Crosbie, T. 2017. "Professional Military Forces." *The SAGE Encyclopedia of War: Social Science Perspectives*.
4. Crosbie, T. 2015. "Coser, Lewis A." *International Encyclopedia of Social and Behavioral Sciences*. 2nd Edition.
5. Crosbie, T. 2013. "Culture Work in Modern War: New Directions for Culture Research on Conflict." *Cultural Conversations*, 2(Fall), 1-2.
6. Crosbie, T. 2013. "The Sequestration Process and the Politics of Military Power: An Editorial." *Newsletter of the Peace, War & Social Conflict Section of the ASA*. May.

Teaching

Royal Danish Defence College

Warfare at the Military-Strategic and Operational Level. 2018. Lead instructor.
 Basics of Military Joint & Combined Operations. 2018. Syndicate leader.
 Warfare at the Military-Strategic and Operational Level. 2017. Syndicate leader.

University of Maryland

Military Sociology. 2016. Lead instructor.

Yale University

Imperialism, Insurgency, and State-Building in the Greater Middle East. 2012.
 Teaching Fellow for Jonathan Wrytzen.
 Islamic Societies, Culture and Politics. 2011. Teaching Fellow for Jonathan Wryzen.
 Sociology of Crime and Deviance. 2011. Teaching Fellow for Philip Smith.
 New Haven and the American City. 2010. Teaching Fellow for Alan Plattus and Elihu Rubin,
 Architecture Department.

La Trobe University

Narrative Analysis A. 2008. Teaching Assistant for Iain Topliss
 Introduction to Australian Literature. 2008. Teaching Assistant for John Stuyfbergen.
 Contemporary Australian Literature. 2007. Teaching Assistant for Susan K. Martin.
 Introduction to the Short Story. 2007. Teaching Assistant for Christopher Palmer.

Theses Committees

Chair

- 2019 Rasmus Carøe Christensen. MMS. Multidomain Operations 2028: Transformation of the US military for warfare in the 21st century. Royal Danish Defence College.
- 2018 Jan Haick. MMS. The impact of digital command and control systems. Royal Danish Defence College.

Committee Member

Gabriela Iveliz Rosa-Hernandez. BA 2017. Dr. Seuss comes home: The domestic frontier of Theodore Seuss Geisel during World War II. University of Puerto Rico Rio Piedras.

Conference Presentations

ERGOMAS. Lisbon, PT. 2019
International Studies Association. Toronto, Ont. 2019
European International Studies Association. Prague, CZ. 2018
American Sociological Association. Seattle, WA. 2016
Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society. Chicago, IL. 2015
Revisiting Remaking Modernity: ASA Preconference. Chicago, IL. 2015
Canadian Sociological Association. Ottawa, Ont. 2015
Canadian Sociological Association. Ottawa, Ont. 2015
Young Turks: American Grand Strategy. Durham, NC. 2015
Society for Military History. Montgomery, AL. 2015
Southern Sociological Society. New Orleans, LA. 2015
ISSS / ISAC. Austin, TX. 2014
American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA. 2014
Media Sociology ASA Pre-Conference. Oakland, CA. 2014
Canadian Sociological Association. St. Catharines, Ont. 2014
International Security Studies Colloquium. New Haven, CT. 2014
Eastern Sociological Society. Baltimore, MD. 2014
Social Science History Association. Chicago, IL. 2013
ISSS / ISAC. Washington, DC. 2013
Capitalism, the Politics of Inequality, and Historical Change. New York, NY. 2013
American Sociological Association. Roundtable. New York, NY. 2013
Media Sociology ASA Pre-Conference. New York, NY. 2013
Eastern Sociological Society. New York City, NY. 2012
Social Science History Association. Boston, MA. 2011

Invited Presentations

“Military Police Tasks and Activities on the Multidomain Battlefield.” *NORDEFCO Provost Marshal Course*. Aalborg, DK. 2018
 “Military Professionalism.” *NATO Military Professionalism Working Group*. Paris, FR. 2018
 “Educating Military Elites.” *NATO Military Representatives*. Copenhagen, DK. 2018
 “Lessons Learned and Not Learned from Recent Operations.” *Mission Formations Working Group*. Griben, DK. 2018
 “Social and Economic Systems.” *NATO Civil-Military Cooperation Centre of Excellence*. Varde, DK. 2017
 “Can We Have a Cultural Sociology of Global Media?” *1er Colloque étudiant du Laboratoire Art et Société Terrains et Théories*, Montreal, Que. 2013
 “Making Meanings Out of Emotions.” *Pathways for Mutual Understanding*. New Haven, CT. 2011

Professional Service

Editorship

Scandinavian Journal of Military Studies, Associate Editor, Dec 2017-

Editorial Board Membership

Armed Forces and Society, Dec 2018-

Reviewer

American Journal of Cultural Sociology	Armed Forces & Society
Canadian Journal of Sociology	Consumption Markets and Culture
Cultural Sociology	Journal of Military History
Oxford University Press	Sociology Compass

Other

Co-Organizer. *The Cultural Life of Machine Learning*. Montreal, QC. 2018
Co-Organizer. *The Baltic Dilemma: NATO Security in the Russian Anti-Access Bubble*. Royal Danish Defence College and Danish Institute for International Studies. 2018
Advisory Committee, *Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder: A Multidisciplinary Conference on Causes, Consequences and Responses*. St. John's, NL. 2015
Co-Organizer. *Invisible Work in Visible Work Mini-Conference*. Eastern Sociological Society Annual Conference. 2014
Research Affiliate, *Canada Research Chair in Digital Culture, Centre Urbanisation Culture Société*, Quebec. 2013
Junior Fellow, *Center for Comparative Research*, Yale University. 2010
Junior Fellow, *Center for Cultural Sociology*, Yale University. 2008

Languages

French (advanced); Spanish (intermediate); Danish (beginner).

References

Julia P. Adams	Professor, Sociology & International and Area Studies Head of College, Grace Hopper College Yale University Email: julia.adams@yale.edu.
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