Mia M. Bloom

## Education

Columbia University, Ph.D. *with* *Honors* December 1999 Political Science; Middle East International Relations/Comparative Politics. Dissertation: “Failures of Intervention: The Unintended Consequences of Mixed Messages and the Exacerbation of Ethnic Conflict.” Committee: Jack Snyder, Lisa Anderson, Roy Licklider, and Alexander Motyl.

Georgetown University, Masters in Arab Studies (*magna cum laude)* 1991, School of Foreign Service.

McGill University, Bachelors (*Dual Honors*) 1989 Russian History, Islamic and Middle East Studies.

## Professional Appointments

**Georgia State University** Department of Communication and Evidence Based Cyber Security Research Group in the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies. **Professor**. Teaching courses on conflict, propaganda, gender, social media and terrorism (07/2015 – present).

**Pennsylvania State University** International Studies. **Associate Professor**. Teaching courses in security, gender, the Arab Israeli Conflict and developing an online Homeland Security masters program, **Faculty Mentor** Schreyer Honors College and **Faculty Coordinator of the South Asia Program** for Schreyer Honors College (06/09-07/14).

**University of Georgia** School of International Affairs, Athens, GA. **Assistant Professor**. (08/06 – 06/09).

**University of Cincinnati** Department of Political Science, **Assistant Professor** (08/04-06/06).

**Princeton University** Center of International Studies, **Post-Doctoral Fellow** (includes a year of field research in Sri Lanka during which I was a non-resident affiliate). (08/01 – 08/03).

**Cornell University** Departments of Government and Near Eastern Studies, Ithaca. Visiting Assistant Professor. (9/99-8/01).

## Publications

**Books:**

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b. UK: *Bombshell: The Many Faces of Women Terrorists*. London: Hurst Publications.

c. Netherlands: Dutch Translation: *Met volle overtuiging: vrouwen en terreur*. Amsterdam, Netherlands: Leitung Press.

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**Bloom, M.** & Lokmanoglu, A., (2020) “From Pawn to Knight. Women’s Roles in Terrorism.” *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism*. https://doi.org/10.1080/1057610X.2020.1759263 reprinted in Phelan, A. (ed.) *Terrorism Women and Gender: Towards an Integrative Research Agenda*. UK: Routledge, Nov. 2020.

Abeysinghe, B., **M.** **Bloom,** and R. Sunderraman, (2019) “Localizing Assault Rifles in ISIS Propaganda Images; Experiments of a semantic segmentation approach.” *Transactions on Computational Social Systems IEEE*.

Cardeli, E., **Bloom, M**., Gillespie, S., Zayed, T., & Ellis, H.B., (2019). “Exploring the Social-Ecological Factors that Mobilize Children Into Violence” *Terrorism and Political Violence.* https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/09546553.2019.1701444

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**Bloom, M.,** Tiflati, H, and Horgan J. (2017). “Navigating ISIS’ Preferred Platform: Telegram.” *Terrorism and Political Violence,* https://doi.org/10.1080/09546553.2017.1339695

**Bloom, M.** (2017). “Constructing Expertise: Terrorist Recruitment and “Talent Spotting” in the PIRA, Al Qaeda, and ISIS.” *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism* vol. 40 Iss. 7pp.603-623*.*

Gill, P., Horner, E., Bouhana, N., **Bloom, M.,** and Horgan, J., (2017). “Terrorist Use of the Internet by the Numbers: Quantifying Behaviors, Patterns, and Processes. *Criminology and Public Policy*,” Vol 16 Iss 1 February, pp. 99-117.

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Bloom, M., Gill, P. and Horgan, J. (2012). ‘Tiocfaidh ár Mná: Women in the Provisional Irish Republican Army.’ *Behavioral Sciences of Terrorism and Political Aggression*. January 2012 vol. 3 (4), pp.1-15*.*

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Bloom, M. (1996). ‘Genocide and the Case of Iraq: The Anfal Campaign Against the Kurds’ in Albert J. Jongman (ed.), *Contemporary Genocide: Causes, Cases, Consequences.* Center for the Study of Social Conflicts (PIOOM), Leiden University, The Netherlands, pp. 79-94.

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Cottee, S. & **Bloom, M**. (2017). Myth of the ISIS Female Suicide Bomber. *The Atlantic*. September 8, https://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2017/09/isis-female-suicide-bomber/539172/

**Bloom, M.** (2017). The Islamic State Group has Weaponized children. *Macleans*. My 24, 2017 http://www.macleans.ca/news/world/islamic-state-has-weaponized-children/

**Bloom, M**. (2016). “How Islamic State Recruits and Coerces Children.” *Washington Post.* https://www.washingtonpost.com/posteverything/wp/2016/08/25/how-the-islamic-state-recruits-and-coerces-children/?utm\_term=.e40859c32a75

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**Bloom, M**. (2016). *ISIS defectors: Why they sometimes walk free.* CNN. http://www.cnn.com/2016/02/26/opinions/isis-swedish-teen-social-marlin-stivani-nivarlain/

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**Bloom, M**. (2015). “Exploit Schisms Already Hurting ISIS.” *New York Times*, June 1, 2015. http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2015/06/01/can-victory-over-isis-be-more-than-a-mirage/exploit-schisms-that-are-already-hurting-isis

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Abeysinghe, B. and **Bloom, M.,** “Creating a User Friendly Platform for ISIS Telegram.” [Submitted to *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism*, December 2020]

Warpinksi, KW, and **Bloom, M.** “Marc Lépine: The Original Incel?” [*Terrorism and Political Violence,* R & R]

**Bloom, M**. & Elliott, I. “Sex Offender Theory and the Practice of Pedophilia in Afghanistan.” [*Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice and Policy* R & R.]

**Bloom, M.** “Women, Children and Innovations in Terrorism and Counter Terrorism.” in Cameron G. Thies (ed.),*Handbook of International Relations*. Edward Elgar, 2022 [under contract].

Joseph, K. Benigni, M., Wei, W. Carley, K.M., and **M.** **Bloom**, War or Adaptation? Arab Spring

Stories in News and Twitter. *IEEE Transactions on Computational Social Systems*. [Resubmitted]

Awarded Grants

**Minerva FY 2021** “Weaponized Conspiracies: Mapping the Social Ecology of Misinformation, Radicalization and Violence” N00021-13-275485**Principal Investigator** with David Maimon February 2021- December 2026 $1,398,387.

Minerva FY 19-024 “The Jihadi Archive: A Database of Terrorist Tactics & Techniques.” N00014-19-1-2701 **Principal Investigator January 2020 - December 2020**, $80,000.

Minerva FY 16-024 “Documenting the Virtual Caliphate.” Office of Naval Research (ONR) Minerva Research Initiative N00014-16-1-3174 **Principal Investigator** **2016-2020** $255,000.

Minerva FY 13-024 “Preventing the Next Generation: Mapping the Pathways of Children’s Involvement in Violent Extremist Organizations.” Office of Naval Research (ONR) Minerva Research Initiative N00014-16-12693 **Principal Investigator** with B. Heidi Ellis **2016-2020** $941,169.

Minerva FY 12-024 “Multi-Level Computer Modeling of State Stability,” Office of Naval Research (ONR) Minerva Research Initiative (MRI) N00014-13-10835 **Co-Investigator** with Kathleen Carley, **2013-2017** $450,000.

‘Sexual Violence during Armed Conflict SVAC,’ Dara K. Cohen, Scott Gates, Ragnhild Nordas, Department of National Defence Norway 2012-2018, (Advisory Board).

‘Sexual Violence and Armed Conflict,’ Co-investigator with Dara Cohen, Scott Gates, Ragnhild Nordas, Elisabeth Wood, National Science Foundation, 2013 (Advisory Board).

ONR FY 09-024 “Mapping the Trajectories of Military Occupation and Intervention,” Office of Naval Research (ONR) N00014-09-1-0667 **Principal Investigator**, **2009-2012** $982,023.

ONR FY 08-016 “Competitive Adaptation in Terrorist Networks,” Office of Naval Research (ONR), **2009-2011** **Co-Principal Investigator** $3.1 million dollars.

Bureau of Intelligence and Research, Department of State, 2008 – 2010, $10,000/year.

ONR FY 08-016 “Mimicry, Deception and Violence,” Grant from the Office of Naval Research (ONR) 2008 – 2009, Co-Principal Investigator, $164,549.

UK Ministry of Defence (MOD) research grant, “Radicalisation and Suicide Bombing” 2006-7 Co- investigator with Andrew Silke and John Horgan (PI) $58,000.

## Honors and Fellowships

## International Security Fellow, New America. Washington: DC February 2020 – present.

Research Fellow, Ridgeway Center for International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh, December 2020 – Present.

## Member of the Research Network for the United Nations Counter Terrorism Executive Directorate (UNCTED), September 2017- present, briefed the UN Security Council on December 3, 2018 on female and child returning ISIS foreign fighters, policy advisor to UNITAD for prosecution of ISIS war crimes.

Expert Witness, Federal Criminal Prosecution, US Department of Justice (DoJ), April 2020 - present.

Expert Witness, Crown Law Office, Wellington, New Zealand, October 2020 – present.

Member of the International Civil Society Action Network (ICAN) and Women’s Alliance for Security Leadership (WASL), March 2020 - present.

Radicalization Expert Board, Anti Defamation League (**ADL**) Research Task Force, Washington, DC October 2018 – present.

## Advisor on Female Radicalization, White House Summit on Countering Violent Extremism (CVE), February 18-21, 2015.

## UN Security Council Resolution 1325 Steering Committee, in association with the Count Folke Bernadotte Academy (FBA) Expert Group, Sweden and PRIO, Norway, September 2008 - present.

Institute for Women, Peace and Security, Research Associate, Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service, 2013 – present.

The Council on Foreign Relations, CFR Term Member 2003-2008.

Rhodes University Scholarship, South Africa. Post-doctoral fellowship, *declined* 2003 ($75,000 Rand)

International Center for Ethnic Studies (ICES), Research Fellowship, 2002-2003 $20,000.

SSRC MacArthur, Global Security and Cooperation Award 2001-2003 $37,000.

Princeton University, Center of International Studies, Post-Doctoral Fellowship 2001-2003 $35,000.

Harvard University, Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs 1996-97 and summer 1999 post-doctoral fellow, $25,000.

Columbia University, President’s Fellowship 1995-96; 1996-97; 1997-98; 1998-99 $10,000 per year.

Morris Abrams Award in International Relations (inter-university competition) 1997-98 $5,000.

Columbia University, Transnational Security and Conflict Resolution Fellowship 1996-97 $14,000.

United States Institute of Peace (USIP), Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar Award 1995-96 $25,000.

Columbia University, Middle East Institute, Summer Traveling Fellowship, 1995 $2,000.

Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada, Military and Strategic Studies Award 1993-94 $20,000.

Georgetown University, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies Fellowship 1989-91; Pi Sigma Alpha Honors Society $30,000.

McGill University, Faculty of Arts and Sciences Fellowship 1987-1988; Faculty Scholar (top 5%) and Scarlet Key Honors Society (top 2%) 1988 &1989.

Tel Aviv University Scholarship 1985-1986, $20,000

Grants Under Review

DHS LRBAA “The Adaptability of the Incel Ecosystem in Light of COVID-19.” **Principal** **Investigator** with Shuki Cohen, $270,162.

Joint Acquisition Task Force (JATF) COVID19 BAA “How Terrorists are Exploiting the COVID-19 Pandemic.” **Principal Investigator** $798,429

**Select Papers Presented at Academic Conferences**

**Bloom, M.** “‘Outbidding' Revisited: When ISIS and Al Qaeda Compete for Publicity, Recruits, and Resources” & “From Camouflage to Carnage: Competition, Mimicry and Claims of Responsibility among Terrorist Groups” International Studies Association, Toronto, March 27 – 30, 2019.

**Bloom, M**. “Roundtable on Terrorism and Social Media.” International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 4-9, 2018.

**Bloom, M.** “Child Foreign Fighters” George Washington University, “Foreign Fighters: New Directions and Challenges,” Washington, DC, March 5-6, 2018.

**Bloom, M.** & Daymon, C. “Addicted to Terror: Navigating ISIS Social Media.” Society for Terrorism Research, New York City, August 15, 2017.

**Bloom, M.** “Grooming for Violent Extremism: A self-regulation approach to child grooming for violent extremism.” Lethal Aid and Human Security Conference, UNC - Chapel Hill, June 21, 2017.

**Bloom, M.** “Child Foreign Fighters,” International Studies Association, Baltimore, MD February 22, 2017.

**Bloom, M**. “Women and Children and Terrorism,” ESRC Conference on Youth Extremism, London, January 20, 2017.

**Bloom, M.** “Jihadi Exploitation of Women: ISIS and Boko Haram.” International Studies Association, Atlanta March 17, 2016.

**Bloom, M.** “Constructing Expertise: Terrorist Recruitment Strategies IRA, Al Qaeda and ISIS.” How Terrorists Learn*.* British Academy, June 17-19, 2015.

**Bloom, M.** “Jihad al Nikah, Gender based Violence and the Islamic State.” Count Folke Bernadotte 1325 Working Group, Sweden, June 6-10, 2015.

**Bloom, M.** “Weaponizing the Weak: The Role of Children in Pakistani Terrorist Movements.” Paper Presented to the International Studies Association March 27, 2014.

**Bloom, M.** “Afghanistan's Bacha Bazi: Etiology of Child Sexual Abuse.” Paper presented to the International Studies Association, March 28, 2014.

**Bloom, M.** “Constructing Expertise, Talent Scouting Among Terrorist organizations.” August 29, 2013, Paper Presented to the American Political Science Association, Chicago.

**Bloom, M.** “Weaponizing the Weak: Charting the Rise of Children in Violent Extremist Organizations.” University of Michigan, Department of Political Science, February 25, 2013.

**Bloom, M.** “Sexual Violence Against Men in Militant Organizations.” Paper Presented to the Count Folke Bernadotte Academy, UNSC 1325 Advisory Committee, October 23, 2012.

**Bloom, M.** "Weaponizing the Weak: Child Exploitation by Terrorist Organizations and Their Pathways to Involvement" Paper Presented to the ISAC/TISS conference, October 5, 2012

Bloom, M. “Dying Too Young: Pathways for Child Terrorists and Child Soldiers in Africa and the Middle East.” Paper presented to the ISA March 15, 2011.

Bloom, M. “Sexual Violence During Occupation: Do Occupation Forces Rape?” Paper Presented to the International Studies Association, March 16, 2011.

Bloom, M. “Sexual Violence During Occupation: Do Occupation Forces Rape?” Paper presented to UN Security Council Resolution 1325, Protection of Women During Combat Steering Committee; Harvard University JFK School and PRIO January 27-29, 2011.

Bloom, M. “Sources of Terrorist Finance: From the Hawala System to Diaspora Extortion.” Briefing to CIA HQ, Langley, VA December 1, 2010.

Bloom, M. “Don't Shoot! The Sanctity of Noncombatants and the Growing Phenomenon of Female and Child Terrorist Operatives.” Paper Presented to the 2010 APSA, September 3, 2010.

Bloom, M. “Women and Terrorist Recruitment on the Internet.” Paper Presentation to the New Media Conference at the University College Dublin, September 8, 2010.

**Bloom, M.** “Specific Abuse of Women as a Motivator for Insurgency and Terrorism.” Paper Presented to the 2010 APSA, September 4, 2010.

Bloom, M. and Rossi, E., “The Women in Black: The Role of Kinship and Coercion in the Dubrovka Theater Siege.” Presentation to the Association for the Study of Nationalism (ASN) April 15, 2010.

## Bloom, M. “Death Becomes Her: The Changing Role of Women and Violence.” Presentation at UN Workshop, UN Security Council Resolution 1325, Protection of Women During Combat Steering Committee.

Professional Service

**Editor**: **Special Series, Studies in Violence and Terrorism**, Stanford University Press, (2017-present)

**Editorial Boards**: *Security Studies* (2017 – present), *Terrorism and Political Violence* (2012 – present), *Dynamics of Asymmetric Conflict* (2016-present).

**Advisory Board**: Center for the Study of Terrorism, Rome (2013 - present).

**ISA Board**, J. Ann Tickner Award Committee (2020 –2022); ‘**Pay it Forward’ Committee** (mentoring program for women 2018-present)

**Book Manuscript reviewer**: Cambridge University Press, Cornell University Press, Columbia University Press, Georgetown University Press, Johns Hopkins University Press, Lynne Reiner, New York University Press, Oxford University Press, Stanford University Press, SUNY University Press, Syracuse University Press, University of Pennsylvania Press, Polity, and Routledge.

**Article Manuscript reviewer**: *International Organizations, Security Studies, International Security, World Politics, Terrorism and Political Violence, Studies in Conflict and Terrorism, Crime, Law and Social Change*, and *Violence and Gender*.

**Book reviewer**: *Terrorism and Political Violence* (2005 – present).

**Grant Reviewer**: AFOSR, Minerva Research Initiative, National Science Foundation, Israeli Science Foundation, National Institute of Justice; Nominator: MacArthur Fellows Program (genius award)

## Media and Outreach

I engage in extensive outreach activity, promoting scholarly research to a wide variety of local, national and international venues. These include the New York Times, US News and World Report, Newsweek, Time Magazine, MSNBC, CNN, BBC, ABC, CBS, NPR, CTV, CBC, and Fox News.

## Languages

## Fluent in English, French, Hebrew, Advanced Proficiency in Modern Standard Arabic, Spoken Egyptian Dialect, Proficient in Russian, Ancient Aramaic, Spanish, Portuguese, completed introductory Serbo-Croatian and some limited conversational ability in Tamil.

## **Courses Taught**

Georgia State University: COMM 8980 Seminar on Conspiracy Theories and Fake News; COMM 2050 Media & Society; JOURN 4780 Women & the Media; COMM 6900 Women, Violence and the Media, HON 3260 Terrorism and Propaganda, HON 3260 Psychology of Terrorism. COMM 7000 Targeted Persuasion, Encrypted Apps and Social Media (independent study).

Penn State University: PLSC 438 “National Security,” HLS 805 “Homeland Security: Terrorism, Threats and Insurgency,” WMNST 497B “Seminar on Rape and War,” JWST 497 “Arab Israeli Conflict,” and SHC497 “Politics, Culture and Human Rights in South Asia.”

University of Georgia: IA 4365 “The Politics of South Asia,” IA 4380 “Peace Studies: Civil Wars, Ethnic Conflict and Political Violence,” IA 3300 Global Studies and Comparative Politics, IA 4770 Arab Israeli Conflict Seminar, and IA 4780H Honors Seminar on Rape and War.

Cornell University: GOVT 181: Intro to IR; GOVT 358: Contemporary Middle East and North African Politics; GOVT 385: US Foreign Policy; GOVT 397: Arab-Israeli Conflict (seminar); WMS 281: Women and Gender in the Middle East and North Africa; GOVT 693: International Intervention and Ethnic Conflict (graduate seminar).

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