

## **ORIANA SKYLAR MASTRO**

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### **EDUCATION**

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**Princeton University, PhD Candidate in Politics:** Princeton, New Jersey 9/07-pres

- Masters of Arts, Politics conferred Nov 2009
- Subfields completed: international relations, Northeast Asia, quantitative/formal methods
- Dissertation: *Settling the Score: The Interactive Effect of Battle Outcomes and Bargaining Behavior on War Duration and Termination*
- Committee: Dr. Thomas Christensen, Dr. Aaron Friedberg, Dr. Jacob Shapiro

**Stanford University:** Palo Alto, California June 2006

- Cumulative GPA: 3.808; in major GPA: 3.869
- East Asian Studies major: Economics and Political Science minor
- Participant in Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC) Honors Program  
Thesis advisor: John W. Lewis; thesis title: *The Making of Security Policy in China: Theory and Practice*
- Overseas Programs Attended:
  - Intensive Chinese study and immersion program in Beijing, China 9/03-8/04
  - Intensive French study and immersion program in Montpellier, France 6/03-8/03
  - Three-month Spanish language program in Costa Rica 6/02-9/03
  - Participated in AFS academic year in Alghero, Sardinia, Italy 9/99-9/00

### **RECENT FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS**

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One of the Top 99 Most Influential International Professionals Under 33, <i>Diplomatic Courier</i>	Fall 2011
George Washington University, Institute for Security and Conflict Studies, Visiting Scholar	2010-2011
Smith Richardson Foundation World Politics and Statecraft Pre-doctoral Fellowship	2011-2012
Bradley Fellow, recipient of grant to conduct research in Beijing and Washington DC	2009-11
Woodrow Wilson School Undergraduate Program Preceptor Award	2009
Parker D. Handy Fellow, two-received for student with future in public affairs	2007-09

### **PUBLICATIONS**

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- "Chinese Ship-Based Air Defense Systems," forthcoming chapter in *China's Strategy for the Near Seas*, (Annapolis, MD: Naval Institute Press, 2012).
- "Noninterference in Chinese Foreign Policy: Understanding the Gap between Principle and Practice," accepted for Donovan Chau and Thomas Kane (eds), "China and International Security: History, Strategy, and 21st Century Policy," (Westport, CT: Praeger, 2012).
- "Air Power Trends in Northeast Asia: Implications for Japan and the U.S. Japan Alliance," *Project 2049 report with Mark Stokes*, Aug 2011.
- Signaling and Military Provocation in Chinese National Security Strategy: A Closer Look at the *Impeccable* Incident of March 2009," *Journal for Strategic Studies* 34:2, April 2011, 219-244.
- "Come What May: Three Scenarios for the US-Japan Alliance," *Pacific Forum CSIS Issues & Insights*, Co-author. Available at: [http://csis.org/files/publication/issuesinsights\\_v10n09.pdf](http://csis.org/files/publication/issuesinsights_v10n09.pdf).
- *Assessing the Threat: The Chinese Military and Taiwan's Security*, (Washington DC: Carnegie Endowment, July 2007) co-editor with Michael D. Swaine, Andrew N.D. Yang and Evan S. Medeiros. Coauthor with Michael D. Swaine two chapters in the volume: "Introduction," and "Assessing the Threat."

### **CONFERENCE PAPERS, TESTIMONY, OP-EDS, TV APPEARANCES**

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- "Chinese Ship-Based Air Defense," presented at Naval War College China Maritime Strategic Institute 2011 conference "China's Strategy for the Near Seas"
- "Settling the Score: The Interactive Effect of Combat Outcomes and Bargaining Behavior on War Duration and Termination," presented at MPSA conference 2011

- “China’s Active Defense Strategy and Its Regional Impact,” *Testimony for the US-China Economic and Security Review Commission*, 27 Jan 2011. Available at: [www.uscc.gov](http://www.uscc.gov)
- Over a dozen appearances on the Voice of America show “Pros and Cons,” a debate show conducted in Mandarin Chinese March 2007-present. Topics include Is China a responsible world power? What should the United States do in the case of a Taiwan conflict? Is China building a superpower military?
- “Democracy Promotion: Not the Best Way to Secure US Interests,” CSIS Next America web commentary, August 2008. <http://nextamerica.csis.org/debates>.
- “False Start,” *The New Republic (online)*, December 15, 2006.
- “How to Deal with North Korea,” coauthored with Minxin Pei, *Financial Times*, December 13, 2006

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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<b>Chief of Staff of the Air Force Strategic Studies Group (CSAF SSG); Strategist</b>	9/10-pres
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide analysis and advice on strategic issues with a focus on Asia</li> </ul>	
<b>Project 2049: Summer Associate</b>	6/10-9/10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lead on project on Chinese air power and implications for US-Japanese alliance</li> </ul>	
<b>US Air Force Officer Training School (OTS), Maxwell AFB; OT Wing Commander</b>	4/10-6/10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responsible for leading and tasking approx. 130 Air Force officer trainees</li> <li>• Liaison between officer trainees and commissioned staff</li> </ul>	
<b>Princeton University: Woodrow Wilson School, Teaching Assistant</b>	1/09-2/10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For “Chinese Foreign Relations” with Prof. Tom Christensen, Spring 2009</li> <li>• For “International Relations in East Asia” with Prof. Tom Christensen, Fall 2009</li> </ul>	
<b>US Pacific Command (PACOM): Analyst</b>	6/09-9/09
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted research on China-related topics</li> </ul>	
<b>RAND Corporation: Summer Associate Program</b>	6/08-09/08
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted research on Chinese military uses of space in Mandarin Chinese</li> </ul>	
<b>Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, China Program: Junior Fellows Program</b>	8/06-8/07
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted research with Michael Swaine on China’s military modernization and with Minxin Pei on Chinese domestic politics</li> </ul>	
<b>Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC) at Stanford</b>	4/05-8/05
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided research assistance to Professor Scott D. Sagan on nuclear proliferation</li> </ul>	
<b>Economics Department: Stanford University</b>	3/05-6/05
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided research assistance to Professor Lawrence Goulder</li> <li>• Research was conducted in Chinese on China’s pollution levy system</li> </ul>	
<b>Volk Union Tech: Chinese valve manufacturing company; Beijing, China</b>	4/04-8/04
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Translated and composed business promotion documents (catalogues, website)</li> </ul>	
<b>US-China Business Council: Beijing, China</b>	9/03-12/03
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assisted in the translation of Chinese laws; wrote reports on the Chinese economy</li> </ul>	

## MILITARY CAREER

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- Commissioned as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant in the United States Air Force Reserve May 2010
- Assigned to the chief of staff of the Air Force’s Strategic Studies Group, Pentagon
- Featured in *Citizen Airman Magazine*, “Second lieutenant excels in the classroom and at the Pentagon,” Apr ‘11
- Received Distinguished Graduate award given to top 10% of Basic Officer Training (BOT) class 10-05

- Sole recipient of USAA leadership award for best exemplifying the Air Force core values in BOT class 10-05

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND ASSOCIATIONS**

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- Participant, Next Generation National Security Leaders, Center for a New American Security 2010-2011
- Member, Council for Emerging National Security Affairs (CENSA) 2011-pres
- Member, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) 2011-pres
- Member, American Political Science Association (APSA) 2010-pres
- Member, Committee for the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (CAMOS) 2010-pres
- Participant, Summer Workshop on Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (SWAMOS) 2010
- Member, Reserve Officers Association 2010-pres
- Member, Young Professionals in Foreign Policy (YPFP) 2010-pres
- Member, National Committee on United States-China relations (NCUSCR) 2010-pres
- Member, Pacific Forum CSIS Young Leaders Program 2009-pres
- Charter member, National Language Service Corps (NLSC) for Mandarin Chinese 2009-pres
- Member, Women in International Security (WIIS) 2008-pres

#### **SKILLS, MISC**

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- **Languages:** Professionally proficient in Mandarin Chinese, Italian; comfortable in Spanish, French
- **Management:** Conferences, fundraising, event planning
- **Clearance Level:** Available upon request

**PERSONAL:** Experience in traveling and/or living in: China (including Tibet and Hong Kong), Japan, Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, Costa Rica, Spain, Belgium, France, Italy, England, Russia, Israel, Poland, Germany, Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, Hungary, Slovenia, Turkey, Morocco and Bermuda