

Nicole A. Loring

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, IL

Ph.D. Student in Political Science

First Field: Comparative Politics, Second Field: International Relations

Concentration in Southeast Asian Studies

High Proficiency in Foreign Language: Burmese

Expected completion: 2018

Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, IL, May 2014

M.A. in Political Science – Comparative Politics

Concentration in Southeast Asian Studies

Master's Thesis: "Entrenching Authoritarianism: Transitions from Military to Civilian Regimes in Southeast Asia and Beyond"

Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY, May 2011

B.A. in Political Science and Economics, Minor in Public Communications

Summa cum Laude

Honors Thesis: "Micropolitical Opportunity Structure in Burma"

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Articles

2017. Nicole Loring. "Overcoming Barriers: Myanmar's Recent Elections and Women's Political Participation." *Asia-Pacific Viewpoint*, under review.

2010. Nicole Loring. "Media Coverage of the Saffron Revolution: Media Bias in News Coverage of the 2007 Protests in Burma." *Journal of Undergraduate International Studies*, volume 9, pg 8-15.
<http://juis.global.wisc.edu/issues/juis-2010-fall.pdf>

Analysis Articles

2014. Nicole Loring. "Political Twist: A Combined Electoral System in Myanmar." *Indo-Pacific Review*. December 1. Available upon request.

Working Papers

“Gender Politics in the Game of Survivor: An Analysis of Winning Strategies and Gender Norms.”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

POLS 285: Introduction to International Relations
Northern Illinois University – Fall 2016 and Spring 2017

AWARDS AND HONORS

2016 Northern Illinois University Gerald S. Maryanov Fellow
2015 Northern Illinois University Dr. Russell W. Smith Memorial Scholarship
2014 Northern Illinois University Best Master’s Thesis Award – Third Place University-wide
2014 Northern Illinois University Outstanding Women Students Award Nominee
2013 Northern Illinois University Outstanding Graduate Student in Political Science
2013-2014 Northern Illinois University Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship - Burmese
2013 Northern Illinois University Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Fellowship - Burma
2012-2013 Northern Illinois University Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship - Burmese
2011-2012 Northern Illinois University Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship - Burmese
2011 Syracuse University James F. Reynolds Award in Political Science
2011 Syracuse University Distinction in Political Science
2011 Syracuse University Endorsed Candidate for the Marshall Scholarship
2010-2011 Syracuse University Remembrance Scholar
2007-2011 Syracuse University Dean's List
2008-2011 Syracuse University High Academic Achievement for Political Science Department
2009 Syracuse University Excellence in Political Conflict Analysis
2009 Syracuse University Outstanding Student in Media and Politics
2008 Syracuse University Phi Kappa Phi Emerging Scholar Award
2007 Syracuse University Citizenship Education Conference Scholarship

CONFERENCES AND LECTURES

Conference Papers Presented

2016. Nicole Loring. “The Threshold of Democracy: Explaining Myanmar’s Change from Military to Civilian Rule.” Northern Illinois University History Graduate Student Association Conference. Dekalb, IL.
2016. Nicole Loring. “Overcoming Barriers: Myanmar’s Recent Elections and Women’s Political Participation.” International Burma Studies Conference. Dekalb, IL. October 9.

2015. Nicole Loring. "Explaining Transitions from Military to Civilian Rule in Southeast Asia." Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. Chicago, IL. April 18.
2014. Nicole Loring. "Entrenching Military Rule and Violence in Burma." Northern Illinois University History Graduate Student Association Conference. Dekalb, IL. November 7.
2014. Nicole Loring. "Entrenching Authoritarianism: Transitions from Military to Civilian Regimes in Southeast Asia and Beyond." Northern Illinois University Southeast Asian Studies Student Conference. Dekalb, IL. April 5.
2013. Nicole Loring. "Women's Political Participation in Burma's Move Towards Democratization." Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs. East Lansing, MI. October 25.
2012. Nicole Loring. "A Window of Opportunity? Using Burma's Recent Elections to Conceptualize Regime Change." International Burma Studies Conference. Dekalb, IL. October 6.
2012. Nicole Loring. "Opportunities for Democratization in Burma: A Research Design." Northern Illinois University Southeast Asian Studies Student Conference. Dekalb, IL. April 7.
2012. Gavan Duffy and Nicole Loring. "Political Opportunity in Conflict Transformation." International Studies Association Conference. San Diego, CA. April 2.

Lectures and Brown Bags

2015. Nicole Loring. "Explaining Transitions from Military to Civilian Rule in Southeast Asia." NIU Department of Political Science Brown Bag. Dekalb, IL. March 18.
2014. Nicole Loring. "Entrenching Authoritarianism: Transitions from Military to Civilian Regimes in Southeast Asia and Beyond." Northern Illinois University Center for Southeast Asian Studies Friday Lecture Series. Dekalb, IL. October 17.
2013. Nicole Loring. "Burma's Most Recent Elections." Panel Presentation "Burma Today: The Challenges of Democracy" with Catherine Raymond, Tharaphi Than, and Thomas Rhoden. Lewis University. February 7.
2013. Nicole Loring and Thomas Rhoden. "The Blade and the Brahman: Deciphering a *dba* Sword from Burma." Northern Illinois University Center for Southeast Asian Studies Friday Lecture Series. Dekalb, IL. January 25.

Guest Lectures

2016. "Graduate School in Southeast Asian Studies." SEAS 225 Southeast Asia: Crossroads of the World. Northern Illinois University.
2016. "Graduate School – What You Need to Know." History Graduate Student Conference Undergraduate Luncheon.

2016. "Ethnic Minority Violence in Myanmar." POLS 376 Political Violence. Northern Illinois University.
2015. "Regime Transition and Ethnic Minorities." POLS 376 Political Violence. Northern Illinois University
2013. "Traveling to Myanmar." FLBU 103 Beginning Burmese. Northern Illinois University.
2011. "Politics in Myanmar." POLS 371 Politics in Southeast Asia. Northern Illinois University.

EXPERIENCE

- NIU Department of Political Science - Undergraduate Advisor - August 2014 – June 2016
 Academic advisor for all undergraduate political science majors (approximately 425 students)
 Responsible for changing/declaring/dropping majors; advising students on requirements for the political science major; helping students with course schedules; ameliorating issues with transfer credits and substitutions/waivers of major requirements; providing information to students and parents about graduate school, law school, internships, study abroad, scholarships, and other programs
- NIU Center for Southeast Asian Studies - Graduate Assistant - February 2012 - May 2013
 Assisting with outreach events; discussing research and scholarship opportunities with students and parents; Planning Cambodia and Burma Conferences, 50th Anniversary film series and other events; Entering outreach information for the International and Foreign Language Education (IFLE) budget application

EXTRACURRICULAR UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2016-2017 – Voting member of the Graduate Student Advisor Council, Northern Illinois University
 2015-2016 – Vice President of the Burma Interest Group, Northern Illinois University
 2013-2015 - Treasurer of the Burma Interest Group, Northern Illinois University
 2013-2014 - President of the Southeast Asia Student Club, Northern Illinois University
 2012-2013 - President of the Burma Interest Group, Northern Illinois University
 2013 - Conference Coordinator for the Southeast Asia Student Conference, NIU

POTENTIAL COURSES TO BE OFFERED:

- Introduction to Comparative Politics
- Introduction to International Relations
- Politics of Southeast Asia
- Southeast Asia: Crossroads of the World
- Apocalypse Politics
- Democracy and Authoritarianism
- Media and Politics
- Women and Politics

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Burmese - reading (conversational), speaking (conversational), writing (conversational)

REFERENCES

Trude Jacobsen, Associate Professor, Northern Illinois University Department of History

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Michael Clark, Director of Graduate Studies and Associate Professor, Northern Illinois University

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Scot Schraufnagel, Chair of the Department and Associate Professor, Northern Illinois University

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