

**Garrett Pierman, Ph.D.**

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**Education**

Ph.D., Political Science, Florida International University August 2022  
Major Fields: Political Theory; Minor Field: International Relations  
Dissertation Title: “A Future of Our Own Making: Technological Possibilities for Democracy”

M.A., Political Science, Florida International University, December 2019

B.A., Political Science, Florida International University *Magna Cum Laude*, April 2014  
Certification: National Security Studies, Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship Studies.

**Academic Positions**

Instructor, Cyber Policy and Ethics, University of South Carolina, August 2024-Present  
Internet and Society in a Connected World; Artificial Intelligence and Society;  
Connected Societies and Online Cultures; Privacy, Security, and Power (all in-person)

Adjunct Instructor, Olympic College, November 2023- January 2024  
American Politics (hybrid)

WorkFirst LifeSkills Advisor and Retention Advisor, Highline College, December 2022-May 2023

Adjunct Instructor, University of Miami, August 2022- December 2022  
Introduction to Political Theory (in-person)

Adjunct Instructor, Nova Southeastern University, August 2021-April 2022  
Global Politics (in-person); American Government and Politics (remote, in person); Introduction to Political Science (in-person); Political Theory (in-person)

Adjunct Instructor, Florida International University, January 2020- Present  
Department of Politics and International Relations:  
Introduction to Political Theory (in-person and remote); Ancient and Medieval Political Theory (in-person and remote); Contemporary Political Theory (in-person and online); Introduction to Comparative Politics (in-person and remote); Feminist Political Theory (in-person); Political Ideologies (remote)

Knight Foundation School of Computing and Information Sciences:  
Technology in the Global Arena (in-person, remote)

Faculty Fellow, Florida International University Honors College, August 2023-Present  
Apocalypse How (remote)

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Florida International University, August 2014- December 2019

Introduction to Political Theory; Introduction to International Relations; Political Ideologies; Modern Political Theory; American Political Thought; Feminist Political Theory; Sex, Power, and Politics; American Foreign Policy; Special Topics (Nominating Conventions- Online)

**Book:**

Pierman, Garrett. *Unrealized Digital Democracy: A Critical Analysis of Power in the Digital Age* Lexington Books. October 2023.

**Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

Pierman, Garrett. "Building the Plane While F(lying) it: Misinformation as a Challenge to Realist Strategy Formation. *New Political Science*. Accepted March 13, 2025.

Pierman, Garrett. "The Grand Strategy of Nonstate Actors: Theory and Implications." *Journal of Strategic Security* 8, no. 4 (2015): 69-78.

**Review Essays:**

Pierman, Garrett. Rev of *A People's History of Detroit* by Mark Jay and Philip Conklin. *Marx and Philosophy Review of Books*, 18 November 2024.

Pierman, Garrett. Rev of *Pandemic and Crisis of Democracy* by Andre Duarte. *Phenomenological Reviews*, 18 September 2023.

Pierman, Garrett. Rev of *Routledge Handbook of Marxism and Post-Marxism* edited by Alex Callinicos, Stathis Kouvelakis and Lucia Pradella. *Marx and Philosophy Review of Books*. 20 September 2022.

Pierman, Garrett. Rev of *A Way Through Global Techno-Scientific Culture* by Sheldon Richmond. *Marx and Philosophy Review of Books*. 19 October 2020.

Pierman, Garrett. Rev. of *Race After Technology* by Ruha Benjamin. *Marx and Philosophy Review of Books*, 11 September 2019.

Pierman, Garrett. Rev. of *Radical Happiness: Moment of Collective Joy* by Lynne Segal. *Marx and Philosophy Review of Books*, 19 June 2019.

Pierman, Garrett. Rev. of *Economics after Capitalism: A Guide to the Ruins and a Road to the Future* by Derek Wall. *Marx and Philosophy Review of Books*, 19 October 2017.

Pierman, Garrett. Rev. of *Reading Marx in the Information Age* by Christian Fuchs. *Marx and Philosophy Review of Books*, 1 March 2017.

Pierman, Garrett. Rev. of *Racism: A Critical Analysis*, by Mike Cole. *Marx and Philosophy Review of Books*, 21 March 2016.

Pierman, Garrett. Rev. of *Marx and Engels' Communist Manifesto: A Reader's Guide*, by Peter Lamb. *Marx and Philosophy Review of Books*, 24 July, 2015.

### **Conference Papers**

Pierman, Garrett, "Misinformation as a Challenge to Democratic Discourse: The Problems We Face and a Potential Solution. Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Seattle, Washington (April 2025).

Pierman, Garrett, "I Am Become Misinformation: Destroyer of Democracy." Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Vancouver, British Columbia (March 2024)

Pierman, Garrett, "Digital Democracy: Optimism in the Face of Crisis." American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Seattle, Washington. (October 2021)

Pierman, Garrett, "Compressed Political Spacetime as a Threat to Digital Democracy." Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (April 2021, Virtual)

Pierman, Garrett, "How are We Thinking about What We are Doing with Technology?" ASPECT Graduate Student Conference, Blacksburg, Virginia (March 2019).

Pierman, Garrett, "Fake News, Real Implications: Political Spaces of the 21st Century," International Studies Association- Northeast, Baltimore, Maryland (November 2018).

Pierman, Garrett, "Protecting Peoples: Towards a Non-Nuclear Realism," Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (April 2018).

Pierman, Garrett, "The Macabre Masquerade: The Risk of the Anonymous in Social Spaces," Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (April 2018).

Pierman, Garrett, "Rationalizing Inequality in Modern Liberal Democracies: a Re-Conceptualization," Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana (January 2018).

Pierman, Garrett, "Homo Sacer and Spaces of Exception: The Troubles of Prosecuting Web-Based Crimes," International Studies Association- Northeast, Providence, Rhode Island (November 2017).

Pierman, Garrett, "Technological Disobedience: Building Convivial Tools for Discourse," Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (April 2017).

Pierman, Garrett, "Do Androids Dream of Electric Solidarity? Toward a Techno-Solidarity Ethic," Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana (January 2017).

Pierman, Garrett, "Quitting from the Podium: A Comparative Analysis of Two Contemporary Far-Right Movements in Developed Democracies," International Studies Association-South Annual Conference Sheperdstown, West Virginia (October 2016).

### **Other Publications**

Pierman, Garrett, "Juggling Academic Time and Technology: Advice from a Millennial." Midwest Political Science Association Blog, 13 February 2019. Online.

Pierman, Garrett. "Clowns to the Left, Jokers to the Right: The 2016 Presidential Campaign in Two Books." *Class, Race, and Corporate Power* Vol. 6 (2018), issue 1, Article 6.

### **Invited Talks and Panels**

Panel Discussion: The Challenges of Then, Now, and Tomorrow (feminist event). FIU Student Government Association. 29 April 2022.

### **Micro-Credentials**

New Faculty Academy, University of South Carolina. Completed Spring 2025.

Certificate: Teaching Experience Workshop (University 101 Programs, allows me to teach for U101 Program). University of South Carolina. February 2025.

Safe Zone Ally Certification. University of South Carolina. November 2024.

Canvas 101 Certification. Washington State Board of Technical and Community Colleges. April 2024

Online Teaching Expectations: Passed. Olympic College. April 2024.

Remote Teach Ready Badge. Florida International University Center for the Advancement of Teaching. May 2020.

Global Learning Course Design and Instruction. Florida International University Office of Global Learning Initiatives. April 2020.

### **Awards and Grants**

Dissertation Year Fellowship, University Graduate School at Florida International University. August 2020- April 2021.

Best Graduate Instructor- Political Science. Department of Politics and International Relations, Florida International University. September 2020.

Travel Grant- American Political Science Association. September 2021.

### **Service**

Reader for Scholarship Applications,  
Florida International University Honors College  
Asian and Pacific Islander- American Scholars  
Highline College, Highline College Foundation

Mentor, Advanced Research and Creativity in Honors (ARCH)  
Florida International University Honors College

Conference Organizer  
Undergraduate Research Conference at Florida International University 2024

### **Reviewer**

*Journal of Strategic Security*  
*Cambridge University Press*  
*Florida International University Undergraduate Research Journal*

### **Media Appearances**

Melendez, David, "Exploring the Internet's on Politics: Honors Alumnus & Faculty Fellow Dr. Garrett Pierman Transforms Dissertation into Published Book. Florida International University Honors College Blog. 3 November, 2024.