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Positions held

- April 2016 – present: Associate Professor, School of Political Science and Economics, Waseda University (Japan).
- September 2013 – March 2016: Assistant Professor, School of Political Science and Economics, Waseda University (Japan).
- October 2013 – December 2015: Visiting Research Fellow, Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability, United Nations University (Japan).
- August – September 2013: Research Fellow, Institute for Sustainability and Peace, United Nations University (Japan).
- March 2010 – July 2013: Research Associate, Institute for Sustainability and Peace, United Nations University (Japan).
- July 2008 – February 2010: Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Department of International Politics, Aberystwyth University (UK).

Education

- March 2005 – October 2009: Doctor of Philosophy (Political Science and International Relations), Department of International Relations, Australian National University. Supervisors: Prof. Christian Reus-Smit and Prof. John Dryzek.
- July 2002 – June 2004: Master of International Politics, The University of Melbourne.
- March 1998 – December 2000: Bachelor of Arts (History, Political Science), The University of Melbourne.

Refereed books

- [*The Rise of Democracy: Revolution, War, and Transformations in International Politics since 1776*](#) (Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2015), 264pp.
- Co-editor with Paul Bacon, [*Human Security and Japan's Triple Disaster: Responding to the 2011 Earthquake, Tsunami and Fukushima Nuclear Crisis*](#) (London: Routledge, hardback 2014, paperback 2015), 228pp.
- Co-editor with Paul Bacon and Robin Cameron, [*Human Security and Natural Disasters*](#) (London: Routledge, hardback 2014, paperback 2016), 196pp.
- Co-editor with Milja Kurki, [*The Conceptual Politics of Democracy Promotion*](#) (London: Routledge, hardback 2012, paperback 2016), 258pp.

Publications in refereed journals

- ‘Democratic Peace: Progress and Crisis’, *Perspectives on Politics* (forthcoming), 30pp. Impact Factor: 2.462
- Co-editor and contributor for forum section in *Australian Journal of International Affairs*: ‘The Ethics of Scholarship in a Changing Region’ (forthcoming). Impact Factor: 0.639 [note: forum was not peer-reviewed]
 - with Mathew Davies, ‘[The Ethics of Scholarship in a Changing Region](#)’, 2pp.
 - ‘[Reckoning with our limits](#)’, 4pp.
- ‘Democracy: trap, tragedy or crisis?’, *Political Studies Review*, 13pp. (forthcoming). Impact Factor: 1.214
- ‘[Responding to Failure: The Responsibility to Protect after Libya](#)’, *Millennium*, 44:3 (2016), pp. 433-454. Impact Factor: 0.833
- ‘[Privatizing the War on Drugs](#)’, *Third World Quarterly*, 35:8 (2014), 1441-1456. Impact Factor: 1.434
- Co-editor and contributor for special issue of *International Politics*: ‘[The Existence and Use of “Evil” in International Politics](#)’. Impact Factor: 0.709
 - with Anna Geis, ‘[The Existence and Use of “Evil” in International Politics](#)’, *International Politics*, 51:4 (July 2014), pp. 417-423.
 - ‘[Challenging “Evil”: Continuity and Change in the Drug Prohibition Regime](#)’, *International Politics*, 51:4 (July 2014), pp. 525-542.
- ‘[Addressing Climate Change and Promoting Democracy Abroad: Compatible Agendas?](#)’, *Democratization*, 19:5 (2012), pp. 973-991. Impact Factor: 1.296
- ‘[Liberal Democracy and Beyond: Extending the Sequencing Debate](#)’, *International Political Science Review*, 33:4 (2012), pp. 441-454. Impact Factor: 0.954
- ‘[Towards a Critical Theory of Democratic Peace](#)’, *Review of International Studies*, 37:4 (2011), pp. 1903-1922. Impact Factor: 1.087
- Editor and contributor for roundtable in *International Relations*: ‘[Between the Theory and Practice of Democratic Peace](#)’. Impact Factor: 0.611
 - ‘Introduction’, *International Relations*, 25:2 (2011), pp. 1-4.
 - ‘The Sorcerer’s Apprentice’, *International Relations*, 25:2 (2011), pp. 25-31.
- ‘[The Limits of Liberal Democracy Promotion](#)’, *Alternatives*, 34:4 (2009), pp. 383-405. Impact Factor: 0.275
- ‘[Beyond the End of History: The Need for a “Radical Historicisation” of Democracy in International Relations](#)’, *Millennium*, 37:3 (2009), pp. 631-657. Impact Factor: 0.833
- ‘[Revolution, Representation and the Foundations of Modern Democracy](#)’, *European Journal of Political Theory*, 7:4 (2008), pp. 465-87. Impact Factor: 0.437
- ‘[Democracy as Civilisation](#)’, *Global Society*, 22:1 (2008), pp. 75-95.
- ‘[A Forward Strategy of Freedom in the Middle East: US Democracy Promotion and the “War on Terror”](#)’, *Australian Journal of International Affairs*, 59:1 (2005), pp. 39-53. Impact Factor: 0.639

- ['Rethinking Democracy: The End of Democratic Transitions?'](#), *Melbourne Journal of Politics*, 29 (2003/04), pp. 56-67.

Book chapters

- 'Democracy and the Death Penalty' in Anthony Newell and Mark Jewel (eds), *Language, Economics, and Politics: 12 Perspectives* (Tokyo: Waseda University Press, 2016), 97-105.
- with Paul Bacon, 'Human Security Comes Home: Responding to Japan's Triple Disaster' in Paul Bacon and Christopher Hobson (eds), *Human Security and Japan's Triple Disaster* (London: Routledge, 2014), pp. 1-21.
- 'Hidden Insecurities: The Workers of Fukushima Dai-ichi' in Paul Bacon and Christopher Hobson (eds), *Human Security and Japan's Triple Disaster* (London: Routledge, 2014), pp. 59-71.
- 'Life after the Triple Disaster: Human Security and the Future' in Paul Bacon and Christopher Hobson (eds), *Human Security and Japan's Triple Disaster* (London: Routledge, 2014), pp. 198-207.
- with Paul Bacon, 'Incorporating Natural Disasters into the Human Security Agenda', in Christopher Hobson, Paul Bacon and Robin Cameron (eds), *Human Security and Natural Disasters* (London: Routledge, 2014), pp. 1-21.
- 'Human Security after the shock: Vulnerability and Empowerment' in Christopher Hobson, Paul Bacon and Robin Cameron (eds), *Human Security and Natural Disasters* (London: Routledge, 2014), pp. 22-36.
- 'Human Security and *Fortuna*: Preparing for Natural Disasters' in Christopher Hobson, Paul Bacon and Robin Cameron (eds), *Human Security and Natural Disasters* (London: Routledge, 2014), pp. 181-188.
- 'Democracy, Democratization and the Death Penalty' in Madoka Futamura and Nadia Bernaz (eds), *The Politics of the Death Penalty in Countries in Transition* (London: Routledge, 2013), pp. 29-46.
- with Milja Kurki, 'Democracy Promotion as a Practice of Liberal World Order' in Tim Dunne, Trine Flockhart and Marjo Koivisto (eds), *Liberal World Orders* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2013), pp. 193-210.
- 'Democracy Promotion' in Stephen Stockwell and Benjamin Isakhan (eds), *The Edinburgh Companion to the History of Democracy* (Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2012), pp. 455-466.
- with Milja Kurki, 'Introduction: the Conceptual Politics of Democracy Promotion' in Christopher Hobson and Milja Kurki (eds), *The Conceptual Politics of Democracy Promotion* (London: Routledge, 2011), pp. 1-15.
- with Milja Kurki, 'Conclusion: Reflections on a New Approach in a New Era of Democracy Promotion' in Christopher Hobson and Milja Kurki (eds), *The Conceptual Politics of Democracy Promotion* (London: Routledge, 2011), pp. 215-223.
- 'Escaping the Liberal Straitjacket: Re-examining Democracy's History' in Joe Hoover, Meera Sabaratnam and Laust Schouenborg (eds), *Interrogating Democracy in World Politics* (London: Routledge, 2011), pp. 66-81.

Other publications

- [‘Rebuilding Trust after Fukushima’](#), Fukushima Global Communication Programme Working Paper Series, Number 4, March 2015.
- [‘What Role for Nuclear Power in Japan’s Future?’](#), *Japan Focus*, 7 July 2014.
- [‘Rethinking Human Security after the 2011 Tohoku Earthquake, Tsunami and Nuclear Accident’](#), Fukushima Global Communication Programme Working Paper Series, Number 1, March 2014.
- with Andrew DeWit, [‘Abe at Ground Zero: the consequences of inaction at Fukushima Daiichi’](#), *Japan Focus*, 2 September 2013.
- ‘Foreword’ for Suman Ranjan Sensarma and Atanu Sarkar (eds), *Disaster Risk Management: Conflict and Cooperation* (New Delhi: Concept Publishing, 2013).
- with Jeff Bridoux and Milja Kurki, [‘Rethinking Democracy Support’](#), Policy Paper (Tokyo: UNU Press, 2012).
 - Report included on the [United Nations global issues page for democracy](#).
- [‘Review: The Secret History of Democracy, edited by Benjamin Isakhan and Stephen Stockwell’](#), *Global Change, Peace & Security*, 24:1 (2012), pp. 193-194.
- [‘Review: The Life and Death of Democracy by John Keane’](#), *International Affairs*, 86:2 (2010), pp. 557-558.

All of my opinion pieces can be read on my website:

<http://christopherhobson.net/opinion/>

Teaching experience

- Undergraduate courses taught at Waseda University:
 - Ethics and World Politics (fall semester 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016)
 - Democracy, Peace and War (spring semester 2014, 2015, 2016)
 - Introduction to International Relations (fall semester 2014, 2015, 2016)
 - Gender in Global Politics (spring semester 2015, 2016)
 - Advanced Seminar (fall and spring semesters 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016)
 - Intermediate Seminar (spring and fall semesters 2014, 2015, 2016)
 - Theories of International Relations (spring semester 2014)
 - Contemporary Security Challenges (fall semester 2013)
 - Fresh-Start Seminar (fall semester 2013)
- Postgraduate teaching at UNU:
 - Introduction to Interdisciplinary Research course (fall semester 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013)
 - Peace and Security Research Methods module (spring semester 2011, 2012)
 - Masters thesis supervision (July 2011 – September 2013)
- Member of Waseda EDESSA (English-based Degree Studies September Admission Program) Committee, September 2013 – present.
- Member of UNU Postgraduate Programme Committee, April 2010 – September 2013.

- Co-convenor for ‘Peace and Human Rights’ intensive course, UNU international courses, May-June 2010.
- Convenor for ‘Introduction to International Relations’ short course at ANU (January 2006, July 2006, July 2007, January 2008)
- Tutor for ‘International Relations Theory’ postgraduate course, Graduate Studies in International Affairs programme, ANU, February – June 2006.
- Successfully completed the Graduate Teaching Programme, The Graduate School, ANU, February – June 2006.

Awards and grants (2004 – present)

- Waseda University Special Research Projects Grant B, 2016: ¥480,000.
- Waseda University Grant for Special Research Projects, 2016: ¥210,000.
- Waseda University Grant for Newly-Hired Faculty, 2014: ¥210,000.
- University of Sydney Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, 2014: 3 year research only position, one of 10 fellowships offered across the university (subsequently declined).
- Part of a successful funding application that received a grant from the Japanese government for the ‘Fukushima Global Communication Programme’, valued at ¥70,000,000 per year for 3 years. Awarded 2013.
- International Studies Association Conference Travel Grant, 2013. US\$250.
- Co-recipient with Waseda University of an ‘Intellectual Exchange Conferences’ Grant, Japan Foundation, 2011. ¥1,928,000.
- Australian Endeavour Fellowship, 2008. AU\$25,000 (subsequently declined).
- International Studies Association Conference Travel Grant, 2007. US\$500.
- Full scholarship for ‘Introduction to Conceptual History’ summer school course, The University of Helsinki, August 2006. €1,000 (approx).
- Australian Postgraduate Award, 2005-08. AU\$66,000 (approx) over 3.5 years.
- ANU Supplementary Scholarship, 2005-08. AU\$17,500 over 3.5 years.
- William MacMahon Ball Prize for International Relations, The University of Melbourne, 2004. AU\$150.
- ANU Summer Research Scholarship, 2004. AU\$1,500 (approx).

Media appearances (selected)

- Al Jazeera (video), NHK (video), Reuters (video), Australian Broadcasting Corporation (radio, video), Monocle (radio).

Referees available on request