

# Henry Sivak

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## Interests

Globalization, geopolitics, cities and urbanism in the Balkans.

## Education

**University of California – Los Angeles** Los Angeles, CA

PhD, Dept. of Geography 08/2008

Committee: Professors John Agnew, N. Entrikin, D. Cosgrove GPA: 3.91

**Simon Fraser University**

Burnaby, BC

MA, School of Communication

09/1998 – 06/2002

Director: Professor Patricia Howard

GPA: 3.91

**McGill University**

Montreal, Canada

BA, Dept. of English

01/1993 – 10/1996

GPA: 3.56

## Awards

Instructional Faculty Teaching Award, SPGS, ASU. 2023

Professor of Impact Award, ASU. 2023

Michael Mitchell Teaching Award (SPGS, ASU). 2017

Chancellor's Fellowship (Dept. of Geography, UCLA). 2008 – 09

Nominated 7x for College Outstanding Lecturer Award, ASU. 2015 – '25

## Publications

Sivak, Henry. "Legal Geographies of Catastrophe: Forests, Fires, and Property in Colonial Algeria." *The Geographical Review* 104, no. 4 (2013): 556–74. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1931-0846.2013.00020.x>.

Puleo, Thomas J, and Henry Sivak. "Introduction: The Ambivalence of Catastrophe." *The Geographical Review* 103, no. 4 (October 2013): 458–68. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1931-0846.2013.00013.x>.

## IRB honors thesis supervision

**The Criminalization of Humanitarian Organizations in the European Union**

ASU IRB STUDY00019003

Flannery Lindeman (Undergraduate student & co-PI) 11/2023 – 05/2024

Helped student design interview questions for humanitarian aid agencies on trial in Italy in conjunction with humanitarian work.

**Russian Disinformation in Estonia**

ASU IRB STUDY00016680

Sophia Walsh (Undergraduate student & co-PI) 10/2022 – 04/2023  
Helped student design interview questions for Estonian government officials, NGOs, and educators for work on Russian-backed disinformation in the country

**Other honors thesis supervision**

Daniel ErlichHerzog, director, expected 2025; Mia McLaughlin, 2nd reader, expected 2025; Liam Nelson, 2nd reader, expected 2025; Flannery Lindeman, director, 2024; Ashleigh Avellino, 2nd reader, 2024; Sofia Walsh, director, 2023; Max Sullivan, director, 2023; Valeria Cham Castaneda, 2nd reader, 2023; Alexandra Gurr, director, 2022; Rachel Lee, 3rd reader, 2022; Madison Peak, director, 2021; Jamie Horowitz, director, 2021; Karissa Lepley, director, 2020; Ashleigh Parker, 2nd reader, 2020; Tatum James, 2nd reader, 2020; Maria Dooling, director, 2019; Bari Richardson, 2nd reader, 2029; Emily Gough, director, 2018; Chloe Rutledge, director, 2017; Claire Davis, director, 2017; Christopher Dendy, director, 2017; Megan Kelly, director, 2016; Dina Aouad, director, 2016; Gabrielle Cristelli, 2nd reader, 2016; Rebecca Simpson, director, 2014.

**Courses Taught**

**Global Ed. Office and School of Politics & Global Studies, ASU**

POS/SGS 394: Cities, Nationalism, and Borders in Macedonia 2019 – ongoing  
Co-designed and co-taught two-week field course in North Macedonia and Greece (2019, 2023), with extensions into Albania and Bulgaria (2024). Course focuses on urbanization and nationalism in the Southern Balkans. Co-designed and co-taught course in Macedonia, Greece, Albania, and Bulgaria with 10-12 ASU undergraduates. Responsible for planning, coordination, curriculum development, and grading.

**School of Politics and Global Studies, ASU**

*SGS 370: Geopolitics* 2021-ongoing (online)  
Developed and taught course integrating elements of classical and critical geopolitical thought and practice. Experiential learning components include practical work on secession and self-determination as well as a final research paper.  
*Average student rating: 1/5.*

*SGS 303: Populism* Summer 2024 (online)  
Topics and description of your responsibilities. Aliquam volutpat est vel massa. Sed dolor lacus, imperdiet non, ornare non, commodo eu, neque.  
*Average student rating: 1.09/5.*

*SGS/POS 394: Model UN* 2024-ongoing (in-person)

Designed and taught class with focus on experiential learning, simulation, and the development of professional skills. Worked with ASU Model UN club to organize and chair activities. Experiential learning components include ongoing MUN simulations, politics papers, and work on public speaking skills.

*Average student rating: 1.18/5.*

SGS204: Global Professional Career Dev.      Spring 2019 - ongoing (in-person)  
Developed course around core career and professional development skills, including resume and cover letter writing, career path research, and planning. Experiential components include ongoing work on public speaking skills, peer review, and mock job interviews.

*Average student rating: 1.18/5.*

SGS204: Global Professional Career Dev.      Fall 2019 - ongoing (online)  
Developed course around core career and professional development skills, including resume and cover letter writing, career path research, and planning. Experiential components include ongoing work on public speaking skills, peer review, and mock job interviews. Adapted course curriculum for 'non-traditional' students to avoid redundancies and incorporate more long-term career planning.

*Average student rating: 1.31/5.*

SGS484: Internship      Fall 2017 - ongoing (online and in-person)  
Organized and coordinate internship and study abroad requirements for SGS students. Experience in problem-solving for online student community and for students unable to travel.

SGS101: Thinking Globally.      Fall 2009 - ongoing (in-person)  
Developed course as an introduction to globalization and the social sciences. Experiential learning components include data visualization with World Bank data, human rights reporting, mapping/charting assignments, and student-led discussions.

*Average student rating: 1.56/5.*

SGS101: Thinking Globally.      Fall 2012 - ongoing (online)  
Developed course as an introduction to globalization and the social sciences. Experiential learning components include data visualization with World Bank data, human rights reporting, mapping/charting assignments, and student-led discussions.

*Average student rating: 1.23/5.*

## Positions

**Arizona State University**, School of Politics & Global Studies      Tempe, AZ  
Associate Teaching Professor      Fall 2022-ongoing

**Arizona State University**, School of Politics and Global Studies Tempe, AZ  
Senior Lecturer 2019- 2022

**Arizona State University**, School of Politics and Global Studies Tempe, AZ  
Lecturer 2011-2019

**Arizona State University**, School of Politics and Global Studies Tempe, AZ  
Instructor 2011-2019

**UCLA**, Department of Geography Los Angeles, CA  
Instructor 2008-2009

## Skills

### **Programming**

Familiar with: R, R Markdown, LaTeX.

### **Languages**

English (native), French (C2), Bosnian-Croatian-Serbian (A2)