

RYAN M. LOWRY

EDUCATION

M.A., Political Science, December 2010

University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Thesis: *And Justice for All: Developing Rule of Law in the Balkans*

B.A., International Studies, May 2008

University of Nebraska - Lincoln

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Specialist, 2011-present

University of Nebraska Public Policy Center, Lincoln, NE

- Project management and evaluation:
 - Nebraska State Citizen Corps/Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator**
 - Liaison between local, state, and federal emergency management disaster preparedness programs
 - Evaluate grant proposals from local government entities for Homeland Security Grant funds
 - Present program recommendations to state advisory bodies
 - Provide technical assistance to local disaster preparedness and response programs
 - Coordinate program goals with local, state, and federal stakeholders
 - Deliver disaster preparedness and response training
 - Monitor and assess local disaster preparedness programs
 - Partner with other agencies and organizations to coordinate disaster response efforts
 - Prepare written reports and correspondence for grant funders and state elected officials
- Online curriculum development:
 - Nebraska Disaster Psychological First Aid
 - Nebraska Department of Education: Building a Suicide-Safe School Community
- Facilitation:
 - Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) workshop
 - Analyze THIRA process for improvement
 - Municipal Climate Adaptation Planning workshop: workshop to discuss best practices of local state and federal stakeholders
 - Taking Charge community budget workshop: facilitate community discussion of city budget for Lincoln, NE
- Survey design, administration, and analysis:
 - Nebraska Department of Natural Resources Communications Survey (Statewide)
 - Whole Community Preparedness Survey (Omaha metro)
- Data collection and analysis:
 - Science and Innovation Policy (SciSIP) project (National Science Foundation funded)
- State Department research assistance:
 - Fact checking for Office of Global Hunger and Food Security Initiative

Editor (remote), 2010-2012

Regional Centre for Minorities, Belgrade, Serbia

- Edited English translation of content used for website, videos, reports, and educational materials

Graduate Research Assistant, 2009-2010

University of Nebraska Department of Political Science, Lincoln, NE

- Research, editing, and preparation for several manuscripts:
 - *Who Counts as an American?* by Dr. Elizabeth Theiss-Morse
 - *The International Community and Statebuilding: Getting Its Act Together?* edited by Dr. Patrice McMahon and Dr. Jon Western
 - *The NGO Game: Post-Conflict Peacebuilding in the Balkans and Beyond* by Dr. Patrice McMahon
- Conference planning and organization:
 - *Building Coalitions to Build States: The Lessons of the Balkans, Iraq, and Afghanistan*, speakers included Ambassador James Dobbins and Ambassador Ronald Neumann
- Facilitated activities for faculty and students for the Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs program

Functional Analyst, 2003-2008

Perot Systems, Lincoln, NE

- Assisted with departmental transition to digital workflow process
- Coordinated with overseas partners to perform data entry services

PUBLICATIONS

“Bittersweet Realities: Field Research, Human Rights, and Questioning Intentions”. (2019) with Laura Roost, Patrice C. McMahon, and Chantal Kalisa. In: *Art from Trauma: Genocide and Healing Beyond Rwanda*. Rangira Béa Gallimore and Gerise Herndon, eds. Lincoln, NE: University of Nebraska Press.

“Tri-County Whole Community Preparedness Survey”. (2018) with Denise Bulling. Lincoln, NE: University of Nebraska Public Policy Center.

“Home Court Advantage? Domestic Trials and Transitional Justice in Bosnia-Herzegovina”. (2010) with Patrice C. McMahon. In: *The Development of Institutions of Human Rights: A Comparative Study*. Lilian A. Barria and Steven D. Roper, eds. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Creating Resilient Communities: Using a Multi-Pronged Approach to Deliver Psychological First Aid to Increase Capacity and Address Behavioral Health Needs Following a Disaster” presented at the *National Association of County and City Health Officials Annual Conference*, New Orleans, LA, July 2018.

“Disaster Psychological First Aid: An Online Approach to Volunteer Readiness” poster presented at the *National Association of County and City Health Officials Preparedness Summit*, Atlanta, GA, April 2018.

“Partnering to Deliver Volunteer Management Training: Increasing Nebraska’s Capacity to Respond to Disasters” poster presented at the *Extension Disaster Education Network Annual Meeting*, Moline, IL, September 2017.

“Divided Justice? The Role of Kin-states on Bosnia’s Criminal Justice Sector” presented at *The Association for the Study of Nationalities World Convention*, New York, NY, April 2010.

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, 2009

The Hague, The Netherlands

Preliminary research at the ICTY, observing trial proceedings, conducting interviews with trial judges, members of the prosecution and defense teams, and other members of the Tribunal’s support staff

Language and Cultural Study, 2009

Zagreb, Croatia

Croatian language immersion program including daily classroom study and cultural excursions

HONORS & AWARDS

McPhee Fellowship (\$1,000), 2009

Awarded to study at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Proficient in Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Outlook), Qualtrics Survey Software
Knowledgeable in SPSS and SAS statistical software