

# Cassidy Bigham

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## EDUCATION

### University of Georgia

*Master of International Policy*

*Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and International Affairs*

School of Political Science and International Affairs

Honors: Magna Cum Laude, Summa Cum Laude (Expected Spring 2024)

Athens, GA

Expected Spring 2024

3.84/4.00 Spring 2023

## PROJECT EXPERIENCE

### Trade & Security Policy

Spring 2023

- Studied U.S. Government regulatory policy of the International Traffic in Arms Regulation (ITAR), Export Administration Regulations (EAR), and the policy of the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS)
- Analyzed international agreements and organizations surrounding dual-use and controlled items
- Completed export control reports to identify if an item met control list specifications
- Coordinated with peers to formulate policy recommendations on US strategic trade controls

### Technical Background on Controlled & Dual-Use Technology

Fall 2023

- Examined technical aspects as to why certain items are controlled by reviewing 30+ government reports
- Evaluated the challenges to importing & exporting items that require licensing and suggested policy adaptations
- Presented on the challenges of emerging technologies and licensing requirements to 25 graduate students

### Data Analytics

Spring 2023

- Delivered weekly coding projects in Stata, including statistical analysis, the creation of charts, graphs, and maps to communicate policy recommendations in a visual way in addition to written and oral presentations
- Coded 10,000+ Tweets using X (formerly Twitter) Application Programming Interface
- Compiled data sheets into data visuals for a presentation of policy recommendations
- Recommended social media policy changes for NGOs by analyzing the effect of Tweets on brand messaging

## INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

### International Policy Pathway

Athens, GA

*Center of International Trade and Security (CITS)*

Fall 2022-Spring 2024

- Pursued policy and research projects that align with nuclear nonproliferation and energy security
- Connected with alumni working in private and public sectors
- Weekly synthesized 300+ pages of readings into key insights, critiques, and discussion points

### Study Abroad

Dublin, Ireland

*Center for the Study of Global Issues (GLOBIS)*

Summer 2022

- Collaborated to understand incentives of repression and dissent within Northern Ireland and the European Union
- Analyzed 15+ cases of human rights abuses in Europe & delivered policy suggestions for human rights violations
- Engaged with locals about their experience with the division of Ireland and Northern Ireland
- Qualitative coding project analyzing the founding charters of European human rights institutions

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### SPIA Survey Research Center

Athens, GA

*Interviewer*

Fall 2022-Spring 2023

- Conducted over 5,000 phone interviews with respondents in the states of Georgia and Virginia
- Maintained the integrity of interviews by following the survey format to avoid accidental bias
- Demonstrated commitment to confidentiality by maintaining discretion with sensitive data

## TECHNICAL & LANGUAGE SKILLS

High Proficiency in MS Office

Arch Ready Certificate

Professional Communication Skills

High Proficiency in Qualtrics

Canva Proficiency

Data Visualization

Organizational & Planning Skills

Familiarity coding in Stata

Basic Spanish