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CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

City University of New York (CUNY) School of Law, New York City (2010–present)
(Early) Tenure & Full Professor of Law; Co-Director of the Human Rights and Gender Justice (HRGJ) Clinic

Current Courses

- *HRGJ Clinic* (2010–present). Co-direct and co-teach 16-credit, year-long legal research and writing-intensive clinic on international criminal law, international human rights law and gender discrimination; 10-credit HRGJ Clinic in CUNY Law’s part-time program every other year.
- *Pro Bono Scholars (PBS) Seminar* (2018–present). Co-direct the Pro Bono Scholars Program, which allows students in their final year of law school to devote their last semester of study to performing pro bono services through externship placements for 12 academic credits. Co-teach weekly seminar class and co-supervise externship placements.

Law School Service

- *Faculty Chair and Co-Founder, Institute for Gender, Law, and Transformative Peace* (2023–present). Nobel Laureate Leymah Gbowee serves as Executive Director. The Institute promotes the leadership of women and LGBTQI+ persons who face intersecting forms of discrimination, including on grounds of race, ethnicity, and disability in conflict or other crisis settings.

CUNY Law Academic Delegations, Symposia and Experts Workshops

CUNY Law Academic Delegations (2014–present). Delegations provide CUNY Law faculty and students opportunities to travel and exchange best practices with lawyers, experts and advocates in country. Previous delegations include travel to the Hague, the Netherlands; Geneva, Switzerland; Bogota, Colombia; Cali, Colombia; Istanbul, Turkey and; Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

Faces of Resilience, a CUNY Law & LaGuardia College Collaborative Photo Exhibit (2019–present). Portraits of global human rights defenders presented in the first-floor windows of the Law School. Exhibits include: *Afro-Colombian Women Human Rights Defenders*, (Spring 2020); *LGBTIQ Rights Activists Globally*, (Spring 2019); *Afghan Women’s Rights Defenders* (Spring 2023) (organized with Professor Maureen Drennan, LaGuardia College).

OutSummit: Pushing the Boundaries for Global LGBTIQ Activism (2015–present). This conference brings together international and US-based LGBTIQ+ advocates, policy makers and

donors to address legal issues and social attitudes about sexual orientation, gender identity and intersex issues globally (organized with OutRight International).

Reimagining Justice for Gender-Based Crimes under International Law: Annual Experts Workshop Series (2016–present). Annual workshop series that brings together legal experts in the field of international criminal and human rights law to discuss legal issues concerning recognition of and accountability for gender-based harms.

The Abraham & Rachel Slatkin-Belsky Distinguished Lecture Series (2014-2018). This five-year annual lecture series presented the CUNY Law School Dean’s Social Justice Award. Past honorees include: Fatou Bensouda, then-Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court (Nov. 2017); Myrna Cunningham, President of Center for Autonomy and Development of Indigenous Peoples (Apr. 2017); Charlotte Bunch, Distinguished Professor and inductee into the National Women’s Hall of Fame (Mar. 2015); Madeleine Rees, OBE, Secretary General, the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (Mar. 2014).

General Law School and University-Wide Service

- Faculty advisor, CUNY Law Review, 2012–present
- Faculty representative, CUNY LGBTQI+ Council, 2021–present
- Faculty member, Human Rights Hub at CUNY, of the Ralph Bunche Institute for International Studies, 2022–present
- Founding faculty advisor, Sorensen Center on International Peace & Justice, 2014–2023
- Advisory board member, LGBT Social Science & Public Policy Center, Roosevelt House Public Policy Institute, Hunter College, 2015–2019
- Advisory board member, Chancellor’s CUNY-Wide Initiative on Haiti, 2011–2014

CURRENT INTERNATIONAL APPOINTMENT

Special Adviser on Gender Persecution to the International Criminal Court (2021–present)

Mandate is to advise the International Criminal Court (ICC) Prosecutor on legal issues relating to the commission of gender persecution crimes at all stages of prosecutorial procedure, including preliminary examinations, investigations, trials, and appeals; conduct trainings and seminars; engage in legal research, and draft memoranda; attend the ICC Assembly of States Parties, conferences, and events in coordination with the Office. Travel on delegations; provide trainings to various accountability mechanisms and staff.

- Drafted the [Policy on the Crime of Gender Persecution](#) for the Office of the Prosecutor.
- Organized the ICC Office of the Prosecutor [Roundtable on Gender Persecution](#).
- Featured in the [Just Security Blog Post Series](#) on the ICC Policy on Gender Persecution, featuring experts contributions on the crime of gender persecution. This series is coupled with the [PILPG Experts Roundtable Webinar Series](#) on Gender Persecution.
- Delegations member, providing in-country trainings and workshop presentations.
- Member of the Advisory Committees for the 2023 Sexual and Gender-Based Crimes Policy and the Policy on Children.

FORMER ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Fulbright Scholar, Leiden University School of Law, the Netherlands (2022)

Visiting Professor of Law, *Gender Persecution: Contemporary Theory and Practice for Advocates* course. Taught theoretical underpinnings and practical legal applications for addressing the crime against humanity of persecution on the grounds of gender. Guest-lectured in the LL.M. program in public international law.

Columbia School of International and Public Affairs (2016–2017)

Visiting Professor, *Armed Conflict: Women and LGBTIQ Advocates* course for MA and JD students. Lectures included international human rights law, gender & conflict, and regional perspectives in gender and skills on interviewing, documenting, professional responsibility, ethics, research and writing.

HONORS & AWARDS

LGBTQ+ Power Players in NY, Gay City News (2022). Honoring New York’s LGBTQ+ Power Players—leaders in government and policymaking, education, healthcare, corporate industry, and social and civic advocacy.

Outstanding Law Professor Award, CUNY Law Review (2018). In recognition of outstanding service as a Law Review Faculty Advisor.

The People’s Choice Gavel Award (2011) Women’s Link Worldwide, Madrid, Spain. In recognition of serving as lead counsel for the Inter-American Commission petition on behalf of displaced Haitian women and girls, which resulted in the Commission’s first-ever precautionary measures decision recognizing state responsibility to prevent third-party gender-based violence.

Tribunal Symbolico Contra Violencia Sexual, en el Marco del Conflicto Armado Colombiano (2011). Honorary Judge, Humanas, Bogotá, Colombia.

SELECTED CITATIONS

Special Jurisdiction for Peace (in Spanish: Jurisdicción Especial para la Paz, JEP), Case 02: Prioritizing the Territorial Situation of Recaurte, Tumaco and Barbacoas (Nariño), Auto No. 03 de la SRVR, fn. 3316 (July 5, 2023).

Human Rights Watch, This Is Why We Became Activists: Violence Against Lesbian, Bisexual and Queer Women and Non-Binary People, pp. 50–51 (2023).

UN General Assembly, Protection Against Violence and Discrimination Based on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity, fn. 63, Doc. A/75/235 (July 27, 2022). Report of the UN Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity.

FIDH & Women’s Initiatives for Gender Justice, *Accountability for Sexual and Gender-Based Crimes at the ICC: An Analysis of Prosecutor Bensouda’s Legacy*, fns. 15, 95 & 97 (June 2021).

Beth Van Schaack and Ronald Slye, *International Criminal Law and Its Enforcement: Cases and Materials*, UNIVERSITY CASEBOOK SERIES, FOURTH EDITION, p. 607 (Foundation Press, 2019), citing the HRGJ Clinic’s submission to the International Law Commission on the draft Crimes against Humanity Convention.

UN Security Council, *Special Adviser and Head of the United Nations Investigative Team to Promote Accountability for Crimes Committed by Da’esh/Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant addressed to the President of the Security Council*, para. 82, Doc. S/2019/878 (Nov. 13, 2019), citing the cooperative agreement between UNITAD and the HRGJ Clinic.

International Law Commission Seventy-first Session Geneva, 29 April–7 June and 8 July–9 August 2019, Fourth report on crimes against humanity, Sean D. Murphy, Special Rapporteur, fn. 204, U.N. Doc. A/CN.4/725 (2019), citing Joint Letter to the Secretary-General from the Human Rights and Gender Justice Clinic at the City University of New York, MADRE, OutRight Action International, and the Center for SocioLegal Research at Universidad de Los Andes School of Law, Bogotá, Colombia (1 December 2018).

Supreme Court of India, *Navtej Singh Johar & Ors. v. Union of India, Ministry of Law and Justice*, Writ Petition (Criminal) No. 76 of 2016, Judgment (2018), fn. 106, citing the HRGJ Clinic’s 2013 joint submission to the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women, in its historic case striking down Penal Code Section 377, which criminalized specific homosexual sexual acts between adults.

SELECTED CASES

UN Committee Against Torture, *Concluding Observations on the Initial Report of Iraq, Advanced Unedited Version*, para. 23 (d) (2015). Legal submission filed before the Committee against Torture on behalf of Iraqi clients arguing for state accountability in cases of private actor violence. In an unprecedented decision, the Committee determined that state agents may be held accountable for resulting third-party gender-based violence in the context of shelter services.

Inter-American Court of Human Rights, *Karen Atala and Daughters v. Chile* (2012). Co-authored the only amicus curiae brief to argue that sexual orientation and gender identity are protected classes under international law. The Court issued a groundbreaking decision, providing for an explicit prohibition of discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity.

Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, *Decision Re: Women and Girls Victims in Haiti* (2010). Served as lead counsel for the petition on behalf of displaced Haitian women and girls facing sexual assault, which resulted in the Commission’s first-ever precautionary measures decision recognizing state responsibility to prevent third-party sexual violence.

PUBLICATIONS

Policy Paper

Policy on the Crime of Gender Persecution, (International Criminal Court, Office of the Prosecutor) (Dec. 2022)

Book & Volume Chapters

Lisa Davis & Marina Kumskova, *The Prosecutor v. Ali Muhammad Ali Abd-Al-Rahman*, chapter in, *FEMINIST JUDGMENTS: RE-IMAGINING THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT*, Louise Chappell, Rosemary Grey, and Kcasey McLoughlin, eds. (Cambridge Univ. Press) (forthcoming 2024)

Lisa Davis & Danny Bradley, *Queering the Crimes Against Humanity Treaty*, chapter in, *GENDER AND LAW RESEARCH*, Rosa Celorio & Alma Beltrán y Puga, eds (Keen Vision Publishing) (forthcoming, 2024)

Lisa Davis & Danny Bradley, *Victory for Women and LGBTIQ Rights under International Criminal Law: Gender in the Draft Crimes against Humanity Treaty*, chapter in, *GENDER AND INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW*, Valerie Oosterveld, Indira Rosenthal, and Susana SáCouto, eds. (Oxford Univ. Press, 2022). Winner of the *Women in International Law Group* of the [American Society of International Law Book Prize](#).

Lisa Davis & Jessica Stern, *WPS and LGBTI Rights*, chapter in, *THE OXFORD HANDBOOK OF WOMEN, PEACE AND SECURITY* (Oxford Univ. Press, 2019). Cited in, UN General Assembly, [Protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity](#) fn. 63, Doc. A/75/235 (July 27, 2022)

Lisa Davis & Cassandra Atlas, *Grassroots Women's Participation in Addressing Conflict and Genocide: Case Studies from the MENA Region and Latin America*, chapter in, *WOMEN AND GENOCIDE* (Indiana Univ. Press, 2018)

Lisa Davis, *The Gendered Dimensions of Torture: Rape and other Forms of Gender-Based Violence as Torture under International Law*, chapter in, *TORTURE AND ITS DEFINITION IN INTERNATIONAL LAW: AN INTER-DISCIPLINARY APPROACH* (Oxford Univ. Press, 2017)

MADRE, CUNY School of Law, BAI, IJDH, & Lisa Davis, et al, *Our Bodies Are Still Trembling*, chapter in, *TECTONIC SHIFTS: HAITI SINCE THE EARTHQUAKE* (Kumarian Press, North Am. Congress on Latin America, 2012)

Law Review Articles

Lisa Davis, *Dusting Off the Law Books: Recognizing Gender Persecution in Conflicts and Atrocities*, 20 NW. J. HUM. RTS 1 (2021)

Jonathan O'Donohue, Indira Rosenthal, Rosemary Grey, Lisa Davis & Dorine Llanta, *Gender-Based Persecution as a Crime Against Humanity: The Road Ahead*, J. OF INT'L. CRIM. JUSTICE, OXFORD UNIV. PRESS (2019)

Lisa Davis, *Reimagining Justice for Gender Crimes at the Margins: New Legal Strategies for Prosecuting ISIS Crimes Against Women and LGBTI Persons*, 24 WM. & MARY J. WOMEN & L. 175 (2018). Reposted by TALKINGABOUTTERRORISM.COM

Lisa Davis, *ISIL, Sexual Violence, the Syrian Conflict, and the Way Forward: Women's Inclusion in the Peace Process*, 47 N.Y.U. J. INT'L. L. & POL. 1 (2016)

Lisa Davis, *Iraqi Women Confronting ISIL: Protecting Women's Rights in the Context of Conflict*, 22 SW. J. INT'L. L. 27 (2016)

Lisa Davis, *Still Trembling: State Obligation Under International Law to End Post-Earthquake Rape in Haiti*, 64 U. MIAMI L. REV. 2 (2011)

Julie Mertus & Lisa Davis, *Citizenship and Location in a World of Torture*, 10 N.Y. CITY L. REV. 2 (2007)

Journal Essays

Lisa Davis, *Third Party at the Table: Afro-Colombian Women's Struggle for Peace and the Inclusion of a Racial-Gender Justice Analysis in Colombia's Peace Process*, COLUM. HUM. RTS L. REV. VOL. 4, NO. 363 (2020). Mentioned in, CNN, [Colombia needs a leader who'll implement the peace accord. For women, it's a matter of life and death](#) (June 19, 2022)

Lisa Davis, *Afro-Colombian Voices in the Colombian Peace Process: How a Group of Afro-Colombian Women's Rights Activists and New York Law Professors Came Together to Raise Awareness*, 4 COLUM. HUM. RTS L. REV. VOL. 4.2, NO. 247 (2020) (introduction to a special journal edition)

Lisa Davis, *Countering Iraq's Anti-Shelter Policy in the Era of ISIS*, COLUM. UNIV. J. INT'L. AFFAIRS, 70, 2 (2017)

Lisa Davis, *The Global Struggle for LGBTQ Rights: Legal, Political and Social Dimensions*, 37 WOMEN'S RTS L. REP. 262 (2016) (symposium transcript)

Lisa Davis, *Legacy in Action: Honoring the Life Work of Rhonda Copelon*, 14 N.Y. CITY L. REV. 2 (2012) (introduction to a special journal edition)

Lisa Davis, *Inter-American Commission on Human Rights Responds to Demand for Action to End Sexual Violence in Haiti*, LOS ANDES UNIV. LAW SCH., PERIODICO AL DERECHO (Mar. 2012)

Lisa Davis & Blaine Bookey, *Fanm Ayisyen Pap Kase: Respecting the Right to Health of Haitian Women and Girls*, HARV. HEALTH & HUM. RTS J., 13.1 (2011)

Lisa Davis, *Preventing Torture: Implications of General Comment 2: Implementation of Article 2 by States Parties of the U.N. Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment* 11 N.Y. CITY L. REV. 179 (2008) (introduction to a special journal edition)

Editorials

Lisa Davis, *Dusting off the Law Books on the Crime of Gender Persecution*, [JUST SECURITY](#), (May 30, 2023)

Lisa Davis & Yifat Susskind, *As the Virus Unleashes Violence, Women in War-Torn Countries Organize*, [COMMON DREAMS](#) (Apr. 10, 2020)

Lisa Davis, *This Is How We Won a Historic Victory for Women's and LGBTIQ Rights in International Law*, [OPEN DEMOCRACY.NET](#) (June 26, 2019).

Lisa Davis, *New Draft of 'Crimes Against Humanity' Treaty Affirms Protection for Women and LGBTIQ Persons. The Fight Wasn't Easy--and It Isn't Over Yet*, [COMMON DREAMS](#) (June 24, 2019)

Lisa Davis, *Will the New Crimes Against Humanity Treaty Protect Women and LGBTI Persons?* [OPEN DEMOCRACY.NET](#) (Sept. 21, 2018). Reposted by [TRUTHOUT.ORG](#) (Sept. 30, 2018)

Lisa Davis, *Survivors Need Shelter, But Shelters Need Legal Protection in Iraq*, [COMMON DREAMS](#) (Mar. 21, 2018)

Lisa Davis, *Prosecuting ISIS Crimes Against Women and LGBTIQ People Would Set a Crucial Precedent*, [OPEN DEMOCRACY.NET](#) (Feb. 1, 2018). Cited by *The Me Too Movement in the Middle East*, [INTERNATIONAL VIEWPOINT](#) (Feb. 19, 2019)

Yifat Susskind & Lisa Davis, *Standing Our Ground at the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)*, [OPEN DEMOCRACY.NET](#) (Feb. 4, 2017)

Lisa Davis, *To Protect People Fleeing Mosul, Undo Iraq's Anti-Shelter Policy*, [THE HUFFINGTON POST](#) (Oct. 21, 2016)

Lisa Davis, *Who's Missing From Syria's Peace Talks?*, [OPEN DEMOCRACY.NET](#) (Jan. 29, 2016)

Lisa Davis, *John Kerry, Where Are Women's Voices in the Syria Peace Talks?*, [OPEN DEMOCRACY.NET](#) (Dec. 18, 2015)

Lisa Davis, *Lifting the Ban on Women's Shelters in Iraq*, [OPEN DEMOCRACY.NET](#) (Oct. 14, 2015)

Lisa Davis, *Why Are So Many Syrian Children Being Left Stateless?*, [OPEN DEMOCRACY.NET](#) (July 1, 2015)

Lisa Davis, *Syrian Women Refugees: Out of the Shadows*, [OPEN DEMOCRACY.NET](https://www.opendemocracy.net) (June 15, 2014)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Preventing Sexual Violence Initiative (PSVI), Steering Board Member, UK Foreign Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), 2022–present

JRR-UN Women, Sexual and Gender-Based Violence Justice Experts Roster, 2018–present

Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program, Peer Review Committee Member for applications received for the 2024-2025 competition

American Society of International Law (ASIL), Annual Meeting Committee Member 2023- 2024

MADRE, Senior Legal Advisor, Co-Chair, Legal Strategies Advisory Committee, 2018-2023

Fulbright Commission, the Netherlands, Selection Panel Committee Member for applications received for the 2023-2024 competition

W7 Group of the G7 Process, Accountability Working Group Member. The W7 (Women 7) Group is the official “engagement group” on women and LGBTQI+ issues for the G7 (Group of Seven) government discussion forum, 2022

Commentator, Murad Code: Global Code of Conduct for Documenting Conflict-Related Sexual Violence, 2021 & 2022

Member, USAID: Human Rights Advisory Group for Evidence Gap Map, 2021

Clooney Foundation for Justice, Legal Expert, 2021

Commentator, The International Protocol on the Documentation and Investigation of Sexual Violence in Conflict (PSVI Protocol), 2014 & 2017

Committee Member, American Bar Association, International Human Rights, 2011–2013

Coordinator, Lawyers’ Earthquake Response Network (LERN), 2010–2013

Committee Member, New York City Bar Association, International Human Rights, 2010–2012

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS (2018–present)

Academic Keynotes

- Leiden Law School, *Inaugural Spring Lecture*, The Hague, the Netherlands, Feb. 2022
- Embassy of Australia to the Netherlands, *Prosecuting Sexual and Gender-Based Crimes at the ICC*, June 2019
- Universidad Militar Nueva Granada Law School, *Tensiones Transformadores del Derecho*, Bogota, Colombia, Sept. 2018
- NYU Law School, *Law Women's Fifth Annual Summit*, Feb. 2017

Academic Speaking Engagements

- Guest Lecturer, Leiden University Law School, Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity in International Law: Human Rights and Beyond Summer Course, 2016–present
- International Law Association, The ICC's Gender Persecution Policy: Definitions; Implementation; Way Forward, Oct. 2023
- Panelist, American Society of International Law, Women in International Law Interest Group (WILIG), *The ICC Policy on Gender Persecution*, Apr. 2023
- Panelist, Georgetown Law School, Samuel Dash Conference on Human Rights, *Conflict-Related Sexual Violence*, Apr. 2023
- Panelist, American Society of International Law, *A Hopeful Conversation: Overcoming impunity for sexual and gender-based violence*, Apr. 2023
- Guest Speaker, University of Tasmania, Faculty of Law, *Gender Persecution as an International Crime*, Mar. 2023
- Guest Speaker, University of Sydney Law School, *The Crime Against Humanity of Gender Persecution*, Mar. 2023
- Guest Speaker, University of Queensland, Faculty of Law, *Holding Gender-Based Crimes Accountable Under International Law*, Mar. 2023
- Presenter, American Society of International Law, Mid-Year Meeting, *Gender Persecution Under the Rome Statute*, Nov. 2022
- Panelist, George Washington University Law School, Gender, Sexuality & International Law Seminar, *Denying International Law: LGBTQI Rights Mobilization*, Oct. 2021
- Panelist, American Association of Law Schools, 2021 Conference on Clinical Legal Education, *From #MeToo to #RealChange: Addressing Gender Violence at the Community Level*, Apr. 2021
- Panelist, American Society of International Law, Annual Meeting, *Has International Law Lived Up to Its Promise in Advancing the Rights of Women and Girls*, June 2020
- Panelist, Oxford Handbook of Women, Peace and Security, book launch, *Contributors WPS Toward 2020: Challenges and Opportunities Workshop*, Apr. 2019
- Commentator, NYU Law School, the 16th Annual International Law and Human Rights Emerging Scholarship Conference, *Reparations for Violations of Reproductive Rights: A Conceptual Re-Evaluation*, Apr. 2019
- Panelist, Universidad de Los Andes Law School, *Protección de los Derechos de las Mujeres y Personas LGBTI Bajo el nuevo Tratado de Crímenes de Lesa Humanidad* Oct. 2018
- Panelist, Princeton University, Lichtenstein Institute, *Building a Gender Inclusive Response to Sexual Violence in Conflict*, May 2018
- Commentator, Roosevelt House Public Policy Institute, *Book Launch with Amy Adamczyk: Cross-National Public Opinion about Homosexuality*, Apr. 2018

- Presenter, Columbia University Human Rights Seminar, *The Gendered Dimensions of Torture: Rape as Torture under International Law*, Dec. 2016
- Panel Event, Roosevelt House Public Policy Institute, *When Coming Out Is a Death Sentence: Policy Strategies to Address the Persecution of LGBT Persons under ISIS*, Nov. 2015
- Moderator, NYU Law School, *Women's Rights and Access to Justice in Pluralistic Legal Societies Symposium, Panel II: Mexico*, Nov. 2015
- Panelist, Cardozo Law School, Human Rights Clinicians Conference: Collaborating & Communicating to Maximize Resources & Impact in Today's Law School Climate, *Balancing Skills, Substance and Sensitive Topics in the Seminar*, June 2015
- Panelist, Columbia Law School, Engaging the Inter-American Human Rights System for US Advocacy Symposium, *Leveraging Success and Deepening Impact*, June 2015
- Panelist, Rutgers Law School, The Global Struggle for Human Rights: Legal and Political Dimensions Symposium, *Pioneering Legal Strategies in the Global LGBTQ Movement*, 2015
- Panelist, Southwestern Law School, The Global Struggle for Women's Equality Symposium, *Combating Women's Inequality with International Human Rights Law*, Feb. 2015

United Nations, Government and Accountability Mechanisms Speaking Engagements

- Independent Association of Accountability Mechanisms Network (IAMNET), 20th Annual Meeting, Session Three Plenary: Gender-Based Violence, "Taking a Community-Centric Approach to Independent Accountability Mechanisms" Oct. 2023
- UN Independent International Fact-Finding Mission on the Islamic Republic of Iran, Closed-door Consultation on the Crimes of Gender Persecution and Normative Developments Gender Apartheid, Nov. 2023
- US Institute for Peace, Missing Peace Global Symposium on Conflict-Related Sexual Violence: *A Tenth Anniversary Convening of Scholars, Policymakers, Practitioners & Survivors and Victims*, Nov. 2023
- Permanent Mission of Germany to the UN, "Gender-based violence in international law" panel event, Oct. 2023
- US Institute for Peace, Roundtable on Documentation of Human Rights Violations in Afghanistan, July 2023
- Presenter, Gender Persecution as a Crime against Humanity, United Kingdom, PSVI Unit and Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, June 2023
- Speaker, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), *A Conversation with ICC Special Adviser on Gender Persecution, Professor Lisa Davis*, Apr. 2023
- Panelist, Sexual Violence in Conflict and the Crimes against Humanity Treaty, UK Foreign Service Office, Wilton Park, Mar. 2023
- Presenter, *Prospects for Accountability for Human Rights Violations in Afghanistan* Experts Round Table, Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law & the UN Office of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan, Feb. 2023
- Panelist, Embassies of Sweden, Canada & Colombia and the ICC, *Advancing Accountability for Gender-Based Crimes: The New Policy Paper on Gender-Persecution*, Dec. 2022
- Panelist, ICC, *Roundtable: Crimes Against and Affecting Children*, Nov. 2022
- Speaker, Special Jurisdiction for Peace (Colombia) (Jurisdicción Especial Para La Paz), *Persecution by Gender, Racism and/or Ethnicity in Transitional Justice*, Nov. 2022

- Panelist, W7 Group to the G7, *2022 Women in Review*, Oct. 2022
- Panelist, Permanent UN Missions of Sweden, Canada and the Netherlands, *Launch of the Gender Strategy of the Int'l, Impartial and Independent Mechanism Syria*, Oct. 2022.
- Speaker, Special Jurisdiction for Peace (Colombia) (Jurisdicción Especial Para La Paz), *Questions on the Crime of Gender Persecution* Sept. 2022
- Facilitator, United Kingdom, *Strengthening the International Response to Conflict-Related Sexual Violence (CRSV)*, Wilton Park, UK May 2022
- Panelist, International Criminal Court & Embassy of Sweden, Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute Conference, *Fighting Against Impunity for Gender-Based Crimes: A Policy Paper on Gender Persecution*, Dec. 2021
- Panelist, Paris Peace Forum, *Prevent and Heal: Addressing Physical and Digital Violence Against Women in Times of COVID-19*, Nov. 2021
- Panelist, International Criminal Court, *Violence Based on Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity: Synergies between int'l human rights and int'l criminal justice*, June 2021
- Speaker, Special Jurisdiction for Peace (Colombia) (Jurisdicción Especial Para La Paz), *En el marco de la conmemoración del Día del Orgullo LGBTI*, June 2021
- Speaker, International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism (IIIM) of the UN Human Rights Council, *Gender-Based Persecution in Conflict and Atrocity*, June 2021
- Panelist, Embassy of Finland and Embassy of Argentina, Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute, *Accountability for the Crime of Gender Persecution in Conflict as a Pathway to Survivor Participation in Peace Processes*, Dec. 2020
- Moderator, UN Women, *Film Screening and Discussion: The Prosecutors*, Nov. 2020
- Speaker, Obama Foundation, Girls Opportunity Alliance Network (GOAN), *Confronting Twin Pandemics: Domestic Violence and COVID-19*, Oct. 2020
- Guest Lecturer, The International Institute on Criminal Investigations (IICI), *Investigation of Conflict Related Sexual and Gender Based Crimes* Course, Feb. 2020
- Panelist, Embassy of Canada, Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute, *The Aftermath of ISIL: Gender-Based Violence Survivors and their Communities in Iraq*, Dec. 2019
- Moderator, UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, *A Roundtable Discussion on Accountability for Da'esh Crimes in Iraq and Syria*, Sept. 2019
- Panelist, UN Mission of the Netherlands, *Reimagining Justice: The Draft Crimes Against Humanity Convention*, Oct. 2018
- Presenter, Permanent UN Mission of the Netherlands, discussion with the UN General Assembly 6th and 3rd Committees representatives on the proposed Crimes Against Humanity Convention (CAH), Sept. 2018
- Moderator, Permanent UN Mission of Brazil & the UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, *When Saving Lives is a Crime: How Governments Criminalize Life-Saving Services for Women and LGBTIQ Persons and Harass Their Providers*, Sept. 2018
- Panelist, UN Women & UN Team of Experts on the Rule of Law and Sexual Violence in Conflict, *Accountability for Sexual Violence in Conflict: Identifying gaps in theory and practice of national jurisdictions in the Arab region*, Apr. 2018
- UN Mission of Finland & UN Human Rights Special Procedures Office, *Defending the Right to Life: Securing the Accountability for Violence Against Women and LGBTI Persons in Conflict*, Mar. 2018
- Panelist, Republic of Malta, *SOGIE in Gender Mainstreaming Measures*, Mar. 2018

EXPERT TESTIMONY AND BRIEFINGS

- European Parliament, Meeting of the Subcommittee on Human Rights, Briefing on Afghanistan, Nov. 2022
- UN LGBTI Core Group of States, Briefing on the Forthcoming Policy Paper on Gender Persecution from the Office of the Prosecutor at the International Criminal Court, Closed, High-Level Briefing, co-sponsored by the Permanent Missions of Colombia, Costa Rica, and the United Kingdom, Sept. 2022
- UN Security Council, Informal Experts Group on Women Peace and Security Briefing, Update on Women, Peace and Security in Mali, Apr. 2021
- UN Security Council, Informal Experts Group on Women, Peace and Security Briefing, Update on Women, Peace and Security in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Mar. 2019
- UN Committee Against Torture, Experts Statement for the Thematic Briefing on Domestic Violence as a Form of Torture, Dec. 2018
- UK House of Lords, Committee on Sexual Violence in Conflict, Evidence Session, Oct. 2016
- UN Security Council, Open Debate on the Use of Sexual Violence in Conflict Situations, June 2016
- UN Human Rights Committee, 115th Session, Fifth Periodic Report of Iraq, Oct. 2015, expert testimony on state accountability for third-party violence
- UN Committee Against Torture, 55th Session, Initial Report of Iraq, Aug. 2015, expert testimony on state accountability for third-party violence
- US Congress, Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission, Hearing on aid Delivery and Development Strategies in Haiti, Dec. 2014
- UN Committee to End All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, Pre-Session Working Group, 58th Session, Experts Statements on the Draft General Comment No. 30, Oct. 2013
- UN Committee to End All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, 53rd Session, Experts Statements on the Implementation of Articles 21 and 22 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, Oct. 2012
- US Congress, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Informal Briefing: Haiti Elections, 2011

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Media Highlights

- The Progressive, [Holding the Taliban Accountable](#), Aug. 14, 2023
- CNN, [Colombia needs a leader who'll implement the peace accord. For women, it's a matter of life and death](#), June 19, 2022
- In The Center Podcast: [Exploring the impact of UN mechanisms in addressing conflict-related sexual violence against LGBTI+ populations](#), Mar. 1, 2022
- CCNY Podcast: [Gender Persecution: Women and LGBTIQ Persons in Armed Conflicts with CUNY Law Prof. Lisa Davis](#), July 5, 2021
- Lester Fedder, [The Secret Battle To Save LGBT People From ISIS — And Bring Their Persecutors To Justice](#), BuzzFeed News, June 24, 2019

- Talking about Terrorism, [Legal Strategies for Prosecuting ISIS Crimes against Women and LGBTIQ Persons](#), Nov. 2018
- SUM, Research, Innovation and Creativity at CUNY, *Fighting ISIS Over Gender-Based Crimes: A Legal Approach*, Aug. 29, 2018
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