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## EMPLOYMENT

<b>2011 – present</b>	<b>Trinity College, Dublin</b>	Assistant Professor in Political Science (International Relations) Director, Policy Institute Dep't of Political Science, Trinity College Dublin
<b>2009-2011</b>	<b>New York University</b>	Research Fellow (interdisciplinary research on international law) New York University School of Law
<b>2008-2009</b>	<b>Harvard University</b>	Research Fellow (National Human Rights Institutions) Human Rights Program, Harvard Law School

## EDUCATION

<b>2011</b>	<b>DPhil in Politics</b> Supervisor: PhD Examiners: (Pass/No Revisions)	<b>Nuffield College, University of Oxford</b> Laurence Whitehead (University of Oxford) Nancy Bermeo (University of Oxford) Susan S. Stokes (Yale University)
<b>2006</b>	<b>MPhil Latin American Studies</b> Distinction awarded for MPhil thesis (77)	<b>St. Antony's College, University of Oxford</b>
<b>2002</b>	<b>BScEcon International Politics with Law</b> Distinction awarded for dissertation (77)	<b>Aberystwyth University of Wales</b>

## TEACHING EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE

<b>Teaching expertise:</b>	International relations, international organisations, human rights, comparative politics, Latin American politics
2011 – present	International Relations (PO4700), Democracy and Development (PO3670) (undergraduate); International Human Rights Scholarship and Institutions (PO8016 & PO8018) (postgraduate)

PO4700: second highest rated for student satisfaction in the Department of Political Science, TCD (2012/13 Autumn Term Student Survey): [http://www.tcd.ie/ssp/assets/pdf/Evaluation\\_results\\_top\\_3\\_1213\\_MT.pdf](http://www.tcd.ie/ssp/assets/pdf/Evaluation_results_top_3_1213_MT.pdf)

Candidate in Postgraduate Diploma in Education, Department of Education, Trinity College Dublin

Distinction awarded for assignment Spring Term 2012. Available here: <http://tompegram.com/a-critical-evaluation-of-po4700-contemporary-international-relations/>

2009

Guest lecturer on National Human Rights Institutions, Law School, Harvard University, March 2009

2007 – 2008

Class teacher, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford, Comparative Government (201)

2006 – 2008

Tutor in Comparative Government, Department of Politics, University of Oxford, Comparative Politics 209: Politics in Latin America

2007

Guest lecturer on National Human Rights Institutions in Latin America, Law School, University of Alberta, Canada, October 2007

2006 – 2007

Guest lecturer in democratisation in Latin America, Latin American Centre, St. Antony's College, University of Oxford

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

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Ryan Goodman & Thomas Pegram (eds.) *Human Rights, State Compliance, and Social Change: Assessing National Human Rights Institutions* (Cambridge University Press, 2012)

Thomas Pegram, *The Equality and Human Rights Commission: Challenges and Opportunities*, AHRC Public Policy Series No. 1 (Arts and Humanities Research Council, 2012)

### Articles (peer-review journals)

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Thomas Pegram, 'Weak institutions, rights claims and pathways to compliance: the transformative role of the Peruvian Human Rights Ombudsman,' *Oxford Development Studies*, vol. 39, No. 2, June 2011, 229-250.

Thomas Pegram, 'Diffusion across political systems: the global spread of national human rights institutions,' *Human Rights Quarterly*, vol. 32, No. 3, August 2010, pp. 729-760.

Thomas Pegram, 'Accountability in hostile times: the case of the Peruvian Human Rights Ombudsman 1996-2001,' *Journal of Latin American Studies*, vol. 40, no. 1, February 2008, pp. 51-82.

### Chapters

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Katerina Linos & Thomas Pegram, 'Soft Law at Work: International Standards and the Design of National Human Rights Institutions,' in Ryan Goodman and Beth Simmons (eds.) *Implementing Commitments: The Domestic Effects of Human Rights Treaty Ratification* (Cambridge University Press, in press forthcoming 2013)

Thomas Pegram, 'National human rights institutions and their potential role in prevention and response to mass atrocities in Latin America,' in Monica Serrano (ed.), *Responsibility to*

*Protect in Latin America* (Routledge Press, in press forthcoming 2013)

Thomas Pegram, ‘**The Bolivian Human Rights Ombudsman and Economic, Social and Cultural Rights,**’ in Eva Brems et al. (eds.) *The Role of National Human Rights Institutions in the Protection of Economic and Social Rights* (Intersentia, in press forthcoming 2013)

Thomas Pegram, ‘**National human rights institutions in Latin America: Politics and institutionalization,**’ in Ryan Goodman and Thomas Pegram (eds.), *Human Rights, State Compliance, and Social Change: Assessing National Human Rights Institutions* (Cambridge University Press, 2012)

Ryan Goodman and Thomas Pegram, ‘**Introduction: National human rights institutions, State Conformity, and Social Change,**’ in Ryan Goodman and Thomas Pegram (eds.), *Human Rights, State Compliance, and Social Change* (Cambridge University Press, 2012).

Thomas Pegram, ‘**La Defensoría de los Habitantes de Costa Rica: ¿un puente entre el estado y la sociedad?**’ *Revista Perfiles Latinoamericanos-FLACSO* (Mexico: FLACO, 2012)

Thomas Pegram, ‘**Bridging the Gap: The Defensoría, Informal Institutions and the ‘Accountability Gap’ in Peruvian Politics,**’ in John Crabtree (ed.), *Peruvian Democracy: Old Problems, New Challenges* (Institute for the Study of the Americas, May 2011)

### **Book project under review**

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Thomas Pegram, ‘**Accountability and Human Rights: National Human Rights Institutions in New Democracies.**’ under review with Oxford University Press

### **Work in progress (working titles)**

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Thomas Pegram, ‘**Orchestration at the United Nations: The International Coordinating Committee of National Human Rights Institutions,**’ in preparation for submission

‘**The Politics of Domestic Compliance: International Standards and the Bolivian Human Rights Ombudsman,**’ in preparation for submission

Katerina Linos & Thomas Pegram, ‘**What happens when soft law “hardens”? The Paris Principles and International Human Rights Governance,**’ in preparation for submission

Par Engstrom & Thomas Pegram, ‘**Bridging the Gap: National Human Rights Institutions and Torture Prevention in Latin America,**’ in preparation for submission

### **Articles, reports and opinion pieces**

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Thomas Pegram, ‘**International Standards and Local Reform Outcomes: Assessing the Equality and Human Rights Commission,**’ Equality and Human Rights Commission Project Working Paper Series, Human Rights Consortium (University of London, February 2012)

Thomas Pegram, ‘**Human Rights as a Vocation: A Portrait of Ana María Romero Campero,**’ *Harvard Review of Latin America* (ReVista, Harvard Review of Latin America, Fall 2011)

Thomas Pegram, ‘**The HR Legacy of Brazil's Upcoming Mega-Events**’ *Human Rights & Human Welfare Journal* Roundtable, University of Denver, 9 January 2012

Thomas Pegram, ‘**The U.S. on the Palestinian Statehood Bid: Weighing the Costs**’ *Human Rights & Human Welfare Journal* Roundtable, University of Denver, 12 November 2011

Thomas Pegram, ‘**The UN Security Council on Syria: Radical Change or Continuity?**’  
*Human Rights & Human Welfare Journal* Roundtable, University of Denver, 22 September 2011

Thomas Pegram, ‘**Book review: Accountability politics: Power and Voice in Rural Mexico (by Jonathan Fox),**’ *Revista Latinoamericana de Política Comparada*, vol. 1, 2008, CELAEP: Ecuador.

## **OTHER MEDIA**

Contributor to *The Guardian*

Thomas Pegram, ‘The equality commission deserves our support,’ *guardian.co.uk*, Thursday 6 October 2011

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **University roles and administrative responsibilities**

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- 2012 Director, **Policy Institute**, Trinity College Dublin
- 2012 **Member of Research Committee**, School of Social Sciences and Philosophy
- 2012 Co-organiser **Departmental Reading Group** (with Dr Peter Stone)
- 2012 **Masters dissertation supervisor (four students per year)**, Department of Political Science, Trinity College Dublin
- 2012 **Mature student admissions** for honours module in History and Politics **Friday**
- 2011-present **Departmental Seminar Series Convener**, Department of Political Science, Trinity College Dublin

### **Visiting Fellowships**

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- 2011 **Visiting Fellowship and Research Associate in Human Rights** at the Human Rights Consortium, School of Advanced Study, University of London, May-June 2011

### **Editorial and review**

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- 2013-2017 **Member of the Editorial Board (2013-2017)** of *Global Governance: A Review of Multilateralism and International Organizations*, published by Lynne Rienner
- 2009-present **Occasional referee** for Cambridge University Press, *Human Rights Review* and *Irish Political Studies*
- 2011-2012 **Working paper series editor**, ‘The Equality and Human Rights Commission Project,’ hosted by the Arts and Humanities Research Council and Human Rights Consortium, University of London

### **Impactful Scholarship and Policy Links**

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- 2012 **Does torture prevention work?** Expert meeting on a research project commissioned by the Association for the Prevention of Torture, Geneva Academy of International and Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, Geneva, 3 December 2012.

- 2012 Report commissioned on **the merger of the Irish Human Rights Commission and Equality Authority** as part of a pan-European study coordinated by University College London, funded by the Nuffield Foundation (August 2012-February 2013)
- 2012 Contribution to **UN knowledge network: HuriTALK** on the expanded role of NHRIs in the second cycle of the UPR/programming opportunities for UN entities, 26 May 2012
- 2011 **‘NHRIs in Latin America and UPR recommendations on torture prevention,’** British Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Human Rights & Democracy Programme Fund (£30,000 awarded: October 2011) (with Dr. Par Engstrom, UCL)
- 2011 **‘The Equality and Human Rights Commission of Great Britain: Challenges and Opportunities,’** research project supported by the UK Arts and Humanities Research Council and Human Rights Consortium, University of London (awarded June 2011)
- 2011 **‘The Role of National Human Rights Institutions,’** presented at *First Meeting of National Focal Points*, Jointly convened by the Foreign Ministries of Costa Rica, Denmark and Ghana, in association with the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect, New York, 17 May 2011
- 2010 **Consultant and contributor** to biannual report on sustainable human development in Central America, State of the Region Program, Costa Rica.
- 2008 **Contributor**, analytical articles on Latin America, Oxford Analytica

### Conference/panel organisation

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- 2012 Panel organiser: **‘The Responsibility to Protect in Latin America: The New Map,’** Latin American Studies Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, 23-26 June 2012
- 2011 Conference co-organiser (with Dr Par Engstrom): **‘National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) and Implementation of UPR Recommendations Relating to Torture Prevention,’** University of Palermo Law School, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 13-14 December 2011 (funded by the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office)
- 2011 Workshop co-organiser (and panel chair) with the British Equality and Human Rights Commission: **‘The EHRC: learning from the past and planning for the future,’** Human Rights Consortium, University of London, 24 October 2011
- 2011 Workshop organiser in partnership with the Arts and Humanities Research Council and Human Rights Consortium, School of Advanced Study, University of London: **‘The Equality and Human Rights Commission of Great Britain: Challenges and Opportunities,’** Human Rights Consortium, University of London, 17 June 2011
- 2010 Conference co-organiser (with Ryan Goodman): **‘The Domestic Consequences of International Human Rights Treaty Ratification,’** NYU School of Law, New York, 15-16 October 2010
- 2009 Conference organiser: **‘Multi-disciplinary perspectives on national human rights institutions, state compliance and social change,’** Harvard Law School, 10-11 September 2009
- 2009 Panel organiser: **‘Accountability politics: the human rights ombudsman in Latin America,’** Latin American Studies Association, Rio de Janeiro-Brazil, 11-14 June 2009

2008 Conference Co-organizer (with Par Engstrom): **‘The changing nature of democratization in Latin America: rights, politics and development,’** University of Oxford, 26-28 March 2008

## **Other**

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2008-2006 **Chair of the Oxford-Leon link charity** (a charity that supports poverty eradication projects in Central America)

2007 **Spanish to English translation** of book chapter for Laurence Whitehead, Official Fellow, Nuffield College, University of Oxford

2007-2006 **Research Assistant** to Professor Alan Angell and Dr. Jan Zielonka, St. Antony’s College, University of Oxford

2006 **Internship (six months)**, International Law and Organizations Program, Amnesty International, London Secretariat

2002-2003 **Project Coordinator** for ProWorld (grassroots NGO based in Peru), Urubamba, Peru

## **SELECTED WORKING PAPERS AND WORKSHOPS**

### **2012**

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Thomas Pegram, **‘Accountability and Human Rights: The Political Impact of National Human Rights Institutions in New Democracies,’** presented at the Department of Political Science, Dublin City University, 14 November 2012

Katerina Linos & Thomas Pegram, **‘Soft Law at Work: International Standards and the Design of National Human Rights Institutions,’** presented at the Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS) Annual Conference, CUNY, New York, US, 15 June 2012

Thomas Pegram, **‘The United Nations and National Human Rights Institutions,’** guest lecture/workshop at University College Dublin, Ireland, 14 April 2012

### **2011**

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Katerina Linos & Thomas Pegram, **‘Soft Law at Work: International Standards and the Design of National Human Rights Institutions,’** Inaugural American Society of Int’l Law Research Forum, UCLA, Los Angeles, US, 5 November 2011 (with Katerina Linos)

Par Engstrom & Thomas Pegram, **‘Responsibility to Protect and the Coercive Enforcement of Human Rights,’** International Studies Association Conference, Montreal, 19 March 2011

### **2010**

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Katerina Linos & Thomas Pegram, **‘National Human Rights Institutional Reform: Formal Design Principles and Political Function’** (with Katerina Linos), presented at *The Domestic Consequences of International Human Rights Treaty Ratification*, NYU School of Law, New York, 15-16 October 2010

Thomas Pegram, **‘Weak Institutions, Rights Claims and Pathways to Compliance: the Transformative Role of the Human Rights Ombudsman,’** presented at UNDP/CRISE *Regional Workshop on Horizontal Inequalities and Conflict Prevention*, Jakarta, Indonesia, 26-27 July 2010

Thomas Pegram, **‘La defensoría del pueblo: ¿el último bastión de la universalidad?,’** paper submitted to VI CEISAL Conference, Toulouse, France, 30 June-3 July 2010

## 2009

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Thomas Pegram, ‘**National Human Rights Institutions and The Domestic Consequences of International Human Rights Treaty Ratification,**’ presented at *The Domestic Consequences of International Human Rights Treaty Ratification*, EUI, Florence, Italy 25 November 2009

Thomas Pegram, ‘**The design, origins and distribution of national human rights institutions in Latin America,**’ presented at Latin American Studies Association 2009 Congress, Rio de Janeiro, 11-14 June 2009

Thomas Pegram, ‘**El diseño institucional que requieren las Defensorías del Pueblo en las metrópolis,**’ presented at *Derechos Humanos y Metrópolis*, Mexico City Commission for Human Rights, Mexico City, Mexico, 24 April 2009

Workshop organiser: ‘**The role of national human rights institutions in detention monitoring**’ (with Ryan Goodman), in collaboration with the UN OHCHR and the International Coordinating Committee for National Human Rights Institutions, Geneva, 23 March 2009

### **SCHOLARSHIP, GRANTS AND AWARDS**

- 2011 Arts and Social Sciences Benefactions Fund 2011-2012, Trinity College Dublin
- 2011 Visiting Professorships and Fellowships Benefaction Fund 2011/12, Trinity College Dublin
- 2011- Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Human Rights & Democracy Programme Fund (£30,000 awarded: October 2011 – March 2012)
- 2011- Arts and Humanities Research Council, funding received for collaborative policy-relevant research project on the British Equality and Human Rights Commission (awarded: June 2011)
- 2009 DRCLAS-sponsored travel grant, The Weatherhead Center, Harvard University
- 2008 Abbey Santander Academic Travel Award
- 2008 Student Bursary, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford
- 2007 Carlos de Sola Wright Memorial Fund, University of Oxford
- 2007 Nuffield Studentship, Nuffield College, University of Oxford
- 2007 Nuffield Travel Grant, Nuffield College, University of Oxford
- 2005 Latin American Centre Research Grant, University of Oxford
- 2005 Stahl Research Grant, St. Antony’s College, University of Oxford

## **REFEREES**

Upon request

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