

# **Shane Barter, PhD**

**Associate Professor of Comparative Politics at Soka University**

Aliso Viejo, CA, US

Professor Barter focuses on Southeast Asian politics, Civilians in war, as well as autonomous areas and conflict resolution

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## **Biography**

I am a Political Scientist (PhD: UBC 2011) teaching in International Studies at Soka University of America, where I am the Associate Director of the Pacific Basin Research Center. I have worked for Asian Human Rights NGOs (Forum Asia) as well as the Carter Center, the Canadian Government, and the European Union. My research and teaching interests related to politics in Southeast Asia, armed conflict, state and society, democratization, and religious politics.

My books include *Civilian Strategy in Civil War: Insights from Indonesia, Thailand, and the Philippines* (Palgrave 2014, available here), *Explaining the Genetic Footprint of Catholic and Protestant Colonizers* (Palgrave 2015, available here), and *The Pacific Basin: An Introduction* (co-edited with Michael Weiner, Routledge 2017).

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## **Areas of Expertise**

Islam, Thailand, Democratization, Civil War, Southeast Asia, Conflict Resolution, Indonesia, Separatism, Minorities

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## **Education**

**University of British Columbia**

Ph. D. Political Science

**University of British Columbia**

M. A. Comparative Politics

**University of Victoria**

B. A. Comparative Politics and Southeast Asian History

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## **Accomplishments**

**Co-recipient Best Professor Award, Soka University of America**  
2013-2014

**Best Paper Award, ISA-West Conference**  
2013

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