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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Evan B. Montgomery is a senior fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments (CSBA). Dr. Montgomery's principal research areas include long-term competitions, trends in future warfare, alliance management issues, East Asia security challenges, and U.S. nuclear policy. In nearly a decade at CSBA, he has written dozens of monographs on a diverse set of topics, lectured before a variety of professional audiences in the United States and abroad, and provided expert testimony to the U.S.–China Economic and Security Review Commission. His commentary and analysis have appeared in *Foreign Affairs, The Wall Street Journal, The National Interest, The Diplomat, Defense News,* and *Real Clear Defense.* He has also published scholarly articles in *International Security, Security Studies,* and the *Journal of Strategic Studies.* His book, *In the Hegemon's Shadow: Leading States and the Rise of Regional Powers,* was recently released by Cornell University Press. Dr. Montgomery has received fellowships from the Smith Richardson Foundation and the Council on Foreign Relations, and is a member of the International Institute for Strategic Studies.

CURRENT POSITION

Since joining CSBA, Dr. Montgomery has supported a variety of government sponsors, such as the U.S. Air Force, U.S. Marine Corps, National Intelligence Council, and Office of the Secretary of Defense. He has also conducted research with support from foundation sponsors such as the Smith Richardson Foundation, Sasakawa Peace Foundation, and Carnegie Corporation of New York. Collectively, these efforts have included developing scenarios, designing wargames, facilitating structured workshops, and writing research monographs.

Dr. Montgomery's recent work has focused on two main areas: the U.S.—Japan Alliance and U.S. nuclear policy. Over the past several years he has organized and conducted a series of workshops that have explored how Washington and Tokyo might adapt their military forces and better align their security policies to manage a host of security challenges in the Western Pacific. He has also authored a number of reports on nuclear issues, including *Extended Deterrence in the Second Nuclear Age: Geopolitics, Proliferation, and the Future of U.S. Security Commitments; The Cost of U.S. Nuclear Forces: From BCA to Bow Wave and Beyond* (with Todd Harrison); *The Future of America's Strategic Nuclear Deterrent;* and *Rethinking the Road to Zero.*

Dr. Montgomery's past publications include Defense Planning for the Long Haul: Scenarios, Operational Concepts, and the Future Security Environment; Reshaping America's Alliances for the Long Haul; and Nuclear Terrorism: Assessing the Threat, Developing a Response. In addition, he has played a central role in CSBA's work for the Office of Net Assessment, authoring or coauthoring reports on competitive strategies, the spread of conventional-precision strike systems, how energy resources might influence international rivalries, and the future of U.S. ground forces, among other topics. Dr. Montgomery also produced a pair of monographs outlining potential steps that U.S. allies in the Indo-Pacific and Persian Gulf regions could take to enhance their defense postures against high-end threats—work that was subsequently briefed to senior Department of Defense officials and eventually incorporated into the Department's planning scenarios.

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Alongside his CSBA work, Dr. Montgomery maintains an active academic research agenda, one that focuses on using theory to shed light on current foreign and defense policy issues. His publications have addressed many prominent issues in the international relations literature, including the ability of great powers to signal their intentions through changes in military posture, the conditions under which democratization can lead to war, the strategies that democratic leaders use to mobilize support for hard-line measures, the dynamics of internal balancing in a unipolar system, and the impact of nuclear proliferation on regional stability.

PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dr. Montgomery joined CSBA in 2007 as an analyst and research assistant to CSBA's president, Dr. Andrew Krepinevich. He was elevated to research fellow in 2009 and senior fellow in 2012. He has previously taught courses in international relations, security studies, and U.S. grand strategy at the University of Virginia.

EDUCATION

B.A. in Political Science and Sociology (summa cum laude) Villanova University

M.A. and Ph.D. in Foreign Affairs University of Virginia