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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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- 2021-present      **Georgetown University**  
Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service  
Assistant Professor
- 2020 - 2021      **Harvard University**  
Weatherhead Center for International Affairs  
Raphael Morrison Dorman Memorial Postdoctoral Fellow  
Weatherhead Scholars Program

## EDUCATION

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- 2014 – 2020      **Princeton University**  
PhD, Politics  
Dissertation committee: Mark Beissinger (chair), Amaney Jamal, Deborah Yashar, Rory Truex
- 2009 - 2012      **New York University**  
MA, Middle Eastern Studies
- 2005 - 2009      **Harvard University**  
AB, Social Studies and Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations  
Summa cum laude. Phi beta kappa.

## RESEARCH

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- Book project      *Return of Tyranny: How Counterrevolutions Emerge and Succeed*  
— Honorable mention for the Juan Linz Prize for Best Dissertation in the Comparative Study of Democracy & Autocracy
- Refereed articles      2023. From Victims to Dissidents: Legacies of Violence and Popular Mobilization in Iraq, 2010-2018. *American Political Science Review* (with Chantal Berman and Rima Majed)
2023. Ambivalent Allies: How Inconsistent Foreign Support Dooms New Democracies. *Journal of Peace Research*. Special Issue on Polarization and Nonviolent Resistance.
2022. Revolutionary Violence and Counterrevolution. *American Political Science Review*.
2022. Burnings, Beatings, and Bombings: Disaggregating Anti-Christian Violence in Egypt, 2013-2018. *Perspectives on Politics* (with Christopher Barrie and Neil Ketchley).

2022. Power on the Margins: Lumpenproletarian Resistance in China and Egypt. *Comparative Politics* 55(1): 119-42 (with Manfred Elfström).
2021. Which Protests Count? Coverage Bias in Middle East Event Datasets. *Mediterranean Politics*.  
 — Winner of the Richard Gillespie Mediterranean Prize
2020. Launching Revolution: Social Media and the Egyptian Uprising's First Movers. *British Journal of Political Science* 50 (3): 1025-45 (with Korhan Koçak)
2018. When do the Dispossessed Protest? Informal Leadership and Mobilization in Syrian Refugee Camps. *Perspectives on Politics* 16(3): 617-633
2017. Social Forces and Regime Change: Beyond Class Analysis. *World Politics* 69 (3): 569-602
2015. Reclaiming the 'Third Sector' from 'Civil Society': A New Agenda for Development Studies. *Sociology of Development* 1 (1): 173-207 (with Jocelyn Viterna and Emily Clough)
2014. Unexpected Brokers of Mobilization: Contingency and Networks in the 2011 Egyptian Uprising. *Comparative Politics* 46 (4): 379-97
2013. Aish, Hurriya, Karama Insaniyya: Framing and the Egyptian Uprising. *European Political Science* 12 (2): 197-214
2011. Saying 'Enough': Authoritarianism and Egypt's Kefaya Movement. *Mobilization* 16 (4): 397-416

Works in progress

- The Dust Does Not Settle: Protest in the Aftermath of Revolution
- Revolution in Democracies: The 2019 Uprisings in Lebanon and Iraq (with Chantal Berman and Rima Majed)
- Autocracy: A Substantive Approach (with Ashley Anderson and Jason Brownlee)
- Rebel Regimes and Political Order (with Anne Meng and Jack Paine)

Chapters, essays, and editorials

2022. Between Two Uprisings: The Study of Protest in the Middle East, 2010–2020. In *The Political Science of the Middle East: Theory and Research since the Arab Uprisings*, edited by Marc Lynch, Jillian Schwedler, and Sean Yom. Oxford University Press (with Nermin Allam, Chantal Berman, and Jillian Schwedler).
2021. This Is How to Stop the Coup in Sudan. *The New York Times*, October 29 (with Mai Hassan).
2020. Patterns of Mobilization and Repression in Iraq's Tishreen Uprising. *POMEPS Studies* 42: 21-28 (with Chantal Berman and Rima Majed).
2020. Deposing a Democracy: Lebanon's 2019-20 Thawra in Comparative Perspective. Research Analytical Note, Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice, Princeton University, February (with Chantal Berman).
2019. What Algeria and Sudan Can Learn From Egypt: Lessons from a Failed Revolution. *Foreign Affairs*, June 10.
2019. Eight Years after Egypt's Revolution, Here's What We've Learned about Social Media and Protest. *Washington Post Monkey Cage*, January 25 (with Korhan Koçak).
2017. Protest and Informal Leadership in Syrian Refugee Camps. *POMEPS Studies* 25: 16-21.

2016. Mobilizing in Exile: Syrian Associational Life in Turkey and Lebanon. *Middle East Report* 278: 20-26 (with Gözde Güran).
2016. The Politics of Refugee Relief. *Dissent*, Summer: 94-101.
2013. Lawyers as Brokers: Forging Ties between Workers and Activists in Egypt. *Naqd Iqtisad Siyyasi*, August 2 (Persian).
2011. Lessons in Reform: How Can Egypt Avoid the Fate of other Post-Revolutionary States? *The Majalla*. October 18.
2011. Kefaya Movement Media (Egypt). In John D.H. Downing, ed., *Encyclopedia of Social Movement Media*, Los Angeles: Sage.
- Reviews
2023. Review of *Contested Legitimacies: Repression and Revolt in Post-Revolutionary Egypt*, by Jannis Grimm. *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, May.
2022. Violent and Nonviolent Ethnic Resistance. Contribution to symposium on *Mobilization and Conflict in Multiethnic States*, by Manuel Vogt. *Nationalities Papers*, September.
2022. Review of *After Repression: How Polarization Derails Democratic Transition*, by Elizabeth Nugent. *Mediterranean Politics*, May.
2018. Review of *Egypt in a Time of Revolution: Contentious Politics and the Arab Spring*, by Neil Ketchley. *Social Forces*, January.

## AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

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- Awards
- Juan Linz Prize for Best Dissertation in the Comparative Study of Democracy & Autocracy, Honorable Mention, American Political Science Association's Democracy & Autocracy Section (2022)
- Richard Gillespie Mediterranean Prize – for the best research article on the contemporary social and political dynamics of the Mediterranean region published in *Mediterranean Politics* each year (2022)
- Falak Sufi Essay Prize, Honorable Mention, New York University (2010)
- Hoopes Prize for “outstanding research or scholarly work,” Harvard University (2009)
- Grants
- United Nations University, WIDER Grant. “Revolution in Democracies: The 2019 Uprisings in Lebanon and Iraq” (with Chantal Berman and Rima Majed) (2021-2022)
- National Science Foundation, Political Science Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (2018-2019)
- Social Science Research Council, Mellon International Dissertation Research Fellowship (2017-2018)
- Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice (Princeton), Dissertation Research Grant (2017, 2018)
- Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice (Princeton) and Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs (AUB), Scholarly Research Grant (2015, 2020, 2021)
- Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Research Grant (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019)

Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Language Training Grant (2015)

Fulbright, Travel/Research Grant (2009) – *declined*

Weissman International Internship Program, Harvard University (2007)

#### Fellowships

Georgetown University Research Leave (GURL) fellowship (Fall 2022)

Max Weber Fellowship, European University Institute (2020-2021) – *declined*

Charlotte Elizabeth Procter Honorary Fellowship (2019-2020) – awarded by Princeton University to one graduate student in select departments who shows “exceptional promise”

Center for the Study of Religion, Princeton University, Graduate Research Fellowship (2019-2020)

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS), Full-Year Fellowship (2011-2012)

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS), Summer Fellowship (2011)

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Undergraduate Associate Fellowship (2008)

### CONFERENCES, INVITED TALKS, AND TRAINING

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#### Conference presentations

American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting (2022, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016).

International Studies Association, Annual Meeting (2023, 2021).

Midwest Political Science Association, Annual Meeting (2019, 2016).

Middle East Studies Association, Annual Meeting (2020, 2019, 2017, 2016, 2015).

Southern Political Science Association, Mini-Conference on the Politics of Authoritarian Regimes (2022).

Association for Analytic Learning about Islam and Muslim Societies Conference (2022, 2019).

Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) Annual Conference (2019).

Sociology of Development Conference, Brown University (March 2015).

Eastern Sociological Society, Annual Meeting (2012).

#### Invited talks & workshop presentations

United Nations University, WIDER Development Conference, Helsinki, Finland. May 16-17 2022.

Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law (CDDRL) Research Seminar, Stanford University. January 27, 2022.

The Future of Conflict Data Workshop and Webinar, Mershon Center for International Studies, The Ohio State University. January 18-19, 2022.

Conflict and Change Workshop, University College London. January 12, 2022.

Virtual Workshop on Authoritarian Regimes. November 10, 2021 and April 10, 2019.

Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Texas, Austin. October 8, 2021.

Political Violence Workshop, Harvard University, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs. April 13, 2021.

Research Workshop in Middle Eastern Politics, Harvard University, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs. February 22, 2021.

Frozen Conflicts Virtual Workshop, Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS). September 2020.

Comparative Politics Seminar, University of Oslo, Political Science Department. May 8, 2020.

Rethinking Revolutions. London School of Economics. May 2017.

Refugees and Migration Movements in the Middle East, Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS). University of Southern California. February 2017.

New Political Science Research on Syria's War, Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS). George Washington University. September 2015.

Training

ICPSR-QDR Workshop on Practices, Problems, and Promise of Sharing Human Participants' Research Data Ethically and Responsibly. Washington, DC. August 2019.

The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR), Syracuse University, June 2016.

## TEACHING

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Georgetown University	<p>Revolutions in the Middle East and North Africa Graduate level (MA) seminar Spring 2022</p> <p>Comparative Politics of the Middle East Graduate level (MA) seminar Spring 2023, Fall 2021</p> <p>Research Design and Fieldwork Graduate level (MA) seminar Spring 2023</p>
Princeton University	<p>Comparative Political Economy of Development (MPA/MPP) Professor Atul Kohli Preceptor, Fall 2019 &amp; Fall 2018</p> <p>Junior Politics Plenary Session (research design) Professors Nolan McCarty and Alisha Holland Head preceptor and course administrator, Fall 2016</p> <p>The Western Way of War Professor Miguel Centeno Preceptor, Fall 2015</p>

## SERVICE

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Peer reviewer	<p><i>American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, World Politics, Comparative Political Studies, Journal of Politics, British Journal of Political Science, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Perspectives on Politics, International Studies Quarterly, American</i></p>
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*Sociological Review, American Journal of Sociology, Democratization, Studies in Comparative International Development, Journal of Management Studies*

Georgetown University  
Organizing Committee  
Current Research on Issues and Topics In Comparative Scholarship (CRITICS) Seminar Series  
Mortara Center for International Studies  
  
Curriculum Committee  
Center for Contemporary Arab Studies  
  
Admissions Committee  
Center for Contemporary Arab Studies  
  
Events Committee  
Center for Contemporary Arab Studies  
  
Selection Committee  
Qatar Postdoctoral Fellowship  
  
Representative from the Center for Contemporary Arab Studies  
Main Campus Executive Faculty

Princeton University  
*World Politics*  
Editorial Assistant, Fall 2016-Fall 2018  
  
Princeton Qualitative Research Colloquium  
Student Coordinator, Summer 2016-Spring 2017  
  
Princeton Islamic Studies Colloquium  
Member of Coordinating Committee, Summer 2016 -Spring 2017  
  
Princeton North Africa Studies Group  
Founding Member, Fall 2014-Spring 2016

## **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

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Arabic (MSA, Egyptian, and Levantine)      Level: proficient  
Five and a half years of formal training at Harvard University, New York University, Princeton University, and the Yemen Language Center (Sana'a)