## Ala' Alrababa'h

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**EMPLOYMENT** Immigration Policy Lab, ETH Zürich June 2021 - present

Postdoctoral Fellow

OTHER Fellow, ETH AI center 2021 - present AFFILIATIONS Member, Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP) 2021 - present

**EDUCATION** Stanford University 2021

M.A., Ph.D. in Political Science

Fields: Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Quantitative Methods

Committee: Lisa Blaydes (co-chair), Jeremy Weinstein (co-chair), James Fearon, Kenneth

Schultz

**Dartmouth College** 2014

B.A., Government

Magna Cum Laude and High Honors in Government

**PUBLICATIONS** 

PEER-REVIEWED Learning from Null Effects: A Bottom-Up Approach (with Scott Williamson, Andrea Dillon, Jens Hainmueller, Dominik Hangartner, Michael Hotard, David Laitin, Duncan Lawrence, and Jeremy Weinstein). Political Analysis. Forthcoming.

> Reporting all results efficiently: A RARE proposal to open up the file drawer (with David Laitin, Edward Miguel, Aleksandar Bogdanosk, Sean Grant, Katherine Hoeberling, Cecilia Hyunjung Mo, Don A Moore, Simine Vazire, Jeremy Weinstein, and Scott Williamson). Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS). 2021.

> Can Celebrities Reduce Prejudice? Estimating the Effect of Mohamed Salah on Islamophobic Attitudes and Behaviors (with Will Marble, Salma Mousa, and Alexandra Siegel). American Political Science Review. 2021.

> Authoritarian Media and Diversionary Threats: Lessons from Thirty Years of Syrian State Discourse (with Lisa Blaydes). Political Science Research and Methods. 2021.

> Attitudes Toward Migrants in a Highly-Impacted Economy: Evidence from the Syrian Refugee Crisis in Jordan (with Andrea Dillon, Scott Williamson, Jens Hainmueller, Dominik Hangartner, and Jeremy Weinstein) Comparative Political Studies. 2021.

> Do Donor Motives Matter? Investigating Perceptions of Foreign Aid in the Conflict in Donbas (with Rachel Myrick and Isaac Webb) International Studies Quarterly. 2020.

> "Maintaining Sovereignty and Preserving the Regime: How Saudi Arabia Views Strategic Stability" in Lawrence Rubin and Adam N. Stulberg, eds., The End of Strategic Stability. Georgetown University Press. 2018.

### WORKING PAPERS

The Dynamics of Refugee Return: Syrian Refugees and Their Migration Intentions (with Marine Casalis, Daniel Masterson, Dominik Hangartner, and Jeremy Weinstein) *Under Review*.

Manufacturing Threats: Diversionary Discourse and Autocratic Survival.

Media and Public Diplomacy in the Arab Gulf: The Cases of Alarabiya and Aljazeera.

Mobile Phone-based Panel Surveys for Mobile Populations (with Daniel Masterson, Marine Casalis, Dominik Hangartner, Stefan Wehrli, and Jeremy Weinstein).

Political Repercussions of Open Borders (with Dalston Ward, Andreas Beerli, and Dominik Hangartner).

## OTHER WRITING

"Syria and some host governments want refugees to go home. What do refugees think?" The Monkey Cage, The Washington Post. December 2020.

"Returning Home? Conditions in Syria, Not Lebanon, Drive the Return Intentions of Syrian Refugees." Innovations for Poverty Action Policy Brief. September 2020.

"The Ministry of Made-Up Pages: Yemen-Based Actors Impersonate Government Agencies to Spread Anti-Houthi Content." *Stanford Internet Observatory*. August 2020.

"Quantitative Text Analysis of Arabic News Media" *MENA Politics Newsletter*. Volume 2, Issue 2. Fall 2019.

"Jordan shut out out 60,000 Syrian refugees — and then saw a backlash. This is why." (with Scott Williamson) The Monkey Cage, The Washington Post. July 2018.

"Jordan's Danger Zone: The Perils of Building a Safe Haven in Syria." Foreign Affairs. 2015.

"Taking on Operation Dawn: The Creeping Advance of the Islamic State in Western Libya." (with Frederic Wehrey) Diwan, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. 2015.

"Splitting the Islamists: The Islamic State's Creeping Advance in Libya" (with Frederic Wehrey) Diwan, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. 2015.

"Rising Out of Chaos: The Islamic State in Libya." (with Frederic Wehrey) Diwan, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. 2015.

"An Elusive Courtship: The Struggle for Iraq's Sunni Arab Tribes". (with Frederic Wehrey) Diwan, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. 2014.

"Saudi Rattles Its Saber." (with Jeffery Lewis) Nuclear Threat Initiative. 2014.

"Backdrop to an Intervention: Sources of Egyptian-Libyan Border Tension" (with Frederic Wehrey and David Bishop). Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. 2014.

"Jordan's Transition to Democracy" 7iber.com. 2011

# HONORS & AWARDS

FSI Large Research Grant (\$8,760)

2020

Stanford PACS Small Grants (\$2,250)

2019

	Diversity Dissertation Research Opportunity $(\$2,250)$	2019
	Goldsmith Research Grant (\$3,800) The Stanford Center on International Conflict and Negotiation	2019
	IPA's Peace and Recovery Program (P&R) (\$149,578) Funding to conduct a study on the dynamics of refugee return (Co-PI)	2019
	Kenneth E. Boulding Award, Runner up Runner-up for the 2018 Kenneth Boulding Award from the ISA Peace Studies Section	2018
	Graduate Student Grant (\$4,000) Abbasi Program in Islamic Studies, Stanford University	8; 2020
	Small Grant for Survey Experiments (\$1,000) Institute for Research in the Social Sciences, Stanford University (Co-PI)	2018
	Graduate Student Grant (\$2,890) The Europe Center, Stanford University (Co-PI)	2017
	Collaborative Research Fellowship (\$3,500) Immigration Policy Lab	7; 2018
	Spectrum Grant (\$20,000) Stanford Center for Clinical and Translational Education and Research (Co-PI)	2016
	George P. Schultz Grant (\$15,300) The Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (Co-PI)	2016
	Comparative Politics Thesis Prize (\$500) Dartmouth College	2014
	John Rosenwald Jr. Fund(\$4,000) Dartmouth College	2013
	Shelby Davis Fellowship (\$4,500) James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies	2012
CONFERENCES & INVITED TALKS	Department of Political Science, Vanderbilt University Department of Pediatrics, School of Medicine, Stanford University Stanford Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC) CaliWEPS III Webinar, M&E Thursday Talk, Search for Common Ground Arab Political Science Network, Inaugural Meeting American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting International Studies Association, Annual Meeting Berkeley Law Migration Workshop Empirical Studies in Conflict, Annual Meeting The Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies Stanford Arab Studies Table	

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Junior Fellow, Middle East Program	2014-2015
	Middle East Institute Research Assistant	2013
	Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey Davis Fellow, Center for Nonproliferation Studies	2012
TEACHING	Lecturer, Methods II: Quantitative Methods (MSc students at ETH Zurich and Zurich) TA, International Negotiation and Decision-Making (Stanford Law School) TA, International Negotiation and Decision-Making (Stanford Law School) TA, War and Peace in American Foreign Policy (Professor Kenneth Schultz) TA, Middle Eastern Politics (Professor Lisa Blaydes) TA, Islam, Iran, and the West (Professor Abbas Milani) TA, U.S. Relations with Iran (Professor Abbas Milani)	d University of Fall 2021 2017; 2018 2017; 2018 Spring 2018 Fall 2017 Spring 2017 Fall 2016
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	Reviewer for the American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, International Organization, Political Science Research and Methods, Journal of Experimental Political Science, Social Science & Medicine, European Journal of Political Research, The International Journal of Press/Politics, Journal of Development Studies, International Migration Review, Terrorism and Political Violence.  Coordinator, Zurich Political Economy Seminar Series (2021-Present)  Coordinator, Abbasi Student Network (2017-2018)	
LANGUAGES & SKILLS	Arabic (native), English (fluent) R, Python (intermediate), Stata (intermediate), LATEX, Qualtrics	

### REFERENCES

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