

## Chagai M. Weiss

---

CONTACT INFORMATION	Middle East Initiative 70 John F. Kennedy St., Cambridge, MA, 02138	+1-608-345-8151 cmweiss3@wisc.edu www.chagaiweiss.com
------------------------	---	---

APPOINTMENTS	<b>Stanford University</b>  Conflict and Polarization Lab Postdoctoral Fellow, King Center on Global Development	Fall 2022–
--------------	---	------------

### Harvard University

Middle East Initiative Predoctoral Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School	2020-2022
---	-----------

EDUCATION	<b>The University of Wisconsin–Madison</b>
-----------	--

Ph.D., Political Science	<i>Expected: Summer 2022</i>
--------------------------	------------------------------

- **Dissertation:** Prejudice Reduction at Scale: How Institutional Inclusion Reduces Social Exclusion
- **Committee:** Rikhil Bhavnani (*Chair*), Yoshiko Herrera, Nadav Shelef, and Jonathan Renshon
- **Fields:** Comparative Politics, International Relations, Political Methodology (*minor*)

M.A., Political Science	2018
-------------------------	------

### The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

B.A., Political Science & Middle Eastern Studies	August 2016
--	-------------

- *Cum Laude*

BOOKS	Brutger, Ryan, Joshua D. Kertzer, Jonathan Renshon, & <b>Chagai M. Weiss</b> . “Abstraction in Experimental Design: Testing the Tradeoffs,” Forthcoming in <i>Cambridge University Press, Elements in Experimental Political Science series</i> (edited by James Druckman).
-------	---

**Weiss, Chagai M.** “Prejudice Reduction at Scale: How Institutional Inclusion Reduces Social Exclusion.” (*In progress*).

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS	<b>Weiss, Chagai M.</b> , Alexandra Siegel, & David Romney “How Threats of Exclusion Mobilize Palestinian Political Participation.” <i>The American Journal of Political Science</i> , Forthcoming.
-------------------------------	---

Brutger, Ryan, Joshua D. Kertzer, Jonathan Renshon, Dustin Tingley, & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Abstraction and Detail in Experimental Design.” *The American Journal of Political Science*, Forthcoming.

**Weiss, Chagai M.** “Diversity in Health Care Institutions Reduces Israeli Patients’ Prejudice toward Arabs.” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 118.14 (2021).

- ★ *APSA Conflict Processes Best Paper Award* (2019)
- ★ *Genevieve Gorst Herfurth Award Honorable Mention, UW-Madison* (2021)

Bassan-Nygate, Lotem & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Party Competition and Cooperation Shape Affective Polarization: Evidence from Natural and Survey Experiments in Israel.” *Comparative Political Studies* 55.2 (2020): 287-319.

- ★ *George & Sylvia Laikin Prize, UW-Madison* (2021)
- ★ *Mildred Potter Hovland Journal Article Prize, UW-Madison* (2021)

Gilad, Sharon, Saar Alon-Barkat & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Political and Bureaucratic Translation of Social Movement Demands: The Case of Israel’s 2011 Social Protest.” *Governance* 32.2 (2019): 369–385.

Rock, Jonathan, **Chagai M. Weiss** & Dan Miodownik. “Geographies of Violence in Jerusalem: The Spatial Logic of Intergroup Conflict.” *Political Geography* 66 (2018): 88–97.

#### WORKING PAPERS

Getmansky, Anna & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Pyrrhic Victory: How and Why Wars Affect Political Attitudes and Behavior.” (Conditionally accepted at *The Journal of Conflict Resolution*).

**Weiss, Chagai M.**, Neal Tsur, Dan Miodownik, Yonatan Lupu, and Evgeny Finkel. “Atypical Violence and Conflict Dynamics: Evidence from Jerusalem.” (Conditionally accepted at *Political Science Research and Methods*).

Getmansky, Anna & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “War Time Military Service Can Affect Partisan Preferences.” (Invited to revise and resubmit at *Comparative Political Studies*).

**Weiss, Chagai M.**, Eran Halperin, Shira Ran. “Broaching Prejudicial Taboos to Improve Intergroup Relations: A field Experiment in Israel.”

Kao, Kristen, Ellen Lust, Marwa Shalaby & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Group Gender Composition and Perceptions of Legitimacy.” (Under Review).

**Weiss, Chagai M.**. “Minority Representation in Healthcare Provision Reduces Prejudice: Evidence from the COVID-19 Crises in Israel and the U.S.”

- *Middle East Initiative Working Paper, August 2021.*

#### WORK IN PROGRESS

Scacco, Alexandra, Alexandra Siegel, & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Desegregating Social Media Environments: A Facebook Field Experiment in Israel.”

Peyton, Kyle, **Chagai M. Weiss**, and Paige Vaughn. “Correcting misperceptions about police diversity increases public support for diversification.”

Bassan-Nygate, Lotem, Jonathan Renshon, Jessica Weeks, and **Chagai M. Weiss**. “The Generalizability of IR Experiments Beyond the U.S.”

OTHER  
PUBLICATIONS

Marwa Shalaby, **Chagai Weiss**, Ellen Lust, Kristen Kao, and coauthors, “The Dynamics of Decentralization in the MENA: Processes, Outcomes, and Obstacles.” *Program on Governance and Local Development Working Paper No. 31*.

**Weiss, Chagai M.** “Sharing Spaces: Segregation, Integration, and Intergroup Relations.” *APSA Comparative Politics Newsletter*, Spring 2020.

Bassan-Nygate, Lotem & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “It’s Us or Them: Partisan Polarization in Israel and Beyond.” *APSA MENA Newsletter*, Spring 2020.

**Weiss, Chagai M.** “Segregation, Integration, and Intergroup Relations in Israel.” *POMEPS Working Paper*, Fall 2020.

OTHER WRITINGS

Israel is voting – for the third time in a year. That’s polarizing voters even more. *The Monkey Cage*. (With Lotem Bassan-Nygate)

An HBO series looks at political violence in Jerusalem. Here’s the reality behind the drama. *The Monkey Cage*.

How might recent confrontations with Hamas influence Israeli elections? *The Monkey Cage*.

INVITED TALKS &  
WORKSHOPS

**2022: UC Irvine**, Department of Political Science, Survey Methodology Seminar, **Harvard**, Department of Psychology

**2021: Hebrew University** (Israel), Department of Psychology – PCIR Lab, **Harvard**, Department of Psychology – Cushman-Greene Lab

**2020: Ben Gurion University** (Israel), Department of Economics, **WZB Berlin** (Germany), *Institutions and Political Inequality Speakers Series*

**2019: George Washington University**, Workshop on Israeli politics

CONFERENCES

**2022:** Overcoming Prejudice Conference (University of Pennsylvania), MPSA (Chicago), PolMeth (St. Louis), APSA (Montreal)

**2021:** APSA (Seattle), PolMeth Europe (Virtual Poster), MPSA (Virtual), Harvard Experimental Political Science Conference (Virtual), Chicago Area Political and Social Behavior CAB Workshop (Virtual Poster, hosted at Northwestern University)

**2020:** The Dynamics of Decentralization in MENA (The University of Gutenberg), CSES Conference on Experimental Political Science (NYU), POMEPS Working Group (Virtual), APSA (Virtual)

**2019:** Eurasian Peace Science (Jerusalem), Winter Experimental Social Science Institute (WESSI, NYU Abu-Dhabi), Economic Science Association (ESA, NYU Abu-Dhabi), ISA (Toronto), MPSA (Chicago), Political Psychology APSA Pre-Conference (Washington D.C.), APSA (Washington D.C.), Peace Science (Manhattan, Kansas).

**2018:** ISA (San Francisco)

ADDITIONAL  
TRAINING

**The Middlebury Arabic School**

2018

**Oxford Spring School in Advanced Research Methods**

2016

AWARDS & GRANTS	<b>Center for Jewish Studies Travel Grant</b> , UW–Madison	Summer 2022
	<b>National Science Foundation PolMeth Conference Travel Grant</b>	Summer 2022
	<b>Charles and Gayle Mazursky Student Support Fund</b> , UW–Madison	Spring 2021
	<b>Political Science Summer Writing Grant</b> , UW–Madison	2021
	<b>Political Science Summer Initiative Grant</b> , UW–Madison	2021
	<b>World Bank Grant on Intergroup Reconciliation</b>	2020
	With Salma Mousa, Roni Porat and Eric Mvukiyehe	
	<b>Research Grant</b>	2020
	Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy (National Competition)	
	<b>Graduate Student Travel/Research Grant Competition</b> , UW–Madison	2020
	<b>Political Science Summer Initiative Grant</b> , UW–Madison	2020
	<b>POMEPS Travel Grant</b>	2020
	<b>IRIS Graduate Student Summer Fieldwork Award</b> , UW–Madison	2019
	<b>The Morris Abrams Award in International Relations</b>	2019
	<b>Political Science Summer Initiative Grant</b> , UW–Madison	2019
	<b>IR Graduate Student Travel/Research Grant Competition</b> , UW–Madison	2019
	<b>Graduate Student Travel Award</b> , Elections Research Center, UW–Madison	2019
	<b>Best Graduate Paper in the 8th Eurasian Peace Science Conference</b>	2019
	<b>Charles and Gayle Mazursky Student Support Fund</b> , UW–Madison	Fall 2018
	<b>Student Research Travel Grant</b> , UW–Madison	2018
	<b>Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Yearly Fellowship</b> ( <i>Declined</i> )	2018
	<b>The Morris Falk Institute for Economic Research in Israel</b> , Hebrew University	2018
	<b>The Harry S. Truman Institute Research Grant</b> , Hebrew University	2018
	<b>Israel Institute Research Grant</b>	2018
	<b>Charles and Gayle Mazursky Student Support Fund</b> , UW–Madison	Spring 2018
	<b>Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Summer Fellowship</b>	2018
	<b>IR Graduate Student Travel/Research Grant Competition</b> , UW–Madison	2018
	<b>Minerva Center for Human Rights Research Grant</b> , Hebrew University	2017
	<b>Isaac and Ida Lipton Study Abroad Fellowship</b> , UW–Madison	2017
	<b>Charles and Gayle Mazursky Student Support Fund</b> , UW–Madison	Fall 2017
TEACHING	<b>Teaching Assistant:</b> Research Methods in Political Science	Fall 2018
	Professor Jessica Weeks, University of Wisconsin–Madison	
	<b>Grader:</b> Israeli Politics and Society	Spring 2018
	Professor Nadav Shelef, University of Wisconsin–Madison	
SERVICE	<b>Referee for:</b> <i>American Journal of Political Science</i> , <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> , <i>Conflict Management and Peace Science</i> , <i>Conflict Resolution Quarterly</i> , <i>Ethnopolitics</i> , <i>Frontiers in Psychology</i> , <i>Human Right Review</i> , <i>International Studies Quarterly</i> , <i>Journal of Experimental Political Science</i> , <i>Journal of Hospital Management and Health Policy</i> , <i>Journal of Politics</i> , <i>Local Government Studies</i> , <i>Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes</i> , <i>Party Politics</i> , <i>Political Geography</i> , <i>Political Research Quarterly</i> , <i>Public Administration</i> , <i>Science Advances</i> .	
	<b>Co-Founder and Coordinator:</b> IGR – The Intergroup Relations Workshop	2020
	Monthly working group to discuss research on intergroup relations	
	With Cara Wong, Rebecca Littman, and Alexandra Scacco	
	<b>Co-Founder and Coordinator:</b> Comparative Politics Graduate Working Group	2019
	University of Wisconsin–Madison With Anton Shirikov	

<b>Student Coordinator:</b> Experimental Politics Workshop	2019
University of Wisconsin – Madison	
<b>Student Co-Coordinator:</b> Comparative Politics Colloquium	2018-2019
University of Wisconsin – Madison	

## REFERENCES

### **Rikhil Bhavnani**

Department of Political Science  
University of Wisconsin – Madison  
[bhavnani@wisc@wisc.edu](mailto:bhavnani@wisc@wisc.edu)

### **Yoshiko Herrera**

Department of Political Science  
University of Wisconsin – Madison  
[yherrera@wisc.edu](mailto:yherrera@wisc.edu)

### **Nadav Shelef**

Department of Political Science  
University of Wisconsin – Madison  
[shelef@wisc.edu](mailto:shelef@wisc.edu)

### **Jonathan Renshon**

Department of Political Science  
University of Wisconsin – Madison  
[renshon@wisc.edu](mailto:renshon@wisc.edu)

### **Tarek Masoud**

Harvard Kennedy School  
Harvard University  
[tarek\\_masoud@hks.harvard.edu](mailto:tarek_masoud@hks.harvard.edu)

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Zulat – Equality and Human Rights**

Research Consultant, Israel

2020

### **aChord – Social Psychology for Social Change**

Research Consultant, Israel

2020

### **Military Service (Israel)**

Mandatory Service as a Paratrooper's Commander

2009-2012

## SOFTWARE

R, STATA, ArcMap, QGIS

## LANGUAGES

**Hebrew** (Native), **Arabic** (Advanced)

## LAST UPDATED:

June 15, 2022