David Goldstein

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Aim and Intent

I am driven by problem solving. From writing policy, researching, and learning languages, to writing code and developing applications, I seek to understand why systems work, what their effects are, and how I can change them to receive the desired outcome. I am energized by projects and teams that ask these questions and then draw from diverse skillsets and disciplines to find the answer.

Education

- **Macalester College,** St. Paul, MN | *Bachelor of Arts,* GPA: 3.80   Fall 2012 – Spring 2016
  - Majors: Computer Science, International Studies, and Arabic Language
  - Concentration: Middle East and Islamic Studies
- **American University of Sharjah**, UAE   Fall 2014
- **Boren National Security Program**, Morocco   Summer 2013
- **National Security Language Initiative,** Morocco   Summer 2012

Professional Experience

- **Defense Intelligence Agency, UDIP |** *Program Assistant, Washington, DC*   Fall 2016 - Present
  - Assist in development of DIA analytic products.
  - Relate analysis tradecraft in creating software tools.
  - Research and write on issues in the Middle East.

- **Karam Law |** *Paralegal, Bloomington, MN*   2015 –2016
  - Drafted legal briefs based on intensive research and careful preparation.
  - Prepared and organized client files and court filings.
  - Translated and interpreted official Arabic and French documents.

- **Department of State, PRM/Office of Asia and the Near East |** *Intern, Washington, DC*   Summer 2015
  - Researched and reported on Middle East security issues.
  - Drafted, edited, and cleared official papers and statements.
  - Assisted senior-level officials in a fast-paced environment on a variety of projects.

- **Minnesota International Center |** *Intern, Minneapolis, MN*   Summer 2013
  - Maintained and updated company and donor databases.
  - Created interactive online world map using Google Maps API.
  - Arranged meeting with State Department officials and international visitors.

- **Advocates for Human Rights |** *Volunteer, Minneapolis, MN*   2013 - 2016
  - Prepared and organized official documents for use in court.
  - Coordinated with attorneys and clients throughout the legal process.
  - Analyzed, translated, and interpreted documents in Arabic and French.

Professional Interests

- Big Data Analytics
- Machine Learning
- Defensive Cyber
- Application Design and Development
- US Cyber Policy
- International Law
- Middle East Politics
- Arabic and French Language

Fellowships and Awards

- Council of American Ambassadors Fellow, 2015
- Clinton Global Initiative Fellow, 2013
- Boren National Security Fellow, 2013
- Dean's List, 2012-2016
- National Security Language Initiative Fellow, 2012

Skills and Language Proficiency

- Java, C++, C, Python
- Perl, JavaScript, BASH
- Arabic 2/2
- French 2+/2+
- Hebrew 1+/1+

Coding and Application Development

- "Parsing and Compiling Data from Securities and Exchange Commission Database" Independent Project, 2016
- "Secure Encryption/Decryption Chat Program" Macalester College, 2016
- "Mapping English Synonyms: A Synonym Scraper" Independent Project, 2016
- "Adaptive Flash Cards: An Arabic Language Learning Tool" Independent Project, 2013
- "Kitchen Sync: An Android Application for the Macalester Cafeteria" Macalester College, 2013
- "Analysis of Time Complexity in Sudoku Puzzle Solutions" Independent Project, 2012

Opinion and Political Analysis

- "Lessons Learned from the Iraqi Criminal Tribunal: A Case for Syria" Macalester College, 2015
- "The Carrot or the Stick: Kurdistan, Iraq, and the US Intervention in Anfal" American University of Sharjah, 2014
- "Guantanamo and the Global War on Terror: Emerging Paradigms in International Law" Macalester College, 2014
- "Is Israel's Stuxnet Attack on Iran an Act of Aggression Under International Law?" Macalester College, 2014
- "Legal Analysis of the 2013 Chinese Cyber Attacks on the New York Times" Macalester College, 2013
- "Political and Legal Analysis of Israel's Sea Blockade of Gaza Port" Macalester College, 2013

Academic Research

- "Demographic Impacts of Syrian Refugees in Lebanon: Looking Forward" Macalester College, 2016
- "Implementation and Analysis of Artificial Intelligence in Card Games" Macalester College, 2015
- "Analysis of CPU Speed When Compared with L Cache Size" Macalester College, 2015
- "Translation and Commentary on اربعة ملايين لاجىء -الانفجار السكاني- هل تبقى سورية؟ وهل ينجو لبنان؟ (Four Million Refugees, the Demographic Bomb: Will Syria survive? Will Lebanon Remain?)" Macalester College, 2015
- "Analysis of Time Complexity in RSA Encryption-Decryption Methods" American University of Sharjah, 2014

References

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