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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Brigham Young University

Assistant Professor

2021–Present

Harvard University

Raphael Morrison Dorman Memorial Postdoctoral Fellow

2020–2021

Weatherhead Scholars Program, [Weatherhead Center for International Affairs](#)

EDUCATION

Harvard University

Ph.D.

2020

Government

Committee: Melani Cammett, Ryan Enos, Dustin Tingley

Brigham Young University

B.A.

2013

Middle East Studies and Arabic, Minor in Modern Hebrew

Valedictorian, *summa cum laude*

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

"Social accountability and minority status: Contributions to public goods by Hindus and Muslims in Delhi slums," 2023, *Comparative Political Studies*, *forthcoming*, with Melani Cammett and Poulomi Chakrabarti. [Paper](#), [Supplementary Materials](#).

"How threats of exclusion mobilize Palestinian political participation," 2023, *American Journal of Political Science*, *forthcoming*, with Chagai Weiss and Alex Siegel. [Paper](#), [Supplementary Materials](#).

"Changing hearts and minds: Why media messages designed to foster empathy often fail," 2022, *The Journal of Politics*, 84 (4): 2156–2171, with Joshua Gubler, Christopher Karpowitz, J. Quin Monson, and Mikle South. [Paper](#), [Supplementary Materials](#).

"The enemy of my enemy is not my friend: Arabic Twitter sentiment toward ISIS and the United States," 2021, *International Studies Quarterly*, 65 (4): 1176–1184, with Amaney Jamal, Robert O. Keohane, and Dustin Tingley. [Paper](#), [Supplementary Materials](#).

"Chinese views of the United States: Evidence from Weibo," 2020, *International Relations of the Asia-Pacific*, 20 (1): 1–30, with Yichen Guan, Dustin Tingley, Amaney Jamal, and Robert O. Keohane. [Paper](#).

"Anti-Americanism and anti-interventionism in Arabic Twitter disources," 2015, *Perspectives on Politics*, 13 (1): 55–73, with Amaney Jamal, Robert O. Keohane, and Dustin Tingley. [Paper](#), [Supplementary Materials](#).

MANUSCRIPTS IN SUBMISSION

- "What affects attitudes toward US-related conspiracy theories in the Arab Middle East?," with Dustin Tingley and Amaney Jamal. *Under review*. [Paper](#), [Supplementary Materials](#).
- "The supply of conspiracy theories in state-controlled media," with Gabriel Koehler-Derrick and Rich Nielsen. *R&R at The Journal of Politics*. [Paper](#), [Supplementary Materials](#).
- "Social accountability and public goods provision: Testing informal mechanisms to improve community welfare in the slums of Delhi," with Melani Cammett and Poulomi Chakrabarti. *Under review*. [Paper](#), [Supplementary Materials](#).

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

- "Encouraging ingroup policing in Israel." *Solo-authored dissertation paper and follow-up experiment, available upon request*.
- "The supply of conspiracy theories and authoritarianism in the MENA region," with Gabriel Koehler-Derrick and Richard Nielsen. *Not yet available*.
- "Disaggregating beliefs in US-ISIS conspiracy theories," with Amaney Jamal, Robert O. Keohane, and Dustin Tingley. *Not yet available*.
- "Segregated living and intergroup attitudes among college students," with Ryan Enos and Richard Nielsen. *Not yet available*.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- "Plain text: Transparency in the acquisition, analysis, and access stages of the computer-assisted analysis of texts," 2015, *Qualitative and Multi-Method Research*, 13 (1): 32–37, with Brandon Stewart and Dustin Tingley. [Link](#).
- "Tweeting terrorist attacks in the U.S. and Europe," 2015, July 1, *Middle East Institute*, with Amaney Jamal, Robert O. Keohane, and Dustin Tingley. [Link](#).
- "Anti-Americanism in Arabic Twitter discourses is driven by perceptions of US impingement in the region," 2015, March 19, *USApp—American Politics and Policy Blog*, with Amaney Jamal, Robert O. Keohane, and Dustin Tingley. [Link](#).
- "Did civilizations clash over the #ChapelHillShooting," 2015, March 2, *Monkey Cage*, with Amaney Jamal, Robert O. Keohane, and Dustin Tingley. [Link](#).

CURRENT PROJECTS

[Ingroup Policing in Israel](#)

[Ethnic Voting in Malaysia](#)

[Minorities and Public Goods Provision in India](#)

[Views of the West and Conspiracy Theories in the MENA Region](#)

INVITED TALKS

2015 Morality Lab, Department of Psychology, Boston College

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Abbreviations: American Political Science Association (APSA), International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP), International Studies Association (ISA), Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), Association for Analytic Learning about Islam and Muslim Societies (AALIMS), Harvard Experimental Political Science (HEPS), Southeast Asia Research Group (SEAREG)

Participation: Chair (C), Discussant (D), Organizer of Conference or Panel (O), Presenter (P)

2023	SEAREG, International Conspiracy Theory Symposium (DP)
2022	AALIMS (P)
2021	APSA (COP)
2020	APSA (DOP); HEPS (O)
2019	NYU CESS Experimental Political Science (P); AALIMS (P); BYU Scholars Workshop (P); APSA (OP); HEPS (O)
2018	HEPS (OP)
2017	ISA (P); MPSA (P); AALIMS (P); BYU Scholars Workshop (P); HEPS (O)
2016	MPSA (P); APSA (P)
2014	Digital Methods in Political Science (P); APSA (P); AALIMS (P); MPSA (P)
2013	Digital Methods in Political Science (P); ISPP (P); MPSA (P)

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

EXTERNAL

2019–Present	Fellow, Association for Analytic Learning about Islam and Muslim Societies
2015–2020	Graduate Research Fellow, National Science Foundation

INTERNAL, BYU

2011–2013	Kennedy Scholar, Kennedy Center
2010	Harold B. Lee Library Research Grant

INTERNAL, HARVARD

2018	Graduate Research Grant, the Foundations of Human Behavior Initiative
2018	Graduate Student Associate Research Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
2018	Research Grant, Institute for Quantitative Social Science
2018	Research Grant, Center for Jewish Studies
2017	Graduate Student Associate Research Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
2017	Research Grant, Institute for Quantitative Social Science
2016	Graduate Student Associate Research Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
2016–Present	Graduate Student Associate, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
2016	Mid-dissertation Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs

2015–Present Inequality and Social Policy Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School
2015 Pre-dissertation Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
2014 Research Grant, Institute for Quantitative Social Science

TEACHING

TEACHING, BYU

POLI 357—Middle East Politics—Most recently taught Fall 2022

POLI 474—Arab-Palestinian-Israeli Conflict—Most recently taught Winter 2023

POLI 450/MESA 495—Capstone: Ethnicity, Conflict, and Conflict Resolution—Most recently taught Winter 2023

OTHER TEACHING AND MENTORING, BYU

Global Politics Lab Students: Trevor Monney, Giada Pol, Brynn Morse

Advisee to Undergraduate Honors Theses of: Samuel Yeboah, Lydia Shaw, Tania Carillo

TEACHING ASSISTANCE, HARVARD

GOV 2001: Advanced Quantitative Research Methodology (Michael Peress), Spring 2017

Average score 4.7/5, *Distinction in Teaching Award*, Derek Bok Center of Teaching and Learning

GOV 2000: Introduction to Quantitative Methods I (Matthew Blackwell), Fall 2016

OTHER TEACHING AND MENTORING, HARVARD

Undergraduate Thesis Adviser, Julia Lauer, 2019–2020

Weatherhead Center Undergraduate Associate Mentor, Tom Osborne, Summer 2019

Undergraduate Thesis Adviser, Hana Seita, 2018–2019

Weatherhead Center Undergraduate Associate Mentor, Molly Leavens, Summer 2018

Writing Tutor, Warrior Scholar Project, Harvard and MIT, Summers 2017, 2018, and 2019

Summer Research Opportunities at Harvard (SROH) Peer Mentor, Summer 2017

TEACHING ASSISTANCE, BYU, UNDERGRADUATE

ARAB 201: Intermediate Arabic (Dilworth Parkinson), Fall 2012

PLSC 200: Political Inquiry (Scott Cooper), Fall 2010

SERVICE

DISCIPLINARY

Reviewer for: *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Political Analysis*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Psychology*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Conflict Management and Peace Science*

DEPARTMENTAL, BYU

2021–2023 Faculty Advisor, BYU Political Review

HARVARD

2017–2020 Department Representative, Graduate Student Council

2017–2020 Conference organizer, Harvard Experimental Political Science Graduate Conference

2016–2020	Co-chair, GSAS Student-Parents Organization
2016–2020	Co-coordinator, Harvard Experiments Working Group
2015–2017	Graduate Student Coordinator, Working Group in Political Psychology
2015–2017	Graduate Student Coordinator, Middle East Politics Workshop

BYU, UNDERGRADUATE

2012–2013	President, Pi Sigma Alpha/BYUPAS (<i>recipient of best chapter award</i>)
2011–2012	Editor-in-Chief, Pi Sigma Alpha student journal (<i>recipient of best chapter award</i>)
2011–2012	Editor, Political Review
2010–2011	Publishing Director, Pi Sigma Alpha student journal

LANGUAGES

Arabic	Advanced proficiency
Malay	Advanced proficiency
Hebrew	Advanced proficiency
Programming	R, very small amounts of Stata and Python

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