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Professional Positions

RAND Corporation

Associate Political Scientist 2022– Summer Associate 2021

Michigan State University

Postdoctoral Fellow, Institute For Public Policy and Social Research
Assistant Professor (Fixed-Term), Department of Political Science
2021–2022

Education

Michigan State University

Ph.D., Political Science

M.A., Political Science

Graduate Certificate, Computational Modeling

2018

University of Kentucky

B.A., International Studies 2012

Emphases: International Relations and the Middle East

Departmental Honors, Summa Cum Laude

Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Amira Jadoon and Caleb Lucas (2023). Winning or Losing Hearts and Minds? Evidence from Afghanistan
 on how Leadership Decapitation affects Civilian Perceptions of Government Efficacy. Accepted at the
 Journal of Politics
- 2. Caleb Lucas, Benjamin Appel, and Alyssa Prorok (2022). Not Too Distant: Opportunity, Grievance, and the Onset of Civil War. *Civil Wars* 24(4), 497–523.
- 1. Kevin Greene and Caleb Lucas (2020). Once More, with Feeling: Using Sentiment Analysis to Improve Models of Relationships between Non-State Actors. *International Interactions* 46(1), 150–162.

Submitted Manuscripts

Revise and Resubmit

- 3. Mere Puffery or Convincing Claims? Rebel News and Civilian Perceptions of Group Strength
- 2. Deadly Dates: The Relationship Between Holy Days and Terrorism
- 1. Group Salience, Inflammatory Rhetoric, and the Persistence of Hate Against Religious Minorities (with Will Hobbs, Nazita Lajevardi, and Xinyi Li)

Software

cspp and csppData: R Packages for the Correlates of State Policy Project Data (with Josh McCrain)
Associated Web App for the Correlates of State Policy Project Dataset (link)

congress and congressData: R Packages for CongressData

Associated Web App for the CongressData Dataset (link)

Skills

Formal Arabic, LTEX, Python, R, Web Scraping

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Additional Training

ICPSR Summer Program: Applied Bayesian Models for Social Scientists Workshop2020Beirut Politics Exchange Annual Workshop (Beirut, Lebanon)2019Academic Research on Conflict and Contention Workshop (London School of Economics)2018Formal Arabic: Morocco2011, 2017Syria2009, 2010

Fieldwork

Beirut, Lebanon
Affiliated with CAMES at the American University of Beirut

Teaching

Instructor (Graduate)

PLS 801: Quantitative Techniques in Public Policy and Political Science 2021 Programming in R for Political Scientists Summer Course (Co-instructor) 2020, 2021

Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate)

PLS 202: Introduction to Data Science 2020
PLS 100: Introduction to American Politics 2017

Workshops: ¹Social Media Mining in R: Collecting and Analyzing Twitter Data, ²Cleaning Messy Text Using R: How to Get Your Data Ready for Analysis, ³Computational Text Analysis: An Introduction using R, ⁴Building Static Websites Using GitHub Pages

Grants & Awards

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS)

Summer Fellowship, Advanced Formal Arabic, Morocco (\$8,500) 2017

Michigan State University

University Distinguished Fellowship 2016–2021 Cloud Computing Fellowship 2019-2020

Conference & Workshop Presentations

International Studies Association 2020†, 2021, 2022 American Political Science Association 2019, 2021 Muslim Studies Conference on Global Islamophobia in the Media (MSU) 2021 Political Networks Conference 2021 Midwest Regional Peace and Conflict Conference 2019, 2020 Midwest Political Science Association 2017, 2018, 2019 Minnesota Political Methodology Colloquium 2018, 2019 International Studies Association - Midwest 2019 Boston International Security Graduate Student Conference 2018

†Canceled due to COVID-19

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