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## Current position

2024- *Assistant Professor of Political Science*, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina

## Previous positions

2019-2024 *Assistant Professor of Political Science*, Social Sciences Division, New York University Abu Dhabi

2018-2019 *Postdoctoral Research Scholar*, Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance, Princeton University

## Education

2018 PhD in Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia  
2010 MA in Middle East Studies, George Washington University  
2008 BA in International Relations, Wheaton College

## Publications

### Books

2023 Kubinec, Robert. *Making Democracy Safe for Business: Corporate Politics During the Arab Uprisings*. Cambridge University Press.

### Journal Articles

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- 2020 Kubinec, Robert and Owen, John. "When Groups Fall Apart: Identifying Transnational Polarization with Twitter from the Arab Uprisings." *Political Analysis* doi:10.1017/pan.2020.46.
- 2020 Cheng, Cindy; Barcelo, Joan; Hartnett, Allison; Kubinec, Robert and Messerschmidt, Luca. "COVID-19 Government Response Event Dataset (CoronaNet v.1.0)." *Nature Human Behavior*. doi:10.1038/s41562-020-0909-7.
- 2020 Kropko, Jonathan and Kubinec, Robert. "Why the Two-way Fixed Effects Model is Difficult to Interpret, and What to Do About It." *PLOS One*. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0231349