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Current position

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

Previous positions

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

Journal Articles

2021   Barcelo, Joan; Kubinec, Robert; Cheng, Cindy; Hoye Rahn, Tiril; and Messerschmidt, Luca. "Windows of Repression: Using COVID-19 Policies against Political Dissidents?" Forthcoming *Journal of Peace Research*.

2021   Kubinec, Robert; Lee, Haillie and Tomashevskiy, Andrey. "Politically-Connected Companies Are Less Likely to Shutdown Due to COVID-19 Restrictions." Forthcoming *Social Science Quarterly*.

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

Working Papers

For a list of my current working papers, please see my Google Scholar page.

Reports and Op-eds

2021   Kubinec, Robert, (Spring 2021), "Pandemic Safe Research with Online Surveys", *American Political Science Association MENA Politics Newsletter*

2020   Kubinec, Robert, (April 2020), "The CoronaNet Database", *Project on Middle East Political Science Studies No. 39*

2019   Grewal, Sharan; Kilavuz, Tahir M.; and Kubinec, Robert, (July 2019), "Algeria's Uprising: A Survey of Protesters and the Military", *The Brookings Institution*

2017   Kubinec, Robert, (Aug. 13, 2017), "How to Respond to Terrorism", *The Daily Progress*

2016   Kubinec, Robert, (Dec. 19, 2016), "How Foreign Aid Could Hurt Tunisia's Transition to Democracy", *Washington Post*

Software

2017-2019   Kubinec, Robert. `idealstan`: An R Package for Bayesian Ideal Point Modeling. CRAN link

2017   Kubinec, Robert. `algoeval`: An R Package for Evaluation of Machine-Learning Algorithm Performance.

Reviewing

I have been a reviewer for *Political Analysis*, *The American Political Science Review*, *The American Journal of Political Science*, *Political Science Research and Methods*, *PLOS One*, *SAGE Open*, and *Middle East Law and Governance*.

Grants and fellowships

External

2019   Koch Foundation Grant for "Online Survey Research on the U.S. - China Trade War" ($10k)

2017-2018   Economic Research Forum, "A Survey of Firm-Level Political Participation" ($6k)

2017   Koch Foundation Dissertation Grant ($5k)

2016   Project on Middle East Political Science Travel, Research & Engagement Grant ($3k)

Internal

2020	COVID-19 Facilitator Research Fund ($30k)
2017	Quantitative Collaborative Bynum Grant
2015 - 2016	Quandt International Research Fund travel grant, University of Virginia
2015	Summer Research Grant, Graduate School for Arts and Sciences, University of Virginia
2014-2015	Developing Students for Leadership in Data-intensive Research and Innovation fellowship, Data Science Institute, University of Virginia
2014	Summer Foreign Language Fellowship, University of Virginia
2008-2010	Elliott School High Achievement Fellowship, George Washington University
2009	Banville Tuition Fellowship, George Washington University

Invited Talks

2017	Tunisia Country Team, Millennial Challenge Corporation, Washington DC

Professional Experience & Consulting

2017-2018	Acting Data Scientist, Unbias
2011-2013	Foreign Service Officer, U.S. Department of State
2010-2011	Data Mining Consultant, IBM Advanced Analytics & Optimization