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EDUCATION

PhD in Political Science , *The Ohio State University*

Expected 2026

Specializations: Comparative Politics and Research Methodology

Committee: Jan Pierskalla (chair), Amanda Robinson, Erin Lin, Samer Talozi (non-OSU member)

MA in Political Science, The Ohio State University

2022

BS in International Relations, Seton Hall University

2020

BA in Economics, Seton Hall University

2020

WORKING PAPERS

- 1. "Decentralization in Unequal Contexts: Kinship Networks and Irrigation Water Governance in the Jordan Valley" (Job Market Paper)
- 2. "Tribes all the way down: Measuring Jordan's Tribes as Nested Social Networks" with Elizabeth Parker-Magyar (Harvard University)
- 3. "The Limits of Participatory Irrigation Management: Using Remote Sensing to Evaluate Agricultural Policy Impact" (Under Review; with Samer Talozi (JUST))
- 4. "Gender and Voting in Jordanian Parliamentary Elections" (co-authored with Elizabeth Parker-Magyar & Saumyaa Gupta (Yale University))
- 5. "Nothing to gain, nothing to lose: Expected electoral gains and the opposition's decision to boycott"

LONG-TERM RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 1. Social Dynamics, Decentralization, and Public Goods Provision in Jordan (dissertation project)
- 2. Measuring Jordanian Tribal Structures Using Network Analysis (co-authored with Elizabeth Parker-Magyar)

POLICY PAPERS AND CONSULTANCY WORK

- 1. "Water User Associations in the Jordan Valley: History, Successes, and Challenges" with Methods for Irrigation and Agriculture
- 2. "Jordanian Political Attitudes and Ideology Survey Report" with the Center for Strategic Studies (CSS)
- 3. "Political Reform in Jordan: Desired Outcomes and Assessment Strategies", with CSS and The Adam Smith Institute (ASI)

TEACHING

POLITSC 4940 - Politics of Immigration Instructor of Record	Autumn 2023
POLITSC 7552 - Quantitative Political Analysis II (Generalized Linear Models) Teaching Assistant for Skyler Cranmer	Spring 2023
POLITSC 7551 - Quantitative Political Analysis I (Probability Theory) Teaching Assistant for Jan Pierskalla	Autumn 2022
POLITSC 1200 - Introduction to Comparative Politics Teaching Assistant for Sarah Brooks	Spring 2022

POLITSC 3220 - Politics of the Developing World

Autumn 2021

Teaching Assistant for Erin Lin

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FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE	
Jordan (Amman, Irbid) Lebanon (Beirut)	JanNov. 2024; Jul Aug. 2023; Jun. 2022; Aug. 2019 Jul. 2022
Awards	
APSA Travel Grant American Political Science Association	2025
Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Abroad Award <i>US Department of Education</i>	2024
Dissertation research award to study the politics of wat through November 2024 in Jordan	
Francis R. Aumann Award for Distinguished Service Ohio State University Department of Political Science Award for distinguished service to the Department of Po	2023 olitical Science and the Political Science Community
Mershon Center for International Security Ohio State University	2023
Fieldwork in Jordan, Summer 2023 Political Science Dept. Summer Funding Grant	
Ohio State University	2021 - 2024 2022), language training (2021), and methodological training
Political Science Research Grant Ohio State University	2021 - 2024
Graduate Enrichment Fellowship Ohio State University	Dissertation Year
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences Fellowship <i>Ohio State University</i> Summers	2021 - 2024
University Fellowship Ohio State University	2020 - 2021
Research Experience for Undergraduates NSF/ University of North Texas	Summer 2019
Affiliations and Service	
Association for Analytical Learning about Islam and M Junior Fellow	Iuslim Societies 2025 - present
Middle East Studies Association Member American Political Science Association	2024 - Present
Member OSU Political Science Graduate Immersion Conference	2024 - Present
Committee Chair Midwestern Political Science Association	2022 - 2023
Member OSU Political Science Graduate Immersion Conference	2020 - 2021 e
Committee Member	2021 - 2021

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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

American Political Science Association (scheduled)

September 2025

Decentralization in Unequal Contexts: Kinship Networks and Irrigation Water Governance in the Jordan Valley

American Political Science Association (scheduled)

September 2025

Tribes all the way down: Measuring Jordan's tribes as nested social networks

MapleMeth IV

June 2025

Tribes all the way down: Measuring Jordan's tribes as nested social networks

Association for Analytic Learning about Islam and Muslim Societies

April 2025

Tribes all the way down: Measuring Jordan's tribes as nested social networks

Middle East Studies Association
Formalizing the Informal: Decentralization and Tribal

November 2024

November 2024

November 2019

Formatizing the informat: Decentralization and Iribat

Networks in Jordan's Irrigation Water Management Apparatus

Middle East Studies Association

Measuring Jordan's Tribal Communities as Nested Social Networks

(with Elizabeth Parker-Magyar (Harvard University))

Midwestern Political Science Association April 2022

Turnout for what? Election boycotts and voter turnout in electoral autocracies

International Studies Association - Midwest

Conflict-Induced Peace: The Effects of Conflict Intensity on Mediation

Seton Hall University Petersheim Academic Exposition

May 2019

Microfinance and Education: A Two-Prong Approach to Development Inside Za'atari Camp

Non-PhD Research Experience

Visiting Research Associate

Feb. - Nov. 2024

Center for Strategic Studies (University of Jordan)

Amman, Jordan

- Designed and analyzed a survey assessing Jordanian political attitudes and moral foundations
- Contributed to policy-related research projects on public administration and political reform in Jordan
- Contributed to an original survey studying Jordanian public opinion about the 2023-2024 War in Gaza (questionnaire design; translation)
- Contributed to a project designing a monitoring and assessment program for Jordan's political reform process

Research Associate Apr. 2019 - Feb. 2020

Center for Peace and Conflict Studies

South Orange, NJ & Amman, Jordan

- Managed logistics and finances for a survey project funded by the German government that sought to understand the social, political, and economic ramifications of the civil war in Yemen
- Coordinated with our donor in Germany (GIZ) as well as our partner organization in Yemen (not named for security purposes) to plan a week-long survey development workshop in Amman, Jordan
- · Provided preliminary data analysis of survey data

SKILLS

Programming R, Python, HTML, Stata, SPSS

Communication Arabic (MSA - advanced-mid level), Arabic (Jordanian dialect - working proficiency)

OTHER TRAINING

Quantiative Methods Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR, Summer 2023)

Language Training Indiana University Language Flagship Program (Arabic, Summer 2021)

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Caritas Internationalis New York, NY

United Nations Advocacy Assistant January 2019 - May 2019

BDO Jordan Amman, Jordan

Business Development Intern

May - August 2018

Endeavor Jordan

Amman, Jordan

Entrepreneur Selection and Growth Intern February - May 2018

City of Jersey City

City Council Aide (Ward C)

Jersey City, NJ

June - August 2016, 2017

REFERENCES

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