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EDUCATION

PhD in Political Science , The Ohio State University Specializations: Comparative Politics and Research Methodology

Expected 2026

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

Committee: Jan Pierskalla (Chair), Amanaa Robinson, Erin Lin, Samer Talozi (non-OSO 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

Autumn 2021

WORKING PAPERS

- 1. "Successes and challenges of decentralization in the management of irrigation water in the Jordan Valley" (Job Market Paper)
- 2. "Mapping and Measuring the Tribes of Jordan Using Social Network Analysis" with Elizabeth Parker-Magyar (Harvard University)
- 3. "Participatory Irrigation Management in Jordan: Using Remote Sensing to Understand Differences in Water Allocation" (*co-authored with Samer Talozi (JUST)*)
- 4. "Gendered Polling Places and Female Vote Share in Jordan" (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"

IN-PROGRESS RESEARCH

- 1. Social Dynamics, Decentralization, and Public Goods Provision in Jordan (dissertation project)
- 2. Urbanization and the Maintenance of Social Tribal Networks in Jordan's Parliament (*co-authored with Elizabeth Parker-Magyar*)

POLICY PAPERS AND CONSULTANCY WORK

POLITSC 3220 - Politics of the Developing World

Teaching Assistant for Erin Lin

- 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 Adam Smith International (ASI)

TEACHING

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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

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Committee Member

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2021 - 2021

FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE		
Jordan (Amman, Irbid) Lebanon (Beirut)	'bid) JanNov. 2024; Jul Aug. 2023; Jun. 2022; Aug. 2019 Jul. 2022	
AWARDS		
Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Abroad Award US Department of Education Dissertation research award to study the politics of water mana- through November 2024 in Jordan	2024 gement in Jordan from February 2024	
Francis R. Aumann Award for Distinguished Service Ohio State University Department of Political Science Award for distinguished service to the Department of Political S	2023 cience and the Political Science Community	
Mershon Center for International Security Ohio State University Fieldwork in Jordan, Summer 2023	2023	
Political Science Dept. Summer Funding Grant Ohio State University Funded fieldwork in Jordan (2022-2024) and Lebanon (2022), la (2023)	2021 - 2024 nguage 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 Ohio State University Summers	2021 - 2024	
University Fellowship Ohio State University	2020 - 2021	
Research Experience for Undergraduates NSF/ University of North Texas	Summer 2019	
Affiliations and Service		
Middle East Studies Association Member American Political Science Association	2024 - Present	
Member	2024 - Present	
OSU Political Science Graduate Immersion Conference Committee Chair	2022 - 2023	
Midwestern Political Science Association Member	2020 - 2021	
OSU Political Science Graduate Immersion Conference		

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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

Middle East Studies Association November 2024

Formalizing the Informal: Decentralization and Tribal

Networks in Jordan's Irrigation Water Management Apparatus

Middle East Studies Association November 2024

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

November 2019

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

Center for Strategic Studies (University of Jordan)

Feb. - Nov. 2024

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

WORK EXPERIENCE

Caritas Internationalis New York, NY

United Nations Advocacy Assistant

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, NJ

City Council Aide (Ward C)

June - August 2016, 2017

SKILLS

Programming R, Python, HTML, Stata, SPSS

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

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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)

REFERENCES

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