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### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

- 08/2022 - present      Chair, Middle East Studies, University of Tennessee
- 08/2021 - present      Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Tennessee
- 01/2017 - 12/2017      Research Fellow, Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Middle East Initiative
- 08/2015 - present      Senior Global Security Fellow, Howard H. Baker Jr. School of Public Policy and Public Affairs
- 08/2014 - 07/2021      Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Tennessee
- 08/2013 - 08/2014      Post-doctoral Fellow, Georgetown University, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service in Qatar, Center for International and Regional Studies

### **PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS**

- 09/2020 – 08/2022      Vice Chair, American Political Science Association's Middle East and North Africa Politics Section
- 08/2020 - present      Co-editor, *Edinburgh Studies on the Maghreb*, Edinburgh University Press book series
- 06/2019 - present      Editor, *Mediterranean Politics*
- 03/2016 - 06/2019      Book Reviews Editor and Research Notes Editor, *Mediterranean Politics*

### **EDUCATION**

**University of Texas at Austin, Department of Government, 2013 - *Ph.D., Government***  
*Subfields:* Comparative Politics and International Relations

**University of Texas at Austin, Department of Government, 2009 - *M.A., Government***

**University of Damascus, Syria, 2007 - *Certificate, Advanced-High Proficiency in Arabic***

**Willamette University, 2007 - *cum laude, department honors***  
*Majors:* Politics, History

### **AWARDS**

2018 Early Career Excellence in Research and Creative Achievement Award. University of Tennessee, College of Arts and Sciences.

2019 SERMEISS Book Award (Southeast Regional Middle East & Islamic Studies Society) for *Why Alliances Fail: Islamist and Leftist Coalitions in North Africa*.

2019 SERMEISS Article Award (*honorable mention*) (Southeast Regional Middle East & Islamic Studies Society) for “The Autocrat’s Advisors: Opening the Black-Box of Ruling Coalitions in Tunisia’s Authoritarian Regime.”

### **PEER-REVIEWED BOOK**

*Why Alliances Fail: Islamist and Leftist Coalitions in North Africa* (Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 2018), 304 pp.

Reviewed by *Perspectives on Politics, Politics and Religion, International Journal of Middle East Studies, Journal of North African Studies, Mediterranean Politics, and Revista de Estudios Internacionales Mediterráneos.*

### **PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS**

“Who Would Trust a Nuclear Umbrella? An Original Survey Gauging Public Confidence in Future Nuclear Guarantees in Morocco.” (with Arjun Banerjee). *The Nonproliferation Review. Accepted and forthcoming.*

“Thy Neighbor’s Gendarme? How Citizens of Buffer States in North Africa View European Border Security Externalization.” (with Kristin Fabbe and Eleni Kyrkopoulou). *Journal of Immigrant and Refugee Studies. Accepted and forthcoming.*

“Surveying the Landscape of Labor Market Threat Perceptions from Migration: Evidence from Attitudes toward Sub-Saharan African Migrants in Morocco.” (with Kristin Fabbe and Eleni Kyrkopoulou). *Industrial and Labor Relations (ILR) Review*, Vol. 76, No. 4 (2023), pp. 748-773.

“Marxists of the Maghreb: Leftists Parties and Movements of North Africa.” *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of African History* (with Matthew R. Jones) (2023), pp. 1-22.

“The International Sources of Prejudice toward Shi‘a in the Middle East and North Africa: Original Survey Evidence from Morocco.” (with Jonah Schulhofer-Wohl). *Mediterranean Politics*. Vol. 28, No. 3 (2023), pp. 463-491.

“Divergent Opposition to Sub-Saharan African and Arab Migrants in Morocco’s Casablanca Region: Prejudice from the Pocketbook?” (with Kyung Joon Han). *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol. 48, No. 3 (2021), pp. 492-514.

“Community-level Postmaterialism and Anti-Migrant Attitudes: An Original Survey on Opposition to Sub-Saharan African Migrants in the Middle East.” (with Kristin Fabbe and Kyung Joon Han). *International Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 64, No. 3 (2020), pp. 669-683.

“How Does Legalization Alter Islamists’ Electoral Strategies? A Comparative Study of Mauritania’s Tawassoul Party in the 2006 and 2013 Local Elections.” *L’Année du Maghreb*, Vol. 23 (2020), pp. 303-323.

“Judges, Bribes, and Verdicts: How Court Experience Reshapes Attitudes about Judicial Corruption among Morocco’s Most Marginalized.” *Mediterranean Politics*, Vol. 25, No. 3 (2020), pp. 650-672.

“Who Endorses Amnesty? An Original Survey from Morocco’s Casablanca Region Assessing Citizen Support for Regularizing Clandestine Migrants.” (with Kyung Joon Han). *Review of Middle East Studies (RoMES)*, Vol. 52, No. 2 (2018), pp. 283-298.

“The Autocrat’s Advisors: Opening the Black-Box of Ruling Coalitions in Tunisia’s Authoritarian Regime.” (with Mehdi Ayari). *Political Research Quarterly*, Vol. 70, No. 4 (2018), pp. 330-346.

“Do You Have ‘Connections’ at the Courthouse? An Original Survey on Informal Influence and Judicial Rulings in Morocco.” *Political Research Quarterly*, Vol. 69, No. 4 (2016), pp. 760-772.

“Continuity through Co-optation: Rural Politics and Regime Resilience in Morocco and Mauritania.” *Mediterranean Politics*, Vol. 20, No. 3 (2015), pp. 364-385.

“Labor Demands, Regime Concessions: Moroccan Unions and the Arab Uprisings.” *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol. 42, No. 1 (2015), pp. 88-103.

“The Threat to ‘Un-Moderate’: Moroccan Islamists and the Arab Spring.” *Middle East Law and Governance*, Vol. 5, No. 3 (2013), pp. 1-27.

“Safety-Valve Elections in the Arab Spring: The Weakening (and Resurgence) of Morocco’s Islamist Opposition Party.” *Terrorism and Political Violence*, Vol. 25, No. 1 (2013), pp. 137-156.

“Beards, Mustaches, and Power: The Traits of Masculine Leadership in Morocco” in *Local Governance in the Middle East and North Africa* (with Freddy Gergis), University of Michigan Press (eds., Ellen Lust and Kristen Kao). *Conditionally accepted*.

“The Functions of Authoritarian Elections: Symbolism, Safety Values, and Clientelism,” in Francesco Cavatorta and Valeria Resta (eds.), *Routledge Handbook on Elections in the Middle East and North Africa*. (with Calista Boyd). Routledge, 2023, pp. 13-25

“Urban Bias, Rural Embeddedness: Using the Rural-Urban Divide to Explain Political Party Organizational and Ideological Development in the MENA,” in Francesco Cavatorta, Lise Storm, and Valeria Resta (eds.), *Routledge Handbook on Political Parties in the Middle East and North Africa*. (with Allison Critcher). Routledge, 2021, pp. 307-318.

“Integrating African Migrants? Gauging Citizen Opposition to Migrant Resettlement in Morocco’s Casablanca region,” in Zahra Babar (ed.), *Mobility and Forced Displacement in the Middle East* (with Kyung Joon Han). Oxford University Press, 2020, pp. 165-186.

“Mauritania’s Uprisings and Aftermath,” in Stephen King and Abdeslam Maghraoui (eds.), *The Lure of Authoritarianism: The Maghreb after the Arab Spring*. (with Mehdi Ayari). Indiana University Press, 2019, pp. 283-307.

“Labor Protest in Morocco,” in Osama Abi-Mershed (ed.), *Social Currents in North Africa: Culture and Governance after the Arab Spring*. Oxford University Press, 2018, pp. 51-72.

“Regime Resilience and the Arab Uprisings,” in Richard Gillespie and Frederic Volpi (eds.), *Handbook of Mediterranean Politics*. (with Amnah Ibraheem). Routledge, 2017, pp. 207-217.

## **REVIEW ARTICLES AND OTHER SCHOLARSHIP**

Review of Erin Snider, *Marketing Democracy: The Political Economy of Democracy Aid in the Middle East*, *Perspectives on Politics*, Vol. 21, No. 3, (2023), p. 1146-1148.

“Surveying Nuclear Attitudes in the Middle East: Perceptions, Misperceptions, and Future Research.” *APSA MENA Politics Section Newsletter*, Vol. 2, No. 2 (2019), pp. 27-30.

“Ruptures, Reconfigurations, and Revolutions: Political Change in North Africa after the Arab Uprisings.” *Mediterranean Politics*, Vol. 22, No. 4 (2017), pp. 522-530.

“International Politics and the Arab Uprisings: Survey of Recent Works.” *Perspectives on Politics*, Vol. 14, No. 4 (2016), pp. 1231-1233.

Review of Leon T. Goldsmith, *Cycle of Fear: Syria’s Alawites in War and Peace*, *Syrian Studies Association Bulletin*, Vol. 24, No. 1 (2020), pp. 1-2.

Review of Ostovar Afshon, *Vanguard of the Imam: Religion, Politics, and Iran’s Revolutionary Guards*, *International Studies Review*, Vol. 21, No. 1 (2020), pp. 169-170.

Review of Ann Wainscott, *Bureaucratizing Islam: Morocco and the War on Terror, Politics and Religion*, Vol. 12, No. 4 (2019), pp. 782-784.

Review of Laleh Khalili and Jillian Schwedler, *Policing and Prisons in the Middle East: Formations of Coercion, Terrorism and Political Violence*, Vol. 27, No. 2 (2015), pp. 380-381.

Review of Lise Storm, *Party Politics and the Prospects for Democratization in North Africa*, *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, Vol. 47, No. 1 (2015), pp. 169-170.

Review of Lise Storm, *Party Politics and the Prospects for Democratization in North Africa*, *Middle East Journal*, Vol. 68, No. 1 (2014), pp. 210-212.

Review of Leila Piran, *Institutional Change in Turkey: The Impact of European Union Reforms on Human Rights and Policing*, *Turkish Studies*, Vol. 15, No. 1 (2014), pp. 156-157.

#### **EDITORSHIP OF SPECIAL ISSUES**

“Survey Research on International Relations and Security Affairs in the Middle East and North Africa.” (with Holger Albrecht). Themed section. *Mediterranean Politics*.

#### **RESEARCH IN PROGRESS**

*Memories of Empire: The Politics of the US-Moroccan Alliance*  
(Second book manuscript)

“The BRICS in North Africa: A New Era of Multipolarity in the Maghreb?” In preparation for submission to *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of African History* (with Dana Abu Haltem).

“Situational Tolerance for Migrants in Morocco: Acceptance on the Prayer Mat but less Elsewhere?” In preparation for submission to *Politics and Religion* (with Kristin Fabbe and Eleni Kyrkopoulou).

“Mauritanian Politics and Foreign Policy after the Arab Uprisings” (with Francesco Cavatorta). In preparation for edited volume with Edinburgh University Press.

“US-Moroccan Counterterrorism Cooperation,” (with Ihssan el-Hafidi). In preparation for submission to *British Journal of Middle East Studies*.

“Moroccan Foreign Policy Responses to Russian Aggression.” (with Kacper Grass). In preparation for submission to *Journal of North African Studies*.

### **GRANTS AND CONTRACTS**

**Total Number of Grants and Contracts: 20 (Funded: 12)**

**Total Funding Requested: \$1,847,336 (Funded: \$365,676).**

#### **EXTERNAL GRANTS AS A FACULTY MEMBER (2013-present)**

“Who Wants a Nuclear Umbrella? Exploring Public Support for Extended Nuclear Deterrence in Major Non-NATO Allies.” Carnegie Corporation of New York’s Understanding the Politics of Nuclear Weapons program. *Under review*.

Year: 2023

Amount: \$300,000

Role: Principal Investigator (with Drs. Brandon Prins, Krista Wiegand, Gary Uzonyi, Kelly Morrison, and Elis Vllasi).

“NA-211 Nuclear Security Research Projects: Tracking China and Russia’s Nuclear Diplomacy Activities in North and sub-Saharan Africa,” Y-12 Complex, U.S. Department of Energy. *Unfunded*.

Year: 2021 - current

Amount: \$98,585.00

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Drs. Brandon Prins and Krista Wiegand).

“Atomic Alliances: U.S. Military Bases and Democratization in Morocco, Libya, and Portugal.” Dwight D. Eisenhower Foundation Research Grant. *Funded*.

Year: 2020 - current

Amount: \$750.00

Role: Principal Investigator

“Atomic Alliances: U.S. Military Bases and Democratization in Morocco, Libya, and Portugal.” Gerald R. Ford Foundation Research Grant. *Funded*.

Year: 2020 - current

Amount: \$1500.00

Role: Principal Investigator

“Beards, Mustaches, and Power: The Traits of Male Leadership in the Middle East.” Dr. Ellen Lust’s Program on Governance and Local Development (GLD), University of Gothenburg. *Funded*.

Year: 2020-2021

Amount: \$7,000.00

Role: Principal Investigator

“University Engagement for Nuclear Nonproliferation Courses at the University of Tennessee for 2019-20.” Oak Ridge National Laboratory, U.S. Department of Energy. *Funded*.

Year: 2019-2020

Amount: \$28,000.00

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Dr. Brandon Prins).

“University Engagement for Nuclear Nonproliferation Courses at the University of Tennessee for 2018-19.” Oak Ridge National Laboratory, U.S. Department of Energy. *Funded*.

Year: 2018-2019

Amount: \$28,000.00

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Dr. Brandon Prins).

“University Engagement for Nuclear Nonproliferation Courses at the University of Tennessee for 2017-18.”  
Oak Ridge National Laboratory, U.S. Department of Energy. *Funded.*

Year: 2017-2018

Amount: \$28,000.00

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Dr. Brandon Prins).

“Racism and Refugees: Exploring Xenophobia towards sub-Saharan African Migrants in Morocco.”  
Harvard University, Middle East Initiative, Faculty Research Grant. *Funded.*

Year: 2017

Amount: \$44,682.00

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Drs. Kyung Joon Han and Kristin Fabbe ).

“Residential Research Fellowship.” Middle East Initiative, The Belfer Center for Science and International  
Affairs, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. *Funded.*

Year: 2017

Amount: \$60,000.00

Role: Principal Investigator

“Residential Postdoctoral Research Fellowship.” Center for International and Regional Studies, Edmund A.  
Walsh School of Foreign Service in Qatar, Georgetown University. *Funded.*

Year: 2013-2014

Amount: \$50,000.00

Role: Principal Investigator

“International Safeguards, Export Control, and Nonproliferation Course for Fall 2022.” Oak Ridge National  
Laboratory, U.S. Department of Energy. *Unfunded.*

Year: 2021

Amount: \$12,846.26

Role: Principal Investigator

“University Engagement for Nuclear Nonproliferation Courses at the University of Tennessee for 2021-22.”  
Oak Ridge National Laboratory, U.S. Department of Energy. *Unfunded.*

Year: 2020-2021

Amount: \$33,040.74

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Dr. Brandon Prins).

“Refugees and Racism: An Original Survey on Attitudes of Prejudice toward Arab and Black African  
Refugees in Morocco.” Georgetown University in Qatar, Center for International and Regional Studies.  
*Unfunded.*

Year: 2016

Amount: \$25,000.00

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Dr. Kyung Joon Han).

“Who Supports Authoritarianism? Individual Insecurity and Democratic Rollback in the Middle East.”  
National Science Foundation. *Unfunded.*

Year: 2015

Amount: \$149,353.00

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Drs. Jason Brownlee and Steven Brooke).

“Modeling the Behavior and Geography of Violent Non-State Groups using Arabic, Turkish, and Hindi Sources.” Minerva Research Initiative. *Unfunded*.

Year: 2016

Amount: \$494,797

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Drs. Brandon Prins, Krista Wiegand, and Hyun Kim)

“Modeling the Behavior and Geography of Violent Non-State Groups using Arabic, Turkish, and Hindi Sources.” Minerva Research Initiative. *Unfunded*.

Year: 2015

Amount: \$504,602

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Drs. Brandon Prins, Krista Wiegand, and Hyun Kim)

“Healthcare for All Gulf Citizens? Geospatial Mapping of Hospital Accessibility in Qatar and the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) States.” Qatar National Research Fund. *Unfunded*.

Year: 2013

Amount: \$225,413.00

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (with Drs. Mehran Kamrava and Curtis Bell)

### **INTERNAL GRANTS**

“(Mis)managing Authoritarian Coalitions in Tunisia: Minister Survival from Colonial Independence to Democratic Revolution.” Summer Graduate Research Assistantship Grant, University of Tennessee. *Funded*.

Year: 2014

Amount: \$3,600

Role: Principal Investigator

“Exploring Citizen Attitudes toward the Weaponization of Peaceful Nuclear Technology in the Middle East and North Africa.” Institute for Nuclear Security, University of Tennessee. *Funded*.

Year: 2015

Amount: \$15,000.00

Role: Principal Investigator

### **EXTERNAL GRANTS BEFORE FACULTY STATUS (pre-2013)**

**Total Number of Grants and Contracts: 8 (Funded: 8)**

**Total Funding Requested: \$81,600 (Funded: \$81,600).**

“Mauritania fieldwork in 2012 for *Why Alliances Fail: Islamist and Leftist Coalitions in North Africa*.” Project for Middle East Political Science. *Funded*.

Year: 2011

Amount: \$1,500.00

Role: Principal Investigator

“Mauritania fieldwork in 2012 for *Why Alliances Fail: Islamist and Leftist Coalitions in North Africa*.” American Institute for Maghrib Studies. *Funded*.

Year: 2011

Amount: \$4,000.00  
Role: Principal Investigator

“Elections Monitor for the 2011 Tunisian Constituent Assembly Elections.” Jimmy Carter Presidential Center. *Funded.*

Year: 2011  
Amount: \$0.00 (non-monetary award)  
Role: co-Principal Investigator

“Intensive Arabic Study and Morocco and Tunisia fieldwork for 2010-2011 for *Why Alliances Fail: Islamist and Leftist Coalitions in North Africa.*” David L. Boren Fellowship, U.S. Institute of International Education. *Funded.*

Year: 2010-2011  
Amount: \$27,100.00  
Role: Principal Investigator

“Graduate Dean Prestigious Fellowship Award Supplement for Boren Fellowship.” College of Arts and Sciences, University of Texas. *Funded.*

Year: 2010  
Amount: \$1,000.00  
Role: Principal Investigator

“Doctoral-level Arabic literature, culture, and politics courses.” Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS) at University of Texas, U.S. Department of Education. *Funded.*

Year: 2009  
Amount: \$30,000.00  
Role: Principal Investigator

“Intensive Arabic Study in Damascus, Syria for 2006-2007.” David L. Boren Scholar Award, U.S. Institute of International Education. *Funded.*

Year: 2006  
Amount: \$18,000.00  
Role: Principal Investigator

“3-month Intensive Arabic Study at the American University of Dubai, United Arab Emirates.” Clinton Foundation Scholars Program. *Funded.*

Year: 2011  
Amount: \$0.00 (non-monetary award)  
Role: Principal Investigator

## **SKILLS**

Modern Standard Arabic, *Fluent* - reading, writing, speaking  
American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, advanced-high certificate  
French, *Advanced* - reading, speaking  
Portuguese, *Intermediate* – reading  
Spanish, *Beginner* (actively learning)

*Fieldwork and Language Training in the Middle East and North Africa:*



Morocco, Tunisia, Mauritania (Summer 2009; November 2010 - March 2012 for main book fieldwork; shorter trips for regular research from 2013 to 2023; Summer 2022; Summer 2023)  
Qatar (August 2013 - July 2014 for post-doctoral fellowship)  
Syria (August 2006 - October 2007) (intensive Arabic study)  
United Arab Emirates (May 2006 - August 2006; January 2017)  
Egypt, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Turkey (travel)

*Archival Research Experience:*

Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library and Archives - August 2019; January 2023  
Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library and Archives – November 2022  
Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Archives – October 2022  
John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Archives – October 2019  
Lyndon B. Johnson Presidential Library and Archives - June 2013  
Moroccan National Archives (Arabic and French sources) – February 2022; Summer 2022

*Methods Training:*

Winter Experimental Social Sciences Institute - New York University - Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates  
Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research - Syracuse University, New York  
University of Texas Summer Statistics Institute

*Other Professional Training:*

Nuclear Nonproliferation and International Safeguards 2020 Summer Course - Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, U.S. Department of Energy

**PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES (partial)**

“Situational Tolerance for Migrants in Morocco: Acceptance on the Prayer Mat but Less Elsewhere.” American Political Science Association 2023.

“Memories of Empire: The Politics of the U.S.-Moroccan Alliance,” Center for Atlantic Studies, International University of Rabat, Morocco, 2023.

Discussant for *To Rig the Rule of Break the Rules: The Politics of Electoral Manipulation in Autocracies* by Professor Yuree Noh (Rhode Island College), Project on Middle East Political Science Junior Scholars Book Workshop.

“Memories of Empire: The Politics of the U.S.-Moroccan Alliance,” on the webinar panel for U.S. Fulbright Scholars in Morocco, Moroccan-American Commission for Educational Exchange, Fulbright Program, 2022.

“Morocco’s sub-Saharan Migrations and Labor Market Threat (Mis)Perceptions.” American Political Science Association 2022.

“Morocco’s sub-Saharan Migrations and Labor Market Threat (Mis)Perceptions.” American Political Science Association 2022.

“Shrunken Empire: The Politics of the U.S.-Moroccan Alliance,” on the webinar panel Soft Power and Geopolitical stability: The New Era of Moroccan Diplomacy. Moroccan-American Commission for Educational Exchange, 40th Anniversary Program.

“Conclusion: An Editor’s Advice on Building Special Issues.” 2022 Spring Workshop “Travel, Mobility, and Cultural Conflict,” Southeast Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Society (SERMEISS), University of Alabama.

“Racism and Labor Market Threat (mis)Perceptions: Surveying Moroccan Attitudes about sub-Saharan Migrants.” 2022 International Studies Association.

Discussant for *Islam, Justice, and Democracy* (Temple University Press, 2021) by Professor Sabri Ciftci (Kansas State University), Author Meets Critics Panel, 2022 Southern Political Science Association Conference.

“Racism and Labor Market Threat (mis)Perceptions: Surveying Moroccan Attitudes about sub-Saharan Migrants.” 2022 Southern Political Science Association Conference.

“Racism and Labor Market Threat (mis)Perceptions: Surveying Moroccan Attitudes about sub-Saharan Migrants.” 2021 Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) and *Industrial and Labor Relations Review* workshop.

“Racism and Labor Market Threat (mis)Perceptions: Surveying Moroccan Attitudes about sub-Saharan Migrants.” Rethinking Social and Political Dynamics in the Contemporary Mediterranean Region, University of Edinburgh’s Alwaleed Center and The Institute for Advanced Studies of Aix-Marseille University, France. (*Invited*)

“Publishing in Academic Journals: An Editor’s Perspective.” Middle East and Islamic Studies Aotearoa Network, New Zealand’s Middle East Studies Association, New Zealand. (*Invited*)

“The Maghreb Post-Arab Spring: Domestic and Regional Challenges.” The European Neighborhood Policy Chair keynote lecture, College of Europe in Natolin, Poland. (*Invited*)

Discussant, Project on Middle East Political Science, Research Workshop for Junior Scholars (Carolyn Barnett and Yasmina Abouzzohour)

“Who wants a Nuclear Umbrella? An Original Survey Gauging Public Support for Nuclear Guarantees in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA).” Center for Technology and Strategy, Air War College, U.S. Air Force. (*Invited*)

“Religious Traits and Leadership: Results from Elite Negotiations in Morocco’s Casablanca Region.” 2020 American Political Science Association Conference.

“Wither Anti-Westernism? Gauging Public Support for Introducing Nuclear Umbrellas into the Middle East.” (with Arjun Banerjee). 2020 Southern Political Science Association Conference.

“Community-level Postmaterialism and Anti-Migrant Attitudes: An Original Survey on Opposition to Sub-Saharan African Migrants in the Middle East.” 2019 Middle East Studies Association Conference.

“Community-level Postmaterialism and Anti-Migrant Attitudes: An Original Survey on Opposition to Sub-Saharan African Migrants in the Middle East.” 2019 American Political Science Association Conference.

“Why Alliances Fail: Islamist and Leftist Coalitions in North Africa.” 2019 Project on Middle East Political Science book talk, George Washington University.

“Why Alliances Fail: Islamist and Leftist Coalitions in North Africa.” 2019 Institute for the Study of Islamic Thought in Africa/Middle East and North Africa program, Northwestern University. (*Invited*)

“Threat Perceptions and Public Support for Nuclear Proliferation in the Middle East: Results from an Original Survey Experiment in Morocco.” 2019 Southern Political Science Association Conference.

“Prejudice from the Pocketbook? Exploring Xenophobia towards Arab and sub-Saharan African Migrants in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA).” 2018 Middle East Studies Association.

“Prejudice from the Pocketbook? Exploring Xenophobia towards Arab and sub-Saharan African Migrants in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA).” 2018 American Political Science Association.

“Threat Perceptions and Public Support for Nuclear Proliferation in the Middle East: Results from an Original Survey Experiment in Morocco.” 2018 International Studies Association conference.

“Threat Perceptions and Public Support for Nuclear Proliferation in the Middle East: Results from an Original Survey Experiment in Morocco.” 2017 American Political Science Association conference.

“Opening the Black-Box of Authoritarian Coalitions: Minister Retention and the Internal Politics of Tunisia’s Autocratic Ruling Elite.” 2016 University of Alabama workshop. (*Invited*).

“Verdicts, Bribes, Judges: An Original Survey on Citizen Perceptions of Bribe-Paying and Judicial Rulings.” 2016 Middle East Studies Association conference. (*Panel organizer*).

“manhajiyaat jadiida fi bahth al-ra’y al-‘aam” [New Methodologies in Public Opinion Research]. 2016 King Hassan II University workshop in Morocco. (*Invited, Arabic lecture*).

“Do You Have “Connections” at the Courthouse? An Original Survey of Perceptions of *Wasta* and Judicial Decision-Making.” 2016 Southern Political Science Association conference.

“Do You Have “Connections” at the Courthouse? An Original Survey of Citizen Perceptions of *Wasta* and Judicial Decision-Making in Morocco.” 2015 Alumni Conference, Winter Experiments Institute in the Social Sciences, New York University.

“Do You Have “Connections” at the Courthouse? An Original Survey of Citizen Perceptions of *Wasta* and Judicial Decision-Making in Morocco.” 2015 Middle East Studies Association conference. (*Panel organizer*).

“Continuity through Co-optation in Morocco and Mauritania.” 2013 American Political Science Association conference.

### **DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION SERVICE**

*At University of Tennessee:*

Monthly liaison with Arab American Club of Knoxville (AACK), Summer 2022 –

Co-Chair and organizer, 2023 Middle East Gala (215-person fundraising gala that increased AACK endowment from \$25,000 to \$120,000 to fund two annual \$2000 UT student travel scholarships to Arab countries)

Organizer, 2022 Arabic Friendsgiving (celebration of Arab food and culture; 150 attendees)

Organizer, 2023 Arabic Spring Feast (celebration of Arab food and culture; 98 attendees)

*In Political Science and Middle East Studies:*

Member, Committee to write APSA-MENA section diversity, equity, and inclusion statement, 2021-22

### **UNIVERSITY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

*At University of Tennessee:*

Member, Comparative Politics Comprehensive Exam Committee, Fall 2023

Search Committee Chair, Populism, Nationalism, and Identity Search Committee, 2022

Chair, Comparative Politics Comprehensive Exam Committee, Fall 2022

Member, Master of Public Policy and Administration (MPPA) Director Search Committee, 2022

Chair, Comparative Politics Comprehensive Exam Committee, Fall 2021

Member, Tennessee Initiative for Middle East Studies committee, 2014-2022

Member, Advisory Committee for Political Science, 2016-2018

Member, Undergraduate Committee, 2017-2019

Member, Graduate Committee, 2017-2020

Member, VolCore Global Citizenship International general education subcommittee

Member, Undergraduate Council (Social Sciences representative), 2021-2024

Member, Undergraduate Advising committee, 2021-2024

Proxy Member, Graduate Council

*In Political Science and Middle East Studies:*

Member, APSA MENA Section Leadership Nominating Committee

Elected to Executive Board, Southeast Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Society, 2018-2020

Member, 2022 book award committee, Southeast Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Society

Chair, 2020 book award committee, Southeast Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Society

Chair, 2020 article award committee, Southeast Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Society

Chair, 2020 best dissertation committee, APSA Middle East and North Africa section

Assessor, 2020 Leigh Douglas Memorial Prize, British Society for Middle East Studies

Member, 2019 program panel committee for APSA Middle East and North Africa section

Member, American Institute for Maghrib Studies

Member, Middle East Studies Association

Member, American Political Science Association

*Peer Reviewer for Academic Journals:*

*American Journal of Political Science*

*Journal of Politics*

*Perspectives on Politics*

*Journal of Conflict Resolution*

*Comparative Politics*

*Comparative Political Studies*

*Political Research Quarterly*

*Journal of North African Studies*

*Contemporary Social Science*

*International Security*

*Electoral Studies*  
*Governance*  
*Third World Quarterly*  
*Foreign Policy Analysis*  
*World Politics*  
*British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*  
*International Journal of Middle East Studies*  
*Legislative Studies Quarterly*  
*Journal of Politics*  
*African Studies Review*  
*Journal of the Middle East and Africa*  
*Critical Research on Religion*  
*International Studies Quarterly*  
*Political Science Quarterly*  
*Politics and Religion*  
*Middle East Law and Governance*  
*Mediterranean Politics*  
*Rationality and Society*  
*International Area Studies Review*  
*Digest of Middle East Studies*  
*Global Studies Quarterly*  
*Globalizations*  
*Centaurus* (Journal of European Society for the History of Science)  
*International Journal of Press/Politics*  
*Brookings Institution Papers*  
*International Journal of Politics/Press*  
*International Journal of Nuclear Security*  
*Oxford Research Encyclopedia of African History*

*Peer Reviewer for Academic Book Series:*

American University of Cairo Press  
Cambridge University Press  
Columbia University Press  
Duke University Press (assessment of *Middle East Journal* for potential publishing partnership)  
Edinburgh University Press  
Georgetown University Press  
Indiana University Press  
Lynne-Rienner Publishers  
Palgrave Press  
Purdue University Press (Nuclear Nonproliferation and Security Series)  
Routledge Press (Mediterranean Politics Series)  
Syracuse University Press  
University of Pennsylvania Press

*Peer Reviewer for Granting Agencies:*

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada  
European Research Council (ERC) of the European Commission

*Mentoring of Junior Faculty:*

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*Courses taught:*

POLS 410 - Contemporary Middle East Politics, undergraduate  
POLS 479 - War and Peace in the Middle East, undergraduate  
POLS 370 - Contemporary International Problems, undergraduate  
POLS 410/595 - Nuclear Politics of the Middle East, undergraduate and graduate  
POLS 595 - Regional Studies and the Discipline of Political Science, graduate  
POLS 574 - Comparative Government and Politics of the Middle East, graduate  
POLS 570 - Doctoral 'Core' Proseminar in Comparative Politics  
POLS 610 - Authoritarianism, graduate  
POLS 249 - Introduction to Comparative Politics, undergraduate  
FYS 129 - Exploring the Middle East and Islam through Film, undergraduate  
FYS 129 - World Politics in Film, undergraduate  
UNHOS 101 - Global Politics in Film, undergraduate, honors course  
POLS 600 - Professionalization: From Dissertation to Book (for Jumana al-Ahmad)

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