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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of Alabama, Department of Political Science Assistant Professor	August 2016 – Present
Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Middle East Initiative, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs	September 2015-June 2016
University of Oxford Jarvis Doctorow Research Fellow in the Politics and International Relations of the Middle East (in association with St Edmund Hall)	February 2014 – August 2015
German Institute for International and Security Affairs Research Fellow	September 2013-December 2013

EDUCATION

The George Washington University	Ph.D., Political Science, August 2013 Dissertation Title: <i>Authoritarian Institutions as Objects of Contestation: Challenges to State Corporatism in Egypt</i>
University of Massachusetts, Amherst	B.A., Political Science (2005) <i>Summa cum Laude</i> Five College Certificate in International Relations

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Contesting Authoritarianism: Labor Challenges to the State in Egypt. (Cambridge University Press 2018)
<https://doi.org/10.1017/9781108147873>

“Trade Unions as Brokers of Transition from Authoritarian Rule: Insights from Tunisia,” *Comparative Politics* (Accepted, September 2018).

“The Politics of Ignoring: Protest Dynamics in Late Mubarak Egypt,” *Perspectives on Politics* 13: 4 (December 2015) 958-975

“The Power of Workers in Egypt’s 2011 Uprising?” in Bahgat Korany and Rabab El-Mahdi eds., *The Arab Spring in Egypt: Revolution and Beyond* (Cairo: American University in Cairo Press 2012), 83-103

“Back on Horseback: The Military and Political Transformation in Egypt,” *Middle East Law and Governance* 3:1-2 (2011) 13–23 (with Holger Albrecht)

Work in Progress

“Organizing the Unemployed: Why Morocco and Tunisia but not Egypt?”

“Practicing Contention in Time and Space: Protest Repertoires in Egypt, Tunisia, and Morocco”

“Downtime Contention: Sit-in Dynamics in Egypt” (with Elliott Colla).

“Economic and Social Rights and the Arab Spring: Precursors to Popular Mobilization in Tunisia” (with Michelle Jurkovich)

Policy Publications

“[Labor Movements in Tunisia and Egypt: Drivers and Objects of Transition from Authoritarian Rule](#),” German Institute for International and Security Affairs, January 2014

“[Egyptian Labor between Morsi and Mubarak](#),” *Middle East Channel*, foreignpolicy.com, November 28, 2012

“[Who Speaks for Egypt’s Workers?](#)” *Middle East Channel*, foreignpolicy.com, September 6, 2012

“Egypt’s Thirst Revolution: Water Shortage Raises Temper across the Nation,” American University in Cairo, Economic and Business History Research Center, *Chronicles*, Fall 2007

“[Rough Sledding for U.S. Party Aid Organizations](#),” Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, *Arab Reform Bulletin*, July 2007.

“[Islamist Movements in the Arab World and the 2006 Lebanon War](#)” (with Amr Hamzawy), Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Carnegie Paper no. 75, November 2006

“[Kuwaitis Vote for a New Parliament...and Maybe a New Electoral System](#)” (with Nathan Brown), Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Carnegie Web Commentary, June 22, 2006

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Fall 2016	Brown University International Advanced Research Institutes. Collaborative grant (with Michelle Jurkovich) to fund survey research in Tunisia.
Fall 2015-Spring 2016	Postdoctoral Research Fellow, John. F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University
February 2014-August 2015	Jarvis Doctorow Research Fellow in the Politics and International Relations of the Middle East, University of Oxford
Fall 2013	Arab Transformation Fellowship, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik – SWP), Berlin, Germany
Summer 2013	Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Institute for Middle East Studies, George Washington University
Summer 2012	Summer Dissertation Fellowship, Office of Graduate Student Assistantships and Fellowships, George Washington University
Summer 2012	Travel-Research-Engagement grant to conduct research in Egypt, Project on Middle East Political Science
January 2012- August 2013	Doctoral Fellow, Department of Political Science, George Washington
Fall 2011	Travel-Research-Engagement grant to conduct research in Tunisia, Project on Middle East Political Science
2010-2011	Fellow without Stipend, Department of Political Science, American University in Cairo

Fall 2010	Travel grant to conduct research in Egypt, Institute for Middle East Studies, George Washington University
Fall 2010	Dept. Award to Attend Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) at Syracuse University, Department of Political Science, George Washington University
Fall 2007- Spring 2010	Doctoral Fellow, Department of Political Science, George Washington University
2005	David C. Knapp Scholarship for Outstanding Academic Achievement in Political Science by an Undergraduate, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

TEACHING AND RESEARCH

University of Alabama, Department of Political Science

- **Assistant Professor**
PSC 321 (Politics of the Middle East): Fall 2016; Spring 2017; Fall 2017; Spring 2018
PSC 321(Authoritarianism): Fall 2017; Spring 2018; Fall 2018
PSC 421 (From Protest to Revolution—writing course): Fall 2018
PSC 632 (Authoritarianism): Spring 2017

University of Oxford, Department of Politics and International Relations and St. Edmund Hall

- *Instructor*: Middle East Politics
Trinity Term 2015 (May-June); Hillary Term 2015 (January-March)
Trinity Term 2014 (May-June); Michaelmas Term 2014 (October-December)
- *Instructor*: Comparative Government
Michaelmas Term 2014 (October-December)

George Washington University, Department of Political Science

- *Research Assistant*
Fall 2012-Spring 2013: Professor Robert Adcock
Summer 2011, Summer 2008: Professor Nathan Brown
- *Teaching Assistant*
Civilians in the Path of War (Writing in the Disciplines course): Spring 2012
Introduction to Comparative Politics (PSC 001): Fall 2007; Spring 2008; Fall 2009; Spring 2010
Politics and Values (PSC 011/012): Fall 2008; Spring 2009
- *Guest Lecturer*
Introduction to Comparative Politics; Politics and Values: “Islam and Democracy: Theory and Practice.”

ACADEMIC SERVICE and ADMINISTRATION

University of Alabama, Department of Political Science

- *Committees*: American Politics Search Committee, member (2017-2018); Graduate Studies Committee, member; Colloquium Committee, Chair (2017-2018)
- *Dissertation Committees*: Erin Little
- *Mentoring*: Faculty mentor, Aaron Boehm (Emerging Scholars’ Program), Spring 2018

Professional Service

- International Advisory Board member: Journal of North African Studies
- Reviewer: *Comparative Politics*; *Comparative Political Studies*, *Middle East Law and Governance*, *Journal of Development Studies*,
- Best Student Paper Committee member: Middle East Studies Association

University of Oxford, Department of Politics and International Relations and St. Edmund Hall

- *Examining and Assessing*: Undergraduate exams; undergraduate theses; MPhil theses and research design proposals; DPhil admission applications
- *Supervising*: Undergraduate and MPhil theses
- *College Advising*: MPhil and MSc students
- *Committee membership*: Politics and Sociology Panel (Politics, Philosophy and Economics Review)
- *Referee*: Oxford University Press

CONFERENCES AND INVITED TALKS

Conference Participation

“Trade Unions as Brokers of Transition from Authoritarian Rule: Insights from Tunisia,” American Political Science Association meeting, September 2017

“Practicing Contention in Time and Space: Protest Repertoires in Egypt, Tunisia and Morocco,” American Political Science Association meeting, September 2017

“Trade Unions as Brokers of Transition from Authoritarian Rule: Insights from Tunisia,” International Studies Association meeting, February 2017

“Downtime Contention: The Daily Politics of Sit-ins in Egypt,” Middle East Studies Association meeting, Boston, November 2016

“Trade Unions and Transitions from Authoritarian Rule: Insights from Tunisia,” conference organized by the Project on Middle East Political Science and American University in Beirut, Princeton, March 4-5, 2016

“Varieties of Unionism: Unions and Transitions in Egypt and Tunisia,” Middle East Studies Association meeting, Denver, November 2015

“Unions and Transitions: A Comparative Analysis of Egypt and Tunisia,” American Political Science Association meeting, San Francisco, September 2015

“Trade Union Elites in Egypt’s and Tunisia’s Political Transformations,” Middle East Studies Association meeting, Washington DC, November 2014

“Trade Unions as Class Agents: A Critical Perspective from Egypt and Tunisia,” American Political Science Association meeting, Washington DC, August 2014

“Regime and State During and After Authoritarianism” (with Nathan Brown), International Studies Association meeting, Toronto, March 2014

“Authoritarian Institutions as Objects of Contestation: Challenges to State-Corporatism in Egypt,” American Political Science Association meeting, Chicago, August 2013

“The Weakest Link? Civil Servants as the Pioneers of Trade Union Pluralism in Egypt,” Fourth Annual Conference of the Project on Middle East Political Science, Washington DC, March 2012

“Whither State Corporatism? The Emergence of Autonomous Workers Unions in Egypt,” American Political Science Association meeting, New Orleans, August 2012

“Making History: People Power in Egypt,” Panel co-organizer, Middle East Studies Association meeting, Washington DC, December 2011

“Working Class Power in the 2011 Egyptian Uprising?” Middle East Studies Association meeting, Washington DC, December 2011

“Working Class Power in the 2011 Egyptian Uprising?” Euro-Mediterranean Forum for Young Researchers, Istanbul, Turkey, April 2011

“The Role of the ‘Divine’ for Socrates and Aristotle,” Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April, 2010

Invited Talks /Workshops

“Organizing the Unemployed: Why Tunisia and Morocco but not Egypt,” Social Policy Workshop, Project on Middle East Political Science, Harvard University, April 19-20, 2018

“Practicing Contention in Time and Space: Protest Repertoires in Egypt, Tunisia and Morocco,” Keynote Address: The 6th Annual Herbert L. Bodman Memorial Lecture, Southeast Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Society, Auburn University, March 17, 2018

“Practicing Contention in Time and Space: Protest Repertoires in Egypt, Tunisia and Morocco,” University of Tennessee, Knoxville, February 23, 2018

“Economic and Social Rights and the Arab Spring: Precursors to Popular Mobilization in Tunisia.” With Michelle Jurkovich. International Studies Association-Brown University Workshop on New Frontiers in Norms. March 17, 2017

“Trade Unions and Transitions from Authoritarian Rule: Insights from Tunisia,” conference organized by the Project on Middle East Political Science and American University in Beirut, Princeton, March 4-5, 2016

“Trade Unions and North Africa’s Arab Spring,” St Edmund Hall, University of Oxford, February 28, 2015

“Between Co-optation and Mobilization: Egypt’s Labor’s Movement from Mubarak to Sisi,” Middle East Center, St. Antony’s College, University of Oxford, January 30, 2015.

“The Politics of Ignoring: Workers’ Protests in Late Mubarak Egypt,” School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), November 20, 2014

Contesting Authoritarianism: Challenges to State Corporatism in Egypt, Project on Middle East Political Science Junior Scholars Book Development Workshop, Yale University, October 24-25, 2014

“Beyond Repression and Concessions: Conceptualizing Regime Responses to Protests,” Georgetown University, The Egyptian Revolution Working Group, February 14, 2013

“Mismanaging Dissent: The Unintended Consequences of Regime Response to Labor Protests in Egypt 2006-2011,” Georgetown University, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies Annual Symposium, March 2012

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

David Bauer Grant Writing Workshop

University of Alabama

Spring 2017-Spring 2018

Workshop designed to help scholars identify and apply for grants and fellowships

Active Learning Initiative

University of Alabama

Fall 2016

Workshop series designed to help professors incorporate active learning techniques into teaching practices.

Preparation for Learning and Teaching

University of Oxford

May-June 2014

Seminar series designed to help instructors improve their teaching skills and develop their own approach to learning and teaching.

Teaching Writing in the Disciplines

The George Washington University

Fall 2012-Spring 2013

Six workshops designed to provide techniques and guidance on improving the teaching of undergraduate writing and the incorporation of discipline-specific writing instruction into substantive courses.

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research

June 2010

The Consortium for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, *Syracuse University*

Two-week qualitative methods training, including coursework on comparative historical analysis, discourse analysis, interpretive methods, and fieldwork.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Al-Masry Al-Youm, Egypt

Reporter and translator

October 2010 - June 2011

Translating opinion pieces from Arabic to English and writing a daily analytical piece based on Arabic-language press coverage of the 2010 Egyptian parliamentary elections

Department of Psychology, University of Maryland, College Park MD

Research Assistant

July 2010 - September 2010

Coding interview data and extracting data from interview transcripts

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, DC

Junior Fellow and Assistant Editor of the Arab Reform Bulletin

August 2005 – July 2007

Assisting two senior scholars in research on Islamist movements and political reform in the Arab world and assisting in editing an online journal on political reform in the Arab world.

LANGUAGES

Arabic (native), French (fluent), German (advanced beginner)