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## Research Interests

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Political Violence, Religion and Politics, Religious Institutions, Middle East and North Africa, Text-as-Data, Spatial Statistics, Measurement

## Education

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**University of Michigan**, Ann Arbor, MI

Ph.D. in Political Science

2023 – Present

*Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Methodology*

**University of Toronto**, Toronto, Canada

Honours B.A. in International Relations

2019 – 2023

## Working Papers

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“Anonymous Attackers: An Alternative Logic to Credit-taking in Terrorism.”

“Memories and Memorials of War: The Political Legacy of the Bosnian War and Genocide, 1992-1995.” (with Caroline Lindey)

“Opportunistic Repression: Understanding the Relationship between Terrorism and Religious Regulation.” (with Pauline Jones)

## Works in Progress

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“Not All Quiet on the Religious Front: How Political Violence Disrupts Religious Institutions.”

“The Political Economy of the American Mosque.” (with Hasher Nisar)

## Selected Public Scholarship and Policy Writing

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“Extremism, Violence and Ideology: The Complexity and Evolution of Ideologically Motivated Violent Extremism in Canada.” *Canadian Network for Research on Terrorism, Security and Society*, 2022 (with Shannon Nash, Nermeen Zia Islam and Anaïs El Amraoui)

“Threatening Engagement: Terrorist Groups and Regional Hegemons.” *E-International Relations*, 2022

“Soldiers of God: The Muslim Brotherhood and Egyptian Democracy.” *The Yale Review of International Studies*, Global Issue Print Edition (12), 2021.

## Research Experience

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**University of Michigan**

2023 – 2024

Research Assistant for Megan Stewart

**University of Toronto**

2021 – 2023

Research Assistant for Seva Gunitsky

**Canadian Network for Research on Terrorism, Security, and Society**

2022

Researcher

## Conferences

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Peace Science Society	2024
American Political Science Association	2024
International Studies Association	2024
Midwest Political Science Association	2023, 2025

## Awards and Fellowships

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Rackham Graduate Student Research Award, University of Michigan	2024
Global Islamic Studies Center Student Fellowship, University of Michigan	2024
Graduate Student Department Fellowship, University of Michigan	2023 – 2024
Dean's List Scholar, University of Toronto	2019 – 2023

## Workshops and Other Training

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Toulouse Summer School for Quantitative Social Science	2025
APSA-MENA Graduate Student Workshop	2024
ASREC Graduate Student Workshop	2024

## Teaching Experience

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### University of Michigan

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to American Politics <i>with Kenneth Lowande</i>	Fall 2024
Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Comparative Politics <i>with Brian Min</i>	Winter 2025

## Service

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Graduate Student Co-Coordinator, CPRD Workshop	2024 – 2025
Summer Research Opportunity Program Mentor, University of Michigan	2024
Graduate Student Organizer, Eldersveld Emerging Scholars Conference	2023

## Professional Experience

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Research Analyst, Delphic Research	2022
Legislative and Policy Assistant, House of Commons	2021
Community Office Assistant, House of Commons	2020

## Skills

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**Programming:** R,  $\LaTeX$ , Python, STATA, ArcGIS  
**Languages:** Arabic (Native), English (Native Proficiency)  
**Field Research:** Tunisia