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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS Research Fellow, Middle East Initiative, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard Kennedy School, 2025-2027

Postgraduate Research Associate, Department of Politics, Princeton University, Spring 2025

EDUCATION PhD, Politics, Princeton University, 2025
Fields: Comparative Politics, Middle East Politics, Formal and Quantitative Methods
Committee: Amaney Jamal, Rory Truex, Grigore Pop-Eleches

MPA, Columbia University, School of International and Public Affairs, 2015
Concentration: Economic and Political Development, *Specialization:* Advanced Policy and Economic Analysis and Management. *Capstone project:* “The Impact of a World Food Programme Funding Shortfall on Syrian Refugees in Jordan”

BA, University of California, Los Angeles, 2006
Majors: Economics and Political Science, *Minor:* Middle East and North Africa Studies. Academic year abroad at the American University in Cairo, 2003-2004

RESEARCH Bread and Circuses: The Political Consequences of Entertainment in Autocracies (job market paper)

Happiness and Political Control: Winning Compliance in the Arab Gulf (book project)

“Can you hear me now?”: Experimental Evidence on Improving Public Service Delivery through Non-electoral Citizen Participation (with Asim Khwaja and Saher Asad)

The Comfort of Capacity: How Exposure to Strong Governance Shapes Political Behavior (with Perry Carter)

Moral Education and Political Socialization in the UAE (with Peyman Asadzadehmamaghani and Tarek Masoud)

Experiencing the Digital State: Political Consequences of E-Government in the UAE (with Tarek Masoud)

TEACHING Experimental Political Science, Preceptor, Spring 2024, Princeton University (graduate, with Saad Gulzar)

Political Economy of Development, Preceptor, Spring 2021, Princeton University (undergraduate, with Atul Kohli)

Quantitative Analysis I (Politics 571), Preceptor, Fall 2020, Princeton University (graduate, with Rocío Titiunik)

Governance and Public Sector Management in Developing Countries, Teaching Assistant, Fall 2014, Columbia University (graduate, with Barbara Nunberg)

- GRANTS** ““Can you hear me now?”: Experimental evidence on improving public service delivery through non-electoral citizen participation,” with Asim Khwaja and Saher Asad
- Data and Research in Education Research Consortium (DARE-RC), June 2025, \$120,000
 - International Growth Centre, March 2024, GBP 69,664
 - J-PAL Governance Initiative, February 2022, \$274,922; Pilot Grant, November 2019, \$51,865; Proposal Development Grant, June 2019, \$10,000

Princeton University (Internal)

- Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Graduate Research Award, Winter 2022, \$2,500
- Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice Dissertation/Pre-Dissertation Grant, Fall 2022, \$4,995
- Multi-Center Graduate Grant in Politics, Spring 2021, \$15,000
- Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice Dissertation/Pre-Dissertation Grant, Spring 2021, \$4,950
- Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Language Study Grant (Lebanon), 2019, \$1,600
- Department of Near Eastern Studies Language Study Grant (Lebanon), 2019, \$1,600

AWARDS AND HONORS George Kateb Preceptor Award, 2022
Prize Fellowship in the Social Sciences, Princeton University, 2021-2022

SERVICE Online Managing Editor, *Columbia Journal of International Affairs*, 2014-2015

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE Senior Research Manager, Evidence for Policy Design (EPoD), Harvard Kennedy School, 2015-2018
Summer Associate, Diversity Bureau, Office of the New York City Comptroller, 2014
Staff Assistant, United Nations Office at Geneva and United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, 2010-2013
Brussels Desk Officer and International Advocacy Intern, Mossawa Center, 2006-2009

POLICY WRITING AND ANALYSIS “Better information provision and parent involvement may provide a pathway for improvements in learning quality in Pakistan” (with Asim Khwaja), 2020, Annual Status of Education Report 2019, ASER Pakistan
“The Analytical Angle: Taking an experimental approach on civil service reform” (with Asim Khwaja), 2019, *Dawn*
“Designing Incentive Structures in Bureaucracies” (with Adnan Khan and Asim Khwaja), 2018, M. Kugelman & I. Husain (Eds.), *Pakistan's Institutions: We Know They Matter, But How Can They Work Better?* (pp. 97-108). Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars’ Asia Program and the Fellowship Fund for Pakistan
“Policy formulation and implementation as a design challenge” (with Vestal McIntyre), Evidence for Policy Design Policy Brief, June 2017

SKILLS R, Python, Stata, LaTeX, Qualtrics; Arabic (proficient), French (proficient), German (proficient)