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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Western Ontario

Research Assistant, 2023–2024

University of Western Ontario

Teaching Assistant, 2024–

EDUCATION

University of Western Ontario

Ph.D., Political Science, present

Dissertation: *Rebel Diplomacy: Determinants, Consequences, and Public Attitudes*

Committee: Dave Armstrong (chair), Adam Harmes, Blair Welsh

Lebanese American University

M.A., International Affairs, *with Distinction*, 2021

Dissertation: *The Saudi-led Intervention in Yemen: What Went Wrong?*

Committee: Dr. Imad Salamey(chair), Dr. Bassil Salloukh, and Dr. Sami Baroudi

American University of Beirut

B.A., Psychology, 2019

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES

[†] indicates equal authorship.

1. Roskoschinski, A., Liang, Wei, Duan, Y., Al-Salehi, Hayl, Lippke, Sonia, and Welsh, B. (2023). “[Loneliness and depression in older adults with multimorbidity: the role of self-efficacy and social support.](#)” *Front Psychiatry*, doi: 10.3389/fpsy.2023.1232067.[†]

WORK IN PROGRESS

5. “When Do Rebels Build Embassies? Organizational Capacity, External Support, and the Choice Between Diplomacy and Military Escalation” (with Blair Welsh).
4. “Thresholds of Resistance: Repression and the Moral Economy of Violence in Tunisia and Morocco” (with Blair Welsh).
3. “Repatriation and Reconciliation in Comparison: Former ISIS Collaborators in the Middle East and North Africa” (with Mirna El Masri and others).
2. “Talking to Rebels? Public Attitudes Toward Rebel Diplomacy in the United States and Nigeria.”
1. “Diplomats or Dead Ends? Rebel Diplomacy, Survival, and Success in Civil Wars.”

RESEARCH FUNDING & SCHOLARSHIPS

GRANTS

Faculty Research Development Grant, 2024–2027, The University of Western Ontario, \$8,000.

MEPI Grant for Professional Development and Career Enhancement, 2022, US Department of State, \$5,000.

Equity and Diversity Social Science Doctoral Fellowship (EDSSDF), The University of Western Ontario, 2023–2027, \$20,000.

Western University Doctoral Funding Package, The University of Western Ontario, 2023–2027, \$80,000.

AWARDS

Travel Grant, American Political Science Association, 2025, \$800.

Travel Grant, Western University, 2026, \$1,000.

Western University Departmental Grant, Western University, 2025, \$7,000.

Certificate of Excellence in Volunteerism and Community Service, Middle East Partnership Initiative, 2019–2021, honorary.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Tomorrow Leaders Graduate Scholarship, Middle East Partnership Initiative, 2019–2021, \$100,000.

Tomorrow Leaders Undergraduate Scholarship, Middle East Partnership Initiative, 2015–2019, \$120,000.

Youth Exchange and Study Scholarship, US Department of State, 2012–2014, \$30,000.

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

Political Science Graduate Student Association Annual Conference, 2026.

Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society (IUS Canada), 2026.

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2025.

MENA Research Group Workshop Series by APSA, 2025.

Fall Perspectives on Teaching Conference, 2023–2025.
 Research on Teaching and Learning Symposium, 2025.
 Teaching in the Canadian Classroom Program, 2025.
 Time Series Theories and Applications in Social Science Workshop Series, 2025.
 TA Day: Graduate Student Conference on Teaching, 2024.
 Geospatial Analysis and its Application in Social Sciences, 2024.
 Measurement of Dynamic Latent Concepts, 2024.
 Teaching Assistant Training Program - Session 6 (3-Day Multi-Module Program), 2023.

TEACHING

UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO

Teaching Assistant for Dr. Joseph Lyons, Public Administration (Undergraduate), Fall 2026.
 Teaching Assistant for Dr. Adam Harmes, Foundations of International Relations (Undergraduate), Winter 2026.
 Teaching Assistant for Dr. Blair Welsh, International Law and Order (Undergraduate), Fall 2025.
 Teaching Assistant for Dr. Adam Harmes, Foundations of International Relations (Undergraduate), Winter 2025.
 Teaching Assistant for instructor Alvaro J. Pereira Filho, Research Design in Political Science (Undergraduate), Fall 2024.

RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

2025 Crisis Analyst, Mercy Corps (part-time).

2024 Crisis Analyst, Mercy Corps (part-time).

Development Analyst, Yemen Policy Center.

2023 Crisis Analyst, Mercy Corps (part-time).

Research Assistant, Dr. Sebastian Vallejo Vera (2023-2024 and 2026).

2023–2025 Yemen Researcher, Center for Information Resilience.

2020–2022 Crisis Analyst, Mercy Corps.

AFFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIP

American Political Science Association; Political Science Graduate Student Association; Orientation and Social Committee; Society of Graduate Students (SOGS, Western University).

FIELDWORK

Yemen; Lebanon.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Teaching Dossier Workshop, 2025.
Center for Teaching and Learning.

Aligning AI-use with your pedagogical values workshop, 2025.
Center for Teaching and Learning.

New Generation of Social Scientists Fellowship Program, 2020–2021.
Arab Council for Social Science.

Public Policy Analysis Professional Certificate, 2022.
London School of Economics.

Google Project Management Professional Certificate, 2021.
Google.

MEPI Leadership Courses and Workshops, 2015–2021.
Middle East Partnership Initiative.

Social and Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Research, 2021.
CITI

Media Literacy/learn to Discern, 2021
MEPI Alumni Connection at IREX

Startup Intensive Accelerator Program, 2021.
Asher Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Youth, Leadership, and Security Conference, 2020
Education Above All

IRG Exempt Research, 2020
CITI

MENA Youth Capacity Building in Humanitarian Action 2019.
Qatar Fund

LANGUAGE & SOFTWARE

SOFTWARE: MS Office, Open Office, Google Suite, WordPress, NVivo, Power BI, Adobe Illustrator, ~~ETX~~.

PROGRAMMING: R, Python, STATA, QGIS, ArcMap.

LANGUAGES: Arabic (native), English (advanced), French (beginner), Spanish (beginner).

REFERENCES

Available upon request.

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