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RESEARCH INTERESTS	I conduct research on authoritarianism, media freedom, and the impact of artificial intelligence and international politics. My research combines data science, formal modeling, and qualitati		
CURRENT POSITION	Research Scholar, Centre for the Governance of AI	2020-	
EDUCATION	<ul> <li>University of California, Los Angeles</li> <li>Ph.D. in Political Science</li> <li>Dissertation: First, the Bad News: Opposition Media in Authoritarian Regimes</li> <li>Committee: Barbara Geddes (chair), Michael Chwe, Jim DeNardo, Tim Groeling, Daniel Treisman</li> <li>Subfields: Comparative Politics, Quantitative Methods</li> </ul>	2020	
	<ul> <li>London School of Economics and Political Science</li> <li>M.Sc. in Political Theory</li> <li>Thesis: Paved with Good Intentions: Miserly Altruists and the Evolution of Political Cooperation</li> <li>Advisor: Kai Spiekermann</li> <li>Graduated with Merit, thesis awarded Distinction</li> </ul>	2010	
	<ul> <li>Harvard University</li> <li>A.B. in Social Studies</li> <li>Thesis: Reason, Agency and Choice: Collective Rationality and the Scottish Enlightenment</li> <li>Advisor: Amartya Sen</li> <li>Graduated cum laude with High Honors in Social Studies, thesis awarded magna cum laude</li> </ul>	2006	
PAPERS	<ul> <li>"Stop the Presses! Media Freedom in Authoritarian Regimes: A Case Study of Ben Ali's Tunisia." (Published in the <i>Journal of the Middle East and Africa</i>)</li> <li>"Evaluate Advanced AI Models for Potential Autocratic Misuse" (Public comment to US Office of Science and Technology Policy)</li> <li>"Autocratic Misuse of AI: A Research Agenda"</li> <li>"Fair-Weather Freedoms: Economic Performance and Arab Opposition Media"</li> <li>"Estimating Unreported Protests: A Capture-Recapture Approach"</li> <li>"Loosening the Watchdog's Leash: A Theory of Media Freedom in Authoritarian Regimes"</li> <li>"The IAEA Solution: Knowledge Sharing to Prevent Dangerous Technology Races" (co-wrote as lead author with Robert Trager)</li> <li>"Safety Not Guaranteed: International Races for Risky Technologies" (co-wrote as lead author with Robert Trager and Allan Dafoe)</li> </ul>		
EXTERNAL AWARDS & GRANTS	<ul> <li>Middle East Initiative Research Fellowship, Harvard Kennedy School of Government</li> <li>Best Paper by a Student, Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa Annual Conference ("Stop the Presses: The Rise and Fall of Media Freedom in Ben Ali's Tunisia")</li> <li>Research Grant, Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa</li> <li>Graduate Student Travel Grant, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting</li> <li>Travel Grant, Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models, Duke University</li> <li>Travel Grant, Hamilton Center Graduate Student Conference on Political</li> </ul>	2019–2020 2016 2016 2016 2016	

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• Travel Grant, Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models, Princeton University

• Critical Language Scholarship (Arabic), Dept. of Education

Economy, NYU

2013

2012

2011

INTERNAL AWARDS & GRANTS (UCLA)	<ul> <li>Dissertation Year Fellowship, Graduate Division</li> <li>Digital Research Start-Up Partnership, UCLA Library</li> <li>Collegium of University Teaching Fellowship, Office of Instructional Development</li> <li>Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Fellowship, Graduate Division</li> </ul>	2017–2018 2016 2015 2012
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	<ul> <li>Great Power Competition in the 21st Century: The Struggle for Technological, Economic, and Strategic Supremacy, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory "The IAEA Solution to Risky Technology Races"</li> <li>Broadening Our Approach: A Workshop on Comparative Political Communication, Duke University "Fair-Weather Freedoms: Economic Performance and Opposition Media"</li> </ul>	2022 2022
	<ul> <li>Miniconference on Autocratic Politics, Annual Conference of the Western Political Science Association</li> <li>"Fair-Weather Freedoms: Opposition Media under Arab Authoritarian Regimes"</li> <li>Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association</li> </ul>	2022
	"Toleration as Intimidation: Opposition Media under Arab Authoritarian Regimes"	2021
	<ul> <li>Annual Conference of the Middle East Studies Association         "Media Freedom in Authoritarian Regimes: A Case Study of Ben Ali's Tunisia"</li> <li>Annual Conference of the Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa</li> </ul>	2017
	"Stop the Presses: The Rise and Fall of Media Freedom in Ben Ali's Tunisia"  • Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association	2016
	"Between the Lines: Measuring Newspaper Coverage of Protest"  • Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association	2016
	<ul> <li>*Let a Hundred Flowers Bloom? Media Censorship under Authoritarian Regimes"</li> <li>Southern California Comparative Political Institutions Conference, University of Southern California</li> </ul>	2013
	"Bootstrap Your Way to Cooperation: Collective Action, Informal Institutions, and Social Networks"	2012
	<ul> <li>Annual Conference of the Pacific Northwest Political Science Association "Protest Behavior and Ethical Beliefs"</li> </ul>	2011
	<ul> <li>Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association "Ethics and Collective Action in Comparative Perspective"</li> </ul>	2011
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<ul> <li>Instructor, UCLA Department of Political Science</li> <li>"How Dictators Survive"</li> <li>"Introduction to Comparative Politics"</li> </ul>	2015–2016
	<b>Teaching Assistant, UCLA Department of Political Science</b> I was a teaching assistant for two doctoral courses: one on statistics and one on game that teaching assistant for ten undergraduate courses: statistics (twice), game theory (twice), politics, international relations, American politics, political theory, Russian politics, and demonstrated theory.	comparative
PEER REVIEWER	<ul> <li>American Journal of Political Science</li> <li>American Political Science Review</li> <li>Journal of the Middle East and Africa</li> </ul>	
ADDITIONAL TRAINING	<ul> <li>Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (Princeton University, Duke University)</li> <li>Modern Standard Arabic (Qasid Program, Jordan)</li> </ul>	2012, 2016 2011
PROGRAMMING SKILLS	<ul><li>Python</li><li>R</li></ul>	