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EDUCATION	<b>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</b> , Cambridge, MA	2018–Present
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science; Graduate Research Fellow, MIT GOV/LAB &amp; MIT Global Diversity Lab</li> <li>• Fields: Comparative Politics and Political Methodology</li> <li>• Committee: Profs. Richard Nielsen (Chair), Fotini Christia, &amp; Lily Tsai</li> </ul>	
	<b>Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies</b> , Washington, D.C..	2014-2016
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M.A., Middle East Studies, Conflict Management, &amp; International Economics</li> </ul>	
	<b>Hamilton College</b> , Clinton, N.Y.	2008-2012
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• B.A., World Politics</li> <li>• Study in Rennes, France &amp; Amman, Jordan</li> </ul>	
WORKS IN PROGRESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. “Social Media Narratives on Conflict from Northern Syria,” with Erin Walk, Kiran Garimella, Ahmet Akbiyik &amp; Fotini Christia</li> <li>2. “Can Media Campaigns Empower Women Facing Gender-Based Violence amid COVID-19?,” with Fotini Christia, Horacio Larreguy &amp; Norhan Muhab, <a href="#">Pre-registration</a>, <a href="#">Working paper</a>.</li> <li>3. “Repression or Co-optation? Public Employees and Contentious Action Under Authoritarianism”</li> </ol>	
SELECTED POLICY PUBLICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. “Transparency and Repression in Jordan’s Response to COVID-19,” <i>Project on Middle East Political Science</i>, April 2020, <a href="#">Link</a>.</li> <li>2. “Jordanians see more to worry about in their economy than Syrian refugees,” <i>Lawfare</i>, September 2019, <a href="#">Link</a>.</li> <li>3. “What a Syrian neighborhood can teach us about the talks to end the civil war,” with Dan Wilkofsky, <i>War on the Rocks</i>, February 2017, <a href="#">Link</a></li> <li>4. “Syria’s currency means big trouble for Bashar al-Assad’s war efforts,” <i>Quartz</i>, October 2016, <a href="#">Link</a>.</li> <li>5. “U.N. Mediation in the Syrian Crisis: From Kofi Annan to Lakhdar Brahimi,” with Raymond Hinnebusch, I. William Zartman, and Omar Imady, <i>International Peace Institute</i>, March 2016, <a href="#">Link</a>.</li> </ol>	
SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Languages:</b> Arabic (Modern Standard &amp; Levantine, Proficient), French (Intermediate), English (Native)</li> <li>• <b>Technical:</b> R, Python, Qualtrics</li> </ul>	
TEACHING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Quantitative Research Methods II: Causal Inference (Graduate)</b>, MIT, Spring 2021</li> <li>• <b>Macroeconomics</b>, Johns Hopkins SAIS, Fall 2015</li> </ul>	
TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>American Political Science Association</i>, September 2021 (Remote)</li> <li>• <i>Politics and Computational Social Science</i>, August 2021 (Remote)</li> <li>• <i>Midwest Political Science Association</i>, April 2021 (Remote)</li> <li>• <i>Harvard Political Violence Workshop</i>, March 2021 (Remote)</li> <li>• <i>Households in Conflict Network</i>, November 2020 (Remote)</li> <li>• <i>MIT-Harvard-Tufts-Yale Political Violence Conference</i>, May 2020 (Remote)</li> </ul>	

LEADERSHIP &  
SERVICE

- **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Co-Chair**, *MIT Political Science Graduate Student Council*, 2020-2021
- **Mentor**, *MIT GOV/LAB*, 2020-2021.
- **Graduate Resident Advisor**, *Simmons Hall @ MIT*, 2019-2021.
- **Co-President**, *MIT Political Science Graduate Student Council*, 2019-2020
- **Board Member**, *The Amal Foundation*, 2015-2019

SELECTED  
PROFESSIONAL  
& RESEARCH  
EXPERIENCE

- **International Organization for Migration** 2019–2020  
Consultant, Iraq - Economic Development Fund. Erbil, Iraq & Cambridge, MA
- **U.S. Department of the Treasury** 2017–2018  
Research analyst, Syria's economy. Washington, DC
- **Navanti Group** 2015–2017  
Research analyst and team lead, governance in northern Syria (USAID/OTI). Washington, DC
- **Syria Direct** 2013–2014  
Reporter, editor, and translator covering the Syrian conflict. Amman, Jordan
- **U.S. Fulbright Program** 2012–2013  
U.S. Fulbright Fellow, teacher in a semi-public high school. Amman, Jordan

GRANTS AND  
AWARDS

- *Center for International Studies Summer Study Grant*, MIT, May 2020
- *Christian A. Herter Award for Academic Excellence (Valedictorian)*, Johns Hopkins SAIS, May 2016
- *Conrad Black Fellow*, Johns Hopkins SAIS, AY 2015 – 2016
- *Rosenthal Fellow*, Johns Hopkins SAIS, Summer 2015
- *Fulbright Fellowship & Critical Language Enhancement Award for Arabic*, U.S. Department of State, AY 2012-2013
- *Judge John H. Wells Fellow*, Hamilton College, May 2012
- *Magna Cum Laude*, Hamilton College, May 2012
- *Pi Sigma Alpha*, Hamilton College, May 2012
- *Barrett Seaman Prize for Writing*, Hamilton College, August 2011
- *Dean's List*, Hamilton College, August 2008 – May 2012