

# Nate Grubman

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

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2020–2021      Postdoctoral Scholar  
Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law  
Stanford University (Stanford, CA)

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## EDUCATION

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2020      **Ph.D., Political Science**, Yale University (New Haven, CT)  
*Subfields: Comparative Politics, Political Economy, and  
Quantitative Methods*

2017      **M.S., Applied Economics**, Johns Hopkins University  
(Baltimore, MD)

2016      **M.A., Political Science**, Yale University (New Haven, CT)

2016      **M.Phil., Political Science**, Yale University (New Haven, CT)

2008      **B.A., International Relations**, Tufts University (Medford, MA)

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## DISSERTATION

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“Party Systems and Social Cleavages in New Democracies: Skipping Class in Postuprising Tunisia,” Committee: Adria Lawrence (co-chair), Milan Svobik (co-chair), and Elizabeth R. Nugent

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## PUBLICATIONS

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2019      “Ideological Scaling in a Post-Islamist Age,” *APSA MENA Politics Newsletter* 2 (2).

2014      Larry Diamond, Marc F. Plattner, and Nate Grubman,  
“Introduction,” in Diamond and Plattner, eds., *Democratization and Authoritarianism in the Arab World* (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press).

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## RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

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*Skipping Class: Tunisia's Party System After the Revolution* (book manuscript in progress)

“Defectors and Dissidents: The Authoritarian Roots of Stability in New Democracies” (working paper available)

“Who Votes for the Ancien Regime? Explaining Support for Authoritarian Successor Parties in New Democracies” (with Milan Svobik)

“The Dynamics of Bribery: Evidence from Tunisian Customs Transactions” (with Samuel Leone, working paper available)

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## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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2019	George Walter Leitner Program in International and Comparative Political Economy Grant Yale University, \$4,000
2019	Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship George Mason University, \$3,000
2019	Project on Middle East Political Science TRE Grant George Washington University, \$3,000
2018	MacMillan Center International Dissertation Fellowship Yale University, \$15,450
2016	MacMillan Center Pre-Dissertation Grant Yale University, \$5,000
2015	Critical Language Scholarship—Arabic, Meknes, Morocco U.S. State Department
2015	Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (declined) Yale University, \$3,950

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## AWARDS AND HONORS

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2014-2020	Alma Fuhrman Corlett Gainfort Fellowship
2008	Peter Belfer Award, Tufts University, awarded for most outstanding piece of undergraduate writing in political science
2007-08	Captain Charles C. Hersey Scholarship
2004-05	Keith Lundstrom Memorial Scholarship

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## CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

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### Public Talks:

- 2020 “Nostalgia and Populisms in Contemporary Tunisia”  
Stanford University Center on Democracy, Development, and the  
Rule of Law Research Seminar  
Stanford, CA, October 22
- 2019 “Skipping Class: Party Systems in New Democracies”  
Yale University MacMillan Comparative Politics Workshop  
New Haven, CT, October 1

### Book Conferences:

- 2021 *Skipping Class: Tunisia’s Party System After the Revolution*  
Project on Middle East Political Science Junior Scholars Book  
Workshop  
New Haven, CT, November 12–13

### Panels Organized:

- 2019 “Navigating Transition: Responses to Tunisia’s Changing  
Political Landscape”  
Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting,  
New Orleans, LA, November 14–17

### Papers Presented:

- 2021 “Who Becomes Nostalgic for Life Under Authoritarian Rule? The  
Case of Tunisia”  
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting  
Virtual, April 14–18
- 2020 “Perceptions of Deterioration and Support for Anti-System  
Politicians in Tunisia”  
Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting,  
Virtual, October 5–17
- 2019 “What’s the Difference? Party Platforms in Postuprising  
Tunisia”  
Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting,  
New Orleans, LA, November 14–17

- 2019 “Skipping Class: Party Systems and Social Cleavages in New Democracies”  
Institute for Humane Studies Graduate Research Seminar,  
Washington, DC, November 1–3
- 2019 “Party System Cleavages in New Democracies: Skipping  
Class in Tunisia”  
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting,  
Chicago, IL, April 4–7
- 2017 “Class and Party Formation in New Democracies: The  
Case of Tunisia”  
American Institute for Maghrib Studies Dissertation Workshop,  
Boston, MA, September 29–30
- 2017 “Transitions from Cooptation: Tunisia’s Labor Federation  
and the End of Ben Ali”  
Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research,  
Syracuse, NY, June 19–30
- 2017 “Defectors versus Dissidents: The Authoritarian Roots of Loyal  
Opposition”  
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting,  
Chicago, IL, April 6–9

**Discussant:**

- 2016 “New Approaches to Ethnography”  
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting,  
Philadelphia, PA, September 1–4

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**COLLEGE TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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**Co-Instructor:**

- Fall 2017 Introduction to Macroeconomics  
Business Department, Gateway Community College

**Teaching Assistant:**

- Spring 2017 Introduction to International Relations  
Political Science Department, Yale University
- Fall 2016 Comparative Politics: States, Regimes, and Conflict  
Political Science Department, Yale University

**Guest Lecturer:**

Spring 2018	“The Arab Spring: Why Did So Many Rise Up in 2011?” Politics of the Contemporary Middle East, Political Science Department, Yale University
Fall 2016	“How Do Democratizing Countries Handle Crimes of the Past? The Case of Tunisia” Comparative Politics: States, Regimes, and Conflict, Political Science Department, Yale University

**Grader:**

Fall 2018	Strategic Models of Politics Political Science Department, Yale University
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**OTHER ACADEMIC SERVICE**

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2020–2021	Country Expert (Tunisia) Varieties of Democracy
2019–2020	Senior Essay Advisor Program on Ethics, Politics & Economics, Yale University
2015–16	Writing Partner Yale College Writing Center, Yale University

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**OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE**

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2019	Short-Term International Election Observer International Republican Institute-National Democratic Institute International Election Observation Mission (Tunisia)
2012–14	Assistant Editor, Journal of Democracy National Endowment for Democracy (Washington, DC)
2011–12	Program Assistant, Middle East and North Africa Center for International Private Enterprise (Washington, DC)
2011	Project Assistant, Middle East and North Africa National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (Washington, DC)
2008–10	AP US History and 5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Humanities Teacher The International Schools of Choueifat (Cairo, Egypt)

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## EXTRA TRAINING

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### Research Methods:

2017                      Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research

### Teaching:

2018                      Yale Certificate of College Teaching Preparation

### Language:

2018-19                  Yale MacMillan Center Directed Independent Language Study  
Fellowship in Tunisian Arabic, 3 semesters  
2016                      Yale French for Reading summer course and certificate  
2015                      Yale MacMillan Center Directed Independent Language Study  
Fellowship in Egyptian Arabic, 1 semester  
2015                      Arab American Language Institute in Morocco, Meknes, Morocco,  
June–August  
2014                      Moroccan Center for Arabic Studies, Rabat, Morocco, July  
2007                      International Language Institute, Cairo, Egypt, June  
2007                      American University – Cairo, Egypt, Jan–June

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## LANGUAGE SKILLS

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Arabic (MSA)	Proficient, Advanced-Mid ACTFL Oral Proficiency, Aug 2016
Tunisian Arabic	Proficient, Advanced-Mid ACTFL Oral Proficiency, Sep 2018
Egyptian Arabic	Proficient but rusty
Moroccan Arabic	Intermediate and rusty
French	Proficient in reading only
Spanish	Basic

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## REFERENCES

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### Milan Svolik

Professor of Political Science

Yale University

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Baltimore, MD 21218

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