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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2021–present Teaching Fellow in Civic, Liberal, and Global Education, Stanford Introductory Studies, Stanford University (Stanford, CA)
- 2020–2021 Postdoctoral Scholar, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Freeman Spogli Institute, Stanford University (Stanford, CA)

EDUCATION

- 2020 **Ph.D., Political Science**, Yale University (New Haven, CT)
- Dissertation:* “Party Systems and Social Cleavages in New Democracies: Skipping Class in Postuprising Tunisia”
- Fields:* 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)

PUBLICATIONS

Public Scholarship:

- 2022 [“Yea or Stay Away: Kais Saied’s Autocratic Referendum,”](#) Project on Middle East Democracy Snapshot (15 July).

- 2022 [“A Dictator’s Day in Court,”](#) *Journal of Democracy* online (February 10).
- 2022 [“Coup in Tunisia: Transition Arrested,”](#) *Journal of Democracy* 33 (January): 12–26.
- 2021 [“Electoral Democracy and Its Discontents,”](#) *APSA MENA Politics Newsletter* 4 (Fall): 48–52.
- 2021 [“Do Tunisians Still Want Democracy?”](#) *Washington Post Monkey Cage* (September 1).
- 2021 Nate Grubman and Aytuğ Şaşmaz, [“The Collapse of Tunisia’s Party System and the Rise of Kais Saied,”](#) *Middle East Report Online* (August 17).
- 2019 [“Ideological Scaling in a Post-Islamist Age,”](#) *APSA MENA Politics Newsletter* 2 (Fall): 41–45.

Book Chapters:

- 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).

Book Reviews:

- 2022 [Managing Transition: The First Post-Uprising Phase in Tunisia and Libya by Sabina Henneberg,](#) *Political Science Quarterly* 137 (Summer): 429–431.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

Book Manuscript:

Skipping Class: Tunisia’s Party System After the Revolution

Working Papers:

Samuel Leone, Nate Grubman, and Jawaher Mbarek, "[Corruption Dynamics in International Trade: Evidence on Bribery and Tax Evasion from Tunisian Customs Transactions](#)," Center for Effective Global Action Working Paper Series, No. 203 (24 May 2022)

"Defectors and Dissidents: The Authoritarian Roots of Stability in New Democracies"

Nate Grubman and Milan Svolik, "Disenchanted with Democracy?"

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2022	"Tunisia in One Room" Project Director and Co-Investigator with James Fishkin (PI) and Alice Siu (Co-Investigator) Rockefeller Foundation, \$262,748
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

AWARDS AND HONORS

2021–2022	COLLEGE Fellow of the Year
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

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Book Conferences:

2021	<i>Skipping Class: Tunisia’s Party System After the Revolution</i> Project on Middle East Political Science Junior Scholars Book Workshop, New Haven, CT, November 12–13
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Panels Organized:

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

2023	“Disillusioned with Democracy?” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 13–16
2021	“The Party System in Tunisia’s Marginalized Regions,” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Virtual, November 29–December 3
2021	“The Dynamics of Bribery: Evidence from Tunisian Customs Transactions,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Virtual, September 30–October 3

- 2021 “Perceptions of Deterioration and Support for Anti-System Politicians in Tunisia,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Virtual, April 14–18
- 2021 “Perceptions of Deterioration and Support for Anti-System Politicians in Tunisia,” Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Virtual, April 1–3
- 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:

- 2023 “Parties and Polarization Across Different Types of Regimes,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 13–16

- 2023 “The MENA After Revolution: Prospects and Challenges,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 13–16
- 2022 “Using Games and Simulations in the Classroom,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Virtual, April 6–10
- 2016 “New Approaches to Ethnography,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, September 1–4

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

COLLEGE TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor:

Citizenship in the 21st Century, Stanford Introductory Studies, Stanford University (Winter 2022)

Introduction to Macroeconomics, Business Department, Gateway Community College (Fall 2017, with Lorraine Li)

The Politics of Development, Stanford Introductory Studies, Stanford University (Spring 2022)

The Spirit of Democracy, Stanford Introductory Studies, Stanford University (Fall 2021)

Why College? Stanford Introductory Studies, Stanford University (Fall 2022)

Teaching Assistant:

Comparative Politics: States, Regimes, and Conflict, Political Science Department, Yale University (Fall 2016)

Introduction to International Relations, Political Science Department, Yale University (Spring 2017)

Other:

Senior Essay Advisor, Program on Ethics, Politics & Economics, Yale University (Fall 2019, Spring 2020)

Grader, Strategic Models of Politics, Political Science Department, Yale University (Fall 2018)

OTHER ACADEMIC SERVICE

Referee

2021 *Economic Development and Cultural Change*

Course coordination

2023 Course coordinator, “The Spirit of Democracy,” Stanford Civic, Liberal, and Global Education

2022 Course coordinator, “The Politics of Development,” Stanford Civic, Liberal, and Global Education

2021 Technology coordinator, “The Spirit of Democracy,” “The Politics of Development,” Stanford Civic, Liberal, and Global Education

Panel participant

2021 “How to Survive Graduate School,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, virtual, April 14–18

2021 “How to Finish Your Dissertation,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, virtual, April 14–18

2018 “Community College Teaching Workshop,” Yale Center for Teaching and Learning, April 23

Country expert

2020–21 Tunisia, Varieties of Democracy Institute, Political Science Department, University of Gothenburg (Sweden)

Writing tutoring

2015–2016 Yale College Writing Center, Yale University, 3 semesters

EXTRA TRAINING

Research Methods:

2017 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) Summer Institute

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

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

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 5th-8th Grade Humanities Teacher
The International Schools of Choueifat (Cairo, Egypt)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

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

REFERENCES

Larry Diamond

Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution and the Mosbacher Senior Fellow in Global
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