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Specializations in Comparative politics, Middle East Politics, Socio-legal studies, Gender and Politics, Feminist Theory.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Connecticut (Beginning Fall 2019)

Assistant Professor in Political Science and Arab Language, Culture, and Literature

Brandies University (2018 – 2019)

Harold Grinspoon Junior Research Fellow, The Crown Center for Middle East Studies

Harvard University (2017 – 2018)

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Middle East Initiative, Harvard Kennedy School

University of Washington (2008-2017)

Graduate Student Research and Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

2018

(Winner of the “Best Dissertation in the field of Gender and Politics” from the American Political Science Association’s Women and Politics Research Section (2019) and “Best Fieldwork” award from the American Political Science Association’s Comparative Democratization Section (2019).

Post-graduate Diploma in Law, Societies and Justice, University of Washington, Seattle WA

2014

Master of Arts (Political Science), University of Washington, Seattle WA

2012

Master of Arts (Political Science and Gender Studies), The American University in Cairo, Cairo, Egypt

2005

BA (Political Science), Cairo University, Cairo, Egypt

2001

PUBLICATIONS

Solo Authored Books

2012. [Law as a Tool for Empowering Women within Marital Relations: A Case Study of Paternity Lawsuits in Egypt](#). Cairo, Cairo Papers in Social Science Series 31(2): The American University in Cairo Press.

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

2018. “Resisting and Redefining State Violence: The gendered politics of transitional justice in Tunisia.” *The Journal of the Middle East and Africa* 9(4): 359-377.

2017. “Law, Culture, And Mobilization in Egypt: Legal Pluralism as a Resource for Women’s rights.” *Muslim World Journal of Human Rights* 14 (1):1-25.

2015. “[El Sissi’s women? Shifting Gender Discourses in Egypt and the Limits of State Feminism](#)”, *Egypte/Monde Arabe* 3(13): 35-52.

BOOK CHAPTERS AND INVITED SUBMISSIONS

2012. "After the Revolution: Reflections on the Rule of Law in Egypt." Yearbook of Islamic and Middle Eastern Law: Volume 16 (2010-2011), Brill Academic Publishers. With Ellis Goldberg.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Solo Authored Books

In the Shadow of the State: Gender Contestation and Legal Mobilization in the Context of the Arab Spring in Egypt and Tunisia (In preparation).

Book Chapters

2020. "Public Forms of Gender-based Violence in the Middle East and North Africa." (Book Chapter) In Routledge Handbook on Middle East Women, edited by Souad Joseph, London: Routledge. (Under Review)

JOURNAL ARTICLES

"Defying the State: The Movement Against Gender-Based Violence in Post-Revolutionary Egypt." (In Preparation).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

April 11, 2016: ["Tunisia uncovered a history of state sexual violence- Can it do anything?"](#), *Washington Post*, *Monkey Cage*.

July 9, 2014: ["Women as Fair Game in the public sphere: A critical introduction for Understanding Sexual Violence and Methods of Resistance"](#), *Jadaliyya*.

August 21, 2012: ["The Shape of Egypt's Second Republic"](#), *Egypt Independent*.

NON-ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND SHORT TERM CONSULTANCIES

International IDEA (2015)

Consulting Author

Developed a hundred-pages long analytical report on the laws governing violence against women in the public and private spheres in Egypt. The report contains an analysis of related legal codes, policy initiatives, and an evaluation of the outcomes of such policies in Egypt.

The Developmental Leadership Program (DLP) (2010)

Research Assistant (PI: Mariz Tadros)

Drafted a literature review on the development of women's Rights Coalitions in Egypt.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Best Fieldwork Award, American Political Science Association (\$300), 2019.
- Best Dissertation in the field of Women and Politics, American Political Science Association (\$500), 2019.
- Open Society Foundations' Civil Society Scholar Award (\$7,000), 2017.
- J. Allen Smith Fellowship in Political Science (\$3,500), 2017.
- American Association of University Women International Fellowship (\$20,000), 2016 (Alternate).
- University of Washington Comparative Law and Society Studies Fellow 2011-14.
- Research Support Grant, Arab Reform Initiative (\$10,000), 2013.
- Chester A. Fritz Graduate Student Dissertation Fellowship (\$6000), 2013.
- Peter J. May Graduate Student Grant in Political Science (\$2000), 2013.
- Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) TRE Grant (\$3000), 2012.
- Ottenberg-Winans Fellowship in African Studies, Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies (\$700), 2012.

INVITED TALKS

Brookings Institution/Crown Center for Middle East Studies, Washington D.C, October 2019:
“The Future of Tunisian Democracy.”

Global Symposium on the #Me too Movement, University of Kentucky, Lexington , KY, April 2019:
“Before #Me Too: How the Egyptian Women’s Rights Movement Combated Sexual Harassment.”

Department of Political Science, University of Connecticut, Hartford, CT, February 2019:
“The Price of Inclusion: Paradoxes of State Feminism in Post-revolutionary Tunisia.”

Department of Gender and Women’s Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, December 2018: “In the Shadow of the State: Gender Based-Violence in Post-Revolutionary Tunisia and Egypt.”

Middle East Initiative Fellows Talk Series, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, April 2018:
“In the Shadows of the State: Gender Contestations in Post-Revolutionary Tunisia and Egypt.”

Department of Political Science, University of Concordia, Montreal, Canada, May 2017:
“Legacies of Women’s Rights: Paradoxes of State Feminism in Post-Revolutionary Tunisia.”

Severys-Ravenholt Seminar in Comparative Politics, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, October 2016: “The Unlikely Potential of Political Polarization: Islamist and Secular Quests for Women's Rights in Tunisia's Post-Revolutionary.”

Seattle Town Hall and Jackson School for International Studies, Center For Middle East Studies, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, May 2011: “The Changing Middle East: Egypt After the Arab Spring.”

Jackson School for International Studies, Center for Middle East Studies, University of Washington, Seattle, WA February 2011: “The making of the Egyptian revolution: Actors and Groups.” (Via Skype from Cairo, Egypt).

SELECTED CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

Middle East Initiative, Harvard Kennedy School, Boston. MA, May 2019
Organizer and Presenter, “Feminisms in the Middle East and North Africa: Old/New Directions?”

Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, November 2016.
Organizer and Presenter, “Beyond Politics: The Movement Against Gender-Based Violence in Post-Revolutionary Egypt.”

Simon Fraser University, School of International Studies, Courts, Religion, and Politics in Contemporary Muslim States workshop, Vancouver, BC, Canada, November 2016.
Presenter, “Tunisia after the Uprising: Islamist and Secular Quests for Women's Rights.”

Project on Middle East Political Science: Women and Gender in Middle East Politics After the Uprising, Washington, DC, March 2016.
Presenter, “The Gendered Politics of the Truth and Dignity Commission in Post-Revolutionary Tunisia.”

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, June 2015. Presenter,
“The Politics of Culture: Legal Mobilization and Women’s Rights in Egypt.”

World Congress for Middle East Studies, Ankara, Turkey, August 2014.
Presenter, “Survivors and Not Victims: The Movement Against Gender-Based Violence In Post-Revolutionary Egypt.”

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Honolulu, HI, June 2012.
Presenter, “The Politics of Culture: Legal Mobilization and Women’ Rights in Egypt.”

The American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 2010.

Presenter, “The New Marriage Contract in Egypt: Religious Reframing and the Hazards of Reform.”

Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, May 2010.

Presenter, “Assessing the Role of Family Courts as Gatekeepers in Divorce Disputes in Egypt: Hazards of Reforms, Silences of the Law and the Indeterminacy of Rights.”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Developed at the University of Connecticut

Gender and Politics in the Middle East and North Africa,
Political Science Department (Fall 2019).

Writing Women’s Lives in the Arab Middle East,
Department of Language, Culture, and Literature (Fall 2019).

Courses Developed at the University of Washington

Women In Politics, Political Science Department and Gender, Women and
Sexuality Studies Department (Summers 2016 and 2017).

Gender And Politics in The Middle East And North Africa , Political Science
Department (Summer 2014).

Selected Teaching Assistantships

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Human Rights Law and Practice: Instructor: Jamie Mayfield, Winter 2010.

Law in Society, Instructor: Michael McCann, Spring 2012.

Women’s Rights as Human Rights: Instructor, Rachel Cichowski, Fall 2013.

Arab Political Systems and Governance: Instructor, Ellis Goldberg, Fall 2015.

The Arab- Israeli Conflict, Instructor, Yoav Duman, Winter 2016.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Law and Society Review (Reviewer)

Comparative Political Studies (Reviewer)

Muslim World Journal of Human Rights (Reviewer)

Journal of Women’s Middle East Studies (Reviewer)

International Security (Reviewer)

American Academy in Berlin/The Berlin Prize (Reviewer).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Political Science Association, Law and Society Association, Middle East Studies Association, National Women's Studies Association, and Association for Middle East Women's Studies.

LANGUAGES

Arabic (Native) **English** (Fluent) **French** (Good Reading and Basic Conversational)

COMMUNITY INVOLVMENT/OUTREACH

2005-2015: Volunteer and Consultant for a number of local women's rights organizations based in Cairo, Egypt. These organizations include the [New Women's Foundation \(NWF\)](#), the [Women and Memory Forum \(WMF\)](#) and [Nazra for Feminist Studies \(NAZRA\)](#), Cairo, Egypt.

2011: Named a "[Woman of Courage](#)" by the University of Washington 's Women's Studies Center, Seattle, WA.