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EMPLOYMENT

2022 Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Miami University  
2017 Senior AAR [American Academy of Religion] Fellow, United States Institute of Peace  
2017 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Miami University  
2014 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, St. Louis University  
2013 Instructor (August-October 2013); Visiting Assistant Professor (October 2013-May 2014);  
Department of Political Science, St. Louis University

EDUCATION

2013 Ph.D. Department of Political Science, University of Florida  
Dissertation: "How an Islamic solution became an Islamist problem: Education,  
Authoritarianism and the Politics of Opposition in Morocco"  
2010 MA. Department of Political Science, University of Florida  
2007 MA. Department of Government and Politics, St. John's University  
Certificate in International Law and Diplomacy  
2006 BA. Departments of Government and Politics and French Language and Literature,  
St. John's University, summa cum laude

PUBLICATIONS

Book

2017 *Bureaucratizing Islam: Morocco and the War on Terror*, Cambridge University Press

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

2021 Sara Mariel Austin and Ann Wainscott. "Moroccan Efforts to Counter Violent Extremism in Children's Literature" *International Research in Children's Literature*. Volume 14, no. 1. P. 52-66.  
2018 "Religious Regulation as Foreign Policy: Morocco's Islamic Diplomacy in West Africa" *Politics and Religion*. Volume 11, Issue 1. P. 1-26.

*This article appears in modified form as a chapter in the book cited above (Bureaucratizing Islam). The two publications proceeded simultaneously.*

2015 "Defending Islamic education: War on Terror discourse and the politics of public religious

education in contemporary Morocco” *Journal of North African Studies*. Volume 20, No. 4. P. 635-653

#### Peer-reviewed Policy Paper

2019 “Engaging the Post-ISIS Iraqi Religious Field for Peace and Reconciliation.” *Peaceworks*. United States Institute of Peace. October. Released in Arabic in 2020.

- For this policy paper, I trained 15 Iraqi researchers in semi-structured interview techniques, supervised over 175 interviews in eleven different field sites across the country, debriefed researchers, analyzed the data and wrote this policy report.
- The report went through a rigorous peer review process with at least six different peer reviewers including comments from academics, think tank professionals, and Iraqi civil society leaders.
- As of February 2021, the English language report has 1,971 unique page views and 526 report downloads. The Arabic language report has 471 unique page views and 19 report downloads.
- The results were shared at public events and private briefings including to the Department of Defense Office of the Secretary of Defense, a member of the National Security Council, the Middle East team at USAID, and multiple bureaus at the State Department. A second set of events were hosted for the Arabic translation of the report in January of 2020 targeting Iraqi civil society and government officials.
- In response to the report, I was invited to brief the National Intelligence Council and to advise the Armed Conflict Location and Event Data Project (ACLED).

#### Book Chapters

“The Durus Hasaniya Lectures Series: Sixty Years of Moroccan Religious Softpower” in *the Geopolitics of Religious Softpower*, eds. Peter Mandaville and Shadi Hamid. *Oxford University Press*. Forthcoming.

2014 “State Autonomy and Societal Transformation: Twentieth Century Reforms to Islamic Education in Morocco” in *Reforms in Islamic Education: International Perspectives*. ed. Charlene Tan. Bloomsbury Academic.

2015 “Islamic modernism, political reform and the Arabisation of education: The relationship between Moroccan nationalists and al-Azhar University” in *Shaping Global Islamic Discourses: The Role of al-Azhar, al-Medina, and al-Mustafa*. eds. Masooda Bano and Keiko Sakurai. Edinburgh University Press.

#### Encyclopedia Entry

2013 “Universities” in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women*. New York: Oxford University Press.

#### Book Reviews

2020 Ahmet Kuru. *Islam, Authoritarianism, and Underdevelopment: A Global and Historical Comparison*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2019. *Politics and Religion*, 13:4.

- 2020 David Stenner. *Globalizing Morocco: Transnational Activism and the Postcolonial State*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2019. *H-Net*.
- 2020 Samuel Helfont. *Compulsion in Religion: Saddam Hussein, Islam, and the Roots of Insurgencies in Iraq*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2018. *Perspectives on Politics* 18:1.
- 2018 Sarah Feuer. *Regulating Islam: Religion and State in Contemporary Morocco and Tunisia*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2018. *The Middle East Journal* (October).
- 2017 Zakia Salime. *Between Feminism and Islam: Human Rights and Sharia Law in Morocco*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2011. *Hypatia* (March/April).
- 2015 Mamadou Diouf. Ed. *Tolerance, Democracy, and Sufis in Senegal*. New York: Columbia University Press. *Islamic Africa* 6: 217-219.
- 2015 Lisa Stampnitzky. *Disciplining Terror: How Experts Invented "Terrorism"*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2013. *Terrorism and Political Violence* 27(3): 598-600.

## CURRENT PROJECTS

“Benign Bureaucracies? Religion Ministries as Authoritarian Instruments of Repression, Co-optation and Legitimation,” article, co-authored with Ani Sarkissian

‘Followers’ of ‘Ali: Social Media and Religious Authority among the Iraqi Shi‘a, *book manuscript*

Comparative Politics: An Alternative Anthology, *textbook*

## SELECTED GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

### Grants and Fellowships

- 2020 Explaining Religious De-mobilization: The Role of Religious Ministries in Arab Monarchies, Global Research on Religion Initiative Project Launch Grant, Notre Dame
- 2019 Howe Faculty Writing Fellow, Howe Center for Writing Excellence, Miami University
- 2019 Smith Richardson Foundation Strategy and Policy Fellow
- 2016 American Academy of Religion Luce Fellowship in Religion and International Affairs, placement at the United States Institute of Peace, 12 months beginning June 2017
- 2015 Competitive Faculty Research Leave to complete book project, Fall, Saint Louis University
- Teach to the [Jesuit] Mission Grant, St. Louis University
- 2014 Innovative Teaching Fellowship, Reinert Center for Transformative Teaching and Learning, St. Louis University
- 2013 Project on Middle East Political Science Teaching, Research and Engagement Grant
- 2012 Graduate School Dissertation Fellowship, University of Florida
- 2012 McGinty Dissertation Fellowship, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, *declined*
- 2012 Course Development Grant for CPO 3403: Politics of the Middle East, Innovation through Institutional Integration, National Science Foundation
- 2010 Boren Fellowship, dissertation fieldwork in Morocco
- 2009 Department of Political Science, University of Florida, pre-dissertation fieldwork  
Department of Political Science, Duke University, Research stipend through affiliation with Dr. Herbert Kitschelt

## Language Study Grants

- 2014 Ibn Battuta Merit Scholarship, Qalam wa Lawh Center for Arabic Studies, Rabat, Morocco  
2014 Partial Tuition Scholarship, Georgetown University, Summer Arabic Language Institute  
2010 Boren Fellowship, Arabic language instruction  
2008-2009 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, Center for African Studies, University of Florida, Arabic language instruction  
2008 Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Fellowship, Center for African Studies, University of Florida, Arabic language instruction  
2007-2008 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, Center for African Studies, University of Florida, Arabic language instruction

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

### Invited Talks

- 2020 “Ayatollah Sistani: A Discussion”  
National Intelligence Council, 17 June  
2019 Conducting Research on Violent Extremism Workshop  
RESOLVE Network; Pristina, Kosovo. 3-5 September  
2018 “Bureaucratizing Islam: Morocco and the War on Terror”  
George Washington University, Project on Middle East Political Science, April 30  
“Bureaucratizing Islam: Morocco and the War on Terror”  
Baraza Speaker, Center for African Studies, University of Florida, March 30  
Religion and Countering Violent Extremism: How to Engage Religious Leaders and People of Faith? The United States Institute of Peace, January 17  
2016 Sizing the Evidence Gap: Measuring the State of the Research & Data on Violent Extremism  
Expert Focus Group (invited participant), United States Institute of Peace and the RESOLVE Network, July 27, Berlin, Germany  
Evolving Methodologies in the Study of Islamist Politics, George Washington University, Project on Middle East Political Science, January 29  
“The War on Terror and the Arab State”  
2015 Georgetown University, African Studies Program lecture series, 3 December  
“State Responses to the War on Terror: Morocco’s Bureaucratization of Islam”  
Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies, October 21  
“Promoting 'Tolerant' Islam in Africa: Morocco's Recent Outreach Initiative”

### Invited Roundtables/Workshops

- 2021 The Geopolitics of Religious Moderation in the Middle East and North Africa, 24 March  
Berkley Center, Georgetown University  
Author meets critic, Ahmet Kuru's new book *Islam, Authoritarianism, and Underdevelopment*  
Social Science History Association, November 12  
2019 Religion, Governments, and Preventing Violent Extremism: What Have We Learned?  
Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs, Georgetown University, February 13  
2018 The Middle East and the Geopolitics of Religious Soft Power  
Center for Middle East Policy, The Brookings Institution, April 18-19

Religion and Countering Violent Extremism  
United States Institute of Peace, January 17

Panels Organized

- 2019 American Political Science Association, August 29 – September 1<sup>st</sup>  
“Religious Regulation in Muslim-Majority Societies”
- 2018 American Academy of Religion, Denver, November 17-20  
“Mapping the Religious Field of Conflict Zones: The view from below in Libya, Iraq and S. Sudan”
- 2014 American Political Science Association, Washington D.C., August 28-31  
“The State as a Religious Actor”
- 2012 Middle East Studies Association, Denver, November 17  
“Teaching the Arab Uprisings”

Presentations

- 2022 Middle East Studies Association, Denver, CO, December 2022  
“Benign Bureaucracies? Religion Ministries as Authoritarian Instruments of Repression, Co-optation and Legitimation”  
From Ancient to Modern: The Current State of Research on Iraq, Washington D.C., 3 November 2022  
“Followers of ‘Ali: Social Media and Religious Authority among the Iraqi Shia”  
American Political Science Association, Montreal, Canada, 16 September 2022  
“Benign Bureaucracies? Religion Ministries as Authoritarian Instruments of Repression, Co-optation and Legitimation”  
Presenter, Faculty brownbag, 14 March 2022, Department of Political Science, Miami University  
“Benign Bureaucracies? Religion Ministries as Authoritarian Instruments of Repression, Co-optation and Legitimation”
- 2020 Presenter, Faculty brownbag, 6 March 2020, Department of Political Science, Miami University  
“The Durus Hasaniya Ramadan Lecture Series: Sixty Years of Moroccan Religious Soft Power”
- 2019 Children’s Literature Conference, Indianapolis, June 14  
“Moroccan Efforts to Counter Violent Extremism in Children’s Literature”
- 2018 American Academy of Religion, Denver, November 18  
“Beyond the Ivory Tower: Putting Religion Expertise to Work outside the Academy”
- 2017 American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 1  
“Bureaucratizing Islam: Morocco and the War on Terror”
- 2016 Life Trajectories of Religious Education, Cape Town, South Africa, 24-26 February  
“Khalid Samadi: an Islamic Education Bureaucrat”
- 2015 American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, November 21-24  
“Religious Regulation as Foreign Policy: The case of Morocco”
- 2015 American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 3-6  
“Religious Regulation as Foreign Policy: The case of Morocco”
- 2014 American Political Science Association, Washington D.C., August 28-31

- 2013 “The State as a Religious Actor: The case of Morocco”  
Project on Middle East Political Science Junior Scholars Book Development Workshop,  
Yale University, November 15
- 2013 Islamic Institutions of Higher Learning, Duke University, October 17-19  
“Globalization and Islamic Education: Thirty Years of the Islamic Educational, Scientific and  
Cultural Organization”
- 2013 Religion, Identity and Politics, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, May 10-11  
Poster: “Regulating religion through public school curricula: The case of Morocco”
- 2012 African Studies Association, November 30  
“Political Socialization as Authoritarian Strategy: Islamic Education and Party Politics in  
Post-Independence Morocco”
- 2012 Middle East Studies Association, Denver, November 19  
“Teaching the Arab Uprisings”
- 2012 Middle East Studies Association, Denver, November 19  
“Spaces, Networks, Institutions: Men, Women and Islamic Authority in the 20th Century”
- 2012 Centres of Learning and Change in Muslim Societies: Global Influence of Al-Azhar, Al-  
Madinah, and Al-Mustafa, Oxford University, August 28  
“The Impact of the Relationship between Al-Azhar, the Salafiyya, and the Moroccan  
Nationalist Movement on Public Education Policy in the Twentieth Century”
- 2012 American Institute for Maghrib Studies Dissertation Workshop, May 5  
“How an Islamic solution became an Islamist problem: Salafization, Islamic Education and  
ideological conflict in Morocco”
- 2012 Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 12  
“Contextualizing the Arab Spring: the role of Islamic education curriculum reform in  
ideological conflicts between Leftists and Islamists in Morocco”
- 2012 Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 12  
“Negotiating an Islamic Identity in Moroccan Public School Curriculum”
- 2011 Presentation, Reforms in Islamic Education Conference, Cambridge University, April 9  
“Constructing the State-Society Distinction: Islamic Education Reforms in Morocco”
- 2008 African Studies Association, Chicago, November 14  
“Examining State Strategy: Governance in a Scripturalist Era in North Africa”
- 2007 New York State Political Science Association, April 21  
“Women's involvement in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Palestinian Intifada”

#### Discussant

- 2019 American Political Science Association, August 29 – September 1<sup>st</sup>  
“Religious Regulation in Muslim-Majority Societies”
- 2012 African Studies Association, November 30  
“Institutions and Democracy”

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Introduction to Comparative Politics

Authoritarianism: A Study in Conceptual Utility (Cross-listed Senior Capstone/Grad Class)

Politics of the Middle East and North Africa

Introduction to Political Science (including a section for international students)  
Islam and Gender, graduate seminar  
The Arab Spring and the Politics of Expertise  
America and the Middle East  
Storytelling and the One Thousand and One Nights

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2021 Supervisor, Global Research on Religion Initiative Project Launch Grant  
2018 Research coordinator, Erbil, Iraq  
2017 Research coordinator, Baghdad and Erbil, Iraq  
2016 Fieldwork, Rabat, Morocco, 1 week  
2015 Fieldwork, Dakar, Senegal, 1 month  
2014 Fieldwork, Rabat, Morocco, 1 month  
2013 Consultant, Department of Defense sub-contractor  
2012 Archival Research, Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris, 2 weeks  
2011 Research Assistant, Kate Baldwin, Department of Political Science, University of Florida  
2010 Dissertation fieldwork, Morocco, 10 months  
2010 Consultant, Swedish International Development and Cooperation Agency, Ghana, Mali, Senegal, Review of the Afrobarometer survey project, 3 weeks  
2010 Department representative, Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University, June 14<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>  
2010 Research Assistant, Editorial Committee of CD-APSA, Newsletter for the Comparative Democratization section of the American Political Science Association  
2010 Research Assistant, Dr. Michael Bernhard, Department of Political Science, University of Florida  
2009 Research Assistant, Herbert Kitschelt, Department of Political Science, Duke University, Morocco  
2009 Pre-dissertation fieldwork, Morocco, 3 months  
2008 Research Assistant, Dr. Staffan Lindberg, Department of Political Science, University of Florida

## SERVICE TO PROFESSION, DEPARTMENT AND UNIVERSITY

I have reviewed articles, book proposals and book manuscripts for *Comparative Politics, Religion, State and Society, Journal of Church and State, Journal of Modern African Studies, Journal of North African Studies*, University of California Press, University of Toronto Press, *Terrorism and Political Violence, Religion, State and Society*, and *Islamic Africa*. I am a reviewer for the primary textbook for my field, *Essentials of Comparative Politics* (W.W. Norton and Co.). I have also reviewed grant applications for the Henry Luce Foundation, Religion in International Affairs Program.

2022 Altman Faculty Scholar, Theme: Contesting Authority, Humanities Center, Miami University  
Interim Head of the Middle East, Jewish, and Islamic Studies Program, Miami University  
Miami University Faculty Fellow, The Chautauqua Institute, Chautauqua, NY, June 25  
2021 Faculty Adviser, Alexander Hamilton Society

- Faculty participant, Bridges Program, Miami University  
 Chair, Undergraduate Studies Committee, Department of Political Science  
 Member, Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Political Science  
 2020 Leading Change, Howe Center for Writing Excellence, Miami University  
 Guest lecture in four classrooms, one undergraduate classroom at Miami University, one graduate and one undergraduate at George Washington University and one undergraduate classroom at Wofford College  
 Make it Miami, Miami University  
 Boren Applicant Faculty Evaluation, Global Initiatives, Miami University  
 Department Work Load Committee, Awards Committee, Undergraduate Studies Committee, DGP Major Committee, Middle East, Jewish and Islamic Studies Committee  
 2019 Altman Faculty Scholar, Time and Temporality (2019-2020)  
 The Humanities Center, Miami University  
 2018 Book Review Editor, *Politics and Religion*, Cambridge University Press, ongoing  
 2016 MA Comprehensive Exam Committee  
 Host of multiple ATLAS (international week) events  
 2015 Teach to the [Jesuit] Mission Working Group  
 Learning Studio Symposium, Reinert Center for Transformative Teaching and Learning  
 “Using Twitter to Teach Expertise”  
 2014 Departmental Service: Faculty mentor to the Political Science Club, member of Publicity Committee and Events Committee, Co-Chair of the Newsletter Committee  
 2013 Middle East Studies Committee, St. Louis University  
*successfully proposed a minor in Middle East Studies for St. Louis University*  
 Country Expert on Morocco, Varieties of Democracy Project  
 Member, Masters of Public Administration NASPAA Self-Study group, St. Louis University  
 Participant, Rhodes Scholarship internal review committee, St. Louis University  
 2012 Graduate Student President, American Institute for Maghrib Studies  
 Coordinator for Dissertation Workshop, UCLA; May 4-6  
 2010 Search committee graduate student representative, Islam and Muslim Societies in Africa Center for African Studies, University of Florida  
 2008-2009 Vice President, Graduate Student Council (GSC), University of Florida  
 2008-2009 Chair of the GSC Conference Committee, Graduate Student Council, University of Florida  
 2008 Students in African Studies coordinator, Center for African Studies, University of Florida  
 2007-2009 Editorial board, African Studies Quarterly, Center for African Studies, University of Florida

## PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- 2020 Engaging the Post-ISIS Iraqi Religious Landscape: An Interview with Ann Wainscott. *Religion and Diplomacy*. 30 April 2020.
- 2018 The Maydan, 1 August  
 “Rise of the bureaucrat? Changing Religious Authority in Morocco”  
 World Politics Review, 16 May  
 “Did the Politics of Western Sahara Drive Morocco to Sever Ties with Iran?”  
 Appearance on the Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) Podcast, April 30  
 “Bureaucratizing Islam: A Conversation with Ann Marie Wainscott”  
 2017 Monkey Cage Blog, Washington Post, 3 February  
 “Why Trump’s focus on ‘Islamic terrorism’ misses the point entirely”



- World Politics Review, 18 January 2017  
 “Morocco Renews Iran Ties – With Saudi Arabia’s Permission”  
 2016 Global Observatory, 27 July 2016  
 “Morocco’s AU bid builds on years of strategic diplomacy”  
 2015 Global Observatory, 23 July 2015  
 “Despite Setbacks, Habré Trial Suggests New Path for African Justice”  
 2015 Global Observatory, 11 May 2015  
 “Without Reform, UN’s Western Sahara Mission Risks Failure”  
 2015 Global Observatory, 26 March 2015  
 “Morocco’s Nigeria Snub Reveals Complex West African Ambitions”  
 2014 ISLAMiCommentary, 16 March 2014  
 “Morocco Steps Up Leadership in Religious and Security Affairs in West Africa”  
 2014 Monkey Cage Blog, Washington Post, 20 June  
 “Why did Morocco’s prime minister call for a boycott of Dannon yogurt?”

#### SERVICETO COMMUNITY

- 2022 Rotary Club, Oxford, OH  
 “The Post-ISIS Iraqi Religious Landscape”  
 2019 Christian-Muslim Dialogue of Lexington, KY  
 Bureaucratizing Islam: Morocco and the War on Terror  
 2018 Rotary Club; Oxford, Ohio; 12 September  
 “Introduction to Islam and Politics”  
 2016 St. Louis Art Museum, Roundtable, 18 November  
 “Artists Respond to War and its Consequences”  
 2016 St. Timothy’s Episcopal Church, 6 November  
 “Islam and Contemporary Politics”  
 2016 St. Timothy’s Episcopal Church, 30 October  
 “Islam and Politics”  
 2016 St. Matthias the Apostle Catholic Church, 3 October  
 “Islam and Politics”  
 2016 St. Timothy’s Episcopal Church, 14 February  
 “Introduction to Islam”  
 2016 Catholic Studies Mass Speaker, Saint Louis University, 15 January  
 “Introduction to Islam”  
 2015 Principia College, 10 April  
 “Introduction to Islam”  
 2015 Catholic Radio, 30 January  
 Appearance on “In the Heartland with Bishop Pates” to discuss ISIS  
 2015 Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, February 8  
 “Introduction to Islam, part II”  
 2014 The Wednesday Club, 3 December  
 “Introduction to Islam”  
 2014 Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 16 November  
 “Introduction to Islam”  
 2014 Appearance on KTRS local radio, 20 September  
 “Ann Waincott SLU Professor informs us about ISIS”

- 2014 Nosh and Knowledge, St. Louis, MO, February 9  
“Introduction to Islam”
- 2013 The Lifelong Learning Institute, Washington University, St. Louis, MO, November 12  
“Introduction to Islam”
- 2013 The Atrium, Gainesville, FL, March 14  
“Introduction to and Overview of Islam and Politics”

#### LANGUAGES

Arabic - August 2014 – passed Georgetown University’s Arabic Proficiency Exam

French

Spanish

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion

American Institute for Maghrib Studies

American Political Science Association

Middle East Studies Association