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EDUCATION

University of California, Davis

Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science, June 2011

Major Field: International Relations

Secondary Field: Comparative Politics

Dissertation: "The Definition of the Situation and Negotiations over Freshwater Conflicts in the Middle East" (completed: April 2011)

Committee: Miroslav Nincic (chair, University of California, Davis), Deborah Larson (University of California, Los Angeles), Larry Berman (University of California, Davis)

California State University, Sacramento

Master of Arts in International Affairs, September 2001

Thesis: "Mass Support for Political Islam in Turkey in the 1990s"

Advisor: Henry Chambers (History Department)

University of California, Los Angeles

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, December 1996

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

National University of Singapore, Middle East Institute, August 2011-Present

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

The Definition of the Situation and Negotiations over Freshwater Conflicts in the Middle East (book proposal currently under review by several potential publishers)

"Will Water Woes Lead to Water Wars?: The Future Implications of Rampant Water Scarcity for Interstate Relations in the Middle East" (Under Review)

WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"The Definition of the Situation and Negotiations over Freshwater Conflicts in the Middle East" (updated version), working paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2010

"Will Water Woes Lead to Water Wars?: The Future Implications of Rampant Water Scarcity for Interstate Relations in the Middle East", working paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2010

"The Definition of the Situation and Negotiations over Freshwater Conflicts in the Middle East" (updated version), working paper presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, April 2010

"The Definition of the Situation and Negotiations over Freshwater Conflicts in the Middle East," working paper presented at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, March 2008

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

University of California, Davis

Obtained Political Science Department Conference Travel Award in April 2010

First year Political Science Departmental fellowship/scholarship (2003-04)

Ankara University - Tomer Turkish and Foreign Language Research and Application Center - Izmir, Turkey

Obtained certificate upon successful completion of four-week course consisting of 80 hours of intensive beginning Turkish language instruction (September 2007)

University of California, Los Angeles

Awarded place in the CAPPS quarter in Washington, D.C. study and internship program during Fall 1996 (Internship: American-Israel Public Affairs Committee)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, University of California, Davis

Compiled events database for Professor Zeev Maoz's project on the conflict dynamics of the second Palestinian *intifada* (Summer 2005)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

California State Assembly, Sacramento, CA

Intern, State Capitol Building, Office of Assemblywoman Dion Aroner (Summer 1997)

District Office of Representative Robert Matsui, Sacramento, CA

Intern (Summer 1995)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer at the University of California, Davis:

"POL 3: Introduction to International Relations." Summer Session I, 2011.

Teaching Assistant at the University of California, Davis

- “POL 187: Administrative Theory.” Instructor: Stuart Hill (Spring 2010)
“POL 147B: British Politics.” Instructor: James Adams (Spring 2009)
“POL 120: Theories of International Politics.” Instructor: Miroslav Nincic (Winter 2009)
“POL 2: Introduction to Comparative Politics.” Instructor: Gabriella Montinola (Spring 2008)
“POL 3: Introduction to International Relations.” Instructor: Zeev Maoz (Winter 2007, Winter 2008 and Winter 2010)
“POL 3: Introduction to International Relations.” Instructor: Miroslav Nincic (Spring 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2008 and Fall 2009)
“POL 178: Political Development in Modernizing Societies.” Instructor: Gloria Walker (Summer 2007)
“POL 3: Introduction to International Relations.” Instructor: Randolph Siverson (Spring 2007)
“POL 129: The Arab-Israeli Conflict.” Instructor: Zeev Maoz (Fall 2006)
“POL 107: Environmental Politics.” Instructor: Alan Gordon (Summer 2006)
“IRE 104: International Migration.” Instructor: Kerstin Lueck (Winter 2006)
“POL 118A: Political Theory.” Instructor: Daniel Pellerin (Fall 2005)
“IRE 104: International Migration.” Instructor: Christina Siracusa (Spring 2005)
“POL 130: Recent U.S. Foreign Policy.” Instructor: Miroslav Nincic (Winter 2005)
“POL 1: Introduction to American National Government.” Instructor: Stuart Hill (Fall 2004)

REFERENCES

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