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EDUCATION

Ph.D. - Political Science, The University of Texas at Dallas, August 2017

Subfields: Comparative Politics and International Relations, Law and Courts

Dissertation: The Judicialization of Repression: Abuse of Physical Integrity and the Administration of Justice through Exceptional Courts

M.A. Political Science, The University of Texas at Dallas, December 2013

B.A. Communication, University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, December 2008

Subfield: Broadcast Management

Aljazeera News Network, Doha, Qatar (2007)

Certificate of News Broadcasting, July 2007

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of North Texas- Dallas

- Adjunct Professor: Federal Government, Fall 2018

Brookhaven Community College, Farmers Branch, Texas

- Adjunct Professor: Federal and Texas Government, Fall 2015- Present

Texas Tech University- Collin Center of Higher Education

- Instructor: International Politics- hybrid course, Spring 2017

University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, Texas

- Instructor: Middle East Conflict, Fall 2013, Summer 2015
- Curriculum Developer: Middle East Conflict, Fall 2013, Summer 2015
- Teaching Assistant: International Human Rights and the Rule of Law (Fall 2012); American Government (Spring 2012, Spring 2013, Spring 14, Fall 2014, Spring 2015-Online course)

Aljazeera News Network, Amman

- Journalist Intern, Amman, Jordan 6/2007-9/2007

LINGUISTIC SKILLS

- Arabic (Reading, Writing, and Speaking)
- English (Reading, Writing and Speaking)

WORKSHOPS

- Workshop in Ecampus Online Training, Fall 2017
- Workshop in Teaching Effectiveness, Spring 2013
- Workshop in Constitutional Law, Fall 2011
- Workshop in Breaking News Broadcasting, Summer 2007

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “The Judicialization of Repression: The Constitutional Context of Exceptional Courts and State Repression (1990-2005)”, presented to the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, California - August 2017
- “State Repressive Behavior and the Role of Constitutional Provisions of Fair Trial”, presented to the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois – April 2016
- “Women’s Rights, Islam, and State Repression: Cultural or Political Links?”, presented to the Southwestern Social Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana - March 2012.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research focuses on states’ behavior in terms of their respect for fundamental human rights. My dissertation project investigates extraordinary courts and the role they play in providing a legal cover for states’ repressive behavior. Further research interests include International Law of Human Rights, Comparative Courts, Comparative Constitutional Law, Transitional Justice, Women’s Rights, Religion and Politics, and the Middle East Politics.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- “Physical Integrity Abuse and the Role of Constitutional Provisions of Fair Trial”
- “The Constitutional Context of Exceptional Courts: How Constitutional Constraints on the Use of Exceptional Courts Affect Repression”
- “The Judicialization of Repression: The Role of Exceptional Courts in State Repression”
- "Women’s Rights, Islam, and State Repression: Cultural or Political Links?"

TALKS & PANEL DISCUSSIONS

- The Rise and Expansion of Islam (7th-9th century)- Lebanon Trail High School, Frisco ISD, October 2017
- The Section of Human Rights- Southwestern Social Science Conference, New Orleans, March 2012
- Israel-Lebanon 2006 War- Richland Community College, Texas, Fall 2006

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Political Science Association
- International Studies Association

- Midwest Political Science Association