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RESEARCH AREAS

International Relations theory; Critical and non-western perspectives in International Relations; Public opinion; Politics of numbers; Knowledge production and epistemology; Science and technology studies; Data science and data visualisation

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2020 - *present* **King's College London, Department of War Studies**
Lecturer in International Relations
Co-Convener, International Conflict Studies MA Programme
- 2019 - 2020 **London School of Economics and Political Science**
LSE Postdoctoral Fellow, *LSE100: The LSE Course*
EDI (Equity, Diversity and Inclusion) Fellow, *LSE100: The LSE Course*

EDUCATION

- 2019 **London School of Economics and Political Science**
Ph.D. International Relations
Dissertation: *Polling and the Pursuit of Arab Public Opinion* (PhD awarded without corrections). Available at etheses.lse.ac.uk/3952/.
Supervisor: Federica Bicchi (LSE/European University Institute)
Examiners: Tarak Barkawi (LSE) and Charis Boutieri (King's College London)
- 2012 **University of Windsor**
M.A. Political Science, with Distinction
Dissertation: *Dis-Integration: Understanding the Contribution of the Arab Spring to the Crisis of EU Integration*
- 2007 **York University, Schulich School of Business**
Honours i.B.B.A. International Business
Visiting student, Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2018 ['Gender and Bias in the International Relations Curriculum: Insights from Reading Lists'](#). With Gustav Meibauer and Gokhan Ciflikli. *European Journal of International Relations* 25(2): 383 - 407. DOI: 10.1177/1354066118791690.

Blogs, Book Chapters and Other Publications

- 2021 [‘How Opinion Polls Served the Colonial Project, and Why It Matters’](#). *International Affairs Blog*.
- 2013 ‘Crossroads of Integration? The Future of Schengen in the Wake of the Arab Spring’. With John Sutcliffe. In Laursen, Finn (ed.), *The EU and the Eurozone Crisis: Policy Challenges and Strategic Choices*. Surrey: Ashgate Publishing. p.177 - 195.
- 2018 [‘Male Authors Outnumber their Female Counterparts on International Relations Course Reading Lists by More than Five to One’](#). With Gustav Meibauer and Gokhan Ciflikli. *LSE Impact Blog*.
- 2013 [‘Securitisation and the Arab Spring Migration Crisis in the EU’](#). *Concordia University Political Science Graduate Student Journal 2*. p. 1 - 30.

Works in Progress

- ‘Epistemic Intervention and the Construction of the Modern Middle East’. Single-authored article manuscript.
- ‘Arab Public Opinion in the Colonial Imaginary’. Single-authored article manuscript.
- ‘Alternative Metrics, Traditional Problems? Measuring the Reproduction of Gender Bias in Altmetric Research Indicators’. Co-authored project and article manuscript with Gustav Meibauer (LSE) and Gokhan Ciflikli (Attest).
- ‘The Ascendency of Opinion Polls in Social Scientific Research’. Research project in development.
- ‘Decolonising data: W.E.B. Du Bois and the emancipatory potential of quantitative data’. Research project in development.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

King’s College London, Department of War Studies

Theories, Concepts and Methods in International Relations (Graduate seminar)

The Global Governance of Conflict and Security: Theories and Methods (Graduate seminar)

Technology, Security and Global Politics (Graduate seminar)

LSE100

Module design and delivery: Artificial Intelligence and Systems Thinking; Climate Sustainability and Wicked Problems; Global Food Security (Undergraduate seminars)

University of London International Programmes for Distance Learning (2016 – 2020)

IR1011 Introduction to International Relations (Undergraduate module)

LSE CHOICE Summer School Director for Government and Politics (2018)

Populism in Contemporary Global Politics

LSE Department of International Relations

IR501 Methods in International Relations (PhD seminar)

IR203 International Organisations (Undergraduate seminar)

University of Windsor

Asian Government and Politics (Undergraduate seminar)
 Politics, History, and Western Religions (Undergraduate seminar)
 Politics, History, and Asian Religions (Undergraduate seminar)

TEACHING QUALIFICATIONS

2019 - **Postgraduate Certification in Higher Education (PGCertHE)**
 Fellowship of the UK Higher Education Academy (*in progress*)

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

Fellowships

2016 - 2019 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) Doctoral Fellowship (60 000 CAD)
 2017 LSE Department of International Relations Sir Patrick Gillam Scholarship (1 780 GBP)
 2015 LSE Department of International Relations Montague Burton Scholarship (1 500 GBP)
 2015 LSE Department of International Relations Research Studentship (2 038 GBP)
 2014 LSE Department of International Relations Fieldwork Scholarship (3 500 GBP)
 2011 University of Windsor Research Assistantship (5 000 CAD)

Grants

2021 KCL Department of War Studies Kickstart Fund (2 000 GBP)
 2016 - 2019 International Studies Association Conference Grant (800 USD)
 2016 - 2019 LSE Postgraduate Conference Funding (1 460 GBP)
 2018 LSE PhD Final Year Support Grant (4 000 GBP)
 2017 [LSE Learning Technology and Innovation SPARK! Grant](#) for data visualisation training using Tableau (2 500 GBP)
 2016 - 2017 LSE Department of International Relations Conference Grant (1 600 GBP)
 2016 LSE Department of International Relations Methods Training Grant (800 GBP)

Awards

2017 Canada Council for the Arts *Arts Abroad* Artistic Production Grant (28 000 CAD)
 2012 University of Windsor Walter L. White Memorial Scholarship (500 CAD)
 2010 University of Windsor Political Science Entrance Award (2 000 CAD)
 2008 York Region Ontario Celebration of the Arts Bursary (5 000 CAD)
 2004 Ipsos North America-East Corporate Innovation Award, Technical Advancement
 2003 York University Undergraduate Entrance Award (2 500 CAD)

SELECTED CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

Refereed Conference Presentations

- 2021 'Decolonising Inquiry: Knowledge Production and the Pursuit of 'Arab Public Opinion''. BRISMES Annual Conference. University of Kent. Canterbury. 5 - 9 July.
- 2020 'Epistemic Intervention and the Construction of the Modern Middle East'. ISA Annual Convention. Honolulu, March 25 - 28.
- 2020 'Alternative Metrics, Traditional Problems? Measuring the Reproduction of Bias in Altmetric Impact Indicators for Political Research'. ISA Annual Convention. Honolulu, March 25 - 28 (with Gustav Meibauer and Gokhan Ciflikli).
- 2019 'The Politics of Inquiry: Knowledge Production and the Pursuit of Arab Public Opinion'. Millennium Journal of International Studies Annual Conference. London, October 19 - 20.
- 2019 'Old Methods, New Contexts: The Localisation of Public Opinion Research in the Arab Region'. Junior Scholars Symposium, ISA Annual Convention. Toronto, March 27 - 30.
- 2018 'Norm Transmission through Epistemic Practices: Analysing Public Opinion Research on the Arab World'. BRISMES Annual Conference, King's College. London, June 25 - 28.
- 2018 'The Evolution of Public Opinion Inquiry on the Arab World: Origins and Implications'. BRISMES Annual Conference, King's College. London, June 25 - 28.
- 2018 'Tracing the Development of a Polling Industry in the Arab World: Origins and Implications'. BISA Annual Conference. Bath, June 13 - 15.
- 2017 'How to Research Gender & Diversity in the IR Curriculum: A Convergent Mixed-Methods Approach'. ISA Annual Convention. Baltimore, February 22 - 25 (with Gustav Meibauer and Gokhan Ciflikli).
- 2016 'Public Opinion and Foreign Policy in Authoritarian Contexts: Testing the Persistence of Peace'. Junior Scholars Symposium, ISA Annual Convention. Baltimore, March 16 - 19.
- 2016 'Public Opinion and Non-Democracies: A Case for a Constructivist Ontology'. Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference. Boston, November 17 - 20.
- 2016 'Uncovering Hidden Publics: The Rise of Public Opinion Research in the Arab World'. BRISMES Annual Conference, University of Wales. Carmarthen, July 13 - 15.
- 2016 'Arab Public Opinion: A Tool for Regime Revival?' ECPR Graduate Student Conference, University of Tartu. Tartu, July 10 - 13.
- 2013 'Examining the Renationalisation of EU Migration Policy in the Aftermath of the Arab Spring'. Political Science Graduate Student Conference, Concordia University. Montreal, April 19.

- 2012 'Crossroads of Integration? The Future of Schengen in the Wake of the Arab Spring'. European Union Centre of Excellence Conference, Dalhousie University. Halifax, April 13 (with John Sutcliffe).

Invited Talks and Presentations

- 2021 'Of Minds and Methods: The Global Governance of Public Opinion in the Middle East, Past and Present'. KCL School of Security Studies New Voices Series. London. January 20.
- 2018 'The Master's Dissertation: Data Visualisation for your Research'. LSE Life Workshop. London, May 29.
- 2016 'Public Opinion in the Arab World: New Insights on Foreign Intervention'. Canadian Journal of Foreign Policy Workshop, Carleton University. Ottawa, October 5 - 6.
- 2011 'Pan-Africanism and the African Union'. Guest Lecturer, University of Windsor. Windsor, February 12.
- 2011 'The History and Politics of Sikhism'. Guest Lecturer, University of Windsor. Windsor, January 23.
- 2009 'The Future of Social Media'. Royal Bank of Canada Applied Innovation Symposium. Toronto, April 12.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Government Consultation

UK Cabinet Office; Strategic Communications. London, October 2018.

Panels, Workshops, and Events Organised

ISA Annual Convention 2020, 'Science, Modernity, and the Shaping of the Early International Order'. Participants: Gennaro Ascione (Naples), Bentley Allan (John Hopkins), Sarah Bertrand (LSE), Jordan Branch (Brown), Kerry Goettlich (Reading), Joanne Yao (QMUL).

[Doing IPS](#) PhD Seminar Series, 'Reconceptualising Public Opinion through Practices of Inquiry on the Arab Region' (July 3, 2018). Discussant: Javier Sajuria (QMUL).

BRISMES Annual Conference 2018, 'Norm Adoption and the Role of Institutions in the MENA: Uniting Constructivist Perspectives'. Participants: Catherine Baylin Duryea (St. John's), Andrew Delatolla (AUC), Barry Maydom (Birkbeck), Annelle Sheline (Rice).

BISA Annual Conference 2018, 'Diversifying IR: Problems and Progress within the Taught and Published Discipline'. Participants: Katherine Millar (LSE), Ismene Gizelis (Essex), Nivi Manchanda (QMUL), Kerem Nisancioglu (SOAS), Laura J. Shepherd (Sydney).

LSE Computational Social Science Society [Hackathon](#) (April 17 - 19, 2018).

Conference Steward, Millennium Annual Conference 2016: 'Racialised Realities in World Politics' (October 2016, LSE).

Research Assistantships

[MENARA](#), 'Women and Gender in the Middle East and North Africa: Mapping the Field and Addressing Policy Dilemmas at the Post-2011 Juncture' (Author: Katerina Dalacoura). August 2018 - January 2019.

[EU-LISTCO](#), European University Institute (Lead: Federica Bicchi). Methods Advisor for Data Visualisation. November 2018.

[Gender and Diversity Syllabus Project](#), Department of International Relations LSE.

The Responsibility to Protect in Darfur: The Role of the Media (Abdel Salam Sidahmed, Walter Soderlund, and E. Donald Briggs. Lanham: Lexington Books, 2012).

Professional Experience

LSE Consultation and Training in Data Visualisation. London (2018 - *present*)

LSE Residential Services, Northumberland House Subwarden. London (2015 - 2016)

Critical Mass Digital Agency, Marketing Science Analyst. Toronto/London (2012 - 2016)

Ipsos North America, Research Associate. Toronto (2008 - 2009)

M-DO Kathak Toronto, Chhandam Dance Company Principal Dancer. Toronto (2000 - 2018)

Outreach

KCL Department of War Studies, Chair of the Staff-Student Liaison Committee (2020 - *present*)

KCL Department of War Studies, EDI Committee member (2020 - *present*)

Data visualisation/Tableau educator and consultant. LSE. London (2017 - *present*)

LSE academic and career mentor for students and teaching staff LSE (2015 – 2021)

Co-founder and Treasurer, LSE Computational Social Science Student Society (2018)

Canada Council for the Arts classical performing artist and educator (2018)

Public workshops, performances, festivals, and educational programs in the classical art of Kathak dance. Various international locations (2000 - *present*)

SKILLS, LANGUAGES, AND AFFILIATIONS

Technical Proficiencies

Adobe Analytics (Adobe Omniture)
Google Analytics
MS Office suite
Surveys and opinion polling (various tools)
Social media analytics (various tools)
SPSS Statistics
Tableau data visualisation software (accredited)

Languages

English (native), French (fluent), Punjabi (fluent), Arabic (basic oral and written proficiency)

Affiliations

International Studies Association (ISA); ISA Women's Caucus (WCIS); ISA Feminist Theory and Gender Studies Section (FTGS); British International Studies Association (BISA); British Society for Middle Eastern Studies (BRISMES); European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR); Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA)

Field Research

Jordan (04/2016, 11/2017); Qatar (05/2016); United States (02-03/2017); Lebanon (12/2017); Israel (12/2017); Palestine (12/2017)