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M.A. Political Science, 2009

University of London, School of Oriental and African Studies
M.S. Middle Eastern Politics, with distinction, 2006

New York University, College of Arts and Science
B.A. Politics, with Honors, cum laude, 2003
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Introduction to Bayesian Statistics,” Summer 2010.

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)
Program in quantitative methods at University of Michigan, Summer 2009.

GRANTS AND
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Annual Meeting, San Diego, 18-21 November 2010.

“Bloggers and Internet Police: Repression and Institutional Change in
Twenty-First Century Egypt,” Midwest Political Science Association 68
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“Transparency and Economic Growth: Internet Censorship and Foreign
Direct Investment in Tunisia and Egypt,” Midwest Political Science Association
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“The Internet: a unifying or divisive force in society? Development of an
online public sphere in the ‘post-Saddam’ era,” First Doctoral Symposium for
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Teaching Assistant, “Politics of the Welfare State” with Dr. Gary Freeman,
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PROFESSIONAL
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American Political Science Association, January 2008 to present.
Midwest Political Science Association, January 2009 to present.
Middle East Studies Association, January 2006 to present.
Middle East Institute, Washington, DC, January 2004 to present.

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Analyst, Belden Russonello Strategists, Washington, DC, September 2003 to
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Research Assistant, FOX News Channel, Public Opinion Research
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Intern, Office of Senator Charles E. Schumer, Washington, DC, Summer
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