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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science. University of California, Berkeley, December 1997
M.A. Political Science. University of California, Berkeley, May 1993
B.A. Political Science (*summa cum laude*). University of California, Berkeley, May 1990
UC Education Abroad Program. Hebrew University, Jerusalem, 1988 – 1989

CURRENT POSITION

RAND Corporation, Center for Middle East Public Policy, Santa Monica, CA
Director, September 2012 – present
Full and Senior Political Scientist, 2005 – present
Lead Middle East work in the United States and globally as part of RAND's senior management.
Conduct and coordinate research and analysis on Middle East security, politics, economics and U.S. foreign policy. Run high-level philanthropic advisory board and spearhead development efforts.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

UCLA International Institute and Burkle Center for International Relations
Visiting Professor and Fellow, 2011-2012
Taught courses on Iran and regional security challenges and participated in the Institute's seminars and events.

RAND Pardee Graduate School of Public Policy
Faculty Member, 2006-2011
Taught course on international security politics and served as a dissertation advisor.

The Netherlands Institute of International Studies
Visiting Research Scholar, Spring 2005
Conducted research for monograph on track two diplomacy.

University of Amsterdam
Visiting Professor, Department of Political Science, Fall 2004
Taught courses on international security and Middle East politics.

The George Washington University
Assistant Professor of Political Science and International Affairs, 1998 –2004
Taught courses on international security, international relations, and Middle East politics for masters and undergraduate students. Served on Security Studies Committee, adviser for Conflict Resolution Studies, and political science dissertation committees.

The Brookings Institution

Brookings Research Fellow, 1996 – 1997

Awarded resident fellowship in Washington, DC to conduct dissertation research.

Department of Political Science, UC Berkeley

Graduate student instructor, research assistant, doctoral student, Berkeley, CA, 1993 – 1997

Served as a teaching assistant for courses on international relations theory and comparative politics. Research assistant for Professors Nelson Polsby, Steven Weber, and Ernie Haas.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Strategic Policy Planning Office, The Hague
Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellow, 2003

Advised Dutch officials on U.S. policy in the Middle East, particularly related to the war in Iraq and transatlantic relations. Organized major international conference on transatlantic relations and the Middle East.

U.S. Department of State, Policy Planning Office

Intern, Summer 1994

Advised policy planning staff on strategic Middle East policy issues.

Office of Congressman Mel Levine, Washington, D.C.

Legislative Assistant, 1990 – 1992

Assisted Congressman Levine in his role as member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

AWARDS

Luce Foundation grant, 2016-2018

RAND Independent Research and Development grants, 2007 and 2015

International Affairs Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations, 2003

Junior Scholar Award, Smith Richardson Foundation, 2000 – 2001

University Facilitating Fund Award, The George Washington University, 2000-2001

Global Issues Course Grant, The George Washington University, Summer 2001

Junior Scholar Award, The George Washington University, Summer 2000

IGCC/MacArthur Regional Relations Scholar, 1997 – 1998

Mellon Research Travel Grant, Center for Middle East Studies, UC Berkeley, 1996

Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation, Dissertation Fellow, 1995 – 1996

Odegard Prize for Outstanding Achievement as a Distinguished Candidate for the Doctorate,
Department of Political Science, UC Berkeley, 1995-1996

Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowships (Arabic), 1993 – 1994

The Henry Robert Braden Scholarship for Graduate Study, UC Berkeley, 1992 – 1993

The John W. Gardner Fellowship for Public Service (Berkeley/Stanford), 1990 – 1991

Outstanding Political Science Undergraduate, UC Berkeley, 1990

Phi Beta Kappa, inducted 1990

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Member, Council on Foreign Relations
Member, IREX Global Advisory Council
Executive Committee Member, Academic Exchange International Academic Board
Member, Regional Future Council on the Middle East, World Economic Forum, 2018-2019
Co-chair, International Security Division, 2009 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

LANGUAGES

Arabic (basic); Hebrew (proficient)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Talking to the Enemy: Track Two Regional Security Dialogues in the Middle East and South Asia (RAND 2007)

Beyond the Handshake: Multilateral Cooperation in the Arab-Israeli Peace Process: 1991 – 1996 (Columbia University Press 2001)

Journal Articles, Book Chapters and Policy Papers

Saving Transatlantic Cooperation and the Iran Nuclear Deal, (co-author with experts from Chatham House, IFRI, RAND and SWP), SWP Comment 9 (February 2018)

Can it Happen Here? Prospects for Regional Security Cooperation in the Middle East, in Thanassis Cambanis and Michael Wahid Hanna, eds., *Order from Ashes: New Foundations for Security in the Middle East* (The Century Foundation, January 2018)

Israel's Iran Policies after the Nuclear Deal (RAND 2016)

The Limits of Iranian Power (with Michael Wahid Hanna), *Survival* (September 2015)

The Middle East WMDFZ Conference: A Reset for Regional Arms Control?, *Nonproliferation Review*, Volume 19, Number 3 (November 2012)

Disarmament efforts in the region: lessons from the arms control and regional security talks (with Emily B. Landau), in *Arms Control and Missile Proliferation in the Middle East* (Routledge, 2012)

Containing Iran: What Does it Mean? (with Eric Lorber), *Middle East Policy*, Vol. XIX, No. 1 (Spring 2012)

Arab Spring, Persian Winter: Will Iran Emerge the Winner from the Arab Revolt? (with Frederic Wehrey), *Foreign Affairs* (July/August 2011)

Containing Iran? Avoiding a Two-Dimensional Strategy in a Four-Dimensional Region (with Frederic Wehrey), *The Washington Quarterly* (July 2009)

A Nuclear Iran: The Reactions of Neighbours (with Frederic Wehrey), *Survival* (Summer 2007)

The Middle East and Transatlantic Relations: Where are We Heading? in *German and American Perspectives on Israel, Palestine, and the Middle East Conflict*, American Institute for Contemporary German Studies (The Johns Hopkins University, 2006)

Time for Arms Talks? Iran, Israel, and Middle East Arms Control, *Arms Control Today* (November 2004)

Mind the Gap: The United States, Europe and the Middle East, Monograph of the Clingendael Institute of International Relations, The Netherlands (July 2004)

Bound to Cooperate? Transatlantic Policy in the Middle East, *The Washington Quarterly* (Winter 2003/2004)

Political Leadership, Framing and Security Policy: The Israeli Decision to Withdraw from Southern Lebanon, *Political Science Quarterly* (Winter 2002/2003)

Track Two Diplomacy and Regional Security in the Middle East, *International Negotiation*, 6 (2001)

Securing Status: Explaining Regional Security Cooperation and its Limits in the Middle East (with Bruce W. Jentleson), *Security Studies* (Fall 1998)

Banking on Peace: Lessons from the Middle East Development Bank, Policy Paper #43, Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (October 1998)

Madrid's Forgotten Forum, *The Washington Quarterly*, Vol. 20 (Winter 1997)

RAND Publications (Co-Authored)

Countering Sectarianism in the Middle East (2018)

The Outlook for Arab Gulf Cooperation (2016)

The Days After a Deal with Iran: Regional Responses to a Final Nuclear Agreement (2014)

Artists and the Arab Uprisings (2013)

Israel and Iran: A Dangerous Rivalry (2012)

Coping with a Nuclearizing Iran (2011)

Iran's Nuclear Future: Critical U.S. Policy Choices (2011)

The Iraq Effect: The Middle East After the Iraq War (2010)

The Impact of the U.S. Military Drawdown in Iraq on Displaced and Other Vulnerable Populations: Analysis and Recommendations (2010)

Dangerous But Not Omnipotent: Exploring the Reach and Limitations of Iranian Power in the Middle East (2009)

Barriers to the Broad Dissemination of Creative Works in the Arab World (2009)

Withdrawing from Iraq: Alternative Schedules, Associated Risks, and Mitigating Strategies (2009)

Understanding Commanders' Information Needs for Influence Operations (2009)

More Freedom, Less Terror? Liberalization and Political Violence in the Arab World (2008)

Op-Eds

- “Sanctions mean all pain for Iranian people, no gain for US,” *The Hill*, August 7, 2018
- “Hard to see how Iran decision serves US interests or regional stability,” *The Hill*, May 10, 2018
- “Can Europe save the Iran nuclear deal?” (with James Dobbins) *Reuters*, March 12, 2018
- “Decertifying the Iran Nuclear Deal Would Not Increase U.S. Leverage,” *Jewish Journal*, October 5, 2017
- “State Competition, Not Sectarianism, Key Driver of Middle East Politics,” *Axios*, August 3, 2017
- “Time for Quiet Diplomacy, Not Taking Sides,” *The National Interest*, June 7, 2017
- “What to Expect in the Middle East,” *RAND Review*, April 24, 2017
- “The Limits of Going It Alone in Syria,” *U.S. News & World Report*, April 18, 2017
- “Hidden Dangers of Moving the U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem,” *Newsweek*, December 28, 2016
- “The Iran Deal is Working: What Now?” *The National Interest*, March 9, 2016
- “A better deal for Iran,” *The Hill*, August 24, 2015
- “Peace in the Middle East: America’s New Post-Iran Deal Challenge,” (with Jeffrey Martini), *The National Interest*, July 20, 2015
- “The Middle East after Vienna,” *Foreign Affairs*, July 7, 2015
- “Don’t Call it a Shakeup: Why the Nuclear Deal Won’t Change U.S. Regional Politics,” *Foreign Affairs*, April 9, 2015
- “Tunisia could be a model for what works in the Mideast,” *Los Angeles Times*, March 23, 2015
- “New Israeli Government, New Position on Iran?” *Newsweek*, March 17, 2015
- “Syrian Refugees,” *The National Interest*, February 2, 2015
- Back to the Basics: A nuclear deal with Iran is still possible, and here’s why,” *U.S. News and World Report*, December 18, 2014
- “Not to Worry, Israel,” *U.S. News and World Report*, October 23, 2014
- “The U.S. Can’t Count on Regional Support in the Fight Against ISIS,” *The New York Times*, September 15, 2014
- “Gaza and the Nuclear Negotiations,” *Foreign Affairs*, July 27, 2014
- “The Fallacy of Iranian Leverage,” *Foreign Affairs*, June 26, 2014
- “A different Israeli take on Iran,” *Los Angeles Times*, November 12, 2013
- “US Should Keep Focus on Syria, Not Iran,” *Al-Monitor*, September 10, 2013
- “Learning the wrong lessons from Israel’s intervention in Syria,” *Reuters*, May 14, 2013
- “How to Tackle Iran,” *CNN*, September 6, 2012
- “The Right Way to Help Syria’s Rebels,” *The Los Angeles Times*, August 8, 2012
- “Israel’s risky option on Iran,” *The Los Angeles Times*, February 21, 2012
- “Do Israelis really want to bomb Iran?” *Foreign Policy*, January 12, 2012
- “Why bombing Iran is still a bad idea,” *Foreign Policy*, October 21, 2011

“Iran might not be the big winner of Mideast uprisings,” *The Washington Post*, March 4, 2011

“A WikiLeaks disconnect,” *The Los Angeles Times*, December 6, 2010

“Fifth Columns in the Gulf?” (with Frederic Wehrey), *Foreign Policy*, May 2010

“Fighting Terror the Cold War Way: Books, Art, and Culture Can Help Win the Battle of Ideas in the Middle East” (with Todd Helmus), *Foreign Policy*, October 14, 2009

“Defeating Hamas Will Not Defeat Iran,” *Foreign Policy*, January 14, 2009

“The Sectarian Aftershocks of Lebanon,” (with Frederic Wehrey), *UPI*, July 2006

“Do We Have an Iran Strategy?” *UPI*, January 2006

“Is Israel really the biggest threat to peace?” *International Herald Tribune*, November 8-9, 2003

SELECTED LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS

Regional Security Architectures in the Middle East. Lecture for the Higher School of Economics, Moscow, April 2018

Order from Ashes: New Foundations for Security in the Middle East. Panel participant in book launch at the Carnegie Endowment’s Middle East Center, Beirut, March 2018

From Calm to Crisis? US Iran Policy in the Trump Era. Lecture for the World Affairs Council, Sonoma, February 2018

Strategy or Tweets? An Assessment of the Trump Administration’s Middle East Policy. Lecture at JIME-IEEJ International Symposium, Tokyo, Japan, November 2017

U.S. Iran Policy. Presentation to the RAND Conflict and Global Risk and Security advisory board, October 2017

Middle East Challenges for the Trump Administration. Speaker for dinner club, Pittsburgh, September 2017

Can the Iran Nuclear Agreement Survive? Speaker at workshop, Washington, D.C. June 2017

U.S.-Russia Dialogue on the Middle East. Invited participant, Middle East Institute and National Defense University Center for Strategic Studies, Berlin, February 2017

The Aftermath of the Iran Nuclear Agreement. Lecture to Parish of St. Matthew, Los Angeles, November 2016

Domestic Nuclear Politics: Iran and the Middle East. Invited participant in workshop at the Aspen Institute Wye River Conference Center, September 2016

The Limits of Iranian Power. Lecture at the Defense Intelligence Agency, Washington, DC, August 2016

What’s next with Iran? Speaker at Council on Foreign Relations National Conference, New York, June 2016

Challenges following the Iran Nuclear Deal. Speaker at a roundtable with Australian Foreign Minister Julie Bishop, Santa Monica, January 2016

Geopolitics, Nuclear Issues and the Middle East. Invited participant, IISS track two workshop, Istanbul, January 2016

- Abu Dhabi Strategic Debate*. Panel moderator, United Arab Emirates, November 2015
- Interconnected Crises: ISIS, Iran and Israel*. Guest speaker, Hiram College, Ohio, October 2015
- Post-Deal Challenges*. Panel speaker at the Nuclear Security Working Group, Wye Plantation, Maryland, September 2015
- Evaluating the Iran Nuclear Deal*. Guest speaker for the World Affairs Council, Los Angeles, August 2015
- Iran: What Now?* Panelist for a Jewish Journal public event, Los Angeles, August 2015
- Understanding the Iran Nuclear Deal*. Guest speaker at joint event for several synagogues, Los Angeles, August 2015
- The Iran nuclear challenge*. Guest dinner speaker, RAND Justice, Infrastructure and Environment advisory board, Santa Monica, April 16, 2015
- Understanding the Middle East*. Guest speaker at Imagine Solutions conference, Naples, Florida Feb. 23, 2015
- Managing the turmoil in the Middle East*. Guest speaker, Jonathan Club, Los Angeles, September 2014
- US Strategy in the Middle East*. Guest speaker for the Fisher Institute annual conference, Herzilya Israel, May 2014
- Navigating Turmoil in the Middle East*. Panelist for joint RAND-Woodrow Wilson Center event, Santa Monica, March 2014
- The Middle East: What's Next*. Guest speaker for the Plato Society, Los Angeles, February 2014
- A Nuclear Deal with Iran?* Guest speaker to the World Affairs Council, Naples FLA, February 2014
- Three Years After the Arab Spring*. Guest lecture to the Young President's Organization, Harvard Business School, January 2014
- Iran discussion*. Panelist at the Harvard Club, New York City, November 2013
- Iran and Middle East Challenges*. Guest speaker at a high-level group of female Hollywood executives, Beverly Hills, November 2013
- Iran and Syria: Deal or Conflicts?* Guest speaker at Hillcrest country club, Los Angeles, October 2013
- Track two diplomacy in the Middle East*. Lecture at Princeton University, October 21, 2013
- Evaluating the Iranian Nuclear Threat*. Guest speaker for the American Jewish Committee, Los Angeles, October 3, 2013
- The Iranian Nuclear Challenge*. Speaker at UCLA Israel Center event, Los Angeles, April 2013
- The Arab Spring*. Panelist at the *Los Angeles Times* Festival of Books, Los Angeles, April 2013
- Nuclear Futures in the Middle East*. Panelist at the International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 2013
- Understanding the Iran Challenge*. Guest lecturer at the Garfield Institute for Public Leadership, Hiram College, March 2013

Beyond the Nuclear Issue: Iranian Domestic and Regional Challenges. Dinner speaker, RAND Pardee School Dean's dinner series, Los Angeles, September 2012

Syria: An Uncertain Future. Speaker, Council on Foreign Relations, Los Angeles, September 2012

Israel and Iran: On the Road to War? Guest speaker for UCLA Beyond the Headlines series, March 2012

Regional Responses to a Nuclear Iran. Speaker at Wilton Park, UK, December 2011

Countering extremist narratives through art: an untapped resource in the Middle East? Speaker at US Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy, Santa Monica, CA, November 2011

Arab Revolts and US Policy in a New Middle East. Numerous presentations in 2011, including at the Milken Institute Global Conference, the Pacific Council on International Policy, the Air Force Association, RAND Board of Trustees, the RAND Institute for Civil Justice Advisory Board, Young President Organization, The Impact Roundtable business group, the American Jewish Committee Executive Board, and The American Committee for Shaare Zedek Medical Center

Wikileaks and U.S. Diplomacy. Panelist at UCLA Burkle Center for International Relations, Los Angeles, January 2011

A Nuclear Iran: Implications for Israel and the Region. Speaker at RAND Politics Aside policy conference, Los Angeles, November 2010

Current Challenges in the Middle East. Guest speaker at World President's Organization, Angeleno chapter, Los Angeles, November 2010

Human Rights in Iran and U.S. Policy. Panelist at Thirty Years After 2nd Biennial Conference, Los Angeles, October 2010

The Iraqi Displacement Challenge and Broader Strategic Trends After the Iraq War. Speaker at the Center for Global Risk and Security board meeting, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, July 2010

Regional Cooperation and Reform in the Middle East. Guest speaker for the Near East Affairs Speaker Series, U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C., January 2010

The Iranian Nuclear Challenge: Regional Reactions. Lecture for the Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation Nuclear Threats Training Seminar, San Diego, August 2009

President Obama and the Middle East: Challenges for the New Administration. Guest speaker for RAND Issues in Focus, Santa Monica, February 2009

After Gaza: Winners, Losers, and the Prospects for Regional Security. Speaker for Council on Foreign Relations Roundtable, Los Angeles, February 2009

Multilateral Cooperation and Track II Diplomacy. Speaker for USIP and Fulbright conference on American mediation in the Arab-Israeli Conflict, Jerusalem, January 2009

Constructive Arab Voices in Literature and Film: An Untapped Resource. Briefing to the RAND Board of Trustees, Santa Monica, November 2008

Middle East Challenges for the Next Administration. Presentation at Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Berlin, September 2008

The Impact of the Iraq War on the Strategic Landscape of the Middle East. Speaker at One Rand Colloquium, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, September 2008

Dealing With Iran. Guest speaker at World Affairs Council, Pittsburgh, December 2007

Democracy and Terrorism in the Arab World. Lecture for the International Studies Public Forum, UC Irvine, Irvine, October 2007

Regional Aftershocks from Iraq: Addressing the Iranian and Arab-Israeli Challenges. Speaker at the UCLA Anderson School of Management Conference, Orange County, September 2007

America's Global Role After Bush. Panelist at the American Political Science Association's Annual Meeting, Chicago, August 2007

The Middle East Conflict and Transatlantic Relations. Panelist at the American Institute for Contemporary German Studies conference, Berlin, February 2006

Democracy and Democracy Promotion in the Middle East. Panelist at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., September 2005

US Foreign Policy and Middle East Diplomacy after the US Elections. Panelist in StadsSchouwburg Amsterdam, November 2004

Reshaping Regions: Norms, Arguing and the Limits of Persuasion in the Middle East. Panelist at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, September 2004

Options for the Greater Middle East. Presentation at the Institute for Security Studies, Paris, France, May 2004

Bound to Cooperate? Transatlantic Relations and Middle East Policy. Lecture at Leiden University, The Netherlands, April 2004

Extra-Regional Involvement, Intervention and Foreign Policy. Panelist at the International Studies Association Annual Convention, Montreal, March 2004

Hegemony in the Middle East: The Theoretical and Practical Limits of Predominant Understandings in IR. Panelist at the International Studies Association Annual Convention, Montreal, March 2004

Multilateral cooperation in the Arab-Israeli peace process. Speaker at the Middle East Institute, Washington, D.C., June 2001

Regionalism in the Middle East. Speaker at the Women in International Security (WIIS) Summer Symposium, Washington, D.C., June 2001

Security Dialogues Among Adversaries. Presentation to the Middle East Studies Program, The George Washington University, Washington, D.C., October 2000