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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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<b>University of Wisconsin, Madison</b> Assistant Professor of Political Science and Gender and Women's Studies	<i>2020-Present</i>
<b>Center for Middle East Studies (CMES), Harvard University</b> Visiting Fellow	<i>Spring 2023</i>
<b>University of Wisconsin, Madison</b> Anna Julia Cooper Fellow	<i>2019-2020</i>
<b>University of Gothenburg, Sweden</b> Affiliated Scholar, Governance and Local Development Institute (GLD)	<i>2018-Present</i>
<b>James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy, Rice University</b> Director of Women's Rights in the Middle East Program, and Fellow for the Middle East	<i>2014-2018</i>
<b>Center for Middle East Studies, Rice University</b> Post-doctoral Fellow	<i>2013-2015</i>

## EDUCATION

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<b>University of Houston</b> Ph.D. in Political Science
<b>Al-Azhar University, Cairo, Egypt</b> B.A. in English Literature and Simultaneous Interpretation (Highest Honors)

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

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### *Books and Edited Volume*

- Shalaby, Marwa. "Women's Political Representation and Authoritarian Politics in the Arab World." Book manuscript.
- Shalaby, Marwa. 2016. "Empowering Women After the Arab Spring." Co-edited with Valentine Moghadam. *Palgrave Macmillan*.

### *Peer Reviewed Articles*

- Shalaby, Marwa and Carolyn Barnett. Forthcoming. "All Politics is Local: Studying Women's Representation in Local Politics in Authoritarian Regimes." *Politics & Gender*.
- Shalaby, Marwa, Nermin Allam and Hind Zaki. Forthcoming. "Perilous Pedagogy: Teaching Gender and Politics of the Middle East and North Africa." *Politics & Gender*.
- Shalaby, Marwa, Nermin Allam and Gail Buttorff. 2021. "Leveling the Field: Gender Inequality in Academia During COVID." *PS: Political Science & Politics*. Vol 54 (4):661-667.
- Shalaby, Marwa and Laila Elimam. 2020. "Women in Legislative Committees in Arab Parliaments." *Comparative Politics*. Vol 51 (1):139-167.
- Shalaby, Marwa and Abdullah Ayodgan. 2020. "Elite-Citizen Linkages and Issue Congruency under Competitive Authoritarianism." *Parliamentary Affairs*. Vol 73 (1):66-68.

Shalaby, Marwa and Mazen Hassan. 2019. "Drivers of Tolerance: Experimental Evidence from Post-revolutionary Egypt." *Political Research Quarterly*. Vol 72 (2): 293-308.

Shalaby, Marwa. 2018. "Women's Representation in the Middle East and North Africa." *Oxford Bibliographies in Political Science*.

### ***Peer Reviewed Book Chapters***

Shalaby, Marwa, Nermin Allam and Gail Buttorff. Forthcoming. "When Inequalities Interconnect: Female Scholars' Productivity amid COVID-19 Pandemic in the MENA region." In *COVID is Female*, edited by Rita Stephan. *University of Texas Press*.

Shalaby, Marwa and Ariana Marnicio. 2020. "Women's Political Participation in Bahrain." In *Women Rising: Resistance, Revolution, and Reform in the Arab Spring and Beyond*, edited by Rita Stephan and Mounira Charrad. *New York University Press*.

Shalaby, Marwa and Laila Elimam. 2020. "Examining Female Membership and Leadership of Legislative Committees in Jordan." In *The Politics of Empowerment in the MENA Region*, edited by Drude Dahlerup and Hanane Darhour. *Palgrave Macmillan*.

Shalaby, Marwa. 2019. "Support for Gender Quotas and Perceived Corruption in Developing Democracies: Evidence from Lebanon." In *Corruption and Informal Practices in the Middle East and North Africa*, edited by Ina Kubbe and Ayisha Varriach. *Routledge Corruption and Anti-Corruption Studies*.

Shalaby, Marwa. 2016. "Deconstructing Women's Empowerment in the Middle East and North Africa." In *Empowering Women After the Arab Spring*, co-edited with Valentine Moghadam. *Palgrave Macmillan*.

Shalaby, Marwa. 2016. "Challenges Facing Women's Political Participation Post-Arab Spring: The Cases of Egypt and Tunisia." In *Empowering Women After the Arab Spring*, co-edited with Valentine Moghadam. *Palgrave Macmillan*.

### **REVIEW AND SHORT ARTICLES**

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"Gender Stereotypes and Women's Political Participation in MENA," *APSA-MENA Politics Newsletter*. Volume 3, Issue 2, Fall 2020.

"COVID-19 Pandemic Compounds Challenges Facing MENA Research," *APSA-MENA Politics Newsletter*. Volume 3, Issue 2, Fall 2020. (with Nermin Allam and Gail Buttorff).

"Introducing a New Dataset on Legislators' Activities in Arab Parliaments," *APSA-The Legislative Scholar*. Volume 4, Issue 1, 2020.

"Book Review: Women and the Egyptian Revolution: Engagement and Activism during the 2011 Arab Up-risings." *Middle East Journal*. Volume 72, Issue 3, 2018.

### **WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

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"Group Gender Composition and Perceptions of Legitimacy." (with Ellen Lust, Kristen Kao, and Chagai Weiss). *Revise & Resubmit*.

"Ask and You Shall Receive: Executive Compliance with Parliamentary Queries in Jordan's Authoritarian Regime." (with Scott Williamson). *Under Review*.

"Women's Political Representation in Local Politics in Morocco." (with Carolyn Barnett). *Under Review*.

"Who Supports Gender Quotas in Authoritarian and Transitioning Regimes in MENA." (with Yuree Noh).

“How Opposition Movements Use Legislative Powers in Authoritarian Regimes: Evidence from Islamist Groups in the Arab World” (with Scott Williamson).

“The Supply and Success of Female Candidates in Turkish Local Politics: Party Ideology, Institutional Mechanisms or Both?” (with Melissa Marschall).

“Dynamics of Political Tolerance in Transitioning Tunisia: Religious, Economic, or Government Endorsements?” (with Mazen Hassan).

“On the Intersection of Gender and Public Policy Research in the Arab World: The Case of Abaad.”

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation (WARF), UW-Madison Fall Research Competition, “Gender Stereotypes and Female Representation under Authoritarianism: Experimental Evidence.” PI, \$35,390. 2022-2023.

Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation (WARF), UW-Madison Fall Research Competition, “Female Political Representation Under Authoritarianism: The Case of the Middle East and North Africa.” PI, \$46,600. 2021-2022.

The Riksbankens Jubileumsfond (RJ) Foundation, “Gender and Politics in the Middle East and North Africa: A Decade after the Arab Uprisings,” Co-PI with Ellen Lust and Lena Wängnerud, 446,00 SEK, approx 50,400 USD. 2020-2022.

Carnegie Corporation of New York, “Local Governance under Decentralization in Oman and the Arab Region,” Co-PI with Ellen Lust and Kristen Kao, \$350,000. 2019-2021.

Endowment on the Status of Women’s Rights in the Middle East, Rice University. \$3,100,000. 2013-2018.

Carnegie Corporation of New York, “Toward Establishing Pluralistic Political Systems in MENA,” Lead PI, \$600,000. 2016-2018.

New York University Abu Dhabi Institute, “The International Conference on Women’s Political Participation and Representation in the Developing World,” PI, \$35,000. 2016.

Boniuk Institute Small Grant Award, “Tolerance in Post-Revolutionary Egypt: Experimental Evidence,” PI, \$5,000. 2015-2016.

Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy at the American University of Beirut (AUB) and Carnegie Corporation of New York, “A Study on the Intersection of Gender and Public Policy in the Middle East.” \$7,500. 2014-2015.

University of Houston, Provost’s Office, “Women in STEM in the Middle East.” \$25,000. December 2015.

## DATASETS

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- **Group Gender Composition and Legitimacy:** A three-country survey experiment conducted in Jordan (n=3200), Tunisia (n=1600), and Morocco (n=1600) to discern the effect of group gender composition on mass perceptions of decision legitimacy. Data collected in collaboration with Ellen Lust, Kristen Kao (University of Gothenburg), and Chagai Weiss (University of Wisconsin—Madison).
- **COVID-19 and Female Scholars’ Research Productivity:** An online survey conducted in June 2020 to measure the effect of the pandemic on scholars’ productivity in the U.S. and globally (n=250). Data collected in collaboration with Nermin Allam (Rutgers University) and Gail Buttorff (University of Houston).
- **The Governance and Elections in the Middle East Project (GEMEP):** A comprehensive dataset of legislative activities in three Arab parliaments: Morocco, Jordan and Kuwait.
  - More than 30,000 parliamentary questions and bills translated and systematically coded.
  - Legislators’ profiles, affiliations in addition to other individual and district-level data.

- **Drivers of Political Tolerance in Transitioning and Non-democracies:** Survey experiments conducted in Egypt in May 2016 (n=1600) and Tunisia in July 2017 (n=1800). Collected with Mazen Hassan (Cairo University).
- **Women Membership in Legislative Committees in Arab Parliaments:** An original dataset of committee appointments collected between October 2016 – February 2018 from five Arab legislatures: Algeria, Jordan, Kuwait, Morocco, and Tunisia (n=4580).
- **Corruption, Governance and Female Politicians:** Nationally representative surveys of adults collected from Lebanon in April 2015 (n=1200), Tunisia in July 2017 (n=1800) and Morocco in September 2017 (n=1200).
- **Expert Survey Data on Political Parties’ Competition:** Collected between April – August 2017 (n=230). Using a comprehensive list of 12-country MENA scholars and experts, this dataset offers insights on the ideological placement of political parties using context and country specific issue areas.

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS

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International Studies Association	2022
Arab Center, Washington DC	2022
University of Wisconsin–Madison, Comparative Politics Colloquium	2022
University of Gothenburg, Governance and Development Institute	2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022
University of Wisconsin–Madison, Middle East Program	2021
American Political Science Network	2020, 2021
Moroccan Institute for Policy Analysis	2020
Michigan State University, Department of Political Science	2019
Chr. Michelsen Institute, Bergen	2019
Cairo University, Gender Equity in Cities of the MENA Region	2019
Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Middle East Institute	2019
Tulane University, Department of Political Science	2019
Georgia Tech, Department of Political Science	2018
Smith College, Department of Political Science	2018
Brown University, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs	2018
POMEPS, George Washington University	2016, 2017, 2020, 2021
Kansas State University, Political Science Department	2016
Rice University, Feminist Research Workshop	2016
Lebanese American University, Political Science Department	2015

## CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

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*Co-organizer and Chair*, “Workshop on Gender and Politics in the Middle East and North Africa,” with Ellen Lust and Lena Wängnerud. The Program on Governance and Development (GLD), University of Gothenburg, Sweden, May 10-12, 2022.

*Co-organizer and Chair*, “Virtual Workshop on Gender and Politics in the Middle East and North Africa: A Decade after the Arab Uprisings,” with Ellen Lust and Lena Wängnerud. The Program on Governance and Development (GLD), University of Gothenburg, Sweden, May 6-7 & 20-21, 2021.

*Co-organizer and Chair*, “Webinar on Decentralization: Challenges and Opportunities,” organized by the University of Gothenburg and the Arab Political Science Network (APSN), May 26, 2021. (In Arabic)

*Co-organizer and Chair*, “Virtual Workshop on Teaching Gender Politics in the Middle East and North Africa,” with Nermin Allam and Hind Zaki. Funded by the Arab Political Science Network (APSN). December 14 & 15, 2020.

*Co-organizer*, “A Virtual Workshop on Women and Gender in the Middle East and North Africa,” with Gamnze Gavidar. APSA, October 2020.

*Co-organizer and Discussant*, “Dynamics of Decentralization in the MENA: Comparative Lessons for Oman,” GLD, March 2-3, 2020.

*Organizer*, “Re-writing the Social Contract in the MENA.” Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy, American University of Beirut, Lebanon, February 2018.

*Organizer*, “Establishing Pluralistic Political Systems in MENA,” Rice University, Houston, January 2017.

*Organizer and Discussant*, “The International Conference on Women’s Political Participation and Representation in the Developing World,” New York University: Abu Dhabi, March 2016.

*Organizer*, “Women in STEM in the Middle East and North Africa,” Rice University in collaboration with the University of Houston, December 2015.

*Co-organizer and Discussant*, “Conference on Politics of Identity Post-Arab Spring,” Rice University, March 2015.

*Organizer*, “International Conference on Women and Human Rights in the Middle East,” Rice University, April 2014.

*Organizer*, Conference on “The Arab Awakening and Gender: Challenges and Opportunities for Women,” Rice University, February 2013.

## SELECT CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

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American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, 2015-2022.

POMEPS Junior Book Development Workshop, November 2022.

“European Conference on Politics and Gender,” University of Ljubljana, July 6-8, 2022.

“Workshop on Gender and Politics in the MENA Region,” organized by the University of Gothenburg, May 6 & 7 2021. *Virtual*.

“The Empirical Study of Gender and Research Network (EGEN) Junior Faculty Workshop.” Boston University, October 23-24, 2020. *Virtual*.

“Workshop on Governance and Local Development in MENA,” *GLD and Hicham Alaoui Foundation, Sarajevo, August 7-9, 2019*.

“Roundtable on Conducting Research on Muslims in the Age of Dichotomies: Ethics, Politics, and Responsibilities.” Meeting of the *International Studies Association, Toronto, March 25-28, 2019*.

“Workshop on Women in Subnational Politics in Turkey.” *Tulane University, New Orleans, February 22-23, 2019*.

“Drivers of Tolerance in Transitioning Tunisia,” *Paper Presented at the Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, Washington, DC, November 18-21, 2017*.

“Women in Legislative Committees in Arab Parliaments.” *Paper presented at Ibn Zohr University, Ouarzazate, Morocco, October 17-19, 2017*.

“The Supply and Success of Female Candidates in Turkish Local Politics: Party Ideology, Institutional Mechanisms or Both?” *Paper presented at the Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, Boston, November 2016*.

“Roundtable on Personal Status Laws in the MENA Region: A Call for Reform.” *Rice University, April 2015*.

“A Study on the Intersection of Gender and Public Policy in the Arab World: The Case of Abaad.” *Paper presented at the Issam Fares Institute (IFI), American University of Beirut, Lebanon, December 2014*.

## POLICY ANALYSIS

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### *Policy Reports and Briefs*

“Success Beyond Gender Quotas: Gender, Local Politics, and Clientelism in Morocco,” (with Carolyn Barnett) working paper published by GLD, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, October 2021.

“Local Governance under Decentralization: Processes, Outcomes and Obstacles,” working paper published by GLD, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, May 2020.

“Municipal Service Delivery, Identity Politics and Islamist Parties in Turkey,” policy brief published by GLD and POMEPS: Project on Middle East in Political Science, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, June 2017.

“Women Driving Positive Change in the Middle East,” Middle East Program, Wilson Center, March 2017.

“Women’s Representation Across National and Local Office in Turkey,” policy brief published by POMEPS: Project on Middle East in Political Science, George Washington University, December 2016.

“Women’s Political Representation and Authoritarianism in the Arab World,” policy brief published by POMEPS: Project on Middle East in Political Science, George Washington University, April 2016.

“A Study on the Intersection of Gender and Public Policy in the Arab World: The Case of Abaad,” policy report published by Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy, American University of Beirut, March 2016.

“Women’s Political Representation in Kuwait: An Untold Story,” policy report published by the James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy, September 2015.

“Women’s Political Representation in the Arab World: The Case of Jordan,” policy report published by the James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy, June 2014.

“Women as the Conduits of Change Across the Arab World: The Cases of Egypt and Tunisia,” in “Trajectories of Change: Challenge and Transformation in the Wake of the Arab Spring,” collaborative policy report published by the James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy, April 2014.

“The Paradox of Female Economic Participation in the Middle East and North Africa,” issue brief published by the James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy, March 2014.

### *Public Writing*

“Gender, COVID and Faculty Service,” *Inside Higher Education*, December 2020.

“Power to the People? The Right to Information Law in Morocco,” *Sada. Washington, DC: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace*, October 2020.

“The Adverse Effects of the Pandemic on MENA Research,” al-Fanar Media, September 2020.

“Women’s Representation under Authoritarian Regimes: The Case of Kuwait,” *Georgetown Journal of International Affairs*, May 2017.

“Arab Women in the Legislative Process,” *Sada. Washington, DC: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace*, April 2017.

“Kuwaitis Voted Saturday. Opposition Gains Send a Strong Signal about the Economy,” *Washington Post/Monkey Cage*, December 2016.

“The Islamist are Back in Morocco: How Did They Do It?” *Washington Post/Monkey Cage*, October 2016.

“Egypt’s Electoral Labyrinth Undermines Women’s Political Representation,” *Houston Chronicle*, April 2015.

“Rethinking Female Empowerment in the MENA Post-Arab Spring,” *Houston Chronicle*, October 2014.

“Think Tanks and Public Policy in the Arab World,” *Houston Chronicle*, September 2013.

## TEACHING

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### University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2020–

Gender and Politics in the MENA - Spring 2022.  
Gender and Authoritarian Politics-Honors (Fall 2021).  
Introduction to Middle East Politics - Spring 2021.  
Women, Islam, and Society - Spring 2021.  
Gender and Politics in the MENA-Honors (Fall 2020).

### Lecturer, Rice University, 2013-2019

Introduction to Middle East Politics  
Gender and Politics in the Middle East  
Women and Politics (Independent Study)  
Women and Politics in Post-Revolutionary Iran (Independent Study)

### Adjunct Faculty, University of Houston, 2012

Introduction to Research Methods for Political Scientists

## ADVISING (UW-MADISON)

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**Ph.D. Committee:** Monica Komer, Valeriia Umanets, Allison Sambo.

**Senior Thesis Advisor:** Morgan Snyder (winner of Hilldale Fellowship), Julia De Georgo

## SERVICE

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### UW-Madison

GWS Faculty Senator	2021-
Hilldale Fellowship Committee	2022
IRIS Graduate Fieldwork Award Committee	2022
PhD Planning Committee (GWS)	2020, 2021, 2022
Diversity and Inclusion Committee (Political Science)	2020, 2021, 2022
Advisory Board Member, IRIS-NRC	2020, 2021, 2022
Committee member, Middle East Program	2020, 2021
Committee member, Human Rights Program’s Distinguished Lectures Subcommittee	2021-

### Rice University

Director, Travel Awards for Graduate and Undergraduate Students	2016-2018
Program Advisor, Public Diplomacy and Global Policymaking in MENA	2015
Program Advisor, Urban Lab Middle East	2016, 2019

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

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### American Political Science Association (APSA)

*Division Chair*, Middle East and North Africa Politics Section, 2022.

*Member-at-Large*, Middle East and North Africa Politics Section, 2020-2022.

Dissertation Award Committee Member, Middle East and North Africa Politics Section, 2020.

*Steering Committee Member*, Governance and Local Development Program, University of Gothenburg, 2019-

*Organizing Committee Member*, Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, 2016.

*Advisory Committee Member*, Conference on Women and Politics in an Age of Uncertainty, Ibn Zohr University, Morocco, 2017.

*Editorial Board Member*, *Politics and Gender* (2022-2025), *Politics & Religion* (2019-2022), and *Review of Economics and Political Science* (2020-present).

Member, American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, and Middle East Studies Association

**Referee:** *American Political Science Review; Comparative Politics; Electoral Studies; Gender and Society; Journal of Politics; Journal of Women, Policy and Politics; Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion; Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics; Journal of Middle East Women's Studies; Middle East Law and Governance; Party Politics; Perspectives on Politics; Politics and Gender; Political Research Quarterly; Politics and Religion; Social Politics; Studies in Comparative International Development; Women's Studies International Forum; World Politics; and Cambridge University Press*

#### **ADDITIONAL TRAINING**

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WESSI: Winter Experimental Social Science Institute, New York University Abu Dhabi	January 2015
EITM: Empirical Implications of Theoretical Modeling, University of Houston Hobby Center for Public Policy (NSF-Funded)	June 2012
ICPSR University of Michigan Summer Program on Quantitative Methods Bayesian Data Analysis, John Kreuschke Structural Equation Modeling of Latent Variables, Kenneth Bollen	June 2011
Texas A&M Summer Statistics Institute Content Analysis, Yvonna Lincoln Structural Equation Modeling, Kim Young	May 2011

#### **LANGUAGE AND TECHNICAL SKILLS**

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Arabic (Native), English (Fluent), and French (Research-level reading, intermediate writing and speaking).  
STATA & R