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Citizenship: Tunisian

Graduate student with experience in research, teaching, and academic event organization (e.g., workshops). Fluent in English, French, and Arabic, conversational German. Interested in conducting academic research and in higher education teaching.

Education

- Central European University - Hungary** [2018- now]
Ph.D, Comparative Politics track
- Corvinus University of Budapest - Hungary** [2017- 2018]
One-year graduate studies in political science
- University of Pécs - Hungary** [2015 - 2017]
Master's degree in International Relations - European studies specialization
MA thesis: Understanding European Leadership and Foreign Policies: Personalities, Ambitions, and Behaviors
Supervisor: Prof. Istvan Tarrosy
- Higher Institute of Languages in Tunis - Tunisia** [2012 - 2015]
Bachelor's degree in English Literature and Civilization – completed with honors

Further Educational Experiences

- 6th Leuven-Montreal Winter School on Elections, Montreal, Canada** [February-March 2020]
Led by Professor André Blais, Ruth Dassonneville, and Marc Hooghe
- Experimental Research - European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Budapest, Hungary** [August 2019]
Led by Professor John T. Jost
- Multi-level Regression Modelling – Central European University (CEU), Budapest, Hungary** [June 2019]
Led by Professor Levente Littvay
- International Society of Political Psychology Summer Academy ISPP – San Antonio, Texas, USA** [July 2018]
Led by Professor: Howard Lavine, Dave Redlawsk, Neil Ferguson, Peg Hermann, Nehemia Geva, Johanna Dunaway, Joanne Miller, and Catarina Kinnval.
- Center for European Research and Education – Pécs, Hungary** [April 2017]
Freedom Security and Justice – Crossing Borders
- The only student selected from the IR program to take part in this exchange between the University of Pécs and 5 partner universities
 - Took part in a group work and a final presentation on “Governance in the European Union in the Area of Freedom, Security, and Justice”
- Summer Camp at the University of Bolton – England** [August-September 2014]
Selected among the 5 best students at the Higher Institute of Languages from the English department
- Courses on macro and microeconomics and entrepreneurial skills
 - Workshops and English language examination
- GATE, Alumni der Studentstiftung – Tunisia / Germany** [2015]

Exchange program between Tunisian and German students (first part: Tunis; second part: Köln)

- Workshops on religion and the state, political participation, sustainable economies, and regional and transnational partnerships

Research Activities

University of Montreal – Canada

[February-now 2020]

Visiting researcher at the Center of Elections Studies, led by Professor: Andre Blais

University of Economics – Prague, Czechia

[November 2018]

Structural Equation Modelling Workshop, led by Professor: Levente Littvay

- Assisted participants during the workshop with R

Central European University (CEU) - Hungary

[2018-now]

Middle East and North Africa Space (MENAS) – Chair and founder of the research group

- Organized events and workshops for the MENAS research group
- Invited speakers within and outside CEU
- Moderated the MENAS seminars

Central European University (CEU) - Hungary

[2017-now]

Comparative Populism Research Project – led by CEU and international scholars

- Attended talks on populism
- Attended workshops on the coding process of the political speeches
- Talks / workshops with national and international guests on populist leaders in Central and Eastern Europe

Corvinus University of Budapest – Hungary

[2018]

Teaching assistant – Political Systems of the MENA regions (MA course)

- Conducted research under the supervision of Prof. Csicsmann Laszlo
- Provided materials for the course and did short presentations in support of the course

Corvinus University of Budapest – Hungary

[2017]

Teaching assistant – Contemporary Hungarian Politics (MA course)

- Conducted research under the supervision of Prof. Zoltan Balazs
- Provided materials for the course and did short presentations in support of the course

Honors & Awards

2020 Academic Achievement Award – Budapest, Hungary

[February 2020]

Central European University Academic Achievement Award for First-Year-Doctoral Students

International Travel Award – Pittsburgh, USA

[June 2018]

SPSSI – The Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues – Bridges to Justice

Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship - HUNGARY

[2017-2018]

A fully founded scholarship at Corvinus University of Budapest

NEGOMOOT Simulation Game - Budapest

[2016]

EU crisis simulation game

Participation with honorable mention

Stipendium Hungaricum Scholarship - HUNGARY

[2015 - 2017]

A fully founded scholarship to pursue my MA degree at the University of Pécs

Academic Achievement Award – Tunis, Tunisia [2013 - 2014]
A fully founded summer camp at the University of Bolton

Conference Presentations

The Determinants of Political Cleavages in the 2019 Tunisian Elections [March 2020]
6th Leuven- Montreal Winter School on Elections, University of Montreal, Montreal, Canada

Do Moral Values Predict Political Ideology? A Cross-Cultural Analysis using Multilevel Modelling [January 2020]
Political Behavior Colloquium – European University Institute – Florence, Italy

Do Moral Values Predict Political Ideology in the Arab World? [July 2019]
Political Psychology: Ideology and Partisanship summer school – Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

The Moral Foundations of Liberals and Conservatives in Post-Revolution Tunisia [July 2019]
ISPP Annual Conference of the International Society of Political Psychology 2019 – Lisbon, Portugal

Changing Domestic Orders: The case of Tunisia [March 2019]
Middle East and North Africa Regional Architecture - Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade - Budapest

Understanding European Foreign Policy and Political Behavior: Angela Merkel and Viktor Orban [July 2018]
ISPP Annual Conference of the International Society of Political Psychology – San Antonio, Texas

Understand East Central European Politics Conference - Corvinus University of Budapest [May 2018]

The Science of Engagement – a Neuroscientific study [March 2017]
Erasmus Student Network section meeting – Budapest University of Technology and Economics (BME)

Relevant Non-Academic Experiences

St' Egidio Community of Pécs – Hungary [2015 - 2017]
Interpreter at Rösztke and Tompa refugee camps – Hungarian/Serbian borders

- Translated refugees' Arabic into English for journalist Janos Nagy
- Coordinated refugee camps visits with the UNHCR and the community members of St' Egidio

Professional Experience

Introduction to Statistics – Teaching Assistant [September-December 2019]
MA course Introduction to Statistics and Applied Statistics – Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

The Inclusive Internet Index – Consultant [September 2019]
The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) – Online

Introduction to Inferential Statistics – Teaching Assistant [August 2019]
European Consortium for Political (ECPR) – Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

Political Psychology Summer Course (2019) – Course Coordinator [July 2019]
SUN Summer School – Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

Erasmus Student Network, Communication Committee (ESN) [2016 - 2017]
Blog editor and press team coordinator (one-year mandate)

- Managed a group of 12 writers
- Edited articles for the [ESNblog](#)
- Coordinated with other team coordinators, the ESN chair, and the ESN international board
- Attended communication summits twice per year in Brussels
- Held communication workshops on the ‘science of engagement’ for undergraduate students

English Club for Young Learners – Tunisia

[2014-2015]

English Teacher – self-employed

- Taught children between 6 and 12 years old
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Maghreb 24 TV – Hammamet, Tunisia

[2014]

Translator and editor

- Translated articles and videos as well as edited advertisements’ content
- Working languages: Arabic, English, French

Publications

- Book Reviews
AMENI MEHREZ – Elena Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, Gil Loescher, Katy Long, and Nando Sigona (eds): The Oxford Handbook of Refugee and Forced Migration Studies
- ESNblog articles
- Beyond Borders Blog <https://wordpress.com/view/amenimehrez.wordpress.com>

Languages

English: fluent

French: fluent

Arabic: native speaker

German: intermediate

Japanese: beginner

Hungarian: beginner

Skills

Computer skills:

- Microsoft Office, Web design, R(advanced), Yoshikoder, Python (beginner), Adobe Premiere

Personal skills and attributes:

- Presentation skills, developed during volunteering and teaching experiences
- Negotiation skills
- Journalism and blogging