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Research Interests Theory of Comparative Politics, Rebel to Party Transformation, Democratization, Post-Conflict Societies, and Arts-Based Nonviolent Action.

Languages Arabic (Native), English (Fluent), German (A2)

Teaching Experience

March 2018- now Teaching Tutorials of: Introduction to Political Science, Theory of Comparative Political Systems, Research Seminar, and Theory of International Relations.
Assistantship: Introduction to African Political Systems (assisting in developing and supervising assignments), and Political Systems in the Arab World.

Education

2016 - 2020 **MSc in Political Science**, Cairo University, Faculty of Economics and Political Science.
GPA: 3.85
Master thesis: The Effectiveness of Rebel to Party Transformation: The Case of The Sudan's People Liberation Movement (SPLM).
Grade: (A) (Excellent).

Sep 2017 - Feb 2018 **Visiting Master's Student**, Friedrich Alexander Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU), Erlangen, Germany, Political Science.
Grade: equivalent to Very Good.

2012 - 2016 **BSc of Political Science**, Cairo University, Faculty of Economics and Political Science. *Major*: Political science, *Grade*: Excellent

with honors (equivalent to A+), *Rank*: Second Rank in Political Science Department, Class 2016.

2012

Graduate of El Mostakbal Language School, Giza, Egypt. *Grade*: 100.5% (equivalent to A+), *Rank*: Fifth Rank over the Arab Republic of Egypt, First Rank over Giza Governorate, First Rank over El Haram Educational Zone.

Research Experience, Conference Papers, Publications and Seminar Presentations

17 April 2021

Mai Osama, Questioning the Sustainability of Rebel to Party Transformation: The Case of Sudan People's Liberation Movement (SPLM), *The 78th Annual Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference*, Peace Processes Panel.

4 February 2021

Mai Osama, Nonviolent Collective Action in Conflict-Affected Societies: The Case of Arts-Based Nonviolent Action, *Varieties of Peace Research Network (VOP) Virtual Research Workshop/Conference*, Panel 3: How and Where Can Varieties of Peace Be Researched?

October 2020

Mai Osama, Rebel to Party Transformation in the Aftermath of Civil Wars [in Arabic], *Democracy Journal*, Al-Ahram Centre for Political & Strategic Studies, Issue no. 80, October 2020.

26 September 2020

Mai Osama, Revisiting the International Influence on Rebel to Party Transformation, *Virtual Conference/Research Workshop organized by Politics After War (PAW) Research Network*, "Politics After War: Reexamining Dilemmas of Peacebuilding in the Era of Trump and COVID", Panel 5: Dilemmas of Democratization.

October 2019- July 2020

Research team member in a research project about the "Middle Class in Egypt".

10 March 2019

Presenting the first draft of my master thesis proposal, third session of Academic Seminars Series, Centre for Political Research and Studies and Intercultural Dialogue (CPRSID) at the Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University.

Participation in Extracurricular and Administrative Activities

Sep 2021 – till now	Member of the postgraduate committee responsible for evaluating courses taught to FEPS postgraduate students.
June 2019- October 2019	Team member responsible for listing internationally peer-reviewed publications authored by the Faculty of Economics and Political Science teaching staff.
Nov 2018- Feb 2019	Team member responsible for translating a scientific research guide for graduate students from English to Arabic, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University.
Sep 2018- April 2020.	Board member of Faculty of Economics and Political Science official website.
July 2016- August 2016	Trainee at the Ministry of Supply and Internal Trade, Cairo, Egypt.

Academic Honors, Awards & Scholarships

2017	Admission to studies at Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg within the Erasmus+ exchange program (WS 2017/2018).
2014	Certificates of Merit: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Prof. Hafez Ismael award, First Rank in The Political science department.▪ Prof. Ahmed Rashid award, Highest grade in “Public Administration” course▪ Prof. Hoda Salah award, Highest grade in “Computer Applications in Social Sciences” course
2012- 2016	M.F.Khamis Foundation undergraduate scholarship for top high school graduates over the Arab Republic of Egypt.
2012	German University in Cairo (GUC) scholarship for top high school graduates over the Arab Republic of Egypt. (declined)

(Selected) Courses, workshops and Seminars

12 – 24 May 2021	APSA Online Seminar on “Virtual Methods for MENA Politics Research”
Jan 2020 & June 2020	School on Research Methods, Centre for Political Research and Studies and Intercultural Dialogue (CPRSID), Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University.
28 Nov. 2019	“Fundraising Skills and Best Practices”, DAAD Kairo Akademie (DKA), Cairo, Egypt.
21 Nov. 2019	“Self Marketing”, DAAD Kairo Akademie (DKA), Cairo, Egypt.
20 Nov. 2019	“Self Management”, DAAD Kairo Akademie (DKA), Cairo, Egypt.
28- 29 Sep. 2019	“New Approaches to Teaching Political Science”, American University in Cairo (AUC).
25 July 2019	“University Teacher Support”, (Erasmus+) & (Higher Education Reform Experts – HEREs), Faculty of Engineering, Ain Shams University, Cairo, Egypt.
14 July 2019	“Research Processes: Overview and Principles”, DAAD Kairo Akademie (DKA), Cairo, Egypt.
16- 27 June 2019	Summer School on Comparative Theory, American University in Cairo (AUC), Cairo, Egypt.
26 March 2019	Writing Personal Statements, Proposals, and Research Grants, Fulbright and PARC institute, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University.
14- 15 Nov. 2018	NVivo for Qualitative Analysis, Centre for Political Research & Studies and Intercultural Dialogue (CPRSID), Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University.

- 11- 13 Nov. 2018 STATA for Quantitative Analysis, Centre for Political Research and Studies and Intercultural Dialogue (CPRSID), Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University.
- 13- 29 Sep. 2017 Intensive German Language Course, Friedrich Alexander Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU), Language Centre “Sprachen Zentrum”, Erlangen, Germany.
- 1-2 & 8 April 2017 Graduate Thesis Proposal Workshop, American University in Cairo (AUC) with collaboration of Faculty of Economics and the Political Science, Cairo University and The American Political Science Association (APSA)
- 19- 22 Nov. 2016 Gender, Peace and Security: Mainstreaming Gender in Peacekeeping and Peace building, Cairo Regional Center for Training on Conflict Resolution and Peacekeeping in Africa (CCCPA), Cairo, Egypt.
- August – Sep 2014 The Summer School of Al-Ahram Centre for Political and Strategic Studies, Cairo, Egypt.