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## **EDUCATION**

- 2016-            Doctor of Philosophy (in progress) in Sociology. University of California, Los Angeles.
- 2018            Master of Arts in Sociology. University of California, Los Angeles.
- 2015            Bachelor of Arts in Sociology. University of Colorado, Boulder.  
*summa cum laude.*

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Comparative-Historical Sociology; Political Sociology; Political Violence and War; Social Theory; Modern Iraq; Archival Sciences

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- Alshaibi, Wisam. 2019. "Weaponizing Iraq's Archives." *Middle East Report*. Vol 291.
- Alshaibi, Wisam and Leslie Irvine. 2019. "Captivity Narratives Then and Now." *NANO: New American Notes Online*.

## **AWARDS, GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2020:            Mellon Foundation Initiative for the Study of Minorities in the Middle East.
- 2019:            The Academic Research Institute in Iraq (TARII) U.S. Fellowship.
- 2019:            Forum Transregionale Studien, the Max Weber Foundation, and the German Humanities Institute Joint Fellowship.

- 2018-2019: Graduate Assistance for Areas of National Need Fellowship (GAANN). United States Department of Education.
- 2018: Graduate Research Mentorship: University of California, Los Angeles.
- 2018: Foreign Language and Areas Studies Fellowship (FLAS). United States Department of Education. (Declined).
- 2017-2018: Graduate Research Mentorship Program. University of California, Los Angeles.
- 2017-2018: Silas Palmer Research Fellowship. The Hoover Institution at Stanford University.
- 2016-2017: Graduate Assistance for Areas of National Need Fellowship (GAANN). United States Department of Education.
- 2015: The Helen and Val Fischer Award For Best Undergraduate Thesis (\$1000). Given to one graduating senior in economics, political science, sociology, or anthropology at the University of Colorado.
- 2014: Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program. Individual Grant for, "Interpreting Michel Foucault and the Iranian Revolution" (\$2500). University of Colorado.
- 2013: Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program. Research Assistant Grant for, "Examining Narrative Reflexivity: Insights from Contemporary and Historical Narratives of Captivity." (\$1500). University of Colorado.

## **INVITED TALKS**

- 2020: "The Dark Archive of the Wars in Iraq: Introducing the Kanan Makiya Papers." Forum Transregionale Studien. Berlin, Germany.
- 2018: "Culture as a Weapon: On the Use of Ba'thist Atrocities in the Service of War" Invited speaker at DePaul University's "Crisis in the Middle East" event.

## **PANELS**

- 2019: "The Dark Archive of the Wars in Iraq: Introducing the Kanan Makiya Papers." Presented at the annual meeting of the Middle East Studies Association. November 2019, New Orleans.

- 2018: “Resurrecting the Dead: On the Exploitation of Ba’thist Atrocities in the Service of War.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association. Phoenix.
- 2018: “Resurrecting the Dead: Instrumentalizing Ba’thist Atrocities in the Service of War.” Presented at the meeting of the Silas Palmer Fellows at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University.
- 2017: “From Nothing to Everything: Explorations in the Archives of the Iraqi Ba’th Party.” States and Society Network. Social Science History Association. Montreal.
- 2017: “The Iraqi Ba’th Party’s Arabization Projects During the Iran-Iraq War.” Iraq Section. Middle East Studies Association. November 2017. Washington D.C.

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION**

American Sociological Association; Social Science History Association; Middle East Studies Association.

## **LANGUAGES**

English – Native speaker

Arabic – Reading: intermediate  
Speaking: intermediate  
Written: intermediate

French – Reading: intermediate  
Speaking: elementary  
Written: intermediate

## **REFERENCES**

Professor Kevan Harris      Department of Sociology. UCLA.  
[kevanharris@soc.ucla.edu](mailto:kevanharris@soc.ucla.edu)

Professor Asli Bâli      School of Law. UCLA.  
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