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EDUCATION	Yale University , New Haven, CT <i>Ph.D.</i> , Political Science (Comparative Politics and Political Economy)	Aug 2024 – Present
	Beloit College , Beloit, WI <i>B.A. (Honors)</i> , Political Science and Psychology <i>summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa</i>	Aug 2020 – May 2024
	School for International Training , Amman, Jordan	Spring 2023
PUBLICATIONS	Gupta, Saumyaa, and Jonathan Elkobi. “Barbara Geddes on Marrying Theory and Evidence in the Study of Political Regimes.” <i>APSA-CP Newsletter</i> 37, no. 2 (Fall 2025): 19.	
WORKING PAPER	Mobilizing Voters or Building the Party? Service Provision and Islamist Survival in Jordan (with Elizabeth Parker-Magyar)	
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	MIT Political Science - Research Assistant Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA	Aug 2023 – May 2024
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Analyzed labor force participation and political attitudes across 13 MENA countries; conducted geospatial analysis of Islamist social service sites and their impact on Jordanian election outcomes.	
	Global Diversity Lab - Research Assistant Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA	Jun 2023 – Aug 2023
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Created a novel dataset on the Muslim Brotherhood’s charitable networks in Jordan and analyzed primary and secondary Arabic sources to assess its role in voter mobilization.	
	Fieldwork in Jordan School for International Training, Amman, Jordan	Jan 2023 – Jun 2023
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conducted 40+ interviews with Jordanian elites and opposition leaders on protest demobilization; partnered with the University of Jordan’s Center for Strategic Studies to analyze public opinion data on the monarchy’s legitimacy.	
GRANTS & AWARDS	Blue Center Short Term Research Grant (\$2,000) Yale University, New Haven, CT	2025
	MacMillan Center Summer Fellowships for Language Study (\$6,350) Yale University, New Haven, CT	2025
	MacMillan Center International Conference Travel Grant (\$800) Yale University, New Haven, CT	2025
	Wisconsin Summer Intensive Language Institute Grant (\$5,000) University of Wisconsin–Madison, WI	2025
	Weissberg Post Graduate Research Fellowship (\$6,000) Beloit College, WI	2024
	Weissberg Research Equity Fieldwork Grant (\$4,000) Beloit College, WI	2023

Ivan Stone Grant for International Relations Research (\$4,000)
Beloit College, WI 2022

Harry Rex Davis Prize for Exceptional Achievement in Political Science
Beloit College, WI 2024

Ruth C. Peterson Award for Best Honors Thesis in International Relations
Beloit College, WI 2024

Paul Pollock Memorial Prize for Excellence in Political Science
Beloit College, WI 2022–2023

Pi Beta Phi Award for Highest Academic Ranking
Beloit College, WI 2023–2024

PRESENTATIONS **2026:** International Studies Association (*scheduled*); Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture (*scheduled*)

2025: Midwest Political Science Association; International Studies Association

2024: Midwest Political Science Association

2023: Eldersveld Emerging Scholars Conference (University of Michigan); MIT Global Diversity Lab; MIT Summer Research Program Conference; School for International Training Research Conference; Beloit College Student Symposium

2022: Midwest Political Science Conference; Annual Illinois State University Conference; World Congress – International Association for Political Science Students; Beloit College Symposium

ACADEMIC SERVICE Graduate Student Coordinator
Comparative Politics Workshop, Yale University Political Science 2025–2026

TECHNICAL SKILLS R, Python, ArcGIS, LaTeX
Trilingual in English, Hindi, and Gujarati ; Arabic (Intermediate).

REFERENCES Dr. Jennifer Gandhi, Department of Political Science and the Jackson School of Global Affairs, Yale University
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Dr. Elizabeth K. Parker-Magyar, Department of Political Science, Yale University
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