

## Chagai M. Weiss

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### APPOINTMENTS **Harvard University**

Middle East Initiative Predoctoral Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School AY 2020-2021

### EDUCATION **The University of Wisconsin - Madison**

Ph.D., Political Science *Expected: Summer 2022*

- **Dissertation:** Reducing Prejudice through Representative Institutions
- **Committee:** Rikhil Bhavnani (*Chair*), Yoshiko Herrera, Nadav Shelef, and Jonathan Renshon
- **Fields:** Comparative Politics, International Relations, Political Methodology (*minor*)

M.A., Political Science 2019

### **The Hebrew University of Jerusalem**





B.A., Political Science & Middle Eastern Studies August 2016

- *Cum Laude*

### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

4. **Weiss, Chagai M.** “Reducing Prejudice through Descriptive Representation: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in Israeli Medical Clinics” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, Forthcoming.  
🏆: *APSA Conflict Processes Best Paper Award* (2019)  
*Genevieve Gorst Herfurth Award, Honorable Mention* (2021)  
Pre-Registration Materials: 📖 Paper: 📄
3. Bassan-Nygete, Lotem & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Party Competition and Cooperation Shape Affective Polarization: Evidence from Natural and Survey Experiments in Israel.” *Comparative Political Studies*, Forthcoming.  
Paper: 📄 Pre-Registration Materials: 📖 Replication Files: 📄
2. Gilad, Sharon, Saar Alon-Barkat & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Political and Bureaucratic Translation of Social Movement Demands: The Case of Israel’s 2011 Social Protest.” *Governance* 32.2 (2019): 369-385.  
Paper: 📄
1. Rock, Jonathan, **Chagai M. Weiss** & Dan Miodownik. “Geographies of Violence in Jerusalem: The Spatial Logic of Intergroup Conflict.” *Political Geography* 66 (2018): 88-97.  
Paper: 📄 Replication Files: 📄

OTHER  
PUBLICATIONS

3. Marwa Shalaby, **Chagai Weiss**, Ellen Lust, Kristen Kao, and coauthors, “The Dynamics of Decentralization in the MENA: Processes, Outcomes, and Obstacles.” *Program on Governance and Local Development Working Paper No. 31*.  
Paper: 
2. **Weiss, Chagai M.** “Sharing Spaces: Segregation, Integration, and Intergroup Relations.” *APSA Comparative Politics Newsletter*, Spring 2020.  
Paper:  Replication Files: 
1. Bassan-Nygete, Lotem & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “It’s Us or Them: Partisan Polarization in Israel and Beyond.” *APSA MENA Newsletter*, Spring 2020 (Forthcoming).  
Paper: 




WORKING PAPERS

- **Weiss, Chagai M.** “Minority Representation in Healthcare Provision Reduces Prejudice and Promote Political Inclusion: Evidence from Survey Experiments in Israel and the U.S.” (*Under review*)  
Pre-Registration Materials:  Paper: 
- Getmansky, Anna & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Pyrrhic Victory: How and Why Wars Affect Political Attitudes and Behavior” (*Under review*)  
Paper: 
- Brutger, Ryan, Joshua D. Kertzer, Jonathan Renshon, Dustin Tingley, & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Abstraction and Detail in Experimental Design.” (*Under review*)  
Paper: 
- **Weiss, Chagai M.**, Alexandra Siegel, & David Romney “The Effects of Exclusionary Policies on Political Participation: Evidence from the ‘Deal of the Century’ and Palestinian Mobilization in Israel”  
Pre-Registration Materials:  Paper: 
- Getmansky, Anna & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “The Long Term Effects of War on Soldiers’ Support for Incumbents: Evidence from a Regression Discontinuity Design”
- Scacco, Alexandra, Alexandra Siegel, & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Desegregating Social Media Environments: A Facebook Field Experiment in Israel”
- Halperin, Eran, Shira Ran, & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “A Classroom Intervention to Promote Tolerance and Perspectives of Group Variability amongst Israeli Children.”
- Mousa, Salma, Eric Mvukiyeh & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Perspective Taking at Scale: A Facebook Intervention to Reduce Israeli Prejudice towards Palestinians.”

BOOK PROJECT

- Brutger, Ryan, Joshua D. Kertzer, Jonathan Renshon, & **Chagai M. Weiss**. “Abstraction and Concreteness in Experimental Designs.” Under contract with *Cambridge University Press*, Elements in Experimental Political Science series (edited by James Druckman).

OTHER WRITINGS

- Segregation, Integration, and Intergroup Relations in Israel. *POMEPS Workshop: What is Israel?* Article: 
- An HBO series looks at political violence in Jerusalem. Here’s the reality behind the drama. *The Monkey Cage*. Article: 
- How might recent confrontations with Hamas influence Israeli elections? *The Monkey Cage*. Article: 

INVITED TALKS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>2021: Hebrew University</b> (Israel), <i>Department of Psychology – PCIR Lab</i></li> <li>● <b>2020: Ben Gurion University</b> (Israel), <i>Department of Economics, WZB Berlin, Institutions and Political Inequality Speakers Series</i></li> <li>● <b>2019: George Washington University</b>, <i>Workshop on Israeli politics, organized by Marc Lynch, Nathan Brown, Michael Barnett, and POMEPS</i></li> </ul>	
CONFERENCES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>2021:</b> MPSA (Virtual)</li> <li>● <b>2020:</b> The Dynamics of Decentralization in MENA (The University of Gutenberg), CSES Conference on Experimental Political Science (NYU), POMEPS Virtual Working Group, APSA (Virtual)</li> <li>● <b>2019:</b> Eurasian Peace Science (Jerusalem), Winter Experimental Social Science Institute (WESSI, NYU Abu-Dhabi), Economic Science Association (ESA, NYU Abu-Dhabi), ISA (Toronto), MPSA (Chicago), Political Psychology APSA Pre-Conference (Washington D.C.), APSA (Washington D.C.), Peace Science (Manhattan, Kansas).</li> <li>● <b>2018:</b> ISA (San Francisco)</li> </ul>	
ACADEMIC WORKSHOP	<p><b>The Middlebury Arabic School</b> 2018 Mills College, California, US</p> <p><b>Oxford Spring School in Advanced Research Methods</b> 2016 Brasenose College, Oxford, UK</p> <p><b>Multi-Variate Statistical Analysis &amp; Comparative Cross-National Survey Data.</b> 2016 ECPR Summer School in Methods &amp; Techniques, Budapest, HU</p>	
AWARDS	<p><b>Research Grant</b> 2020 Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy (National Competition)</p> <p><b>Graduate Student Travel/Research Grant Competition</b> 2020 Wisconsin Project on International Relations</p> <p><b>Political Science Summer Initiative Grant</b> 2020 University of Wisconsin - Madison</p> <p><b>POMEPS TRE Grant</b> 2020 Travel award for Project on Intergroup Mobilization in Israel (With Salma Mousa)</p> <p><b>IRIS Graduate Student Summer Fieldwork Award</b> 2019 University of Wisconsin - Madison</p> <p><b>The Morris Abrams Award in International Relations</b> 2019 National Competition</p> <p><b>Political Science Summer Initiative Grant</b> 2019 University of Wisconsin - Madison</p> <p><b>Graduate Student Travel/Research Grant Competition</b> 2019 Wisconsin Project on International Relations</p> <p><b>Graduate Student Travel Award</b> 2019 The Elections Research Center, University of Wisconsin - Madison</p> <p><b>Graduate Student Award</b> 2019 Best Paper in the 8th Eurasian Peace Science Conference, Jerusalem</p> <p><b>Charles and Gayle Mazursky Student Support Fund</b> F 2018 Center for Jewish Studies, University of Wisconsin - Madison</p> <p><b>Student Research Travel Grant</b> 2018 University of Wisconsin - Madison</p> <p><b>Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Yearly Fellowship (Declined)</b> 2018</p>	

Institute for International and Regional Studies, University of Wisconsin - Madison  
**The Morris Falk Institute for Economic Research in Israel** 2018  
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (With Devorah Manekin and Noga Shlomai)  
**The Harry S. Truman Institute for the Advancement of Peace Research Grant** 2018  
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (With Devorah Manekin and Noga Shlomai)  
**Israel Institute Research Grant (With Devorah Manekin and Noga Shlomai)** 2018  
**Charles and Gayle Mazursky Student Support Fund** S 2018  
Center for Jewish Studies, University of Wisconsin - Madison  
**Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Summer Fellowship** 2018  
Center for European Studies, University of Wisconsin - Madison  
**Graduate Student Travel/Research Grant Competition** 2018  
Wisconsin Project on International Relations  
**Minerva Center for Human Rights Research Grant** 2017  
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem (With Devorah Manekin and Noga Shlomai)  
**Isaac and Ida Lipton Study Abroad Fellowship** 2017  
Center for Jewish Studies, University of Wisconsin - Madison  
**Charles and Gayle Mazursky Student Support Fund** F 2017  
Center for Jewish Studies, University of Wisconsin - Madison  
**Graduate School Fellowship** 2017  
University of Wisconsin - Madison  
**Partial Funding: Oxford Spring School in Advanced Research Methods** 2017  
Brasenose College, Oxford University, UK  
**The Prat Prize for Distinguished Seminar Paper** 2017  
**Paper:** Explaining Low Intensity Violence in East Jerusalem  
**Dean's Grant for Academic Excellency** 2016  
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
**Advanced Graduate Studies Program (AGSP) Scholarship** 2016  
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
**Dean's Scholarship for Academic Excellency** 2015  
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

RESEARCH  
EXPERIENCE

**Research Assistant**

Supervisor: Prof. Marwa Shalaby, Ellen Lust, and Kristen Kao (Gutenberg University)  
Supervisor: Prof. Yoshiko Herrera (The University of Wisconsin - Madison)  
Supervisor: Prof. Scott Straus (The University of Wisconsin - Madison)  
Supervisor: Prof. Jonathan Renshon (The University of Wisconsin - Madison)  
Supervisor: Prof. Dan Miodownik (The Hebrew University, Political Science)  
Supervisor: Prof. Sharon Gilad (The Hebrew University, Political Science)

TEACHING

**Teaching Assistant:** Research Methods in Political Science F 2018  
Jessica Weeks, University of Wisconsin - Madison  
**Grader:** Israeli Politics and Society S 2018  
Nadav Shelef, University of Wisconsin - Madison

SERVICE

**Referee for:** *American Journal of Political Science, Conflict Management and Peace Science, Conflict Resolution Quarterly, Journal of Politics, Local Government Studies, Political Geography, Public Administration.*

**Co-Founder and Coordinator:** IGR – The Intergroup Relations Workshop 2020  
Monthly working group to discuss research on intergroup relations

With Cara Wong, Rebecca Littman, and Alexandra Scacco  
**Co-Founder and Coordinator:** Comparative Politics Graduate Working Group 2019  
 The Department of Political Science,  
 University of Wisconsin – Madison  
**Student Coordinator:** Experimental Politics Workshop 2019  
 The Department of Political Science,  
 University of Wisconsin – Madison  
**Student Co-Coordinator:** Comparative Politics Colloquium 2018-2019  
 The Department of Political Science,  
 University of Wisconsin – Madison  
**Student Co-Coordinator:** Political Economy Colloquium 2018-2019  
 The Department of Political Science,  
 University of Wisconsin – Madison  
**Student Coordinator:** Graduate Student Political Methodology Workshop 2017  
 The Departments of International Relations & Political Science,  
 The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, IL  
**Student Coordinator:** The Middle East After the Arab Spring 2016  
 The Davis Institute, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, IL  
**Student Coordinator:** Israel Under The Shadow of Conflict 2016  
 The Davis Institute, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, IL

OTHER  
 PROFESSIONAL  
 EXPERIENCE

**Zulat – Equality and Human Rights** 2020  
 Research Consultant, Israel  
**aChord – Social Psychology for Social Change** 2020  
 Research Consultant, Israel  
**Worker’s Hotline** 2014  
 Fieldwork with Underrepresented Palestinian Laborers, Jerusalem, Israel  
**Earth in Justice** 2013-2014  
 English Instructor and Youth Organizer, Kathmandu, Nepal  
**Military Service (Israel)** 2009-2012  
 Mandatory Service as a Paratrooper’s Commander

REFERENCES

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SOFTWARE R, STATA, ArcMap, QGIS

LANGUAGES **Hebrew** (Native), **Arabic** (Advanced)

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