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EDUCATION

- 2016-2023 (expected) PhD in Sociology. University of California, Los Angeles.
Committee: Gail Kligman, Asli Bali, Rogers Brubaker, Andreas
Wimmer, Kevan Harris.
- 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 & War; US Foreign
Policy & Human Rights; Social Theory; Modern Iraq.

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*.

UNDER REVIEW

- Alshaibi, Wisam. "The Anatomy of Regime Change: Transnational Political Opposition and
Domestic Foreign Policy Elites in the Making of US Foreign Policy on Iraq." Under review
at *American Sociological Review*.

IN PROGRESS

- Alshaibi, Wisam. "The Materialization of Meaning and the Fetishization of Records: The Iraqi
Archives in Wartime." In preparation for submission to *Archival Sciences*.
- Alshaibi, Wisam and Michael Brill. "Saddam Truthers."

AWARDS, GRANTS, and FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021: UCLA Distinguished Teaching Award (highest teaching honor across the entire university).
- 2021: Peter Kollock Teaching Award. UCLA Department of Sociology.
- 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: Archives and Circulation Fellowship.
- 2018: Graduate Assistance for Areas of National Need (GAANN) Fellowship. U.S. Department of Education.
- 2018: Foreign Language and Areas Studies (FLAS) Fellowship. U.S. Department of Education.
- 2017: Silas Palmer Research Fellowship. The Hoover Institution at Stanford University.
- 2016: Graduate Assistance for Areas of National Need (GAANN) Fellowship. U.S. Department of Education.
- 2015: The Helen and Val Fischer Award for Best Undergraduate Thesis. University of Colorado, Boulder.

INVITED TALKS

- 2023: “The Anatomy of Regime Change.” German Institute for Global and Area Studies (GIGA). Hamburg, Germany.
- 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

- 2022: “Saddam Truthers.” Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association. Denver, Colorado.
- 2022: “The Anatomy of Regime Change.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. Los Angeles, California.
- 2021: “The Anatomy of Regime Change.” Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

- 2019: “The Dark Archive of the Wars in Iraq: Introducing the Kanan Makiya Papers.” 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.” Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association. Phoenix, Arizona.
- 2018: “Resurrecting the Dead: On the Exploitation of Ba’thist Atrocities in the Service of War.” The Hoover Institution, Stanford University.
- 2017: “From Nothing to Everything: Explorations in the Archives of the Iraqi Ba’th Party.” Annual Meeting of the Social Science History Association. Montreal, Quebec.
- 2017: “The Iraqi Ba’th Party’s Arabization Projects During the Iran-Iraq War.” Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association. Washington D.C.

COURSES TAUGHT

As Teaching Assistant: Development of Sociological Theory; Contemporary Sociological Theory; Collective Behavior; Social Psychology; Introduction to Sociology.

As Instructor on Record: Development of Sociological Theory; Contemporary Sociological Theory; Culture & Personality.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

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

REFERENCES

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Professor Rogers Brubaker: Department of Sociology. UCLA.
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