

Yasser El-Shimy

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Boston University

Boston, MA

PhD Candidate in Political Science: May 2016

Topic: Breakdown: The Military and Egypt's Failed Transition (2011-2013).

Harvard Kennedy School of Government, The Middle East Initiative

Cambridge, MA

Middle East Pre-Doctoral Research Fellow: September 2014- June 2015

- Wrote a research paper on Egypt's failure to democratize between 2011 and 2013
- Gave a public talk on the role of the military in Egypt's transition.

American University in Cairo

Cairo, Egypt

Master of Arts in International Relations: February 2008

- Thesis: Iraq's Opportunity for War: Offensive Realism & the Making of the Iraq-Iran War

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science: February 2005

WORK EXPERIENCE

International Crisis Group

Cairo, Egypt

Egypt Analyst: September 2011 – December 2013

- Researched, wrote and co-edited reports and briefings on Egypt.
- Conducted field-research interviews and advocacy meetings across several Egyptian cities and villages with Egyptian and international officials, and political figures.
- Contributed to developing policy advocacy plans for ICG regarding Egypt.

Embassy of Egypt

Washington, DC

Press & Information Office, **Media Analyst:** July 2010 - January 2011

- Compiled a weekly news round-up briefing Egyptian officials on news and analysis
- Wrote various policy memoranda and reports regarding U.S. Middle East foreign policy
- Briefed Egyptian officials on important news items in the American press

Boston Consortium for Arab Region Studies

Boston, MA

Member of the BCARS' Scholars' Advisory Board: September 2013 – Present

Center for Strategic and International Studies

Washington, DC

The Washington Quarterly **Research Intern:** January - June 2010

- Compiled a daily news briefing covering news and analysis from around the global press

Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Cairo, Egypt

Diplomatic Attaché: April - October 2006

- Briefed high level diplomats in the Egyptian Foreign Ministry.
- Attended diplomatic and policy training in the Institute of Diplomatic Studies

Center for a New American Security (CNAS)

Washington, DC

The Joseph S. Nye, Jr. National Security Intern: January – June 2009

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Boston University Boston, MA Teaching Fellow: January - December 2014

- Graded papers and exams, and lectured in sections on Causes of War and Nuclear Security.

Senior Teaching Fellow: June 2015- May 2016

- Devised own course curriculum and syllabus on Arab politics and US Middle East policy.

The Catholic University of America Washington, DC Lecturer: January - May 2011

- Taught, developed course curriculum and a syllabus for “U.S. Foreign Policy in the Middle East”

PUBLICATIONS/CONFERENCES/MEDIA SAMPLES

The Muslim Brotherhood. (A chapter in **Egypt After the Spring: Revolt and Reaction**, Adelphi Series book on Egypt, 2016, edited by Emile Hokayem and Hebatalla Taha).

The End of the Soviet-Egyptian Alliance (A chapter in Melissa Yeager and Charles Carter (eds), *Pacts and Alliances in History: Diplomatic Strategy and the Politics of Coalitions*, London: I.B. Tauris, April 2012)

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, *Sada Journal*, Cairo’s Crude Crisis – April 2016

<http://carnegieendowment.org/sada/?fa=63178>

Foreign Affairs, Did Sisi Save Egypt? The Arab Spring at Five –January 2016

<https://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/egypt/2016-01-25/did-sisi-save-egypt>

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, *Sada Journal*, No Room for Dissent – April 2014

<http://carnegieendowment.org/2014/04/03/no-room-for-dissent/h6yz>

Crisis Group Report, Marching in Circles: Egypt’s Dangerous Second Transition – Aug. 2013

<http://www.crisisgroup.org/~media/Files/Middle%20East%20North%20Africa/North%20Africa/Egypt/b035-marching-in-circles-egypts-dangerous-second-transition>

Al-Sharq Al-Awsat, (Arabic Op-Eds) November 2012 – February 2013

<http://www.aawsat.com/leader.asp?section=3&article=706532&issueno=12420#.UfJEEY03Cwl>

Crisis Group Report No 133 – Israel and Hamas: Fire and Ceasefire in a New Middle East – 2012

<http://www.crisisgroup.org/~media/Files/Middle%20East%20North%20Africa/Israel%20Palestine/133-israel-and-hamas-fire-and-ceasefire-in-a-new-middle-east.pdf>

The New York Times, The Final Task for Egypt’s Brass (Op-Ed) - 21 May 2012

http://www.nytimes.com/2012/05/22/opinion/the-final-task-for-egypts-brass.html?_r=2&#

Le Figaro, Présidentielle : une lueur d'espoir en Égypte (Op-Ed) - May 2012

<http://www.lefigaro.fr/mon-figaro/2012/05/21/10001-20120521ARTFIG00686-presidentielle-unelueur-d-espoir-en-egypte.php>

Crisis Group Report No 121 – Lost in Transition: The World According to Egypt’s SCAF –April 2012

<http://www.crisisgroup.org/~media/Files/Middle%20East%20North%20Africa/North%20Africa/Egypt/121-lost-in-transition-the-world-according-to-egypts-scaf.pdf>