

Irene Morse

Education

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor August 2018 -
Ph.D. in Political Science
Research interests: Middle East and Turkey, elections, democracy and autocracy, authoritarian institutions, gender and LGBTQ issues, technology and social media

University of Texas at Dallas May 2014
B.S. in International Political Economy

U-M Graduate Teacher Certificate exp. April 2022

Oxford Seminars TESOL/TESL/TEFL Certification May 2014

Research Experience

Research Assistant for Dr. Yuki Shiraito Summer 2019 &
Summer 2020
Project: analysis of legislative minutes of Kyrgyz parliament from 2008 to 2010, implementation of latent Dirichlet allocation model with a background distribution for stop-word identification

Research Assistant for Dr. Justine Davis Jan. 2021 -
Aug. 2021
Project: exploratory text analysis of Facebook posts from the 2020 presidential election in Côte d'Ivoire

Undergraduate Thesis supervised by Dr. Douglas Dow May 2014
"Nationality and Religion in Middle Eastern Marriage Laws"

LGBTQ Intern at Center for American Progress Fall 2012
*Juvenile Justice LGBTQ Inventory supervised by Aisha Moodie-Mills
University Nondiscrimination Inventory supervised by Crosby Burns*

Research Assistant for Dr. Anthony Champagne Summer 2010
Projects: archival research at LBJ Presidential Library, research paper "The Ethics Investigation of Jim Wright" contributed to book titled The Wright Stuff by Drs. James Riddlesperger Jr. and Anthony Champagne

Teaching

Graduate Student Instructor at U-M
Fall 2019: *Quantitative Empirical Methods of Political Science* w/Dr. Rob Franzese
Winter 2020 and Fall 2021: *Introduction to Comparative Politics* w/Dr. Andy Markovits
Winter 2021: *Introduction to World Politics* w/Dr. Barbara Koremenos
Fall 2021: *Introduction to Public Health Policy* w/Dr. Scott Greer
Winter 2022: *Public Health Systems, Policy and Management* w/Dr. Michael Rubyan

From teaching evaluations:

- "I wouldn't have understood R without the exercises in section."
- "Irene has been the best GSI I have had at Michigan so far because of her clear desire and drive for us to improve."
- "I am not sure if she wants to become a full-time professor, but Irene has for sure a talent for teaching."

Professional Experience	Carnegie Corporation of New York with Dr. Mark Tessler <i>Editor and peer reviewer for</i> <i>“Guide to the Design and Conduct of Social Science Research”</i>	Sept. 2016 - March 2022
	The Princeton Review Turkey <i>SAT, ACT, and GRE Instructor</i>	Sept. 2016 - June 2018
	English Time Istanbul <i>English Teacher (all levels, including exam prep)</i>	Sept. 2015 - Aug. 2016
	Kaplan <i>SAT and ACT Instructor</i>	Nov. 2014 - June 2016
	Sylvan Learning of Austin <i>Algebra Tutor at Eastside Memorial High School</i>	Nov. 2014 - June 2015
	Center for American Progress <i>LGBT Progress Intern</i>	Fall 2012
Publications	Morse, Irene. “U.S. Asylum Laws Must Improve In The Face of Homophobia Abroad” . ThinkProgress.org. December 6, 2012.	
Conference Presentations	American Political Science Association <i>Panel: “Understanding Democratic Backsliding through Text-as-Data Analysis”</i>	Sept. 2022
	Midwest Political Science Association <i>Panel: “Electoral Violence, Voter Attitudes, and Voter Behavior in Africa”</i>	April 2022
	AATT Graduate Student Pre-Conference <i>Panel: “Motivating Voters to Vote Again: Twitter discourse during the 2019 Istanbul rerun election”</i>	Oct. 2021
	New Directions in Analyzing Text as Data (TADA) <i>Panel: “Social Media and Electoral Violence: Evidence from Côte d’Ivoire”</i> <i>with Dr. Justine Davis</i>	Oct. 2021
	American Political Science Association <i>iPoster presentation: “Autocratic Legislative Speeches: Evidence from Kyrgyzstan”</i> <i>with Drs. Masaaki Higashijima and Yuki Shiraito</i>	Sept. 2020 ¹
	Midwest Political Science Association <i>Panel: “Autocratic Legislative Speeches: Evidence from Kyrgyzstan”</i> <i>with Drs. Masaaki Higashijima and Yuki Shiraito</i>	April 2020 ¹

¹ Cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic

Working Papers	<p>“Social Media and Electoral Violence: Evidence from Côte d’Ivoire” <i>with Dr. Justine Davis</i></p> <p>“The Social Media Impact of Democratic Backsliding: Evidence from Côte d’Ivoire” <i>with Dr. Justine Davis</i></p> <p>“Motivating Voters to Vote Again: Twitter discourse during the 2019 Istanbul rerun election”</p> <p>“Autocratic Legislative Speeches: Evidence from Kyrgyzstan” <i>with Drs. Masaaki Higashijima and Yuki Shiraito</i></p>	
Fellowships, Scholarships, And Awards	<p>Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant <i>\$1500 for research projects conducted before candidacy</i></p> <p>American Research Institute in Turkey Summer Fellowship for Advanced Turkish Language at Boğaziçi University</p> <p>John W. Kingdon Award for Outstanding Teaching</p> <p>Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies at U-M <i>\$18,000 graduate fellowship</i></p> <p>“Todd Hill-Jones” Archer Center Alumni Scholarship <i>\$1000 scholarship for students pursuing public service</i></p> <p>Eugene McDermott Scholarship Program at UT Dallas <i>Full-ride scholarship program with study abroad component</i></p> <p>Critical Language Scholarship in Arabic</p> <p>Archer Fellowship – The University of Texas System</p> <p>Alternate for Boren Scholarship in Arabic Alternate for Graduate FLAS Fellowship</p>	<p>Aug. 2021</p> <p>Summer 2021</p> <p>Sept. 2020</p> <p>Fall 2018 - Summer 2019</p> <p>Fall 2018</p> <p>June 2010 - May 2014</p> <p>Summer 2013</p> <p>Fall 2012</p> <p>Summer 2012 Spring 2019</p>
Service	<p>Software Carpentry Instructor (R, RStudio, R Markdown)</p> <p>Preview weekend recruitment for U-M’s Political Science Ph.D. program, including hosting a prospective student</p> <p>Read applications for “Todd Hill-Jones” Archer Center Alumni Scholarship</p> <p>Read applications for Eugene McDermott Scholarship Program</p>	<p>Oct. 2021 -</p> <p>Winter 2019</p> <p>Fall 2019</p> <p>2014 - 2018</p>

Tech Skills

R (Advanced)	7 years
Rcpp (Beginner)	1 year
Python (Intermediate)	2 years
SQL (Beginner)	< 1 year
Java (Beginner)	1 year
Git/GitHub (Beginner)	2 years
LaTeX (Intermediate)	3 years
HTML (Intermediate)	6 years
Adobe Creative Suite (Intermediate)	8 years
Microsoft Office Suite (Advanced)	> 15 years

Language Skills

Turkish (Advanced)	5 years
Arabic (Intermediate)	3 years
Spanish (Advanced)	9 years
Latin (Intermediate)	5 years