

Irene Morse *

EDUCATION

University of Michigan exp. 2026
Ph.D. in Political Science
M.A. in Political Science *conferred 06.25.25*
Subfields: Comparative Politics & Methodology
Dissertation Title: “Political Resocialization of Immigrants from Authoritarian Contexts”

MIDAS Graduate Data Science Certificate *conferred 04.17.23*
CRLT Graduate Teaching Certificate *conferred 12.14.22*

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

PUBLICATIONS

Morse, I., 2024. “Embracing a Mixed Methods Approach to Text as Data” within “Symposium: Emerging Methodologists Workshop.” *Qualitative and Multi-Method Research*, 22(2), pp.64-68.

WORKING PAPERS

1. “Political Resocialization of Immigrants from Authoritarian Contexts” (Dissertation Project)
Mixed method research into immigrants’ translations of political norms across country contexts.
2. “The Social Media Impact of Democratic Backsliding: Evidence from Côte d’Ivoire” with Justine Davis
Measuring popular responses to signals of democratic backsliding using Facebook data from Côte d’Ivoire.
3. “Get Out the Vote with Violence: Online Mobilization in Violent Elections” with Justine Davis
Analysis of online narratives of violence during contentious elections in post-conflict settings.
4. “Embracing a Mixed Methods Approach to Text as Data”
Suggestions for improving workflow and rigor of text analysis methods.
5. “Motivating Voters to Vote Again: Twitter discourse during the 2019 Istanbul rerun election”
Analysis of partisan discourse on Twitter surrounding the 2019 Istanbul rerun election.
6. “Autocratic Legislative Speeches: Evidence from Kyrgyzstan” with Masaaki Higashijima and Yuki Shiraito
Analysis of substantive versus symbolic legislative discussions under authoritarianism.
7. “A new method for capturing stopwords in multilingual texts” with Yuki Shiraito
Implementation of LDA with a background distribution for stopword identification.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Dr. Justine Davis 2021
University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, MI)
Project: Data cleaning and exploratory text analysis of Facebook posts from the 2020 presidential election in Côte d’Ivoire.

Research Assistant for Dr. Yuki Shiraito 2019 - 2020
University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, MI)
Project: Analysis of legislative minutes of Kyrgyz parliament from 2008 to 2010, implementation of modified LDA algorithm for stopword identification in multilingual texts.

LGBTQ Progress Intern 2012
Center for American Progress (Washington D.C.)
Projects: Juvenile justice LGBTQ inventory (supervised by Aisha Moodie-Mills) and university nondiscrimination policy inventory (supervised by Crosby Burns).

Research Assistant for Dr. Anthony Champagne 2010
University of Texas at Dallas (Austin, TX & Richardson, TX)
Projects: Archival research at LBJ Presidential Library, contributed to book titled *The Wright Stuff* by Drs. James Riddlesperger Jr. and Anthony Champagne.

*Last updated: January 29, 2026

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

APSA

2020[†], 2022, 2023[†], 2024

MPSA

2020[†], 2022, 2023, 2025

Professional and Organizational Development (POD) Network Conference

2024

Emerging Methodologists Workshop (EMW) at APSA

2024

New Directions in Analyzing Text as Data (TADA)

2021

AATT Graduate Student Pre-Conference

2021

POMEPS Conference

2019

AWARDS AND HONORS

John W. Kingdon Award for Outstanding Teaching

University of Michigan Department of Political Science

2020

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Center for Emerging Democracies Graduate Student Grant

University of Michigan Center for Emerging Democracies

2025

Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant for Candidates

University of Michigan Rackham Graduate School

2025

APSA Political Communication Travel Award

APSA Political Communication Section

2024

APSA Travel Grant

American Political Science Association

2022

Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant for Pre-Candidates

University of Michigan Rackham Graduate School

2021

Summer Fellowship for Advanced Turkish Language at Boğaziçi University

American Research Institute in Turkey

2021

“Todd Hill-Jones” Archer Center Alumni Scholarship

Archer Fellow Alumni Association

2018

Weiser Emerging Democracy Fellowship

University of Michigan Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies

2018 - 2019

Critical Language Scholarship in Arabic

U.S. Department of State

2013

Archer Fellowship

University of Texas System

2012

Eugene McDermott Scholarship

University of Texas at Dallas

2010 - 2014

[†]Invited

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, MI)
Graduate Student Instructor

2019 - now

Department of Political Science

- Winter 2026: The Use of Social Science Computer Programs (Primary Instructor)
- Fall 2025: The Use of Social Science Computer Programs (Primary Instructor)
- Spring 2025: Quantitative Empirical Methods of Political Science (Primary Instructor)
- Fall 2024 & Fall 2022: The Arab-Israeli Conflict w/Mark Tessler
- Fall 2023 & Fall 2019: Quantitative Empirical Methods of Political Science w/Rob Franzese
- Winter 2021: Introduction to World Politics w/Barbara Koremenos
- Winter 2020 & Fall 2020: Introduction to Comparative Politics w/Andy Markovits

School of Public Health

- Winter 2022: Public Health Systems, Policy and Management w/Michael Rubyan
- Fall 2021: Introduction to Public Health Policy w/Scott Greer

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods (Ann Arbor, MI)

2023 - 2025

Teaching Assistant

- Summer 2024 & 2025: Data Science and Text Analysis w/Yaoyao Dai
- Summer 2025: Introduction to the LaTeX Text Processing System w/Sarah Hunter
- Summer 2025: Introduction to Computing for Data Analysis w/Michael Hawthorne
- Summer 2023: Data Visualization w/Robert Cooper

The Princeton Review Turkey (Istanbul, Türkiye)

2016 - 2018

SAT, ACT, and GRE Instructor

English Time Istanbul (Istanbul, Türkiye)

2015 - 2016

English Teacher

Sylvan Learning at Eastside Memorial High School (Austin, TX)

2014 - 2015

Mathematics Tutor

EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE

Center for Research on Learning and Teaching at the University of Michigan

2023 - now

Graduate Student Instructional Consultant

Center for Academic Innovation at the University of Michigan

2024

MOOC Curriculum Developer

Carnegie Corporation of New York w/Dr. Mark Tessler

2021 - 2022

Editor and Peer Reviewer for *Social Science Research in the Arab World and Beyond: A Guide for Students, Instructors, and Researchers*

SERVICE

The Carpentries

- January 2025: Data Carpentries: Instructor for Introduction to R
- April 2024: Software Carpentry, Instructor for Git/GitHub and R for Data Analysis
- March 2024: Software Carpentry - Python, Helper
- October 2021: Software Carpentry, Instructor for R Markdown

Conference Panel Organizer

APSA 2024: "Migration as Part of the Authoritarian Toolkit"

Participants: Michael Jones-Correa (chair & discussant), Katrina Burgess (discussant), Margaret Peters, Mayya Komisarchik, Brian Libgober, Elizabeth Iams Wellman, Nathan Allen, Chipso Dendere

Committee Member, Undergraduate Honors Thesis Defense

Anastasiya Ilkiv, "Promises and Press: The Intersection of Aid and Media Responses in Wartime," 2025

Zainab Mustafa, "The Efficacy of Assimilation Politics within Occupied Territories: A Case Study of the Kurd Population within the Middle East," 2024

Conference Co-Organizer

MWEPS 2023

Supervisor, Undergraduate Honors Course Conversion

Isabelle Zhan, POLSCI 140 (Introduction to Comparative Politics), 2020

Megan Chapelle, POLSCI 140 (Introduction to Comparative Politics), 2020

Application Reader, Archer Center Alumni Scholarship

2019 - 2023

Application Reader, Eugene McDermott Scholarship

2014 - 2017

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Coding Skills

R (Advanced / 10 years)

LaTeX (Advanced / 7 years)

Git/GitHub (Intermediate / 6 years)

Python (Intermediate / 6 years)

HTML (Intermediate / 4 years)

C++ (Basic / 1 year)

Java (Basic / 1 year)

SQL (Basic / 1 year)

General Tech Skills

Microsoft Office/365 Suite (Advanced / >10 years)

Google Workspace and Forms (Advanced / >10 years)

Zoom/Teams/Video Conferencing (Advanced / >10 years)

Canvas/Coursera/Course Management (Advanced / 7 years)

Adobe Creative Suite (Intermediate / 3 years)

Qualtrics (Intermediate / 3 years)

Language Skills

Turkish (Advanced / 7 years)

Spanish (Advanced / 9 years)

Arabic (Intermediate / 3 years)