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EDUCATION **University of California, San Diego** Ph.D. Candidate
Department of Political Science
Advisor: Zoltan Hajnal
Concentrations: American Politics, Behavior, and Race Politics

University of San Francisco School of Law J.D., 2012

University of California, Los Angeles B.A., 2009
Concentrations: Political Science and French, *magna cum laude*

PUBLICATIONS Zoltan Hajnal, **Nazita Lajevardi**, and Lindsay Nielson. "Voter ID Laws and the Suppression of Minority Votes." Forthcoming at *Journal of Politics*.

Wong, Tom K., **Nazita Lajevardi**, and Michael Nicholson. "Immigrants, Citizens, and (Un)Equal Representation: A Randomized Field Experiment." In *The Politics of Immigration: Partisanship, Changing Demographics, and American National Identity*. Tom K. Wong. New York: Oxford University Press, 2016.

Steven P. Erie, Vladimir Kogan, **Nazita Lajevardi**, and Scott A. MacKenzie. "Paradise Regained: Nonpartisan Appeals and Special Election Rules in the 2013 Mayoral Race." In *The Keys to City Hall*. Routledge, 2014.

SELECT WORKS IN PROGRESS Adam Butz, Brandy Kennedy, **Nazita Lajevardi**, and Matthew Nanes. *Race and Representative Bureaucracy in American Policing*. Under contract. Palgrave Macmillan. Expected June 2017.

Zoltan Hajnal and **Nazita Lajevardi**. "A Disproportionate Burden: Strict Voter Identification Laws and Turnout." *Under Review*.

Andrew Janusz and **Nazita Lajevardi**. "The Political Marginalization of Latinos: Evidence from Three Field Experiments." *Under Review*.

Nazita Lajevardi. "The Media Matters: Muslim American Portrayals and the Effects on Mass Attitudes."

Janusz, John Kuk, and **Nazita Lajevardi**. "The Effect of Competitiveness and Race on the Substance of Congressional E-Newsletters."

Nazita Lajevardi. "Mass Attitudes about Muslim American Candidates."

**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE**

University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California 9/16-12/16
Instructor for Urban Politics.

University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California 6/16-7/16
Instructor for Introduction to American Politics.

University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California 3/16-6/16
Instructor for Seminar in Constitutional Law: Appellate Advocacy.

University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California 1/15-3/15
Discussion section leader for Introduction to American Politics.

University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California 9/12-3/16
Grader: Political Parties, Civil Liberties and Fundamental Rights, The Supreme Court and The Constitution, How to Win or Lose an Election, Race in American Politics, Latino Politics, and Politics and Warfare.

**RESEARCH
EXPERIENCE**

Montreal Research Laboratory on Canadian Philanthropy 1/15-Present
Graduate Student Researcher for Dr. Mirle Bussell.

University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California 7/15-9/15
Graduate Student Researcher for Dr. Zoltan Hajnal. 1/13-6/13

University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California 1/14-6/14
Graduate Student Researcher for Dr. Steven P. Erie.

University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California 7/13-9/13
Graduate Student Researcher for Dr. Tom Wong.

**CONFERENCE
PRESENTATIONS**

Nazita Lajevardi. "The Media Matters: Muslim American Media Coverage from 1992-2015 and Effects on Mass Attitudes."

-Paper presented at the annual American Political Science Association conference (2016).

-Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (2016).

-Paper presented at the annual Midwest Political Science Association conference (2016).

Zoltan Hajnal and **Nazita Lajevardi**. "Voter ID Laws and the Suppression of Minority Votes."
-Paper presented at the annual American Political Science Association conference (2015).

Andrew Janusz, John Kuk, and **Nazita Lajevardi**. "The Effect of Competitiveness and Race on the Substance of Congressional E-Newsletters."
-Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (2015).
-Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association conference (2015).

Nazita Lajevardi. "Access to Politics: The Effect of Race and Education Level for Muslim Americans in a Post-9/11 world."
-Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association conference (2015).

Andrew Janusz and **Nazita Lajevardi**. "Differential Responsiveness: Do Legislators Discriminate Against Hispanics?"
-Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association conference (2014).

Nazita Lajevardi, Marianne Marar, and Melissa Michelson. "The Unbearable Whiteness of Being Middle Eastern: Causes and Effects of the Racialization of Middle Eastern Americans."
-Poster presented at the American Political Science Association conference (2014).

Rumman Chowdhury and **Nazita Lajevardi**. "Imposed Allegiances: Muslim-American Self-Identification and Trust in Government."
-Paper presented at the annual Midwest Political Science Association conference (2014).

**GRADUATE
FIELDWORK**

Los Angeles, California and Orange County, California 6/13-9/13
-Conducted surveys, interviews, and discussions with Middle Eastern Muslim and Jewish populations on their political behavior.

Researcher for Every Child India, Bangalore, India 6/10-8/10
-Conducted legal research and prepared a report on hostels in Karnataka evaluating whether *Dalits* are receiving ample benefits under state and federal law.

**WORK
EXPERIENCE**

Criminal and Juvenile Justice Clinic, USF School of Law 8/11-12/11
Certified Law Student: conducted arraignments, participated in pre-trial conferences, and wrote motions to suppress in juvenile criminal cases.

San Mateo District Attorney's Office 5/11-7/11
Certified Law Clerk: drafted motions in response to suppress in felony and misdemeanor cases and conducted preliminary hearings and motion to suppress hearings.

Mediation Clinic, USF School of Law 1/11-5/11
Small Claims Court Mediator: mediated civil cases with up to \$15,000 in controversy.

The Center for Justice and Accountability, San Francisco, CA 10/10-3/11
Legal Researcher: prepared plaintiff reports on violations of the Alien Torts Statute and the Torture Victims Protection Act.

**HONORS
AND
AWARDS**

UCSD PDEL Graduate Student Research Grant.	(2016)
APSA Graduate Student Travel Grant.	(2016)
Society for Political Methodology Annual Conf. NSF Travel Grant.	(2016)
MPSA Harrell Rodgers Graduate Student Travel Grant.	(2016)
Sanford Lakoff Research Fellowship.	(2016)
Graduate Student Association Travel Grant.	(2015)
UCSD Dean of Social Science Travel Fund.	(2014, 2015)
Academic Senate Intercampus Exchange Program.	(2014, 2015)
CALI Award for Excellence in International Business Transactions.	(2011)
CALI Award for Excellence in Evidence.	(2010)

**SERVICE
AND
LEADERSHIP**

Muslim Americans Workshop
-Organizing the first meeting of political scientists who study the political behavior and attitudes of Muslim Americans (December 2016).

Major Conference Discussant
-Annual meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (2016).

APSA Race and Ethnic Politics Section (2015-2017)
-Committee Member, Graduate Student Issues Committee.

University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California
-Race and Ethnicity Workshop (Founder 2012).
-Pre-Law Advisor (2013-Present).

University of San Francisco School of Law, San Francisco, California
-Faculty Appointments Committee (Student Representative 2010-2012).
-Middle Eastern Law Students Association (President 2011-2012, Vice President 2010-2011).
-Student Body Association (Student Officer 2010-2012).
-South Asian Law Students Association (Treasurer 2011-2012).

**SKILLS AND
ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION**

Software: STATA, L^AT_EX, Outwit Hub, R, Python, and Qualtrics.

Languages: Farsi (Proficient), French (Fluent).

Training: Saul Lefkowitz Moot Court Competition (Spring 2012).

Bar Membership: California.

Professional Memberships: American Political Science Association, APSA Women of Color in Political Science, Religious Research Association.