

Gilad Wenig

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Education	PhD in Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles <i>Committee:</i> Michael Mann (co-chair), Kevan Harris (co-chair), Gabriel Rossman, Risa Brooks (Marquette University) MA in Sociology, UCLA MA in Sociology, University of Maryland, College Park MPhil in Sociology, University of Cambridge BA in Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies, New York University	2018–Present 2020 2018 2016 2012
Peer-Reviewed Publications	Ketchley, Neil, and Gilad Wenig. “Purging to Transform the Post-Colonial State: Evidence from the 1952 Egyptian Revolution.” <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> 58, no. 1 (2025): 3–42.	
Working Papers	Wenig, Gilad, and Neil Ketchley. “Staffing the Revolutionary State.” Wenig, Gilad. “Bureaucratic Enchantment: On the Rationality of Religious Change.” Wenig, Gilad. “Coups, Authority, and the Pursuit of Legitimacy.”	
Other Publications	Wenig, Gilad. Review of <i>Social Dictatorships: The Political Economy of the Welfare State in the Middle East and North Africa</i> , by Ferdinand Eibl. <i>Monde(s)</i> , no. 25 (2024): 162–167. Wenig, Gilad. “Mubarak’s Wars.” <i>London Review of Books</i> , January 5, 2024. Kleykamp, Meredith, Daniel Schwam, and Gilad Wenig. <i>What Americans Think About Veterans and Military Service: Findings from a Nationally Representative Survey</i> . Santa Monica, CA: RAND Corporation, 2023. Robinson, Eric, Justin W. Lee, Teague Ruder, Megan S. Schuler, Gilad Wenig, Carrie M. Farmer, Jessica Phillips, and Rajeev Ramchand. <i>A Summary of Veteran-Related Statistics</i> . Santa Monica, CA: RAND Corporation, 2023. Wenig, Gilad. “Chance Encounters.” <i>States, Power, and Societies: ASA Political Sociology Section Newsletter</i> , Fall/Winter 2023, 19. Wenig, Gilad. “The Egyptian Legion.” <i>Middle East Report</i> , Summer 2022. Wenig, Gilad. “Lines of Succession.” <i>Sidecar</i> , October 8, 2021. Wenig, Gilad. “Egypt’s Army of God.” <i>Foreign Affairs</i> , October 31, 2014.	
Awards, Fellowships, & Grants	Morris Janowitz IUS Conference Travel Grant Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society Junior Fellow Multi-Method Conflict Consortium (M2C2) Richard Sutch Travel Grant (Declined) Social Science History Association	2025 2025 – 2026 2024

	Silton Undergraduate Research Mentorship Award UCLA Department of Sociology	2024
	Mosafer Centennial Fund for Near Eastern Scholars UCLA Center for Near Eastern Studies	2024
	Dissertation Fieldwork Fellowship Award UCLA International Institute	2023
	Silton Undergraduate Research Mentorship Award UCLA Department of Sociology	2023
	Student Travel Grant Middle East Studies Association	2022
	Foreign Language and Area Studies Academic Year Fellowship UCLA Center for Near Eastern Studies	2022 – 2023
	Summer Associate Program RAND Corporation	2022
	Graduate Research Mentorship UCLA Graduate Division	2021 – 2022
	Foreign Language and Area Studies Academic Year Fellowship (Declined) UCLA Center for Near Eastern Studies	2021 – 2022
	Summer Language Study Grant UCLA Center for European and Russian Studies	2021
	Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Fellowship UCLA Center for Near Eastern Studies	2021
	Graduate Summer Research Mentorship UCLA Graduate Division	2020
	Conference Travel Grant UCLA Center for Near Eastern Studies	2019
	Travel Grant UCLA Y&S Nazarian Center for Israel Studies	2019
	Dean's Research Initiative University of Maryland, College Park	2018
	Department of Sociology Summer Grant University of Maryland, College Park	2017
	Arabic Critical Language Scholarship (Declined) US Department of State	2017
Teaching Experience	UCLA Teaching Associate: Introductory Sociology (Summer 2023, Spring 2025); Global Islam (Fall 2020–Winter 2021) Instructor: The Politics of Islam (Spring 2021) Teaching Assistant: Political Sociology, Social Change, Social Networks, Economy and Society (2018–2019) UMD Teaching Assistant: Sociological Theory (Spring 2018)	

Research Experience	Research Assistant, Professor Kevan Harris UCLA	2025 – Present Los Angeles, CA
	Adjunct Policy Analyst RAND Corporation	2022 – 2025 Pittsburgh, PA
	Research Assistant, Professor Thomas Crosbie Royal Danish Defence College	2019 – 2021 Copenhagen, DNK
	Research Assistant, Professor Meredith Kleykamp University of Maryland, College Park	2018 College Park, MD
	Research Assistant, Professor Hazem Kandil University of Cambridge	2016 – 2017 Cambridge, GBR
Conferences & Workshops	Social Science History Association, Chicago, IL, November 2025	
	Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society, Reston, VA, October 2025	
	Collective Behavior and Social Movements Mini-Conference, Chicago, IL, August 2025	
	Politics, History, and Society Workshop at the University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, May 2025	
	Contentious Politics Workshop at the London School of Economics, London, GBR, October 2024	
	Summer Workshop on Public Sector Organizational Effectiveness, Chicago, IL, July 2024	
	Symposium on Change, Adaptation, and Contention in Formal Institutions in Authoritarian Regimes at All Souls College, University of Oxford, Oxford, GBR, April 2024	
	Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2024	
	Comparative Politics Workshop at the University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, October 2023	
	Institute for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Society Graduate Student Workshop, Orange, CA, June 2023	
	Project on Middle East Political Science Virtual Research Workshop, December 2022	
	Middle East Studies Association, Denver, CO, December 2022	
	UCLA Seminar for Comparative Social Analysis, Los Angeles, CA, October 2022	
	Fred Halliday Symposium (Postponed), London, GBR, April 2020	
	Institute for National Security Studies, Tel Aviv, ISR, January 2020	
	Social Science History Association, Chicago, IL, November 2019	
	Middle East Studies Association, New Orleans, LA, November 2019	
	Religion, Populism, and Pluralism Conference, New Haven, CT, May 2018	
	Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society, Reston, VA, November 2017	

Languages & Technical Skills	Modern Standard Arabic (Advanced)	
	Egyptian Colloquial Arabic (Intermediate)	
	R, Python, and L ^A T _E X	
Professional Service	Elise Boulding Graduate Student Paper Award Committee	2025
	Peace, War, and Social Conflict Section, American Sociological Association	
	Diversity Committee	2024 – 2025
	Peace, War, and Social Conflict Section, American Sociological Association	
	Webmaster	2024 – Present
	Theory Section, American Sociological Association	
	Coordinator	2024 – 2025
	Organizations and Markets Working Group, UCLA	
	Mentor	2022 – 2025
	Sociology Honors Program, UCLA	
	Coordinator	2021 – 2022
	Political Sociology and the Global South Working Group, UCLA	
	Treasurer	2019 – 2020
	Sociology Graduate Student Association, UCLA	
	Writing Consultant	2018 – 2019
	Graduate Writing Center, UCLA	
	Treasurer	2017 – 2018
	Sociology Graduate Student Forum, University of Maryland, College Park	
	Fellow	2017 – 2018
	Graduate School Writing Center, University of Maryland, College Park	
	Membership Committee	2017
	Peace, War, and Social Conflict Section, American Sociological Association	