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EDUCATION

Master's in Politics and Society of the Contemporary Middle East | 2023-2025

Lund University | Lund, Sweden

- Lund University Global Scholarship Awardee
- Master's Thesis with a grade equivalent to Very Good
 - "Throwing Flowers: Experiences of Misrecognition and Alternative Struggles for Recognition of Istanbulite Roma"
 - Fieldwork consisting of Research Interviews, and Participant Observation & Thematic Analysis through NVivo software
- Research coursework: Designing Research in Social Sciences, Qualitative Analysis and Coding Using Software
- Standalone course on Palestine-Israel Conflict at the Center for Advanced Middle Eastern Studies
- Exchange term at the American University in Cairo, Fall 2024

Bachelor's in Middle Eastern Studies | 2018-2022

Baku State University | Baku, Azerbaijan

- Entrance score: 618, GPA: 95.8/100, Honors Diploma
- Relevant courses: International Relations Theory, History of International Relations, Political Science, Islamic Studies, and 9 courses on Arab Area Studies

EXPERIENCE

Research Analyst and Editor | Human Rights Research Center, the USA | 02/2026 - ongoing

- Analysis of political and social issues in the Middle East
- Production of research articles, reports, and graphs
- Editing and reviewing research articles on various themes

Fundraising and Event Volunteer | Red Cross Malmö, Sweden | 02/2026 - 08/2026

- Maintaining communications with current partners and the establishment of new partnerships
- Coordination of events for partners
- Organisation of community outreach activities to attract new volunteers and partners

Researcher | Happy City Hub, the UK | 11/2025 - 02/2026

- Online data collection for the Happy City Index based on set indicators and coding into the dataset
- Validation of data from other cities

Head of Outreach | Projekt Six (P6), Sweden | 10/2024 - 09/2025

- Attracted new members through social media outreach strategies and various events
- Created a partnership network throughout the city encompassing 10+ organisations, associations, university faculties, and libraries, increasing the outreach and influence of the organisation
- Successfully designed and managed a long-term project in partnership with 10+ organisations to increase student health awareness, establishing the structure and launching the initial implementation
- Doubled the number of members during my tenure
- Restructured record-keeping and created databases of resources and contacts, increasing the efficiency and team-working capacity

Student Ambassador | Lund University, Sweden | 09/2024 - 05/2025

- Communicated with prospective students through a dedicated application daily, answering their questions and promoting the university
- Participated in panels and Q/As for promoting the university and giving information to prospective students

Research and Advocacy Intern | Roma Memory Studies Association, Turkiye | 07/2024 - 11/2024

- Participated in fieldwork in local Roma neighborhoods and gathered data
- Participated in the report and policy recommendation writing process
- Participated in meetings with government officials for advocacy purposes
- Translated, proofread, and edited the report "Inaccessible Justice" from Turkish to English

English Instructor | Chelsea College, Azerbaijan | 08/2022 - 02/2023

- Online English instruction and conversation mediation for various age groups and language levels
- Created short-form video content (reels) for the Instagram and Facebook accounts of the institution

Coordinator of Volunteers | DOST Inclusive Development Center, Azerbaijan | 03/2022 - 06/2022

- Coordinated up to 50 volunteers inside and outside the center daily and during various events
- Handled logistics, recruited and trained new volunteers, and managed projects
- Worked with vulnerable groups such as people below the poverty line, children without parental care, and people with disabilities

Public Speaking Trainer | BSU Public Speaking Club | 2020-2022

- Organized a university TEDx event; acted as the Social Media Manager and promoter, determined speeches around a theme to tell a cohesive story through independent speakers, selected and invited speakers, and handled logistics
- Instructed members of the club on how to write powerful and well-structured speeches
- Designed a training program on how to write and speak powerful and well-structured speeches and instructed it
- Trained up to 100 members
- Acted as the Vice-President

SKILLS

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| • Azeri (native) | • Microsoft Office Suite |
| • English C2 (academic level) | • NVivo |
| • Turkish C2 (academic level) | • Research Skills |
| • Russian B2 | • Project Management |
| • French (working proficiency) | • Partnerships & Communications |
| • Arabic (limited working proficiency) | • Event Coordination |
| • Persian (basic) | • Creative Writing |

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FILOSOFIE MASTEREXAMEN I MELLANÖSTERNSTUDIER

Examen på avancerad nivå omfattande 120 högskolepoäng

Huvudområde: Mellanösternstudier

DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS (120 CREDITS) IN MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES

A Second Cycle Degree comprised of 120 Credits

Major: Middle Eastern Studies

Kod Code	Kurs Course	Högskolepoäng Credits	Betyg Grade	Datum Date
SIMP45	Mellanösternstudier: Introduktion till Mellanösternstudier <i>Middle Eastern Studies: Introduction to Middle Eastern Studies</i>	15.0	Utmärkt ¹ <i>Excellent</i>	2023-10-26
SIMM52	Samhällsvetenskap: Samhällsvetenskaplig forskningsdesign <i>Social Sciences: Designing Research in Social Sciences</i>	7.5	Mycket bra ¹ <i>Very Good</i>	2023-11-28
SIMP46	Mellanösternstudier: Teorier och samhällsanalys <i>Middle Eastern Studies: Theory and Society</i>	15.0	Mycket bra ¹ <i>Very Good</i>	2024-04-22
SIMM53	Samhällsvetenskap: Forskningsmetod i samtida mellanösternstudier <i>Social Sciences: Methods in Contemporary Middle Eastern Studies</i>	7.5	Bra ¹ <i>Good</i>	2024-05-01
SIMM55	Forskningsintervjun som vetenskaplig metod <i>Research Interviews</i>	7.5	Bra ¹ <i>Good</i>	2024-06-07
SIMM48	Kvalitativ analys och kodning (med mjukvara) <i>Qualitative Analysis and Coding (Using Software)</i> Gender and Sexuality, 3 credits ^{2,3} Regime Change & Democratization, 3 credits ^{2,3} Special Topics in PPAD: Middle East Conflicts: the role of the U.N. and L.A.S, 3 credits ^{2,3}	7.5	Bra ¹ <i>Good</i>	2024-08-23
SIMZ41	Mellanösternstudier: Examensarbete för masterexamen <i>Middle Eastern Studies: Master's (Two Years) Thesis</i>	30.0	Mycket bra ¹ <i>Very Good</i>	2025-08-27

Examensarbete

Degree Project

Throwing Flowers Experiences of Misrecognition and Alternative Struggles for Recognition of Istanbulite Roma

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60 högskolepoäng motsvarar ett års helårsstudier.

Denna examen har utfärdats med stöd av högskoleförordningen (SFS 1993:100). För ytterligare information se bifogat Diploma Supplement.

60 credits equal one year of full-time studies.

This degree has been issued in accordance with the Higher Education Ordinance (SFS 1993:100). For further information, see attached Diploma Supplement.

Noter/Notes

- 1 Betygsskala: Utmärkt (A), Mycket bra (B), Bra (C), Tillfredsställande (D), Tillräckligt (E)
Grading scale: Excellent (A), Very Good (B), Good (C), Satisfactory (D), Sufficient (E)
- 2 Tillgodoräknas som Valfria kurser, 30,0 högskolepoäng enligt beslut 2025-05-16.
Credited as Optional courses, 30.0 credits according to a decision dated 2025-05-16.
- 3 Kurs läst vid The American University in Cairo, Egypten
Course taken at The American University in Cairo, Egypt

Dokumentet är försett med e-stämpel och information om examen kan delas genom Ladok. Vid frågor, kontakta Examensavdelningen vid Lunds universitet, Box 117, 221 00 Lund. E-post: examen@stu.lu.se Telefon: 046-222 00 00

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Təhsil müddətində məzun aşağıdakı fənlər üzrə kreditləri qazanmışdır:

Sıra №-si	Tədris planı üzrə fənnin adı	Kreditin miqdarı	Aldığı qiymət (hərflər və ballar)*
1.	Azərbaycan tarixi (H)	6	79/C
2.	Ərəb dili-1	10	93/A
3.	Ərəb ölkələri tarixi	7	86/B
4.	Fransız dili-1	7	96/A
5.	Azərbaycan dili və nitq mədəniyyəti	5	91/A
6.	İslamşünaslıq	5	83/B
7.	Ərəb dili-2	9	89/B
8.	Ərəb ölkələrinin coğrafiyası	5	95/A
9.	Fransız dili-2	6	97/A
10.	Beynəlxalq münasibətlər nəzəriyyəsi	5	87/B
11.	Politologiya	4	100/A
12.	Ərəb dili-3	9	97/A
13.	Ərəb ədəbiyyatı-1	5	92/A
14.	Ərəb filologiyasına giriş	4	98/A
15.	Mülki müdafiə	3	91/A
16.	Beynəlxalq münasibətlər tarixi	5	98/A
17.	Ərəb dili-4	9	100/A
18.	Ərəb ədəbiyyatı-2	6	98/A
19.	Etnoqrafiya	5	100/A
20.	İnformatika	5	96/A
21.	Beynəlxalq hüququn əsasları və		

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	Ərəb ölkələrinin hüquq sistemi	6	99/A
22.	Əlavə Şərq dili-1 (fars dili)	7	100/A
23.	Ərəb dili-5	8	100/A
24.	Ərəb ədəbiyyatı-3	5	100/A
25.	Etnopsixologiya	4	91/A
26.	Əlavə Şərq dili-2 (fars dili)	6	100/A
27.	Ərəb dili-6	9	100/A
28.	Ərəb ədəbiyyatı-4	6	100/A
29.	Ərəb ölkələrinin iqtisadiyyatı	5	100/A
30.	Ərəb ölkələrinin siyasi sistemi və xarici siyasəti	4	99/A
31.	Mədəniyyətşünaslıq	2	93/A
32.	Əlavə Şərq dili-3 (fars dili)	5	84/B
33.	Ərəb dili-7	9	99/A
34.	Ərəb ədəbiyyatı-5	6	96/A
35.	Ərəb ölkələrinin mədəniyyəti və incəsənəti	5	95/A
36.	Tərcümə nəzəriyyəsi (ərəb dili)	3	98/A
37.	Tədris təcrübəsi	21	100/A
38.	Yekun Dövlət Attestasiyası	9	100/A
	ÜOMG		95.8
	Sənədin sonu		