

**Curriculum Vitae**  
Bashir Tofangsazi  
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## **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Candidate, The Ohio State University, Department of Sociology, Ph.D. Expected May 2020.

Dissertation title: “*Contentious Politics in the Contemporary MENA Region.*” Committee Members: Hollie Nyseth Brehm, J. Craig Jenkins, Timothy Bartley, Christopher Browning.

M.A. Texas Woman’s University, Department of Sociology and Social Work, 2015.

B.A. University of Tehran, Department of Sociology, 2012.

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Collective Behavior and Social Movements; Global and Transnational Sociology; Environmental Sociology; Peace, War, and Social Conflict; Political Sociology; Quantitative Methodology

## **BOOKS**

Editor. 2013. *Jame-e- Shenasi –ye- Shahri. (Urban Sociology.)* Rahmatollah Seddigh-Sarvestani, Elmi Publications: Tehran, Iran.

## **REFERRED JOURNAL ARTICLES**

Tofangsazi, Bashir. Forthcoming. “Religiosity, Social Influence, and Drinking Among Iranians.” *Sociology of Islam.*

Tofangsazi, Bashir. 2019. “From the Islamic Republic to the Green Movement: Social Movements in Contemporary Iran.” *Sociology Compass.*

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/soc4.12746>

JavadiYeganeh, Mohammadreza and Tofangsazi, Bashir. 2013 “Iranian Literature and Toodeh Party.” *Journal of Sociology of Art and Literature* 5: 1-20.

## **Under Review**

Tofangsazi, Bashir. “Controlled Elections and False Signals; A New Typology of Political Opportunities.”

Tofangsazi, Bashir. “To Vote or Not to Vote: Voter Turnout, Elections, and State Repression in an Authoritarian Society.”

## **Manuscripts in Progress**

Tofangsazi, Bashir. "Arab Spring: Protests, Democratization, and Violent Conflict: A Study of Determinants of Movement Emergence and Outcomes in the Contemporary Middle East and North Africa."

Tofangsazi, Bashir. "Climate Change and Armed Conflict in the Contemporary Middle East and North Africa: A Multi-Level Conflict."

Tofangsazi, Bashir. and Jenkins, J. Craig. "A Theoretical Review of the Role of Political Opportunities in Protest Emergence and Social Movement Outcomes."

## **Professional Service**

Country Expert for Iran; Varieties of Democracy Project (V-Dem).

Reviewer for *Mobilization*

## **PRESENTATIONS**

2019 Tofangsazi, Bashir. "Climate Change and Civil War in the MENA." Presented at the Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, Illinois.

2018 Tofangsazi, Bashir. "Perceptions of Political Opportunities and Social Movement Emergence." Presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Tofangsazi, Bashir. "Political Opportunities and the Iranian Green Movement." Presented at the Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, Illinois.

2017 Tofangsazi, Bashir. "Subjective Political Opportunities and the Rise of the Iranian Green Movement." Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, California.

2016 Tofangsazi, Bashir. "Sexuality in Post-Revolutionary Iran: Suppression, Promotion, or Control." Presented at Society for Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting. Atlanta, Georgia.

Tofangsazi, Bashir and Jenkins, J. Craig. "After the Spring: Analyzing the Consequences of the Arab Spring for Democracy, National Security and Nation Building in the MENA Region." Presented at Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa Annual Meeting. Washington D.C.

Tofangsazi, Bashir and Williams, James. "Drinking Behavior of Muslim Iranians." Presented at American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Seattle, Washington.

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- 2018-2019      Research Assistant: The Ohio State University Department of Sociology:  
“Survey Data Recycling.” National Science Foundation # 1738502.
- 2014            Research Assistant: Texas Woman’s University, Department of Sociology and  
Social Work.
- 2012-2013      Research Assistant: Research Center for Humanities and Cultural Studies,  
Tehran, Iran, Section for Sociological Journals.
- Research Assistant: University of Tehran Department of Sociology.
- Director of the Social Research Office: Kavousieh Neighborhood, Tehran  
Municipality, Tehran, Iran.
- 2012            Research Assistant: “Metanalysis of the Family Studies in Iran,” Tehran, Iran.
- 2011            Research Assistant: “Establishing the Bootan Terminal,” “Establishing the  
Teimoory Health House,” and “Establishing the Shahid Farahzadi Sports Club,”  
Tehran, Iran.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- 2020            Introduction to Criminology. The Ohio State University.
- 2019            Introduction to Sociology. The Ohio State University.
- 2017            Introduction to Sociology. The Ohio State University.
- Research Methods in Sociology. The Ohio State University.
- Research Methods in Sociology. The Ohio State University.
- 2016            Statistics in Sociology. The Ohio State University.
- 2015            Introduction to Sociology. Texas Woman’s University.
- Sociology of Terrorism (Online). Texas Woman’s University.

## **AWARDS and SCHOLARSHIPS**

- 2019            The Ohio State University Department of Sociology Silverman Research  
Award: \$1800.
- Association for the Study of Middle East and Africa Research Grant: \$2000.
- Institute for Humane Studies Travel Grant: \$150.

Seminar Scholarship: Institute for Humane Studies Summer Seminar “Civil Society in Uncivil Times: How Does Civil Society Impact Individual Freedom?” Davidson College, North Carolina.

- 2016 Association for the Study of Middle East and Africa Conference Travel Grant: \$500.
- 2015 The Ohio State University Fellowship: \$24000.
- 2013 Texas Woman’s University Ethelyn Davis Graduate Fellowship: \$500.
- 2012 Ranked 3rd in the Nation-Wide Entrance Examination for M.A. Candidates in Sociology, Iran.
- 2008 Ranked 112th in the Nation-Wide Entrance Examination for Undergraduate Programs in Humanities and Social Sciences, Iran.

### **ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE**

- 2011 Writing and translating articles for Iranian Press: Shargh, Roozegar, and Roodaki, Tehran, Iran.
- 2010 Office Manager: *Iranian Journal of Social Problems*, University of Tehran, Tehran, Iran.

### **LANGUAGES**

Arabic (Reading)

German (Reading and Writing)

Persian (Reading and Writing)

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Sociological Association

American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association

Association for the Study of Middle East and Africa

### **Community Service**

- 2018-2019 President of the Buckeye Tang Soo Do<sup>1</sup> Club, The Ohio State University. In charge of recruiting new members as well as coordinating events, matches, and off-campus trips with the office of student life. Also responsible for fund

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<sup>1</sup> Tang Soo Do is a traditional Korean martial art.

raising, communication with students about class schedule, and ensuring that the club meets all safety measures defined by Ohio State University.

2018-Present Member of the House Committee in Germania Singing and Sport Society<sup>2</sup>. The House Committee is responsible for coordinating events and volunteering activities for the club, adjusting the budget, and revising and updating the club's constitution.

## **PERSONAL INTERESTS**

Martial Arts

Distance Running

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<sup>2</sup> Founded in 1866, Germania Singing and Sport Society is dedicated to retaining, promoting, and disseminating German culture and language. Practice and performance of German songs, bicycling, and soccer are among the main activities of this club.