

# Tamer ElGindi

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## CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITION

**Assistant Professor** of Political Science  
Department of Political Science  
The American University in Cairo

July 2017-Present

## PREVIOUS ACADEMIC POSITION

**Assistant Professor** of Policy, Planning, and Development  
Department of International Affairs  
Qatar University

August 2014-June 2017

### Courses Taught:

- Introduction to Development (Fall 2017; Spring 2018)
- Introduction to Research Methods (Fall 2017; Spring 2018)
- Scope and Method of Development Analysis (Fall 2017)
- Introduction to Public Policy and Analysis (Fall 2014; Fall 2015; Fall 2016)
- Climate Change Policy Analysis (Spring 2015; Spring 2016; Spring 2017)
- Urban Sustainability (Fall 2016)
- Diversity and Community Development (Spring 2015; Spring 2016; Spring 2017)
- Capstone (Research Project) (Fall 2015; Spring 2016; Fall 2016; Spring 2017)
- Organizational Behavior and Management in Public Service Agencies (Fall 2014)

## EDUCATION

**University of California, Irvine, CA, U.S.A.**

June 2014

**Ph.D.,** Planning, Policy, and Design

**Ph.D. Dissertation:** *Neoliberal Globalization, Natural Resource Dependency, and Income Inequality: Are They Related? A Longitudinal Study of Developing Countries (1980-2010)*

**Dissertation Advisor:** Professor Luis Suarez-Villa

**Fields of Research:** Economic Development, Income Inequality, Neoliberal Globalization, Public Policy, and Sustainability.

**The American University in Cairo, Egypt**

June 2007

**Master of Arts,** Economics

**MA Thesis:** *Islamic Finance: A Study of Malaysian Banks from 1999-2006*

High Honors Graduate of the American University in Cairo

**The American University in Cairo, Egypt**

June 2003

**Bachelor of Arts,** Economics

High Honors Graduate of the American University in Cairo

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-reviewed Publications

**ElGindi, T.** (2017). "The Inequality Puzzle in Egypt: What Do We Really Know?" *Arab Studies Journal*, Vol. 25(2): 100-143.

**ElGindi, T.** (2017). "Well-Being Before the Arab Spring: Objective vs. Subjective Measurements." *Middle East Policy*, Vol. XXIV, No.2, Summer 2017: 110-121.

**ElGindi, T.** (2017). "Natural Resource Dependency, Neoliberal Globalization, and Income Inequality: Are they Related? A Longitudinal Study of Developing Countries (1980-2010)." *Current Sociology*, Vol.65(1): 21-53.

**ElGindi, T.** , Said, M. & Salevurakis, J. (2009). "Islamic Alternatives to Purely Capitalist Modes of Finance: A Study of Malaysian Banks from 1999-2006". *Review of Radical Political Economics*, 41(4): 516-538.

### Books and Book Chapters

**ElGindi, T.** (2014). "Income Inequality and Economic Globalization: A Longitudinal Study of 15 Muslim-Majority Countries (1963–2002)" in *Structures of the World Political Economy and the Future Global Conflict and Cooperation* edited by Christian Suter and Christopher Chase-Dunn (World Society Studies Volume 2014). Berlin/Münster/Wien/Zurich/London: Lit.(ISBN 978-3-643-80184-5)

**ElGindi, T.** (2013). *Islamic Finance: A Study of Malaysian Banks from 1999-2006*. Saarbruecken, Germany: LAMBERT Academic Publishing

**ElGindi, T.** (2011). "Malaysia: Looking through the Islamic Window". Pp. 425-428 in *Finance islamique: regard(s) sur une finance alternative*, edited by MAZARS GROUP. Algeria: MAZARS GROUP

### Other Publications

**ElGindi, T.** (January 2017). On the Question of How: Rebuilding Egypt's Economy. *Muftah*. Available at: <http://muftah.org/rebuilding-egypts-economy/#.WIWUELZ95TY>

**ElGindi, T.** (January-June 2016). Oil and Natural Gas in GCC Countries. *Academic Foresights*. Available at: <http://www.academic-foresights.com/Oil and Natural Gas in GCC - Countries.html>

**ElGindi, T.** (Fall/Winter 2013-2014). "Globalization, Natural Resources, and Income Inequality: Are They Related?". Newsletter of the Research Committee 09: Social Transformations and Sociology of Development of the International Sociological Association (ISA)

**ElGindi, T.** (July-September 2007). "Looking through the Islamic Window". *New Horizon Magazine*. United Kingdom: Institute of Islamic Banking and Insurance (IIBI)

Smith, M., Khalil, M. & **ElGindi, T.** (2004). *"Ambient Air Quality Status Report"*. Technical Support Document for the Development of the National Air Quality Strategy Framework: Egyptian Environmental Policy Program

### FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

- Co-Principal Investigator for a University Grant entitled *"American University in Cairo Transition to a Culture of Sustainability"* (August 2018-June 2021) (Amount \$43,000)
- Principal Investigator for a Student Grant from Qatar University entitled *Sustainability Challenges at Qatar University: Problems and Solutions* (May-December, 2016)
- Awarded a Start-Up Grant from Qatar University (April 2016)
- Awarded a Fellowship for the Summer Program in Social Science at the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton for three years (August 2015-June 2017)
- Awarded the Social Ecology Dean's Dissertation Writing Fellowship (Fall 2013)
- Awarded the 2012 & 2013 Summer Research Fund from the UCI Department of Planning, Policy and Design
- Awarded the 2011-2012 & 2012-2013 Graduate Student Mentoring Award from University of California, Irvine
- Awarded a grant from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Institute for Research on Labor and Employment (IRLE) for graduate student research (July 2012)
- Awarded Teaching/Research Assistantship from University of California, Irvine for the academic years 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014

- Awarded the Japanese Government (*Monbukagakusho: MEXT*) Scholarship for pursuing PhD Studies in Asia Pacific Studies in 2008
- Awarded the University Fellowship from the American University in Cairo for Fall 2006
- Awarded the Graduate Merit Fellowship from the American University in Cairo for the academic year 2005-2006

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

### *The Resource Curse: The Case of GCC Countries*

- Presented at the World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies (WOCMES 2018) at the University of Seville (July 16-22, 2018) (Seville, Spain)

### *Revisiting the Resource Curse: The Case of GCC Countries*

- Presented at the Development in the Face of Global Inequalities Conference at the Institut Barcelona Estudis Internacionals (May 11-13, 2017) (Barcelona, Spain)

### *Islamic Perspective on Sustainability: Theory and Practice in GCC Countries*

- Presented at the Qatar Green Building Conference (November 13-15, 2016) (Doha, Qatar)

### *When Inequality Becomes Unbearable*

- Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) (August 19-21, 2016) (Seattle, WA- USA)

### *When Inequality Becomes Unbearable: The Case of Egypt*

- Presented at the Summer Program in Social Sciences in Paris (June 18-25, 2016) (Paris, France)

### *Environment and Sustainability: An Islamic Perspective*

- Presented at the Ninth Gulf Conference for Municipal Work (April 26-28, 2016) (Doha, Qatar)

### *What We Learned Transitioning from MDGs to SDGs: Importance of Mixed-Methods Approach*

- Presented at the Arab Conference on the Role of Civil Society in the Sustainable Development Agenda 2030 (April 20-21, 2016) (Doha, Qatar)

### *Income and Wealth Inequality in Egypt: Looking Behind the Scenes*

- Presented at the Summer Program at the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton (NJ), in coordination with École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris, and Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study, Uppsala (August 31-September 12, 2015) (Princeton, USA)

### *Globalization, Natural Resource Dependency, and Income Inequality: Are They Related?*

- Presented at the Associated Graduate Students Symposium at the University of California, Irvine (April 2014) (Irvine, USA)

### *Globalization, Natural Resources, and Income Inequality: How Are They Related? A Longitudinal Study of Muslim-Majority Countries (1960-2010)*

- Presented at the Sixth Annual ASMEA (Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa) Conference at the Key Bridge Marriott Hotel in Washington, D.C. (November 2013) (Washington D.C., USA)

### *Income Inequality And Economic Globalization: A Longitudinal Study of 15 Muslim-Majority Countries (1963-2002)*

- Presented at the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Political Economy of World-Systems Section of the American Sociological Association and the World Society Foundation Award of Excellence Program at the University of California, Riverside (April 2013) (Riverside, USA)
- Presented at the 2013 Santa Barbara Global Studies Conference at the University of California, Santa Barbara (February 2013) (Santa Barbara, USA)

### *Environmental Sustainability: The Case of Egypt*

- Presented at the Empowering Sustainability on Earth Conference at the University of California, Irvine, USA (July 2011) (Irvine, USA)

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member of the American Sociological Association (ASA)
- Member of the International Political Science Association (IPSA)
- Member of the International Studies Association (ISA)
- Member of the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)
- Member of the 2013-2014 Student Advisory Council on Sustainability Education (SACSE) at the University of California, Irvine
- Co-editor of *Accounts*, the official newsletter of the American Sociological Association's (ASA) Economic Sociology Section (2013-2014)
- Research Fellow at the Center for Unconventional Security Affairs (CUSA) at the University of California, Irvine (2010-Present)
- Board Director at the Crescent Food Bank (CFB) in California (October 2013-June 2014)
- Sustainability Fellow at the "Empowering Sustainability on Earth" conference held at the University of California Irvine (July 2011)

## INVITED LECTURES

- "Globalization, Natural Resources, and Income Inequality: Are They Related?". Course: Poverty in Developing Countries. Department of Planning, Policy, and Design, University of California, Irvine (March 2014)
- "Economic Development in the Middle East and North Africa: 1950-Present". Course: Poverty in Developing Countries. Department of Planning, Policy, and Design, University of California, Irvine (February 2014)
- "Personal Experience of an American Muslim in the US". Department of Political Science, University of California, Irvine (May 2012)
- "An Introduction to Islamic Finance" Department of Economics: Economic Development Graduate Course, The American University in Cairo, Egypt (Spring 2009)
- "An Introduction to Islamic Finance" Department of Economics: Economic Development Graduate Course, The American University in Cairo, Egypt (Spring 2008)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Teaching Assistant**, University of California, Irvine  
(Irvine, CA)

Sep.2010-June 2014

### Courses:

- Environmental Analysis & Design (3 quarters, ~200+ students)
- Sustainability I (1 quarter, 234 students)
- Sustainability II (1 quarter, 294 students)
- Professional Report (1 quarter, 10 students)
- Research Design (1 quarter, 225 students)
- Quantitative Analysis for Planners (1 quarter, 37 students)
- Naturalistic Field Research (1 quarter, 98 students)
- History of Urban Planning (1 quarter, 37 students)
- Cities and Transportation (1 quarter, 129 students)
- Latino Metropolis (1 quarter, 84 students)

**Adjunct Instructor**, ITT Technical Institute  
(San Bernardino, CA)

March 2009-June 2009

**Courses:**

- Introductory Microeconomics
- Introductory Statistics

**Responsibilities:**

- Teach students class material in discussion sections for both undergraduate and graduate students
- Mentor students on research projects for various topics such as poverty, income inequality, environmental sustainability, and climate change
- Teach special topic sessions on occasion (i.e.: exam reviews)
- Grade exams and papers
- Hold office hours

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Data Speech Ops Project Manager**, Adecco/Workforce Logic  
(Irvine, CA)

March 2010-Sep.2011

- Work on a temporary post for a project for **Google Inc.** to build voice speech in Arabic
- Develop a pronunciation dictionary for web queries
- Screen and transcribe web queries
- Build a language model for Arabic
- Oversee the development for the project in Egypt, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Algeria

**Research Economist**, Japan External Trade Organization  
(Cairo, Egypt)

Sep. 2004-Aug. 2008

- Compiled and analyzed different data figures and economic indicators
- Wrote daily summaries regarding the Egyptian economy
- Conducted various economic research related to Egypt and other Middle Eastern countries
- Analyzed different sectors of the Egyptian economy such as tourism, textile, natural gas, qualified industrial zones, telecommunications, and automotive industry
- Represented JETRO's Cairo office as well as JETRO's interests in Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Yemen, Libya, and Iraq

**Technical & Economic Analyst**, CHEMONICS  
(Cairo, Egypt)

Aug. 2003-June 2004

- Assisted in the economic assessment of the Egyptian Environmental Policy Program (EEPP)
- Collected and analyzed data sets and their applicability to health risk assessment
- Performed cost-benefit analysis through economic valuation
- Acquired strong knowledge of various environmental aspects associated to Greater Cairo
- Supported in the preparation of documenting the above in an Air Quality Economic Valuation Technical Report

**SKILLS**

- **Computer Skills:** Excellent knowledge of STATA, fair knowledge of SPSS, and basic knowledge of ARC GIS
- **Languages:** Arabic (fluent), English (fluent), German (basic)
- **World Travel:** USA, UK, Japan, Germany, France, Switzerland, Netherlands, Cyprus, Turkey, Malaysia, Singapore, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, United Arab of Emirates, and Qatar.

## REFERENCES

- **Luis Suarez-Villa**, Professor Emeritus of Planning, Policy, and Design  
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