

JEANNIE L. SOWERS

Department of Political Science & International Affairs, University of New Hampshire

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Chair, Political Science and International Affairs Dept., UNH	2020-2024
Professor, Department of Political Science, University of New Hampshire	2020-
Director, International Affairs Program, University of New Hampshire	2015-2019
Affiliate Faculty, Natural Resources and Earth Systems Science PhD Program	2012-
Associate Professor, Dept. of Political Science, University of New Hampshire	2013-2020
Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science, University of New Hampshire	2006-2012
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Iowa	2002-2003
Visiting Instructor, Department of Political Science, University of Iowa	2001-2002

FELLOWSHIPS AND POSTDOCTORAL APPOINTMENTS

Visiting Researcher, Center for Middle East Studies, Harvard Univ.	2024-2025
Non-Resident Fellow, Foreign Policy Program, Brookings Institution, D.C.	2022-
Faculty Fellowship, Crown Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Brandeis University	2021-2022
Faculty Scholar Fellowship, University of New Hampshire	Fall 2017
Center for the Humanities Faculty Fellowship, University of New Hampshire	Fall 2015
Senior Assoc., Centre for Middle East Studies, St. Antony's College, Oxford Univ.	Spring 2013
Postdoctoral Fellowship, Dubai Initiative, Harvard University	2009-2010
Center for Arabic Study Abroad, Fulbright, American University in Cairo, Egypt	Fall 2008
Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Middle East Studies, Harvard University	2007-2008
Rotary Postgraduate Scholar, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India	1991-1992

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	Princeton University, Department of Politics Dissertation: <i>Allocation and Accountability: State-Business Relations and Environmental Politics in Egypt</i> . Committee: John Waterbury, Atul Kohli, Robert Vitalis, and Amaney Jamal	2003
M.A.	Princeton University, Department of Politics	1997
B.A.	Harvard University, <i>magna cum laude</i> in Social Studies, 1989. Honors thesis: "Conflict and Consensus in the Israeli-Palestinian Community of Neve Shalom/Wahat al-Salaam"	1989

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP

Chair, Political Science and International Affairs Dept.	2020-2024
Oversee daily operations, curricular offerings, and advising for department serving 250 undergraduate majors and regular and accelerated MA program.	

Director, International Affairs Program 2015-2019
Responsible for managing interdisciplinary Dual Major and Minor in International Affairs with 45-50 majors per year. Chaired University Committee on International Studies.

Faculty Fellow and Chair, UNH ADVANCE Career Success Committee 2013-2019
Supported by a National Science Foundation ADVANCE grant to recruit and retain women and under-represented faculty. Worked with departments to make tenure expectations explicit; developed workshops for junior faculty addressing research expectations, work-life balance, campus climate issues, and public engagement.

Co-Faculty Director, Center for Diversity, Race, and Global Studies 2013-2015
Helped create and administer center to support interdisciplinary studies and student support for five area studies minors: Race and Ethnic Studies, Africana and African-American Studies, Asian Studies, Middle Eastern Studies, and Latin American Studies.

MA Program Director, Dept. of Political Science 2013-2015
Responsible for recruitment, admissions, and advising of MA students for regular and 5-year accelerated program, curriculum coordination. Chaired Graduate Committee.

Coordinator, Graduate Certificate in Sustainability Politics and Policy 2011-12, 2013-15
Managed interdisciplinary certificate in sustainability studies.

Coordinator, Minor in Middle Eastern Studies 2010-13, 2016-2017
Co-founded interdisciplinary minor, coordinated course offerings, provided student advising.

PUBLIC POLICY EMPLOYMENT

Program Officer, The Stanley Foundation, Muscatine, Iowa 2004-2005
Middle East Graduate Recruit, Congressional Research Service, Washington, D.C. Summer 2000
Director, Association of California Recycling Industries, Los Angeles, CA 1992-1993
Legislative Assistant, Reno, Cavanaugh, and Hornig, Washington, D.C. 1990-1991

COURSES TAUGHT AT UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Political Science 403	The United States and World Affairs
Political Science 444	Politics and Policy in a Warming World
Political Science 550	Comparative Government and Society
Political Science 559	Comparative Politics of the Middle East
Political Science 740/840	States and Societies in the Middle East
Political Science 751/851	Comparative Environmental Politics
Political Science 900	Pro-seminar: Research Design in Political Science
International Affairs 501	Perspectives in International Affairs
International Affairs 701	Capstone Seminar in International Affairs

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- **Sowers, J.**, VanDeveer, S., & Weinthal, E., Eds. (2023; online edn, Oxford Academic, 14 July 2021). *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Environmental Politics*. Oxford University Press.
- Rutherford, B., & **Sowers, J.** (2018). *Modern Egypt: What Everyone Needs to Know*. Oxford University Press.
- Sowers, J. (2012). *Environmental Politics in Egypt: Activists, Experts, and the State*. Routledge.
- **Sowers, J.**, & Toensing, C. Eds. (2012). *The Journey to Tahrir: Revolution, Protest and Social Change in Egypt*. Verso Books

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

- Nagle Alverio, G., **Sowers, J.**, & Weinthal, E. (2024). Climate change, conflict, and urban migration. *Environment and Security*, <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/27538796241259242>
- Weinthal, E., and **Sowers, J.** (2023). Targeting Libya's rentier state: the politics of energy, water, and infrastructural decay. *Environment and Security*, 1(3-4), 187-208. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/27538796231217548>
- Daoudy, M., **Sowers, J.**, & Weinthal, E. (2022). What is climate security? framing risks around water, food and migration in the Middle East and North Africa. *WIREs Water*, 9(3). <https://doi.org/10.1002/wat2.1582>
- **Sowers, J.**, & Weinthal, E. (2021). Humanitarian challenges and the targeting of civilian infrastructure in the Yemen war. *International Affairs*, 97(1), 157-177. <https://doi.org/10.1002/wat2.1582>
- Weinthal, E., & **Sowers, J.** (2020). The water-energy nexus in the Middle East: Infrastructure, development, and conflict. *WIREs Water*, 7:e1437. <https://doi.org/10.1002/wat2.1437>
- Weinthal, E., & **Sowers, J.** (2019). Targeting infrastructure and livelihoods in the West Bank and Gaza. *International Affairs*, 95(2), 319-340. <https://doi.org/10.1093/ia/iiz015>
- **Sowers, J.**, Weinthal E., & Zawahri, N. (2017). Targeting environmental infrastructures, international law, and civilians in the new Middle Eastern Wars. *Security Dialogue*, 48(5): 410-430. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0967010617716615>
- Sowers, J. (2015). Activism and political economy in the new-old Egypt. *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, 47(1), 140-143. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0967010617716615>
- Weinthal, E., Zawahri, N., & **Sowers, J.** (2015). Securitizing water, climate, and migration in Syria, Jordan, and Israel. *International Environmental Agreements: Politics, Law and Economics* 15(3), 293-307. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10784-015-9279-4>
- Zayed, D., & **Sowers, J.** (2014). The campaign against coal in Egypt, *Middle East Report*, 271, 29-35. <https://merip.org/2014/07/the-campaign-against-coal-in-egypt/>
- Zawahri, N., **Sowers, J.**, & Weinthal, E. (2012). The politics of assessment: Water and sanitation MDGs in the Middle East and North Africa, *Development and Change*, 42(5), 1153-1177. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-7660.2011.01730.x>
- **Sowers, J.**, Vengosh, A., & Weinthal, E. (2011). Climate change, water resources, and the politics of adaptation in the Middle East and North Africa, *Climatic Change*, 104(3-4), 599-627. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-7660.2011.01730.x>

- ElMusa, S., & Sowers, J. (2009). Damietta mobilizes for its environment, *Middle East Report Online*, October 21. <https://merip.org/2009/10/damietta-mobilizes-for-its-environment/> Reprinted in *The Journey to Tahrir: Revolution, Protest and Social Change in Egypt* (2012). Verso Books.
- Sowers, J. (2007). Nature reserves and authoritarian rule in Egypt: Embedded autonomy Revisited. *The Journal of Environment and Development*, 16(4), 375-397. <https://doi.org/10.1177/107049650730911>

Invited Articles

- Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E. (2021). The health and environmental tolls of protracted conflicts in the Middle East. *Current History*, 120(830), 339–345. <https://doi.org/10.1525/curh.2021.120.830.339>
- Sowers, J. (2019). Understanding climate vulnerability in the Middle East and North Africa. *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, 51(4), 621-225. doi:10.1017/S0020743819000692
- Sowers, J. (2018). The Saudi coalition's food war on Yemen. *Middle East Report* 289 (Winter 2018), 8-11. <https://merip.org/2019/03/the-saudi-coalitions-food-war-on-yemen/>
- Sowers J. (2017). The high stakes of climate action in the Middle East, *Current History*, 116 (794): 348–354. Reprinted in *Changing with the Climate: A Current History Anthology*, Sept 2017-May 2018, 116, 71 –79.
- Sowers, J. (2016). Imperiled academics in Turkey, *Middle East Report* 281 (Winter 2016), 38-40. <https://merip.org/2017/05/imperiled-academics-in-turkey/>
- Sowers, J. (2014) Water, energy, and human insecurity in the Middle East and North Africa, *Middle East Report* 271 (Summer 2014), 2-5, 48. <https://merip.org/2014/07/water-energy-and-human-insecurity-in-the-middle-east/>

Book Chapters

- Sowers, J. “Green IR Theories. Case study: the Yemen war and the FSO Safer.” In M. Darwich and A. Saouli (Eds.), *International Relations of the Middle East*, Cambridge University Press, submitted.
- Sowers, J., VanDeveer S., and Weinthal, E. (2023; online edn, Oxford Academic, 14 July 2021), Introduction: The scope and diversity of comparative environmental politics. In J. Sowers, S. VanDeveer, and E. Weinthal (eds), *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Environmental Politics* <https://doi.org/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780197515037.013.47>
- Sowers, J. and Weinthal, E. (2023; online edn, Oxford Academic, 14 July 2021), War and environmental politics: A comparative perspective. In J. Sowers, S. VanDeveer, and E. Weinthal (eds), *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Environmental Politics* (2023; online edn, Oxford 775–796. <https://doi.org/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780197515037.013.44>
- VanDeveer, S. D., Steinberg, P. F., Sowers, J. L., Weinthal, E., & Harris, P. G. (2022). Comparative environmental politics: Contributions from an emerging field. In *Routledge Handbook of Global Environmental Politics* (2nd ed., pp. 161–174). Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003008873-15ff>
- Sowers, J. (2021). Water of vulnerability. In Bayat, A. and Herrera, L. (Eds.), *Global Middle East: Towards the 21st Century*, Berkeley: University of California Press, 177-185.
- Sowers, J. (2018). Environmental activism in the Middle East and North Africa. In Verhoeven, H. (Ed.), *Environmental Politics in the Middle East*, Oxford University Press, 27-52.

- Keuleurtz, M., **Sowers, J.**, Woertz, E., & Mohtar, R. (2018). The water-energy-food nexus in arid regions: The politics of problemsheds. In Conca, K. and Weinthal, E. (Eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Water Politics and Policy*, Oxford University Press, 167-196.
- **Sowers, J.**, & Rutherford, B. (2017) Revolution and counter-revolution in Egypt. In M. Haas and D. Lesch (Eds.), *The Arab Spring: The Hope and Reality of the Uprisings* (2nd ed). Routledge, 40-72.
- Sowers, J. (2013). Resources and revenues: The political economy of climate initiatives in Egypt. In D. Held, C. Roger, & E. Nag (Eds.), *Climate Change Governance in the Developing World*. Polity Press, 199-216.
- Sowers, J. (2012). Institutional change in authoritarian regimes: Water and the state in Egypt. In S. VanDeveer & P. Steinberg (Eds.), *Comparative Environmental Politics: Theory, Practice, and Prospects*. MIT Press, 231-254.
- Sowers, J. (2011). Re-mapping the nation, critiquing the state: Environmental narratives and desert land reclamation in Egypt. In D. Davis & E. Burke III (Eds.), *Environmental Imaginaries of the Middle East and North Africa*. Ohio University Press, 158-191.
- Sowers, J. (2011). Authoritarian rule and democratic demands in the Middle East. In M. Malone (Ed.), *Achieving Democracy: Democratization in Theory and Practice*. Continuum Press, 335-361.
- Sowers, J. (1999.) Just green marketing? State, business, and environment in Egypt. In W. Wehrmeyer & Y. Mulagetta (Eds.), *Growing Pains: Environmental Management in Developing Countries*, Routledge, 160-171.
- **Sowers, J.**, Kohli, A., & Sorenson, G. (1999.) States and sovereignty: An introduction. In P. Chasek (Ed.), *The United Nations and the Global Environment in the 21st Century*, United Nations University Press, 15-21.

Book Reviews

- Sowers, J. (2020). Review of *The Origins of the Syrian Conflict: Climate Change and Human Security* by M. Daoudy. *Global Environmental Politics*, 20(4), pp. 198-200. https://doi.org/10.1162/glep_r_00584
- Sowers, J. (2018). Review of *Egypt* by R. Springborg. *Middle East Policy*, 25(2), 163-167.
- Sowers, J. (2016). Review of *Governing the Nile River Basin: The Search for a New Legal Regime* by Mwangi S. Kimenyi and John Mukum Bmaku Washington, DC: The Brookings Institution, 2015. *The Journal of Modern African Studies*, 54(1), 180–181. doi:10.1017/S0022278X15000907
- Sowers, J. (2013). Review of *Water on Sand: Environmental Histories of the Middle East*, ed. by A. Mikhail, *Middle East Report*, 267(Summer), 46-47. <https://merip.org/2013/06/mikhail-water-on-sand/>
- Sowers, J. (2013). Review of *Climate Change and Migration* by G. White, Oxford University Press, *Review of Policy Research*, 30(2), pp. 258-260. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ropr.12014>
- Sowers, J. (2009). Review of Ellis Goldberg, *Trade, Reputation, and Child Labor in Twentieth-Century Egypt* (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2004) and Savvina A. Chowdhury, *Everyday Economic Practices: The “Hidden Transcripts” of Egyptian Voices* (New York: Routledge, 2007). *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, 41(3), 517–520. doi:10.1017/S0020743809091387
- Sowers, J. (2007), The Many Injustices of Climate Change. *Global Environmental Politics*, 7(4): 140–146. <https://doi.org/10.1162/glep.2007.7.4.140>

Publicly Engaged Scholarship and Policy Outreach

- Alvario, G., Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E. (2023). “Displaced to Cities: Conflict, Climate Change, and Rural-Urban Migration,” Peaceworks No. 189, United States Institute of Peace.
- Around the halls: Brookings experts on Bidens performance in the Middle East, Feb 2, 2023.
- J. Sowers and M. Lynch. (2022). Introduction, “Environmental Politics in the Middle East and North Africa,” Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) Studies #46.
- E. Weinthal and J. Sowers (2022, March 16). “The Environmental and Health Dimensions of the Ukraine War,” UC Press Blog.
- International Network on Explosive Weapons (2022). After the Bombing Podcast: “The Impact of Bombs on a City’s Infrastructure.”
- POMEPS Podcast, “COP 27 and Environmental Politics in Egypt,” <https://pomeps.org/creating-consent-in-an-illiberal-order-s-12-ep-7>, Oct. 27, 2022.
- J. Sowers (2021.) “Environmental Infrastructures and War in the Middle East and North Africa,” in Proceedings from the First Inaugural Conference on Environmental Politics in the Middle East and North Africa, Beirut: Arab Reform Initiative, September.
- Contributor, New Global Commons Working Group on Food Insecurity, Georgetown University, (March 31 and April 22, 2021, online). Publication: *Peace Through Food: Ending the Hunger-Instability Nexus*. <https://georgetown.app.box.com/s/18w5nhhrqat0lurj2p0j5lwctaeb6hbr>
- Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E.. (2021, February 22). Saudi-led attacks devastated Yemen’s civilian infrastructure, dramatically worsening the humanitarian crisis, Monkey Cage, *The Washington Post*.
- Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E. (2021, February 10). “The Biden Administration should prevent an ‘atrocities famine’ in Yemen,” *Foreign Policy*.
- “Targeting Civilian Infrastructure in the Yemen War,” (Feb 4, 2021) Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) Podcast.

Research Website

- Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E. (2017-present). *Targeting Infrastructure in the Middle East* Project Data, methods, student researchers, publications: <https://sites.nicholas.duke.edu/time/>

PUBLICLY ENGAGED SCHOLARSHIP

Policy Briefs and Online Publications

- Alvario, G., **Sowers, J.**, & Weinthal, E. “Displaced to Cities: Conflict, Climate Change, and Rural-Urban Migration,” Peaceworks No. 189, United States Institute of Peace, <https://www.usip.org/publications/2023/06/displaced-cities-conflict-climate-change-and-rural-urban-migration>, June 15, 2023.
- **J. Sowers** and M. Lynch. (2022). Introduction, “Environmental Politics in the Middle East and North Africa,” Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) Studies #46, ed. J. Sowers and M. Lynch. <https://pomeps.org/pomeps-studies-46-environmental-politics-in-the-middle-east-and-north-africa>.
- J. Sowers (2021.) “Environmental Infrastructures and War in the Middle East and North Africa,” in Proceedings from the First Inaugural Conference on Environmental Politics in the Middle East and North Africa, Beirut: Arab Reform Initiative, September.

- Participant, New Global Commons Working Group on Food Insecurity, Georgetown University Institute for the Study of Diplomacy. (March 31 and April 22, 2021). (online). Workshop publication: *Peace Through Food: Ending the Hunger-Instability Nexus*. <https://georgetown.app.box.com/s/18w5nhhrqat0lurj2p0j5lwctaeb6hbr>
- Duderstadt, K., & Sowers, J. (2020, June 14). “Air Pollution and COVID-19 in the GCC and the Middle East. Center for International and Regional Studies, Georgetown University-Qatar. <https://cirs.georgetown.edu/news-analysis/air-pollution-and-covid-19-gcc-and-middle-east>
- Alibeli, M. *et al.* (2018, September 3). Report from Workshop “Environmental Politics in the Middle East,” *Center for International and Regional Studies Summary Report No. 24*, Georgetown University-Qatar. <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3447023>
- Sowers, J. (2015, June). Egypt: Hydro-Political Economy Analysis. Consultancy for the World Bank.
- Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E. (2010). Climate Change Adaptation in the Middle East: Opportunities and Challenges. *Dubai Initiative Working Paper*, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard University. <https://www.belfercenter.org/publication/climate-change-adaptation-middle-east-and-north-africa>
- Sowers, J. (2006, February). “U.S. Relations with the Middle East: Issues and Opportunities.” Social Science Consultants, New Haven, CT.
- Sowers, J. (2005, March). The United States and the Muslim World: Critical Issues and Opportunities for Change. *Stanley Foundation Policy Bulletin*, <https://stanleycenter.org/publications/pdb/USMWa05pb.pdf>
- Sowers, J. (2005, February). The U.S. Media and the Muslim World. *Stanley Foundation Policy Bulletin*, Stanley Center for Peace and Security.
- Sowers, J. (2000, September 18). “Egypt: Market Reforms and U.S. Interests.” *Congressional Research Service Report RL30686*.
- Sowers, J. (2000, August 3). “Israeli-Palestinian Peace Process: Camp David II.” *Congressional Research Service Report RS20648*.
- Sowers, J. (1991). Options for a Demilitarized Palestinian State. *Truman Institute Working Papers*, Truman Institute for the Advancement of Peace. Jerusalem: Hebrew University.

Blogs and Podcasts

- POMEPS Podcast, “COP 27 and Environmental Politics in Egypt,” <https://pomeps.org/creating-consent-in-an-illiberal-order-s-12-ep-7>, Oct. 27, 2022.
- Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E. (2017-present). *Targeting Infrastructure in the Middle East Project* Data, methods, publications, and storymaps: <https://sites.nicholas.duke.edu/time/>
- Conversation on POMEPS Studies #46, “Environmental Politics in the Middle East and North Africa,” POMEPS Podcast, S. 11, Ep. 31, <https://pomeps.org/transitional-justice-in-process-and-environmental-politics-in-the-middle-east-and-north-africa-s-11-ep-31>, May 12, 2022.
- E. Weinthal and J. Sowers (2022). The Environmental and Health Dimensions of the Ukraine War. UC Press Blog, <https://www.ucpress.edu/blog/58701/the-environmental-and-health-dimensions-of-the-ukraine-war/>, March 16, DOI: 10.13140/RG.2.2.34018.20161
- International Network on Explosive Weapons (2022). After the Bombing Podcast, “The Impact of Bombs on a City’s Infrastructure,” <https://www.inew.org/resources/after-the-bombing-podcast-episode-3-the-impact-of-bombs-on-a-citys-infrastructure/>
- “Targeting Civilian Infrastructure in the Yemen War,” Project on Middle East Political

Science (POMEPS) Podcast, <https://pomeps.org/violence-restraint-in-the-2nd-intifada-humanitarian-challenges-in-the-yemen-war-negotiating-identity-in-the-israeli-palestinian-conflict-s-10-ep-9>, Feb 5, 2021.

- **Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E.** (2021, February 22). Saudi-led attacks devastated Yemen's civilian infrastructure, dramatically worsening the humanitarian crisis, *Monkey Cage* in the Washington Post, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2021/02/22/saudi-led-attacks-devastated-yemens-civilian-infrastructure-dramatically-worsening-humanitarian-crisis/>
- **Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E.** (2021, February 10). The Biden Administration should prevent an 'atrocious famine' in Yemen," *Foreign Policy*, <https://foreignpolicy.com/2021/02/10/biden-administration-should-prevent-atrocious-famine-yemen-conflict/>
- Weinthal, E., & **Sowers, J.** (2019, July 6). US Should Support Environmental Peacebuilding and Humanitarian Efforts for Palestinians. Duck of Minerva Blog, <https://duckofminerva.com/2019/07/us-should-support-environmental-peacebuilding-and-humanitarian-efforts-for-palestinians.html>
- **Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E.** (2019, March 12). Targeting Infrastructure Undermines Livelihoods in the West Bank, *New Security Beat*, Wilson Center Environmental Change and Security Program, <https://www.newsecuritybeat.org/2019/03/targeting-infrastructure-undermines-livelihoods-west-bank/>
- **Sowers, J., Weinthal, E., & Zawahri, N.** (2017, October 24). The New Middle Eastern Wars: To Protect Civilians, Protect Environmental Infrastructure. *New Security Beat*, Woodrow Wilson Environmental Change and Security Program, <https://www.newsecuritybeat.org/2017/10/middle-eastern-wars-protect-civilians-protect-environmental-infrastructure/>
- Sowers, J. (2017), Environmental Activism in the Middle East: Prospects and Challenges, *Humanities Futures*, Franklin Humanities Institute, Duke University
- <https://humanitiesfutures.org/papers/environmental-activism-in-the-middle-east-prospects-and-challenges/>
- **Sowers, J., Waterbury, J. & Woertz, E.** (2013, September 12). Did Drought Trigger the Crisis in Syria?, *Footnote*, <http://footnote1.com/did-drought-trigger-the-crisis-in-syria/>

GRANTS AND AWARDS

External Grants

- Cammett, M., **Sowers, J.**, and Canpolat, E. 2024-2025. The Political Economy of Energy Transitions in the Middle East. The Salata Institute for Climate and Sustainability, Harvard University. \$25,000.
- Mercator Fellow (2022-2025), Renewable Energies, Renewed Authoritarianisms? The Political Economy of Solar Energy Projects in the Middle East and North Africa, Emmy Noether Junior Research Group with Dr. Benjamin Schuetze, DSG (German Research Foundation). (Declined due to family commitments)
- Alvario, G., **Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E.** Climate Migration and Urban Environments: Impacts and Conflict Linkages. United States Institute of Peace Peaceworks Grant, 2022.
- Weinthal, E., & **Sowers, J.** (2020). The Energy-Health Nexus in Wars in the Middle East. Duke University Energy Research Seed Fund. Submitted February 2020, awarded May 1. \$42,000. <https://www.unh.edu/unhtoday/2020/05/energy-health-nexus>
- Weinthal, E., & **Sowers, J.** (2019). Improving Water, Sanitation, and Energy Supply at an UNRWA School in the Gaza Strip, for Gerda Henckel Stiftung. Submitted March 27, 2019,

awarded April 26, 2019. \$100,000 EU awarded to Ecopeace Middle East.

- **Sowers, J., & Weinthal, E.** (2019). Protracted Conflicts and the Targeting of Civilian Infrastructure and Livelihoods in the Middle East. Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) Multi-Country Research Fellowship, Submitted Jan. 23, 2019, awarded April 16, 2019. \$10,500.
- Weinthal, E., & **Sowers, J.** (2017). Targeting Environmental Infrastructures: Water, Energy, and Civilians in the New Middle Eastern Wars, Gerda Henkel Stiftung, submitted October 2016, awarded April 2017. 50,000 EU.
- Kostianoy, A., & Mancebo, F., PI's. **Sowers, J.**, co-PI. (2013). Climate-Water-Migration Nexus: Scenarios for North Africa and Central Asia, NATO Science for Peace Planning Grant. \$50,000.
- Institute for the Study of World Politics Dissertation Fellowship, 1997-1998.
- MacArthur Foundation, Princeton Center for International Studies Doctoral Dissertation Research Fellowship, 1997-1998.
- MacArthur Foundation, Princeton Center for International Studies Pre-Dissertation Field Research Grant, Summer 1996.
- Ford Foundation Undergraduate Fieldwork Grants, Harvard University, 1988, 1989.

Grants and Awards: University of New Hampshire

- **Sowers, J., & Palace, M.** (2018). TIGERS II: Transformative Investigations of Geospatial, Environmental, and Social Sciences, CoRE Pilot Research Partnership, UNH. \$30,000.
- **Sowers, J., & Palace, M.** (2016). TIGERS: Transformative Investigations of Geospatial, Environmental, and Social Sciences, CoRE Interdisciplinary Working Group Award, \$15,000.
- **Sowers, J., & Palace, M.** (2016). Murkland Interdisciplinary Scholar Teams, College of Liberal Arts, \$10,000.
- Sowers, J. Summer Faculty Research Grant, 2014.
- **Sowers, J., Malone, M., & Fish, J.** (2013). “#Change: Understanding Activism at Home and Abroad,” Sidore Lecture Series, UNH Center for Humanities, 2014-2015.
- **Sowers, J., & Polasky, J.** (2013-2014). Liberal Arts and Sustainability Course Grant, for two-course sequence on “Comparative Revolutions.”
- International Development Grant. (2013), Center for International Education.
- Summer Faculty Research Fellowship. (2011), College of Liberal Arts, UNH.
- Graduate School Summer Faculty Fellowship. (2010). University of New Hampshire.
- International Development Grant. (2008), Center for International Education, UNH.

Arabic Language Grants and Programs

- Princeton University, Near Eastern Studies Dept., Summer Arabic Grants, 1997 & 1995.
- Advanced Arabic, University of Alexandria, Alexandria, Egypt, Summer 1997.
- Princeton University, Council on Regional Studies, Summer Language Grant, 1997.
- Georgetown University, Arabic Scholarship, Advanced Arabic, Summer 1995.
- Middlebury College, Arabic Scholarship, Intermediate Arabic, Summer 1994.
- Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS), Arabic, Princeton University, 1994.

INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “Building back better? Environmental infrastructures, conflict, and climate change in the Middle East,” Third International Conference on Environmental Peacebuilding, The Hague, Netherlands, June 19-22, 2024.
- Invited Lecture, “War, Environment, Infrastructure: Lessons from the Middle East,” University of Wisconsin-Madison, Africa at Noon Series, Feb. 14.
- “Targeting Environmental Infrastructures in Protracted Conflicts: Lessons from Yemen, Libya, and Palestine,” Centre d'Études et de Documentation Économiques, Juridiques et Sociales (CEDEJ), Cairo, Egypt (online), Jan. 15. <https://www.arabpsn.org/events/the-politics-of-infrastructure-in-the-mena-seminars>

2023

- “Targeting Libya’s Rentier State: the Politics of Energy, Water, and Infrastructural Decay,” paper presented at Middle East Studies Annual Meeting, Montreal, CA, Nov. 3, 2023.
- “The Precarity of the Rentier State: Energy and Water Infrastructures in the Libyan Civil War,” paper presented at the Environmental Politics and Governance Workshop, Glasgow, Scotland, July 12.
- “The New Valley Project: Again and Forever?”, invited talk, Centre d'Études et de Documentation Économiques, Juridiques et Sociales (CEDEJ), Cairo, Egypt (online), April 18, 2023.

2022

- “New Directions in Comparative Environmental Politics,” roundtable participant, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, CA, Sept. 18, 2022.
- “Climate Crisis and Environmental Injustice in the Middle East and North Africa,” invited presentation, Arab Center Washington, DC, April 28, 2022 (online). <https://arabcenterdc.org/event/the-impact-of-climate-change-and-environmental-injustice-in-middle-east-and-north-africa-what-should-be-done/>.
- “Targeting Infrastructure in Protracted Conflicts in the Middle East,” invited presentation, Explosive Weapons Monitor Research Workshop, April 27 & 28, 2022 (online)
- “Climate Change in the Middle East: Challenges in Adaptation and Mitigation,” Brookings Institution & Crown Center for Middle East Studies, Washington, DC, March 17, 2022.
- “The Energy-Health Nexus in Conflicts in the Middle East,” International Studies Association Annual Meeting, March 31, 2022.
- “Protracted Conflict, Civilian Infrastructure, and Public Health: Linkages and Evidence,” with E. Weinthal, Second International Conference on Environmental Peacebuilding, Geneva, Feb 4, 2022 (online).

2021

- Roundtable participant, “Critical Environmental Perspectives on the Middle East and North Africa,” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Dec. 5, 2021 (online).
- Panelist, “Climate Change and Conflict,” Cassandra Conference, Eurecat: CenterTechnologic de Catalunya, Spain, November 15, 2021. (online).
- Invited talk, “Environmental Infrastructures, War, and Peacebuilding in the Middle East,” Conflict Resolution Colloquium Series, University of Massachusetts-Boston, October 17, 2021 (online).
- Invited discussant, for release of World Bank book *Ebb and Flow: Water in the Shadow of Conflict in the Middle East and North Africa*, Stockholm World Water Week, August 23, 2021 (online).

- Invited talk, “Environmental Infrastructures and War in the Middle East,” for panel “Environment in Conflict: Ecologies of War and Occupation,” Arab Reform Initiative, Inaugural Conference on Environmental Politics in the Middle East and North Africa, June 6, 2021. (online). Synopsis at <https://www.arab-reform.net/publication/new-collection-of-essays-on-environmental-politics-in-the-middle-east-and-north-africa/>
- Co-organizer and participant, “The Energy-Health Nexus in Contemporary Conflicts: A Two-Part Workshop,” Duke University Energy Initiative Grant, April 29 and May 6, 2021 (online.)
- Invited talk, “Humanitarian Challenges and the Targeting of Civilian Infrastructure in the Yemen War,” Wilson Center, Washington, DC, International Affairs’ Special Issue on Environmental Peacebuilding, Jan 27, 2021, <https://www.wilsoncenter.org/event/launch-event-international-affairs-special-issue-environmental-peacebuilding>

2020

- Panel organizer, “Rivalry, Energy, and Insecurity in the Middle East,” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Oct. 10-13, 2020 (online).
- Discussant, “The Politics of Climate, Infrastructure, and Environment in the Middle East,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Sept 12, 2020 (online).
- Presenter, Roundtable on “The Consequences of Democratic Backsliding on Environment,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Sept 13, 2020, (online).
- Invited presenter, “Documenting Indirect Impacts of War-Related Destruction of Civilian Infrastructure in the Middle East,” and invited participant in three-part workshop on “Building the Evidence Base: Addressing the Reverberating Effects of Military Operations on Civilian Life,” hosted by Stanford University Center for Health Policy and Interaction, May 19, 21, and 27, 2020 (online).

2019

- “Civilian Infrastructure and Humanitarian Response in Yemen,” paper presented at annual meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, New Orleans, LA, November 2019.
- “Famine and the Politics of Humanitarian Action in Yemen,” paper presented at International Conference on Peacebuilding, University of California-Irvine, October 23-25, 2019.
- Invited talk, “Targeting Infrastructure, Health, and Civilians in Yemen,” for workshop on “Infrastructures of Power in the Middle East,” George Washington University, Washington, DC, April 12, 2019.

2018

- Invited talk, “Environmental Politics and Middle East Studies,” Workshop on “Transnational Conceptions of Nature and Ecology,” Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Berlin, Germany, December 7, 2018.
- Invited presenter, “Energy and Environment,” for webinar on “Understanding Contemporary Egypt: An Online Seminar,” Hands Along the Nile, Washington, D.C., October 16, 2018.
- “Blockades, De-Development, and Humanitarian Response in the New Middle Eastern Wars”. Paper presented at the World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies, Seville, Spain, July 17, 2018.
- Participant, Northeast Middle East Politics Working Group, Harvard University, May 10-11, 2018.
- “Protracted Conflict and Long Occupations: Targeting Environmental Infrastructure in Israel-Palestine,” with E. Weinthal, International Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, April 4-7, 2018.

- Invited talk, “Targeting Environmental Infrastructures, International Law, and Civilians in the New Middle Eastern Wars,” with E. Weinthal, Geneva Water Hub Lecture Series, World Meteorological Organization, Geneva, Switzerland, January 11, 2018.
<https://www.genevawaterhub.org/news/targeting-environmental-infrastructures-international-law-and-civilians-new-middle-eastern-wars>,

2017

- Invited lecture, “Resource Scarcity, Inequality, and Insecurity: World of Multiple Vulnerabilities”, for 'Empowering Sustainability in a Fragile World" Conference hosted by Lomonosov Moscow State University and the Institute for Oriental Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia, December 14-15, 2017.
<http://russiancouncil.ru/en/news/riac-hosts-international-conference-empowering-sustainability-in-a-fragile-world/>
- “Targeting Environmental Infrastructures, International Law, and Civilians in the New Middle Eastern Wars,” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, Washington, DC, November 19, 2017.
- Invited Roundtable Participant, Hollings Center for International Dialogue, “The Food Security Factor: Stability, Governance and Development Choices,” Casablanca, Morocco, Sept. 27-October 1, 2017, <https://www.hollingscenter.org/jeannie-sowers-on-food-security-challenges-and-practices-in-the-mena-region/>
- Invited Lecture, “Environmental Activism in the Middle East: Prospects and Challenges,” for “Environmental Futures in the Middle East,” Duke University, March 20, 2017.
- “Targeting Environmental Infrastructures, International Law, and Civilians in the New Middle Eastern Wars,” paper presented at International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, with E. Weinthal and N. Zawahri, February 22-25, 2017.

2016

- “Comparative Environmental Mobilization in the Middle East and North Africa,” paper presented at Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, Nov. 20, 2016.
- “Targeting Environmental Infrastructures: International Law and Infrastructural Wars in the Middle East and North Africa,” Center for Humanities Faculty Fellow Lecture, UNH, November 2, 2016.
- Invited paper and talk, “Understanding Environmental Mobilization in the Middle East,” Center for Regional and International Studies, Georgetown University-Qatar, April 3-4, 2016.
- Invited talk, “State Deconstruction and Environmental Infrastructures in the Middle East and North Africa,” for workshop “After The Uprisings: The Arab World in Freefall, Fragmentation or Reconfiguration?” Princeton University Bobst Center for Peace and Justice and the American University of Beirut, Princeton, NJ, March 4-5, 2016.

2015 and previous

- Invited talk, “Environment and Human Insecurity in the Middle East,” Center for International and Regional Studies, School of Foreign Service in Qatar, Georgetown University, Doha, Qatar, September 29, 2015.
- Invited talk, “Social and Environmental Mobilization in the Middle East”, for Geopolitics of Natural Resources Working Group, Georgetown University-Qatar, Doha, Qatar, September 27-28, 2015.
- “State Deconstruction and the Targeting of Infrastructure in the Middle East,” J. Sowers, E. Weinthal, and N. Zawahri, paper presented at International Studies Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, February 20, 2015.
- “The Nexus of Food, Fuel, and Water,” Presentation for “Wars, After-Wars, and Structural

Crises in the Middle East”, Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice and Middle East Research and Information Project, Princeton University, October 10, 2014.

- “Environmental Security and the Middle East,” International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Presidential Panel on Environmental Security, March 28, 2014.
- Invited talk, “Environmental Politics in Egypt After Mubarak,” Center for Middle East Studies, University of Arizona, March 13, 2014.
- Invited talk, “Changing Media and Protest in Egypt,” Reed College, Portland, OR, November 1, 2013.
- “Securitization of Water, Migration, and Climate Change,” Paper presented at annual meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, October 12, 2013.
- “Securitization of Water, Migration, and Climate Change Linkages in the Middle East”, with E. Weinthal and N. Zawahri. Paper presented at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting, April 3-6, 2013.
- Invited talk, “Environmental Politics in Egypt: Activists, Experts, and the State”, Nature Conservation Egypt and the British Council, Cairo, Egypt, February 24, 2013.
<https://www.facebook.com/events/436696539735496/>
- “Assessing Household Water Security in the Middle East and North Africa,” (with Neda Zawahri and Erika Weinthal), Presented at “Water Security, Society, and Risk” Conference, St. Hugh’s College, Oxford, UK, April 15-17, 2012.
- “Securitization of Migration, Water, and Climate Change Linkages”, with E. Weinthal and N. Zawahri. Paper presented at the Water Securitization Workshop, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, December 17-18, 2012.
- “Water and Sanitation in the Middle East and North Africa: A Critique of the MDG Assessments” (with Neda Zawahri and Erika Weinthal), International Studies Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, March 17, 2011.
- Invited talk, “Global Climate Change, Human Security, and Democracy Workshop” convened by the University of California, Santa Barbara, and the Moulay Hisham Foundation for Social Science Research on the Middle East and North Africa. Rabat, Morocco, September 10-11, 2011.
- Invited talk, “Water, Sanitation, and Health in the Middle East: A Critique of the MDG Assessments,” Seminar Series on Health and Human Security in the Middle East, Brown University, April 6, 2011.
- “Re-mapping the Nation, Critiquing the State: Narrating Land Reclamation in Egypt’s New Valley,” Center for the Humanities Faculty Fellows Lecture, University of New Hampshire, April 28, 2010.
- “Greening Authoritarianism?: Environment and Politics in Egypt”, New Hampshire International Seminar, University of New Hampshire, April 6, 2010.
- “Networks, Narratives and Environmental Reform in Egypt,” New England Middle East Politics Workshop, Harvard University, March 19-21, 2010.
- “The Politics of Dirty Water in the Middle East and North Africa” (with Neda Zawahiri and Erika Weinthal). Paper presented at International Studies Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, February 17, 2010.
- “The Politics of Dirty Water: Linkages between Water Quality and Security,” (with Neda Zawahiri and Erika Weinthal). Paper presented at Workshop on Water and Security, International Studies Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, February 16, 2010.
- “Water Resources and Climate Adaptation in the Middle East,” Presenter for “Running Dry:

Water in the Middle East and North Africa,” Secondary Teacher Training Workshop, Hagop Kevorkian Center for Middle East Studies, New York University, July 27-29, 2010.

- “Climate Change, Water Resources, and the Politics of Human Security in the Middle East and North Africa” (with Erika Weinthal and Avner Vengosh), Paper for “Climate Change and Security” Conference, Trondheim, Norway, June 21-24, 2010.
- “Climate Adaptation and Water Resources: Policy Challenges for the Middle East,” Lecture, The Dubai Initiative, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard University, December 9, 2009.
- “Greening Authoritarianism: Environment and Politics in Egypt and the Gulf,” Talk for the Dubai Initiative, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard University, April 8, 2009.
- “Climate Change, Water Resources, and the Politics of Adaptation in the Middle East,” paper presented at Harvard University Middle East Politics Workshop, March 17, 2009.
- “Climate Change, Water Resources, and the Politics of Adaptation in the Middle East and North Africa,” (with Erika Weinthal and Avner Vengosh). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, New York City, February 15-18, 2009.
- “Institutional Change and Authoritarian Governance: Water Reform in Egypt,” Paper presented as workshop on “Approaches in Comparative Environmental Politics,” UC Berkeley, March 26, 2008.
- “Institutional Change and Authoritarian Governance: Water Reform in Egypt,” Paper presented at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, March 26-29, 2008.
- “Transnational Networks and the Political Geography of Water Projects in Egypt,” paper presented at “Mapping Transnational Networks in the Middle East: Local Logics and Global Processes,” 9th Mediterranean Research Meeting, European Union Institute, Montecatini Terme, Italy, March 12-15, 2008.
- J. Sowers and M. Arsel, “Environmental Narratives, National Imaginaries, and the Transformation of Nature in the Middle East,” paper presented at Middle East Studies Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada, November 17-20, 2007.
- “Re-mapping the Nation: Environmental Narratives and Water Projects in Egypt,” Paper presented at the American Society for Environmental History, Baton Rouge, LA, February 28-March 3, 2007.
- “Transnational Networks, State Power, and Water,” Paper presented at the Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting Boston, MA, November 20-24, 2007.
- “Building Environmental Capacities Under Authoritarian Rule: Egypt in Comparative Perspective.” Paper presented at the International Studies Association-Northeast, Boston, MA, Nov. 9-11, 2006.
- “Globalization, State Capacity, and Corporate Environmentalism in Developing Countries,” Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, April 15-18, 2004.
- “State, Business, and Environmental Reform: Cross-Sectoral Findings from Egypt,” Paper presented at the Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., November 2002.
- “The Political Economy of Coastal Tourism in Egypt,” Paper presented at First Mediterranean Social and Political Research Meeting, European University Institute, Florence, Italy, March 22-26, 2000.

- “Regulatory Politics and Protected Areas in Egypt,” Paper presented at the International Studies Association, Los Angeles, CA, March 14-18, 2000.

WORKSHOP CONVENOR

- Co-organizer, with Marc Lynch, “Environmental Politics in the Middle East,” sponsored by Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS), February 10-11, 2022 (online).
- Co-organizer, with E. Weinthal, for two-part workshop, “The Energy-Health Nexus in Contemporary Conflicts,” funded by Duke University Energy Initiative; co-sponsored by Center for Civilians in Conflict and Stanford University. April 15 & 29, 2021 (online).
- Faculty co-convenor, with C. Toensing, “People Power: Understanding the Arab Uprisings,” Week-long faculty enrichment seminar. Faculty Research Network, New York University, NY, NY, June 11-15, 2012.
- Workshop co-convenor, with E. Weinthal, “Climate Adaptation in the Middle East: Challenges and Opportunities,” Dubai Initiative, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, May 3-4, 2010. Funded by Belfer Center grant.

WORKSHOP PARTICIPANT AND DISCUSSANT

- Discussant, [“New Perspectives on Environment, Capitalism, and Politics,”](#) Jadaliyya Environment, Online, October 13, 2023.
- Discussant, Faculty Scholars Retreat, Crown Center for Middle East Studies, Brandeis University, November 2021.
- Discussant, 11th Annual Northeast Middle East Politics Working Group (NEMEPWG), Boston College, March 31-April 1, 2017.
- Discussant, Northeast Middle East Politics Working Group, (NEMEPWG), March 26-27, 2016.
- Discussant, Northeast Middle East Politics Working Group (NEMEPWG), University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, March 27-29, 2015.
- Workshop participant and panel moderator, “Tropical Agriculture as ‘Last Frontier’? Food Import Needs of the Middle East and North Africa, Ecological Risks and New Dimensions of South-South Cooperation with Africa, Latin America and South-East Asia,” Barcelona Center for International Affairs, Barcelona, Spain, January 28-30, 2015.
- Participant, Human Development Report 2015 Consultation, United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and Pardees School for International Studies, Boston University, June 30, 2014.
- Book workshop participant for Amy Austin Holmes, *Coups and Revolutions: Mass Mobilization, the Egyptian Military, and the United States from Mubarak to Al-Sisi* (Oxford University Press, 2019), Watson Institute for International Studies, Brown University, June 23, 2014.
- Discussant, North East Middle East Politics Working Group (NEMEPWG), University of Vermont, Burlington, VT, April 4-6, 2014.
- Invited moderator and participant, “Social and Environmental Challenges of EU-MENA Renewable Power Cooperation,” International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, Laxenburg, Austria, May 22-23, 2013.
- Invited participant, “Conflict and Competition over Changing Water Resources,” Transatlantic Dialogue on Climate Change and Security, International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS), Arundel House, London, UK, July 23, 2009.

- Discussant, “The Political Economy of the Middle East: Enduring Challenges and New Breakthroughs.” Workshop on Democracy and Development in the Middle East, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ. April 3-4, 2009.
- Discussant for panel “Water and Politics in Egypt,” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, November 21-24, 2009.
- Discussant, “Transnational Connections: Geopolitics, Political Economy, and Middle East Studies,” International Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, March 26-29, 2008.
- Panel co-organizer, “Politicizing Environmental Change in the Middle East,” Middle East Studies Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada, Nov. 17-20, 2007.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Boards and External Reviewer

- Editorial Board Member, *Global Environmental Politics*, MIT Press, 2013-
- Editorial Board Member, *Middle East Report*, 2010-2016.
- Peer reviewer for *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, *International Security*, *Environment and Security*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Review of International Political Economy*, *Middle East Report*, *Energy Policy*, *Arab Studies Journal*, *International Journal of Environmental Agreements*, *Climatic Change*, *Middle East Journal*, *Antipode*, *Geoforum*, *Development in Practice*, *Social Movement Studies*, *The Journal of Environment and Development*, *Nature Climate Change*, *Regional Environmental Change*, *Environment & Planning C: Government and Policy*, *Middle East Law and Governance*, *Environmental Politics*, *Mediterranean Politics*.
- Peer review of manuscripts for Oxford University Press, Stanford University Press, Columbia University Press, Cornell University Press, Longman Publishers, and Chatham House.
- External reviewer for promotion and tenure at American University of Beirut (2014), University of Oregon (2018), Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) (2019), University of Kentucky (2020), and London School of Economics (2023).
- External doctoral examiner, Department of Geography, Environment, and Population, University of Adelaide, Australia (2021).
- Grant proposal reviewer, Carnegie Corporation of New York, Arab Region Research and Scholarship Program (2024), Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research, Division of Social Sciences (2013).
- Selection Committee, Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence Program, and Egyptian Fulbright Scholars, Binational Fulbright Commission in Egypt, Cairo, Egypt, 2008.

Advisory Boards and Initiatives

- Advisory Evaluation Committee, Arab Fund Fellowship Program, Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development, 2023-24.
- Advisory Board Member, [“Water and the Future of the Middle East,”](#) Center for Strategic and International Studies, 2023-present.
- Advisory Board Member, [“Sustainable States: Environment, Governance and the Future of the Middle East,”](#) Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, DC, 2020-2021.
- Member, Jadaliyya Middle East Studies Pedagogy Initiative, Environmental Politics, 2020-present.

Professional Association Service

- Executive Committee, Environmental Studies Section, International Studies Association, 2022-present.
- Committee Member, Middle East and North Africa Best Paper Award, American Political Science Association, January 2020.
- Chair, 2019 Roger Owen Book Award Committee, Middle East Studies Association.
- Nominations Committee Member, Environmental Studies Section, International Studies Association, 2009-2012.
- Member: International Studies Association, Environmental Politics Section; Middle East Studies Association; Middle East Report and Information Project (MERIP); Environmental Peacebuilding Association, Water Interest Group; American Political Science Association, Middle East Politics Section.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SERVICE

College of Liberal Arts and Campus

- Member, President's Working Group on Free Speech and Expression Policies and Communication, UNH, Fall 2024-
- UNH Participant, HERS Leadership Institute, Weekend Intensive Program, Boston, MA, 2021-22. Program participation funded by the Office of the Provost, University of New Hampshire.
- College of Liberal Arts Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2014-2016, 2020-2021 Also elected 2017-2019. *Ad hoc* COLA promotion committee, 2016-2017.
- Fulbright Faculty Mentor, Dr. Aziza Ibrahim, visiting Fulbright Scholar from Egypt, June 2021-December 2021.
- Fulbright Interview Committee, UNH, 2019-2020.
- Faculty Mentor for UNH Scholar-at-Risk, Dr. Dilsah Deniz, at risk in Turkey for signing academic peace declaration calling for negotiations between Kurdish leaders and the Turkish state, 2017-2018.
- Reviewer, CoRE Interdisciplinary Working Group Proposals, Office of the Senior Vice Provost for Research, June 4, 2018.
- Participant, UNH ADVANCE Faculty Search Committee Workshop, April 29, 2014.
- University Council on Inclusive Excellence, Committee Member, UNH, 2013-2014.
- Sidore Lecture Selection Panel, Center for the Humanities, Fall 2014.
- Interim Vice-Provost for Inclusive Excellence and Faculty Development Search Committee, Fall 2012.
- Social Sciences Division Secretary, College of Liberal Arts, University of New Hampshire, 2010-2012.
- UNH Selection Committee, Boren National Security Fellowship Program in Critical Languages, 2006--2008.

Department of Political Science

- Department Chair, Spring 2021, Fall 2022- present.
- Tenure-track Faculty Search Committees
 - International Relations Tenure-Track Search Committee Member, 2019-2020.

- Chair, South Asian Comparative Politics Search Committee, 2014-2015.
- European Comparative Politics Search Committee Member, 2014-2015.
- International Relations Lecturer Search Committee, Summer 2019.
- Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2018-2019. Committee member 2006-2009, 2012.
- One of four principal authors, 10-year self-study for Political Science Department, 2017-2018.
- Promotion and Tenure Committee. Coordinated/wrote research and service review for full professor promotion cases (2012, 2017, and 2019). Coordinated/wrote research and service review for tenure to associate professor (2010, 2012).
- Chair, Graduate Committee, 2013-2015, 2020. Graduate Committee Member, 2010- 2012, 2018-2019.
- Political Science Merit and Equity Committee, 2013-2014.
- Political Science Scheduling Committee, 2006—2008, Fall 2012.
- Departmental AAUP Representative, 2007-2008.
- Post-Tenure Review Committee, Prof. Alasdair Drysdale, Dept. of Geography, 2008.

OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT

Campus Lectures and Outreach

- “Gaza in Context II,” New Hampshire International Seminar, UNH, Sept. 24, 2024.
- “Gaza in Context,” University of New Hampshire, Feb 29, 2024.
- “Foundations and Fellowships: A Faculty Perspective,” Panel presentation for UNH Research Communications Academy, April 6, 2021.
- “Introduction: Yousef Chahine’s ‘Alexandria...Why?’”, Il Cinema Ritrovato NH, March 4, 2020.
- “Power and Protest in Gaza,” New Hampshire International Seminar, November 6, 2019.
- “Islamophobia and US Policy in the Middle East,” presenter and organizer for panel on “Islam, National Security, and the Trump Administration,” March 27, 2017.
- “The Syrian Conflict,” Guest Speaker, UNH Project Search, November 5, 2014.
- “People Power in Egypt and the Arab World,” Guest Speaker, UNH Project Search, March 21, 2012.
- “Protest and Politics in Contemporary Iran,” Speaker for Model UN Event, April 5, 2011.
- Organizer and speaker, 1st UNH Forum on Protest in the Arab World: Egypt, February 9, 2011.
- Organizer and speaker, 3rd UNH Forum on Protest in the Arab World: Syria and Libya, May 3, 2011.
- Organizer for the New Hampshire International Seminar Lecture Series, “The Middle East: A Lecture Series,” Fall 2010.
- Moderator, Panel on “Politics and Media in the Middle East”, UNH Undergraduate Research Conference, April 29, 2011.
- “Understanding the Middle East”, Guest Speaker, UNH Project Search, January 24, 2007.
- “Why is Democracy Elusive in the Middle East?” Discovery Dialogue author for “We Hold These Truths: A University Dialogue on Democracy,” 2007-08.
- “Democracy after 9/11,” Participant, University Dialogue on Democracy, University of New Hampshire, September 11, 2007.
- Discussant, “The Palestinian: A Play,” University of New Hampshire, February 19, 2006.

- “The History and Politics of Iraq,” Speaker, UNH Project Search, Nov. 30, 2005.
- “Public Forum on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict,” Panelist, University of Iowa, October 12, 2003.
- “Public Forum on the US Intervention in Iraq,” Panelist, Bose Lecture Series, Political Science Department, University of Iowa, February 19, 2003.
- “Iraq and the United States,” Speaker, Global Studies Organization, University of Iowa, October 23, 2002.
- “U.S. Mobilization Against Iraq: Implications for the Middle East.” The University of Iowa, October 11, 2002.

Community Lectures

- “Targeting Infrastructure and Livelihoods in the West Bank and Gaza Strip,” Active Retirement Association, Durham, NH, March 6, 2019.
- “Islamophobia and US Policy in the Middle East,” International Affairs Club, Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, NH, April 13, 2017.
- “The Arab Uprisings: Unfinished Revolutions?,” Active Retirement Association, Durham, NH, October 28, 2015.
- “Human Insecurity in the Middle East,” Riverwoods Retirement Community, Exeter, NH, August 11, 2015.
- “Understanding the Arab Uprisings,” Arab Culture Club, University of Arizona, March, 15, 2014.
- “Creating Democracy in the Middle East,” Guest Speaker, New Hampshire Chapter of the Fulbright Association, October 16, 2007.
- “America, Regime Change, and the Middle East,” Speaker, Iowa City Foreign Relations Council, November 21, 2003.
- “Radical Islam, Terrorism, and U.S. Interests,” Speaker, Iowa United Nations Association, Iowa City, October 27, 2001.

INTERVIEWS AND MEDIA

Print and Online

- Clément Gibon, “COP27 : l’Égypte, un hôte vraiment pas écolo”, Reporterre, <https://reporterre.net/COP27-l-Egypte-un-hote-vraiment-pas-ecolo>, Nov. 8, 2022.
- Ratia Tekenet, “Experts Spotlight Bottom Up Approaches and Impacts of Conflict on Infrastructure in Next Wave of Environmental Peacebuilding,” New Security Beat <https://www.newsecuritybeat.org/2021/02/experts-spotlight-bottom-up-approaches-impacts-conflict-infrastructure-wave-environmental-peacebuilding/>, Feb. 16, 2021.
- Dave Moore, “Jeannie Sowers wins award for study of civilian infrastructure and war in the Middle East,” UNH Today, <https://www.unh.edu/unhtoday/2019/08/caorc-fellow>, Aug. 7, 2019.
- Austin Bodetti, “How Water Scarcity is Destroying Gaza,” Lobe Log, <https://lobelog.com/how-water-scarcity-is-destroying-gaza/>, August 1, 2019.
- Bruce K. Rutherford and Jeannie L. Sowers. *Jadaliyya New Texts Out Now: Modern Egypt: What Everyone Needs to Know*. <http://www.jadaliyya.com/Details/38627>, May 9, 2019.
- Leoni Nimmo, “‘Held Hostage to the Conflict’: New Study Examining Targeting of Infrastructure Finds ‘Slow Violence’ in the West Bank and ‘Extensive Destruction’ in Gaza,”

Conflict and Environment Observatory Blog, March 1, 2019, <https://ceobs.org/new-study-on-infrastructure-damage-in-gaza-and-the-west-bank/>

- “Slow Violence: UNH and Duke Researchers Document Human Cost of Infrastructure Attacks in Gaza and West Bank,” UNH Today, February 19, 2019, <https://www.unh.edu/unhtoday/2019/02/slow-violence>
- Kira Walker, “Environmental Infrastructure a Potent Weapon in Wartime,” *Nature Middle East*, September 30th 2017, <https://www.natureasia.com/en/nmiddleeast/article/10.1038/nmiddleeast.2017.144>
- Jennifer Saunders, “Environment, Conflict, Law: Rory O’Neil ’20 Dives Deep into Middle East Research,” *UNH Today*, September 25, 2017, <https://www.unh.edu/unhtoday/2017/09/environment-conflict-law>
- Jennifer Saunders, “Research Without Borders,” UNH Today, September 25, 2017, <https://www.unh.edu/unhtoday/2017/09/research-without-borders>
- Kiera Blessing, “Local Reps Ask Trump What’s Next After Syria Strike,” *Eagle-Tribune*, April 7, 2017, http://www.eagletribune.com/news/merrimack_valley/local-reps-ask-trump-what-s-next-after-syria-strike/article_7abf7c66-fa3c-593c-9ffa-7e4bac070c14.html; http://www.salemnews.com/news/local_news/moulton-reps-ask-trump-what-s-next-after-syria-strike/article_2a58e1f5-d954-5dad-a719-77e0d545f793.html
- “Climate Change Cooperation: Experts Weigh in on the Paris Summit,” *UNH Today*, Dec. 3, 2015, <http://unh.edu/unhtoday/2015/12/climate-change-cooperation>
- “Reconsidering Refugees: American Values and Real Security Risks,” *The Exchange*, NHPR, Nov. 30, 2015, <http://nhpr.org/post/reconsidering-refugees-american-values-real-security-risks>
- “Understanding Environmental Politics,” *Egypt Independent*, <http://www.egyptindependent.com/news/understanding-environmental-politics-qa-jeannie-sowers>, Print edition February 28, 2013; Online March 3, 2013.
- *Jadaliyya*, New Texts Out Now: Jeannie Sowers: Environmental Politics in Egypt: Activists, Experts and the State, <http://www.jadaliyya.com/pages/index/10225/new-texts-out-now-jeannie-sowers-environmental-pol>, February 20, 2013.
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