Marcela Schaefer

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Experience:

Middle East Institute, Washington DC

Jan – May 2014

Research Assistant, Dr. Daniel Serwer (Professor at Johns Hopkins University, SAIS)

- Helped create a report on the status of ethnic and religious minorities in the Middle East
- Researched Syria's civil society using both English and Arabic source materials
- Wrote for and helped maintain *peacefare.net*, a blog on peace building and policy analysis
- Represented Dr. Serwer at panel events, conferences, and discussions in Washington

E-International Relations (E-IR), Online

Dec 2013 – Present

Commissioning Editor

- Commission articles from scholars of international politics for publication on E-IR
- Edit, fact-check, footnote scholars' articles as needed

MADRE, Manhattan, NY

May - Aug 2012

Program Intern

- Assisted with projects including program updates, proposals, reports, highlights, and profiles of potential partner organizations
- Researched specific issues related to MADRE programs; peace building, violence against women, economic and environmental justice
- Provided research support on women's human rights
- Translated documents to and from French, Spanish, and English

WatchingAmerica.org, Online

Mar 2012 - Jan 2014

French Translator

Researched and translated articles from French-language news sources into English

Education:

School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), London

Dec 2013

MSc Middle East Politics

2-1 (first division honors)

Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

Dec 2011

BS International Affairs

Honors, cum laude

Middle East Institute Language Program, Washington DC

Jan – Mar 2014

Advanced Modern Standard Arabic I

Harvard JFK School of Government, Online

Oct - Nov 2013

Central Challenges of American National Security, Strategy, and the Press

Arabic Language Institute (ALIF), Fez, Morocco

May – Jul 2011

Modern Standard Arabic 400 (Intermediate Level)

Skills

Languages: English, native; Spanish, native; French, advanced; Modern Standard Arabic; intermediate; Italian, elementary

Computer: Microsoft Office Suite, Wordpress, Dadamail, basic HTML, social media

(Facebook, LinkedIn, Tumblr, Twitter, etc)

Articles:

"The Role of Civil Society in Syria" Peaceafare.net (April 1, 2014)

URL: http://www.peacefare.net/?p=19279

"To What Extent May Islam be Considered a Threat to French Society?" *E-International Relations* (January 28, 2012).

 $URL: \underline{http://www.e-ir.info/2012/01/28/to-what-extent-may-islam-be-considered-a-threat-to-french-society/$