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EDUCATION

Tel Aviv University

PhD, Political Science

October 2023–Present

Fields: Comparative Politics; American Politics

M.A., Political Science, *magna cum laude*

June 2023

Double Major B.A.

October 2020

Political Science, *magna cum laude*

English and American Studies, *magna cum laude*

Northwestern University (Study Abroad)

December 2019

GPA: 3.85/4.0 (grants admittance to Dean’s list for home students)

BOOKS

[*The Emerging Republican Minorities: Racial and Ethnic Realignment in the Trump Era.*](#)

Bloomsbury Publishing, 2025 (with Udi Sommer).

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Sommer, Udi, and **Idan Franco**. 2023. “Trump’s African Americans? Racial Resentment and Black Support for Trump in the 2020 Elections.” *Politics, Groups, and Identities* 12 (4): 921–47. DOI: [10.1080/21565503.2023.2265899](https://doi.org/10.1080/21565503.2023.2265899)

- Covered by [*The New York Times*](#) and [*The Washington Post*](#).
- Most impactful *Politics, Groups, and Identities* article of the year (*OOIR*).
- Top 5 in Political Science trending research of the month (*OOIR*).
- SSRN’s Top 10 download list for: Political Behavior eJournals, Political Behavior: Race, Ethnicity & Immigration Politics eJournal, among others.

Sommer, Udi, and **Idan Franco**. 2024. “Activation of Dormant Political Dispositions and Latino Support for Trump in 2020.” *European Political Science Review* 16 (3):

- 351–77 (Q1 in Political Science). DOI: [10.1017/S1755773923000371](https://doi.org/10.1017/S1755773923000371)
- Covered by [*Axios*](#).

Sommer, Udi, and **Idan Franco**. 2024. "[Between Double Consciousness and Black Individualism: Racial Resentment Among African American Voters.](#)" *Public Sphere* 18 (Winter): 75–106 (in Hebrew).

UNDER REVIEW

Franco, Idan, Udi Sommer, and Nathalie Méndez Méndez. "¿Nuestra América? Antiinmigración y apoyo latino a Trump" (**R&R**).

Franco, Idan, and Raanan Rein. "The Forgotten Men and Women (of Color): Perón, Trump, and the Reevaluation of Populism."

Franco, Idan, and Udi Sommer. 2024. "International Politics and Political Minorities in America: Sinophobia and Asian American Support for Trump in 2020."

WORKING PAPERS

Franco, Idan, Julia Elad-Strenger, Sivan Hirsch-Hoefler, and Lihi Ben Shitrit. "Whitewashing the Radical-Right: How Does Racial and Ethnic Identity Mainstream the Perceived White Men Politics"?

Franco, Idan, and Yann Basset. "Anti-Maduro, Anti-Immigrants: International Relations and Perceptions on Immigration in Latin America."

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

1. Richard and Rhoda Goldman Fellowship Fund Scholarship for the Enhancement of the Quality of Governance (5,000 USD), 2023.
2. ISPSA's Best Paper and Presentation Award (1,000 ILS), 2023.
3. Center for the Study of the United States in Partnership with the Fulbright Program Research Grant for Research on American Politics, Policy, Society, Economy, and Culture (3,500 ILS), 2022.
4. Inbar Attia and Tali Gordon Memorial Scholarship Fund for Excellence in Graduate Studies (5,000 ILS), 2022.
5. Excellence Scholarship for MA Studies, Department of Political Science, Tel Aviv University (2,000 ILS), 2021.
6. Erasmus+ Grant to Study a Semester at Universidad Complutense de Madrid (~4,500

Euro), 2021.

7. Nadav Vardi Scholarship, Department of English and American Studies, Tel Aviv University (2,500 ILS), 2020.
8. North Rhine-Westphalia Scholarship Programme for Visiting Scholars, the Department of English and American Studies, TU Dortmund University, Dortmund, Germany (~5,000 Euro), 2020 (cancelled due to COVID-19).
9. Salti Foundation Scholarship for High Academic Achievements (5,000 ILS), 2019.
10. Holon Municipality Excellence in Academia Scholarship (7,000 ILS), 2018.
11. Exodus Scholarship for Liberal Political Theory (3,000 ILS), 2018.
12. Dean of the Faculty of Humanities' Award for Outstanding Achievements in Undergraduate Studies, Tel Aviv University, 2017–2018.

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

Annual Dupont Summit on Science, Technology, and Environmental Policy, 2023
Graduate Student Workshop in Memory of Gad Barzilai (ISPSA), 2023
Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association (SPSA), 2023, 2024
Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), 2023, 2024
Annual Meeting of the International Political Science Association (IPSA), 2023
Toronto Political Behavior Workshop, University of Toronto, 2022

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

Prof. Gilad Hirschberger, Reichman University	2023–Present
Prof. Julia Elad-Strenger, Bar-Ilan University	2023–Present
Prof. Sivan Hirsch-Hoefler, Reichman University	2023–Present
Prof. Elie Rekhess, Northwestern University	2021–Present
Prof. Emeritus Yekutiel Gershoni, Tel Aviv University	2021–2022
Prof. Emeritus Yoram Carmeli, University of Haifa	2017–2020
Prof. Michael Kochin, Tel Aviv University	2019
Prof. Tal Sadeh, Tel Aviv University	2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant (Department of Political Science, Tel Aviv University)

Introduction to Comparative Politics	S. 2021; F.–S. 2022
Contemporary Political Thought	S. 2021; S. 2022

Last updated: January 5, 2025

Israeli Political Behavior
The Israeli Political Regime
Introduction to International Relations

S. 2021; S. 2022; S. 2023
F.-S. 2021; F.-S. 2022
F. 2020; F. 2021

SERVICE

Department Service

Reviewer: *The Public Sphere* (2022)

SKILLS

Languages: English, Spanish, Hebrew; Arabic (basic reading)
Statistical Software: Stata, R, Tableau, SPSS