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## EDUCATION

**Georgetown University, McCourt School of Public Policy**
*Master of Public Policy*                                              Expected Graduation: 2026

**Bryce Harlow Foundation**
*Fellow*                                                            2023-2024 Academic Year

**Binghamton University, State University of New York**
*Bachelor of Arts, Major in Political Science, Minor in Sociology*              December 2018

## EXPERIENCE

**Wise Capital Strategy**                                                Washington, DC
*Policy Analyst*                                                   September 2022-Present
- Conduct research and analyze public policies, regulations, and legislative proposals, providing evidence-based insights and recommendations.
- Collaborate with stakeholders to develop and evaluate policy options, assessing feasibility, effectiveness, and risks.
- Monitor policy implementation, evaluated outcomes, and drove improvements through data-driven evaluation and stakeholder engagement.

**Afghanistan-US Democratic Peace and Prosperity Council (DPPC)**              Washington, DC
*Legislative Director*                                            September 2020-August 2023
- Primary interface between the DPPC Executive Director and members of the Afghan Parliament.
- Supported Executive Director on strategy, budget, operations and staffing.
- Provided mentorship, conducted policy research, develop over 300 talking points, testimony, remarks and white papers on core policy issues, and analysis of political trends and current events.
- Oversaw a US team of 20 consultants including bipartisan lobbyists and a top-tier public relations firm.
- Supervised a global team of 30 public affairs consultants working in NATO and allied countries including UK, France, Germany, Italy, and Norway.
- Managed the organization's web presence, social media strategy, and in-person and virtual events

**Princeton University, SPIA Policy Lab**                                          *Remote*
*Research Analyst*                                                  June 2022-June 2023
- Supported development of 60 policy recommendations related to humanitarian issues, civil society, women's rights, and national healing and reconciliation.
- Provided analysis and policy relevant academic and field research including gaining perspectives of people impacted on the ground.
- Closely collaborated with 10 academic fellows and members of Princeton University's Academic community.

**Speaker of Afghanistan Parliament**                                        International
*Chief of Staff*                                                *October 2021-August 2023*
- Developed over 100 briefings, reports and official statements for regional and international engagements.
- Served as the Afghanistan Parliament delegation advisor on official overseas engagements.
- Organized and staffed nearly 200 virtual and face-to-face meetings with regional parliaments, diplomatic representatives and parliamentary organizations such as the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU).

## SKILLS

*Computer*: Google Workspace tools, Graphika Social Media Analysis, Stata, Canva.
*Language*: Native in verbal/written Dari, Farsi and fluent in verbal/written Pashto.