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Can you tell us about your academic background?

I joined Sciences Po as an undergraduate on the Menton campus (Middle East and Mediterranean regional specialisation). I did my third-year exchange at the University of Toronto, and then took a break to do an internship in Cairo and another in Paris. I started my Master's degree in Political Science (Comparative Politics major) at the School of Research in 2019 and graduated in 2021 after writing my Master's thesis on the Ennahda Movement and the religious landscape in post-revolutionary Tunisia.

What did your years of study at the Sciences Po School of Research bring you?

I think most obviously the School of Research taught me how to do research. I benefited greatly from the subject courses and methodological teachings at the School of Research, but I learned most when writing my research dissertation, in both the field research and the writing phases. In addition to all this, I was able to meet new friends with whom I share many professional and personal interests.

What were the main stages in forming your career plans?

I was interested in research from the start of my university career, which made the choice of a Master's degree at the School of Research a natural one for me. My initial plan at the end of the Master's degree was to enter a PhD programme but I was unable, unfortunately, to find a contract/PhD funding. That's why I joined the Arab Reform Initiative team where I continue to do research in a different setting.

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