# Jasmine A. Kolano

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#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

soft power \* public diplomacy \* reputational security

#### **EDUCATION**

## Nanyang Technological University

2022-Present

S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS)

Doctor of Philosophy in International Relations (in progress)

GPA | 4.63/5

Dissertation: Israel's Future Reputational Security in East and Southeast Asia

Committee: Paul M. Hedges (supervisor), Leong Chan-Hoong, Eytan Gilboa

Teaching Assistant: Encountering Religions in Plural Societies (AS6030)

## University of Southern California

2018-2020

Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism (ASCJ)

Master of Arts in Public Diplomacy, 2020

GPA | 3.95/4

ASCJ Merit Award - Harriet Isray Merit Award - Asian Pacific Alumni Scholar

## **Azusa Pacific University**

2014-2018

Honors College

Bachelor of Arts in Communication & Honors Humanities, 2018

GPA | 3.68/4

Thesis: A Kiss of Betrayal: Judas and the 20th Century German Church

President's Scholarship - APEX Award - Servant Leader Award - Chapel Speaker

### Jerusalem University College

2016

Fall Semester Abroad. Near and Middle Eastern Studies

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

- ❖ Guest Speaker, SingaPurim, ShalomPoint Singapore, Mar 2024
- Guest Lecturer, Israel's Faith Diplomacy in Singapore, RSIS, Feb 2024
- ❖ Guest Lecturer, *The Singapore-Israel Friendship*, RSIS, Aug 2023
- ❖ Master of Ceremonies, The 6th Studies of Inter-Religious Relations in Plural Societies Distinguished Lecture ♂ Interreligious Symposium, RSIS, Nov 2023
- ❖ Guest Speaker, *Public Diplomacy in Action*, USC Annenberg, Jun 2020
- ❖ Guest Lecturer, Sabbath Writing Workshop, APU Honors College, Aug 2020

#### **SELECT PAPERS & WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

❖ Book Review (in progress) — Christopher L. Schilling: The Japanese Talmud: Antisemitism in East Asia

Temenos: Nordic Journal of the Study of Religion Vol. 60 No. 2 (2024)

❖ Commentary — "Israel's Public Diplomacy: Will It Touch a New Generation of Singaporeans?"

Insights Series no. 295, Middle East Institute (MEI), National University of Singapore

❖ Article — "An Unlikely Partnership Between China and the Midwest Heartland" *Public Diplomacy Magazine Issue 20 (2019), Center on Public Diplomacy* 

#### **CONFERENCES**

❖ Panelist — Inaugural International Studies Association (ISA) Virtual Conference Spaces of Influence, Spaces of Inclusion: Challenging Boundaries in the Context of Unbounded Challenges (Aug 2023)

Topic: "Israel's Public Diplomacy: Will It Touch a New Generation of Singaporeans?"

- ❖ Participant 3rd Annual International Conference on Religious Diplomacy Religious Leaders in Mixed Cities (May 2023) | Bar-llan University
- ❖ Delegate 2nd Annual International Conference on Cohesive Societies (ICCS) Confident Identities, Connected Communities (Sep 2022) | Singapore
- ❖ Panelist 11th Annual University of Southern California Women's Conference Leading through Impact (Mar 2019) | Washington D.C., USA Topic: "Why Public Diplomacy is Important: Reflections of My Time Abroad"

#### **EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE**

- ❖ Managing Editor (2022–) Journal of Intercultural Studies and Interreligious Theology
- ❖ Managing Editor (2021-22) *Trinitarian*
- \* Series Editor (2022) International Conference on Cohesive Societies 2022 Commentaries
- Proofreader (2022) Southeast Asian Social Cohesion Radar
- \* Editor-in-Chief (2019-20) Public Diplomacy Magazine
- ❖ Staff Writer (2015-20) The Odyssey Online

## **LANGUAGES**

English (native) • Mandarin (business proficiency) • Hebrew (basic)