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In stories from the field, adapting to unexpected conditions is nearly a rite of passage for anthropologists. But what does this celebrated trope of ethnographic authority mean when a country undergoes radical political transformation and against all conventional wisdom? Drawing on materials from Egypt that precede the 2011 revolution and follow the 2013 coup, this talk reflects on the limits and strategies of writing ethnography for the political present.

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