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Higher Education

UNIVERSITY OF TEL AVIV – 2018-2023

PhD in philosophy “From Oppressive Lover to Freedom Lover: The Evolution of Male Figure in Ghadda al-Samman’s Feminist Poetry— thematic and Stylistic Study”. Faculty of Humanities – The Shirly and Leslie Porter School of Cultural Studies.

UNIVERSITY OF TEL AVIV – 2016-2018

PhD candidate – Faculty of Humanities – The Shirly and Leslie Porter School of Cultural Studies. Fullfilling requerments and submitted my Phd thesis proposal in July 2018.

UNIVERSITY OF TEL AVIV – 2013-2015

MA thesis : Romantic Love In Fadwad Tuqan's and Emily Dickinson's poetry: A Comparative Thematic and Stylistic Study

UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA — 2004

Master of Arts in English Language and Literature

UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA — 2000

Bachelor of the Arts in English Language and Literature

Bachelor of the Arts in Education

ACADEMIC INTERESTS

Literature and women literature in specific

Poetry and Poetics – women's poetry in specific

Pedagogy

Composition and Rhetoric

Academic Writing

International Affairs and Academic Relations

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Al-Qasimi College (Baqa Al-Gharbiya, Israel) *Pedagogical Advisor* and EAP teacher **2018-2023**

High School of Science and Technology (Baqa Al-Gharbiya, Israel) — *English Teacher*, **2001-2017**

- Teach fundamentals of English Language, including grammar, reading comprehension, oral communication, composition, and literary analysis.
- Homeroom responsibilities, including exercises and activities to help students integrate education with other life skills – e.g., confidence-boosting activities and imparting moral values and social skills.
- Prepare students for the Bagrut (Matriculation) Exam for levels ranging from 3-5 points.

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Al-Qasimi College (Baqa Al-Gharbiya, Israel) — *Academic English Instructor, 2004-2005*

- Taught Reading Comprehension to college-level students in the EAP program (English for Academic Purposes). Through careful examination of diverse English resources, students improved their English skills, allowing them to pursue studies in fields of their choice.

Ort College (Yama, Israel) — *English Instructor, January 2010-June, 2010*

- Lectured on technical English in computing.

ADMINISTRATIVE & OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Al-Qasemi College of Education – *Head of International Academic Relation Office, 2023.*

- promotes campus internationalization and help provide service, support and information for international partners, students, researchers, faculty, as well as for Al-Qasemi academic community including joint researches and Erasmus agreements.

Al-Qasemi College of Education— Academy Class Coordinator, 2021-2022.

- Responsible for being in touch with practicum schools and promoting and strengthening the relationship between the field and the Academy.

Al-Qasemi Academic College of Education—Pedagogical Advisor, 2016-2023

- Responsible for accompanying students to schools and guiding their work, coordinating academic activity with practice.

Community Center in Baqa Al-Gharbiya — A member of the board and acting as the Vice Chairman of the board, 2016-2023

High School of Science and Technology (Baqa Al-Gharbiya, Israel) — *English Staff Coordinator, 2008-2016*

- Initiated outreach project, introducing foreign (Canadian, American, UK) university students into local classroom settings, allowing students to gain unique exposure to native English speakers through supervised interaction.
- Organized student participation in the Model UN TimeMUN 2012 conference at the International American School in Even Yehuda.
- Co-created a two-day student negotiation session together with Dr. Rahel Tal from the Amal School and run by Harvard University.
- Organized an after-school reading club together with students from Al-Qasimi School.
- Coordinated and participated in weekly seminars with Dr. David Mendelsohn on Modern literature for the English Staff in my school.

Ibn-Khuldon Elementary School (Baqa Al-Gharbiya, Israel) — *Volunteer, 2010-2012*

- Organized and ran Children's English Workshops.
- Created curriculum-related activities and provided necessary supplies.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Tel Aviv University (Tel Aviv) Academic Writing in English (2017).

Al-Qasimi College (Baqa Al-Gharbiya, Israel) annual conference in English Pedagogy (2002-Present).

Israeli Ministry of Education ("Pisga") English Inspectorate in-service courses on the integration of literature into the classroom (2010) and student assessment in English courses (2009), among others.

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ACADEMIC ACTIVITY 2021-2022

- Tel –Aviv University, Participation in the research workshop "Tradition - Canon of Tradition and Criticism" and giving a presentation to the group.
- Tel –Aviv University, Participation in the organisation of a study and friendship meeting at the Faculty of Cultural Studies and also in leading the meeting in 2021.
- Bar Ilan University, Participating and speaking at a workshop for young researchers at Bar Ilan University, dealing with the Arab Middle East and Islam.
- Participation in a lecture at the conference "Tradition and Criticism - Literature, Culture and Philosophy" - Tel Aviv University 2022

Year	Name of Course	Type of Course Lecture/Seminar/ Workshop/High Learn Course/ Introduction Course (Mandatory)	Degree	Number of Students
2023	Basic Grammar	Mandatory course for BA Students	BA	28
2020	Pre-practicum	Workshop course as an introduction to the practicum	B.A	38
2016-2023	Practicum	Mandatory field course	B.A	12-15

COMMUNITY ACTIVITY

- Volunteer coordinator of Judo for girls in Baqa- the only Arab girl group in Israel.
- Volunteer member of the board in the community center in Baqa (since 2015)
- Volunteer coordinator of hosting program in the Givat Haviva International School.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Native Arabic Speaker; Fluent in English and Hebrew (Written and Spoken).

Mentoring skills: developing close ties among students, parents, and the school faculty through parent-teacher and student-teacher meetings. Creating motivational activities for the purpose of character and social skills development among my students.

International Academic and intercultural Acitivity