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Curriculum Vitae

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Experience

- July 15th, 2013 – Present** PhD student at Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan- Poland, Faculty of Political Science and Journalism- International Relations.
- Aug/ 2012- July/2013** Chairperson of the Department of Sociology and Social Work, An-Najah National University.
- Sep/ 2012- July/2013** Member in the Quality Assurance Unit at the faculty of Arts, An-Najah National University.
- Sep / 2010-Aug /2012** Assistant Head of the Department of Sociology and Social Work, An-Najah National University.
- Oct / 2010-July/2013** Member in the Quality Assurance Unit at the Department of Sociology and Social Work, An-Najah National University.
- Oct / 2007-July 2009** Part-time lecturer at the Department of Social Work, Al-Quds Open University, Nablus.
- Sep / 2006- Present** Member in the Department of Sociology and Social Work, An-Najah National University.

The Courses I teach include:

- Introduction to Sociology.
- Arab Society.
- Palestinian Society.
- Stratification Sociology.
- Political Sociology.
- Introduction to Philosophy.
- Contemporary Social Theory.
- Anthropology.
- Sociology of Medicine.
- Women and Society.

2004- 2005 Administrative officer at the Ministry of Justice.

Education:

<i>2002-2004</i>	Social researcher at Sources Center for Media and Information.
1998- 2000	Palestinian Child Club in Toulkarem Volunteer consultant.
<i>2002-2005</i>	Master Degree in Sociology Birzeit University.
<i>1998-2002</i>	B.A Degree in Sociology Birzeit University.
<i>1997-1998</i>	High school in Toulkarem.

Training:

February 5th-6th, 2015	Joined the scientific conference on the relations between Poland and EU in Collegium Polonicum W Slwabicach. In the conference, I presented a paper titled (The Contemporary Relations between Poland and Palestine in Terms of EU).
November 24th-25th, 2014	Attended the scientific conference titled “ The Economic, Social and Political Changes in the Middle East after 2010 ” in which I presented a scientific paper titled (The Impact of the Arab Spring on the Palestinian Issue). The event was organized at the Faculty of Political Science and Journalism-Adam Mickiewicz University.
May 7th, 2014	Participated in the scientific conference that was organized by the Faculty of Political Science and Journalism under the title “ International Young Scholar Conference ”. In the Conference, I presented a paper titled (The Contemporary Relations between Poland and Palestine).
March 20th – 21st, 2014	Participated in the scientific conference that hold in UAM in titled " Old and New Forms of Dependency-Attempts at Forecasting " with a work paper titled (External Financing and its Role of Dependency in Palestine).

- Nov 8th, 2012** Participated in *Ibn Khaldoun Conference: The scientist of East and West*, at An-Najah National University, Participated with a paper titled: *Ibn Khaldoun the real founder of Sociology as a science*.
- Nov 8th, 2012** Administered the main session of *the Ibn Khaldoun conference* with experts in his sociological writings.
- Nov 8th, 2012** Supervised the Sociology students' preparation and presentations about the value of *Ibn Khaldoun* in modern sociological literature.
- March 5th, 2012** Participated in Moa'ssasat Mowatin, Ramallah. *The Arab Spring* workshop with a group of my students from An-Najah National University.
- May 10th, 2011** Presented a Workshop on *the use of modern methods of sociological Research at the University Level* at Bethlehem University representing An-Najah National University with the coordination of Palestinian Universities.
- April 3rd, 2011** Participation in the workshop about *electoral participation* at An-Najah National University.
- March 22nd, 2011** Delivering a lecture at An-Najah National University at the seminar titled "*Methods and Means to Reduce Unemployment among Palestinian University Graduates*" in which Dr. Ahmed Majdalani, the Palestinian Minister of Labor, participated.
- March 15th, 2011** Participation with a work paper titled "*The Definition and Basis of the National Day for Palestinian Culture*" at the Arab-American University in Jenin.
- Dec 8th, 2010** Organizing a workshop about the social and societal obstacles that face people with special needs in which Dr. Laila Al-Atshan, the Social and Psychological Expert at the *UNICEF*, participated.
- April-May, 2010** Took a course about the developed and modern teaching methods for university teachers in cooperation with the *AMIDEAST* in Ramallah.

Sep-December, 2009	Took a course at An-Najah National University about the development of the skills of university teachers with respect to dealing with students and their academic evaluation.
Sep-October, 2008	Participated in <i>the Social Activities Exhibition</i> in cooperation with Al-Quds Open University in Nablus.
Jan-July, 2008	Writing a research titled “ <i>The Role of Woman in Decision-Making in the Palestinian Family</i> ”.
August-December, 2007	Writing a research titled “ <i>The Political Participation of Palestinian University Students</i> ”.
Jan-June, 2007	Writing a research titled “ <i>The Collective Memory of Palestinian Children regarding the Issue of Asylum</i> ”.
April-June, 2006	Visited Turkey and the implementation of a cultural study about the Turkish culture.
Jan-March, 2006	A cultural study in Malaysia to study the culture of south-east Asia.
June-August, 2005	Took an English language training course at the British Council.
Jan- March, 2005	Took an English language training course in ELS in Malaysia.
July-August, 2004	Took a French language course, French Council, Ramallah.
2001-2002	A student council member at Birzeit University.
May-June, 2001	Took a training course as youth consultant in PYALARA.
April- May, 2001	Took a training course in the preparation of qualified individuals at Birzeit University.

Languages	Reading	Writing	Speaking
<i>Arabic</i>	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
<i>English</i>	Very good	Very good	Very good
<i>French</i>	Basic	Basic	Basic
<i>Hebrew</i>	Basic	Basic	Basic
<i>Polish</i>	Basic	Basic	Basic

Skills:

- Tact and diplomacy.
- The ability to work under pressure and within a team.
- The ability to finish duties within a limited time frame.
- The ability to work in a leading position.
- Creativity is a concern.