

Curriculum Vitae



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- **Professor of Linguistics/ Hashemite University/Jordan**

- **Formerly:**

1. Sabbatical leave at King Abdullah Institute for Translation and Arabization/Al-Imam Mohamad Ibn Saud Islamic University, KSA. (2013-2014).
2. Director of Language Centre/Hashemite University
3. Dean of Student Affairs/ Hashemite University
4. Chairman of the Dept. of Languages at University of Nizwa/Sultanate of Oman
5. Vice-Dean of Students/ Hashemite University-Jordan
6. Chairman of the Department of English Language & Literature, Hashemite University
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I. Qualifications

1. Hacettepe University Ph.D., Linguistics 1994
Ankara, Turkey

Doctoral Dissertation: Discoursal Problems of Jordanian EFL Students in Argumentative Writing: With Special Reference to Conjunctive Relations.

2. Yarmouk University M.A: TEFL. 1983. Irbid, Jordan

Master Thesis: An Investigation into the Syntactic and Lexical Interference of Arabic with the Written English of freshmen and English Specialists at Yarmouk University.

3. Jordan University. B.A: English Language & Literature. 1977
Amman, Jordan

II. Publications

1. Al-Quran, Majed. (2014). Inflectional Deviation of Number in the Qur'an. *International Journal of Languages and Literatures*. 2014, Vol. 2, No. 2.
2. Al-Quran, Majed & Al-Azzam, Bakri. (2014). Why Named? A Socio-cultural and Translational View of Proper Names in Jordan. *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science*, vol. 4, no.5.
3. Al-Azzam, Bakri & Al-Quran, Majed. (2014). Inflectional Deviation of Gender in the Qur'an. *Studies in Literature and Language*, vol. 8, no. 2.
4. Aladdin Al-Kharabsheh, Marwan M. Obeidat, Majed Al-Quran, Bakri Al-Azzam. (2014). Found in Translation: Glowing Expressions of Class, Wealth, Bourgeois and Aristocracy in Jordanian Shops. Accepted for publication in *International Journal of Translation - IJT* (Vol. 26, No. 2, Jul-Dec of 2014).
5. Al-Azzam, B. & Al-Quran, M. (2012). National Songs in Jordan: A Sociolinguistic and Translational Analysis. *Babel*, Vol. 58, No. 3.
6. Al-Quran, Majed. (2010). Concept-Based Grammatical Errors of Arab EFL Learners. *Journal of Instructional Psychology*, Vol. 37, No. 1, USA.
7. Al-Quran, Majed & Al-Azzam, Bakri. (2010). Collocational Distinct Uses in Qur'anic Arabic. *Journal of Language and Literature*. "PROGRESS" Publishing Company, Azerbaijan.
8. Al-Azzam, B., Al-Quran, M. & Al-Ali, M. (2010). Preserving the Cultural Essence in Translating into Arabic the Shakespear's Sonnet "Shall I Compare Thee to a Summer's Day". *Journal of Language and Literature*. "PROGRESS" Publishing Company, Azerbaijan.
9. Al-Quran, M, and Al-Azzam, B (2009) Apostrophe: A Rhetorical Device of the Qur'an. *US-China Foreign Language*. Vol. 7, No. 4. David Publishing Company: USA.
10. Al-Qur'an, M., and Al-Azzam, B. (2009). Euphemism in Jordanian Political Discourse: A Pragmatic and Translational Perspective, *International Journal of Communication (IJC)*, vol.19, no.1. Bahri Publications: India.
11. Al-Azzam, B. & Al-Quran, M. (2009). Phone Ring Tones in Jordan: A Sociolinguistic Analysis. *International Journal of Academic Research*, Vol. 1, No. 2.
12. Al-Quran, Majed & Al-Maa'mary, M. (2008). Loss and Gain in Technical Military Translation, 2008. *International Journal of Translation*. Vol. 20, No. 1-2 BAHRI Publications.
13. Al-Azzam, B and Al-Quran, M. (2008) Standard Intertextuality in Colloquial Settings. *Language Forum: A Journal of Language and Literature*. Vol.34, no.2, Bahri Publications.
14. Al-Azzam, B., Al-Quran, M., Obeidat, M & Al-Kaharabsheh, A. (2008) Lexicalized Names and Nouns in Jordanian Arabic: A Sociolinguistic and Translational View. *Journal of Literature, Language and Linguistics*, vol. 2. issue, 1. *Scientific Journals International (SJI)*: USA.
15. Al-Quran, Majed. (2007). Cognitive Learning Styles as Reflected in the Test Makeup of English Instructors. *Hacettepe University Journal of Education*, Issue 32.Turkey.
15. Al-Quran, Majed. (2006). Morphological and Semantic Structuring of Turkish Loanwords into Jordanian Colloquial Arabic". *Language Forum: A Journal of Language and Literature*. Vol. 32, No. 1-2. BAHRI Publications.

16. Al-Quran, M. (2004). Content Lexical Cohesive Devices in Arab EFL Learners' Writing". *Dirasat*, Vol. 30, No. 2.
17. Al-Quran, M. (2003). Teacher-Student Congruence of Learning Style as Related to Perceived Difficulty in English Language Learning." *Abhath Al-Yarmouk*, Volume 19, No. 2A.
18. Gorgis, D. & Al-Quran, M. (2003). Greetings and Partings in Iraqi and Jordanian Arabic: With Special Reference to English". *Dirasat*. Vol. 30, No. 3.
19. Al-Quran, M. (2002). The Class-Function Confusion in the Complex Sentence Structure: A Study of EFL Student Composition Errors". *Dirasat*, vol. 29, No. 3.
20. Al-Quran, M. (2002). The Problem of Language and Literature and the Question of the Privacy of Learning Styles: A New Look at an Old Subject". *Damascus University Journal*. Vol. 18, No. 2.
21. Al-Quran, M. (2001). Differential Performance with Different Learning Styles: A Test of Language Learning Hypothesis". *Dirasat*. vol.28, no.2.
22. Al-Quran, M. (2001). Departments of English at Arab Universities and the Challenge of Globalization". *International Journal of English and Arabic Studies*, 2:1&2.
23. Al-Quran, Majed. (1995). Administration Problems Facing Basic School Principals in Jordan. *NCHRD Publications Series No. 35*.
24. Al-Quran, Majed. (1994). Educational Status of the Region of the Jordan Badia Research and Development Project: Indicators for Educational Policy. *NCHRD Publications Series No. 33*.
25. Textbook Writing and Editing Guide. (1990). *Ministry of Education*.
26. English In-service Teacher Training Course. 1990. Ministry of Education, Jordan.
27. The Life Cycle of a Plant: A Computer-Assisted English Language Learning Program. 1988. M.O.E., Jordan.

*** Research Interests: Applied linguistics, Psycholinguistics, Discourse Analysis, Sociolinguistics and Translation.**

III. Conferences

1. The forum of Saudi and Gulf deans and directors of translation institutes, colleges and centers. 28-29/9/2013. Imam University, Riyadh
2. INTERCOM 2011 Conference, 3-5 June. Lodz Academy of International Studies, Poland. Presented a paper "Inflectional Deviation of Gender in the Qur'an".
3. APETAU 4TH International Conference, 14-16 November 2009. Amman, Jordan. Presenting a paper entitled "National Songs in Jordan: A Sociolinguistic and Translational Analysis".
4. January 12-14, 2005. Tenth EFL Skills Conference "Integrating EFL Skills: Learning, Teaching and Standards," American University in Cairo.
5. May 13-15, 2004. 14th International Conference on British and American Studies. University of Timisoara, Romania.
6. August 26-28, 2003. APETAU 2nd International Conference. University of Jordan. Presented a paper entitled "Cross-cultural understanding in an age of diversity".
7. October 14-16, 2002. COLT conference, Thailand. Presented a paper on "Intercultural communication: An output challenge for the departments of English at Arab universities.

8. April 2002. MATE Conference, Tangier, Morocco. Presented a paper on "Teacher-student congruence of learning style as related to perceived difficulty in English language learning".
9. March 14-16, 2001. TESOL 7th International Conference: "Challenges in the New Millennium". Dubai, U.A.E. (Presented a paper on: Language versus literature in light of learning style preference.
10. May 28-29, 2001. The Teaching of Languages and Multimedia. University of Algiers, Algeria. Presented a paper.
11. November 17-18, 2000. English Regional Conference, Beirut, Lebanon.(presented a paper: Differential performance with different learning styles: a test of language learning hypothesis.)
12. May 28-30, 2000. Future of the Scientific Discourse at Arab Universities Conference. Blida University, Algeria. (Presented a paper: Conformity of linguistic choices to implicatures of civic values and virtues.)
13. August 28-30, 2000. Association of Professors of English and Translation at Arab Universities (APETAU) First International Conference. Amman, Jordan. (Presented a paper: The departments of English at Arab universities and the challenge of globalization.
14. April 1994. International conference of linguistics and literature. Yarmouk University, Irbid, Jordan.
15. September 1990. English Language Teaching Conference for East-Mediterranean Countries. Ankara, Turkey. (Presented a paper on: The Jordanian experience of English language in-service teacher training).
16. Several local conferences on various topics especially those held by UNESCO or UNECIF.

IV. Training Courses

1. April-September 1988. Computer Design: Computer assisted language learning. Glasgow, Britain.
2. November 1989. Textbook writing and editing, USA
3. November 1995. Civic Education for Participatory Democracy, USA
4. Other local training seminars and workshops on topics related to language teaching, teacher training, curriculum design, evaluation and measurement ...etc. held by overseas bodies such as ODA, CIDA.

V. Activities & Memberships

1. Scientific Research Support Fund/Ministry of Higher Education
2. Institutional Review Board (IRB)
3. Editorial Board member and evaluator in the following four international Journals:
 - a) Language Forum, BAHRI Publications, India.
 - b) Indian International Language of Applied Linguistics, BAHRI Publications India
 - c) Hacettepe University Journal of Education, Turkey
 - d) NOVITAS Royal, Turkey
4. Association of Professors of English and Translation at Arab Universities
5. TESOL Arabia.
6. The National Team for writing English language curricula/ Basic Education Stage.
8. The National Team for supervising authorship and writing of English curricula and textbooks, Secondary Stage
9. The National Team for supervising the writing of the basic stage computer education curricula

10. Ex-member of the Executive Bureau of the Jordan's National Commission for Education, Science and Culture (UNESCO)
11. Ex-member of the General Assembly of the Jordan's National Commission (UNESCO)
12. Presently, member of several committees at Hashemite University (Higher committee for lectures and seminars, scientific research committee, supervisor of the English Club, Study plans and syllabus committee, Head of a unit at the office of International Relations, coordinator of several courses in language and linguistics at the Dept.)
13. Presently, member of the National Team for writing new English curricula (grades 1-12), Ministry of Education, Jordan

VI. Experiences

1. Presently, Director of Language Center & professor of linguistics at the Dept. of English/Hashemite University/Jordan.
2. Dean of Student Affairs/ Hashemite University.
3. Chairman of Dept. of Languages/University of Nizwa/Sultanate of Oman; sabbatical and non-pay leave 2005-2008.
4. Vice-Dean of Student Affairs/ Hashemite University/ Jordan.
5. Head of the Dept. of English. Hashemite University. Jordan.
6. Head of the Unit of Projects and Funding at the Office of International Relations. Hashemite University, Jordan. (1999-2001).
7. 1994-96: Researcher at the National Center for Human Resources Development. Jordan; Formerly the National Center for Educational Research and Development.
8. Feb-August, 1994: Central Supervisor of training for English supervisors at the Educational Training Center at Ministry of Education/Jordan
9. 1989-1991: English curricula specialist at General Directorate of Curricula, Ministry of Education/Jordan.
10. 1985-1989: Supervisor of English language teaching, M.O.E.
11. 1983-1985: English Instructor at community colleges, Ministry of Higher Education/Jordan.
12. 1985-1987: High school English Instructor in Saudi Arabia.
13. 1977-1983: High school English instructor/Jordan.

VII. Part-time Teaching

1. 2002-2005: Lecturer at Jordan University
2. 1996-2000: Lecturer and trainer, running community service courses like TOEFL and other multi-level ESP ones at the Center of Studies and Consultations, Hashemite University.
3. 1980-1989: Lecturer at the Language Center and Dept. of English at Yarmouk University, Jordan.
4. 1988-1990: lecturer at the Higher College for Teacher Certification, Jordan.
5. 1981-83: Lecturer at Ghranada Private Community College.
6. 1982-83: Lecturer at the Institute of Allied Health Sciences
7. 1977-1983: Lecturer at the In-Service Teacher Training Institute.
8. 1996-2001: Running TOEFL courses and other multi-level courses at the Center of Studies and Consultations/Hashemite University.

VIII. Courses I have taught

(Topics in Linguistics and Comparative Linguistics for Master students, Linguistics, Psycholinguistics, Sociolinguistics, Semantics, Translation, TEFL, Discourse Analysis, History of Linguistics, Writing, Advanced Writing, Syntax, Research Paper Writing, Oral and Listening Skills; Communication Skills; Study Skills; Reading; English for Tourism , in addition to running many TOEFL courses to Ph.D. candidates, and being an examiner of several M.A. theses)

X. Consultancy

1. Reviewing and revising studies and reports within UNESCO's interests and areas.
2. Translating documents on various topics from English to Arabic and vice versa, again quite many of them for UNESCO and UNECIF.
3. Writing Concept papers for establishing some centers at the university.
4. Writing evaluative reports, sub-project appraisals for the World Bank, especially those related to the Education Reform Program in Jordan in collaboration with the Intermediary Council.
5. Heading several workshops run by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) on higher education development in Jordan.
6. Writing several project proposals to be funded by international bodies such as UNECIF addressing pre-school education and community colleges for social work.

X. Referees

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