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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Wayne State University, Detroit, MI. Political Science.

J.D. University of Toledo College of Law, Toledo, OH. Law.

MA University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH. Organizational Communication.

MA University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH. Political Science.

BA American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon. Public Administration.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Business Law, Business Ethics, Legal Research and Writing, Constitutional Law, International Law, American Islam and the Courts, Community Policing, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, Middle Eastern Politics.

DISSERTATION

ARAB AMERICAN POLITICAL PARTICIPATION.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, Murray State University, Murray, Kentucky, 2016-

Assistant Professor, Murray State University, Murray, Kentucky. 2010-2016

Adjunct Faculty of Political Science, Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn, MI
2001-2010.

Teaching Assistant, Political Science Department, Wayne State University, 2000-2001.

Instructor, the American Language Center, Beirut, Lebanon. 1990-1992.

Classes Taught

Legal Studies:

LST 240	The Legal Environment of Business [taught 22 times]
LST 300	Introduction to Legal Research (Fall 2014)
LST 310	Legal Research and Writing (Spring 2015)
LST 444/POL444	Judicial Process
LST 446	Criminal Law
LST/POL 457	International Law and Organizations
LST /POL445	Constitutional Law I
LST/POL 447	Constitutional Law II (Civil Rights and Civil Liberties)
LST 480	Special Topics- Family Law (Fall 2015)
LST 480	Special Topics- LSAT Prep. (Spring 2017)
LST 480	Special Topics- Immigration Law (Fall 2017)

Business Administration:

BPA 442	Business Ethics and Environments
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Political Science:

POL 140	American National Government
POL 342	Ethnic Politics
HON 351	Honors Seminar in International Affairs
POL 455	Modern Middle East
POL 457/LST 457	International Law and Organizations
POL 444/LST 444	Judicial Process
POL/LST 445	Constitutional Law I

STUDY ABROAD TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Summer 2015, Australian College of Kuwait

Kuwait City, Kuwait

Three sections of Business Law.

Summer 2012, KIIS (Kentucky Institute for International Studies)

Istanbul, Turkey

POL 365 Government and Politics of the Middle East

Hon 490 Selected Topics in Comparative Politics: The Role of Islam in Modern
Turkey

**STUDENT THESIS COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP/INDEPENDENT STUDY
ADVISING**

Honors Thesis Committee Member, Luke King, Fall 2015

Honors Thesis Committee Member, Grant Grissom, Spring 2013.

Independent Study Advisor for Jessica Thomas, Fall 2013.

Independent Study Advisor for Robin Irwin, Fall 2013.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Law Office of Ihsan Alkhatib, Dearborn, MI, 2007-2010

Family law, business law and immigration law.

Director of Law and Public Policy, Life for Relief and Development, Southfield, MI,
2005- 2007.

This position involved helping set the legal and public policy of the organization
and representing the organization in all legal matters.

Law Associate, Ayad and Associates, Associate, Dearborn, MI, 2001-2004

Family law, business law, immigration law and bankruptcy law.

PUBLICATIONS

BOOK CHAPTER

“Building bridges: The Experience of Leaders in Detroit, Michigan.” in P. Daniel Silk, Basia Spalek and Mary O'Rawe's Preventing Ideological Violence: Communities, Police and Case Studies of "Success. Palgrave Macmillan, 2013.

ARTICLE

-Ihsan Alkhatib and James Clinger, “President Obama’s DACA and DAPA and the Courts,” *The Commonwealth Review of Political Science*, Fall 2016.

LAW REVIEW ARTICLE

-Ihsan Alkhatib, Shariah law and American family Courts: Judicial Inconsistency on Talaq and Mahr Issues in Wayne County, Michigan, 83 *Journal of Law and Society*, 14 (2013).

BOOK REVIEWS

- “*The Sunni Tragedy in the Middle East*.” *Journal of Church and State*. (Fall 2016)

-“*Islam is a Foreign Country*.” *Digest of Middle East Studies* (March 2014).

-“*Fallujah Awakens: Marines, Sheikhs, and the Battle Against Al Qaeda*.” *Digest of Middle East Studies* (October 2013).

-“*Pax Syriana: Elite Politics in Postwar Lebanon*.” *Digest of Middle East Studies* (July 2013).

-“*Hamas and Civil Society in Gaza: Engaging the Islamist Social Sector*.” *Digest of Middle East Studies* (Spring 2013).

- “*Globalizing Afghanistan: Terrorism, War, and the Rhetoric of Nation Building*.” *Digest of Middle East Studies* (Fall 2012).

DOCUMENTARY REVIEW

-“*We Loved each Other Too Much.*” (Lebanon) 2003. In Arabic with English Subtitles. In MESA Bulletin 39/2, pp. 302-3 (2005).

ESSAYS

- “Islamists’ Inclusion in the Political Process.” ThinkAfricapress.com. October 14, 2011.

-“The Challenge of Being a Muslim Charity.” OMB Watch. June 1, 2007.
<http://www.ombwatch.org/npa/TheChallengeofbeingaMuslimCharity.pdf>

FORUMS/CONFERENCES- ATTENDED AND ORGANIZED

- With James Clinger proposed a paper to the 2015 Kentucky Political Science Association Conference entitled “Informal” Executive Actions and Agency Guidance: Legal and Political Implications for Immigration and Other Policy Areas. December 2014.[conference cancelled due to bad weather]
- Helped the Political Science & Sociology department host the Court of Appeals on campus. Hearings held at Wrather auditorium. November 2014.
- Organized a visit by former LSAT tutor and Harvard graduate attorney Fatina Abdrabboh. Abdrabboh delivered a presentation on LSAT preparation skills. November 2014. Event was sponsored by the Pre-law Student Association.
- Helped the Muslim Student Organization (MSO) invite and organize the guest lecture entitled “Diversity or Exclusion: the Arab and Muslim American experience today” presented by attorney Fatina Abdrabboh. November 2014.
- Presented a paper at the Middle East Studies Association (MESA) entitled “Lebanese Shia- Sunni relations and the rise and persistence of the Shaykh al Aseer phenomenon.” November 2014.
- Organized the Kentucky Law School Admissions Panel, October 2014.
- Lebanese American University, Guest speaker, “Shariah law and American Courts: Myth and Reality.” December 20, 2013. Beirut, Lebanon.
- Co-organized, along with Dr. Winfield Rose, the JFK commemoration lecture by Judge Jeff Taylor. November 21, 2013. Wrather Auditorium.
- Organized Fall 2013 Kentucky Law School panel. October 14, 2013.
- Constitution Day. Panelist. “Religion and the Constitution.” Murray State University. September 17, 2013.
- Co-organizer and panelist. “Egypt: Reality of a Changing Region.” Richmond College. September 12, 2013.
- Organized a visit by Appeals Court Judge Jeff Taylor, April 25, 2013. Richmond College.
- Organized and spoke on the panel The Iraq War: Lessons Learned & the Impact on Sunni-Shia Relations Ten years Later. April 10, 2013.
- Presented a paper, “Lebanese Shia-Sunni Relations and the Rise of the Shaykh al-Aseer Phenomenon,” at the American Council for the Study of Islamic Societies’ 30th Annual Meeting, Seton Hall University, April 5-6, 2013.

- Politics and Society Research Colloquium presentation on Shariah law and American Family Courts. February 28, 2013.
- Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference. Presenter and Panel Chair. November 17-20, 2012
- Constitution Day. Presenter. Murray State University. September 17, 2012.
- Forum and Link 8th Annual Celebration Dinner. Welcoming Comments. Detroit, MI. June 11, 2012.
- Murray State University. Panel on "The Arab Spring." Panelist. Barkley Room, Curris Center. November 16, 2011.
- Asian American Journalist Association Conference "Covering Arab America in the Digital World." Panelist. Cobo Hall, Detroit. August 12, 2011.
- 7th Annual Sovereign Challenge Conference panel on Arab Americans. Panelist. June 7, 2011.
- Georgetown University Workshop on police-community relations. Participant. Washington, DC. June 20, 2011.
- University of Birmingham International Workshop on police-community engagement. Participant. Birmingham, UK. December 9, 2010.
- Muslim Legal Society of Thomas M. Cooley Law School panel on American Muslims and legal advocacy. Panelist. Auburn Hills, MI. July 7, 2010.
- American Arab Anti- Discrimination Committee (ADC) discussion about the Arab American community with a delegation from the U.S. Department of State Foreign Service Institute in Arlington, Virginia, in preparation to service overseas in U.S. Embassies and Consulates. Discussant. Dearborn, MI. May 20, 2010.
- United States Department of State and Department of Justice UN Human Rights Council Universal Periodic Review Civil Society Consultation. Law Enforcement: The People and the State panel. Panelist. Damon J. Keith Center for Civil Rights, Wayne State University Law School. Panelist and Organizer. Detroit, MI. April 7, 2010.
- ACLU of University of Michigan Forum on Airport Security and Privacy Issues. Panelist. Ann Arbor, Michigan. February 23, 2010.
- Association of North African Families in America. Saturday Guest Speaker. "Family and Immigration Law." Southfield, Michigan. March 28, 2009.
- Conference on Religion, Conflict, and Peace Common Bond Institute. www.cbiworld.org. Panelist. Simple Justice: Healing Through Equal Access to Human Rights, Dignity, and The Law." Oakland University Rochester Hills, MI. March 15, 2009.
- Islamic Center of Detroit (ICD). Friday Guest Lecture Series. "Family Law and Immigration Law- What you Need to Know." Detroit, Michigan. March 13, 2009.
- Oakland University. Panelist. Lebanese Club and Students for Israel sponsored panel entitled "Promoting Peace in the Middle East." Rochester Hills, MI. February 18, 2009.
- American Civil Liberties Union, "Keeping Your Faith After 9/11" Conference. Participant in two panels, "Ethnic and Religious Discrimination after 9/11" and

- "Promoting Religious Freedom." Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. November 14 and 15, 2008.
- Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference. Unpublished paper. "Arab American Political Participation: Role of Country of origin and Religious Affiliation in Explaining Voting, Campaign Contributions and Contacting Government Officials." Washington, D.C. November 23, 2008.
 - Engaging the Other- The Power of Compassion." Common Bond Institute. www.cbiworld.org. Presentation on Arab and Muslim American experience post- 9/11. San Francisco, CA, September 4-7, 2008.
 - Middle East Partnership Initiative. Wayne State and Lebanese American University. "Role of Ethnic Organizations in Encouraging Civic Engagement." Presentation on the role of the American Arab anti- Discrimination Committee in encouraging Arab Americans' civic engagement and participation in the political process. Detroit, Michigan. July 21, 2008.
 - University of London School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) Conference on "Muslim-Government Relations in Changing Security Contexts: Prospects for Transformation: A Conversation with Participants from Britain, France, Germany and the United States." Presentation on the Michigan experience. London, UK. June 5-7, 2008.
 - Social Science Research Council Conference on "National Security and Civil Rights: Best Practices in Government-Community Cooperation." Presentation on BRIDGES in Detroit. Chicago, Illinois. January 25-26, 2008.
 - Unpublished paper presented at the Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference. When the Shoe is on the Other Foot: Empowered Blacks and Suppliant Arabs- Unbalanced Power Relations in a Government Agency Setting." Washington, DC. November 2005.
 - EEOC Roundtable discussion themed: "Erasing Discrimination at Work: Race Discrimination Today and Strategies for Combating It". Roundtable hosted by the [Wayne State University Law School](http://www.waynestate.edu/law), the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) Commissioner Stuart Ishimaru and the EEOC Detroit District Office. Detroit, MI. September 27, 2005.
 - Testimony before the Voting Rights Commission on the Renewal of the Voting Rights Act. St. Louis, Minnesota. July 22, 2005. <http://www.votingrightsact.org/hearings/72205hearing/panelists.html>
 - Council on Legal Education Opportunity, Thurgood Marshall Legal Educational Opportunity Program. 2005 Mid-Summer Professional Development Seminar- We the People: Social Engineers for the 21st Century. Presentation on "Border Control: The Civil Rights of Immigrants." Detroit, MI. June 11, 2005.

INTERVIEWS

- Interview with Arab satellite TV station Al Mayadeen to comment on the US-Iran nuclear negotiations. March 11, 2015.

- Interview with The News, “Anti- discrimination director speaks of post 9/11.” November 21, 2014.
- Interview with the Murray Ledger and Times, “Court of Appeals Holds Session at MSU; public gets chance to see system in action,” November 21, 2014.
- Interview with the Murray Ledger and Times, “Appeals Court Hears cases at Murray State,” November 17, 2014.
- Interview with the Murray Ledger and Times, “Arab civil rights group director to speak at MSU,” November 11, 2014.
- Interview with The News to comment on the Winter 2013 classes. January, 2014.
- Interview with Paducah Channel 6 regarding the Kentucky Republican primary. October 18, 2013.
- Interview with WKMS radio station on the topic of Shariah Law and American Courts. March 26, 2013.
- Interview with France Channel 24 Arabic on the Obama administration’s gun regulation proposals, January 16, 2013.
- Interview with France Channel 24 Arabic on the presidential elections, November 6, 2012.
- Interview with Aljazeera Mobasher to comment on the presidential elections. November 6, 2012.
- Interview with France Channel 24 Arabic on the Democratic Party platform, the Obama campaign and the issue of Jerusalem, September 6, 2012.
- Interview with The News to comment on the Muslim Student Center. August 31, 2012.
- Interviewed by the Murray Ledger & Times to comment on the Muslim Student Center. August 21, 2012.
- Interview with Voice of Russia on the issue of US policy toward the Lebanese group Hizbullah. August 20, 2012.
- Interviewed by Aljazeera Mobasher to comment on American judicial independence. June 5, 2012.
- Interviewed by NBC Channel 6 Paducah. Comments on the Kentucky primary elections. June 2012.
- Interviewed by Aljazeera Mobasher Arabic to comment on American law and employment discrimination. May 10, 2012.
- Interviewed by NBC Channel 6 Paducah. Comments on the death of Ghaddafi. October 20, 2011.
- Interviewed by the Murray State student newspaper The News regarding Muslim students on campus. September 16, 2011.
- Interviewed by NBC TV affiliate Channel 6 Paducah to comment on the Arab Spring. August 22, 2011.

PRE-LAW ADVISING ACTIVITIES

- Visited the Charlotte School of Law, October 2014.
- Attended the Southern Association of Pre- Law Advisors Conference in New Orleans, September 2014.
- Visited the Drexel School of Law, July 2014.

GRANTS

-\$1,000 Provost grant to study ways to improve the LSAT scores of MSU students.
Report submitted to the CHFA Dean and the Provost.

OUTREACH

SPONSORED VISITS

- State Department Sponsored visit to Qatar. March 2007.
Presentation at Qatar University on March 29th on “Arab-American Involvement in the Public Sphere in the USA. ”
http://qatar.usembassy.gov/qatar_university_library_american_resource_center_qularc_.html
- State Department sponsored visit to Kuwait. March 2007.
Presentation at Kuwait University on Muslim Life in the United States.

DIGITAL VIDEO CONFERENCES

DVC with the American Embassy in Poland. Presentation entitled “**American Muslim Integration.**” March 2006.

DVC with the American Embassy in Jordan. Presentation entitled “**How the US Provides a Unique Setting for Peaceful Coexistence.**” March 5, 2007.

DVC with the American Consulate in Jerusalem. Presentation Entitled “**Interfaith Dialogue and Muslims' Life in America.**” April 3, 2008.

ONLINE CHAT

Web chat with the State Department on “**Muslim Integration in the US.**” September 2005. <http://usinfo.state.gov/eur/Archive/2005/Sep/07-600416.html>

PROFESSIONAL & ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Southern Association of Pre-Law Advisers (SAPLA)
MESA (Middle East Studies Association)
Michigan Bar (Active)
Ohio Bar (Inactive)
ADC (American-Arab anti-Discrimination Committee) Michigan advisory board member.
AHRC (American Human Rights Council), board member.

HONORS

- MSU Muslim Student Organization Certificate of Appreciation, 2014
- MSU Saudi Student organization Certificate of Appreciation, 2012
- James H. Richmond College Faculty Member of the Year, 2012.
- 2016 Sandra Flynn Professor of the Year Award. April 2016.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Referee, American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences.
- External Reader, Yousif El-Ghalayini's University of Ottawa Ph.D. in Public Administration dissertation defense. Thesis Title "[T]he Effects of High Performance Work Systems on International Governmental Organizations: A Case Study of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East Headquarters" November 2014. Ottawa, Canada.
- Scholarship selection committee judge, Islamic Scholarship Fund. Berkley, CA.
- Study abroad ambassador, Murray State University Political Science and Sociology department (Fall 2014-Spring 2015)
- Murray State University Judicial Board
- Murray State University CHFA Appeals Committee
- Reviewer, Journal of State and Church

REFERENCES

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