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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2009-present Assistant Professor, Department of History, Loyola University Maryland
2009-2010 Visiting Assistant Professor, Georgetown University
2007-2009 Assistant Professor, Department of History and Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures (joint appointment), Indiana University
2006-2007 Qatar Post-Doctoral Fellow, The Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University

EDUCATION

2006 Ph.D. (Distinction), Middle Eastern and North African History, Georgetown University
Dissertation: "Being Different: Intersexuality, Blindness, Deafness, and Madness in Ottoman Syria." Dissertation Advisor: Judith Tucker
2000 M. A. (Distinction), Arab Studies, Georgetown University
1993 B. A. (First Class Honors), Arabic with Persian, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, UK

COURSES TAUGHT AT LOYOLA UNIVERSITY MARYLAND

HS 101: Europe and the World since 1500
HS 448D: Women and Gender in the Middle East
HS 393D: The Making of the Modern Middle East
HS 394: Colonialism and Nationalism in the Middle East and North Africa
HS 489D: America in the Middle East
HS 401: Independent Study: Persian Language & Culture

COURSES TAUGHT AT INDIANA UNIVERSITY AND GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

* Women and Gender in the Middle East & North Africa (Undergraduate, Indiana University, Spring 2008 and Spring 2009; Graduate, Georgetown University, Spring 2010)
* Arab Historiography (Graduate, Georgetown University, Fall 2010)
* Islam, Culture & the Body (Graduate, Georgetown University, Fall 2009)
* Research Seminar in Middle Eastern History (Graduate, Indiana University, Spring 2009)
* Gender & Sexuality in Middle Eastern History (Graduate, Indiana University, Spring 2008)
* Research in Arabic Texts: Biography and Autobiography (Graduate, Indiana University, Fall 2007)
* The Body in Arab-Islamic Cultures (Graduate, Georgetown University, Spring 2007)
* The Body in Modern History (Undergraduate, Georgetown University, Spring 2004)

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

2005 "The Deaf in Ottoman Syria, 16th-18th Centuries." *Arab Studies Journal* 12-13 (Fall 2004/Spring 2005): 10-25.

2004 "Conducting Research in Lebanon: An Overview of Historical Sources Outside of Beirut (Part II)" (co-authored with Nadya Sbaiti). *Middle East Studies Association Bulletin* 38, no. 1: 187-195.

2003 "Conducting Research in Lebanon: An Overview of Historical Sources in Beirut (Part I)" (co-authored with Nadya Sbaiti). *Middle East Studies Association Bulletin* 37, no. 2: 68-79.

Encyclopedia Articles

2009 "The Body in Islamic Law." In *The Oxford International Encyclopedia of Legal History*, ed. Stanley N. Katz, 298-301. New York: Oxford University Press.

2008 "Female Life Cycle: Menstruation and Menopause." In *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Women in World History*, ed. Bonnie G. Smith, vol. 2, 264-266. New York: Oxford University Press.

2006 "Disability." In *Medieval Islamic Civilization: An Encyclopedia,* 2 vols., ed. Josef Meri. New York: Routledge.

2003 "Ali Ilahis;" "Ayan wa Ashraf;" "Damascus;" "Defter;" "Effendi;" "Eve;" "Istanbul;" "Mesopotamia;" "Muhammad Ibn Suleyman;" "Samarra;" "Syrian Islamic Front;" "Urwah Ibn al-Zubayr." In *The Oxford Dictionary of Islam*, ed. John Esposito. New York: Oxford University Press.

Interviews

2004 "'We Want People to Think the Unthinkable:' An Interview with Nizar Saghieh." *Middle East Report,* no. 230 (Spring): 34-36. [On LGTB rights groups in Lebanon].

1996 "On Palestinians in the Israeli Knesset: An Interview with Azmi Bishara" (co-authored with Steven Rothman). *Middle East Report*, no. 201 (Fall): 27-28.

Book Reviews

2011 Review of Miri Shefer-Mossensohn, *Ottoman Medicine: Healing and Medical Institutions, 1500-1700* (forthcoming in the *International Journal of Middle East Studies*).

Other

2011 *Women in the Arab World*. Washington, DC: The Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, forthcoming. [A teaching module for educators].

1999 Salwa Bakr, "Un'occasione per essere felici," in AA.VV., *Silenzi: Storie dal mondo arabo*, a cura di Isabella Camera d'Afflitto, 25-34. Cava dei Tirreni: Avagliano Editore. [A translation from Arabic into Italian of a short story by the Egyptian writer Salwa Bakr].

1999 Co-editor of the conference proceedings of *Saudi Arabia: One Hundred Years Later*. Washington, DC: CCAS, Georgetown University, 1999.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

The Body Different: Disability in the Middle East, 1500-1800. (Book manuscript for Cambridge University Press)

"Preachers and Sermons in the Early Modern Middle East." (Article in progress)

Italian Educational Policies in Colonial Libya, 1911-1943. (Research in progress)

AWARDS

2008 2008 Harold N. Glassman Award for best dissertation in the Humanities, Georgetown University.

2008	Award for best dissertation in the Department of History, Georgetown University.
2007	Malcolm H. Kerr Dissertation Award for best dissertation in the Humanities, Honorable mention. Awarded by the Middle East Studies Association of North America (MESA).
2007	Irving K. Zola Award for Emerging Scholars in Disability Studies, First Prize for the essay "Blindness in the Early Modern Middle East." Awarded by the Society for Disability Studies.
2000	Distinction in Ph.D. Written and Oral Comprehensive Exams, Department of History, Georgetown University
1999	Hisham Sharabi Graduate Essay Award, Georgetown University. First Prize. "The Ottoman Court Records of Tripoli, Lebanon, as a Source for the Study of Women and Gender in the Middle East."
1993	University Prize for Outstanding Academic Performance, SOAS, University of London (three prizes awarded annually university-wide to graduating seniors).
1992	Prize for Outstanding Academic Performance, Middle East Department, SOAS, University of London (one prize awarded annually).

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

2011	Tenure-Track Research Leave, Loyola University Maryland (for 2012 Spring semester)
2011	Summer Research Grant, Loyola University Maryland
2010, 2009	Summer Research Grant, Loyola University Maryland
2009	Exploration Traveling Fellowship, New Frontiers in the Arts & Humanities Program, Indiana University, for research on Italian educational policies in colonial Libya (declined)
2008	Faculty Summer Research Award, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, Indiana University
2008	Overseas Conference Fund Grant, Office of the Vice President for International Affairs, Indiana University
Fall 2008	Pre-tenure Leave, Indiana University
2007, 2008	Indiana University Summer Faculty Fellowship
2007	Bernadotte E. Schmitt Grant for Research in European, African, or Asian History, The American Historical Association (AHA)
2006-2007	Qatar Post-Doctoral Fellowship, The Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University
2004-2005	Charlotte W. Newcombe Dissertation Fellowship, The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation
2004	Young Scholars Award, Cosmos Club Foundation, Washington, DC (for research at the Chester Beatty Library in Dublin, Ireland)
2003-2004	Royden B. Davis Dissertation Fellowship, Georgetown University
2002-2003	Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship (for research in Lebanon, Egypt, and the UK)
2001-2002	Social Science Research Council, International Dissertation Research Fellowship (for research in Syria)
2001-2002	Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship (declined)
2002	Institute of Turkish Studies Grant for Turkish language study at Boğaziçi University, Istanbul
2001	Eastern Consortium Scholarship for Turkish language study at New York University
1997	Scholarship for Russian Language Study, Summer School, Georgetown University

1996-2000 Teaching Fellowship, History Department, Georgetown University
1995-1996 Research Fellowship, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University
1994 University of Kuwait Scholarship for Arabic Language Study (declined)

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND INVITED TALKS

Jan. 2011 "The Challenges of Teaching the History of Women in the Middle East." Presented at a roundtable entitled "Challenges and Opportunities of Teaching Women's History." American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.

Nov. 2010 "From Holy to Impostor: The *Majdhub* in Early 20th-Century Syria and Lebanon." Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.

Jan. 2010 "Does God Hear Silent Prayers? Deafness in Ottoman Syria." American Historical Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.

Dec. 2009 "What is Disability History?" Guest Lecture in Dr. Angela Leonard's class, HS400: History Methods, Loyola University Maryland.

July 2008 "Preaching to the Choir? Muslim Preachers and their Sermons in Ottoman Syria." 77th Anglo-American Conference of Historians, London, UK.

June 2008 "Blindness in the Arab-Islamic World: A Historical Perspective." Society for Disability Studies 21st annual conference, New York City.

Nov. 2007 "Paracelsus in Ottoman Medicine: The Case of Ibn Sallum (d. ca. 1670)." History of Science Society Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

April 2007 "Disability and Education in the Arab World: Historical Perspectives and Contemporary Issues." *Education and Change in Qatar and the Arab World*, Doha, Qatar.

Jan. 2007 "The Holy Fool in the Early Modern Middle East: Saintliness, Heresy, or Madness?" The Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.

Nov. 2006 "Sources for the History of Beirut." Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Boston.

Jan. 2005 "Towards a History of Disability in the Middle East: Attitudes to the Deaf in Ottoman Syria." *Rethinking Culture in the Ottoman 18th Century*, Princeton University.

Feb. 2004 "How Many Genders?: Hermaphrodites, Effeminates, and 'Homosexuals' in Middle Eastern History." *Rethinking the Study of Women and Gender in the Arab World: Issues and Trends in Scholarship and Teaching*, Georgetown University.

Dec. 2003 "Hierarchies of Power: Gender, Sexuality, and the Body in Eighteenth-Century Bilad al-Sham." *Sexuality in The Arab World: Historical, Literary & Socio-Psychological Dimensions*, The American University of Beirut.

March 2003 "Towards a History of the Body in the Early Modern Middle East." Social Science Research Council workshop for International Dissertation Research Fellowship grantees, New Orleans.

Feb. 2003 "The Body: On the Margins of a Cultural History of the Middle East." The Center for Arab and Middle Eastern Studies, The American University of Beirut.

Nov. 2002 "Medical Discourses on the Gendered Body in Ottoman Syria." Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

PH.D. DISSERTATIONS AND M.A. THESES READER

April 2011 Alissa Walter, "The Coptic Feminine, Past and Present: Evaluating Modern Coptic Church Reforms in Light of Early Gender Ideals." M.A. thesis, Center for Contemporary Arab

Studies, Georgetown University.

April 2010 Nadim Bawalsa, "Unpacking the Modern, National Self: The Diary of Khalil al-Sakakini." M.A. thesis, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.

2009-present Kyle Liston, "Colonialism Asunder: Being, Belonging and Hybridity in the Italo-Tunisian Communities of Tunis, 1911-1943." Ph.D. dissertation, Department of History, Indiana University.

2009-present Devi Mays, "Komo el Pasharo ke Bola, Like the Bird that Flies: The Journey of Ottoman Jews to Mexico and the Making of a Modern Sephardic Experience, 1889-1929." Ph.D. dissertation, Department of History, Indiana University.

2009-present Leone Musgrave, "Comrade Muslims!: Socialism, Islamism, and Federalism in the North Caucasus, 1906-1924." Ph.D. dissertation, Department of History, Indiana University.

April 2009 Sarah Kaiksow, "Threats to British "protectionism" in colonial Bahrain: Beyond the Sunni/Shia Divide," M.A. Thesis, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.

April 2008 Rola Abimourched, "Handpicked and Carefully Selected:" An Exploration of the Lives of Migrant Domestic Workers in Jordan. M.A. Thesis, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.

April 2008 Sandra Doherty, Beauty 'Til It Hurts: The Normalization of Cosmetic Surgery in Lebanon. M.A. Thesis, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.

PH.D. AND M.A. EXAMINATION COMMITTEES

May 2010 Member, Hanna Essien's Ph.D. Qualifying Exams, NELC, Indiana U.

May 2010 Member, M.A. Exams Committee for Theresa Dazey, NELC, Indiana U.

April 2010 Member, Martha Alhieh's Ph.D. Qualifying Exams, NELC, Indiana U.

April 2010 Member, Devi Mays's Ph.D. Qualifying Exams, Dept. of History, Indiana U.

April 2010 Member, Leone Musgrave's Ph.D. Qualifying Exams, Dept. of History, Indiana U.

Dec. 2009 Member, M.A. Exams Committee for Qiaozhi Ma, NELC, Indiana University.

Aug. 2009 Member, Kyle Liston's Ph.D. Qualifying Exams, Dept. of History, Indiana U.

May 2009 Chairperson, Walter Lorenz's M. A. Review, Department of History, Indiana U.

Feb. 2009 Member, Devi Mays's M.A. Third-Semester Review Committee, Indiana U.

Fall 2008 Member, Comprehensive Exams Committee for Shady Hakim, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.

Jan. 2008 Member, M. A. Exams Committee for Matt Hardison, NELC, Indiana University.

May 2007 Member, Comprehensive Exams Committee for Katrien Vanpee, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

May 2011 Member, James Hankel's Honors Thesis Committee, Loyola University Maryland: "Medieval Spain, El Cid, and the First Crusade: An Examination of Mercenaries in the Medieval Period."

2010-2011 Core Advisor for the Class of 2014, Loyola University Maryland.

Sept. 2010 Speaker at the Convocation to the Class of 2014 on Marjane Satrapi's *Persepolis*, Loyola University Maryland.

2010-2011 Member, Global Studies Committee, Loyola University Maryland.

2010-2011 Advisor, Global Studies Majors, Loyola University Maryland.

2010-2011	Co-coordinator, Non-Western Lecture Series, Loyola University Maryland.
2009-present	Webmaster, History Department, Loyola University Maryland.
Spring 2009	Member, Curriculum Committee, NELC, Indiana University.
Spring 2009	Member, Student Affairs and Admissions Committee, NELC, Indiana University.
Spring 2009	Recording Secretary, Faculty Meetings, NELC, Indiana University.
Spring 2008	Panelist, "Placement workshop: What to expect when you're invited to campus." A workshop for graduate students, Department of History, Indiana University.
Spring 2008	Member, Selection Committee, Summer 2008 Pre-Dissertation Travel Grant, Office of the Vice President for International Affairs (OVPIA), Indiana University.
Spring 2008	Member, Selection Committee for the Wadie Jwaideh Memorial Lecture in Arabic and Islamic Studies, NELC, Indiana University.
Spring 2008	Member, Salary Committee, NELC, Indiana University.
Spring 2008	Chair, Middle East Field, Department of History, Indiana University.
2007-2009	Member, Curriculum Committee, NELC, Indiana University.
2007-2009	Member, Website Development Committee, NELC, Indiana University.
Fall 2007	Faculty Workshop series co-organizer, Department of History, Indiana University.
Spring 2007	Admissions Committee, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown U.
Spring 2007	Financial Aid Committee, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown U.
2004-2006	Assistant to the Director of Graduate Studies, Department of History, Georgetown U.

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

2007-present	Middle East Book Review Consultant for *The American Historical Review*.
July 2011	Article referee, *History Compass*.
Nov. 2010	Panel Chair. Panel title: "National Body, National Self: The Mechanics of Modern Selfhood in the Early 20th-Century Arab East." Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.
April 2010	Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, National Resource Center on the Middle East, Georgetown University, Selection Committee Member.
Jan. 2010	Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad Fellowship and Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship, U.S. Department of Education, Selection Committee Member.
Jan. 2010	Jacob K. Javits Fellowship, U.S. Department of Education, Selection Committee Member.
Jan. 2010	International Dissertation Research Fellowship (IDRF) Competition, Social Science Research Council, Reviewer.
Nov. 2009	Invited Panelist, "Graduate Student Workshop: Alternative Career Choices." Middle East Association Annual Meeting, Boston.
Spring 2009	Article referee, *Middle East Report*.
March 2009	Panel Chair. Panel title: "Others, Identities, and Anxieties in the Eighteenth-Century British Empire." 2009 Paul Lucas Conference in Cultural History, Indiana University.
Nov. 2008	Panel Chair and Discussant. Panel title: "Commodification of the Body in the Arab and Islamic World." Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
Fall 2008	Article referee, *The American Historical Review*.
Summer 2008	Middle East consultant for Palgrave Macmillan's "Gender and History" series.
Spring 2008	Article referee, *Comparative Studies in Society and History*.
Spring 2008	Middle East consultant for *The Medieval History Journal*.
Spring 2008	Article referee, *Arab Studies Journal*.

Spring 2008	Member, 2008 Irving K. Zola Award Selection Committee, awarded by the Society for Disability Studies.
Oct. 2007	Panel Chair. Panel title: "Muslim Discourses," at the conference "Islam, Contested Authority, and the Making of Everyday Lives in Africa." African Studies Program, Indiana University.
2006, 2007	Article referee for *The Arab Studies Journal* and *Comparative Studies in Society and History*.
2006-2009	Transliteration consultant, *International Journal of Middle East Studies*.

COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Oct. 2010	"Islamic Law & Gender." Presented at a workshop for K-12 teachers entitled "Islamic Law and the Muslim Community." Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.
July 2010	"Islamism and Gender in the Middle East: A Historical Perspective." Presented at a workshop for K-12 teachers entitled "Approaches to Teaching the Middle East." Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.
Sept. 2009	Middle East Consultant for Current TV, for a program entitled "Gaza: Operation Cast Lead," on Human Rights Abuses in Gaza (aired February 2010).
June 2009	"Women and Gender in the Middle East." Presented at a workshop for K-12 teacher entitled "Approaches to Teaching the Middle East." Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.
March 2009	Middle East Consultant for Current TV, for a program entitled "America's Secret War on Iran" (aired March 10, 2009)
March 2008	Speaker: Introduced "The Birthday," a 2006 documentary on transsexuality in Iran, at the Margaret Mead Traveling Film & Video Festival, hosted by the Mathers Museum of World Cultures, Indiana University.
2007-present	Academic advisor for a new exhibit on Egypt, the Children's Museum of Indianapolis.
Nov. 2006	"Women in the Middle East." A workshop for Charles County Public Schools teachers, Maryland.
June 2005	"Women and Gender in Middle Eastern History." Presented at a workshop for K-12 teacher entitled "Approaches to Teaching the Middle East." Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University.
March 2003	"The Middle East in World History" and "Gender in World History." Two lectures delivered at "Storia Mondo: Il mondo come orizzonte tra globalizzazione e interculturalita'." A workshop for high school teachers held in Brescia, Italy.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Middle East Studies Association of North America
American Historical Association
Society for Disability Studies
American Institute for Maghrib Studies
American Academy of Religion

LANGUAGES

Arabic, Italian, French, Ottoman and modern Turkish (read), Persian (read), Spanish (read), Ancient Greek and Latin (read)