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#### **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS**

**2005** Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work (PhD)

University of Warwick, UK

Thesis Title: 'Social work as an emerging profession in the Middle East: an ethnographic case study of Jordanian hospital social

work'.

**1994** Master of Sociology

University of Jordan, Jordan

Thesis Title: 'The Effect of Medical Profession on Female Doctors'

Social Life in Jordan'.

**1991** Bachelor of Sociology Minor

in Political Sciences

University of Jordan, Jordan

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

2023 - The chairman of the National Committee for Academic Social Work programme , for determining the national accreditation of knowledge and skills of BA degree of social work in Jordan

2023- Leading academic institutions at the Civil Society for Displacement in Jordan with UNHCR to draft of task force pledges.

2022 till the present - A member of higher education and research Board at GJU

2021 -till present -A head of employee discipline committee for German Jordanian University. Starting October

2020 till 2021 -A member of the Humanities, Social and Economic Sciences

Committee at the Scientific Research and Innovation Support Fund (SRISF) .At Ministry of Higher Education(MOHE), ()

2020 - A Member of Monitoring Committee for Women Headed Municipalit Board in Jordan , nominated by the National Committee for Women Affairs.

- 2016-till present -A member and cofounder of MENA Civil Society for displacement regional network (MENA) Middle East and North Africa region for displacement
- 2018-till 2020-A member of a committee of accreditation and quality assurance developing university students discipline law t Al-Balqa Applied University/
   Princess Rahma University College
- 2017-till present A member of a committee for professionalising social work in Jordan/Ministry of social development/ and EU partners ,
- 2017-Exchange officer at GJU and a member of social work network EU universities
- A member of the Community Based Protection Group, UNHCR Jordan, 2009 –present.
- 2014-2017 A member of National Working Group, representing social work in Jordan, for developing Jurisdictional System/ with EU partners Developing community sentences in Jordan.
- Member of the Editorial advisory board for the 'Critical and Radical Social Work international Journal', UK.2013-present.
- 2009.Member of the steering committee for developing the Psycho-Social Mental Health National Strategy, WHO, Jordan,
- Member of the International Association of Social Workers, UK. 2005 present.

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Present** Full Professor of social work at German Jordanian University/ Department of Social work

**2018-2020** Full Professor of social work
Social Work Department/Al-Balqa Applied University

**2016-2018** German Jordanian University/School of Applied Humanities and Languages/ Head of social Work Department and instructor of Master of

social work/Migration and Refugees

2017- instructor of professional Diploma migrations and refugees

**2015-2016** Academic visitor at Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZAHW) (Switzerland) and university of Gothenburg (Sweden) social work department. University of Bedforshire, the Tilda Goldberg Centre (United Kingdome).and Free University of Bolzano -Bozen

**Taught Courses for BA Social Work Students:** Research Methods, Social Work Intervention Theories, Social Work in English Texts, The Fields of the Social Work, Communication Skills in Social Work, Medical Social Work, Social Work field Training (case work, groups and community), Social Work Methods (1) and (2), Social Work with Families & Children, Law and Human rights, Seminars in Social Problems.

Taught Courses for Professional diploma and refugee: Research methods, Women and minors in the country of transition, social work field training. For MA degree social work of  $21^{\rm st}$  century ,social work for special groups, rotational field training , Psychosocial support and mental health migrations and refugees

2008 - 2011 Dean's Assistant of Developing and Planning

Affairs 1998 – 2001 Lecturer in Social Work

Social Work Department Princess Rahma College, Al-Balqa Applied University

1991 – 1998 Social Worker

Queen Alia Military Hospital

#### Research national and international

2022-2024- Team Leader (PI) in a Mobility collaboration DAAD project on topic "Building Leadership & Advocacy Skills for Social Work and Health Care Professions

2022- Main organizer and member of scientific committee hosting war and gender international conference, German Jordanian University, Amman

**2020-2022-** A team leader(PI) of a 'Youth health promotion via digital technologies: Towards building an international research network in forced migration settings' with collaboration '. With Columbia University , President's Global Innovation Fund Columbia University

2018 - 2022

A Co-investigators (PI) of Negotiating Relationships and Redefining Traditions: Syrian and Iraqi Women Refugees in Jordan .

Collaborative research, with The University OF Birmingham UK and Tgahyer Jordan. ESRC fund.

# 2019- Team leader of Research(PI) 'Social and Cultural Determinates of Health at Al-Salt, at BAU

#### 2019- 2021

Team leader of a collaborative DAAD project (PI) on "Social integration of refugees - taking into account cultural aspects" Jordan, Palestine and Germany-till

#### 2017- 2018- Team leader (PI) focal point of GJU

Lead the project with DAAD Higher Education Dialogue with the Muslim World/ Humanitarian Access: Pathways for Refugees from Transit to Safe Havens. Lebanon, Jordan Germany

#### 2017- 2019- Team leader and focal point of GJU.(PI)

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#### 2017- 2019- Team leader and focal point of GJU.(PI)

Lead the project with DAAD Higher Education Dialogue with the Muslim World/ Humanitarian Access: Pathways for Refugees from Transit to Safe Havens. **2012 – 2015: Team leader researcher**, (PI) Supporting Criminal Justice Reform in Jordan. Developing community sentences for BAU students.

**2011-2012: Team leader researcher, International Association of Schools of Social Work Award.** A comparative study on perspectives on Non-Suicidal Self- Injurious Behaviours among Social Work Students in the USA, Cyprus and Jordan: Implications for Social Work Practice and Curriculum.

## 2010 - 2011: Team leader researcher(PI) , British academy Award for Research:

'The Social Context of Ageing and Alzheimer's Disease in Jordan'.

**2009 - 2010: Team leader researcher, (PI) Anna Lindeh Foundation:** Compass to multi-culturelism. Funded research to asses cultural needs of Iraqi Refugees in Jordan.

**2008: ESRC, British Academy Award (AHRC Visiting Fellow)** to the University of Warwick on the development of social work interventions to meet the needs of marginal groups in Jordan: Iraqi refugees and Bedouin communities.

**2008: Convenor of International Social Work conference** in Amman funded by the British Council in Jordan.

2006 – 2007: Lead Contact at Al Balqa University for British Council project for developing social work curricula and practice in Jordan with Brunel and Reading Universities as collaborative institutions.

**2006 – 2010:** Collaborating researcher in an EU funded project to evaluate and improve health care for the Bedouin community in the North Eastern Badia of Jordan. I was in charge of training, developing and implementing intervention models.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Published Papers:**

Al Makhamreh, S. Lewando-Hundt, G. 'Researching 'at home' as an insider/outsider: incorporating aspects of gender and culture in an ethnographic study of social work practice in an Arab society', (2008), *Qualitative Social Work*, 7(1): 9–23.

Al-Makhamreh.S. 'Hearing the voices of young deaf people: Implications for social work practice in Jordan' (2013). *International social work*, advance online publication pp1-13. DOI: 10.1177/0020872813499057, Online ISSN:1461-7234. Print ISSN:0020-872. Vol 59, Issue 1, 2016

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52 (6): 799-810. ISSN:0020-8728. DOI: 10.1177/0020872809342656.

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#### **Literature reviews:**

Al Makhamreh, S, Hasna, F. Alkateib, E. (January 2011) 'The Forgotten Few: The Social Context of Ageing and Alzheimer's Disease in Jordan'. British Society of Gerontology's Generations Newsletter:

http://britishgerontology.org/DB/gr-editions-2/generations-review/the-forgotten-few-the-social-context-of-ageing-a-2.html. ISSN 0965-2000

Al Makhamreh, S. Lewando-Hundt, G. (2012) 'An Examination of Models of Social Work Interventions Used with Displaced Iraqi Households in Jordan', European Journal of Social Work 15(3): 377-391. ISSN 1369-1457. DOI: 10.1080/13691457.2010.545770

Al Makhamreh, S, Hasna, F. Hundt-Lewando, G. (2012) 'Localising Social Work: Lessons Learnt From a Community Based Intervention Amongst the Bedouin in Jordan. 31(8):962-972. ISSN 0261-5479. DOI: 10.1080/02615479.2011.610787.

Al- Makhamreh, S. Spanos, S. Necoulas, G. (2012) 'The Need for Political Competence Social Work Practice: Lessons Learned From a Collaboratively Jordanian and Cypriot Project on Iraqi Refugees: The Case of Jordan' British Journal of Social Work. (42): 1074–1092. doi:10.1093/bjsw/bcs087

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Al-Makhamreh, S and Sullivan, M (2012): Professionalising Social Work in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan: Processes and Implications' European Journal of Social Work. iFirst article: 1\_15, print ISSN 1369-1457. Online ISSN 1468-2664.

#### **Book chapters:**

Al-Makhamreh, S. and Libal, K (2012), Chapter 28: The Middle East: Expanding Social Work to Address 21st Century Concerns, A Handbook of International Social Work, Ed: K. Lyons, M.C. Hokenstad, N. Huegler and M. Pawar, SAGE:London.pp 451-465.

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