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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. 2021 **Sociology**, Michigan State University
Dissertation in progress: “Sectarian Discrimination in post-2003 Iraq: An Empirical Study on Iraqi Arab Sunnis and Iraqi Arab Shiites”
- M.A., 2017 **Sociology**, Michigan State University
Thesis: “Social Distance in Iraq and Lebanon”
- M.A., 2009 **Education**, University of Foggia (Italy)
Thesis: “The Planetary Era and Community Destiny of Edgar Morin”
- B.A., 2007 **Modern Literature**, University of Foggia (Italy)
Thesis: “Ethnocentrism: A Recent History of a Complicated Concept”

RESEARCH AND TEACHING

Race and Ethnicity, Political Sociology, Social Psychology, Religion, Sectarianism, Ethnic Identity, Middle East

POSITIONS

- August 2022-present Faculty Lecturer, Department of Sociology, Vanderbilt University
(Nashville, Tennessee)
Courses taught: Racial and Ethnic Minorities in the United States, American Social Movements, Introduction to Sociology
- Fall 2019 Adjunct Instructor, Social Science Department, Motlow State Community College (Smyrna, Tennessee)
Course taught: Family and Marriage
- Summer 2019 Instructor (online), Department of Sociology, Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
Course taught: Family and Society
- Spring 2019 Adjunct Instructor, Social Science Department, Motlow State Community College (Smyrna, Tennessee)
Course taught: Introduction to Sociology
- Summer 2018 Instructor (online), Department of Sociology, Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
Course taught: Race and Ethnicity
- Summer 2017 Instructor, South College (Nashville, Tennessee)
Course taught: Introduction to Sociology
- Summer 2016 Instructor (online), Department of Sociology, Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
Course taught: Race and Ethnicity

- Spring 2015-Fall 2017 Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan)
Courses taught: Statistical Analysis of Social Science, International Development
- 2012-2013 Research Assistant, Educational Research Center, University of Duhok (Duhok, Iraq); Project: Marriage Obstacles in Duhok
- 2010-2013 Lecturer, Faculty of Educational Sciences, University of Duhok (Duhok, Iraq)
Courses taught: Educational Administration and Supervision, Educational Psychology, Counseling and Mental Health
- 2010-2011 Member, European Studies Center, University of Duhok (Duhok, Iraq)

PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS

Mohammed, J. A., & Alrebh, A. F. (2020). Iraqi Kurds: The dream of nation state. *Digest of Middle East Studies*, 29(2), 215–229. <https://doi.org/10.1111/dome.12216>

Ruvalcaba, A., Nash, M., Lai, J., & **Mohammed, J.** (2020). Reclaiming Space: The Narratives of Female Doctoral Students of Color. *Women, Gender, and Families of Color*, 8(2), 194–202. <https://doi.org/10.5406/womgenfamcol.8.2.0194>

BOOK REVIEWS

Review of Iranian Culture: Representation and Identity by Nasreen Rahimieh, Middle East Media and Book Review Online, Vol. 4, Issue 6, June 2016.

INTERACTIONS WITH MEDIA

Mohammed Jihan. November 29th, 2019. Interview for *On Point*, broadcasted by NPR station WBUR about President Trump's decisions to withdraw troops from Syria.

INVITED TALKS

- 2014 Conflict in Iraq Program Panelist, with co-panelists Prof. Juan Cole and Prof. Mohammed Ayoob, Michigan State University
- 2023 A Reflection; Remembering the US invasion of Iraq, Vanderbilt University

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

- “Sectarian Views in Post-2003 Iraq: An Empirical Study on Arab Sunnis and Arab Shiites,” presented at the Muslim Studies Program’s 3rd Student Research Showcase, Michigan State University 2021.
- “Sectarian Discrimination in Iraq: An Empirical Study on Arab Sunnis and Arab Shiites in Iraq,” presented at the Middle East Studies Association Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, November 2019.
- “Conflict and Social Distance in the Middle East,” presented at the Middle East Studies Association Conference, San Antonio, TX, November 2018.
- “Social Distance in Iraq and Lebanon,” paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montréal, Canada, August 2017.
- “Kurdish Immigrants in Europe and in the United States,” paper presented at the Kurdish Migration Conference, Middlesex University, London, UK, May 2016.
- “Marriage Obstacles in Iraqi Kurdistan Region,” paper presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, August 2015.
- “The Kurdish Struggle with the Iraqi and US Censuses,” paper presented at the North Central

Sociological Association Annual Conference, Cleveland, OH, April 2015.
“Marriage Obstacles in the Iraqi Kurdistan Region,” paper presented at the Migration without Boundaries Annual Conf., Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, October 2015.
“The Kurdish Struggle with the Iraqi and US Censuses,” paper presented at the Migration without Boundaries Annual Conference, Michigan State University, October 2014.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2015 Sexual Assault Crisis Intervention Team, Michigan State University
2015, 2014 Muslims Journey Book Club Discussion Leader, annual event of the Muslim Studies Program, Michigan State University
2014 Undergraduate Education Committee, Michigan State University
2010-2013 Undergraduate Project Committee, University of Duhok
2011 Undergraduate Final Exams Committee, University of Duhok

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2021 Muslim Studies Program’s best graduate research paper, Michigan State University
2020 Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Michigan State University
2020 Arab Center for Research and Policy Study (Doha, Qatar) Travel fund
2019 Graduate Office Fellowships, Michigan State University
2018 Graduate Office Fellowships, Michigan State University
2016-17, 2015-16 Graduate Office Fellowships, Michigan State University
2012 Human Capacity Development Program Scholarship, Iraqi Kurdistan Regional Government
2007, 2004 UNESCO Co-Sponsored Fellowships Program, University of Foggia, Italy

TRAINING AND CERTIFICATES

2020 Winter school at the Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies in Doha, Qatar. The theme was Communitarianism, Sectarianism, and the State.
2016 Race and Ethnicity and Quantitative Methods, plus Regression II-Linear Model, Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Workshops, University of Michigan
2013 Negotiation Skills and Conflict Management Workshop Certificate, Network of Iraqi Negotiations Experts, Suleymania, Iraq
2011 Teaching Methods and Strategies, Summer Training Certificate, University of Duhok
2010-2011 Global Issues, European Studies Center, University of Duhok

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association: Member
Middle East Studies Association: Member
Muslim Studies program-Michigan State University: Affiliated Graduate Student
Sociology Student of Color - Michigan State University: Member
The Iraqi Center for Negotiation Skills and Conflict Management: Member

COMPETENCIES

Software: Zotero, WordPress, STATA, HLM, LISREL

LANGUAGES

Kurdish: Native

English: Fluent

Arabic: Fluent

Italian: Fluent

Spanish: Elementary proficiency