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# PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

US graduate, currently teaching at The University of Jordan. Motivated and talented Educational Leadership professor driven to inspire students to pursue academic and personal excellence. Consistently strive to create a challenging and engaging learning environment in which students become lifelong scholars and learners. Member of the Board of Trustees at Israa University, active researcher in the fields of education, Vice Dean for Scientific Research and Educational Technology at the Faculty of Educational Sciences, active member of Association of Jordanian Women Academics, and member of multiple committees in the University.

# EDUCATION

2008

# PhD: Adult Education & Human Resource Development

University of Missouri | Saint Louis | USA

Research Project: "An Investigation into Adult Education for Palestinian Women Refugees: A Case Study from the Baqa' Refugee Camp in Jordan"

2005

# **M.ED: Early Childhood Education**

University of Missouri | Saint Louis | USA Research Project:

2002

# **BA: English Literature**

Petra University | Amman, Jordan

1998

**High School: IB Diploma** 

Amman Baccalaureate School | Amman | Jordan

# **WORK HISTORY**

July 2019-Current

The University of Jordan- School of Educational Sciences

Professor. Teaching Educational Leadership courses.

February 2015

The University of Jordan-School of Educational Sciences

2015-2017

Associate Professor.

Instructor: CET Middle East Studies & Internship; Teaching AR/Internship 398 course, Refugee crisis In Jordan and its Impact on Youth; Coordinate field visits, meetings for students with NGO's and international agencies at the center

of the crisis

July 2012- Feb 2015. Assistant Professor, Curriculum and

Instruction Department.

September 2010- June 2012 Full-Time Lecturer, Curriculum and

Instruction Department.

Feb 2010- June 2010 Part-Time Lecturer, Curriculum and

Instruction Department.

July 2009- August 2009 Part Time Lecture: Department of English

Taught undergraduate students English

101 core course for all faculties.

June 2008-August 2008 Researcher: Women's Program Center, The

Baqa' Refugee Camp. Collected dissertation data at the Women's Program Center using a questionnaire, Interviewed the trainees and trainers, Observed refugees at their

homes and audio-taped interviews

August 2013

Researcher: Zaatari Refugee Camp in Jordan, collected data using the Harvard Traumatic Questionnaire, Interviewed children who flee the war in Syria using the questionnaire, interviewed family members affected by the war in Syria. Observed the living conditions in the camp.

August /2006- December/ 2008

**Research Assistant:** University of Missouri, STL, Division of Educational

Leadership Policy Studies. Researched education in the Middle East (Jordan, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, Iran, and Saudi Arabia) Researched funding of UN organizations investing in education Edited books, chapters of books, manuscripts, indexes, references Interviewed international students and conducted focus groups, recruited students for after-school programs in Saint Louis. Arranged meetings with rotary club members in the US and the Middle East collected research on environmental. sustainability and its educational tools. Developed online curriculum and supervised students' work Attended meetings, drafted minutes.

2015-Present

Advisor: supervises thesis and dissertations in topics: early childhood, curricula, educational technology and methodologies of teaching English, Educational Leadership

#### **ADMINISTRARTIVE POSITIONS**

October 2022-Present

Vice Dean for Scientific Research and E-Learning

The University of Jordan

- Provide strategic leadership and advice to the dean and faculty on research matters.
- Manage the research portfolio of the faculty

- Administer research disputes, scientific integrity issues
- Responsible for the ethical conduct of research
- Establishing and maintaining a culture of compliance and integrity among faculty, staff, and students

September 2019-September 2020

# **Head of Educational Leadership and Foundations Department**

The University of Jordan

September 2015-September 2016

Director of Quality Assurance Division: Quality Assurance and Accreditation Center.

The University of Jordan

February 2013-2014

Assistant to the Director: Office of International Relations.

The University of Jordan

- Responsible for three sections: The Correspondence, Publications and Translation, The Agreements and International cooperation, Study Abroad and Student Exchange and the Scholarships Section.
- Developing on behalf of the President, new global partnerships
- Acting as a liaison for the President on international initiatives
- Pursuing the drafting and implementation of agreements and MOU's
- Providing information on resources on international education
- Producing publications on UJ's activities and programs and promotional materials in English
- Establishing linkages with international institutions of higher education for exchange and Collaboration
- Managing Study Abroad programs
- Handling all materials pertaining to UJ's international partnerships
- Meet with Ambassadors and delegations to discuss potential international cooperation
- Building internship programs with NGO's and businesses in Jordan for international students.

# PROJECTS & INITIATIVES

- Sesame Street Research Project for vulnerable populations/ Jordan Pioneers & NY Sesame Street-2018.
- Children Against Corruption, My School My integrity- JTC and Jordan MOU- 2018.
- Universities Against Corruption- JTC and UNDP Lebanon -2016.

# SUBJECTS TAUGHT AT THE UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL

- Play in Early Childhood Education
- Drama and Theater in Education
- Children's Literature
- Family & Early Childhood Education
- Organizing & Managing Child Learning Environment
- Curriculum Design, Development & Teaching Methodologies
- Art and Music Education
- Child Education Programs
- Practicum (1)
- Educational Psychology

- Psychology: Stages of Human Growth
- Study Skills

# SUBJECTS TAUGHT AT THE GRADUATE LEVEL

- Educational Sociology
- Student Affairs in Higher Education Schools
- Contemporary Issues in Higher Education
- Organization and Governance in Higher Education

# **AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

- Dean's Honor List, **Petra University** 1998-2002.
- Received Academic Excellence Award, **Petra University** 2002.
- Ann Carol and Robinson Memorial Scholarship, University of Missouri St. Louis 2005.
- Khireej Platform Award- 2016.

#### **ENGLISH PUBLICATIONS**

- Dissertation Title: Jabbar, S. (2008). An Investigation into Adult Education for Palestinian Women Refugees: A Case Study from the Baqa' Refugee Camp in Jordan, Published Doctoral Dissertation.
- Abdel Jabbar, S. (2012). Training of family planning counselors in Jordan; Developing human resources through adult education. *International Journal of Adult Vocational Education & Technology* 3(4): 35-53.
- Abdel Jabbar, S. (2012). International education; A case study from The University of Jordan. *Education*, **133**(1), 202-220.
- Al Jabery, M.; Arabiat, D.; Alkhamra, H.; Betawi, I.; Abdel Jabbar, S. (2014). Parental perceptions of services provided for children with autism in Jordan. *Journal of Child and Family Studies* 23 (3), 475-486.
- Al Shboul, M.; Rababah, O., Al Saideh, M.; Betawi, I.; Abdel Jabbar, S. (2013). A vision to improve E-Learning at The University of Jordan. *World Applied Sciences Journal* **21** (6), 902-914.
- Abdel Jabbar, S., Betawi, I., Al Shboul, M. (2013). ICT Based Education at The University of Jordan. *The Journal of Instructional Technology and Distance Learning.* **10**(4), 3-20
- Abdel Jabbar, S., Zaza, H. (2014). The impact of war on Syrian children at the Zaatari refugee camp in Jordan. *Early Child Development & Care, 184* (9-10).
- Iman, A. B., Abdel Jabbar, S; Zaza, H. (2014) Father Involvement with three-four years old at home: Giving fathers a chance. *Early Child Development and Care*, 184 (12).
- Jabbar, S. (2014). The impact of foreign maids on the children of working mothers. *Education*, 135 (1).

- Abdel Jabbar, S., Zaza, H. (2015). Evaluating women's vocational skills program at the Zaatari refugee camp: Women empowerment: A journey and not an output. *International Journal of Adolescence and Youth, 21* (3): 304-319.
- Abdel Jabbar, S; Zaza, H. (2017). Post-traumatic stress and depression (PTSD) and general anxiety among Iraqi refugee children: A case study from Jordan. *Journal of Early Child Development and Care*, NA.
- Abdel Jabbar, S., & A., Betawi (2018). Children express: War and peace themes in the drawings of Iraqi refugee children in Jordan. *International Journal of Adolescence and Youth*. NA.
- Betawi, A., & Abdel Jabbar, S. (2018). Developmentally appropriate or developmentally inappropriate that's the question: Perception of early childhood preservice teachers at The University of Jordan. *International Journal of Adolescence and Youth*. NA.
- Abdel Jabbar, S., Al -Shboul, M., Tannous, A., Banat, S., Aldreabi, H. (2018). Young Children's Use of Technological Devices: Parents' Views. *Modern Applied Science*. NA
- Tannous, Adel, Abdel Jabbar, S. & Zaza, Haidar (2018). Relationship between children with depressive symptoms and teacher's ratings of social competence (Pending).
- Hamad, F.; Al-Aamr, R.; Abdel Jabbar, S.; Fakouri, H. (2020). Business Intelligence in Academic Libraries in Jordan: The Concept, Opportunities and Challenges.
- Hamad, F. & Fakhouri, H. &, Jabbar, S. (2020). Big Data Opportunities and Challenges for Analytics Strategies in Jordanian Academic Libraries. *New Review of Academic Librarianship*, (28)1: 1-19.

# ARABIC PUBLICATIONS

معتق الشراري، شريف و عبد الجبار ، سيناريا (٢٠١٧). آثر استخدام المختبر الجاف في تحصيل طلاب الصف الثالث المتوسط في العلوم وتنمية مهارات التفكير الإبداعي لديهم بمحتفظة القريات. **دراسات، العلوم التربوية**، المجلد ٤٤، العدد ٤.

السعاننة، يزن، عبد الجبار، سيناريا (٢٠١٧). أثر التدريس باستخدام نموذجي سكمان الاستقصائي والنموذج المنظومي المعرفي الشامل في اكتساب المفاهيم العلمية لدى طالبات الصف الثامن الأساسي. مجلة جامعة النجاح الوطنية

الشر اري المجالي، ايمان و عبد الجبار ، سيناريا (٢٠١٧). مفاهيم النضج المهني واتخاذ القر ار والاتجاه نحو التعليم المهني المتضمنة في كتب التربية المهنية للمرحلة الأساسية العليا في الأردن**. مجلة الجامعة الإسلامية غزة**.

بركات، كفى و عبد الجبار، سيناريا (٢٠١٧). أثر تدريس مادة اللغة العربية باستخدام تقنية الحوسبة السحابية في تنمية مهارات التعلم الذاتي والتفكير الإبداعي لدى طلبة الصف الثالث الأساسي في المدارس الخاصة بالأردن. مجلة الجامعة الإسلامية للدراسات التربوية و النفسية بغزة.

هواش، مصطفى دلال، عبد الجبار، سيناريا (٢٠١٨). فاعلية برنامج تعليمي محوسب في تنمية التحصيل الدراسي بمبحث العلوم ومهارات التعلم المنظم ذاتيا لدى طلبة الصف السابع الأساسي. مجلة الجامعة الإسلامية غرة.

الخطيب، رؤى و عبد الجبار، سيناريا (٢٠١٩). فاعلية استخدام نموذج التعلم البنائي في تدريس مادة التربية المهنية على تنمية التفكير الابتكاري لدى طلبة المرحلة الاساسية في الأردن. مجلة جرش للبحوث و الدراسات.

الرويلي, جواهر و عبد الجبار, سيناريا (2022). واقع ادارة الجامعات السعودية لتحقيق الابتكار و ريادة الاعمال في ضوء رؤية المملكة 2030 من وجهة نظر اعضاء هيئة التدريس. مجلة جامعة عمان العربية.

قاسم, اسماء و عبد الجبار, سيناريا (2023). واقع الالتزام التنظيمي و الجدية الادارية لدى مديري المدارس الاساسية في الاردن. مجلة اربد للبحوث و الدراسات الانسانية.

# CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, SEMINARS

- Attended "Coordinating Meeting for The Technical & Guidance Committee for the Preparation of a National Framework for Adult Education in Jordan" 22-23 Aug 2022- Dead Sea-Jordan.
- Attended "Jordan's Economy after the Corona Pandemic" conference- 21 Mar 2022- Amman-Jordan
- Attended 'Universities Against Corruption' workshop entitled 'Challenged to Eradicate Corruption' as JTC Board member in cooperation with UNDP\_ACIAC and Arab\_ACINET; 16 Feb 2019-Amman-Jordan.
- Participated in a consultative engagement event as a board member at JTC with regional director for Mashreq and the World Bank team in Jordan; Feb 14 2019- World Bank Office in Amman.
- Attended 'Anti-Arab Corruption Academic Initiative' 12-14 Feb 2019- Faculty of Law, The university
  of Jordan.
- Attended the 'Political Parties Youth' Challenges workshop in cooperation with EU & EU-JDID- 8-9
   Feb 2019-Dead Sea Marriott, Jordan
- Attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> National Anti-Corruption Congress- **Tunisia** 6-9 December-2018.
- Enhancing Quality of Technology-Enhanced Learning, at Jordanian Universities, EQTEL, **Barcelona**, **Spain-** 12-14/12, 2016.
- Keynote Speaker: Conference on Syrian Refugees in Jordan: Question of Society and Media, **Dead Sea**, **Jordan-**8-10/12, 2014.
- Linking Med Gulf Project Focus Group, Employability in Higher Education, **The University of Jordan**, 2014.
- Cochran, J., & Jabbar, S. -2007. The Crisis in Education in Jordan and Egypt. Paper presented at the Mid-Western Educational Researcher Conference in St. Louis.
- Cochran, J., & Jabbar, S. -2007. The Challenges of Internationalizing Qualitative Research: The Case of Education in the Middle East. Paper presented at the Sixth Annual Qualitative Conference in St. Louis.

# **CERTIFICATIONS**

- English Language Olympia-Health Certificate of Appreciation-2017.
- TOT (The Train of Trainers) facilitated by **The Business Development Center- Jordan** -2012.
- Staff Development Skills (creating a syllabus, instructional design, evaluation & measurement) **The University of Jordan**-2012.

# **UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES**

- Scientific Research Committee, UJ (2023).
- Strategic Planning Committee, UJ (2022).
- Graduate Studies Committees at The Faculty of Educational Sciences; UJ; (2019-2020)
- University Graduates for Quality Assurance Committee, (2018).
- Early Childhood Committee, (2018).

- Quality Assurance Committee, (2016-2017).
- Conferences in Education Committee, (2016-2017).
- MENA Accreditation Symposium Committee, (2015).
- International Accreditation Committee for the Educational Sciences Faculty Department of Curriculum and Instruction, (2015).
- Higher Education in the Middle East Committee at The University of Jordan, (2015-2016)
- Auditing Committee (Scale for end of semester 2014/2015 results), (2015).
- Upgrading the professional Diploma in curriculum and instruction plan, (2015).
- Bachelor's Degree Plan for the Scientific Stream Committee, (2014-2015).
- Curricula & Scholarship Committee for The Parliamentary Education Reform Initiative, (2014).
- Liaison Officer for The Office of International Relations Strategic Plan, (2013-2014).
- Women's Studies Committee (Honorary President HRH Princess Basma Bint Talal) The University of Jordan; (2013-2014).
- The Summer School for International Students in Aqaba Committee, (2013-2014).
- The Marketing Committee, (2013-2014).
- The Strategic Planning Committee, The University of Jordan, (2012-2013).
- The Quality Assurance Committee, The University of Jordan, (2011-2012).
- The Social committee, The University of Jordan, (2011-2012).

# MEMBERSHIP

- Member of Board of Trustees (Israa Private University-Jordan)-2022-Present
- Member of the "Technical Committee for the Preparation of a National Framework for Adult Education In Jordan" - 2022-Present.
- Member of the Association of Jordanian Women Academics- 2019-Present.
- Member of "Professional Women Association" 2011-2012 Jordan
- Member of Jordan Transparency Center- 2015-2021.
- Secretary of Board: The Parliamentary Initiative for Education Reform Initiative; (2013-2014).
- Board Member: The Jordanian National Forum for Women chaired by HRH Princess Basma Bint Talal- Oct 2014-2016.

Empowering marginalized women in the City of Amman, Irbid and Mafraq, economically and politically to engage in public life. Spreading awareness about the National Strategy for Women. Offering women effective training programs that are designed to cater the needs of women Advocating for women's rights and increased women's participation in decision making processes

# **VOLUNTEERING**

- Awareness Workshop for Mothers of Preschool Children, Hashemi Shamali-2018.
- Her Majesty Queen Rania Madrasti Initiative (My School)- 2011- Jordan
  - Help rejuvenate the educational experience of students in public schools by providing them with a safe physical environment to develop and grow.
  - Paint on school walls for a colorful looking school, read stories for first graders, art activities
  - Attended the 2012 winter camp at Souf's public school in Jerash: Worked with children on puppet making & face painting.

- The Jordan Senate- 2013.
  - Assisted the Jordan Senate members in community projects.
  - Coordinated two conferences for General & Higher Education Reform Policies: A Parliamentary.
     Initiative by MP Mustafa Hamarneh in coordination with The University of Jordan, Dead Sea- Jordan-2013.
  - To come up with tangible proposals that can be transferred into policies to make a radical reform in higher education in Jordan.
  - To come up with recommendations for the improvement of the education sector in Jordan.
- English Teacher at the Baga' Refugee Camp in Jordan-2011-2012.
  - Teaching refugee women English grammar, comprehension and conversation
- Third UN Human Rights Summer Camp in Jordan; (2009).
  - Collaborated with a team of UNRWA professionals to advocate Human Rights
  - Participated in on-going activities advocating Human Rights.
- Second UN Human Rights Summer Camp in Jordan; (2007).
  - Collaborated with a team of UNRWA professionals to advocate Human Rights.
  - Interacted with Palestine refugee students from various camps in Jordan.

# RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Early Childhood Education
- Refugee Studies (PTSD, war, conflict violence, education)
- Youth Empowerment & Education
- Women Empowerment & Education
- ICT in Education
- Governance, civic engagement, transparency, integrity
- Higher Education

# **MICELLANEOUS**

- One of the 19 female academicians at UJ to meet with her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdallah to discuss the value of the younger generation's participation in developing societies 2013.
- Moderator for the conference on water security for His Royal Highness Prince El Hassan Bin Talal Chairman of the UN Secretary General's Advisory Board on Water and Sanitation- 2013.
- Attended graduate course on Environment and Human Rights, The University of Jordan-2014
- Moderator for the International Conference on Fractional Differentiation and Its Applications- 2018 Amman-Jordan
- Moderator for "The Future of Adult Education in Jordan" Conference; Amman-Jordan- 2019.

# LANGUAGES

- Arabic- Excellent, Written & Spoken
- English- Excellent, Written & Spoken

# REFERENCES

• Gladly Provided Upon Request