

Curriculum Vitae



Personal Details:

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Date of Birth June 2, 1974 in Israel

Nationality Palestinian

Citizenship Palestinian, German, Israeli

Education:

1990 – 1992 High School, Tarshiha, Israel

1980 – 1989 Elementary and Secondary School, Al-Bokay'a, Israel

Academic Studies:

July 2013 Dr. phil. in Political Science

January 2007– Ph.D. candidate in Political Science at the Leibniz University of Hannover

August 2012 (LUH). Academic supervisor: Prof. Dr. Christiane Lemke.

Title of Dissertation: “Women’s Activism and Mobilization between Feminism, Nationalism and the State: The Case of Palestinian Women Citizens of Israel”.

- 1999 – 2003 Master Studies (MA) in Welfare & Health Studies in the School of Social Work, The University of Haifa – Haifa, Israel. Main focus is on Social Planning and Management of Non-Profit Organizations.
- 1992 – 1995 Bachelor Degree Studies (BA) in Social Work in The School of Social Work and Social Welfare, at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel.

Additional/Continuing Education:

- 2005 - 2006 Language course: German as a foreign language, 'Inlingua'- Hannover.
- 2003 Course on Mediation & Conflict Resolution (120 academic hours).
- 1996 - 2003 Continuing education courses at the Ministry of Welfare and Family in Israel on different topics: Violence against women and violence inside the family; Community development and management of projects; Budget planning.; Networking and organizational behavior.

Professional and Academic Experience:

- September 2017 – Head of The Department for Social Work, Al-Quds University
- August 2019
- Sep. 2015 – Assistant Professor of Political Science – Department of Political Science and the Institute for Global Studies, Arts Faculty at Al-Quds University.
- April 2013 – Research fellow and member of “research group: The Islamic Movement in Israel”
- Dec. 2014 at Mada al-Carmel – The Arab Center for Applied Social Research, Haifa.
- April 2008 – Lecturer at the Department of Political Science and International Relations, The
- March 2014 Leibniz University of Hannover (LUH).
- 1999 – 2005 Private Lecturer in local colleges and several “Continuing & Training Programs”, conducting numerous of workshops, seminars and academic courses on topics as: women’s rights in the Arab society; women status and religion (mainly in Islamic Law); feminism in the Arab World; Discrimination against women; empowerment and leadership development of minority groups and women.

- 2000 – 2005 Founder and Director of “The Regional Center for the Treatment and Prevention of Violence in the Family”. A state-regional organization affiliated to the Welfare Ministry in Israel, located in Jdaida-Makir – an Arab-Palestinian city in the Northern of Israel.
- 2000 – 2002 Project Officer “Women’s Empowerment and Development of Women Leadership” at "Sikkuy"—The Association for the Advancement of Civic Equality in Israel.
- 1997 – 2000 Founding member of the "A-Siwar" Association – “The Arab Feminist Movement Support of Victims of Sexual Abuse” in Haifa, Israel and Director of the “Unit of Networking and Programs Building” including women’s organizations in the West Bank and Arab countries.
- 1996 -1998 Social worker at the Local Municipality in Al-Bokay’a Village, Israel. And “Public Awareness Project” Coordinator at the Israeli Human Right Association, Haifa.
- 1996 – 1997 Community Work Coordinator at the Local Municipality of Sajour, Israel.
- 1995 – 1996 Social and community worker at the municipality of Yarka, Israel.

Membership in Associations:

Current active memberships:

Member of the Strategic Thinking Group (STG) at I’lam Media Center-Nazareth

Member of DAVO – German Middle East Studies Association.

Member of German Near and Middle East Association, Hamburg.

Member of AWID – Association of Women’s Rights in Development

2003 – 2005 Member of the Board of Directors of “The Working Group for Equality in Personal Status Issues inside the Palestinian Community” – Nazareth.

2002 – 2005 Board member of “The National Forum of Directors of Centers for the treatment of violence in the family in Israel, The Ministry of Welfare and Family in Israel.

2000 – 2001 Member of the Board in “Al-Zahra” – Association for the Advancement of the Status of Palestinian Women, Sakhnin, Israel.

Scholarships:

* KAAD- German Language courses scholarship (10/2005 – 04/2006)

* KAAD- PhD Scholarship (06/2006 – 04/2010)

* DAAD- Dissertation writing scholarship (06/2010 – 11/2010)

Papers and Conferences:

To mention mainly those took place within academic contexts in recent years:

September 2017 Lecture on the topic: Gendering Constitutional Design in Post-Conflict Societies: The Palestinian Constitution. A conference at the Faculty of Law, A-Najah University, Nablus, Palestine.

January 2017 Lecture on the topic: The Political Discourses about Palestinians in the Israeli Media. An international conference of the Palestinian Security Agency, Ramallah.

December 2016 Lecture on the topic: Gendered Spaces in Jerusalem: an intersection of State's settler colonial policies and patriarchal social structures. International conference: The Production of Inequalities – Realities and Prospects of Change in Jerusalem. Center of Jerusalem Studies, Al-Quds University.

February 2016 Lecture on the topic: The Palestinian-Arab Political List at the Knesset: New Strategies for Political Activism? Local academic and political conference about the Palestinian minority in Israel after the Knesset elections of 2015, Legacy Hotel, Jerusalem.

March 2015 Lecture on the topic: The Palestinian Feminist discourse – a critical analysis. In the context of a conference at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem: "Palestinian Women and Personal Status Issues: 20 Years of Struggle".

July 2012 Lecture on the topic: Palestinian women's activism and organizing in Israel in a historical and comparative perspective. At 'Violence Against Women' (WAV) Organization, Nazareth.

August 2011 Paper summarizing my PhD dissertation about women's activism and organizing within the Palestinian Minority in Israel in the context of "The first Palestinian Doctoral Students Conference", organized by Mada al-Carmel – Arab Center for Applied Social Research, Haifa/Nazareth.

January 2011 Lecture on the Topic: The Palestinian women's movements: historical development, ideological discourses and the effects of the general political context of conflict and occupation. Verdi Frauenverein, Region Hannover.

April 2010 Lecture on the topic: "Women's Activism between Nationalism, Feminism

and the State: The Case of Palestinian Women in Israel”. At the Institute of Ethnology – Ethnologie kolonialer und postkolonialer Oerdnungen – Goethe University Frankfurt.

- October 2009 Paper within 16th DAVO Congress under the title: “Citizens without Citizenship – The Case of Palestinian Women Citizens of Israel”.
- March 2009 Two lectures in the context of KAAD yearly Meeting of Scholars from the Middle and Near East in Erfurt. Topics: Women’s Rights and Gender Equality in Muslim Societies. Women’s Movements, feminist and nationalist discourses versus Islamist ones in the Arab World in.
- January 2009 Lecture in the context of Gender Studies Program at the University of Hannover. Topic: Women’s Activism, Ethnicity and the State in Israel.
- April 2008 Lecture in the context of the “PI Initiative: Palestinian-German Forum, Region Hannover. Topic: Jewish and Arab women in Israel between State and Religion.

Main research and interest fields:

- Civil society and NGOs with focus on the Middle East
- States, Political Regimes and Democratization
- Women and politics in post-colonial and Middle Eastern countries
- Women’s movements and the state in the Third World
- Identity politics and mobilization of minorities
- Democracy, Islam and political change in the Arab World

Languages:

Arabic	Mother tongue
Hebrew	At mother tongue level
English	Very good – reading, writing and speaking
German	Very Good – reading, writing and speaking

Publications:

Hardal, Rula (2014). “Women’s Activism between Nationalism, Feminism and the State: The Case of Palestinian Women Citizens of Israel”. Unpublished Doctoral Dissertation, The Leibniz University of Hanover, Hanover, Germany (English)

Under Review: “The Palestinian Women’s Movement in Israel: The Intersectionality of Politics, Ethnicity and Religion”.

On final stages of writing: “Citizenship under Colonial Settler Regime: Palestinian Citizenship in both sides of the Green line”.

Current Research Projects:

1. The power and politics of international legalizations vs. national legalizations on family laws. A joint research project of German and Palestinian scholars. (submitted for funding to the DAAD in September 2017).
2. Minorities and the Politics of Recognition in Middle Eastern Countries (a joint research project of several scholars from different countries. Currently on early stages of conceptualizing the framework and potential partners).

Academic Teaching Experience

Academic Years 2015 – 2018

The Department of Political Science (BA program) and the Institute for Global Studies (MA program), Al-Quds University:

Social Movements and Political Transformation

Democracy, Religion and Politics in The Arab World

The Political and Economic System of The State of Israel

Minorities and Identities in The Middle East

Contemporary Political Systems

Research Methods in Social Sciences

Gender and Civil Society

Theories of Nationalism and States

Women’s Movements in Global Perspective

Women and Politics in the Middle East

Academic years 2008 – 2014

The Department of Political Science and International Relations, The Leibniz University of Hannover (LUH). Academic courses for graduate students:

‘Contemporary Civil Society Politics in the MENA Region’

‘Global Agendas - Local Strategies: The Role of International Organizations on

National Civil Society Activism and NGOs in non-Western Countries’.

‘Women’s Activism, States and Political Transformation’.

‘Women’s Movements in Global Perspectives’.

‘State, Islam and the Politics of Gender in Muslim Societies’.

‘Women and Politics in the Middle East’.

Current Membership in Scientific and Academic Committees

- 2017-18 Member of The Scientific Council of Al-Quds University
- 2017 – Head of The Academic Committee on Gender Issues at AQU
- 2016 – Member of The Scientific Committee at The Faculty of Arts, AQU
- 2016-17 Head of the Academic Unit for Research and International Cooperation at the Faculty of Arts – AQU.

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