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**Current**

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**September 2014-Present**

PhD Student  
Department of Sociology, Boston University

**Education**

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**December 2011**

Bachelor of Arts in International Studies  
*Minor in Public Administration, Minor in Economics*  
American University, Washington DC  
Phi Beta Kappa, Summa Cum Laude  
GPA: 3.95/4.0 Scale

**Publications**

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Author, **“Refugee Cities: Reflections on the Development and Impact of UNHCR Urban Refugee Policy in the Middle East.”** *Refugee Survey Quarterly* 33.1 (2014): 77-93.

Co-Author (with D. Esser), **"Ageing as a Global Public Health Challenge: From Complexity Reduction to Aid Effectiveness."** *Global Public Health* 8.7 (2013): 745-768.

Author, **“Evolving Roles of National and International NGOs in Protracted Urban Refugee Contexts; The Case of Iraqis in the Middle East.”** *Oxford Monitor of Forced Migration* Vol. 2, No. 1 (May 2012).

Co-Author (with A. Bani Amer), **“Public Perceptions of Political Activism Development in Jordan,”** *Published by Al-Hayat Center for Civil Society Development. Amman, Jordan. (April 2011).*

**Works in Progress**

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Author, ***The "Destitute Refugee": Exploring Academia's Impact on Framing Discourse and Approaches to Refugee Resettlement & Integration in Canada*** in *After the Flight: The Dynamics of Refugee Settlement and Integration*, M. Poteet and S. Nourpanah, (eds), UK: Cambridge Scholars Publishing (*Forthcoming Spring 2016*).

**Scholarships & Grants**

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**Morris 2015 Student Travel Grant**, from Boston University Department of Sociology (for conference presentation at University of Paris 13, “Producing Knowledge on Migration: Methodology, Epistemology and Ethics,” May 28-29, 2015). (**\$500 Grant**).

**Dean’s Fellowship 2014-2015**, from Boston University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (for first year of doctoral studies, Department of Sociology). (**\$20,000.00 for academic year**).

**Conference Mobility Grant**, from American University's School of International Service. (for conference presentation at University of Oxford, 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Refugee Studies Centre Conference, December 7-9, 2012). *(\$500 Grant)*.

**Fulbright Research Fellowship Grant 2012-2013**, Fulbright Canada Student Program. York University's Centre for Refugee Studies. Toronto, ON. *(\$15,000 Grant)*.

**Research Grant for Discussion Paper Series**, UNDP's Anti-Corruption in the Arab Countries (ACIAC) Program. (Research to be conducted with co-researcher from May 2012-September 2012). *(\$15,000 Grant)*.

**Independent Research Grant**, UNHCR Small Grants Programme. (Research conducted in Amman, Jordan December 2011-May 2012). *(\$5,000 Grant)*.

**Travel Scholarship**, Center for International & Educational Exchange, Amman, Jordan. January 2011-July 2011. *(\$1,000 Grant)*.

**Travel Scholarship Grant**, American University, Washington, DC. January 2011-May 2011. *(\$2,500.00 Grant)*.

**Tuition Academic Merit Award for Academic Excellence**, American University, Washington, DC. Fall 2008-2011. *(\$20,000 per academic year)*.

### **Conference Presentations**

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**Producing Knowledge on Migration: Methodology, Epistemology and Ethics** at University of Paris 13. Paris, France. Presenter, "'All Talk? Examining Institutions' Roles in Shaping Migration Management Discourse in Global Forum Spaces." May 2015.

**Invited Lecturer**, Marquette University's Department of Economics. Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Presentation entitled "Contested Spaces: Exploring Urban Refugee Policy in the Middle East." April 2015.

**American Political Science Association Annual Meeting**. Chicago, Illinois. Presenter, "Aging as a Global Public Health Challenge: Dimensions of Demographic Divergence in the Global South." August 2013.

**Immigration and Settlement: Precarious Futures? 2013 RCIS Conference** at Ryerson University. Toronto, Ontario. Presenter, "Assessing the refugee 'label' and process in the labour market: perceptions of refugee workforce experiences in Canada." May 2013.

**6<sup>th</sup> Annual Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies (CARFMS) Conference** at St. Mary's University. Halifax, Nova Scotia. Presenter, "The 'destitute refugee': exploring academia's impact on framing discourse and approaches to refugee resettlement & integration in Canada." March 2013.

**Oxford University's 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Refugee Studies Centre Conference** at Oxford University. Oxford, England. Presenter, "Refugee cities: reflections on the development and impact of UNHCR urban refugee policy in the Middle East." December 2012.

**World Refugee Day Conference**, Refugee and Migration Studies Centre at Yarmouk University, Irbid, Jordan. Presenter, "Policies and populations protracted: future implications of refugee protection space in Jordan, the Iraqi case." June 2012.

### **Teaching Experience**

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**Teaching Fellow**, Introduction to Sociology, Fall/Spring 2015-2016

### **Relevant Professional Service**

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**Graduate Co-Chair**, Boston University's Pardee Initiative on Forced Migration and Human Trafficking, September 2015-Present.

**Member of Student Editorial Board**, *Political Power and Social Theory*, May 2015-Present.

### **Selected Professional Experience**

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*September 2013-July 2014*

**English Editor**

Al-Bawaba News Group

Amman, Jordan

*Compile and publish headline news about foreign policy, politics, and other regional developments in the Middle East*

*Manage and edit English content for news website*

*Rewrite and publish Arabic articles in English as requested*

*September 2012-May 2013*

**Fulbright Research Fellow**

Centre for Refugee Studies (CRS), York University

Toronto, Ontario

*Conducted research on workforce integration and social capital of refugees in Ontario focusing on Iraqis as a case study*

*Assessed scholarly contributions on Canadian refugee policies*

*Coordinated & implemented student blogger initiative for CRS*

*April 2012-August 2012*

**Program Associate**

**Sustainable Research & Development Center (SRD)**

Amman, Jordan

*Conducted fieldwork research on anti-corruption initiatives in the Arab world under a UNDP grant*

*Drafted and revised all grant proposals for the organization*

*Served as communication liaison between director and donors*

*December 2011-May 2012*

**Independent Research Consultant**

**United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)**

Amman, Jordan

*Conducted research on the UNHCR's partnerships with international and national NGOs, focusing on coordination of service provision for Iraqis in a protracted situation framework*

*Used qualitative methodology to conduct and collect research over six-month period*

*August 2011-December 2011;  
August 2010*

**Research Assistant**

**American University, International Development Program**

Washington, DC

*Drafted & prepared project proposals on ageing in the developing world for NIH & other potential funders*

*Collaborated with American University's Global Health Academic Initiative to construct introductory course syllabi*

*Conducted qualitative research using NVivo® software*

*February 2011-July 2011*

**Project Assistant/Grantwriter**

**Al-Hayat Center for Civil Society Development**

Amman, Jordan

*Researched all grant & funding opportunities for organization*

*Compiled, drafted & edited all grant proposals for organization*

*Drafted, revised & edited all English project reports*

*Co-Facilitated and coordinated English-Arabic "Chit-Chat" program for Jordanian youth activists*

*August 2009-December 2010*

**Lecture Series Coordinator and Office Assistant**

**Mohammed Said Farsi Chair of Islamic Peace**

Washington, DC

*Organized all participant and event logistics for bi-monthly lecture series (est. 30-50 attendees per lecture)*

*Coordinated Lecture Series Planning Committee*

*Conducted Administrative Duties as needed for the Chair*

**Selected Relevant Training**

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**Effective Community Organizing Strategies Training**, International Peace & Conflict Resolution Skills Institute at American University, Washington, DC. October 2010.

**Facilitative Mediation Training**, American University, Washington, DC. October 2010.

**Dialogue Facilitation Training**, American University, Washington, DC. September 2010.

**Best Practices for Interpreting and Translation Training**, Maryland State Department of Human Resources, Maryland, USA. June 2010.

### **Languages**

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**English** (native)

**Arabic** (Reading: Intermediate; Writing: Intermediate; Speaking: Advanced Intermediate)

### **Professional Memberships**

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American Sociological Association (2014-Present)

Middle East Studies Association (2015-Present)

### **References**

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Available upon request