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## EDUCATION

1998-2002	Ph.D.in History, University of Tehran.
1992-1995	M.A. in Islamic History, University of Jordan.
1988-1992	B.A.in History, University of Jordan.

## ACADEMIC & LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Feb 2018- present	<b>Director</b> , Gulf Studies Center, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University
Aug 2016-present	<b>Associate Professor</b> , Gulf Studies Program , College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University
Sep 2012- present	<b>Graduate Faculty</b> , Gulf Studies Program, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University
Sep 2013- Aug2016	<b>Associate Professor</b> , History Program, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University
Jan 2011- Aug 2016	<b>Head</b> , Department of Humanities, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University.
Feb 2010- Sep13	<b>Assistant Professor</b> , History Program, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University
Jan 2007- Jan 2010	<b>Researcher Assistant Professor</b> , Center for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan.  <b>Coordinator</b> at the Internship Programme, Center for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan.

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- June 2009-June 2011    **Visiting Scholar**, School of Government and International affairs,  
University of Durham.
- Jan 2007-Sep 2008    **Visiting Scholar**, School of Government and International affairs,  
University of Durham
- Jan 2004-Dec 2006    Director, Centre for Iranian Studies, (IMEIS), Durham University
- March 2003-Dec 2006    **Teaching & Research Fellow of Contemporary Middle East history**,  
Institute for Middle Eastern & Islamic Studies (IMEIS), University of  
Durham
- Sep 2002-Jan 2003    **Researcher**, Centre for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan, Amman.  
**Teacher** (Teaching Persian Language), Department of Modern  
Languages, University of Jordan, Amman

## ACADEMIC COMMITTEES

- **Member:** Qatar University Research Priority committee. 2018- Present
- **Member :** Academic Planning Committee. Qatar University. 2017- Present
- **Member:** Qatar University Strategic Proceedings Committee . 2017-2018
- **Member:** Graduate Studies Committee, Qatar University. 2016- 2018
- **Chair:** Recruitment Committee, Gulf Studies Center, Qatar University, May 2016-2018.
- **Chair:** Outreach and Engagement Strategies Committee, Qatar University, May 2016-2018.
- **Member:** Engagement and Activities Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Qatar University, Oct 2016-2018

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- **Member**, Core Curriculum Program Review Taskforce, Qatar University. 2014-2015
- **Member:** Institute for Humanities and Social Sciences Committee. CAS, Qatar University. 2013-2014
- **Member**, Curriculum Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Qatar University. 2012-2013
- **Member:** Core Curriculum Council, Qatar University, 2011-2012
- **Chair:** Quality Assurance Committee, Humanities Department ,CAS, Qatar University. 2011-2012
- **Member**, Gulf Studies Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Qatar University, 2010-present
- **Member**, Quality Enhancement Committee of History Program, College of Arts and Sciences, Qatar University. 2010-present
- **Member**, Academic Affairs Committee, Department of Humanities, College of Arts and Sciences, Qatar University. 2010-2011.

## ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- **Panel Chair:** The Geopolitics of Natural Resources: New Energy Routes and the Future of Energy Security, Doha Forum, Doha 16 December 2018.
- **Organizer**, International Conference: Gulf Crisis, Origin, Repercussions and Future , Gulf Studies Center , Qatar University. Doha, 9-10 December 2018
- **Panel Chair:** Political development in the Gulf: Relations with Iran, Doha Forum, Doha 14 May 2017.

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- **Associate Member:** Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (ASMEA).
- **Organizer,** International Conference, 'Social and Cultural History in the Arab World, Turkey and Iran: Theories, Methods and Themes" , Humanities Department, Qatar University. Doha, 16-17 March 2016,
- **Organizer,** International Symposium, "Teaching History in Universities: Visions, Approaches and Themes", Qatar University, Doha 25-26 November 2015
- **Organizer,** International Conference, "The Great War and its Legacy in Central Europe and the Middle East: (Re-)Drawing and Contesting Borders, Nations, Identities, and Spaces", Humanities Department, Qatar University. Doha, 11-12 March 2015,
- **Liaison** to the Board. Association for Interdisciplinary Studies. Miami University. U.S.A. 2013- present.
- **Organizer,** International Conference, "Interdisciplinarity in History: An Old Method in a World New Context", Humanities Department, Qatar University. Doha, 5-12 March 2014,
- **Founder** with (Dr Eiman Mustafawai and Dr Steven Wright): The Gulf Studies MA Program, March 2010.
- **Participant:** Leadership & Management Skills of Heads of Academic Departments in Higher Education, University of Leeds, 3-15 July 2011.
- **Chairman** of the General Assembly, EuroMeSCo- the Euro-Mediterranean Study Commission Network, Lisbon. 2008-2010

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- **International Researcher**, providing expertise concerning fieldwork in the Middle East including; leading research teams, helping in questionnaires designing, and preparing evaluation reports.
- **Associate Editor**, *Journal of Asian Politics and Policies*, Center for Asian Politics and Policy (CAPP), Washington, USA.
- **Member**: Association for Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Studies (AGAPS).
- **Member**: International Political Science Association (IPSA), Canada.
- **Member**: The Association for Interdisciplinary Studies, Miami University. U.S.A
- **Member**: The Integrity Education Network. UK.
- **Fellow**: The Middle East Studies Association (MESA).U.S.A
- **Fellow**: The British Society for Middle Eastern Studies (BRISMES).UK
- **Associate Member**: American Historical Association (AHA).U.S.A
- **Associate Member**: American Political Sciences Association (APSA). U.S.A
- **Associate Member**: The Community College Humanities Association (CCHA). U.S.A
- **Member of the Editorial Board**, The Asian Review of World Histories, Institute of World and Global History, Korea
- **Participant**, International Program on *International Security Issues*, Harvard University, Boston University, California University. 17 July -3 August 2007.
- **Member of the International Advisory Board**, the Research Institute for European and American Studies (RIEAS), Athens, Greece,

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- **Member of the Editorial Board**, *Journal of Gulf Studies*, Gulf Research Centre, Dubai, United Arab Emirates.
- **Member of the Editorial Board**, *Journal of Asian Politics and Policies*. U.S.A
- **Member of the Editorial Board**, *Journal of the European Society for Iranian Studies*, the Mission of Globe Research and Publishing. Italy.
- **Member of the Editorial Board**, *Digest of Middle East Studies Journal*, U.S.A
- **Reviewer for:**
  1. European Journal of International Relations.
  2. Journal of Social Affairs.
  3. The Asian Review of World Histories.
  4. International Journal of Middle East Studies
  5. Journal of Arabian Studies.
  6. International Political Science Review.
  7. Journal/ Global Change, Peace and Security
  8. Journal /Asian Politics and Policies.
  9. The Journal for Cultural Studies
  10. The Arts and Humanities Research Council [AHRC]
  11. Qatar National Research Fund (QNRF), until February 2010
  12. The Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)
  13. Routledge.
  14. I.B. Tauris

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15. Ithaca Press.
  16. East Asia: An International Quarterly.
  17. Ostour, Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies.
  18. Siyasat Arabia, Center for Research and Policy Studies.
  19. Cambridge University Press.
  20. The International Spectator.
  21. British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies
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- **Awarded Fund** for a research project titled: Political Development, Civil Society and New Information and Communication Technologies in the Arab world: A Comparative Study of Jordan and Egypt, European Commission. 2008
  - **Awarded Fund** for a research project titled: Fragile States and the Democratization Process: A New Approach to Understanding Security in the Middle East, European Commission, 2007
  - **Organizer**, International Conference on “Media and Image Change of the Middle East post 9/11” which has been awarded a fund, Institute for Middle Eastern & Islamic Studies, University of Durham, 20-21 September 2007.
  - **Organizer**, with Gulf Research Center, Workshop on ; *Current Conditions & Future Prospects of GCC -Iran Relations in the wake of Iran's Presidential Elections*, 28-29 September, 2005, Dubai

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- **Organizer**, International Conference “*Iran’s Foreign Policy since the Revolution*” which has been awarded a fund, Institute for Middle Eastern & Islamic Studies, University of Durham, 21-22 March 2005.
- **Designed an Instructional Booklet** for students who wish to learn Arabic “Arabic: Learning to read Arabic - A beginners' guide”, Language Centre, Durham University, October 2004.

## EXPERT TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

- Middle East Politics and Security.
- Iranian Affairs.
- Media appearance.
- Academic leadership.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer- Reviewed Books

- 2020, *The 2017 Gulf Crisis: An Interdisciplinary Approach*, Springer Nature, UK.
- 2016, *Interdisciplinarity in World History: Continuity and Change*, Edited, with Ahmed Abushouk) Cambridge Scholars Publishing, UK.
- 2012, *Iran’s Foreign Policy: From Khatami to Ahmadinejad*, (Edited, with Anoush Ehteshami) Ithaca Press, London. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition ( ***updated with additional Chapter***).



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- 2012, *Arabs and Iran: A review of the History and Politics*, Edited (with Azmi Beshara), Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies, Qatar. *In Arabic*
- 2010, *the New Arab Media: Technology, Image and Perception* (edited with Emmy Murphy) Ithaca Press, London.
- 2010, *The Tenth Iranian Presidential Elections and their Regional Implications*, the Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research, Abu Dubai, United Arab Emirates.
- 2008, *Iran's Foreign Policy: From Khatami to Ahmadinejad*, (Edited, with Anoush Ehteshami) Ithaca Press, London
- 2007, *Iran and the Rise of Its Neoconservatives: the Politics of Tehran's Silent Revolution*, (with Anoush Ehteshami) I.B. Tauris, London
- 2004, *Abu Muslim Namah Wa Naqshi Ann der Tareik Eshtemae Asser Safawi [Abu Muslim's Namahs and their Role in the Social History of the Safavid Period]*, Boghe Publishing Company; Tehran.
- 2001, *Tavus-e- Yamani* [The Catalogue of Microfilms and Documents of Dar Al-Makhtutat Sana, Yemen] (editor), The Center for Documents and Diplomatic History, Tehran.

#### **Peer- Reviewed Journal Papers**

- The Second Succession in the Islamic Republic of Iran: Change or Continuity? (with Aljohara AlObaidan), *Journal of Balkan and Near Eastern Studies* , 16 Feb 2021, <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/19448953.2021.1888253>

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- Social Studies Curriculum and National Identity in Qatar after the 2017 Blockade, (with Fatima A- Daheri), *Lubab* (Quarterly Peer-reviewed Journal, Al Jazeera Research Center) Issue 7- August 2020. pp131-156
- The Arabs and Iranians; What went Wrong? And Why? (with Ismail Zahirovic), *Sociology of Islam* , Vol 8, 2020, pp 1-16. [brill.com/view/journals/soi/8/1/soi.8.issue-1.xml](http://brill.com/view/journals/soi/8/1/soi.8.issue-1.xml)
- US Withdrawal from the Nuclear Agreement: Repercussions and Scenarios, ( With Muyassar Suleiman), *Middle Eastern Studies Journal*, Vol 22, No 85, Autumn 2018, pp 13- 30. *In Arabic*.
- Bannerman Report: Legend Making in the Modern Arab History, *Ostour Journal*, Issue 6, July 2017.pp 265-275. *In Arabic*
- Iran and the Gulf Crisis: Losses and Gains, *Siyasat Arabia*, Issue 27, July 2017. pp 39-44
- Iran and Political Dynamism in the Arab world: the Case of Yemen, *Digest of Middle East Studies*, Vol 25, No 1, Spring 2016, pp 4-18. *In Arabic*
- Sectarianism in the Modern Levant: the Case of Ottoman –Safavids. *Omran: Journal for Social Sciences and Humanities*, Arab Center for research and Policy Studies. Vol 11, Fall 2015, pp107-115. *In Arabic*
- Iran's Presence In The Syrian Crisis: An Analytical Study, *Insight Turkey*, Issue, 4, Vol.2, Summer 2015, pp133-146. *In Arabic*
- Factors that Govern Iran's Policy towards the Arab World. *Al-Siyssa Al-Dawliya* (Iran's Role) No.199, Jan 2015, pp 19-24. *In Arabic*

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- Maneuvering Relations: Iran and its Opponent, *Journal of Politics Science* (Sudanese Political Science Association), No 2, Sep 2014, pp 127-140. *In Arabic*
- Iran and the Geneva Agreement: Legitimacy Renewed or Meeting the Latest Challenge, *Siyasat Arabia*, Vol 6, Jan 2014. pp 52-58. *In Arabic*
- Shia Dilemma and the third Arab Awakening, *Al-Siyssa Al-Dawliya* (Troubled Ethnicities) No.193, June 2013.pp 19-24. *In Arabic*
- Obama's "Smart-Power" Strategy, One Year On: the Case of the Middle East, (with Rula Awwad) *Digest of Middle East Studies*, Vol 19, No 1, Spring 2010, pp 1-14.
- Revisiting the Iranian Nuclear Dilemma: A Study of 2002-2009 Developments, *Middle Eastern Studies, Volume 2, No 2, January 2010, pp 35-61*
- 'The Durability of Managed Rivalry: Iran's Relations with Russia and the Saudi Dimension' (with M Wootton) *Journal of Asian Politics & Policy, Vol. 1, No. 1, 2009,pp113-126*
- 'Talking with a Region: Lessons from Iran, Turkey and Pakistan', (with S Staffell) *Middle East Policy*, Vol 16. No. 1, 2009, pp. 63-74 .
- 'Are Shias rising in the western part of the Arab world? The case of Morocco', (with C. König), *The Journal of North African Studies*, Vol. 13, No. 4, December 2008, 513–529
- 'A New Perspective on Jordanian-Iranian Relations', *The Journal of Middle Eastern Geopolitics*, the Globe Research, Vol. II, No.8, June-September 2007. pp 55-66
- 'The Rise of the Neoconservatives in Iran', *Journal of Geopolitical Affairs*, Vol 1, No 1, Spring 2007.pp273-293

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- ‘The Hamas Victory; Shifting Sands or Major Earthquake,’ *Third World Quarterly*, Vol. 27, No.4, 2006. pp 675-687
- ‘Perspective of Political Thought in the First Period of the Abbasid Caliphate’, *History of Islam Quarterly*, Vol 1, No 5, 2001, pp45-80.
- ‘Iran’s Foreign Relations with Egypt and Damascus from Fatimid Period to the End of the Ilkhanid Dynasty’, *The Historical Research Quarterly*, Vol.1-2 , 1999, pp 152-166.

#### **Peer-Reviewed Book Chapters**

- Underlined Vulnerabilities: The Gulf Crisis ( with Betul Dogan Akkas), in *The 2017 Gulf Crisis: An Interdisciplinary Approach*, Springer Nature , Nov 2020
- Competing Radicalisms: A Comparison of Saudi and Iranian Foreign Policies after 2015, ( with Majed Al-Ansari), in *The 2017 Gulf Crisis: An Interdisciplinary Approach*, Springer Nature, Nov 2020
- From Ahmadinejad to Rouhani: Iran’s Presence in Africa, ( With Alieu Manjang),in *The Foreign Policy of Iran under President Hassan Rouhani First Term (2013-2017)*, Luciano Zaccara (Ed.), Palgrave Macmillan, June2020.
- Yemen in the Context of Iran-Gulf Relations, in *Yemen And the Gulf States: The Making of a Crisis* , (Edited By Helen Lackner & Daniel Martin Verisco) Gerlach Press, Berlin. 2017.
- Iran Under Ahmadinejad: When Crisis becomes a Pattern, in *Iran’s Foreign Policy: From Khatami to Ahmadinejad*, (Edited, with Anoush Ehteshami) Ithaca Press, London. 2nd Edition. 2012

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- Iran and Arabs: the Shadow of Religion and Politics, in *Arabs and Iran: A Review of the History and Politics*, Edited (with Azmi Bshara), Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies, Qatar, 2012. *In Arabic*
- Jordan's Local Radio Revolution: Progress, Challenges and Possibilities, in *the New Arab Media: Technology, Image and Perception* (edited with Emmy Murphy) December 2010, Ithaca Press, London.
- Discord between Conservatives and Reformists in Iran, in *The Arabian Gulf: Between Conservatism and Change*, published by the Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research, Abu Dubai, United Arab Emirates, July 2009. pp 105-130
- Arab-Iranian Relations: New Realities? In *Iran's Foreign Policy: form Khatami to Ahmadinejad* ed. by A. Ehteshami and M. Zweiri, July 2008, Ithaca Press. pp 115-128
- Synergies in Reform: Case studies of Saudi Arabia and Iran, in *Reform in the Middle East Oil Monarchies*, Ed. by A. Ehteshami and S. Wright, November 2007, Ithaca Press. pp 247-261.

#### **Peer-Reviewed Research Papers**

- COVID-19 and the Future of the Global System: Shifting-Sands or Earthquake. Center for Strategic Research & Antalya Diplomacy Forum, Turkey , 2020.
- The United States Determinants toward Iran: the Case of Trump Administration , *Derasat*, Bahrain Center for Strategic, International and Energy Studies, Vol 2, Num.4, 2017. pp 69-79. *In Arabic*

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- Iran and the Houthis: Creating Chaos in Yemen, *Derasat*, Bahrain Center for Strategic, International and Energy Studies, Vol 2, Num.1, 2015. pp 69-78. *In Arabic*
- Lifting Sanctions on Iran: Shifting Sands or Major Earthquake, Alsharq Forum, Istanbul, 15 February 2016. <http://sharqforum.org/2016/02/15/lifting-sanctions-on-iran-shifting-sands-or-major-earthquake/>
- Revolutionary Iran and the Arab Revolts: Observations on Iranian Foreign Policy and its Approaches, Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies, Doha, April 2012  
<http://english.dohainstitute.org/release/842df342-da4c-4436-b42e-1cac00dfcf0b>
- Fragile States and the Democratization Process: A New Approach to Understanding Security in the Middle East, with (A Takin& A Johnson) EuroMeSCo Paper, No 74. November 2008.
- Transnational Implications of Civil Conflicts in Iraq, Lebanon, and Palestine, with (A Johnson), Research Institute for European and American Studies (RIEAS), Research Paper No 118. February 2008
- 'The War of Words and the National Intelligence Estimate Puzzle: A Wider Perspective on the US Confrontation with Iran', with (Michael Bell, Matt Wootton), CSS papers, Center for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan,  
<http://www.jcss.org/UploadEvents/144.pdf> , February 2008
- 'The Dilemma of Politics and Security in Arab-Iranian Relations: The Case of Jordan' (with A Johnson), CSS papers, Center for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan,  
<http://www.jcss.org/UploadPolling/251.pdf> , December 2007

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- ‘The Politics of Iran’s Assembly of Experts after Meshkini’ (with R Mardini)  
<http://www.jcss.org/SubDefault.aspx?PageId=37&PollId=244&PollType=10>, October 2007.
- ‘Religion, Ethnicity and Identity Politics in the Persian Gulf,’ Research Institute for European and American Studies (RIEAS), Research Paper No. 111, July 2007.
- ‘Iranian Nuclear Program... Has The Countdown To Military Confrontation Begun?’ Center for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan,  
<http://www.jcss.org/SubDefault.aspx?PageId=37&PollId=232&PollType=10>, July 2007.
- ‘American-Iranian Talks on Iraq... End of Conflict or another Start?’ Center for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan,  
<http://www.jcss.org/SubDefault.aspx?PageId=37&PollId=245&PollType=10>, May 2007.
- ‘Iran’s Presence in Iraq: New Realities?’ CSS papers, Center for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan  
<http://www.jcss.org/SubDefault.aspx?PageId=37&PollId=246&PollType=10>, May 2007
- ‘The Victory of Al-Wefaq: the Rise of Shiite Politics in Bahrain’, Research Institute for European and American Studies (RIEAS), Research Paper No. 108, April 2007.
- ‘The Iraqi Issue and its Impact on GCC-Iran Relations’, Journal of the European Society for Iranian Studies ‘Vaseteh’, Vol 1, No 2, Summer 2006.pp 73-78 .
- ‘The “Wearing Black”(sihah pooshan): The Unknown Rebels of the Safavid Era’, in Ketab-e Mah History & Geography, 2003, No10-11, pp50-55.

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- ‘International Relations Between the Sledgehammer of History and the Anvil of Reality’, in *History of Foreign Relations*, Vol 4, No 4, 2000, pp133-138.
- ‘Iran-Jordan Relations, A Perspective’, in *History of Foreign Relations*, Vol.1,No.1, 1999,pp 107-112.

## GRANTS

- 2020-2022: “Economic, Political and Security aspects of Sanctions and Blockades from a Target Country Perspective: Policy Lessons for Qatar and other Target Countries”. **NPRP12S-0310-190280**. LPI. Qatar Research National Fund . \$400.000.
- 2019, “The Networked Life of Young People in Qatar”, Internal Grant, Qatar University, QR.17,500.
- 2019, “The Impact of Neoliberal Economic Transformations on the Development of Gulf” , Internal Grant, Qatar University. QR 20.000.
- 2018, “Nation Building and National Identity Formation in Qatar: Citizen Perceptions of Official National Identity”, Internal Grant, Qatar University. QR 20.000.
- 2018, “Monitoring private security organizations in the Arab-Gulf -The case of the state of Qatar” Internal Grant, Qatar University, QR.17,500.

## TEACHING

Courses Taught: English/Arabic

### **Qatar University, 2010-present**

- Culture and Society in the Gulf, a Ph.D. Course
- Contemporary History & Politics in the Gulf, MA Course.



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- Special Topics, MA Course
- Modern Arab History since 1919, BA Course.
- Iran and its Neighbors, BA Course.
- Modern & Contemporary History of the Middle East, BA Course
- Modern & Contemporary History of Iran, BA Course
- Modern & Contemporary History of Qatar, BA Course
- Modern & Contemporary History of the Arabia Gulf, BA Course
- Modern & Contemporary History of Iraq & Syria, BA Course
- Modern & Contemporary History of Africa, BA Course

**University of Jordan, 2008-2009**

- Islamic History, MA Course
- Islamic Movements, MA Course

**Durham University, (2004-2006)**

- Islam and Politics, MA Course
- History of the Middle East in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century, BA Course
- History of the Middle East in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, BA Course
- Islamic Studies II. BA Course
- Islam, State and the Government, BA Course

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## THESIS SUPERVISION AND EXAMINATION (PHD & MA)

### **PHD Thesis Supervision**

- Gender roles and Women's Political Participation in Oman, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2018- 2020.

### **MA Thesis Supervision**

- Treaty Making Power of the GCC: Ratification of Economic Agreement and resolutions: Case of Qatar, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2017-2018
- Older Adults and Social Media: Uses and Impacts in Qatari Society, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2017-2019.
- GCC Perception of Threats from Iraq and Iran: Explaining the Enduring Alliance with the United States, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2017-2018.
- The Effect of the Saudi-Iranian Rivalry on Politics in Lebanon from 2005 to 2015, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2016-2017.
- A Comparative Study on Soft Power of Turkey and Iran in the Gulf Region, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2015-2016.
- The determinants of Iran's Foreign policy toward the GCC before the Nuclear Deal, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2015-2016.
- Influencing identity: Sectarian Rhetoric in the Gulf, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2012-2013.

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- Identity and Politics in Modern Qatar State Formation, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2012-2013.

#### **MA Thesis Co-Supervision**

- Muqim in Qatar without Arabic, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2018-2020.
- Digitally Networked: Hashtag Unity in the Midst of the Blockade of Qatar, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2017-2018.
- The Role of Qatari Women in the Workforce, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2013-2015.
- Sheikh Ahmed bin Ali bin Abdulla bin Qassim Al-Thani: A new Perspective on Domestic and Foreign Relations, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2012-2014.
- Higher Education and Culture in Re-forming Qatar's Global Image in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, Gulf Studies Program, Qatar University, 2012-2013

#### **Theses Examination**

- **External Examiner** for the PhD Thesis 'Stability of Yemen and the Gulf Role after the decisive Storm and the return Hope' International Islamic University in Malaysia, 22 November 2018.

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- **External Examiner** for the MA Thesis ‘The Public Policy of the Iranian National Security: the Case of Nuclear Program’, Qatar Faculty of Islamic Studies, Hamad Bin Khalifa University, 10 March 2016.
- **External Examiner** for the MA thesis ‘the Persian-Ottoman-Portuguese Conflict over Hurmuz Island 1507-1622’. History Department, College of Arts and Social Sciences, Sultan Qaboos University, 3 Jan 2016.
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