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EDUCATION

2007   **Ph. D. in linguistics**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA.

              Dissertation title: Shifting dunes: changing meanings of Urdu in India.

              Committee members: Sarah Thomason, Deborah Keller-Cohen, Judith Irvine, and Barbara Metcalf

2005   **M.A. in linguistics**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA.

              Qualifying Research Paper. Scripting a new identity: The battle for Devanagari in 19th century India.

2003   **Linguistics Summer Institut**e, Linguistic Society of America (LSA). Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, USA.

1997   **M. Phil. in linguistics**, University of Delhi, India.

              Thesis: News bulletins in Hindi and Urdu: A study in mutual comprehensibility. MS.

1995   **M.A. in linguistics**, University of Delhi, India.

              Thesis: Relative clause in Kom. MS.

1993   **B.A. (Hons.) in Arabic and linguistics**, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi.

RESEARCH EXPERTISE AND INTERESTS

Theoretical interests: sociolinguistics, language and ethnic, religious, and national identities, language ideology, multilingualism, language policy, language movements, sociolinguistics of orthography.

Field specialization: South Asia and the Arab World.

LANGUAGES

Urdu	Expert User
English	Expert User
Arabic	Expert user of Modern Standard Arabic and fluent in Yemeni dialect
Hindi	High proficiency
Farsi/Persian	Reading proficiency

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Fall 2019	**Visiting Research Faculty**. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA.
2017, Feb 09-	**Associate Professor** of Sociolinguistics, Qatar University, Doha.
Spring 2011-2017	**Assistant Professor** of Sociolinguistics, Qatar University, Doha.
2010 Summer	**Visiting Scholar**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA.
2007- 2010	**Assistant Professor** of English, American University of Kuwait, Kuwait.
2003-2007	**Graduate Student Instructor** (GSI), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
1997-2002	**Lecturer**, Department of English, University of Science and Technology, Yemen.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Fall 2012-Feb 2015	**Head**, Department of English Literature & Linguistics (DELL), Qatar University, Doha.
2013-2015	**Program Review**: Led the team that worked on the Self-Study Report of the Department of English Literature and Linguistics.
2013-2015	**New Program Launch**: Led the team that worked on the development, external review, and approval of minors in French and Spanish at Qatar University. The programs are running now.
2013-2014	**Curriculum Development**: Worked on the development two linguistics courses ENGL-353: Sounds of English and ENGL-354: Structure of the English Language for the College of Education, Qatar University.

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

2021	(with Sara Hillman). Laboring to communicate: Use of migrant languages in COVID-19 awareness campaign in Qatar, *Multilingua* vol. 40, no. 3, 2021, pp. 303-337. **De Gruyter**.

2020   (with Torlakova et al). Figurative Language in Arabic E-Commerce Text. *International Journal of Business Communication*. Vol. 57.3. 279-301. **Sage Publications**.

2020   Hate, Bigotry, and Discrimination against Muslims:Urdu During the Hindutva Rule. In *Disrupting Hate in Education: Techer Activists, Democracy, and Global Pedagogies of Interruption*. Eds. Rita Verma & Michael Apple. Pp 129-152. New York, **Routledge**.

2020   From *Rajjal* to *Rayyal*: Ideologies and shift among young Bedouins in Qatar. In The *Routledge Handbook of Arabic and Identity*. Eds. Reem Bassiouney & Keith Walters. Pp 13-25. New York, **Routledge**.

2018   My name is Khan… from the epiglottis: changing linguistic norms in Bollywood songs. *Journal of South Asian Popular Culture*. 16:1, 51-69 (**Taylor & Francis**).

2017   (with Divakaran Liginlal et al.) Metaphorical Expressions in E-Commerce: A Study of Arabic Language. *Journal of Global Information Technology Management*. Vol. 20.2. pp 75-90. (**Taylor & Francis/Routledge**).

2016   Expatriate Languages in Kuwait: Tension between Public and Private Domains. *Journal of Arabian Studies*. Vol. 6 (1) pp 29-52. (**Taylor & Francis/Routledge**)

2016   *Teaching linguistic diversity through linguistic landscaping*. **Journal of Language and Language Teaching**. Vol. 5 (1) pp. 1-7, Azimpremji University, India.

2015   Polyphony of Urdu in postcolonial North India. *Modern Asian Studies*, (Cambridge University Press). Vol. 49.3. pp. 678-710. **Cambridge University Press**.

2014   (with Divakaran Liginlal et al) Localization for a High Context Culture: An Exploratory Study of Cultural Markers and Metaphors in Arabic E-Commerce Websites. In G. Lee (Ed.), *E-Commerce, E-Business and E-Service* (pp. 21-27). Routledge.

2012   Hindi is perfect, Urdu is messy: the discourse of delegitimation of Urdu in India. In Mark Sebba et al. *Orthography as Social Action: Scripts, Spelling, Identity and Power*. pp 103-133. Berlin: **Mouton de Gruyter**.

2011   Urdu in Devanagari: Changing orthographic practices and Muslim identity in Delhi. *Language in Society*, 40.3. pp 259-284. (**Cambridge University Press**).

2010   How do I know you are not a CBI agent?: Examining the identity of researcher in sociolinguistic fieldwork. In Imtiaz Hasnain & Shreesh Chaudhary, *Problematizing language studies: Cultural, theoretical, and applied perspectives*. pp. 426-435. Delhi: Aakar Books, 2010.

2008a   Scripting a new identity: the battle for Devanagari in nineteenth century India. *Journal of Pragmatics*. 40.7. pp 1163-1183. (Elsevier Press)

2008b   Unpacking indexicality: Urdu in India. In Amy Brown and Josh Iorio: *Texas Linguistic Forum*. Austin: University of Texas. 2008.pp 1-9. Web. 7 Feb 2011. http://studentorgs.utexas.edu/salsa/proceedings/2008.html.

POPULAR WRITING/ Community Engagement

2021   (April 11)BJP's use of 'begum' and 'shahzada' to attack its opponents conceals a larger attack on Muslims. Scroll.in. **(1600 Reads)**

2020   Fighting the Current Pandemic: Deploying Linguistic Resources is the Key. In *Together Apart: A collection of human experiences*. Pp 29-32. Doha, HBKU Press. (Reprint of the newspaper article)

2020   (August 25)How Qatar overcome language and culture barriers in its fight against Covid-19. The Gulf Times, Doha Qatar.

2020   (April 14)Multilingual resources key to fighting COVID-19 https://www.languageonthemove.com **(6060 reads)**

2020   (April 12)Media watch: How vocabulary was weaponised to target Indian Muslims after the Tablighi Jamat event. Scroll.in **(9000 reads)**

2020   (February 13)Why Must the Uttarakhand Govt Undermine Urdu to Promote Sanskrit? The Wire. India.

2020   (June 24)"I regret having named him Sahil": Urdu names in India. https://www.languageonthemove.com **(4500 reads)**

2020   (June 14)Gulzar Dehlvi (1926-2020) defended the metaphor of Urdu with the subtle weapon of his poetry. Scroll.in **(700 reads)**

2019   Linguistic Relationship between Arabs and Indian. contributed to the "Qatar, India, and the Gulf" Exhibit at Qatar National Library. Doha.

2019   The deep relationship between Indians and Arabs. Qatar University Research Magazine. Issue 11. Pp 38-39.

2019   (August 8)The Dilli debate: Why should a city be known by only one name anyway? Scroll.in.

2019   (May 8) Everyone has got it wrong in the Ramadan-Ramzan debate. And no, it's not about Wahhabism. **ThePrint**. (**1600 Shares**)

2019   (February 16) Not about numbers: Why Abu Dhabi labour court chose Hindi over Malayalam. **ThePrint.**

2018   (23 December 2018) As We Celebrate Urdu, Let's Not Ignore the Signs of Its Decline in India. **The Wire. India.** (**1800 shares).**

2018   (12 October). Renaming India: Saffronisation of public spaces. Al-Jazeera Online. Doha, Qatar. (**3700 shares**)

2018   (2 October). The Urdu sounds that are disappearing from Bollywood songs. **The Dawn, Pakistan**. Reprint. (**3400 shares**)

2018   (30 September). Urdu sounds are disappearing from Bollywood songs. ThePrint. India. **(4,400 shares)**

2010   Persian or Arabian Gulf?: Symbolic meanings of names. **Al-Watan Daily/ the International Herald Tribune**. Kuwait. March 12, 2010.

2006   Old Delhi: A linguistic tapestry. **The Milli Gazette**. June 1-15, Delhi.

1997   Ghalib's Delhi. **The Pioneer**. 14 March, 1997 Delhi.

1996   Politics of Poetics. **The Hindustan Times**. 25 August, New Delhi.

1996   Linguistic Authoritarianism. **The Indian Express**. 10 February, Delhi.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

	ENGL-101	Approaches to Critical Reading and Writing
	ENGL-102	Writing and Information Literacy
	ENGL-108	Public Speaking
	ENGL-155	Introduction to Language
	ENGL-157	Introduction to Linguistics
	ENGL-204	Business Communication
	ENGL-226	A history of the English Language
	ENGL-300	A History of the English Language
	ENGL-354	Structure of the English Language
	ENGL-378	English and Globalization
	ENGL-390	Sociolinguistics
	ENGL-403	Field Methods
	ENGL-425	Topics in Linguistics
	ENGL-441	Syntax
	ENGL-499	Capstone Integrated Skills

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SUPERVISION

Directed a number of undergraduate capstone research projects at Qatar University and American University of Kuwait. The following projects are notable.

2020   Linguistic Accommodation in Moroccan Arabic, Tunisian Arabic, &Yemeni Arabic. By Lamees Ayyad et al.

Mapping languages and dialects: A Sociolinguistic Analysis of 'Cars' dubbed into Arabic. By Alhanoof Al-Kuzaei et al.

Reporting of Qatar's Asia Cup Victory: A discourse analysis. By Salma Al-Kubaisi et al.

2019   Hip Hop of Social Change in the Arab World: A Sociolinguistic Study. By Esraa Abuzoor et al.

What's there in a name?: Understanding Naming Patterns in Old Delhi. By Samia Musa et al.

Choice of Language on Electronic Devices Among Arabs. By Sara Jassim Al-Kuwari et al.

2017   Guilty until proven innocent – Media trials of Muslim terror suspects in India*. By Zinnira Shaikh. Won the Highly Commended Award from **The Undergraduate Awards.**

2014   Rajjal or rayyal: Dialect Shift among young Bedouins, by Heba Al-Kababji, Hessa Al-Marri, and Rania Abujazar (**2nd prize on the CAS Research Day**)

2012   The Use of Discourse Markers in Qatari Arabic, by Arwa Kemalaldin Abbas and Al-Dana Jasim Al-Thani (**1st prize QU Annual Research Day**)

Ph.D. Thesis

2020   Examined a Ph.D. dissertation of a student from the University of Malay. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2021   External Examiner, Ph.D. Dissertation of Katsiaryna Ata, Gulf Studies Program, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, HONORS, AWARDS

2021   (under Review) Media Translation of Covid-19 Scientific Research into Arabic: A Study of Qatar and the Gulf Cooperation Council. **Collaborative research grant** proposal (**QR 210,580**) submitted to College of Arts & Sciences as Lead PI.

2019   "Language in Technology: The use of English and Arabic among QU Students and Staff**". Students' Internal Grant**. QUST-1-CAS-2019-25.

2016   College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) **Research Excellence Award**. Qatar University.

2016   Centre for Humanities and Social Sciences (CHSS) **Seed Grant**. CAS, Qatar University.

2013(PI)   Raising Language Effectiveness in Arabic Ecommerce Websites (**NPRP** 5-1393-6-044), **QNRF**, Qatar.

2012	Start-up research grant, **Qatar University**, to conduct research on Arabic among non-Arabs in Qatar (QUSG-CAS-CAS-11/12-7).
2012	Travel Grant, Qatar University, to present a paper at SALSA-XX, **University of Texas at Austin**, USA.
2009	Travel Grant, American University of Kuwait, to present a paper at MIDP Colloquium 2009. **University of Antwerp, Belgium**, Sep 14-16, 2009
2009	Travel Grant, American University of Kuwait, to present a paper at Linguistics in the Gulf-2. **Qatar University, Doha, Qatar**. March 11-12, 2009.
2008	Travel Grant, American University of Kuwait, to present paper at Symposium about language and society (SALSA-XVI), **University of Texas at Austin**, USA.
2007	Research Initiation Grant, American University of Kuwait, Kuwait.
2007	Travel grant, International Institute, University of Michigan, to present paper at the **LSA-2007 meeting at Anaheim, CA**, USA. January 4-7, 2007.
2006	Nominated by the Department of Linguistics for Outstanding Graduate Instructor Award, **University of Michigan**.
2006	**Rackham Humanities Candidacy Research Fellowship** for Winter-Summer 2007, Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, **University of Michigan**.
	Rackham International Research Award, University of Michigan, to conduct fieldwork research in Old Delhi, India.
	Travel grant, Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan, to present paper at the Sociolinguistics Symposium-16, July 6-8 2006, **University of Limerick, Ireland**.
2005	**Block grant**, Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan, to conduct dissertation fieldwork research in Old Delhi, India.
	Research grant, Taraknath Das Foundation, Columbia University, New York, to conduct fieldwork research in Old Delhi, India.
	Travel grant, Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan, to present paper at the **International Symposium on Bilingualism, Barcelona, Spain**.
	Travel grant, International Institute, University of Michigan, to present paper at South Asian Linguistic Analysis (SALA-25) at the **University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign**, IL, USA.
2004	**Rackham discretionary grant** to conduct research at the **National Archives of India, New Delhi**.
2002-2003	**International Institute Fellowshi**p, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

2003	**Travel grant**, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia for attending workshop on the Urdu Language Instruction in the USA.
	Block grant, Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan, for summer research.
1995-97	**Junior Research Fellowship (JRF**), University Grants Commission, New Delhi, India towards the completion of an M. Phil. Degree in linguistics.

INVITED TALK

2020	Language and social justice: Urdu during the Hindu majoritarian rule in India. Talk delivered at **Queen's University, Belfast, UK**. October 27, 2020 (Delivered Online).
2020	Challenges of Communication: A study of Qatar. **Qatar Literary Society**. September 30, 2020. (Delivered Online).
2019	Indexicality, identity, and language change: Journey of Urdu across times. **University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign**, USA.
2018	Indexicality, identity, and language change: Colonial and postcolonial imaginaries of Urdu. Invited Plenary speaker at **Talk and Silence: Language in Colonial Contexts**. American University of Cairo, Egypt, 28 Feb-1 March, 2018.
2015	Indexicalities in a mesh. Invited talk at the Roundtable at Sociolinguistics of Globalization, **the University of Hong Kong**, 3-6 June, 2015
2015	Business of writing. **College of Business and Economics**, Qatar University. March 17, 2015
2012	Urdu in Nagari: Script and Muslim identity in 21st century. School of Oriental & African Studies (**SOAS**), **University of London**. Nov. 1, 2012
2012	Urdu, Hindi, Scripts, and Politics. South Asia Institute, **University of Texas at Austin, USA.** April 12, 2012.
2007	Writing for ESL students. **Fatma Bint Al-Yaman Middle School**, Kuwait, November 21, 2008.
2006	One language, two scripts; or one script and still two languages: examining Urdu in the Devanagari script**. Aligarh Muslim University**. India. **Perspectives on contemporary Hindi and Urdu linguistics**. March 29-31 2006.
2006	Voices people write: examining Urdu in Devanagari. **Department of Linguistics Colloquium Series**, **University of Michigan**. December 1, 2006.

Guest lecture on 'bilingualism and education' for Linguistics 370: Language and discrimination, Instructor, Prof. Kathryn Campbell-Kibler. Oct 26, 2006.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2019   Renaming during the Hindu nationalist rule: Marginalization of Dalits and minorities. Paper presented at **American Name Society,** Annual meeting, 3-6 January 2019.

2017   Representation of Arabic dialects in tweets: an examination of ideologies. Poster. To be presented at "11th International Workshop on Writing Systems and Literacy" Aug 29-31, 2017. Organized by the **Association of Written Language and Literacy** at **Nanzan University,** Nagoya**, Japan**.

2016   Rise of *Khaliji* dialect in the Arabic entertainment media. 3rd International Conference on Language, Linguistics, Literature, and Translation. **Sultan Qaboos University**, Masqat, Oman, 3-5 November 2016.

2016   *From Rajjal to Rayyal: Ideologies and shift among young Bedouins in Qatar*. 21st **Sociolinguitic Symposium, University of Murcia**, Spain, June 15-18, 2016. (Co-author).

2015   (with Divakaran Liginlal et al) The richness of metaphor and the metaphor of richness in Arabic ecommerce. **International Business Conference**, **University of Ajman**, UAE. May 12-14, 2015.

2014   English in GGC countries: status and features. Paper presented at the Language and Society Conference, **University of Waikato, New Zealand**. Nov 23-25, 2014.

2014   (with Divakaran Liginlal et al) Localization for a High Context Culture: An Exploratory Study of Cultural Markers and Metaphors in Arabic E-Commerce Websites. **E-commerce, e-business, and E-service Conference**. Regal Riverside Hotel, Hong Kong. May 1-2 2014.

2014   Urdu in Bollywood: Shifting Canons. **Association of Asian Studies Conference**. Philadelphia, PA, USA. March 29, 2014

2013   Urdu in Bollywood: withering Diction. Paper presented at **Linguistic Society of India** conference. Mysore, India. November 27, 2013.

2012   Polyphony of Urdu in India. Paper presented at **The Annual Conference on South Asia**, **University of Wisconsin**, Madison, USA. October 11-14, 2012.

2012   Language change in a multilingual setting: Urdu in India. Paper presented at Symposium about language and society **(SALSA-XX)**. **University of Texas at Austin**. April 14, 2012.

2009   Disjoint between the Public and Private: Use of immigrant languages in Kuwait. **Paper** presented at **MIDP Colloquium**, **University of Antwerp, Belgium**. Sep 14-16, 2009.

2009   Multilingualism in a monolingual country: a case of Kuwait. **Paper** presented at **Linguistics in the Gulf-2**. Qatar University, Qatar. March 11-12, 2009.

2008   Semiotic complexity of Urdu in India. **Paper** presented at Symposium about language and society **(SALSA-XVI)**. **University of Texas at Austin**. April 11-13 2008.

2007   Old Wine in a new bottle: Urdu in Nagari. **Paper** presented at the **Linguistic Society of America 2007** Annual Meeting, Anaheim, CA, USA. Jan 5, 2007.

2006   Old language, new script: Urdu in a new outfit. **Poster** presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation **(NWAV-35)**. Columbus, Ohio State University, USA. Nov. 9-12, 2006.

              Ideology of change and change of ideology: shifting conceptions of Hindi. **Paper** presented at **Sociolinguistics Symposium 16**, University of Limerick, Ireland July 6-8, 2006 (with Sai Samant).

2005   Representations of Hindi in the Dalit resistance movement. **Paper** presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation **NWAV-34.** New York University. Oct 21, 2005 (with Sai Samant)

              Hindi is perfect; Urdu is messy: the sociolinguistic construction of Hindi and Urdu in the nineteenth century. **Paper** presented at South Asian Linguistic Analysis (**SALA-25)**, University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign. Sep 16-18 2005.

              Imaginings of Hindi in the Dalit resistance movement. **Paper** presented at South Asian Linguistic Analysis (**SALA-25**), University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign. Sep 16-18 2005 (with Sai Samant).

              Scripting a new identity: the battle for Nagari in 19th century India. **Paper** presented at **International Symposium on Bilingualism(ISB)**, Barcelona, Spain, March 21, 2005.

2004   Language ideology and the construction of Hindu/Hindi identity in late 19th century India. **Paper** presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation (**NWAV-33**). Ann Arbor. Oct 2, 2004.

2002   Linguistic influences of Arabic on Urdu. **Paper** presented at Faculty of Humanities Colloquium. 25 April 2002. **University of Science and Technology**, Sana'a, Yemen.

1996   Hindi, Urdu: A case of lexical divide. **Paper** presented at South Asian Linguistic Analysis (**SALA**). Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (with R. K. Agnihotri)

INDEXING, TRANSLATION, CONSULTING, etc.

2013-present   Urdu and Hindi language consultant for PS212. A branding company based in New York City, USA.

2012	Urdu language consultant for FACIT (**Functional Assessment of Chronic Illness Therapy**) in developing Urdu language cognition test. Chicago, IL, USA.
2004-present	**Consultant**, Urdu language, for **Lexicon Branding**, a US-based branding company that develops and evaluates brand names for commercial products (http://lexiconbranding.com/).
2004	Prepared the index for the book 'Studies in the history of the English language II: unfolding conversations'. 2004. eds. Anne Curzan and Kimberly Emmons, **Mouton De Gruyter**.
2003	Urdu language consultant on morpho-syntactic tagging of electronic Urdu corpus, **Lancaster University, UK**.

PEER REVIEW

2020	Reviewed a chapter for a book published by University of Malaysia, Kualalampur.
2018	Reviewer for the journal **Pedagogica Historica,** Taylor & Francis.
2018	Reviewer for the journal **Writing Systems research**, Taylor & Francis.
2018	Reviewer for CALA-2019, **Conference on Asian Linguistic Anthropology**.
2017	Reviewer for **Routledge Studies on Arabic and Identity**, Taylor & Francis.
2017	Reviewer for the journal of **Multilingua**, Taylor and Francis.
2015	Reviewer for **Perspectives on Arabic Linguistics XXIX**.
2014	Reviewer for the **Journal of Sociolinguistics**.
2013	Reviewer for Qatar Debates, **Qatar Foundation**, Qatar.
2013	Reviewer for the Annual conference of the **Linguistic Society of America** (founded in 1924)
2013	Reviewed a full-length research article for the journal **Indian Linguistics**, the official publication of the **Linguistic Society of India** (founded in 1928).
2012	Reviewer for the Annual conference of the **Linguistic Society of America** (founded in 1924).

EDITORIAL WORK

2017-	**Member**, Editorial Board, Routledge Studies in **Arabic and Identity**, Taylor & Francis.
2016	**Managing Editor** (**English**), Qatar Al-Kalam, قطر الكلام a biannual, cultural magazine of the College of Arts and sciences.
2015	**Founding member** of Qatr Al-Kalam قطر الكلام, a biannual, bilingual cultural magazine of the College of Arts and sciences

SERVICE TO INSTITUTION

2020	Strategic Planning Committee, DELL, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University.
2018-	**Students' Complaints Committee**, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University.
2019-	Chair, **Recruitment Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
2019-2020	Chair, **Faculty Promotion Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
2018-2019	Member, **Organizing Committee**, Linguistics in the Gulf Conference-6, DELL.
2018-2019	Member, **Faculty Promotion Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
2018-2019	Member, **Research Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
2018-2019	**Co-Chair, Recruitment Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
2018-	**Member**, **University Faculty Senate**, Qatar University.
2017- 2018	**Member**, College Recruitment Committee, CAS, **Qatar University**.
2016-2017	**Chair**, Recruitment Committee, DELL, CAS.
2016-2017	**Member**, CAS Recruitment Committee, Qatar University.
2016-2017	**Member**, Academic Quality Assurance Committee, DELL, CAS.
2015-1016	**Member**, Peer Review of Teaching Committee, DELL, CAS.
2015-2016	Founding Member, Editorial Board, Qatar Al-Kalam, CAS Cultural magazine, Qatar University.
2015-2016	**Chair**, Textbook Committee, Department of English Literature & Linguistics, Qatar University.
2015-2016	**Member**, Curriculum Development Committee, Department of English Literature & Linguistics, Qatar University.
2015	**Chair and later member**, Peer Review Committee, Department of English Literature & Linguistics, Qatar University.

2015   **Chair and later member**, Recruitment Committee, Department of English Literature & Linguistics, Qatar University.

2015   **Member**, Organizing Committee for Linguistics in the Gulf-5, March 29-30, 2015. Qatar University.

2015   **Chair**, Scientific Committee for Linguistics in the Gulf-5, March 29-30, 2015. Qatar University.

2015   **Member**, Time-Table Committee, Department of English Literature & Linguistics, Qatar University.

2014   Worked as a **member** on the preparation of a **Self-Study Report** of the Department of English Literature and Linguistics, Qatar University.

2012-2014   Member, Advisory Board, **Translation and Interpreting Institute** (TII), Qatar

2012-2013   Member, **CAS, Faculty Evaluation Appeals Committee**, Qatar University

2013   Worked on the Qatar University Organizing Committee of AIDA, **International Association of Arabic dialectology**. 10-14 November 2014.

2013   **Organized** an international conference "Linguistics in the Gulf-4" at Qatar University, March 17-18, 2013.

2012   **Organized** a lecture by Professor Teun Van Dijk on Discourse of racism, anti-Semitism, and xenophobia in the European Union, November 12, 2012.

2012-2014   **Chair**, **Hiring Committee**, Department of English Literature & Linguistics

2012-2014   **Chair**, **Faculty Annual Evaluation Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.

2012-2014   **Chair, Peer Review Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.

2012   **Chair**, **Research Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.

2012   **Chair**, **Faculty Probation Committee**, DELL, Qatar University

2011-2012   Member, **CAS, Faculty Evaluation Appeals Committee**, Qatar University

2011   **Member**, **Strategic Planning Committee** for DELL, Qatar University

2010-2011   **Faculty Advisor** of ten English majors at American University of Kuwait.

2009-2010   **Member**, **President's Award Committee**. American University of Kuwait

               Member, **Faculty Search Committee**, American University of Kuwait

               Member, **Professional Development Committee**, American University of Kuwait.

2008-2009   **Secretary**, **Undergraduate Faculty Assembly**, American University of

Kuwait.

Chair, Faculty Search Committee, American University of Kuwait.

2007-2008   **Member Curriculum Development Committee**, American University of Kuwait.

2006   **Member**, **Admissions Committee**, Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan.

2005   **Member**, **Rackham Student Forum**, University of Michigan.

2004   **Treasurer**, Graduate Linguists at the University of Michigan (GLaM)

Member, **Undergraduate Committee**, Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan.

2003   **Member**, **Colloquium Committee**, University of Michigan.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

2021

December 2017   **Cite as you Write: Using Zotero for Writing Research**. Conducted two workshops for QU faculty on the reference and citation management software. **Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning**, Qatar University.

June 2015   Engaging and Energizing your students: Four classroom tested methods, **OFID**, Qatar University.

May 2015   Application of MaxQDA in Qualitative Research Data Analysis, one-day workshop given jointly by **SESRI and the University of Michigan**, USA.

March 2013   Smooth move to **Blackboard** 9.1. OFID, Qatar University

June 2013   Building on the future **Mentor and Mentee's relationship**, OFID, Qatar University

July 2013   Attended workshop on "**sociolinguistic and Linguistic Issues Involved in Heritage Languages**", organized by Pieter Muysken and Ad Backus, **Linguistics Summer Institute**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

July 2013   Attended workshop on "**The Protection of Linguistic Diversity: Historical, Legal, and Sociolinguistic Aspects**" organized by Viola Miglio, **Linguistics Summer Institute**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

July 2013   Attended workshop on "**Maintaining Linguistic Diversity: Supporting Language Programs**" organized by Samantha Disbray, Linguistics Summer Institute, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

2013   Attended workshop on Introduction to Blackboard-9, OFID, Qatar University.

WORKSHOPS GIVEN

2021   (March 29) **Transliteration of Arabic references** in journals. Workshop given to QU faculty and Community. Organized by **Qatar University Press** and College of Sharia and Islamic Studies. Qatar University.

2017   **(**December 10) **Cite as you Write: Using Zotero for Research**. Conducted two workshops for QU faculty on the reference and citation management software. **Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning**, Qatar University

ADMINISTRATIVE/MANAGERIAL TRAINING

2013 (Sep 3-5)   BroadLand managerial training workshop, Intercontinental Hotel, Qatar

2013 (June 18-20)   Attended a 3-day training workshop on ***The 7 habits of highly effective people*** (Stephen Covey's course).

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

Quite proficient in the use of Windows, Microsoft Office, Mac operating systems, Blackboard, Padlet, Socrative, Moodle.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Linguistic Society of America, 2006-present