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EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIPS

DPhil in Sociology, Queens University, Belfast (School of Sociology, Social Policy and Social Work), 2009- 2013. *[Focus on theorizing the entanglement between space, place, and resistance, through a lived experience intergenerational lens]*

Full Scholarship awarded by Queens University.

MA Social Policy and Administration, Nottingham University- UK (School of Sociology, Social Policy and Social Work), 1997- 1998. *[Focus on the International Convention on the Rights of the Child and its application into policy and practice in Jordan]*

Full Scholarship awarded by Nottingham University/Chevening.

BA Sociology, American University in Cairo- Egypt, 1988 -1993.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Applied social research geared towards influencing policy and practice in various sectors: health, education, social issues, children's rights
- Civil society development and sustainability
- Community mobilisation, engagement, and social cohesion
- Socio-cultural transformation influences on families, attitudes and practices
- Youth empowerment and engagement, with focus on contested contexts
- The role of culture, religion, and social transformation on social and political behaviour
- Women's empowerment and leadership roles
- A strong advocate of Participatory Action Research
- A strong advocate of the importance of Intergenerational Insights

KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

- Collaborative research within interdisciplinary and cross-sectoral teams
- Strong conceptualization, critical analysis, and writing skills.
- Skilled in proposal-writing and partnership development
- Design and implementation of Participatory Action Research in multi-stakeholder research (in fields of health, education, and advocacy with women, youth and policy-makers)
- Program conceptualization, management, evaluation and learning
- Capacity development and coaching for civil society organisations and professionals
- Strong understanding of the MENA region and challenges confronting societies in its diverse contexts.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Sept. 2018- present *Assistant Research Professor, Ibn Khaldon Centre for Humanities and Social Sciences, Qatar University*
- Sept. 2016 – Sept. 2018 *Research Associate, Centre for Humanities and Social Sciences, Qatar University*
- May 2014 – Oct. 2016 *Principal Consultant, Researcher, and Professional facilitator- Middle East and North Africa desk, INTRAC for Civil Society, Oxford –UK*
- May 2009-Jan 2010 *Strategic Advisor and Consultant
International HIV Fund, London, United Kingdom*
- Feb. 2001- Jan. 2005 *Middle East Programme Coordinator,
American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), Regional Office Middle East, Jordan*
- March 1999- Jan 2001 *Social Work Specialist: Social Services Division
United Nations Relief and Social Services (UNRWA), Headquarters, Jordan*
- Sept. 1998- April 1999 *Freelance Consultancy work*
- Jan. 1997 - Sept. 1997 *Research Assistant: Research & Database Unit,
The National Task Force for Children Amman/Jordan*
- August 1994 – Sept. 1996: *Programme Assistant: Monitoring & Evaluation,
UNICEF MENA Regional Office, Jordan*

MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

- Member of International Sociological Association
- Member of British Sociological Association
- Editorial Advisory Group member for Development in Practice Journal, January 2017- present
- INTRAC Associate and Consultant
- ESRC Peer Reviewer, invitation by ESRC's Secondary Data Analysis Initiative, UK
- Member of the EvalMENA network promoting monitoring evaluation and research in the MENA region
- Affiliated with Intergenerational Working Group at Oxford University Ageing Institute
- Affiliated with the Resistance Studies Network

PUBLICATION RECORD

JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS:

Hammad, S., Alkhas, T., and Alunni, A., (March 2018) 'Reflections on the Potential (and Limits) Of Action Research as Ethos, Methodology, and Practice: Case Study of a Women's Empowerment Programme in the Middle East.' Action Research.

Hammad, S. (April 2013) The Walk-Along: Eliciting 'Emplaced' knowledges in Bil'in, a geopolitically contested Palestinian village. Method-in-Action Case Studies, Sage Cases in Methodology. Methodspace- connecting the research community.

Hammad, S. (2011) "Senses of Place in Flux: A Generational Approach" International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy. Vol. 31. No. 9/10.

Hammad, S. and (2007) 'The Story of Popular Achievement: A Model of Youth Civic Engagement in Palestine' in Magnuson, Doug and Michael Baizerman (eds.) Work with Youth in Divided and Contested Societies, Sense Publishers: Rotterdam/ Taipei.

Hammad, S and Albakri, Tareq (2007). "Learning by Doing the Experience of Popular Achievement in Palestine". Child, Youth and Environments, vol. 17, no. 3 Pushing the Boundaries: Critical International Perspectives on Child and Youth Participation - Focus on the Middle East and North Africa and Africa pp. 24-48.

Hammad, S. (1999) "The CRC: Words on Paper or a Reality for Children- A Case Study of Jordan", The International Journal of Children's Rights, vol. 7, no.3, pp. 215-237, Kluwer Law International. Printed in the Netherlands.

Hammad, S. (December 1998) "Gender-Based Violence: Spotlight on 'Crimes of Honour' in Jordan". Civil Society: Democratic Transformation in the Arab World, vol. 7, issue 84, pp. 17-20.

Hammad, S. (2013, unpublished thesis) What I say comes from my everyday reality, from deep inside: An 'Emplaced' Study of Resistance in Bil'in Village, Palestine. Queens University, School of Sociology, Social Policy and Social Work. Belfast.

FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS:

Hammad, S. (forthcoming monograph-accepted for publication) 'Everything starts and ends with the land': Toward a Theory of Emplaced Resistances, Resistance Studies Book Series: Rowman & Littlefield International Publishers

Hammad, S. (submitted awaiting peer review) Reflecting on decades of youth empowerment programmes with Palestinian youth: Key findings from a literature review. New Directions in Youth Development.

Hammad, S. and Albakri, T. (writing in progress) The question of social cohesion in geopolitically fragmented spaces: insights from Palestine. Third World Quarterly

Hammad, S., Daher-Nashif, S., and Kane, T. (writing in progress) 'Let's not call it kharaf': Socio-cultural Influences on Dementia Caregiving'. Dementia

Hammad, S. (writing in progress) Reflections on Researching Dementia Care in Qatar: Negotiating collaboration, building evidence to inform policy and practice. Ageing and Social Policy.

Kane, T., Hammad, S., and Daher-Nashif, S. (writing in progress) A systematic review on Caregiving for Dementia in the Middle East and North Africa

Daher-Nashif, S., Hammad, S., and Kane, T. (writing in progress) Religious perspectives on Dementia Care. Ageing and Society.

Al-Saidi, M., Zaidan, E., and Hammad, S. (writing in progress) Participation modes and diplomacy of GCC countries towards the global sustainability agenda. Development in Practice. Special Issue on Transitions towards Sustainable Development in the Arab region, with focus on Gulf States- 2019 Publication date

Albakri, T. and Hammad, S. (writing in Progress). The dilemma of sustainability in humanitarian crises: reflections from the Arab region. Viewpoint. Development in Practice. Special Issue on Transitions towards Sustainable Development in the Arab region, with focus on Gulf States- 2019 Publication date

RESEARCH REPORTS, EVALUATIONS, AND BLOGS

Alayli, D. and Hammad, S. (2017, commissioned study) Civil Society under attack in Israel and the OPT: Who will hold the

state to account. Briefing Report commissioned by HEKS/ESPER, DanChurch Aid, and ActAlliance. Jerusalem, May 2017.

Taylor, A., Lewis, S., and Hammad, S. and (2016, commissioned study) Needs Assessment for the Humanitarian Leadership Academy in the Middle East, May 2016. A regional study commissioned by The Humanitarian Leadership Academy, Dubai. INTRAC for Civil Society, Oxford.

Hammad, S. (2015) Is Action Research an Empowering Tool? Reflections from the Women Participating in Public Life Programme, INTRAC Blog published 22 April 2015, Available at: <http://intrac.org/blog.php/94/is-action-research-an-empowering-tool-reflections-from-the-women-participating-in-public-life-progra>

Hammad, S. (2014, commissioned study) Looking back, moving forward: a literature review of youth political participation, May-July 2014. A research report commissioned by the American Friends Service Committee, Jerusalem. INTRAC for Civil Society, Oxford.

Hayman, R, A. Crack, J. Okitoi and S. Lewis with B. Pratt, S. Hammad and R. Popplewell (2014) Legal Frameworks and Political Space for Non-Governmental Organisations: An Overview of Six Countries: Phase II (Bonn: EADI).

Hammad, S. (2014) Why Space and Context Matter: The Importance of Being Place-Sensitive, INTRAC Blog published 24 November 2014, Available at: <http://intrac.org/blog.php/74/why-space-and-context-matter-the-importance-of-being-place-sensitive>

Hammad, S. (2013, unpublished) External Evaluation Report: Women, Peace and Security Programme, Middle East. Norwegian Church Aid Norwegian Church Aid- Jerusalem, August- Nov. 2013

Hammad, S. (2012, unpublished) HIV/AIDS in the Arab and Islamic World: A Critical Needs Assessment Report. A commissioned study and policy document submitted to Chairman and Board of Trustees of the International HIV .

Hammad, Suzanne (2001, unpublished) Field-wide Assessment of Relief and Social Services Division Social Workers, UNRWA, RSSD, Amman/ Jordan.

UNRWA Reference Manual for Social Workers. Prepared by Suzanne Hammad on the basis of 2001 field-wide assessment report.

Egset, W. and Hammad, S. (1999) Needs Assessment Study on Landmine Victims Assistance in Jordan, FAFO Institute for Applied Social Sciences, Oslo.

CONFERENCE & SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

April 2018: Presentation given at College of the North Atlantic for counselors from schools and universities on ***'Remembering those who care: a Qatar University Study'***

September 2017: Presentation given for WISH event Discussing Alzheimer's organized in association with HMC, MOPH, and Ehsan (with Dr. Suhad Daher-Nashif and Dr. Tanya Kane from CMED): ***'Who cares.'***

May 2017: Presentation given at CHSS 3rd Interdisciplinary Research Forum, Qatar University (with Dr. Tanya Kane): ***"When Interdisciplinarity is Essential: Researching Dementia Care in Qatar"***

May 2017: Paper presented at Qatar University Department of English and Linguistics Research Day (with Dr. Tanya Kane from CMED), ***"Studying Dementia Care in Qatar: The Value of an Interdisciplinary Multi-Sectoral Research Agenda"***

March 2017: Paper presented at University College London Conference, ***"Experiences in Research Collaboration between academia and civil society: Insights from Qatar"***. Conference entitled 'Producing Evidence for Development: Rethinking Research Partnerships.'

November 2016 A presentation and interactive workshop for civil society professionals, social workers, and counselors on *Violence against women: causes, impacts and lessons learned* (delivered in Arabic) for the Social Rehabilitation Centre, Doha.

February 2015: Paper presented at Asfari AUB Civil Society Institute Conference on *'Action Research as ethos and methodology: is it an empowering tool?'* Exploring an Agenda of Active Citizenship, Beirut

2009 and 2010: Papers presented at a series of EUROQUAL conferences on Spatial Qualitative Research: London and Nicosia. *Focus on two spatial ethnographic methods: Mental mapping and The Walk-along.*

June 2010: Paper presented at Queens University Belfast Conference-Growing up in Divided Societies, *'A Football Match, Army Jeeps, and Tear Gas: A Generational Take on Accessing Children's Experiences of a Contested Places*

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS 2017/2018

- **Lead PI: 'Addressing Dementia Care in Qatar: Producing an Evidence base to inform policy and practice' [195,000QAR]** - funded by Ehsan Centre for Empowerment and Elderly Care. This project is an interdisciplinary initiative of the Centre for Humanities and Social Sciences with the College of Medicine at Qatar University. This research will contribute a baseline of evidence-based insights on dementia in Qatar from a socio-cultural and religious perspective, an under-researched area in Qatar and the Arab world. It will inform policy, practice, and public educational interventions, and seek to improve the quality of life and quality of care for persons with dementia in Qatar. We are working closely with Ehsan, Hamad Medical Corporation and WISH on the research project, and engaged in joint academic and public presentations on dementia whenever possible.
- **Lead PI: 'The Impact of Family Breakdown on Children and Teens: An Evaluative Case Study of Institutional Support Mechanisms [160,000QAR]**- funded by Amaan Social Rehabilitation Centre. This research project involves an interdisciplinary team from the Sociology, Social Work, and Psychology Departments. It seeks to uncover the range of causes of family breakdown within the Qatari context, examining the impact on affected children and teens as well as the role of institutions that support such families. This study aims at formulating evidence-based advice for policy and practice, with focus on the central role of Amaan Centre.
- **Co-Investigator on research project entitled 'Youth engagement in Qatar: A Situation Analysis of Needs, Aspirations, and Opportunities'**, funded by Namaa Centre. This research project involves a mixed method approach and brings to the forefront the voices of young women and men of Qatar in regard to their concerns, needs, and opportunities for leadership. Findings will inform the work of Namaa and contribute to improving existing services and outreach to youth.
- **Co-PI: 'Appraising Dementia Care in Qatar: Stakeholders' Perspectives' [30,000QAR]**. This research is funded by CHSS Seed Fund for Interdisciplinary Research, and is an interdisciplinary project led by the College of Medicine, the Centre for Humanities and Social Sciences, and the Social Work Department. This exploratory project aims to systematically review the existent literature on dementia in Qatar and the broader region, gain an understanding of societal attitudes and understandings of dementia, and build a working lexicon of the language used by the community and professional health care practitioners.
- **PI: Student Grant 10,000QAR 'Appraising female student attitudes towards dementia'**

SELECTED CONSULTANCIES

<p>HEKS, DanChurchaid, and ActAlliance Jerusalem March-May 2017</p>	<p>Study on shrinking civil society space in Palestine that led to a briefing report utilised by local civil society and Europe-based advocacy and human rights groups</p>
<p>The Humanitarian Leadership Academy London, Amman, Dubai May 2016</p>	<p>Study on the landscape of humanitarian action in the Middle East and assessment of needs and capacities to improve collaboration and effective intervention.</p>
<p>American Friends Service Committee, Jerusalem May-July 2014</p>	<p>Produced an extensive literature review with recommendations on the notion (and value) of cohesion in the Palestinian context and on the current status of Palestinian youth political participation.</p>
<p>Mobadiroon Youth Network and British Council Syria September 2015 - January 2016</p>	<p>Designed, implemented and quality assured an extensive multi-method evaluative research on the Mobadiroon youth network. This also involved a capacity building component for young Syrian women and men who were part of the network, on how to plan, conduct, and analyse focus group discussions.</p>
<p>British Council- MENA February 2014 - 2015</p>	<p>Facilitated (and provided extensive coaching and capacity building) to three Action Research Projects for women's CSOs in three countries (Jordan, Palestine, Lebanon) towards enhancing women's participation in public and political life in these countries.</p>
<p>British Council- MENA June –December 2015</p>	<p>Supported the formation and strategic planning of advocacy coalitions in 3 countries (Jordan, Palestine, Lebanon), This involved ongoing coaching and mentoring to coalition members.</p>
<p>EADI/BMZ –UK November 2013- January 2014</p>	<p>Led the research and writing of case study on Egypt for EADI/BMZ report, titled 'Legal Frameworks and Political Space for Non-Governmental Organisations: An overview of Six Countries (Phase II)'. </p>
<p>Saudi Foundations and NPOs June 2014</p>	<p>Facilitated group learning workshops (and UK study tours) for Saudi civil society practitioners from King Khaled Foundation, Ghadan, and Al-Rajhi Foundation.</p>
<p>ActionAid- Denmark October 2013</p>	<p>Co-facilitated a seminar on capacity building for Arab partners in the MENA region for ActionAid Denmark</p>
<p>Norwegian Church Aid- Jerusalem August- Nov. 2013</p>	<p>Conducted an External Evaluation of a multi-country 5-year programme focused on Women, Peace and Security Programme, Middle East for Norwegian Church Aid</p>
<p>United Nations Children's Fund MENA Regional Office, Education Section November-December 1998</p>	<p>Organised the Regional Seminar on "Reaching the Unreached: MENA's Basic Education Challenge for the 21st Century" -emphasis on the right of out-of-school children, girls, disabled, street and working children, and children in emergency and conflict situations to accessible quality education.</p>