Areej Al-Hawamdeh

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EDUCATION

2012 – 2016 PhD in Linguistics, Essex University- UK 2016.

Thesis title: A Sociolinguistic Investigation of Two Hourani Features in Souf, Jordan. In my PhD I mainly discussed phonological and morphological variation in the dialect of Souf. Supervisor: Dr Enam Al Wer

2010 – 2011 MRes in Linguistics, Essex University-UK, 2012.

Dissertation title: An Analysis of the Academic Vocabulary presented in the Intermediate level text and work books, and evaluation of their effectiveness in preparing students to their university study. Jordan as a case study. Supervisor: Dr Souphia Skoufaki and Dr Helen Emery

2006 – 2008 MA in Curricula and Teaching Methods/English Language. Amman Arab

University for graduate studies-Jordan, 2008. Dissertation title: The Relationship between Learning Styles and Reading Comprehension of the Upper Basic Stage Students in Jordan. Supervisor: Dr Fatima Jafar

2000-2004 BA in English Language and Literature, Jerash University-Jordan, 2004.

1999-2000 Tawjihi in Literature field, Jordan 2000.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

I enjoy reading, especially in relation to the sociolinguistic fields, language differences, bilingualism, and language acquisition.

TEACHING and WORK EXPERIENCE

01/10/2017. Jerash University.

Assistant professor of English Language and Linguistics.

09/11/2015-29/07/2017. Ministry of Defense.

I delivered Arabic courses and developed material of Modern

Standard Arabic and Levantine Dialect.

01/10/2012-29/07/2017. University of Essex-UK.

Arabic Language Lead Teacher. I taught Arabic in the department of Language and Linguistics, in this title, I had to hold the following responsibilities. 1) teaching two levels of Arabic, 2) supervising Arabic teachers, 3) writing assessment questions, and 4) managing the course module and materials. I also have translated the webpage of the Department of Social

Sciences for Essex University.

01/12/2004 – 01/09/2010. Jerash University-Jordan.

In Jerash University, I held different positions as follows:

• 01/10/2008-01/09/2010

I worked as a lecturer in the faculty of English Language and literature. I have taught various modules in the major of English language and literature. Introduction to sociolinguistics, phonetics, phonology, and conversation and communication skills in English.

01/07/2007-30/09/2008

A chairman to follow up the graduates. In this job, I had to get in touch with the graduates and ask about their qualifications and career status. This position was supervised by the University's Quality Assurance Office.

15/03/2005-30/06/2007

Graduate Ambassador, in this job I had to get in touch with foreign students to help them in getting the best experience while studying abroad.

• 01/12/2004-14/03/2005

I worked in the University library. I was responsible to communicate with international educational journals and connecting Jerash University with international universities and educational institutions.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

- CADENZA in progress
- Jan, 2015. Time and Research Management
- October 2014. Rbrul statistical software
- Feb 2014. Academic Writing and Time Management/ Feb 2014. Events and Conference Management.
- Jan 2008. Leadership and Management and how to be a Team Leader, course has been taken with ILM (institute of leadership and Management).
- July to December 2007. Phase 2 graduate follow up students training programbridging the gap between higher education and the labour market.
- Nov 2007. Management and Supervision Skills and Competences Workshops with HR.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Research Assistant in The Leverhulme Trust grant (MRF-2016-075)

CADENZA- in progress

Awards

Essex Excellence Award for Teaching

Essex Excellence Award for conference organising

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY IN Essex University 2010-2017

- I have lead the Arabic programme with Languages for All at Essex University.
- I used to be an active Member of the Arabic Research Group-current.

- I organiseed tutorials/workshops to train new students on the use of the statistical package.
- I organised tutorials/workshops to train students on the organise conferences.
- I attended and presented papers at our in-house Essex conferences.
- I used to deliver Arabic Taster sessions in the University Open days.
- I attended all relevant Professional Training Sessions, and Departmental Seminars.

Personal Characteristics and Skills

- Fluent in Arabic (first language) and fluent in English (second language)
- Excellent communication skills
- Excellent IT skills (Word-processing, spreadsheets, e-mails, computer and internet skills)
- Excellent in using Rbrul statistical software program

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

March 2018 December 2016	Arab Doctorate Conference, the Arab Center and the Doha Institute for Graduate Studies. Forum of Arabic Linguistics, York University, presentation.
July 2015	A Founding Member of the 1 st International Conference of the Forum for Arabic Linguistics. and I served as a Member of the Organising Committee at this Conference, and I presented a paper.
2014-2016	In-house Essex Conferences Committee Member; namely EGCL, LangUE and Sociolinguistics conferences. I served as committee member and I presented papers.
June 2013	SLX XVII. Postgraduate Conference in Sociolinguistic, Essex University, presentation.

Community Activities

2011- worked as school governor at BroomGrove Infant and Junior schools.

2014 - I conducted Arabic exams for GCSE students (Edexcel) in Hedingham school and The Colne Community School and College.

2018- I review conference papers in relation to the filed of sociolinguistics.

REFEREES

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