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**Personal Data**

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**Education**:

M.A Southern Illinois University (SIU), Carbondale, USA , 1986.

 Major: Teaching English as a Foreign Language

B.A An-Najah National University,1982

 Major: English Language and Literature

**Experience**: **Work**

2002- Present Lecturer of English as a foreign Language at

 The Language Center, An-Najah University

1986 -2002 Instructor , Department of English, An Najah University.

1982-1884 Research and Teaching Assistant, Department of English, An

 Najah University.

**Courses Taught**:

- University English 1: A university required course.

- University English 11: A university English course for

the Humanities, Science, and Economics students.

- College English 1:An advanced course in English Grammar for English majors.

- College English 11: A course in Writing.

- Advanced Grammar : An advanced course in English Grammar for English majors.

- English For The Workplace: A course offered for Engineering and Economics graduating students.

**Languages:**

Arabic, English, and French(elementary skills)

 **Research:**

-- "*The English Language Learning Strategies of An- Najah National University EFL Majors."* Islamic University Journal in Gaza ,2001.

***--*** *"Identifying the Meta cognitive Reading Strategies of Arab University Students: A case Study".* An-Najah Journal 2002.

-- "*Language Learning Strategies in Palestine*. "TESL .Electronic Journal, September , 2003.

 -- "*Subject Matter and English Language Teachers' Perception of EST at An –Najah National University."* An –Najah Journal , 2004 . A joint paper with Muna Thaher.

-- *"Extra Work or Work Extra : Five Steps for Studying Vocabulary:* Forum ,October , 2004.

-- *" Students' Perceptions Towards Blended Learning Environment Using OCC*". An Najah Journal , 2011. A joint paper with Dana Adas.

-- ***"*** *Co-teaching as an Innovative Approach in Teaching Excellence", 2012. A joint paper with Dr.Yahya Saleh, Dana Adas.*

 **Other Publications:**

- "***Soldiers in My House***". A book published on [WWW.Couplescompany.com/features/Wafa/default.htm](http://WWW.Couplescompany.com/features/Wafa/default.htm)

and by the Public Relations at An-Najah National University, October,2004. Also, it was translated into French in " Horizons Maghrebians Magazine.” Presses Universitaires du Mirail .France.

- "***In My Father's Garden*.**" A short story published on [www.shamirsreaders.com](http://www.shamirsreaders.com)

 It was also translated into German language by Tlaxcala :The Translators Network for Linguistic Diversity .

**International Conferences and Academic Visits:**

 - A study visit at the University of Lancaster, with the purpose of cooperation and cultural exchange. Lancaster, United Kingdome, September,1997.

- Participated in the international conference” : The Role of Higher Education in the Context of Independent Palestinian State." 7-9 Nov. 1997. Nablus, An-Najah University.

- Attended many IATEFL (Palestine Branch) Symposia.

 Attended the first National Symposium on The Teaching of Language , Linguistics and Literature at Palestinian Universities Today. Nablus, An- Najah , "December, 1993.

- Attended the symposium of April, 2004, Nablus, An-Najah University.

- Attended a conference on the" Role of Translation." An –Najah National University, 2007.

- Attended a workshop titled " Language Arts" on March ,2012 , held at An Najah University and sponsored by the British Council.

- Participated in a workshop on designing E English Courses , and as a result , designed 10103 on the model and taught it for two semesters.

- Attended a workshop on "Using E learning in Teaching ", held in Rammallah and sponsored by Amid East on February, 2012.