

Abdalkarim Zawawi Nablus

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### **Education**

- PhD in Linguistics and English Language. Thesis entitled: “Quantifying syntactic priming in oral production: A corpus-based investigation into dyadic interaction of L1-L1 and L2-L2 speakers of English”.
  - Lancaster University, 2017.
- M.A. Linguistics and English Language. Dissertation entitled: “Revisiting transfer and Arab EFL learners’ errors: A corpus-based study”.
  - Lancaster University, 2013.
- B.A. English Language and Literature
  - An-Najah National University, 2010
- Diploma de Español como Lengua Extranjera
  - Instituto Cervantes, Spain, 2010

### **Working Experience**

- Assistant professor in linguistics
  - The English Department, An-Najah National University, May. 2017-present.
- Private tutor of Arabic as a second language
  - Lancaster, UK, Mar. 2016- Apr. 2017.
- Translator and market researcher
  - Intersperience, Lancaster, Jan.2014-Feb. 2015.
- International Volunteer Recruiter
  - Project Hope, Nablus, May 2011-Aug. 2013.
- Teacher of Arabic as a foreign language
  - Project Hope, Nablus, May 2011-Aug. 2013.
- Interpreter
  - Doctors Without Borders, Nablus, Mar. 2011-Jul. 2011.
- English Program Manager
  - Project Hope, Nablus, Feb. 2011-May 2011.
- Receptionist
  - Al Yasmin Hotel, Nablus, Jul. 2010-Feb. 2011.

### **Virtual Exchange Programs**

- Collaborated with Soliya in implementing multiple cycles of the Connect Global and the Connect Express programs, Oct. 2019-Present.
- Implemented a virtual exchange program on climate change in collaboration with Clivex, Oct.-Dec.2024.
- Co-designed and implemented a virtual exchange program with Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences entitled “From Palestine to the Netherlands: Global Challenges, Local Voices. Oct.-Nov.2024.
- Co-designed and implemented a virtual exchange program with the Elon University on the Role of Young People in Actualizing Democracy, Justice and Freedom. Apr.-June.2024
- Co-designed and implemented a virtual exchange program with DePaul University on Living Online and New Media Communication, Apr.-May 2024.
- Co-designed and implemented a virtual exchange program with Wake Forest University on Cross-cultural Conversations on Freedom, Apr.-May 2023.

## Selected Academic Publications

- Faraj, J., Zawawi, A. (2024) "Unraveling Arabic Learning Challenges: A Case Study at SOAS," *An-Najah University Journal for Research - B (Humanities)*: Vol. 38: Iss. 12, Article 6.  
DOI: 10.35552/0247.38.12.2297  
Available at: [https://digitalcommons.aaru.edu.jo/anujr\\_b/vol38/iss12/6](https://digitalcommons.aaru.edu.jo/anujr_b/vol38/iss12/6)
- Zawawi, A., Kmail, Z., Shamali, M. (in print) "The Practice of Digital Citizenship Values among Higher Primary School Students in Jenin Governorate," *An-Najah University Journal for Research - B (Humanities)*
- Zawawi, A. (2017). *Quantifying Syntactic Priming in Oral Production: A Corpus-based Investigation into Dyadic Interaction of L1-L1 and L2-L2 Speakers of English*. PhD thesis, Lancaster, UK.
- Mubarak, O., Sharaf, L., Bakri, L., Zawawi, A. (submitted) Unmasking Colonial Narratives: Palestinian Identity in Bassim Khandaqji's *a Mask, the Color of the Sky*. *Jordan Journal of Modern Languages & Literatures*
- Zawawi, A., Cook, T. (submitted) What about Holoclast Denial? *Journal of Palestine Studies*.

## Conference Papers

1. AbuZant, M., Zawawi, A., Gilbrecht, A. (submitted) "Sumud through Debate: Exploring Resilience and Empowerment Among Female Students in Higher Education", *Informal Logic* Abstract passed the first face of evaluation. Conference to be held on *May 19-20, 2025, in Doha. Selected papers will be in the Q1 Journal of Informal Logic*.
2. Zawawi, A. (2015, June) Syntactic priming in L2 spoken interaction: the case of dative alternation and particle placement [paper presentation] *New Directions in Implicit and Explicit Language Learning Conference 2015, Lancaster, UK*.
3. Zawawi, A. (2014, July) An investigation into the use of dative alternation by L1 and Arab L2 users of English [paper presentation] *Teaching and Language Corpora Conference 2014, Lancaster, UK*

## Scholarships and Awards

- **Erasmus + (International Mobility for Academic Staff), 8 -15 May, 2023**
  - Conducted workshops for MA linguistics students at Pavia University, Italy.
- **An-Najah PhD scholarship, Oct. 2013-Oct. 2016**
  - Awarded a full scholarship from An-Najah University to pursue a PhD in Linguistics and English Language at Lancaster University, covering tuition fees and a monthly stipend.
- **An-Najah MA scholarship, Oct. 2012-Sep. 2013**
  - Awarded a full scholarship from An-Najah University to pursue an MA in Linguistics at Lancaster University, covering tuition fees and a monthly stipend.

## Training and Conferences

- **International English Language Olympiad, - Amman, 5-7 Dec. 2024.**
  - Coached English language students who won the first award in teamwork.
- **Collaborative Online International Learning Design Workshop (COIL)**
  - Florida International University, 2023
- **Erasmus Exchange Professor of Linguistics**
  - University of Pavia, May, 2023
- **Stevens Initiative Virtual Exchange Academy**
  - The Steven's Initiative, 2023
- **EuroSLA 26, Jyväskylä University, 2016**
  - Presented a paper entitled: "Syntactic priming in spoken language interaction: The case of verb-particle construction.

- **TALC**, Lancaster University, 2014
  - Presented a paper entitled: “An investigation into the use of dative alternation by L1 and Arab L2 users of English”
- **The Role of Translation in the Dialogue of Civilization 3**, An-Najah National University, 2010
  - Presented a paper entitled “Be Aware of Political Translation”
- **“Rule of Law – Public Awareness Campaign in Balata Refugee Camp”**
  - EUPOL COPPS, Dec 2009 - Jul 2010
- **“Project Management and Leadership Development”**
  - Center for Organizational Excellence, Ramallah, Aug 25th- Sep 25th , 2010
- **“Photographic Reports and Recording Oral Stories”**
  - FotografiSenzaFrontiere ONLUS/IBDA'A Cultural Centre/Happy Childhood Club, May 2010
- **“The International Workshop on Theatre Technique”**
  - Astragali Teatro, Jan – Jul 2010
- **“Youth and Civil Peace”**
  - Youth Voices for Community Action Project/United States Agency for International Development/Catholic Relief Services, Jan 15th – 19th, 2010
- **EFL conference**, “New Prospective: New Challenge”
  - An-Najah National University, 2009
- **“The Role of Translation in the Dialogue of Civilization 2”**
  - An-Najah National University, 2009

### Languages

- Arabic: Native Language
- English: Fluent
- Spanish: Basic

### Computer

- Outstanding skills in using and utilizing Microsoft Office Computer Programs and statistical software such as Wordsmith, AntConc, Wmatrix, R and RStudio.

### Activities

- Volunteer
  - Project Hope, 2008 - 2010 (English Teacher Assistant).
  - Project Hope, 2009- 2010 (A Teacher of Arabic for International Volunteers).
  - The Palestine Human Rights Festival (UNESCO), 26/9/2010 [organizer]

### Professional References

- Dr. Marije Michel
  - Chair of Language Learning at the Faculty of Arts, Groningen University, The Netherlands, Tel: +31 50 36 35850, [m.c.michel@rug.nl](mailto:m.c.michel@rug.nl)
- Dr. Nabil Alawi
  - Chair of the Department of English Language and Literature, An-Najah National University, Nablus, Palestine Tel: 00972599674258, [alawi@najah.edu](mailto:alawi@najah.edu)
- Mr. Hakim Sabbah
  - Director of Project HOPE – [www.projecthope.ps](http://www.projecthope.ps), 29, An-Najah Al-Qadim Str. ( Next to the French Cultural Center ) Nablus, Palestine, Tel: 00970599220137, [nablus@projecthope.ps](mailto:nablus@projecthope.ps)