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## PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

An accomplished academic and financial professional with an MBA and over 25 years of experience spanning higher education, financial management, and accounting. Currently serving as Instructor at An-Najah National University, with active research contributions in corporate governance, CSR disclosure, and accounting theory. Proven leadership in financial reporting, team management, and project oversight. Strong analytical, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills with a high degree of professional discretion and judgment.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- ▶ Corporate Governance & Value Relevance of Accounting Information
- ▶ Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Disclosure in Emerging Economies
- ▶ Intellectual Capital & Managerial Opportunism
- ▶ Mobile Payment Adoption
- ▶ Accounting Theory in the Digital Era
- ▶ Islamic Bonds (Sukuk) & Islamic Finance

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

1. **Mitigating managerial opportunism through intellectual capital: insights from a fragile emerging economy** Jarrar, A., Rabaia, D.J., Abdelhaq, R., Salem, A.Z., Eleyan, J.Z., & Abu Alia, M. • [Original Research](#) • 2026
2. **Mobile Payment Adoption: Challenges and Opportunities** Abdeljawad, I., Abu Alia, M., Musa, N., Jarrar, A., & Wishahi, L.Y. • [Original Research](#) • 2026
3. **Corporate transparency under pressure: CSR disclosure and earnings management in contexts of political instability** Rabaia, D.J., Jarrar, A., Abdelhaq, R., Odeh, R., Zaki, J., Mubaslat, M., & Nour, A. • [Original Research](#) • 2025
4. **The Evolution of Accounting Theories in the Digital Era: Challenges and Opportunities** Abdelhaq, R., Rabaia, D.J., Salem, A., & Jarrar, A. • [Original Research](#) • 2025
5. **Unveiling the drivers of CSR disclosure in emerging economies: the role of boardrooms, firm characteristics and political stability in Palestine** Salem, A., Jarrar, A., Abdelhaq, R., Nour, A., & Al-Sartawi, A.M.A.M. • [Original Research](#) • 2025
6. **Corporate Governance and the Value Relevance of Accounting Information: Evidence from the Palestine Exchange** Jarrar, A. • [Original Research](#) • 2024

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Instructor – Business School | [An-Najah National University](#)

Nablus, Palestine • 2009 – Present

- ▶ Lecture undergraduate and graduate courses in financial accounting, accounting for financial institutions, not-for-profit accounting, and specialized topics in accounting
- ▶ Engage in active academic research contributing to peer-reviewed publications in accounting, governance, and CSR
- ▶ Mentor and guide students in academic and professional development

### Financial Manager | [Alitiman for Developing & Investing Co.](#)

Nablus, Palestine • 2006 – 2009

- ▶ Managed overall accounting operations and financial reporting function
- ▶ Prepared quarterly and annual financial reports for management and stakeholders
- ▶ Oversaw budgeting, cash flow management, and financial controls

### **Chief Accountant** | **Alsakhel Engineering Co.**

Nablus, Palestine • 2004 – 2006

- ▶ Managed full-scope accounting function for an engineering firm
- ▶ Monitored project-level accounting and maintained relationships with suppliers, subcontractors, and clients

### **Senior Accountant** | **Near East Trading Co.**

Nablus, Palestine • 2003 – 2004

- ▶ Handled financial transactions, ledger maintenance, and monthly reporting

### **Senior Accountant** | **Beit Almal Holding Co.**

Ramallah, Palestine • 1996 – 2003

- ▶ Managed accounting operations for a major holding company
- ▶ Prepared comprehensive financial statements and ensured regulatory compliance

## **EDUCATION**

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### **Master of Business Administration (MBA)**

An-Najah National University, Nablus, Palestine • 2007

### **Bachelor of Accounting (B.Sc.)**

Birzeit University, Palestine • 1996

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING**

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- ▶ International Standards of Auditing – 30-hour training program (2001)
- ▶ International Accounting Standards – 20-hour training program (2001)
- ▶ Palestinian Taxes Law – 180-hour training program (1997)

## **CORE COMPETENCIES**

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Financial Reporting & Analysis • Corporate Governance • Academic Research & Publishing  
CSR & Sustainability Reporting • Project & Team Management • Strategic Planning  
Accounting Standards (IFRS/IAS) • Tax Compliance • Auditing Standards