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Education

- M.A. in English, with a focus on Linguistics (December 2025)
Northeastern State University, USA. GPA: 3.75 / 4.00
- Graduate Certificate in Applied Linguistics and Translation (2024)
An-Najah National University, Palestine. GPA: 3.75 / 4.00
- B.A. in English Language and Literature (2019)
An-Najah National University, Palestine. GPA: 3.09 / 4.00
- Erasmus+ Exchange Program: Drama and Intercultural Communication (Jan–Jun 2018)
University of Stavanger, Norway.
- General Secondary School Certificate – Literary Stream (2016)
Deir Al-Ghusoun Secondary School for Boys, Palestine. Score: 94.8 / 100

Teaching Experience

- Full-time Instructor of English, An-Najah National University, Palestine, Jun. 2026-Present
 - Taught mandatory English courses offered by the Language Centre like English II for Medicine, and English for the Workplace for engineering students, English II for Engineering, Remedial English and English 101.
 - Participated in virtual exchange programs to facilitate cross-cultural learning and international academic collaboration.
- English Language Trainer, Amideast, Nablus, Palestine, March 2026- Present
 - Instructed adult and teenage learners in English using the *Top-Notch* textbook series.
 - Prepared students for the TOEFL through targeted instruction in academic English and test-taking strategies.
 - Facilitated public speaking courses focused on effective communication, presentation skills, and confidence-building.
- ESL Instructor, Northeastern State University, USA, Aug 2024 – Dec 2025
 - Delivered B1–C1 level English instruction to international students.
 - Created teaching modules on Blackboard LMS.
 - Assessed and evaluated assignments.
 - Assisted in Introduction to Linguistics for English majors.
 - Facilitated grading, discussion sections, and student support.
- EFL Teacher, Palestinian Ministry of Education – Tulkarm Directorate, Sep 2020 – June 2026
 - Taught English for high school seniors (Tawjihi level).
 - Designed exams in line with national curriculum standards.
 - Graded national Tawjihi English exams.
 - Led district-level teacher clusters.
 - Integrated drama and tech in teaching.
- English Language Instructor & Curriculum Developer. sofouf.net, Ramallah, Aug 2018 – Jul 2019
 - Created interactive materials aligned with national standards.

- Translator, Future Information Systems, Ramallah, Aug 2019 – Dec 2019
 - Translated website content (Arabic ↔ English).
 - Proofread official documents for accuracy and tone.

Research Projects

Arabic-English Code-Switching among Palestine Technical University–Kadoorie Students: A Sociolinguistic Investigation of Language Use, Awareness, and Identity

- Graduate research thesis exploring bilingual language use, identity, and awareness among university students in Palestine. (It was compressed into an article and submitted for publication in Sage.)

Negotiating Formality: A Cross-Cultural Study of English Native Speakers' and International Students' Perceptions of Formal vs. Informal English at Northeastern State University

- Ongoing research investigating how students interpret and apply the concept of formality in English usage across academic and social contexts.

Rhetorical Moves in English Cover Letters: Linguistic and Gender Variation among Arabic-Speaking Students

- ongoing study examining how Arabic-speaking university students construct professional job applications in English, focusing on language use, organization, and gender differences.

Certifications

- CITI Training Certification – Human Subjects Research, Northeastern State University
 - Certified to conduct ethical research involving human subjects.
 - Eligible to submit IRB applications at NSU.
- Professional Certificate in English Language Teaching (PCELТ) Amideast & SIT Graduate Institute – August 2023

Professional Development & Activities

- Theatrical Work & Representation, University of Stavanger, Norway, 2017 – 2018
 - Performed in *The Wild Duck* (role: Molvik) and other theatrical works.
 - Examined peer performances (*Lady from the Sea* and *Ghosts*).
 - Represented the university in Denmark's "April Festival" (2018).

Conference Participation

- **Presenter**, *Languages and Linguistics Symposium*, Department of Languages and Literature, Northeastern State University (November 19, 2025).
Delivered a research presentation titled “*Negotiating Bilingual Identity: Arabic–English Code-Switching among Palestinian University Students.*”
- **Guest Speaker**, Ancient Civilization Class with Dr. Brian Cowlshaw, Department of Languages and Literature, Northeastern State University, (October 29, 2025).
Delivered a presentation on “Islam: A Religion of Peace, Faith and Connection.”

- **Participant and Performer**, *Intercultural Dialogue and Social Justice Workshop*, Denmark (2018).
Took part in academic workshops addressing child labor, intercultural communication, and social justice, and performed in a theatrical piece representing issues of child labor.

Community Service

- Virtual Exchange & Collaborative Online International Learning (VE-COIL)
 - Contributed to an international academic collaboration connecting Palestinian university students with U.S. peers through virtual exchange and intercultural learning.
- Volunteer English Tutor, Chi Alpha, Northeastern State University, Tahlequah Campus
 - Provided free English composition tutoring and academic writing support to international students to strengthen their writing and communication skills.
- Volunteer, Zimam Palestine
 - Participated in initiatives advocating for women's rights in Palestine and promoting Palestinian narratives through storytelling and community engagement.
- Volunteer, Feed My Sheep, Tahlequah, Oklahoma
 - Volunteered in community outreach efforts providing meals and support to people experiencing homelessness and low-income and economically disadvantaged families.

Awards and Scholarships

- GA-ship – Northeastern State University, USA (2024 – 2025)
- FLTA Scholarship – U.S. Palestinian Affairs Unit (Nov 2020)
- IELTS Fee Scholarship – Durham Palestine Educational Trust (Mar 2020)
- Solutions Not Sides Political Tour – London, UK (2019)
- Erasmus+ EU Grant – €12,000 for academic mobility to Norway (2018)

Languages

- Arabic: Native
- English: Fluent
- Hebrew: Rudimentary
- French: Rudimentary

References

- Dr. Christopher Flavin
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