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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Harvard University, Fine Arts, 1987
- M.A. American University in Cairo, Arabic Studies, 1979
- B.A. University of California, Berkeley, Art History, 1975

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

- Executive Director Middle East Studies Association
- Senior Lecturer, Near Eastern Studies University

PUBLICATIONS

- “The Unraveling of the Devil's Bargain: The History and Politics of Language Acquisition,” *Academic Freedom after September 11*, ed. Beshara Doumani. Zone Press (Distributed by MIT), (35 pages). In Press.
- “From Course Revision to Curriculum Transformation in Graduate Education,” *Encompassing Gender*, New York: Feminist Press, 2001; with Diane Riskedahl.
- “Oriental Rugs on the Arizona Frontier,” *Tribal and Village Rugs from Arizona Collections*. George O'Bannon. Tucson: 1998, pp. 6–12.
- “Ideas and Resources for Integrating Middle Eastern Studies into Undergraduate Courses: Syllabi, Bibliography, Resources On-line” edited and introduced, March 31, 1995. (*SIROW Working Paper*) “Fifteenth Century Mamluk Metalwork,” *The Dictionary of Art*, New York: Grove's Dictionaries 1996
- “Nineteenth Century Mamluk Revival Metalwork”, *The Dictionary of Art*, New York: Grove's Dictionaries 1996.
- “Reaching for Global Feminism: Challenges for the Women's Studies Curriculum in the United States,” (with Janice Monk and Anne Betteridge) *Women's Studies International Forum* vol. 4, 1991, edited by Janice Monk and Amy Newhall
- “Ideas and Resources: A Collection of Syllabi from the Project” Teaching Women's Studies from an International Perspective. *SIROW Working paper*, OP11, 1991
- “Ahmad B. b. Muhammad at-Tuluni and Family,” and “Hasan B. Husayn at-Tuluni,” in *The MacMillan Encyclopedia of Architects*, New York, 1982
- “Preliminary Report on the Glazed Ceramics from the Archeological Survey of Jordan, 1980–1983,” *Annual of the Department of Antiquities of Jordan*, 1987

SERVICE SINCE 1995

- Consultant, SSRC's US Department of Education funded project: Evaluating Title VI Middle East NRCs, New York City, October, 2004-2007.
- Consultant, Ford Foundation Inquiry into Anti-Semitism and Islamophobia on US Campuses, New York City, April 30, 2004.
- Council member, World Congress for Middle East Studies, 2003-present.
- Program Chair, Islamic Era Submissions, American Research Center in Egypt annual meeting, held in Tucson, AZ, April 2004.
- Faculty Mentor, Honors College, University of Arizona, 2003-present.
- Advisory Board Member, Center for the Study of the Built Environment, Amman, Jordan, 2000-present.
- Member, Governing Board, Center for Middle East Studies, U of A, 1999-present (on leave, academic year 2000-2001.)
- Art and Exhibitions Book Review Editor, *Middle East Studies Association Bulletin*, 1997-2002.
- Chaired Middle East Studies Association Presidential Nominating Committee, April, 1999.
- Elected Title VI Middle East Centers' representative to National Executive Committee of Area Studies Centers, April 1998-June 1999.

GRANTS SINCE 1995

- 2007, Principal Investigator, Iara Lee and George Gund Foundation, San Francisco, "The MESA Online Critical Guide to Documentary and Art Films on the Islamic World." (\$10,000.)
- 2005, Principal Investigator, Mosaic Foundation, Washington DC, "The MESA Online Critical Guide to Documentary and Art Films on the Arab World." (\$17,500 matching grant.)
- 1999 (deferred to 2000), Principal Investigator, USIA/CIEE Fulbright-Hayes Group Study Abroad, "Teach Syria" (\$59,000)
- 1998, Principal Investigator, Marshall and Marilyn Wolf Foundation and Anonymous Donor supporting the August, 1998, "International Oriental Rug Symposium"(\$5,000)
- 1999, University of Arizona Committee on the Status of Women, for the Middle East Film Festival, "Love, Marriage and Divorce in the Middle East" (\$500)
- 1996, Principal Investigator, University of Arizona, Office of the Provost Learning Technologies Grant (\$11,200)
- 1996, Principal Investigator, University of Arizona, College of Business, "Arizona Companies doing Business with the Middle East" (\$2,500)
- 1995-1996, USIA, Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence grant, for Egyptian Visiting Scholar in conjunction with the Department of Religious Studies, Arizona State University \$28,250
- 1995-1998, Co-Principal Investigator, Ford Foundation, "Global Process and Local Lives: Comparative Approaches in Women's and Area Studies" (\$199,775) 25%
- 1995, Malone Foundation Grant, National Council for US-Arab Relations, supporting study trip to Saudi Arabia, December (\$6,000)
- 1994-1999, Principal Investigator, U.S. Department of Education, Title VI, University of Arizona's National Resource Center Grant (\$1,000,000)

RECENT LECTURES

- "An Update on Academic Freedom and Middle East Studies." Presentation for the panel , "Middle East Studies in the United States: Themes, Trends and Academic Freedom." SSRC conference *Production of Knowledge on World Regions*. New York City, June 14-15, 2007.

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- Special Session: “Academic Freedom and the Middle East after September 11.” MESA Annual Meeting, November 19, 2006 Boston, MA. Panel organized by Beshara Doumani, UCB and with Joan Wallach Scott, Institute for Advanced Study.
 - “Scholarly Advocacy: procedures, policies, politics and protest.” American Council of Learned Societies, semi-annual meeting, November 10, 2006 Kansas City, MO.
 - “The State of Middle East Studies in the US,” University of Michigan CMENAS Forum, April 29, 2005.
 - “Understanding Turkish Art and Architecture” Center for Middle East Studies, U of A: K-12 Outreach, April 15 2005.
 - “Romancing the Throne: Bilqis Queen of Sheba in Islamic Art and Literature.”The Bowers Museum, Santa Ana, CA Feb. 28, 2005
 - “Architectural Themes and Influences: The Legacy of the Moors in the New World,” Mesa Southwest Museum, Mesa, AZ. 18 January 2005. Supported by the Arizona Humanities Council.
 - “Academic Freedom in the Post 9/11 US,” at a meeting of the Association for Peace and Justice in the Middle East , University of Arizona, April 6, 2005.
 - “Current Trends in Middle East Studies,” Presentation to Steering Committee of SSRC DOE funded project, "Internationalization and Interdisciplinarity: An Evaluation of Title VI Middle East Studies Centers," October 6, 2004, New York.
 - “The Ends and Means of Language Acquisition Post 9/11,” Conference: *Academic Freedom after September 11*, March 6, 2004, University of California, Berkeley.
 - “An Overview of Middle East Studies” at SSRC conference: *The US Academy and the Middle East*, Oct 17-18, 2003, New York City
 - “Issues in Islamic Art” ” Center for Middle East Studies, U of A, Summer Seminar, 2002.
 - “Architectural Patronage in Mamluk Cairo”, University of California, Berkeley, February 1998.
 - “Cultural Centers of the Renaissance: The Islamic Mediterranean”, San Diego Museum of Art, San Diego, CA March 1998.

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