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Education

Ph.D.

Political Science, Western Michigan University, June 2004.
Passed the comprehensive exams on Comparative Politics, Political Theory and Political Methodology with the grade of "high pass" in May 2001.

Dissertation topic is *"ISLAM AND DEMOCRACY: AN EMPIRICAL EXAMINATION OF MUSLIMS' POLITICAL CULTURE." -- Recipient of WMU's Dissertation of the Year Award in 2004.*

M.A.

Applied Economics, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, April 2003. *Thesis Topic: The role of Interest Rates in Islamic Economics vs. Neo-Keynesian Economics: the Cases of Iran and Britain in 1992-1998.*

M.A.

Political Economy, School of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University, Cairo, Spring 1996.

*Thesis topic: The Economic Function of the State: Comparison between Islamic and Western Approaches.--R*ecommended to be exchanged with other Arab and foreign universities and to be published as one of the university publications.

B.A.

Highest Honors in Political Science; School of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University, Winter 1993. The top of Political Science Department for three years and graduated with the degree of "Excellent with honors".

High School Education

Highest score of all General Secondary Schools Graduates in Egypt in 1989.

Positions

Cairo University, Cairo

- Associate professor of political science, Spring 2008- date.
- Assistant professor of political science from June 2005- Spring 2008.
- Non-resident research manager, the program for civilization studies and dialogue of cultures, Cairo University (www.hewaronline.net).

Central Michigan University, Michigan, USA

- Associate professor of political science, Spring 2008-date.
- Assistant professor of political science, August 2004- Spring 2008.
- Instructor of political science, August 2003 - May 2004.

Arab League, Cairo

- The (non-resident) Academic Director of the Arab Electronic Library, (www.arabelibrary.net).
  Description: I am the founder and academic director of the Arab Electronic Library (www.arabelibrary.net) which is an Arab equivalent to the JSTOR.
- The supervisor of the Network of Arab Expatriates, (www.arabsinmahjar.net).

American University in Cairo, Cairo

- Adjunct associate professor (Summer 2008).
- Full time- temp. assistant professor (Fall 2005-Spring 2007)

United Nations Development Program

- Research Officer, Democratic Governance Assessment Programme in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) (June 2006 – June 2007).

Partners in Development Think Tank

- Non-resident fellow 2007- date.
- Research Manager (www.pidegypt.org) 2005-2007. I still hold my affiliation as a Research Fellow at Partners in Development Think Tank. This think tank consists of top officials, diplomats, decision-makers and scholars in various Middle Eastern countries.

Center for Political Research and Studies, Cairo University

- The Director's Assistant for Foreign Cooperation 2004-2007.

Political Science Positions in Egypt

A. Faculty of Economics and Political Science (FEPS), Political Science Department, Cairo *University, Cairo, Egypt,* a teaching and research assistant, May 1993 to August 1998.
B. The Center for the Study of Developing Countries, Cairo University, 1993 to the present, researcher and assistant-director.
C. The Center of Political Research and Studies, Cairo University from May

1995 to August 1998, researcher and methodology trainer.
D. Trainer at the program of "Conflict Resolution Mechanisms: Training for Trainers" sponsored by The National Center for Middle East Studies in Cairo & Initiative for Peace and Cooperation in the Middle East in Washington DC (April 1994 to April 1997).
E. Part-Time instructor, American University in Cairo, spring 1998; taught a class on Middle Eastern Politics.

International Business Machine (IBM)

A. Part-time instructor at IBM-Egypt Computer Education Center (May 1992- May 1996).
B. Senior instructor and a software developer at IBM-Egypt Computer Education Center (September 1995 to August 1998)
C. Director of IBM-Cairo University Computer Training Protocol: 'Work against Computer Illiteracy' (April 1997 to August 1998).

Ford Foundation-Cairo, Egypt

- Part-time researcher in the program of "Poverty and Violence in Upper Egypt" (October1997 to April 1998.)
- Part-time software developer, main responsibility was to computerize the data available to researchers (October 1997 to July 1998)

Selected Publications

Books

In English

- *Democratic Values in Muslim Societies, Colorado: Lynn Rienner, 2006. The book has been selected by* **Choice Academic Review as an Outstanding Academic Book: one of the best academic publications in 2006.**

In Arabic

- *Muslims and Democracy: An Empirical Approach*, Cairo: Dar Al-Shorouk, 2008 (Arabic).

- *Gender and Voluntarism*, Cairo and Beirut: Arab League and UNIFEM, 2008 (Arabic, in the process of being translated).

- *Advanced Empirical Political Research Techniques Using Stata 8.2*, Cairo: Cairo University's Center For Political Researches and Studies, Cairo University, 2007 (Arabic).

- *Gender Issues in the Minds of Arab Youth: An Extended Focus Group Discussion,* Cairo: Arab Women Organization, 2006 (Arabic).

- *The Economic Function of the State.* Cairo: The Center for the Study of Developing Countries, first published 1997 (Arabic), re-printed four times.

Refereed Articles and Book Chapters

In English
1. Saudi Foreign Policy between Contesting Partnerships: The Ulama and United States (with Bahgat Korany) in Ali E. Dessouki and Bahgat Korany (eds), *The Foreign Policies of the Arab States: The Challenge of Change,* (Colorado: Westview Press & Cairo: AUC Press, 2008) (3rd edition).
2. *Encyclopedia of Terrorism* (consulting editor) with Patricia D. Netzley (main author), San Diego: Greenhaven Press, 2007.
3. Democracy in the Muslim Mind: Evidence from 33 Countries, *Journal of Political Science and Sociology*, No. 7, 2007.
4. Muslim Cultural Entrepreneurs and the Democracy Debate (with Jim Butterfield,) *Critique of Middle Eastern Politics*, volume 15, no. 1 Spring 2006, pp. 49 - 78.
5. Egypt's Ideological Polarization: A Challenge to Liberal Democracy, *The Political Science Research Series*, No. 150, Dec. 2005.

In Arabic
1. Stipulating the Concept of 'Islamic Peculiarity': The Five Grand Questions in Nadia Mustapha (ed.), *The Islamic Peculiar Culture and Islamic Exceptionalism*, Cairo: the program for civilization studies and dialogue of cultures, 2008.
2. Turkey and the Search for a Balanced Secularism, *Al-Sayssa Al-Dawliya (World Politics),* No. 168, July 2007.
3. *The US Public Diplomacy toward the Muslim world: Discourse and Impact Analysis* (with Dalia Rushdi and Mona Akil), in Moataz A. Fattah (editor), US Public Diplomacy toward the Muslim World, Cairo University's program for civilization studies and dialogue of cultures, 2007.
4. The Philosophical and Political Roots of Welfare States (Book Chapter), in: *The Welfare State in the Arab World*, Beirut: Center for the Study of Arab Unity, 2007.
5. Democratizing the Arab World: The Competitive Authoritarianism Scenario, *al-Mustaqbal AlArabi*, No. 326, April 2006 and re-published at IslamOnLine.Net.
6. An Examination of the "Intellectual Invasion" Thesis: The Politics of Foreign Education in Egypt (with Salma al-Bakri) in Ussama Megahed (editor), *The Politics of Higher Education in Egypt*, Cairo University: Center for Political Research and Studies, 2006.

Other Articles and book Chapters:
1. Liberalism Vs. Secularism: How do Muslim Discourses Conflate the two Concepts? *WeJhat Nazzar*, volume 45, no. 3 Summer, 2007, pp. 23-47 (Arabic), reprinted in Al-Arabi, no. 319, Feb. 2007.

2. The Future of Political Change in Egypt, *Democracy Review,* No. 25, January 2007 (Arabic and English).
3. Editor of the Arab Youth Strategy to Support the Role of Women in Arab Society, Cairo: the Arab Women Organization, 2007.
4. Common Essence of Justice: the Contributions of Aristotle, al-Ghazali and Rawls, *Review of Political Philosophy*, vol. 38, no. 3, 2005 (English).
5. Contributor to the three editions of the UNDP: *Arab Human Development Report* 2002-2005, New York: UN Publications, 2002, 2003, 2004.
6. The Palestinian Approach to Peace and War in the Middle East, in Arnold Stewart (ed.), *Is There an End to the Arab Israeli Conflict?*, Cairo: American University in Cairo, 1999 (English).
7. Editor of *Development Forum*, a quarterly magazine issued by The Center of the Study of Developing Countries, Cairo University (1994-1998) (Arabic).
8. Co-editor of *the Egyptian Human Development* issued by School of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University. (1995-1998) (Both Arabic and English).

Publications in progress or under review:

1. *In the Name of Allah: The Contemporary Islamic Discourse in the Arab World.* In this book I attempt to answer the following questions: Who are the most influential ulama and preachers in the Arab world? What are the topics and issues that they are concerned with? What schools of thought do they belong to? What political messages do they communicate in regards to five thorny topics: terrorism and the clash of civilization thesis; democracy and how Islamic it is; rights of non-Muslims under Islamic shari'a; and gender and role of women in modern society? (Work in progress) (English).
2. *The Encyclopedia of the Modern World (Contributor)*, New York: Oxford University Press, 2009 (forthcoming) (English).
3. The Developmental State Model: A Comparative Study of Egypt and Tunisia (with Neveen al-Hussaini), Book Chapter accepted for publication by the Center for Policy Studies, Johannesburg, South Africa, (Forthcoming 2009) (English).
4. The Political Orientations of Media and Egyptians toward the Legislative Elections 2005, Cairo University's The Political Science Research Center, (Under Review) (Arabic).
5. Arab Democracy between the Foreign Pressures and Domestic Constraints, (book chapter), in Nadia Mustafa (editor), *The Great Middle East: The Concept and its Implications*, Cairo: Cairo University's Center for Political Research and Studies. (Forthcoming 2009) (Arabic).
6. The Cultural Roots of Arab Women's Socio-Political Status, a book chapter under review by the Arab Women Organization (Arabic).
7. The Economics of Gender in the Arab world (with Ebtissam El-Kitbi), a book chapter under review by the Arab Women Organization (Arabic).

Selected Conference, Seminar and Symposium Activities

1. Invited speaker: "Etats Généraux Culturels Méditerranéens," Marseilles the 4th and 5th of November 2008.

2. Presenting paper on "Arab University Students' Attitudes toward Human Security: An Empirical Approach," Human Security in Middle East and North Africa Conference. Organized by the World Bank and United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN-ESCWA), Abu Dhabi, November 9-12, 2008.

3. Invited speaker: the Grinnell College Symposium on "New Trends in Islam," September 14-17, 2008. The topic was: Democracy's Friends and Foes in the Muslim World.

4. Participant and moderator of the Arab-American Youth Dialogue, Arab League and US Department of State, Abu Dhabi, 13-16 June, 2008.

5. Presenting paper to a specialized workshop on "Islam and Democracy in Asia" (March 2008) hosted by the Center for Asian Democracy. My proposal has been selected as one 15 out of "120 proposals sent by scholars from all over the world."

6. Keynote speaker: A Conference on Voluntarism and Citizenship in Arab Societies, organized by the Center for Modern Arab, Damascus, July 2007.

7. Invited speaker: the Michigan Political Science Association, Kalamazoo Community College, November 2007. My topic was the US Foreign Policy and the Democracy Debate in the Middle East.

8. Invited speaker: the Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE) to a conference on "The Political Economy of Development in the Middle East," Washington, DC, November 2007. I was recruited by CIPE to develop and teach on-line and face-to-face international courses on international development that capture key concepts associated with issues such as democratic governance, anti-corruption, entrepreneurship, and informal sector. In its projects, CIPE wants to combine some of the academic work on these issues with practical experience of CIPE partners, relating it all to the current problems faced by countries around the world.

9. Invited speaker: an international symposium on the Future of Egyptian Politics organized by the University of Westminster's Center for the Study of Democracy, London, the UK October 24-25, 2007.

10. Invited speaker: Harvard's Islamic Society, Cambridge, MA, the 30th of Sept., 2007. The topic was: Muslims between the Fiqh of Jihad and the Fikr of Ijtihad.

11. A participant at the Conference on the Renewal of Islamic Thought, Medlit, Morocco, 17-18 March 2006. The presentation title: Patterns of Islam-related Discourses: Six Models.

12. A participant at the Dialogue of Arab Youth on Gender Issues, organized by the Arab Women Organization, Tunisia, August 2006. The paper's title: Discrimination against Muslim Women: Because of or despite Islam?

13. A participant at the German-Egyptian Dialogue, The Impact of religious Revival on Democracy and Plurality: Can stability and peace be advanced from outside? Evangelische Akademie Loccum, Germany, May 1 to 3, 2006

14. A speaker at "An African Course for Development: Youth Redefining Leadership," Harvard's Youth Alliance for Leadership and Development in Africa (YALDA), and Dreamers of Tomorrow Association, the American University in Cairo, Egypt, 7-10 of September 2006.

15. Presenting a paper on "Who Supports Democracy in The Arab World" in a

conference on "Designing toward the Ordering of Political Society in a Multi-Cultural and Pluri-Generational World: the Dynamics of Civil Societies in a Multicultural World," Center for Civil Society with Comparative Perspective, Keio University, Japan, November 2006.

16. Keynote speaker: Arab-Americans: A Look to the Future, Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, Detroit, MI, 15-17 August 2007.

17. Presenting paper titled: "The Developmental State Model: A Comparative Study of Egypt and Tunisia at the Center for Policy Studies' 17th Annual Conference, November 11-13, Johannesburg, South Africa, 2006.

18. Presenting paper on Arab Public Opinion and the Demand on Democracy, 126mes Rencontres franco-ègyptiennes de Science politique, Aix-en-Provence, France – 27 et 28 octobre 2006, "La r6forme politique dans le monde arabe dèloats d'acteurs et points de vue d'observateurs."

19. A conference on the Democratic Developmental State in Africa, Conceptual and Methodological Workshop, Johannesburg, July 24-25, 2006.

20. Presenting paper on "Democracy in the Arab World: Domestic Constraints and Foreign Pressures," at the 19th Annual Conference of the Center for Political Research and Studies, 26-29 December 2005.

21. Presenting paper on "The Philosophical and Historical Roots of Welfare State" presented to the Conference of the Arab Welfare State, organized by the Center for the Study of Arab Unity, Alexandria, Egypt, 28-30 November 2005.

22. Invited speaker: The US Foreign Policy: Public Diplomacy or Commitment to Democracy, Seminar organized by the program for civilization studies and dialogue of cultures, Cairo University, 22 September, 2005 (English).

23. Coordinating a workshop and presenting a paper on Legislative Elections and Prospects of Democracy in Egypt, Coordinator, Center for Political Research and Studies, 13 Feb 2005.

24. Presenting paper on Islam and Democracy: An Empirical Examination of Muslims' Political Culture at the Southern Political Science Association in 2005 during the period from January 5-8, 2005.

25. Presenting paper on Muslims' Intellectual Civil Wars, The Democracy Debate, at the 62nd Annual National Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 15-18, 2004.

26. Presenting paper on "Born Free and Everywhere in Chains: Muslims and Democracy," at the fifth Annual conference of the Center for the Study of Islam and Democracy, Washington D.C. May 28-29 2004.

27. "Muslims in the West and Beyond," The Arab American Institute, Detroit, January 23rd, 2004.

28. Presenting paper on "The Compatibility of Educated Muslims' Beliefs and Democracy: A Reading on Survey Results," at the 2003 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Philadelphia August 27 31, 2003.

29. Presenting paper on "Muslim's Political Culture and Democracy" at Michigan Conference of Political Science, 35th Annual Meeting, October 16-17, 2003, Prince Conference Center, Calvin College, MI.

30. Presenting an updated version of "The Islamic Norms and the Democratic Alternative: Empirical Approach," delivered at Third Annual Conference of the Center for the Study of Islam and Democracy "Democratization and Political Violence in Muslim Societies" 6-7 April 2002 Sheraton Crystal City Hotel Arlington, VA.
31. Presenting paper on "The Islamic Norms and the Democratic Alternative: Empirical Approach," delivered at the 35th Annual Meeting, November 18-20, 2001 Middle East Studies Association of North America, University of Arizona.
32. Muslims in Changing World: Revival and Reform, IANA (Islamic Assembly of North America) 8th Convention, Chicago, May 25-28 2001.
33. Presenting paper on "Intellectuals and Islamic Fundamentalism in Egypt," – Western Michigan University, Sociology Colloquium. 3210 Sangren Hall, 20 October 2000.
34. Presenting paper on "Biology, Geology and Theology: Three Determinants of Democratization and Privatization in the Arab World," (updated version) delivered at the 2000 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Marriott Wardman Park, August 31-September 3, 2000.
35. Presenting paper on "Biology, Geology and Theology: Three Determinants of Democratization in the Arab World," at the Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 27-30,2000
36. Methodology workshop, for Ph.D. candidates, organized jointly by the Center of the Study of Developing Countries and the Social Science Research Council of the U.S.A. February 28-March 3, 2000.

Discussant at the following conferences

1. A Discussant of Sultan El-Qur'an's paper on "The Role of Universities in Spreading the Culture of Human Rights: A Case Study of the Jordanian Universities", A Conference on "The Role of Universities in Spreading the Culture of Human Rights," organized by the Program of Democracy and Human Rights at Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University, 18-19 July 2007.
2. Discussant of the Arab Regional System, Arab Strategic Report, May 2007 organized by Al-Ahram Center for Strategic Studies.
3. Cairo International Conference on Public Opinion "Public Opinion Polls and Decision-Making: Theory and Practice." IDSC, Egypt, February 2007.
4. A discussant of Dr. All Asaad Watfa's paper on: "The Culture of Human Rights of a Sample of Students of Kuwaiti University." Presented at "Human Rights Education in Arab Universities: A Seminar" organized by Law Department, the American University in Cairo and Partners in Development, September 16-17, 2006.

Reviewer for:
- Critique of Middle Eastern Politics.
- World Politics.
- Center for Political Research and Studies (Cairo University)

- Center for the Study of Arab Unity (Beirut, Lebanon).

Research Grant Reviewer for:
- Arab National Foundation of Culture and Research, Cairo-Egypt,
- National Science Council of the United Arab Emirates, Abu-Dhabi- UAE.
- Center for the Study of Arab Unity, Beirut-Lebanon.
- Middle East Research Center, Tunisia-Tunisia.

Affiliation with Professional associations:
- American Political Science Association,
- Mid-West Political Science Association,
- Center for the Study of Islam and Democracy (founding member)
- Middle East Studies Association.
- The Arab Organization for Human Rights.
- Partners in Development Think Tank, Cairo.
- Program for civilization studies and dialogue of cultures, Cairo University.

Teaching Experience

At Cairo University, School of Economics and Political Science
1. Introduction to Comparative Politics.
2. Introduction to World Politics.
3. Theories of Political and Economic Development (Graduate seminar)
4. Egyptian Politics.
5. History of the Middle East (from the 7th century to the 15th century).
6. Western Political Systems.
7. History of Colonialism in the Muslim world (Graduate seminar).
8. Islamic Political Thought (Graduate seminar).
9. Empirical Political Theory.
10. Public Opinion and Media Studies.

Training Workshops
1. Training Workshop on Empirical Political Analysis, Center for Political Researches and Studies, Cairo University, June 2006.
2. Training Workshop on Advanced Quantitative Techniques, Center for Political Researches and Studies, Cairo University, June 2007.

At The American University in Cairo
1. History of Western Political Thought (Plato-Machiavelli).
2. Modern Western Political Thought (Hobbes – Feminism).
3. Middle Eastern Political Systems (Graduate seminar).
4. Medieval Islamic Political Thought (Graduate seminar).
5. Political Quantitative Analysis (Graduate Seminar).
6. Contemporary Political Islam (Graduate Seminar).

7. Comparative Economic and Political Systems (Graduate Seminar).

At Western Michigan University

1. American National Government.
2. History of Islamic Political Thought.
3. Arabic Language Instructor.
4. The Arab-Israeli conflict.
5. Critical Thinking about Politics.
6. Introduction to International Relations.
7. Introduction to Comparative Politics.

At Central Michigan University:

1. Middle Eastern Politics.
2. Islam and Politics.
3. The Political Economy of the Middle East (Graduate seminar).
4. Empirical Methods.
5. US Foreign Policy.
6. Advanced Quantitative Methods (Graduate seminar)
7. Public Administration Research Methods (Graduate seminar).
8. Theory of Strategic Leadership (Graduate seminar).

Selected Grants

- A co-principal investigator in a proposal to the National Science Foundation to conduct text-mining analysis of five US presidential speeches about democratization in the Arab and Muslim world. We seek a $54,000 external fund from National Science Foundation to collect and analyze data using text-mining techniques. The project aims at gauging the commitment of US foreign policy makers (the presidents, vice presidents, secretaries of state, secretaries of defense and their spokespersons) to issues such as democracy, human rights, and causes of freedoms in the Muslim world. The project is set to search for patterns and fluctuations in the positions of five administrations: Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, George H. Bush, Bill Clinton, and George W. Bush. The technique of text mining is a break-through in the area of text analysis. We are confident that we are filling a huge gap in both making this kind of texts available for analysis and in producing several articles and books.
- I received fund to found and direct the Arab Electronic Library (www.arabelibrary.net) which is an Arab equivalent to the JSTOR. This is an extremely prestigious and ambitious project funded by the Arab League (the initial fund is around $700,000 for the first 5 years).
- Grant to fund a project entitled *In the Name of Allah: The Contemporary Islamic Discourse in the Arab World* by the Arab League's Arab Women Organization. The fund allocated to this project is around $ 25,000 including conducting discourse analysis and interviews with the most influential imams and Muslim scholars in ten Arab countries. I am in the final stages of writing a book based on these findings.
- Grant from Cairo University's School of Islamic Studies to obtain data about the prospects of democratization in Muslim countries (2002) ($6,000).
- Two grants from Middle Eastern Research Council (Beirut, Lebanon) ($11,000)

and of the Council of American Egyptian Relations (2001) ($16,000).

- Egypt's Ministry of Higher Education fund to finish the PhD and MA degrees in the US (1998) ($45,000).
- Several other grants (below $2500) have been allocated for trips, paper presentations and research fields.

Honors and Awards

- National Award from SAS 11th Annual Data Mining Conference, M2008, on using data mining in a project entitled "What Makes Democracy Possible? Application on the Middle Eastern Countries" (With Ghada Sharaf and Carl Lee); Conference: October 27-28, Caesar's Palace, Las Vegas, NV.
- Cairo University's Award for most innovative research in Social Sciences, 2006-2007.
- John R. Borsos Endowed Distinguished Scholarship, 2004.
- The WMU Department of Political Science Doctoral Associateship, fall 2001-Winter and spring 2002.
- Western Michigan University's Award for "Research Excellence" in 2001.
- Arden J. Elsaser Memorial Scholarship for the Most Effective Junior Instructor of Record, 2001.
- The WMU Department of Political Science Doctoral Associatship, fall 2000-Winter and spring 2001.
- The WMU Department of Political Science Doctoral Associatship, fall 1999-Winter and spring 2000.
- Western Michigan University's Award for "Effective Teaching" in 2000.
- Golden Key's Honorary Membership in 1999, an award received based upon the nomination and evaluation of "Introduction to Comparative Politics" students at Western Michigan University.
- Certificate of Microsoft Office applications in December 1997.
- Cairo University's Prize for the Best Master's Thesis in social sciences for 1996.
- Boutros Boutros Ghali Prize for the highest ranking student in the Department of Political Science, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University. (1993).
- Fathallah Mahmoud Al-Khatib Prize for the best student in Comparative Politics, Department of Political Science, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University. (1993).
- Award of the Department of Political Science, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University, for the top-ranking 4th year student in the Department for the academic year 1992-93.
- An Award from IBM-Egypt to visit three of its authorized teaching centers in North Africa including Algeria, Tunisia and Morocco, 1992.
- Award of the Department of Political Science, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University, for the top-ranking 3rd year student in the Department for the academic year 1991-92.
- A medal of the Ideal Student at Cairo University in 1992.

- Award of the Department of Political Science, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University, for the top-ranking 2nd year student in the Department for the academic year 1990-91.
- Award of the Department of Political Science, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University, for the top-ranking 1st year student in the Department for the academic year 1989-90.
- A certificate of the Egyptian Ministry of Higher Education for the being the Top Student in "The Egyptian General Secondary Schools Certificate," 1989.

Elected Positions

- A founding member of the Center for the Study of Islam and Democracy, Washington D.C. 1999.
- President of the Arab Students Association at Western Michigan University, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003.
- President of the Political Science Graduate Students Association at Western Michigan University, 2001-2002.
- General Secretary of the Political Science Graduate Students Association at Western Michigan University, 1999-2001.
- WMU Teaching Assistants' Mentor for the academic year 2000-2001.
- A member of board of directors of Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences Alumni for two sessions, 1995-1996 and 1996-1997.
- A member of board of directors of "The Arab Youth Forum" (a non profitable private center for studies on Arab Affairs that aims at enforcing democracy in the Arab World), 1994-1997.

Media activities

- Some of the media outlets that have interviewed me: Al-Jazeera International, New York Times, London Times, BBC, English speaking section of the French TV, the Swiss TV, Dream TV, Nile TV (please visit my website to watch and listen to some of these activities, http://www.aladl.net/).
- Regarding BBC in particular, I am one of four scholars in the US who are given the title of "BBC senior political analyst of Middle Eastern Affairs." I participate in their activities (oral and written) on regular basis. To keep this title of "BBC senior political analyst" I am required to limit my radio and TV activities in English to the BBC radio and TV stations (Proof is ready upon request). This is a prestigious title and gives me an opportunity for exposure and partly shaping the pubic opinion regarding Middle Eastern politics.
- I have been asked by two Arab newspapers (Al-Wafd and Al-Badeel) to write for them on weekly basis on issues related to democracy in the Muslim world, political economy of the Middle East and conflict resolution in Palestine, Sudan and Iraq (Proof is ready upon request). These articles are important for different reasons: I perceive them to be part of my enlightenment obligations toward the Arab world, these articles keep me involved in the current affairs of Middle Eastern politics, and they provide a good opportunity for name recognition that eventually open up opportunities for research and presentations. Besides, I am a

frequent writer at other newspapers such as Al-Ahram, Al-Hayat, Al-Sharq AI-Awssat, al-Ahram Weekly (English) and Middle East online (English).

Personal Information

Place of Birth: Cairo, Egypt   **Nationality:** Egyptian, legal resident of USA
Sex: Male   **Marital status:** married with a daughter and a
Date of Birth: Aug, 1972   son.

Languages:

Modern Standard Arabic	Proficient
Levantine Arabic Dialect	Proficient
Qur'anic Arabic	Proficient
English	Proficient
French	Intermediate