

ABBREVIATED CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education:

- Doctorate of Philosophy (Ph.D.), 1996, Economics, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA.
- Masters of Science (MSc), 1988, Economics, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA.
- Bachelor of Science (BSc) (with Honors), 1985, Economics, University of Tunis, Tunisia.

Areas of Expertise:

Economics of Human Resources, Economic Development.

Grants and Awards:

- 2007: Research grant awarded by the Research Administration, Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (KFAS), (research grant code number: 10-31030-2007).
- 2002: Winner of the 2001/2002 Award for Excellence in Teaching, awarded to the best teacher at Kuwait University.
- 2002: Award for Best Paper Presentation at the AMSE International Conference in Business Decision and Technology, Kuwait City, Kuwait, March 18-20, 2002.
- 2000: Research grant awarded by the Research Administration, Kuwait University, (research grant code number: IC01/99).
- 1993 – 1997: Included in the list of “Best Lecturers at Lincoln University, New Zealand” for ten consecutive semesters.
- 1995: Winner of the Special Achievement Award for Excellence in Teaching, awarded to the best teacher at Lincoln University, New Zealand.
- 1988 – 1993: Included in the list of “Teachers Rated as Excellent by their Students”, University of Illinois, USA for nine consecutive semesters.
- 1990 – 1991: Winner of the Robert E. Demarest Memorial Award for outstanding ability as a teacher, University of Illinois, USA.
- 1986 – 1991: Awarded the Tunisian Government/USAID Scholarship for Graduate Studies.
- 1989 – 1990: Honorable Mention, Demarest Award for Excellence in Teaching, University of Illinois, USA.
- 1985: Honors List, “Faculté De Droit et Sciences Economiques”, University of Tunis, Tunisia.

Employment History:

- February 2012 – Present: **President of Box Hill College, Kuwait.**
- January 2004 – January 2012: **Director of the “Business Administration Consulting Unit”, The Center of Excellence in Management, College of Business Administration, Kuwait University.**
- February 1998 – January 2012: **Economics Department Faculty, College of Business Administration, Kuwait University, Kuwait.** From October 2008, served as the **Chairman of the College’s AACSB Maintenance Office.**
- November 1996 – February 1998: **Senior Lecturer in Economics, Lincoln University, New Zealand.**
- January 1993 – November 1996: **Lecturer (above bar) in Economics, Lincoln University, New Zealand.**
- September 1991 – December 1992: **Instructor, Master of Science in Policy Economics Program (MSPE), University of Illinois, USA.**
- August 1988 – April 1991: **Instructor, Department of Economics, University of Illinois, USA.**
- May 1990 – August 1990: **Graduate Intern, International Monetary Fund, Washington, DC, USA.**
- January 1990 – May 1990: **Research Assistant (part time), Department of Economics, University of Illinois, USA.**
- Fall 1989: **Teaching Assistant (part time), Department of Economics, The University of Illinois, USA.**

Visiting**Professorships:**

- **Boise State University, Idaho, USA, (June – December 1997).**
- **Henley College, UK, Distance Education, (June – December 1997).**
- **University of Tenaga Nasional (UTN), Malaysia, (July – Aug. 1996).**
- **National Economics University of Hanoi (NEU), Vietnam,(Jan. 1996).**

Consulting:

Over 100 consulting projects to various organizations, including:

- **The Lebanese Association for Educational Studies, Lebanon**
- **Kuwait National Competitiveness Committee, Kuwait**
- **The World Economic Forum**
- **The Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences, Kuwait**
- **Kuwait Council of Ministers – The Central Tenders Committee**
- **Score Consultancy - UAE**
- **The Arab Planning Institute, Kuwait**
- **The United Nations Development Program, UNDP**
- **The General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development Kuwait**
- **Leaders Group for Consulting Development, Kuwait**
- **Delta Consulting, Kuwait,**
- **The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Beirut Office**
- **Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Kuwait**
- **Kuwait Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Kuwait**
- **Kuwait Petroleum Corporation, Kuwait**
- **The Option Institute for Training, Kuwait**
- **The Ministry of Higher Education, Kuwait**

- The Private Universities Council General Secretariat, Kuwait
- The Civil Service Commission, Kuwait
- The Public Authority for Industry, Kuwait
- Kuwait Transparency Society, Kuwait
- Public Assessment Authority for Compensation (PAAC), Kuwait
- Kuwait Industries Union, Kuwait
- EEWAN Alkhibra, Management & Economic Consultations, Kuwait
- Bait Al-Machura, Kuwait
- Moore Stevens Consultants
- The Institute of Banking Studies, Kuwait
- Projacs International, Training and Development Group, Kuwait
- Ministry of Finance, Kuwait
- ministry of Awkaf and Religious Affairs, Kuwait
- Ministry of Justice, Kuwait
- Union of Investment Companies, Kuwait
- The State Ministry of Administrative Development, The Manpower & Government Restructuring Program, Kuwait
- The Maastricht School of Management, Holland
- Kuwait Asphalt Emulsion Production Company, Kuwait
- Ministry of Planning, Kuwait
- ALRAI Exhibitions and Conferences, Kuwait
- Arab Businessmen Council (ABC), Kuwait
- McDonalds, Kuwait
- A'Ayan Leading & Investment Co, Kuwait
- Al-Ruwad Centre for Training Youth, Kuwait
- The International Islamic Authority for Charity, Kuwait
- Global Investment House, Kuwait
- The Public Authority for Investment, Kuwait
- UNIDO, The United Nations
- Harvard School of Public Health, Harvard University, USA
- The World Bank
- The Car Dealership Union, Kuwait
- Arabdar Consultants, Kuwait
- Comvik International Vietnam AB, (a Swedish-Vietnamese joint venture)
- Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA)
- The International Baccalaureate Organization, United Kingdom
- The New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs, New Zealand
- Tenaga Nasional Berhard Ltd., Malaysia.

Publications: Over 45 publications

Conference Papers: Over 35 conference papers

Languages and Skills Arabic, English and French.