

Curriculum Vitae

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Associate Professor of News, Social Media & Public Communication.

School of Communication, Faculty of Communication, Art & Technology, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada.

Director of **The Disinformation Project** (2019-ongoing).

Courses taught include at SFU:

1. News Discourse as Political Communication (CMNS331),
2. Empirical Communication Research Methods (CMNS201),
3. SPSS Lab: Empirical Communication Research Methods (CMNS201),
4. Design and Methodology in Communication Research (CMNS801),
5. News Research & Analysis (CMNS431),
6. Misinformation Literacy (CMN S316),
7. Communication Network Project Group (CMNS408).

Educational Background:

- **2008-2012 - Ph.D.**, Media & Communication Studies, University of Leicester, UK. The thesis is entitled “TV coverage of the 2010 elections in Iraq: A study of the evening newscasts of four Iraqi satellite channels”, supervised by Professor Barrie Gunter.
- **1999-2004 – Ph.D.**, English Literature, College of Arts, Baghdad University, Iraq. The thesis is entitled “The Arab image in twentieth century English popular fiction”, supervised by Professor Amy Albert Sequeira.
- **1997-1999 - M.A.**, English Literature, College of Arts, Baghdad University, Iraq. The thesis is entitled “Aldous Huxley as a satirist: A study of a selection of his novels”, supervised by Professor Shaké Ashjian.
- **1994-1997 - B.A.**, English Language & Literature, Al-Ma'mon University College, Baghdad, Iraq. (Cum Laude). The thesis is entitled “Cultural influences in translating F. Scott Fitzgerald’s *Tender is the Night* into Arabic”, supervised by Professor Khalil Hamash. For being a Cum Laude student, award prizes were offered in June 1997 by the Ministry of Higher Education, Al-Ma'mon University College, Iraqi Teachers' Association, and Arabs Teachers' Association.

Previous Academic Institutions:

2015–2018, Assistant Professor, Department of Communication, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Courses taught include:

1. Communication, Democracy, & Power (Ph.D.)
 2. Introduction to Communication Theory & History (Diploma)
 3. Media Criticism
 4. Media & Terrorism
 5. Media & Cultural Context
 6. Media Literacy
 7. Advanced Seminar in Cultural Studies
 8. Youth & Media
- Guest lectures:
 1. “Social media & terrorism research” a lecture for the Ph.D. Integrative Seminar, (2017).
 - Administrative duties:
 1. BA program committee (member)
 2. Communication Studies’ website committee (member)
 - Selected to take part in a pilot project on Universal Design for Learning (UDL) which focuses on re-designing curriculum to better address the various educational needs of students, especially those with learning disabilities.

2014–2015, College Professor, Department of Communications, Okanagan College, Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada.

Courses taught include:

1. Introduction to Mass Communication
2. Communication in the Everyday
3. Introduction to Journalism Studies
4. Professional Writing I & II

2011-2014, Assistant Professor, Department of Media and Communication, Erasmus School of History, Culture, and Communication, Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands:

- Courses taught include:
 1. International Journalism (MA)

2. Global Advertising
 3. Advertising Strategies of Major Corporations (BA thesis)
 4. International and global communication (BA thesis)
 5. Communication as a Social Force
 6. International Journalism
 7. Information & Communication Skills
 8. Communication Ethics
 9. Introduction to Human Communication
- Supervision of 7 M.A. theses on various topics (please see the section on Graduate Students below).
 - Supervision of 27 BA theses on global issues in international journalism as well as advertising.
 - Received the Basiskwalificatietraject Onderwijs – Basic Teaching qualification Certificate (BKO) from Risbo (June 2013- March 2014). This is the teaching certificate that qualifies academics to teach at universities in the Netherlands.
 - Guest lectures:
 1. “Global Advertising”. A lecture for the Media and Communication Department during the Erasmus Open Day event for prospective students, February 1, 2014.
 2. “Communication Ethics”, 3rd year students (3 times in 2012, 2013, & 2014).
 3. “Media in Comparative Perspectives”, 1st year students. The presentation was on “Media systems in the Arab world” (2 times in 2012 & 2013).
 4. “Media Campaigns”. A lecture entitled “The anti-terrorist public media campaigns in the Middle East” (seminar, 2013)
 5. “International Journalism”, discussant and guest lecture for a roundtable discussion on media practices and foreign correspondents in three regions (Middle East, Latin America, and West Africa) – (2014).

2010-2011, Postdoctoral Fellow, Sohar University, Sohar, Sultanate of Oman.

Served as a full-time researcher conducting a study on Omani women’s traditional tales. For more details, see the section on 'Research Grants'.

2009-2010, Assistant Professor, Rustaq College of Applied Sciences, Department of English Language and Literature, Rustaq, Sultanate of Oman.

- Courses taught include:
 1. Language through the Arts
 2. Children’s Literature
 3. Academic Writing

2008-2009, Lecturer, Faculty of English Language Studies, Majan University College, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman.

- I got the highest teaching evaluation score among all faculty members which was part of a comprehensive students' survey administered by the College.
- Coordinating and teaching English language courses offered at the Faculty of Business Management including:
 1. General and Academic English Writing
 2. English for Specific Purposes
 3. Personal & Professional Development: Employment and Communication Skills

2006-2008, Lecturer, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Sohar University, Sohar, Sultanate of Oman.

- Coordinator of the Journalism & Communication Department from 2006-2007, which included following up & coordinating the academic and administrative duties in line with its affiliated media program with Queensland University in Australia.
- Courses taught include:
 4. Intensive English Language course, (M.A. in Educational Curriculum)
 5. Introduction to Journalism & Mass Communication A & B
 6. Crossing Bridges: Communication between Cultures
 7. Debating & Communication
 8. English Literature I & II
 9. Children's Literature
 10. Advanced Writing II
 11. Report Writing
 12. Reading & Writing Skills Development
 13. Vocabulary & Grammar Language Skill Development
 14. Listening & Speaking
 15. English for Academic purposes B
- Administrative duties:
 1. A core staff member for the Quality Assurance team responsible for "Faculty Research".

2005, ESP Lecturer, (June to August), Skyline University College, Department of Tourism, Sharjah, The United Arab Emirates.

- English for Special Purpose (ESP).

2002-2006, Spokesperson (Communication officer) & later Consultant, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Baghdad, Iraq & Amman, Jordan.

- Interviewed by over 100 international, regional, and local media outlets in English and Arabic (see below).
- Writing press releases, media replies, briefing notes, reports, articles, journalistic reporting, news...etc in Arabic and English (see for example these links: [1](#), [2](#), [3](#), & [4](#)).
- Supervising and editing two children's magazines: *Sindbad Baghdad* (Ministry of Culture) and *Hilal* (Iraqi Red Crescent Society).
- Setting, organizing, and following up seminars and workshops for the Iraqi Red Crescent Society, journalists, civil society, and active non-governmental agencies.
- Courses taken include:
 1. "Communication Management", Cairo, Egypt, June 2004.
 2. "Effective Presentation Techniques", Amman, Jordan, January 2004.
 3. "Photography Techniques", the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, Baghdad, Iraq, October 2003.

2003-2004, Freelance Radio Journalist, Free Speech Radio News & Pacifica Network Radio, USA based radios.

- Conducting interviews and covering events.
- Producing features and daily headlines.
- One report I produced in September 2003 on Iraqi prisoners' abuse was nominated for a US national award in 2004.

1995-1997, Translator, (Freelance) Iraq National Television, Baghdad, Iraq.
Translating movies and TV documentaries.

Scholarship & Research Activities:

Books:

Al-Rawi, A. (2026). *Oman's folklore, popular beliefs and women's oral storytelling*. London: Bloomsbury - ABC/CLIO.

Al-Rawi, A. (2025). *Framing the opioid crisis in Canada: Divergent issues in public debates*. Leeds: Emerald Publishing.

Al-Rawi, A. (2025). *Mediated Racism and democracy in Canada: Interrogating the news industry, political systems, and public discourses*. London: Routledge.

Al-Rawi, A. (2025). *Disruptive information in Canada*. London: Bloomsbury.

Al-Rawi, A. et al. (2025). *The Canadian far-right and conspiracy theories*. London: Routledge.

Al-Rawi, A. (2024). *The Iraqi Spring: Social media and political activism*. Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press.

Al-Rawi, A. (2024). *Online hate on social media*. Cham: Palgrave Macmillan.

Al-Rawi, A. (2024). *ISIS' Propaganda Machine: Global Mediated Terrorism*. London: Routledge.

Al-Rawi, A. (2024). *Supernatural Creatures in Arabic literary tradition*. London: Routledge.

Al-Rawi, A. (2021). *Cyberwars in the Middle East*. New Jersey: Rutgers University Press.
(The above book was shortlisted for the Gertrude Robinson Prize award by the Canadian Communication Association in 2022).

Al-Rawi, A. (2020). *News 2.0: Journalists, audiences and news on social media*. New Jersey: Wiley-Blackwell.

Al-Rawi, A. (2020). *Women's activism and new media in the Arab world*. New York: State University of New York Press.

Al-Rawi, A. (2017). *Islam on YouTube: Online debates, protests and extremism*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Al-Rawi, A. (2012). *Media practice in Iraq*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.

Edited books:

Ahadi, D., Yu, S. & **Al-Rawi, A.** (Eds.). (2023). *A handbook of ethnic Canadian media*. Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press.

Karim, K., & **Al-Rawi, A.** (Eds.) (2018). *Diaspora and media in Europe: Migration, identity, and integration*. London: Springer/Palgrave Macmillan.

Al-Rawi, A. (ed.) (2006). *Khalid Habib Al-Rawi: The complete literary works*. Introduced by A. Al-Rawi. Baghdad: Ekal Printing House. (In Arabic - 512 pages- not peer reviewed).

Papers (peer reviewed):

Al-Rawi, A., McLaren, C., & Jamieson, K. (2025). The disparity of elite vs. public Arabic discourses on the Uyghur Muslim minority. *Journal of Muslim Minority Affairs*. 1-25.

Al-Rawi, A. & Alkilabi, H. (2025). Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and the mediated politics of nation-state building: An applied thematic analysis of *al-Nida'* newspaper. *Media, War & Conflict*. 1-25.

Al-Rawi, A. (2025). Illusion and reality in Ethel Mannin's portrayal of Abd al-Karim Qasim of Iraq in *The Midnight Street*. *Contemporary Review of the Middle East*. 1-25.

Al-Rawi, A. (2025). Multimodal disinformation trolling campaigns targeting Canada. *Global Media and Communication*. 1-30.

Al-Rawi, A. (2025). Emojified communication: How do news organizations use emojis on social media? *Telematics & Informatics Reports*. 1-25.

Al-Rawi, A. & Saad, H. (2025). A scoping review of Arab journalists' perspectives and applications of artificial intelligence. *AI & Society*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00146-025-02387-7>

Al-Rawi, A. (2024). Trolling the messenger: Visual disinformation targeting news organizations. *Visual Communication Quarterly*. 32(2), 1-25.

Al-Rawi, A., Siddiqi, M. & Al-Musalli, A. (2024). Abusive metajournalistic discourses towards journalists on social media. *Journalism Studies*. 1-30.

Al-Rawi, A. (2024). Metajournalistic discourse on TikTok. *Emerging Media: Technology, Industry and Society*. 1-21.

Al-Rawi, A. (2024). The development of video game representations of the Middle East. *Games and Culture*. 1-24.

Al-Rawi, A., Blackwell, B., Zemenchik, K., & Lee, K. (2023). Twitter misinformation discourses about vaping: A systematic content analysis. *Journal of Medical Internet Research*. 1-25.

Al-Rawi, A., Tenov, C. & Klein, P. (2023). Online trolling of critical journalists and news organizations in Iraq. *Journalism & Media*. 1-20.

Al-Rawi, A., Einifar, M., & Chun, W. (2023). Intersectionality and the gendered discussion around Muslim Canadian politicians on Twitter. *Journal of Language Aggression and Conflict*. 1-25.

Holford, Dawn; Fasce, Angelo; Tapper, Katy; Demko, Miso; Lewandowsky, Stephan; Hahn, Ulrike; Abels, Christoph; **Al-Rawi, Ahmed**; Alladin, Sameer; Boender, T. Sonia; Bruns, Hendrik (2023). Science Communication as a Collective Intelligence Endeavour: A Manifesto and Examples for Implementation. *Science Communication*. 1-15.

Al-Rawi, A. (2023) Social media attacks against female Canadian journalists. *Frontiers in Communication*. 8, 1-9.

Al-Rawi, A. & Prithipaul, D. (2023). The public's appropriation of multimodal discourses of fake news on social media. *The Communication Review*. 1-25.

Stewart, N., **Al-Rawi, A.**, Celestini, C. & Worku, N. (2023). [Hate Influencers' Mediation of Hate on Telegram: "We Declare War Against the Anti-White System"](#). *Social Media + Society*, 1-15.

Al-Rawi, A., Ackah, B. & Chun, W. (2023). [The intersectionality of Twitter responses to Black Canadian politicians](#). *Social Media + Society*, 1-25.

Al-Rawi, A. & Zemenchik, K. (2023). [TikToking COVID-19 with Frontline workers](#). *Digital Health*. 1-25.

Al-Rawi, A. & Kim, T. (2023). [Journalists' views and management of dark participation](#). *Communication Studies*. 1-25.

Al-Rawi, A., Stewart, N., Celestini, C., & Worku, N. (2022). [Delegitimizing the Legitimate: Dark Social Movements on Telegram](#). *Global Media Journal - Canadian edition*.14(1), 28-47.

Al-Rawi, A., Siddiqi, M., Wenham, C., & Smith, J. [The gendered dimensions of the anti-mask and anti-lockdown movement on social media](#). *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications*. 9(418), 1-10.

Al-Rawi, A. & Jamieson, K. (2022). [Characterizing the gendered Twitter discussion of Covid-19 hoax](#). *Health Communication*. 1-25.

Nicolai, J. & **Al-Rawi, A.** (2022). [Content moderation strategies in Canadian news media and their principles](#). *Al-Bahith Al A'alami*. 14(56), 7-32.

Al-Rawi, A., Fakia, A. & Grounds, K. (2022). [Investigation of Covid-19 misinformation in Arabic on Twitter: Content analysis](#). *JMIR Infodemiology*. 2(2), 1-10.

Al-Rawi, A. & Zemenchik, K. (2022). [Sex workers' lived experiences with COVID-19 on social media: A content analysis of Twitter posts](#). *JMIR Formative Research*, 6(7),1-20.

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Al-Rawi, A. (2021). [News Loopholing: Telegram news as portable alternative media](#). *Journal of Computational Social Science*. 1-30.

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Al-Rawi, A. (2021). [How did Russian and Iranian trolls' disinformation towards Canadian issues diverge and converge?](#) *Digital War*. pp. 1-30.

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Wenham, C.; Smith, J.; Morgan, R.; **Al-Rawi, A.**; Crankshaw, T; Davies, S.; Feng, H.... & members of Gender and COVID-19 Working Group. (2020). [COVID-19: the gendered impacts of the outbreak](#). *The Lancet*, 395(10227), 846-848.

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Al-Rawi, A. (2019). [The fentanyl crisis & the dark side of social media](#). *Telematics & Informatics*, 1-35. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tele.2019.101280>

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Al-Rawi, A. (2017). [Online political activism in Syria: Sentiment analysis of social media](#). *Sage Research Studies Cases*, 1-25. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.4135/9781473994829>

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Al-Rawi, A. (2017). [Audience preferences of news stories on social media](#). *The Journal of Social Media in Society*, 6(2), 343-367.

Al-Rawi, A. (2017). [The Rukh in Arabic culture: A linguistics and literary examination](#). *Al-'Arabiyya: Journal of the American Association of Teachers of Arabic*, 50(1), 105-117.

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Al-Rawi, A. (2016). [Understanding the social media audiences of radio stations](#). *Journal of Radio & Audio Media*, 23(1), 50-67.

Al-Rawi, A. (2016). [Facebook as a virtual mosque: The online protest against Innocence of Muslims](#). *Culture & Religion*, 17(1), 19-34.

Al-Rawi, A. (2016). [Anti-ISIS humor: Cultural resistance of extremist ideology](#). *Politics, Religion & Ideology*, 17(1), 52-68.

Al-Rawi, A. (2016). [The post-colonial novels of Desmond Stewart & Ethel Mannin](#). *Contemporary Arab Affairs*, 9(4), 552-564.

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Selected Journalistic Writings:

- I regularly wrote articles in Arabic for *Azzaman* Iraqi newspaper, which is one of the most popular in the country, mostly dealing with the Arab image in Western media.
- Published many investigative reports in English (see this [link](#)), and several reports in the Arabic international ICRC magazine, *Insani* such as:
 - a. “[Even Al-Shamaiah mental hospital was not safe from destruction](#)”. (2003). Summer, 25, pp. 48-52.
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- Served as a freelance news editor/journalist for CNN - Arabic Bureau in Dubai Media City and wrote about five [investigative reports](#) in August 2005.

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Academic Conferences, Symposiums, Seminars, Talks, & Workshops:

- Gave a talk on “The challenges of fact checking information”. Saskatchewan Polytechnic Digital Literacy Month Session. Saskatchewan Polytechnic Library, October 2, 2025.
- Delivered a keynote speech entitled “Disinformation in Canada”. Elder College - Annual Clifford Smith Memorial Lecture. Sunshine Coast, British Columbia, Canada, September 13, 2025.
- Served as a panelist in the 2025 Privacy, Security, and Trust Industry Summit - the “Cyber Attribution- Beyond the breach: Challenges, techniques, and policy implications” panel. The University of New Brunswick & the Canadian Institute for Cybersecurity. August 26, 2025.
- Invited as a guest lecturer to speak about misinformation and polarization for the “Global Issues and Challenges in a VUCA World” MBA Executive course. University of Prince Edward Island, PEI, Canada, July 21, 2025.
- “Hyper visibility and invisibility: Examining the work of racialized Canadian journalists on democracy and racism” with Sadia Nasrin & Devan Prithipaul. In “Journalism practice and research across diverse countries” session. The International Association of Media and Communication Research (IAMCR). Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. July 15, 2025.
- Delivered a talk entitled “Disinformation within the Canadian context”. Legislative Library, Legislative Assembly of Ontario. June 26, 2025.
- “Visual public discourses about the opioid crisis on social media”. The 9th International Visual Methods Conference (IVMC). Bahçeşehir University, Istanbul, Turkey. June 20, 2025.
- “Racialized Politicians’ Views of Democracy and Racism in Canada”, with Betty Ackah. In “Hate Speech, Stereotypes, and Racism” panel. The 75th Annual Conference of the International Communication Association (ICA), Denver, Colorado, USA. June 14, 2025.
- “Arab journalists’ uses and perceptions of AI: A scoping review”, with Haneen Saad. In “Visualizing Change: Media, Communication, and Societal Shifts in the MENA Region” panel. The 75th Annual Conference of the International Communication Association (ICA), Denver, Colorado, USA. June 13, 2025.
- Participated as a panelist discussing views of racialized Canadian journalists in ‘From “the view from nowhere” to “the view from somewhere”: what news-reporting standards, if any, can address journalists’ divergent perspectives, values, and interests?’ In ‘Reporting news in a disbelieving age Standards of practice amid the crisis in journalism’s credibility’ Colloquium. Toronto Metropolitan University, Toronto, Canada. June 5, 2025.

- “The opioid crisis debates in the Canadian House of Commons” in the “Political Discourses and Parliamentary Debates” panel. The 2025 annual Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Conference. George Brown College, Toronto, Canada. June 5, 2025.
- “The political discussion of Islamophobia in Canada” in the “Race, Ethnicity, Indigenous Peoples and Politics Tensions between Anti-Racism and Democratic Rule in Canada and in Canadian Foreign Policy” panel. The 2025 annual Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA) Conference. George Brown College, Toronto, Canada. June 4, 2025.
- “Democracy and racism in Canada: Perspectives of racialized Canadian politicians” with Betty Ackah. The Canadian Communication Association (CCA) Annual Conference 2025. George Brown College, Toronto, Canada. June 3, 2025.
- Delivered a workshop entitled “Misinformation: Concepts, fact checking, and impact” for high school teachers, librarians, and educators. Professional Development Day. Prince of Wales Secondary School, Vancouver, British Columbia. May 16, 2025.
- “Online hate on social media”. A guest lecture presented in the Global Hate Studies Summer Institute series. "Exploiting the Net: Online Hate". Centre on Hate, Bias and Extremism, Ontario Tech University, Oshawa, Canada. May 14, 2025.
- Delivered a public talk entitled "Misinformation and its impact". Richmond Public Library. Community Conversation series. Richmond, B.C., Canada. May 5, 2025.
- “Disruptive Information & how to counter it” virtual lecture series, Island Health Palliative Medicine Grand Rounds. Vancouver Island, British Columbia. March 18, 2025.
- “Disruptive information in Canada”. The main speaker in the Roundtable discussion organized by the Canadian Association for Security and Intelligence Studies (CASIS). Vancouver, Canada. January 16, 2025.
- “Arab Canadian ethnic media” presentation as part of the Handbook of Ethnic Canadian Media book talk. Vancouver, Canada. December 4, 2024.
- “‘That's True, Isn't It?’ - Identifying and Countering the Misuse of Information” online talk. Non-Academic Staff Association (NASA), the University of Alberta. December 3, 2024.
- “Global health & misinformation”. In the Knowledge Centre Global Health (KCGH’s) Symposium ‘Navigating Truths: Demystifying Mis- and Disinformation in (Global) Health’. Utrecht, The Netherlands. November 27, 2024.
- “Disruptive Information in the Canadian Information Space”. The 2024 West Coast Security Conference. Vancouver, BC, Canada. November 19, 2024.

“Proactive monitoring of social media to counter misinformation: Narratives on avian influenza A (H5N1) on Instagram and Facebook” [Poster presentation]. With Lee, K., Ackah, B. B. B., & Fakida, A. BCCDC’s 17th Annual Research Symposium, Vancouver, BC, Canada. October 28 - November 1, 2024.

Participated as a panelist in an online webinar organized by the National Capital FreeNet (NCF) “Misinformation, Disinformation and Fake News”. October 29, 2024.

“Automated visual analysis of news and social media images”. In “Computational Analysis and News Media” panel. International Communication Association Conference (ICA). Gold Coast, Australia. June 24, 2024.

“The Analysis of The opioid crisis debates in the House of Commons” with Kelly Grounds. The Canadian Communication Association (CCA) Annual Conference 2024. Université de Montréal, Montreal, Canada. June 19, 2024.

“Hate on social media”. A guest lecture presented in the Global Hate Studies Summer Institute series. "Exploiting the Net: Online Hate". Centre on Hate, Bias and Extremism, Ontario Tech University, Oshawa, Canada. June 12, 2024.

“Global Mediation of the Arabian Nights”. Artificial Intelligence and the Possibilities of Transforming the Arts and Humanities Conference. Baghdad University, College of Arts, Baghdad, Iraq. May 6, 2024.

Gave a talk entitled “The Weaponization of Misinformation”. Higher seminar series, Journalism Department, Södertörn University, Stockholm, Sweden. May 2, 2024.

Presented a paper “The news coverage of the opioid crisis”. The 2024 FCAT Forum: Research in Teaching. Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia. May 1, 2024.

Delivered a lecture entitled “Fact checking techniques” to high school students enrolled in a Psychology course. Vancouver Technical Secondary School, Vancouver, British Columbia. May 1, 2024.

Delivered a workshop on misinformation for high school teachers, librarians, and educators. Professional Development Day. Magee Secondary School, Vancouver, British Columbia. April 23, 2024.

Participated as a panelist in an online webinar series “How to Grow Audiences for Peace Journalism. Week 6: Innovations in Journalism & Social Media”. The Media and Peacebuilding Project, School of Media and Public Affairs, The George Washington University. April 3, 2024.

Delivered a workshop on misinformation for high school teachers, librarians, and educators. Professional Development Day. Sir Charles Tupper Secondary School, Vancouver, British Columbia. February 16, 2024.

Participated as a panelist in Roundtable 1 "Social Media and War" & Roundtable 2 "Social Media, Surveillance, and Societies of Control". The Fifth Annual International Winter School -Social Media, Surveillance, and Societies of Control. Arab Center for Research & Policy Studies, Doha, Qatar. 7 & 9 January, 2024.

"Misinformation, Surveillance, & Trolling on/in the Middle East". Public Lecture at the Fifth Annual International Winter School -Social Media, Surveillance, and Societies of Control. Arab Center for Research & Policy Studies, Doha, Qatar. January 7, 2024.

"The news coverage of racism & democracy in Canada: A Computational digital analysis". In the Journalism, Influence Campaigns & Digital Governance panel. The 2023 WAPOR Asia Pacific Sixth Annual Conference, Centre for Social Research and Methods, Australian National University, Canberra, Australia, December 5, 2023.

"The CBC news coverage of the Hamas-Israeli conflict". Intellectual Currents. School of Communication, Simon Fraser University, November 8, 2023.

Delivered a workshop to high school teachers and librarians on misinformation in Canada. Professional Development Day. Vancouver Technical Secondary School, British Columbia. September 22, 2023.

"Activism and political expression during Saddam Hussein's rule". Iraqi History Conference: A Decade of Research Using Archives of Ba'athist Iraq: What We Now Know. Stanford University, Hoover Institution Library & Archives, San Francisco, California, USA. August 17-18, 2023.

Served as a panelist in "How can we deal with hate on the Internet?". Online Hate, Media (Mis)Representation, and Systemic Racism Conference. Toronto Metropolitan University, Ted Rogers School of Management, Diversity Institute. June 23, 2023.

"Mediated democracy and racism discourses in Canada" with Devan Prithipaul & Sadia Nasrin. In "Reckonings with Racial Injustices II" panel, Canadian Communication Association Conference (CCA), York University, Toronto, Canada, June 1, 2023.

"The Weaponization and Discourses of Misinformation in Facebook Ads". In 'Fake News, Misinformation, and All That Junk: What We See and Why Some Believe'. International Communication Association Conference (ICA), Toronto, Canada. May 26, 2023.

Served as a panelist in "Polarization, Populism and Post-Truth" session. In "Our Whole Society: Finding Common Ground in a Time of Polarization" Conference, Wilfrid Laurier University & Martin Luther University College. Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. May 8, 2023.

"The networked trolling of critical journalists and news organizations in Iraq". Online Symposium focusing on Digital Threats against Journalists. Organized by the Journalism Safety

Research Network (JSRN), the Centre for Freedom of the Media (CFOM), & the Department of Journalism Studies at the University of Sheffield, UK. March 28, 2023.

“Shooting the Messenger: Forms and Impacts of Reputational Attacks on Journalists” with Chris Tenove et al. in the Online Symposium on Digital Threats against Journalists. The Journalism Safety Research Network (JSRN) et al. (see above), the University of Sheffield, UK. March 28, 2023.

Participated as a panelist in the “Democracy in Crisis” panel, 2023 CIVIX Democracy Bootcamp, Vancouver, Canada, March 2, 2023.

“Digital Research methods” workshop for faculty and graduate students, College of Communication, Iraqiya University, Baghdad, Iraq, January 31, 2023.

“New Research methods in communication” workshop for faculty and graduate students, College of Communication, Baghdad University, Baghdad, Iraq, January 30, 2023.

“Digital Research methods” workshop, College of Communication, Baghdad University, Baghdad, Iraq, January 25, 2023.

Invited as a guest speaker to discuss misinformation related issues. CMNS412: Disinformation & Media, School of Communication, Capilano University, North Vancouver, Canada. October 28, 2022.

Presented a talk entitled "Understanding hate groups' narratives and conspiracy theories in traditional and alternative social media". Digital Citizen Initiative workshop. Department of Heritage, Canadian government. October 27, 2022.

“Misinformation, mobilization, & violence”. The Canadian Network for Research on Terrorism, Security, and Society (TSAS) Gala Conference, Ottawa, Ontario, October 13, 2022.

“Terrorist Journalism in Iraq”. Insaniyyat International Forum for Humanities and Social Sciences Forum, Manouba University, September 23, 2022.

Organized a panel entitled “Iraqi Media in Constant Transition” at the 2022 Insaniyyat International Forum for Humanities and Social Sciences Forum, Manouba University, September 23, 2022.

“Trolling the Messenger: How state-run Disinformation weaponizes the public sphere”. Informação/Information: VII Congresso Internacional de Comunicação, Jornalismo e Espaço Público| VII International Congress on Communication, Journalism and Public Sphere. Coimbra University, Coimbra, Portugal, July 15, 2022.

“Metajournalistic Discourses on TikTok”. International Communication Association Conference (ICA), Paris, France. May 30, 2022.

"The Public's Appropriation of Multimodal Discourses of Fake News on Social Media" with Devan Prithipaul. Pre - International Communication Association Conference (Pre-ICA), Post-Truth and Affective Publics' Challenges to Social Ties.

- Disinformation, Populism, Data-Driven Propaganda. Centre for Research on Mediations (CREM), Université de Lorraine, Metz, France. May 25, 2022.
- “Practical research toolkits and guides to research misinformation” workshop. The Media & Digital Academy of Beirut (MDLAB), the Lebanese American University, Beirut, May 21, 2022.
- “Misinformation in the Middle East”. The Media & Digital Academy of Beirut (MDLAB), the Lebanese American University, Beirut, May 21, 2022.
- “Delegitimizing the Legitimate: Dark Social Movements on Telegram”, with Nicole Stewart, Carmen Celestini, & Nathan Worku. The Canadian Communication Association (CCA), the Canadian Congress for Social Sciences and Humanities, May 19, 2022.
- “[Topic modelling of Far-right Canadians’ tweets on COVID-19](#)”. Navigating Information and Race in the Era of COVID-19 Symposium. York University, Toronto, Canada. May 3, 2022.
- Participated as a panelist in the "Disinformation on social media during the COVID-19 pandemic: Prevalence and journalistic challenges". The panel discussion was organized by the Rogers Chair in Studies in Journalism and New Information Technology, Western University, Ontario. April 28, 2022.
- Gave a talk at the Iraqi Academy of Sciences in Baghdad on the literary techniques of Khalid Al-Rawi as a novelist. April 24, 2022.
- Invited as a guest speaker to discuss disinformation and COVID-19 at the Communications Department of Vancouver Coastal Health, March 28, 2022.
- “Dark Participation on BitChute by the Canadian Far-Right Extremists”. Ahmed Al-Rawi, Nathan Worku, Carmen Celestini, and Nicole Stewart. Hating on Social Media Symposium at the Centre on Hate, Bias, and Extremism, Ontario Tech University, February 7-10, 2022.
- Participated as a panelist in the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) Expert Roundtable on “Video Games and Violent Extremism”. December 6, 2021.
- Participated as a panelist in the Roundtable on alt-rights in Canada event. Concordia University, Montreal. December 3, 2021.
- “How do Google autocomplete algorithms mainstream hate and mislead the public?”. Ahmed Al-Rawi, Carmen Celestini, Nicole Stewart, and Nathan Worku. The Media/Culture Journal special issue Workshop- ‘Conspiracy’. Federation University Australia, November 28, 2021.

Delivered a plenary speaker presentation as part of the Educational Speakers Series organized by Toronto Public Library and CanAge entitled “Fake News: Identify and Ignore”. November 23, 2021.

Participated as a panelist in the “Digital Media Literacy in Canada”, Media Literacy Week 2021, MediaSmarts. October 28, 2021.

“Disinformation under a networked authoritarian state: Saudi trolls’ credibility attacks against Jamal Khashoggi”. The 3rd Multidisciplinary International Symposium on Disinformation in Open Online Media. MISDOOM. The Oxford Internet Institute, UK. September 21-22, 2021.

Delivered a presentation on “Foreign interference in the Canadian elections”. CIVIX’s 2021 Democracy Bootcamp. Democracy, Disinformation and Social Media: Sorting through Political Messaging in Canada. August 25, 2021.

“Hans Jonas, la métaéthique de la responsabilité et le choc écologique. Repenser les limites de la communauté éthique à l’ère de l’Anthropocène”. Oumar Kane, Ahmed Al-Rawi & Aimé-Jules Bizimana. In La communication et ses techniques sont-elles morales?, XXle Congrès de l’AISLF, Sociologie de la communication. Tunisia. July 16, 2021.

“Disinformation discourses in Canadian news media”. with Joseph Nicolai. The Canadian Communication Association (CCA), the Canadian Congress for Social Sciences and Humanities, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, June 4, 2021.

“Ethnic Media in Canada: Past, Present and Future” Conference Panel. “Revisiting ethnic media in Canada: Policies, Practices, and Integration”. Daniel Ahadi, Sherry Yu, and Ahmed Al-Rawi. The Canadian Communication Association (CCA), University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, June 3, 2021.

“News Loopholing: Telegram news as portable alternative media”. The International Communication Association Conference (ICA), May 27-31, 2021.

“The weaponizing of fake news in the Facebook ads targeting Canadians” with Abdelrahman Fakida. The International Communication Association Conference (ICA), May 27-31, 2021.

“Covid-19 in North America: Managing the risks of discrimination of marginalized populations” with Lea Hellmueller. Panel on Cross-Cultural Approaches to Identifying Pressures on Journalists Covering COVID-19: A Project of the Global Risk Journalism Hub. The International Communication Association Conference (ICA), May 27-31, 2021.

Participated with a number of cognitive scientists in the SciBeh 2020 Virtual Workshop on “Building an online information environment for policy relevant science”- Hackathon on Combatting COVID-19 misinformation with lessons from climate change denial (by invitation), 9-10 November, 2020.

- “Disinformation and bad actors”. Canadian Science Policy Pre-Conference - Building Bridges between Science, Policy and Society- Limiting the Impact of Misinformation and Disinformation; Planning, Recognition, and Response, Ottawa, Canada, November 3-15, 2020.
- “Topic modelling of abusive language against Islam on social media”. International Association of Media & Communication Research (IAMCR), Tampere University, Finland, July 12 -16, 2020.
- “Instagram’s memes on fake news”. The International Communication Association Conference (ICA), Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia, May 21-25, 2020.
- “Kek’s memes war on Instagram”. The International Communication Association Conference (ICA) preconference - Visual Politics: Image Production, Perception, and Influence, Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia, May 21, 2020.
- “Cyber warfare in the Middle East”, The Code War: The 2020 Vancouver International Humanitarian Law Conference on Cyber Warfare, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, March 28, 2020.
- “Russian Trolls’ Representation of Islam on Social Media”. Centre for Comparative Muslim Studies, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, November 7, 2019.
- “Fake news on Instagram”, the 1st Tsinghua TransCultural Communication Roundtable. Transcultural Solidarities across Global Divides: Histories, Institutions and Agencies. Future Media Lab, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China, October 12, 2019.
- “Fake news in Canada” at “Fake vs. Fact: A Free Journalism Workshop Series”. New Canadian Media & the Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, September 28, 2019.
- “Fake news and the war on truth” at “Fake vs. Fact: A Free Journalism Workshop Series”. New Canadian Media & the School of Journalism, Mount Royal University, Calgary, September 27, 2019.
- “Ibadism and Oman in the Western press” a presentation with Alaa Al-Musalli, the 3rd Summer School on Ibadism, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, June 24-28, 2019.
- “On combining the symbolic (tropes) and the ethical (values) in environmental discourses”- colloquium Technology, and Human Dignity: Disputed Rights, Contested Truths, with Oumar Kane and Aime-Jules Bizimana, the International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR), Complutense University, Madrid, Spain, July 7-11, 2019.

- “Manufacturing rage: The Russian Internet Research Agency’s political astroturfing on social media”, with Anis Rahman, the Canadian Communication Association (CCA), the Canadian Congress for Social Sciences and Humanities, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada, June 3-6, 2019.
- “Digital Research Methods for Cross-National News Analysis”. A colloquium presented at Simon Fraser University, School of Communication, Global Communication MA Double Degree program, Vancouver, May 30, 2019.
- “Changements climatiques et médias numériques” with Oumar Kane and Aime-Jules Bizimana. In the 87th Congrès de l’Acfas, l’Université du Québec en Outaouais (UQO), Gatineau, Canada, May 28, 2019.
- “Who’s breaking news on Twitter? Audiences’ metajournalistic practices”. In “Eyewitness Textures: User Generated Content & News Coverage in the 21st Century” Conference, McEwan University, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, May 23 & 24, 2019.
- “The Dark Social Networking Sites (DSNS) & the Fentanyl Crisis” at the Centre for Clinical Epidemiology and Evaluation, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C. April 29, 2019.
- Delivered a presentation on fake news discourses on Instagram in the Simon Fraser University’s Public Square event “Confronting the Disinformation Age: 2019 Community Summit- Innovations in Research”. April 10, 2019.
- “Topic modelling & fake news discourses on MSM vs. SNS”. Symposium on Public Discourse and Data Science, Big Data Hub, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, Canada, October 12, 2018.
- “What the fake? An analysis of online media dissemination and the bot-assisted amplification of fake news”. In Internet, Politics, Policy 2018: Long Live Democracy? St Anne's College, University of Oxford, UK, September 20-21, 2018.
- “Social media branding across cultures”. Workshop presented to Ph.D. and M.A. students from Monterrey Institute of Technology & Higher Education at the Language & Intercultural Communication, School of Continuing Studies, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, November 3, 2017.
- “ISIS & the Role of Media in State Building”. In the Third International Symposium on Teaching about Extremism, Terror and Trauma. Department of Education, Concordia University, Montreal, September 25-27, 2017.
- “Intercultural Communication & Globalization” CEGL 420, a Summer course offered to Korean students at the Language & Intercultural Communication, School of Continuing Studies, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, June - August 2017.

- “Social Media Use in the Diaspora: The Case of the Syrian Community in Italy”. With Shahira Fahmy. In the 4th International Conference on Social Sciences, Athens Institute for Education and Research, Greece, July 24-27, 2017.
- “Social media branding”. Workshop presented to student ambassadors from Monterrey Institute of Technology & Higher Education at the Language & Intercultural Communication, School of Continuing Studies, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, July 12, 2017.
- “A picture is worth a thousand words”. Workshop presented to student ambassadors from Monterrey Institute of Technology & Higher Education at the Language & Intercultural Communication, School of Continuing Studies, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, July 10, 2017.
- “Fake news & the war on mainstream media”. Workshop presented to university professors from Monterrey Institute of Technology & Higher Education at the Language & Intercultural Communication, School of Continuing Studies, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, July 5, 2017.
- Delivered a keynote speech on media literacy in Iraq and its role in peace building. Iraqi Students’ Association, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada, April 5, 2017.
- “Intercultural Communication & Globalization” CEGL 420, a Winter course offered to Spanish and Mexican students at the Language & Intercultural Communication, School of Continuing Studies, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, January - May 2017.
- Delivered a speech and participated in a public debate on the role of social media in raising awareness about children in conflicts with emphasis on Syria. Aide internationale pour l’enfance / Children’s Care International, centre-ville de Longueuil, Canada, November 24, 2016.
- “Mapping Arab Canadian Media: Historical and Critical Assessment”. In Intellectual and Artistic Contributions of Arab Canadians Symposium organized by the Arab Canadian Research Group (ACANS), Ottawa University, Canada, September 25, 2015.
- “Islam & Jihad in John Buchan’s Greenmantle”. In “Jihad and other uses of Islam in World War I: Instrumentalization of religion by the Ottoman Empire, its allies and its enemies” Conference. Kindly presented by Prof. Erik-Jan Zürcher. Center for the Study of Islam and Society (LUCIS) and the Middle East Studies department, Leiden University, The Netherlands, 13-14 November 2014.
- “Arab Canadians’ social media use”. In ‘Home/Land: Transnationalism, Identity and Arab Canadians’ Symposium. The Arab Canadian Research Group (ACANS), York University, Canada, March 5-6, 2014.

“The Internet, Public Opinion, and Mobilization: Comparing the Zhu Ling Case in China with Abdulhadi al-Khawaja Case in Bahrain”. With Yuping Mao in ‘Conceptualizing Cyber-Urban Connections in Asia and the Middle East’ Conference, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, January 23-24, 2014.

Presented workshops as well as trained junior Arab academics and journalists on media literacy. I helped in launching the Media and Digital Literacy Academy of Beirut and delivered the keynote presentation on Arab mainstream and social media and politics. The Media and Digital Literacy Academy of Beirut was sponsored by the Open Society Foundation and The American University of Beirut (AUB), Beirut, Lebanon, August 12-28, 2013.

“The Pluralist Ethno-Sectarian Iraqi Media after 2003”, a keynote presentation for the seminar “Iraq 10 years after: Lessons from 10 years of international involvement in Iraq” at Clingendael: Netherlands Institute of International Relations, The Hague, The Netherlands. The seminar was organized by Clingendael, Free Press Unlimited, Hivos and IKV Pax Christi. May 27, 2013.

“TV series and the Iraq War: “Generation Kill”, “Occupation”, and “Relatively Calm””. Media, War and Conflict Fifth Conference, Royal Holloway, University of London, April 12-13, 2013.

“The Ethical Dimension of the Anti-Violence and Anti-Terrorist advertising Campaigns in the Middle East”. II International Communication Ethics Conference, Seville University, Spain, April 3-5, 2013.

“The Arab Spring in Bahrain: Vlogging and the Sectarian Dimension”. ‘Audiences, media environments and democratization after the Arab Spring’ Conference. The Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism, University of Oxford, London, UK. February 28- March 1, 2013.

Gave a public talk on ‘[The Innocence of Muslims](#)’ anti-Islam film. Studium Generale & Erasmus Cultuur in Rotterdam, The Netherlands. September 20, 2012.

“Eastern Cinematic Productions of US Islamophobia after 9/11”. II International Conference of Media, Religion, and Culture, Anadolu University, Eskisehir, Turkey, July 8-12, 2012.

“The Role of Social Media in the Arab Spring: The Case of Iraq”. ‘Media, Youth Subcultures and the Politics of Resistance in the Arab World Conference’, Westminster University, London, UK, April 20, 2012.

"The Arab Character in the Novels of Desmond Stewart and Ethel Mannin". Second International Conference, 'Centering the Marginal, Stretching the Boundaries', Sultan Qaboos University, Oman, March 10-12, 2010.

“The Poetry of Ali Mehdi: A Seminar”. A seminar organized and presented at Majan University College, Muscat, Oman, April 15, 2009.

Presented at and organized a “Public Speaking Workshop: Types & Techniques”. Majan University College Muscat, Oman. The event was supported by AMIDEAST, US State Department. November 17, 2008.

“The Image of Arab Muslims in the 1970-80s English Popular Fiction: Clash of Cultures or Religions?” The International Conference, Representing Islam: Comparative Perspectives, University of Manchester, UK, September 5-6, 2008.

“Towards a New Approach in Machine Translation: A Contrastive Semantic Study Between Arabic and English”, with Mohammed Al-Bakaa. ‘Orientations: Language, Literature, and Translation: Negotiating Cultural and Literary Spaces’ Conference, Sohar University, Oman, February 26-27, 2008.

“Oral Rhetoric Strategies in English, German, and Arabic: Questioning the Myths about Arabic Language”. with Thomas Roche. ‘Orientations: Language, Literature, and Translation: Negotiating Cultural and Literary Spaces’ Conference, Sohar University, Oman, February 26-27, 2008.

Delivered a presentation on communication techniques in the workshop of “Information and Dissemination: Communication Techniques”, the Iraqi Red Crescent Society, the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, and the International Committee of the Red Cross, Amman, Jordan, May 22-25, 2005.

Delivered a brief presentation on communication techniques in the workshop of “Information Training: Communication Techniques”, the Iraqi Red Crescent Society, the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, and the International Committee of the Red Cross, Baghdad, Iraq, December 28-30, 2002.

“D. H. Lawrence’s Lady Chatterley’s Lover Contribution to Huxley’s Brave New World”, ‘The Eighth Al-Ma’mun University College Scientific Conference’, Baghdad, Iraq, April 10-11, 2002.

“Blake’s Vision of Slavery and Women’s Emancipation in “The Visions of the Daughters of Albion”’. ‘The First Al-Turath University College Scientific Conference’, Baghdad, Iraq, March 30-31, 2002.

“The Theme of the Oppressor and the Oppressed in a Selection of Stephen Spender’s Poetry”, ‘The Seventh Al-Ma’mun University College Scientific Conference’, Baghdad, Iraq, March 27-28, 2001.

“Edward Fitzgerald’s Translations Deviations in His Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam”, ‘The Sixth Al-Ma’mun University College Scientific Conference’, Baghdad, Iraq, April 15-16, 2000.

Guest Lectures:

“HSCI 486: Senior Seminar in Global Health: Global Perspectives on the COVID-19 Pandemic” entitled “Misinformation & COVID-19”. Lecture presented for the Faculty of Health Sciences, Simon Fraser University. March 28, 2023.

“Misinformation in/on Canada”. Library & Learning Centre, Douglas College. Westminster, December 15, 2022.

“HSCI 486: Senior Seminar in Global Health: Global Perspectives on the COVID-19 Pandemic” entitled “Disinformation & COVID-19”. Lecture presented for the Faculty of Health Sciences, Simon Fraser University. November 23, 2021.

“State-run disinformation targeting Canada” for the undergraduate course “Grey zone warfare and disruptive technologies”. Lecture presented for the Department of Political Science, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Simon Fraser University. October 5, 2021.

“HSCI 486: Senior Seminar in Global Health: Global Perspectives on the COVID-19 Pandemic”. Lecture on Covid-19 and fake news presented for the Faculty of Health Sciences, Simon Fraser University. November 24, 2020. The lecture also included an [interactive group activity](#).

“Digital research methods and news analysis”. a graduate students’ lecture, Communication University of China (CUC), Beijing, China, October 12, 2019.

“International media development in the Arab world”. Lecture presented for the MA program of International Communication at Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM), Montreal, Canada, October 3, 2016.

“Pan-Arab media channels and the Conflict in Syria”. Lecture presented for the MA program, ‘Violent Conflict, Media and the Politics of Representation’, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), The Hague, The Netherlands, May 9, 2014.

“Islam online: Social Media in the Arab World”. Lecture presented for the Leiden Centre for the Study of Islam and Society (LUCIS), Leiden University, The Netherlands, October 10, 2013.

“Al-Jazeera and Al Arabyia Channels Coverage of the Conflict in Syria”. Lecture presented for the MA program, ‘Violent Conflict, Media and the Politics of Representation’, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), The Hague, The Netherlands, May 10, 2013.

“Media System in Iraq”. Lecture presented at Amsterdam University College (Journalism Program), University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands, October 10, 2012.

“Al-Jazeera Channel and Media Practice in the Middle East”. Lecture presented for the MA program, ‘Violent Conflict, Media and the Politics of Representation’, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), The Hague, The Netherlands, July 5, 2012.

“Popular Fiction and the Use of Arab Stereotypes”. Lecture presented at Sultan Qaboos University, Department of English Language and Literature, November 4, 2009.

Teaching awards:

- Received the “**Most Inspiring Teacher**” award during an event organized by IBCOM students and the Department of Media & Communication on May 1, 2014.
- Selected as the “Best Lecturer” in the Department of Media & Communication in the academic year 2012-2013 and was nominated as “Best Lecturer” at the University level.
- Selected by IBCOM students who graduated in the years 2012-2013 & 2013-2014 as the lecturer whom they mostly wanted to be highlighted during the graduation ceremony. In 2013, I was selected among the two “lecturers who inspired students the most”.

Student Awards:

- The National Prize for the most talented students in the field of “English Language & Literature”. The contest covered all Iraqi colleges and universities, and I represented Ma’moon University College, Baghdad, Iraq, 1997. Aside from the financial award, I was given a monthly salary from 1997 up to 2003 during which I was studying for my M.A. and Ph.D. degrees.

Research Grants:

Total funds allocated to my research as principal applicant & co-investigator are over \$1.1 million.

2025-2027- **Co-investigator**, CIHR, “Vaccine acceptance in the context of potential highly pathogenic avian influenza A(H5N1) outbreaks: Looking beyond online misinformation”, CIHR Project Grant Priority Announcement Pandemics and Health Emergencies Research. **\$200,000.**

2025-2026- **Collaborator**, SSHRC, Connection Grant, “Technology and the Future of Democracy”. **\$24,996.**

2024-2025- **Principal applicant**, Hoover Institution Library & Archives, Stanford University, Scholar Research Support Visitor fellowship. **\$7,500US.**

- 2024-2025- **Collaborator**, Breaking Barriers Interdisciplinary Incentive Grant, SFU's Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS), "Cross-cutting Identities and Democratic Society Funding". **\$35,000**.
- 2024-2028- **Team member (co-investigator)**, SSHRC, Canada Biomedical Research Fund, and the Biosciences Research Infrastructure Fund. "Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) Consortium: Essential Societal Infrastructure to Support Canada's Immuno-Engineering and Biomanufacturing Pipeline". **\$13,563,001**. Subaward budget allocated for my research was **\$435,791**.
- 2023-2025- **Principal applicant**, Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). Insight Development Grant. "Framing the opioid crisis in Canada". **\$71,250**.
- 2022-2023- **Co-Investigator**, Canadian Heritage, the Digital Citizen Contribution Program. "Shooting the Messenger: Credibility Attacks on Journalists". With UBC's Global Reporting Centre. **\$68,640**.
- 2022-2025- **Principal applicant**, Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). Insight Grant. "Mediated democracy and racism discourses in Canada". **\$161,800**.
- 2021-2022- **Principal applicant**, Canadian Heritage. The Digital Citizen Contribution Program. "[Understanding hate groups' narratives and conspiracy theories in traditional and alternative social media](#)". **\$95,000**.
- 2021-2022- **Co-applicant**, Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)- Partnership Engage Grant. "[Shooting the Messenger: Credibility Attacks Against Journalists](#)", with UBC and Ottawa universities as well as the Committee to Protect Journalists and the DFRLab. **\$24,959**.
- 2020-2021- **Principal applicant**, Mitacs Accelerate in collaboration & the Aga Khan Foundation Canada. "Mapping Social Media Use in Kyrgyzstan: A Pilot Study". Research collaboration with the University of Central Asia (UCA). **\$60,000**.
- 2020-2022- **Co-applicant**, Canadian Institute of Health Research (CIHR)- Canadian 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Rapid Research Funding Opportunity. "Understanding and mitigating real-time differential gendered effects of the COVID-19 outbreak". **\$494,524**.
- 2020-2024- **Co-investigator**, Canada-UK Artificial Intelligence Initiative-SSHRC. "Responsible AI for Inclusive, Democratic Societies: A cross-disciplinary approach to detecting and countering abusive language online". Collaboration between Sheffield University and SFU. **\$503,483**.
- 2020-2021 - **Co-investigator**, Canadian Heritage & Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), the Digital Citizen Contribution Program. "The Canadian Disinformation Research Network". Research collaboration between Ryerson, SFU, and Concordia Universities, **\$125,840**.

- 2020-2020 – **Principal applicant**, British Columbia’s Office of the Human Rights Commissioner. Department of Research & Policy grant. “Social media use in identifying and monitoring human rights issues and racism in British Columbia”. **\$5,000.**
- 2019-2021 – **Principal applicant**, “Predicting Escalation to Violence using Social Media Posting of an Active Hate Group”. The 2019 Next Big Question in Big Data Fund Application. Big Data Hub. Simon Fraser University. **\$25,000.**
- 2019-2020 – **Principal investigator**, “Mediated democracy: The representation of democracy in the Canadian mainstream media vs. social media”. School of Communication 2019 Research Infusion Program. Simon Fraser University. **\$1,000.**
- 2019-2021 – **Principal investigator**, “[Fake News perceptions and discourses on social media and Canadian mainstream media](#)”. Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). Insight Development Grant. **\$64,878.**
- 2019-2021 – **Principal investigator**, “Social media and new technology use by Canadian mainstream news organizations”. Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). Small SSHRC grant. **\$7,000.**
- 2018-2019 – **Principal investigator**, Simon Fraser University Publication Fund. Rapid Response. **\$2,000.**
- 2018-2020 – **Co-investigator**, “Changements climatiques et médias numériques. Une topographie mixte du hashtag #climatechange sur Twitter”, Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). Insight Development Grant. **\$57,108.**
- 2018-2024 – **Principal investigator**, Start-up Fund. Simon Fraser University. **\$20,000.**
- 2017-2019 – **Collaborator**, “Daesh Discourse of Terror, Recruitment of Supporters, and Adaptive Use of Emojis on Twitter”. Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). Insight Development Grant, **\$60,000.**
- 2014-2021 – **Collaborator**, Research on terrorism, security and society in Canada: A collaborative approach. Social Science & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Partnership grant, Kanishka Project, **\$2,150,000.**
- 2014- 2015 – **Principal investigator**, “Iraq at the crossroads: Moving forward for peace and reconciliation”, The International Security Research and Outreach Programme (ISROP) of the International Security and Intelligence Bureau at Foreign Affairs. Trade and Development Canada (DFATD). Ottawa, Canada. **\$5,000.**
- 2014-2015 – **Principal investigator**, “Addressing the ICT & Information needs of Aboriginal students at Okanagan College”. Okanagan College, BC, Canada - Grant in Aid (GIA), **\$2,000.**

2009-2010 – **Co-investigator & postdoc fellow**, “Inter-weavings: Omani women’s folklore”. Oman Research Council, Muscat. Sultanate of Oman. I worked as a full time researcher and wrote *Omani Women’s Folktales* (80,000 words), 39,420 Omani Rials, \$105,000.

Membership in Professional Academic Associations/Institutions:

- [Associate Member](#), SFU's School of Public Policy, Vancouver, Canada since 2024.
- [Affiliate Assistant Professor](#), Department of Communication, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, 2018-2024.
- Research Fellow, Department of Media & Communication, Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands, 2014-2021.
- [Senior Research Fellow](#), The Netherlands Interuniversity School for Islamic Studies, Utrecht University, The Netherlands, since 2013.
- [Senior Research Affiliate](#), the Canadian Network for Research on Terrorism, Security, and Society (TSAS), University of British Columbia, Canada, since 2014.
- Affiliate Member, Erasmus Research Centre for Media, Communication and Culture (ERMeCC), Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands, 2013-2022.
- [Founding Member](#), Media & Digital Literacy Academy in Beirut, Lebanese American University, Lebanon, since 2013.

Graduate students’ supervision:

As principal supervisor:

1. Mina Einifar, ‘[Exploring Iranian Feminist Activities on Instagram: Challenging Cultural Values and Criticizing Discriminate Structures](#)’. Simon Fraser University, School of Communication, (2019- 2022).
2. Mou Xuan Xue, ‘[YSYS Online Documentaries: Performing Authenticity in Chinese Hip Hop](#)’. Double Degree Program in Global Communication, Simon Fraser University, School of Communication, (2019- 2020).
3. Yuanjiao Qi, ‘[How Did Chinese News Media Frame the US China Trade Talks? A Case Study of People’s Daily and China Daily](#)’. Double Degree Program in Global Communication, Simon Fraser University, School of Communication, (2018-2019).
4. Madly S. Boumba, ‘[Media Consumption of the Congolese Diaspora in Brussels: Discussing online behaviours and the role of Social Network Sites in self-expression and cultural Identity](#)’, Media, Culture, and Society MA program, Department of Media & Communication, Erasmus University Rotterdam, (2013- 2014).
5. Michelle Timmermans, ‘[Media use by the Syrian Community in Sweden: Interviews Examining Media Consumption, Identity & Integration](#)’, Media, Culture, and Society MA program, Department of Media & Communication, Erasmus University Rotterdam, (2013- 2014).

6. Rebecca Ressi, 'Lucrative Emails: Investigating Obama's 2012 Campaigning Use of Emails', Media, Culture, and Society MA program, Department of Media & Communication, Erasmus University Rotterdam, (2013- 2014).
7. Teodora Dimcheva, 'Shock Advertising in the Fashion Industry', Media & Business MA program, Erasmus University Rotterdam, (2012- 2013).
8. Michalis Michael 'Media Consumption by the Armenian Community of Cyprus', Media, Culture, and Society MA program, Department of Media & Communication, Erasmus University Rotterdam, (2011- 2012).
9. Adiba Obubo, 'Suffering and Smiling 2.0: An Analysis of Humour Disseminated through Social Media during #occupynigeria', Media, Culture, and Society MA program, Department of Media & Communication, Erasmus University Rotterdam, (2011- 2012).
10. Marc de Kool, 'Turkish Youths and Media Preferences: Researching the Media Behaviour of Third Generation Turkish-Dutch Immigrants in Rotterdam', Media, Culture, and Society MA program, Department of Media & Communication, Erasmus University Rotterdam, (2011- 2012).

As advisor (co-supervisor):

- A Ph.D. study entitled 'Twitter's Effect on Political Dialogue within and among the GCC'. The Centre for Arab & Islamic Studies, the Australian National University in Australia (2014-2019).

As external examiner:

1. An M.A. thesis entitled "Enhancing Misinformation Response in Local Government Communication: A Systems Inquiry with the Alberta Municipal Communicators Association". Royal Roads University, British Columbia, Canada. (July 2025).
2. A Ph.D. thesis entitled "Newsworthiness in Arabic News Discourse: A Corpus-Assisted Discursive News Values Analysis". Macquarie University, Australia (July 3, 2025).
3. A Ph.D. thesis entitled "Negotiating Empowerment and Reconstructing the Image: Analysis of Saudi Women's Beauty and Fashion Content on Social Media". University of Leicester, the UK (March 13, 2025).
4. A Ph.D. thesis entitled "Children, Identity and the Media: How Child Audiences Use Favourite Screen Media Texts to Engage with their Saudi National Identity". University of Leicester, the UK (November 27, 2023).

5. A Ph.D. thesis entitled “Viral marketing of brands through social media and its impact on consumer buying behavior”. University of Baghdad, College of Media, Baghdad, Iraq (July, 2023).
6. A Ph.D. thesis entitled “Networked Warriors: Cognitive Surplus and the Life Cycle of Online Conflict Reporting”. School of The Arts, English and Media, University of Wollongong, Australia (May, 2023).
7. A Ph.D. thesis entitled “Digital Media and Online Tactical Stagnation: Insights from Syria and Tunisia”. Oxford Internet Institute, Wolfson College, University of Oxford, the UK (February, 2023).
8. A Ph.D. thesis entitled “The state’s roles in the development of cultural industries: Korean cultural industry policies from 1993 to 2021”. School of Communication, Simon Fraser University, Canada (April, 2021).
9. An MA thesis entitled “Unveiling 21st Century Representations of Muslim Women in French Cinema”. Department of French, Simon Fraser University, Canada (April, 2021).
10. An MA thesis entitled “Threatening the Body Politic: Negotiating the boundaries of national belonging for Canadian foreign fighters ISIS returning fighters and Canadian audiences’ online response”. Communication Studies Department, Concordia University, Canada (August, 2019).
11. A Ph.D. thesis entitled “The Role of Public Relations and Public Diplomacy in Building Relationships between Libya and Italy in the Gaddafi and Post-Gaddafi Era”. Northumbria University, UK, (January, 2018).
12. An MA thesis entitled “Who is in the Driver’s Seat when it comes to the use of Twitter by a Select Group of Montreal Sports Journalists?” Department of Journalism, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada (August, 2017).
13. A Ph.D. thesis proposal entitled “Cultural Politics & Politics of Culture in Iran”. Universite du Quebec a Montreal (UQAM), Montreal, Canada (May, 2016).
14. A Ph.D. thesis entitled “Terrorism and corruption: A stylistic study of images and metaphors in selected Iraqi mass media texts”. University of New England, Australia (January, 2016).
15. An MA thesis entitled “Guilt & Shame appeals in advertising”. Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University, The Netherlands (June, 2014).
16. A Ph.D. thesis’ proposal entitled “Cinematic Representation of Gender and Sexuality in Liberation War Movies of Bangladesh (1971 – 2012)”. The Institute of Social Sciences, Erasmus University, The Hague, The Netherlands (July, 2013).

17. A Ph.D. thesis entitled “BBC and Al Jazeera coverage of 'Islam & Democracy': A study of the 2009 Iranian Presidential Election”. The Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies, The Australian National University, Australia (August, 2012).
18. A Ph.D. thesis’ proposal entitled “Overcoming Factionalism in Palestinian Satellite TV: The case of Palestine Satellite Channel and Al Aqsa Satellite Channel”. The Institute of Social Sciences, Erasmus University, The Hague, The Netherlands (December, 2011).

As internal examiner (committee member):

1. Hayder AlKilabi’s Ph.D. thesis “”. Global and International Studies Program, Carleton University (February 2025- Ongoing).
2. Frank Onuh's Ph.D. thesis “Epistemic Alienation and the (Un/Re)making of Truth: An Interrogation of Language, Power and Patronage in Africa”. Department Chair and Professor of English, Lethbridge University, Canada (July 2024- Ongoing).
3. Oiyen Ng’s M.A. thesis “The Geopolitics of the Final Frontier: The BeiDou Satellite Navigation System as an Indigenous Chinese Innovation, 1950-2023”. SFU’s School of Communication (September 2022- September 2024).
4. Shane Young’s Ph.D. study “The Resurgence of Indigenous Online Identities and Communities”. Indigenous Studies. Trent University, Ontario, Canada. (October 2022- June 2024).
5. Ryland Shaw’s M.A. study “The Logic of Imitation and the Reconfiguration of News in Climate Communication on TikTok”. SFU’s School of Communication (September 2022- December 2023).
6. Julia Werkman’s M.A. study “It’s the power that women have ... they abuse it”: Anti-Feminist Women in Western Canada and the Online Men’s Rights Movement”. SFU’s School of Communication (August 2021- September 2022).
7. Qinghua Chen’s Ph.D. study “Subjectivity (Re)constitution of Recent Immigrants from China”. SFU’s School of Education (April 2020- November 2022).
8. Courtney McLaren’s M.A. study “‘They Make Me Very Happy’: Practices, Perceptions, And Affective Connections of K-pop Fans in Canada”. SFU’s School of Communication (November 2019- August 2021).

As chair:

1. An MA thesis entitled “Uncharted Streams: The Online Streaming Act and the Politics of Canadian Broadcasting Legislation”. Master of Arts, Communication studies, Simon Fraser University, Canada (September 2023).

2. An MA thesis entitled “The social construction of blockchain privacy platforms”. Master of Arts, Communication studies, Simon Fraser University, Canada (July 2020).
3. An MA thesis entitled “Does Social Media Make Our Understanding of Community More Individualistic?”. Master of Arts, Communication studies, Simon Fraser University, Canada (December, 2018).
4. An MA thesis entitled “Toward a Media History of the (Digital?) Wunderkammer: A Case Study of Samuel Quiccheberg’s 1565 Proposal for an Ideal Wunderkammer”. Master of Arts, media studies, Department of Communication Studies, Concordia University, Canada (April, 2018).
5. An MA thesis entitled “Counter-Balkanism in The Witcher & Gwent: A Historical Reinvention beyond the Balkan Paradigm”. Master of Arts, media studies, Department of Communication Studies, Concordia University, Canada (March, 2018).

Other Scholarly & Professional Activities:

Academic journals:

- Serving as an editorial board member in the following academic journals:
 - *Journal of Popular Culture* (since 2009),
 - *Digital Journalism* (since 2020),
 - *Arab Media & Society* (since 2021),
 - *Communication Studies* (since 2021),
 - *Al-Bahith Al A'alami* - College of Communication, Baghdad University- (since 2022),
 - *International Journal of Communication and Public Relations* - University of Mohamed Siddik bin Yahya, Jijel, Algeria- (since 2022),
 - *Journal of Women in Culture and Art* - University of Tehran- (since 2023).
 - *The Journal of Intelligence, Conflict, & Warfare* (since 2024).
- Guest edited a journal issue on Disinformation in the Middle East for the *Open Information Science* journal, 2021.
- Co-guest edited a journal issue with Jacob Groshek and Raluca Cozma on the 2020 US election from non-US contexts entitled “Political Communication and Electoral Campaigns in the Hybrid Media System: The 2020 US Election”. *Journalism and Media*, late 2021.
- Guest edited a journal special issue on Mis/Disinformation in/on Canada for the *Global Media Journal - Canadian edition*, 2022.
- Blind reviewed 225+ research papers submitted to 100+ different academic journals:

- *Journal of Popular Culture* (56 papers),
- *Digital Journalism* (13 papers),
- *Communication Studies* (11 papers),
- *Arab Media & Society* (5 papers),
- *Al-Bahith Al A'alami* (5 papers),
- *The Journal of Intelligence, Conflict, & Warfare* (1 paper),
- *AI & Society* (2025, twice),
- *Middle Eastern Literatures* (2025),
- *Media, War & Conflict* (2014 & twice in 2025),
- *Siyasat Arabia* (2025),
- *Global Media and Communication* (2019 & 2025),
- *Journal of Contemporary Iraq & the Arab World* (2021 & 2025),
- *New Area Studies* (2024),
- *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications* (2024),
- *IEEE Transactions on Computational Social Systems* (2024),
- *Digest of Middle East Studies* (2024),
- *Europe-Asia Studies* (2024),
- *The Journal of Religion* (2024),
- *Media Practice and Education* (2024),
- *Social Network Analysis and Mining* (2024),
- *Environmental Communication* (2024),
- *Journal of Communication* (2024),
- *Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power* (2024),
- *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction* (2024),
- *Acta Psychologica* (2024)
- *New Review of Hypermedia and Multimedia* (2024),
- *Iraqi Academy of Sciences Journal* (2024),
- *Information* (2024),
- *Games and Culture* (2024),
- *Canadian Journal of Communication* (2021, twice in 2022, 2023, 2024),
- *International Communication Gazette* (2017, 2018 & 2023),
- *Newspaper Research Journal* (2022 & 2023),
- *International Journal of Communication* (2018, 2022, & 2023),
- *Digital Health* (2022),
- *Ethnic & Racial Studies* (2022),
- *Global Media Journal – Canadian Edition* (2015 & 2022),
- *Information, Communication & Society* (2013, 2014, 2020, & 2022),
- *Social Media + Society* (2022),
- *Political Communication* (2018, 2022),
- *Digital War* (2022),
- *Internet Research* (2022),
- *Journalism and Media* (2022),
- *International Journal of Human-Computer Interaction* (2022),
- *JMIR Dermatology* (2022),
- *Journal of Advertising* (2021),
- *Journal of Visual Communication in Medicine* (2021),
- *Health Informatics Journal* (2021),

- *Journal of Environmental Media* (2021),
- *African Journalism Studies* (2018, 2021),
- *Politics, Religion & Ideology* (2016, 2021),
- *Computer Science PeerJ* (2021),
- *Journalism* (2019, 2020 (twice), 2021),
- *The Howard Journal of Communications* (2018, 2021),
- *Journalism Practice* (2018, 2020, 2021),
- *International Security* (2020),
- *Journal of Computer-Mediated Communication* (2012, 2020).
- *Feminist Media Studies* (2017 & 2020),
- *Journal of Communication Inquiry* (2020),
- *American Journal of Public Health* (2020),
- *Misinformation Review* (2020),
- *Telematics & Informatics* (2020),
- *Journalism Studies* (2019, 2020),
- *Language and Communication* (2020),
- *Islamophobia Studies Journal* (2020),
- *Journalism and Mass Communication Educator* (2019 & 2020),
- *New Media & Society* (2016, 2018, & 2019),
- *Journal of Intercultural Communication Research* (2019),
- *Journal of Applied Journalism and Media Studies* (2019),
- *Mass Communication & Society* (2014, 2019),
- *Communications: The European Journal of Communication Research* (2019),
- *Terrorism and Political Violence* (2017 & 2019),
- *First Monday* (2019),
- *Aids and Behavior* (2016 & 2019),
- *KOME: An International Journal of Pure Communication Inquiry* (2019),
- *Journal of Arab & Muslim Media Research* (2019),
- *Journal of International Migration and Integration* (2018),
- *Journal of Canadian Studies* (2018),
- *Online Information Review* (2018),
- *Religions* (2018),
- *Communication Research* (2017 & 2018),
- *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* (2018),
- *Journal of Religion & Popular Culture* (2018),
- *Big Data & Society* (2017),
- *International Journal of Intercultural Relations* (2017),
- *Computers in Human Behavior* (2016 & 2017),
- *Communication, Culture and Critique* (2013 & 2017),
- *Media and Communication* (2017),
- *Social Science Computer Review* (2016),
- *Journal of Information Technology & Politics* (2016),
- *Convergence* (2016),
- *Culture and Religion* (2016),
- *Western Folklore* (2016),
- *Middle East Inquiry* (2016),
- *Journal of Historical Fictions* (2016),

- *International Journal of Press/Politics* (2015),
- *Sociological Forum* (2015),
- *Mosaic: A journal for the interdisciplinary study of literature* (2015),
- *Sage Open* (2015),
- *Women's Studies International Forum* (2015),
- *Cyberpsychology: Journal of Psychosocial Research on Cyberspace* (2014),
- *Studies in Media and Communication* (2014 twice),
- *Journal of African Media Studies* (2014),
- *Journal of Aggression, Conflict and Peace Research* (2014),
- *Victorian Periodicals Review* (2014),
- *Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly* (2013)

Other peer review activities:

- Single blind reviewed 3 papers submitted to the International Conference on Media and Communication, Faculty of Computer, Engineering and Media, De Montfort University, Leicester, the UK. September 2025.
- Double blind reviewed a book proposal for the Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies, Doha, Qatar. August 2025.
- Double blind reviewed a dissertation proposal for the Early Scholars Publication Grants program at the King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies (KFCRIS), Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. July 2025.
- Reviewed a faculty tenure application for promotion to Associate Professor, Suffolk University, Boston, USA. July 2025.
- Single blind reviewed a book proposal for Columbia University Press. April 2025.
- Single blind reviewed a book series proposal for the University of Pittsburgh Press. January 2025.
- Single blind reviewed an Insight Grant application submitted to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC). January 2025.
- Blind reviewed 5 extended abstracts submitted to the 75th annual ICA Conference in December 2024.
- Double blind reviewed 3 papers submitted to the Social Sciences and Humanities Conference Committee of the Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies, Doha, Qatar. November 2024.
- Reviewed a faculty tenure application for promotion to Associate Professor, Northwestern University, Doha, Qatar. August 2024.

- Single blind reviewed a research project proposal on social media submitted to the Research Sector at Kuwait University. March 2024 and August 2025.
- Single blind reviewed a grant application submitted to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)- Open Research Area (ORA8). April 2024.
- Single blind reviewed a fellowship application for the Center for Advanced Internet Studies (CAIS), Universitätsstraße, Bochum, Germany. February 2024.
- Blind reviewed 7 papers/extended abstracts submitted to the 74th annual ICA Conference in December 2023.
- Single blind reviewed an Insight Grant submitted to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC). December 2023.
- Blind reviewed a book chapter submitted to the edited book *Palgrave Handbook of Digital Journalism* - Bruce Mutsavairo & Kristin Skare Orgeret (Eds.). August 2023.
- Reviewed a research grant proposal submitted to the Keynes Fund at the Faculty of Economics, Cambridge University, UK, April 2023.
- Reviewed a research grant proposal submitted to the Faculty of Law and Minderoo Centre for Technology and Democracy, The Cambridge Endowment for Research in Finance (CERF), Cambridge University, UK, March 2023.
- Single-blind reviewed a SSHRC Insight Grant application in February 2023.
- Single-blind reviewed and assessed a research grant proposal submitted to Sharjah University, the UAE. December 2022.
- Blind reviewed 8 research papers/extended abstracts submitted to the 73rd annual International Communication Association (ICA) Conference. November/December, 2022.
- Reviewed a report on global misinformation for the Programme on Democracy and Technology, Oxford Internet Institute, University of Oxford. August, 2022.
- Reviewed a Mitacs Accelerate research proposal in the area of communication and media studies. August, 2022.
- Blind reviewed 5 papers/extended abstracts submitted to the 72nd annual International Communication Association (ICA) Conference in November 2021.
- Reviewed SSHRC Insight grants in early 2020 and 2021 on disinformation and news journalism in the Canadian context.

- Reviewed and evaluated a media research proposal for the Arab Council for Social Sciences (ACCS), Beirut, Lebanon (December 2018).
- Reviewed a major SAGE Publications textbook on media and communication studies in mid-2015.
- Reviewed book proposals for the following publishers: (1) Palgrave on online hate in August 2025; (2) Palgrave on Saudi Arabia's social media in February 2025; (3) Palgrave on the history of social media in April 2019; (4) Palgrave on non-Western journalism research in March 2019; (5) Routledge on advertising in the Middle East in June 2018.
- Served as an 'Article Editor' for the journal of *SAGE Open* in 2016 & 2018.
- Reviewed book chapters submitted for edited books published by Palgrave Macmillan (2015), IGI Global (2018), and Wiley-Blackwell (2019).
- Served as a member of the International Scientific Advisory Board to review abstracts for the conference: "Streaming Ourselves Back to Life? Online Social Television across Perspectives." Emerging Media Studies, College of Communication, Boston University, USA, April 20-21, 2016.
- Reviewed paper presentation proposals for the 'Colloque du Doctorat Conjoint en Communication', Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM), Montreal, Canada, February 2-3, 2017.
- Served as member of the preliminary review committee to review Ph.D. applications submitted to the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, 2017-2018.
- Blind reviewed 2 papers submitted to the 69th annual ICA Conference- Computational Communication Methods section in November 2018.
- Served as a member of the scientific advisory board for the international colloquium of 'Communication, médias et conflits sociaux' and reviewed a proposal. Bamako, Mali, May 1-2 2019.
- Served as a member of the conference program committee and blind reviewed 3 papers for the 10th International Conference on Social Media and Society, Ted Rogers School of Management, Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada, July 19-21, 2019.
- Blind reviewed a paper submitted to the 70th annual ICA Conference in November 2019.
- Reviewed an extended abstract submitted to the International Communication Association Conference 2021- Journalism Studies Group, December 2020.

- Reviewed students' papers competing for publication in the Medium, COMS Guild, Communication Studies Department, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada, March 2018.

Service & other public activities:

- Serving as a Senate member at SFU from July 4, 2024 until May 31, 2027.
- Serving as a Faculty Member (Communication, Art & Technology) to the Senate Committee on University Teaching and Learning (SCUTL) at SFU from July 8, 2024 until May 31, 2027.
- Serving as a member of SFU's Council on Islamophobia, Centre for Comparative Muslim Studies, Simon Fraser University since March 2024.
- Served as a member of the Scientific Committee for the International Conference on Media and Communication in collaboration with the IAMCR Organisational Communication Working Group, De Montfort University, Leicester, the UK. 2025.
- Participated as a Panelist in the Evolve September 18, 2025 event held at the SFU's Students' Union, Burnaby, B.C., Canada.
- Served as a member of the Tenure and Promotion Committee (TPC) at the School of Communication at SFU from May 2024 until early 2025.
- Participated as a Panelist on "Surviving and Thriving as a Teacher at SFU". New Faculty Orientation Program, Halpern Centre. Burnaby, SFU. September 10, 2025.
- Served as the School of Communication's Library representative at SFU from September 2023 until early 2025.
- Served as a [Regional Manager](#) for the Gulf region at The Digital Society Project, National Science Foundation's funded "Measuring Internet Politics" research project from early 2023 until late 2024.
- Delivered a seminar at the FHS-BCCDC Islamic History Month event entitled "Fact checking health misinformation and online hate on social media". Faculty of Health Sciences, Simon Fraser University, October 23, 2024.
- Participated as a Panelist in the Evolve October 18, 2024 event held at the SFU's Students' Union, Burnaby, B.C., Canada.
- Assessed and supported a Canada Research Chair's renewal application for SSHRC, September 2024.

- Served as a member of SFU's Senate Faculty College (September 1, 2022- until August 31, 2024). I also served as a Chair of a salary anomaly review committee in 2023.
- Invited to the Canadian House of Commons as an expert witness. Standing Committee on Access to Information, Privacy and Ethics (ETHI)- The Impact of Disinformation and of Misinformation on the Work of Parliamentarians. 44th Parliament, 1st Session. May 7, 2024.
- Moderated the Human Behaviour and Communication panel. SFU's 6th Undergraduate Research Symposium. Bennett Library, Burnaby, April 9, 2024.
- Chaired three panels and discussed three papers at the Fifth Annual International Winter School. "Social Media, Surveillance, and Societies of Control". Arab Center for Research & Policy Studies, Doha, Qatar. January 8-9, 2024.
- Invited as an expert witness to the Canadian Senate's 44th Parliament, 1st Session to discuss the spread of misinformation and how to combat it. See full report [here](#). The Standing Senate Committee on Fisheries and Oceans, December 7, 2023.
- Collaborated as a contributor to and reviewer of the Canadian Association of Journalists (CAJ) curriculum textbook, *Misinfo 101: How to identify and report on misinformation: National Guide*. 2023.
- Participated as a Panelist in the Evolve 2023 event that was held on September 22, 2023 at the SFU's Students' Union, Burnaby, B.C., Canada..
- Participated as a Panelist on "Surviving and Thriving as a Teacher at SFU". New Faculty Orientation Program, Halpern Centre. Burnaby, SFU. August 24, 2023.
- Served as a discussant and moderator for the "The Domestic Disinformation Dilemma" panel, "The Weaponization of Disinformation in Canada" Workshop. University of Waterloo, Cyber Security & Privacy Institute, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. April 28, 2023.
- Served as a member in the Advisory Committee of the Vaccination, Misinformation and Digital Media Project, {refugee613} from April 2022 until March 2023.
- Participated in the SciBeh Virtual Workshop 2023: Collectively Intelligent Science Communication - Lessons learned for a post-COVID era, 1–2 March 2023. This international research collaboration produced three co-authored online reports (See [here](#)).
- Interviewed by a master's student at the Universite du Quebec a Montreal (UQAM) as part of their study on Canadian social media researchers, October 7, 2022.

- Participated as an expert in the Canadian Network for Research on Terrorism, Security and Society (TSAS) "Counterterrorism Resilience: Expert Roundtables on Canadian National Security and Countering Violent Extremism: Online Tools". September 23, 2022.
- Reviewed and assessed the codebook of a Ph.D. student at the College of Communication, Baghdad University. October, 2022.
- Interviewed by a PhD student at the University of Michigan for a study on the use of CrowdTangle for academic research. July 6, 2022.
- Interviewed by a faculty and contributed with a short video on improving MA students' news media literacy skills for the School of Media Studies at The New School (New York, NY). June 28, 2022.
- Served as a panel chair in the SFU School of Communication 2021 Graduate Student Conference - "Media, (Mis)Information and Political Action". School of Communication, Simon Fraser University, May 7, 2021.
- Served as a panel chair in the "Theorizing the Korean Wave" conference- "History, Digital Platforms, and shifting Hallyu Ecology" panel. Center for Policy Research on Science and Technology, Simon Fraser University, April 9, 2021.
- Invited to the Canadian House of Commons as an expert witness. The Standing Committee on Public Safety and National Security (SECU), 44th Parliament, 1st Session. Assessment of Canada's Security Posture in Relation to Russia. April 5, 2022.
- Served as a panel moderator for SFU Undergraduate Research Symposium, the "Systemic Injustice and Surveillance States" panel, Simon Fraser University, March 23, 2022.
- Invited to participate as a disinformation expert in the Climate Change 2050: National Climate Change Science Plan, Science Communication & Knowledge Mobilization Roundtable, co-hosted by Environment and Climate Change Canada, March 9, 2022.
- Participated as a panelist in the "Digital Disinformation and Right-Wing Extremism" Webinar. Concordia University, Department of Communication Studies, February 24, 2022.
- Participated in the MediaSmarts online symposium to create a digital media literacy strategy in Canada. "From Access to Engagement: A Digital Media Literacy Strategy for Canada". February 9, 2022.
- Acted as a discussant for the "Emerging culture on digital platforms: Bodies, memes, feminism and nationalism" panel, Global MA Program's capstone paper discussion entitled "Global Communication: Discourses, Information Flows and Power in Times

of Social Change”. School of Communication Simon Fraser University, Canada August 4, 2020.

- Nominated by students to participate in the SFU Faculty Smackdown Debate: Smashing Good Time, November 26, 2020.
- Participated in a public discussion on “Facts or Fiction? Misinformation, Media and the Canadian Election”, SFU Public Square, Strengthening Canadian Democracy Initiative, Vancouver Public Library, October 17, 2019.
- Chaired a panel “UGC: Case Studies II” in “Eyewitness Textures: User Generated Content & News Coverage in the 21st Century” at McEwan University, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, May 24, 2019.
- Chaired the “What’s Democratic about Technologies?” panel for the Digital Democracies Conference at Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada, May 15, 2019.
- Chaired and responded to a talk presented by Erin Glanville entitled “Telling a New Story: Digital Storytelling as a Method for Refugee Dialogue”. Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, November 30, 2018.
- Served as a jury member for the Better Awards international competition in humanitarian projects. Amsterdam, the Netherlands, August 2015.
- Served as a jury member for the Advertising Day competition event that was organized by the Marketing Association of Erasmus University Rotterdam. The event was sponsored by SIRE, BAT, Wieden & Kennedy, and Zicht Online. March 28, 2012.
- Supervised the publication of a newsletter called *Golden Dew* that was written and published by the English Education students, Sohar University, Sohar, Oman 2007-2008.

Professional certificates:

- “AI Product Management” (3 courses: Machine Learning Foundations for Product Managers; Managing Machine Learning Projects; Human Factors in AI). Duke University. September 2023.
- “Knowledge Centered Service (KCS) v6 Fundamentals Certification”. Consortium for Service Innovation. September 2023.
- “Career Essentials in Generative AI by Microsoft and LinkedIn” (5 courses: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence; Ethics in the Age of Generative AI; Streamlining Your Work with Microsoft Bing Chat; Generative AI: The Evolution of Thoughtful Online Search; What Is Generative AI?”. September 2023.

- “Artificial Intelligence and Business Strategy”. Project Management Institute (PMI) & National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA). July 2023.
- “Artificial Intelligence: How Project Managers Can Leverage AI”. Project Management Institute (PMI) & National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA). July 2023.
- “Artificial Intelligence for Project Managers”. Project Management Institute (PMI). July 2023.

News media interviews (2-1):

As a spokesperson for the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in Iraq, I was interviewed in hundreds of news reports. Below is a small English sample, and a more complete list of interviews can be found in Pro-Quest, Nexis Uni, and Factiva news archives:

- [“Wrong place, wrong time: Civilian victims of PTSD”](#). *Registered Nurse*. October, 2006.
- [“Fallujah residents prepare to return”](#). *Agence France Press*. December 23, 2004.
- [“U.S. troops sweep through Mosul day after deadly attack”](#). *The Columbus Telegram*. December 22, 2004.
- [“Red Cross Says Al-Fallujah’s Water-purification Plants Remain Unusable”](#). *Radio Free Europe*. December 22, 2004.
- [“Blast at US mess tent in Iraq kills 22”](#). *China Daily*. December 22, 2004.
- [“Army tears up bill of soldier who lost arm”](#). *The Seattle Times*. December 11, 2004.
- [“Red Cross gets first look at war-ravaged Fallujah”](#). *The Associated Press*. December 11, 2004.
- [“Fallujah: The homecoming and the homeless”](#). *The Independent*. December 11, 2004.
- [“US warns on Falluja disease risk”](#). *BBC News*. December 10, 2004.
- [“IRCS delivered aid to Fallujah”](#). *IRIN news*. November 26, 2004.
- [“Second Sunni Cleric Gunned Down”](#). *CBS News*. November 23, 2004.
- [“U.N.: Iraq fighting 'wreaking havoc' on children”](#). *NBC News*. November 23, 2004.
- [“For Fallujah Family, a Daring Escape”](#). *The Washington Post*. November 19, 2004.
- [“Aid stalemate at the gates of Falluja”](#). *BBC News*. November 19, 2004.
- [“Falluja 'will get government aid'”](#). *BBC News*. November 18, 2004.
- [“Fighting sweeps Sunni Muslim heartland”](#). *Mail & Guardian*. November 14, 2004.
- [“Fallujah situation 'disastrous', charity says”](#). *The Independent*. November 13, 2004.
- [“Red Cross visits Fallujah in first inspection since raids”](#). *The Associated Press*. October 12, 2004.
- [“Iraqis who fled fighting want to go home”](#). *UPI*. August 20, 2004.

News media interviews (2-2):

As an academic, I was interviewed and/or my research was featured in 100+ news reports:

- “Is social media still social?”. CBC Radio, *Columnists from CBC Radio* program. May 22, 2025.
- “N.J. firm made misleading websites in names of multiple Canadians and an alleged CRA scammer”. CBC- The Fifth Estate. May 9, 2025.
- “Conspiracy theories dog Canadian PM before election” AFP. April 10, 2025.
- “How to recognize and resist election misinformation and disinformation”. CBC Radio, *Columnists from CBC Radio* program. April 9, 2025.
- “Social media platforms’ election-integrity initiatives lack transparency, says researcher”. *The Globe and Mail*. April 1, 2025.
- “‘Fake news’: Canada’s online news blackout could affect voters in upcoming election: experts”. *The Canadian Press*. March 28, 2025.
- CBC Radio live - Early Edition with Stephen Quinn on Donald Trump’s communication strategy. March 10, 2025.
- “Angus’ call for probe into Musk’s meddling draws attention in fight against foreign interference, say comms experts”. *The Hill Times*. February 3, 2025.
- “Media literacy and political polarization”. *Pacifica Radio News*. December 2, 2024.
- “Trump shooting has set off a flood of conspiracy theories. But you might be surprised where some are coming from”. *Toronto Star*. July 17, 2024.
- “Can Peace Journalism Go Viral?”. *Peace News*. April 29, 2024.
- “Did Reddit year-end recaps expose Russian interference in Alberta?”. *St. Albert Gazette*. February 27, 2024.
- “‘Just Like We Drew It Up’: What’s behind Joe Biden’s Super Bowl post?”. *Al Jazeera*. February 12, 2024.
- “Bell Media layoffs and local Canadian journalism”. *Spice Radio*. February 12, 2024.
- “Manitoba voters less informed of election happenings due to Meta's decision to block news, experts say”. *CBC News*. September 22, 2023.
- “Canada at odds with big tech”. *The World Radio*. August 22, 2023.
- “‘Disaster’: warning for democracy as experts condemn Meta over Canada news ban”. *The Guardian*. August 4, 2023.
- “B.C. media companies react after being throttled by Facebook, Meta”. *CBC News*. July 15, 2023.
- “Canadian police, emergency response agencies consider adopting Meta’s Threads”. *The Globe & Mail/ The Canadian Press*. July 14, 2023.
- “Social media's reliability in emergencies questioned after Twitter limit blocks DriveBC posts”. *CBC News*. July 12, 2023.
- “Video: Richmond police presence at doxxed animal's home unprecedented: BC SPCA”. *Tricity News*. June 23, 2023.
- “Transparency, consistency key as Alberta officials battle misinformation along with wildfires”. *Calgary Herald*. May 22, 2023.
- “Tucker Carlson is gone from Fox News. But will his polarizing influence linger?”. *CBC News*. April 25, 2023.
- “Q&A: Navigating disinformation online with expert Ahmed Al-Rawi”. *Calgary Journal*. April 4, 2023.
- “Right-wing video site Rumble grows, as does its misinformation”. *AFP/Times of Malta*. April 1, 2023.
- “Dan Fumano: B.C.’s chief electoral officer raised interference concerns three years ago. Little has changed”. *Vancouver Sun*. March 23, 2023.

- “How the dream of 15-minute cities was twisted into a nightmare”. *Toronto Star*. March 7, 2023.
- “Misinformation is hard to fight — but Justin Trudeau has options, experts say”. *Toronto Star*. February 27, 2023.
- “The effects of COVID-19 on sex workers”. *The Peak*. February 22, 2023.
- “Le Canada perçu comme un pays totalitaire dans la complosphère internationale”. *Radio Canada International*. February 3, 2023.
- “Sludge content is consuming TikTok. Why aren't we talking about it?” *CBC News*. January 18, 2023.
- “Dan Fumano: In Vancouver election, 'face-to-face' proves more important than Facebook”. *Vancouver Sun*. November 23, 2022.
- “Ottawa ‘assessing next steps’ on whether to pay if Twitter charges for verification”. *Global News*. November 7, 2022.
- “Why passing laws to curb online disinformation is so difficult, according to tech and legal experts”. *CBC News*. October 10, 2022.
- “Pressure Cooker”. *CBC True Crime: CBC*. September 5, 2022.
- “Environment Canada says online reports of 'climate police' are false”. *CBC News*. September 1, 2022.
- “Dan Fumano: Vancouver developer behind anonymous group spending thousands on political ads”. *Vancouver Sun*. August 21, 2022.
- “How podcasts have become misinformation machines — and what can be done about it”. *Global News*. August 21, 2022.
- “Hoe het Canadese mediaplatform Rebel News het boerenprotest uitmelkt”. *Pointer*. July 29, 2022.
- “Noord-Amerikaanse mediaplatformen eigenen zich het Nederlandse boerenprotest toe”. *Pointer*. July 21, 2022.
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