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EDUCATION

- 2007 Ph. D. in linguistics, [University of Michigan](#), Ann Arbor, MI, USA.
Dissertation: Shifting dunes: changing meanings of Urdu in India.
Committee members: Sarah Thomason, Deborah Keller-Cohen, Judith Irvine, and Barbara Metcalf
- 2005 M.A. in linguistics, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA.
Qualifying Research Paper. Scripting a new identity: The battle for Devanagari in 19th century India.
- 2022 Master of Arts in Exegesis and Qur'anic Studies. College of Sharia and Islamic Studies, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar.
Thesis: Translating Qua'ani stylistics (al-i'jāz al-balāghī): a study of six English translations of Sūrat Tāhā
- 1997 M. Phil. in linguistics, University of Delhi, India.
Thesis: News bulletins in Hindi and Urdu: A study in mutual comprehensibility. MS.
- 1995 M.A. in linguistics, University of Delhi, India.
Thesis: Relative clause in Kom. MS.
- 1993 B.A. (Hons.) in Arabic and linguistics, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU).
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RESEARCH SPECIALIZATION

Theoretical interests: sociolinguistics, language and identity, language ideology, multilingualism, language policy, language movements, language & communication.

Field specialization: South Asia and the Arabian Gulf.

LANGUAGES

English	Expert User
Urdu	Expert User
Arabic	Expert user of Modern Standard Arabic and fluent in Yemeni dialect
Hindi	High proficiency
Farsi/Persian	Reading proficiency

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2023, May 01	Professor of Linguistics , Qatar University, Doha.
2019 (Fall)	Visiting Research Faculty . Department of Linguistics, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL, USA.
2017, Feb 09-	Associate Professor of Linguistics, Qatar University, Doha.
2011-2017	Assistant Professor of Linguistics, Qatar University, Doha.
2010 Summer	Visiting Scholar , University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA.
2007- 2010	Assistant Professor of English, American University of Kuwait, Kuwait.
2003-2007	Graduate Student Instructor (GSI), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
1997-2002	Lecturer of English , Department of English, University of Science and Technology, Yemen.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Fall 2012-Feb 2015	Head , Department of English Literature & Linguistics (DELL), Qatar University, Doha.
2013-2015	Program Review : Led the team that worked on the Self-Study Report of the Department of English Literature and Linguistics.
2013-2015	New Program Launch : Led the team that worked on the development, external review, and approval of minors in French and Spanish at Qatar University. The programs are running now.
2013-2014	Curriculum Development : Worked on the development two linguistics courses ENGL-353: Sounds of English and ENGL-354: Structure of the English Language for the College of Education, Qatar University.

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 ["Challenges of Communication and Identity in the Gulf: Insights from Qatar and the UAE"](#). In: Rahman, M.M., Al-Azm, A. (eds) *Social Change in the Gulf Region*. Gulf Studies, vol 8. Pp 287-304. Springer, Singapore.
- 2022 (with Abdul Gabbar Al-Sharafi). "Translating the Sacred: Agency in Translating Verb-Noun Alternation in the Qur'an." *Babel. Revue Internationale de La Traduction / International Journal of Translation* 68, no.3. 317-40. <https://doi.org/10.1075/babel.00273.sha>.
- 2021 (with Sara Hillman). [Laboring to communicate: Use of migrant languages in COVID-19 awareness campaign in Qatar](#), *Multilingua* vol. 40, no. 3, 2021, pp. 303-337. **De Gruyter**.
- 2020 (with Torlakova et al). [Figurative Language in Arabic E-Commerce Text](#). *International Journal of Business Communication*. Vol. 57.3. 279-301. **Sage Publications**.
- 2020 Hate, Bigotry, and Discrimination against Muslims: Urdu During the Hindutva Rule. In [Disrupting Hate in Education: Teacher Activists, Democracy, and Global Pedagogies of Interruption](#). Eds. Rita Verma & Michael Apple. Pp 129-152. New York, **Routledge**.
- 2020 From *Rajjal* to *Rayyal*: Ideologies and shift among young Bedouins in Qatar. In *The Routledge Handbook of Arabic and Identity*. Eds. Reem Bassiouney & Keith Walters. Pp 13-25. New York, **Routledge**.
- 2018 [My name is Khan... from the epiglottis: changing linguistic norms in Bollywood songs](#). *Journal of South Asian Popular Culture*. 16:1, 51-69 (**Taylor & Francis**).
- 2017 (with Divakaran Liginlal et al.) [Metaphorical Expressions in E-Commerce: A Study of Arabic Language](#). *Journal of Global Information Technology Management*. Vol. 20.2. pp 75-90. (**Taylor & Francis/Routledge**).
- 2016 [Expatriate Languages in Kuwait: Tension between Public and Private Domains](#). *Journal of Arabian Studies*. Vol. 6 (1) pp 29-52. (**Taylor & Francis/Routledge**)
- 2016 *Teaching linguistic diversity through linguistic landscaping*. [Journal of Language and Language Teaching](#). Vol. 5 (1) pp. 1-7, Azimpremji University, India.
- 2015 [Polyphony of Urdu in postcolonial North India](#). *Modern Asian Studies*, (Cambridge University Press). Vol. 49.3. pp. 678-710. **Cambridge University Press**.
- 2014 (with Divakaran Liginlal et al) Localization for a High Context Culture: An Exploratory Study of Cultural Markers and Metaphors in Arabic E-Commerce Websites. In G. Lee (Ed.), [E-Commerce, E-Business and E-Service](#) (pp. 21-27). **Routledge**.
- 2012 Hindi is perfect, Urdu is messy: the discourse of delegitimation of Urdu in India. In Mark Sebba et al. [Orthography as Social Action: Scripts, Spelling, Identity and Power](#). pp 103-133. Berlin: **Mouton de Gruyter**.

- 2011 [Urdu in Devanagari: Changing orthographic practices and Muslim identity in Delhi](#). *Language in Society*, 40.3. pp 259-284. **Cambridge University Press**.
- 2010 How do I know you are not a CBI agent?: Examining the identity of researcher in sociolinguistic fieldwork. In Imtiaz Hasnain & Shreesh Chaudhary, *Problematizing language studies: Cultural, theoretical, and applied perspectives*. pp. 426-435. Delhi: **Aakar Books**, 2010.
- 2008a [Scripting a new identity: the battle for Devanagari in nineteenth century India](#). *Journal of Pragmatics*. 40.7. pp 1163-1183. **Elsevier**.
- 2008b Unpacking indexicality: Urdu in India. In Amy Brown and Josh Iorio: *Texas Linguistic Forum*. Austin: University of Texas. 2008. pp 1-9. Web. 7 Feb 2011. <http://studentorgs.utexas.edu/salsa/proceedings/2008.html>.
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POPULAR WRITING/ COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (SELECTED)

(i) Urdu in the public imaginary

- 2022 (June 22) [How Urdu scholar Gopi Chand Narang \(1931-2022\) advocated for the language as a 'civilisational gain'](#). **Scroll.in**
- 2022 (May 26) [Inqilab in Court: What does Urdu word really mean?](#). MaktoobIndia.
- 2022 (April 3) [Roza, Ramadan, Ramzan: There is more to the month of fasting than how it is spelled](#). Scroll.In
- 2021 (October 31) *Yeh Kafir cricket*: [How sport is turned into Islamophobic weapon](#). **MaktoobIndia**.
- 2021 (April 11) [BJP's use of 'begum' and 'shahzada' to attack its opponents conceals a larger attack on Muslims](#). **Scroll.in**.
- 2021 (January 3) 'Nai Duniya': [Why Shamshur Rahman Faruqi strove to build a new world for literature and language](#). Scroll.in
- 2020 (April 12) Media watch: [How vocabulary was weaponised to target Indian Muslims after the Tablighi Jamat event](#). **Scroll.in**
- 2020 (February 13) [Why Must the Uttarakhand Govt Undermine Urdu to Promote Sanskrit?](#) **The Wire. India**.
- 2020 (June 24) ["I regret having named him Sahil": Urdu names in India](#). <https://www.languageonthemove.com>
- 2020 (June 14) [Gulzar Dehvi \(1926-2020\) defended the metaphor of Urdu with the subtle weapon of his poetry](#). **Scroll.in**
- 2019 (May 8) [Everyone has got it wrong in the Ramadan-Ramzan debate. And no, it's not about Wahhabism](#). **ThePrint**.
- 2018 (23 December 2018) [As We Celebrate Urdu, Let's Not Ignore the Signs of Its Decline in India](#). **The Wire**.

- 2018 (2 October). [The Urdu sounds that are disappearing from Bollywood songs](#). **The Dawn, Pakistan**. Reprint.
- 2018 (30 September). [Urdu sounds are disappearing from Bollywood songs](#). ThePrint. India.

(ii) Arabic in the public imaginary

- 2022 (17 November) [Qatar World Cup 2022: A global competition rooted in local Arab culture](#). The Middle East Eye.
- 2022 Mal Lawwal: Linguistic landscapes of Qatar. *Language on the Move*. <https://www.languageonthemove.com/mal-lawwal-linguistic-landscapes-of-qatar/>
- 2020 Fighting the Current Pandemic: Deploying Linguistic Resources is the Key. In *Together Apart: A collection of human experiences*. Pp 29-32. Doha, HBKU Press. (Reprint of the newspaper article)
- 2020 (August 25) [How Qatar overcome language and culture barriers in its fight against Covid-19](#). The Gulf Times, Doha Qatar.
- 2020 (April 14) [Multilingual resources key to fighting COVID-19](#) <https://www.languageonthemove.com>
- 2019 (February 16) [Not about numbers: Why Abu Dhabi labour court chose Hindi over Malayalam](#). **ThePrint**.
- 2019 (August 8) [The Dilli debate: Why should a city be known by only one name anyway?](#) Scroll.in.
- 2019 [The deep relationship between Indians and Arabs](#). Qatar University Research Magazine. Issue 11. Pp 38-39.
- 2019 Linguistic Relationship between Arabs and Indian. contributed to the "[Qatar, India, and the Gulf](#)" Exhibit at Qatar National Library. Doha.
- 2018 (12 October). [Renaming India: Saffronisation of public spaces](#). Al-Jazeera Online. Doha, Qatar.

MEDIA APPEARANCES/Social Media/WEBINARS

1. 2022 (October 11). Documentary film. Mal Lawwal: *Linguistic landscapes of Qatar*. [YouTube channel](#).
2. 2021 (Aug. 15) Documentary film on Urdu. [Will Urdu Survive in India?](#) Premiered on my [YouTube channel](#).
3. 2021 (May 20) "[Urdu under Hindutva rule - Conversation with Dr Rizwan Ahmad](#)". Video Interview on Maktoobmedia, India.

4. 2021 (May 2) [Language barriers and the COVID-19 pandemic](#). Qatar national Library, Doha.
5. 2021 (February 9). Zoom Live. [Significance of Language Learning](#). SNAP Academy, Kolkatta, India.
6. 2020 (December 20). Interview on [Olive Radio](#) with RJ Kabeer. Role of communication during pandemic.
7. 2020 (Dec 7) **Interview on Qatar TV**. Role of Qatar Media in disseminating awareness material in migrant languages.
<https://twitter.com/qatartelevision/status/1336025261352087552?s=21>
8. 2020 (September 26) "Research lauds how Qatar overcame language barriers" Featured in **the Gulf Times** report.
<http://desktop.gulf-times.com/story/673740/Research-lauds-how-Qatar-overcame-language-barrier>
9. 2020 (Sep 23) **Interview on Radio Islam International**, South Africa. Media's use of language to implicate Muslims in the spread of COVID-19 in India.
<https://soundcloud.com/radioislam/wed-075818-to-083700>
10. 2020 (June 15) **Video on language change in Urdu poetry**. Facebook Live. **Joy of Urdu**, an organization for promotion of the Urdu language. (2800 views)
<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=260630015382472>
11. 2020 (June 15) In Memoriam. **Video on the role of the poet Gulzar Dehlvi in the preservation of Urdu**. Facebook. **Joy of Urdu**. an organization for promotion of the Urdu language
<https://www.facebook.com/483267061861512/videos/183640396411212/>
12. 2020 (June 28) Webinar on "**Disappearing sounds of Urdu**". Facebook Live. **Joy of Urdu**.
<https://www.facebook.com/joyofurdu/photos/a.853526894835525/1648452925342914/>
13. 2019 (April 23) [Interview in the Gulf Times](#), Qatar on the issue of English and Arab Identity.
14. 2018 (December 6). Translation is a message of peace and a bridge of communication (جائزة الشيخ حمد للترجمة والتفاهم الدولي - محاضرة "الترجمة رسالة سلام وجسر التواصل"). Panel discussion at Qatar National Library organized by [Hamad Translation Award](#). Telecast on Qatar TV and social media platforms.
15. 2018 (Oct 16). **Interview on Radio Islam International**. Erasing Muslim/Urdu names from street signs in India.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

ENGL-151 Advanced Reading

ENGL-155	Introduction to Language
ENGL-157	Introduction to Linguistics
ENGL-300	A History of the English Language
ENGL-354	Structure of the English Language
ENGL-378	English and Globalization
ENGL-390	Sociolinguistics
ENGL-403	Field Methods
ENGL-425	Topics in Linguistics
ENGL-441	Syntax
ENGL-499	Capstone Integrated Skills

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SUPERVISION

Directed several undergraduate capstone research projects at Qatar University and American University of Kuwait. The following projects are notable.

- 2021 Attitudes and Shift among Yaf'i Yemenis in Qatar. By Khulood Askar
- 2021 Code-switching from Arabic into English among Arab Beauty Bloggers. By Sahar Hammoud.
- 2020 Linguistic Accommodation in Moroccan Arabic, Tunisian Arabic, &Yemeni Arabic. By Lamees Ayyad et al.
- Mapping languages and dialects: A Sociolinguistic Analysis of 'Cars' dubbed into Arabic. By Alhanoof Al-Kuzaei et al.
- Reporting of Qatar's Asia Cup Victory: A discourse analysis. By Salma Al-Kubaisi et al.
- 2019 Hip Hop of Social Change in the Arab World: A Sociolinguistic Study. By Esraa Abuzoor et al.
- What's there in a name?: Understanding Naming Patterns in Old Delhi. By Samia Musa et al.
- Choice of Language on Electronic Devices Among Arabs. By Sara Jassim Al-Kuwari et al.
- 2017 Guilty until proven innocent – Media trials of Muslim terror suspects in India. By Zinnira Shaikh. Won the Highly Commended Award from **The Undergraduate Awards**.
- 2014 Rajjal or rayyal: Dialect Shift among young Bedouins, by Heba Al-Kababji, Hessa Al-Marri, and Rania Abujazar (**2nd prize on CAS Research Day**)

- 2012 The Use of Discourse Markers in Qatari Arabic, by Arwa Kemalaldin Abbas and Al-Dana Jasim Al-Thani (**1st prize QU Annual Research Day**)
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Ph.D./MA Thesis

- 2023 External Examiner, Gulf Studies Center, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University.
- 2020 Examined a Ph.D. dissertation of a student from the University of Malay. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- 2021 External Examiner, Ph.D. Dissertation of Katsiaryna Ata, Gulf Studies Program, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, HONORS, AWARDS

- 2019 "Language in Technology: The use of English and Arabic among QU Students and Staff". **Students' Internal Grant**. QUST-1-CAS-2019-25.
- 2016 College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) **Research Excellence Award**. Qatar University.
- 2016 Centre for Humanities and Social Sciences (CHSS) **Seed Grant**. CAS, Qatar University.
- 2013(PI) Raising Language Effectiveness in Arabic Ecommerce Websites (**NPRP** 5-1393-6-044), **QNRF**, Qatar.
- 2012 Start-up research grant, **Qatar University**, to conduct research on Arabic among non-Arabs in Qatar (QUSG-CAS-CAS-11/12-7).
- 2012 Travel Grant, Qatar University, to present a paper at SALSA-XX, **University of Texas at Austin**, USA.
- 2009 Travel Grant, American University of Kuwait, to present a paper at MIDP Colloquium 2009. **University of Antwerp, Belgium**, Sep 14-16, 2009
- 2009 Travel Grant, American University of Kuwait, to present a paper at Linguistics in the Gulf-2. **Qatar University, Doha, Qatar**. March 11-12, 2009.
- 2008 Travel Grant, American University of Kuwait, to present paper at Symposium about language and society (SALSA-XVI), **University of Texas at Austin**, USA.
- 2007 Research Initiation Grant, American University of Kuwait, Kuwait.
- 2007 Travel grant, International Institute, University of Michigan, to present paper at the **LSA-2007 meeting at Anaheim, CA**, USA. January 4-7, 2007.
- 2006 Nominated by the Department of Linguistics for Outstanding Graduate Instructor Award, **University of Michigan**.

- 2006 **Rackham Humanities Candidacy Research Fellowship** for Winter-Summer 2007, Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, **University of Michigan**.
- Rackham International Research Award**, University of Michigan, to conduct fieldwork research in Old Delhi, India.
- Travel grant**, Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan, to present paper at the Sociolinguistics Symposium-16, July 6-8 2006, **University of Limerick, Ireland**.
- 2005 **Block grant**, Department of Linguistics, University of Michigan, to conduct dissertation fieldwork research in Old Delhi, India.
- Research grant**, Taraknath Das Foundation, Columbia University, New York, to conduct fieldwork research in Old Delhi, India.
- Travel grant**, Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan, to present paper at the **International Symposium on Bilingualism, Barcelona, Spain**.
- Travel grant**, International Institute, University of Michigan, to present paper at South Asian Linguistic Analysis (SALA-25) at the **University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL, USA**.
- 2004 **Rackham discretionary grant** to conduct research at the **National Archives of India, New Delhi**.
- 2002-2003 **International Institute Fellowship**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2003 **Travel grant**, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia for attending workshop on the Urdu Language Instruction in the USA.
- 1995-97 **Junior Research Fellowship (JRF)**, University Grants Commission, New Delhi, India towards the completion of an M. Phil. Degree in linguistics.

INVITED TALK

- 2022 How to Achieve Effective Communication in a Crisis Situation. Indian Institute of Management, Kolkata, India. July 12, 2022.
- 2020 Language and social justice: Urdu during the Hindu majoritarian rule in India. Talk delivered at **Queen's University, Belfast, UK**. October 27, 2020 (Delivered Online).
- 2020 Challenges of Communication: A study of Qatar. **Qatar Literary Society**. September 30, 2020. (Delivered Online).
- 2019 Indexicality, identity, and language change: Journey of Urdu across times. **University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign, USA**.
- 2018 Indexicality, identity, and language change: Colonial and postcolonial imaginaries of Urdu. Invited Plenary speaker at Talk and Silence: Language in Colonial Contexts. **American University of Cairo, Egypt**, 28 Feb-1 March, 2018.

- 2015 Indexicalities in a mesh. Invited talk at the Roundtable at Sociolinguistics of Globalization, **University of Hong Kong**, 3-6 June, 2015
- 2015 Business of Writing. **College of Business and Economics**, Qatar University. March 17, 2015
- 2012 Urdu in Nagari: Script and Muslim identity in 21st century. School of Oriental & African Studies (**SOAS**), **University of London**. Nov. 1, 2012
- 2012 Urdu, Hindi, Scripts, and Politics. South Asia Institute, **University of Texas at Austin, USA**. April 12, 2012.
- 2007 Writing for ESL students. **Fatma Bint Al-Yaman Middle School**, Kuwait, November 21, 2008.
- 2006 One language, two scripts; or one script and still two languages: examining Urdu in the Devanagari script. **Aligarh Muslim University**, India. **Perspectives on contemporary Hindi and Urdu linguistics**. March 29-31 2006.
- 2006 Voices people write: examining Urdu in Devanagari. **Department of Linguistics Colloquium Series, University of Michigan**. December 1, 2006.
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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 Renaming during the Hindu nationalist rule: Marginalization of Dalits and minorities. Paper presented at **American Name Society**, Annual meeting, 3-6 January 2019.
- 2017 Representation of Arabic dialects in tweets: an examination of ideologies. Poster. To be presented at "11th International Workshop on Writing Systems and Literacy" Aug 29-31, 2017. Organized by the **Association of Written Language and Literacy** at **Nanzan University**, Nagoya, **Japan**.
- 2016 Rise of *Khaliji* dialect in the Arabic entertainment media. 3rd International Conference on Language, Linguistics, Literature, and Translation. **Sultan Qaboos University**, Masqat, Oman, 3-5 November 2016.
- 2016 *From Rajjal to Rayyal: Ideologies and shift among young Bedouins in Qatar*. 21st **Sociolinguistic Symposium, University of Murcia**, Spain, June 15-18, 2016. (Co-author).
- 2015 (with Divakaran Liginlal et al) The richness of metaphor and the metaphor of richness in Arabic ecommerce. **International Business Conference, University of Ajman**, UAE. May 12-14, 2015.
- 2014 English in GGC countries: status and features. Paper presented at the Language and Society Conference, **University of Waikato, New Zealand**. Nov 23-25, 2014.
- 2014 (with Divakaran Liginlal et al) Localization for a High Context Culture: An Exploratory Study of Cultural Markers and Metaphors in Arabic E-

- Commerce Websites. **E-commerce, e-business, and E-service Conference**. Regal Riverside Hotel, Hong Kong. May 1-2 2014.
- 2014 Urdu in Bollywood: Shifting Canons. **Association of Asian Studies Conference**. Philadelphia, PA, USA. March 29, 2014
- 2013 Urdu in Bollywood: withering Diction. Paper presented at **Linguistic Society of India** conference. Mysore, India. November 27, 2013.
- 2012 Polyphony of Urdu in India. Paper presented at **The Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin**, Madison, USA. October 11-14, 2012.
- 2012 Language change in a multilingual setting: Urdu in India. Paper presented at Symposium about language and society (**SALSA-XX**). **University of Texas at Austin**. April 14, 2012.
- 2009 Disjoint between the Public and Private: Use of immigrant languages in Kuwait. **Paper** presented at **MIDP Colloquium, University of Antwerp, Belgium**. Sep 14-16, 2009.
- 2009 Multilingualism in a monolingual country: a case of Kuwait. **Paper** presented at **Linguistics in the Gulf-2**. Qatar University, Qatar. March 11-12, 2009.
- 2008 Semiotic complexity of Urdu in India. **Paper** presented at Symposium about language and society (**SALSA-XVI**). **University of Texas at Austin**. April 11-13 2008.
- 2007 Old Wine in a new bottle: Urdu in Nagari. **Paper** presented at the **Linguistic Society of America 2007** Annual Meeting, Anaheim, CA, USA. Jan 5, 2007.
- 2006 Old language, new script: Urdu in a new outfit. **Poster** presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation (**NWAV-35**). Columbus, Ohio State University, USA. Nov. 9-12, 2006.
- Ideology of change and change of ideology: shifting conceptions of Hindi. **Paper** presented at **Sociolinguistics Symposium 16**, University of Limerick, Ireland July 6-8, 2006 (with Sai Samant).
- 2005 Representations of Hindi in the Dalit resistance movement. **Paper** presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation **NWAV-34**. New York University. Oct 21, 2005 (with Sai Samant)
- Hindi is perfect; Urdu is messy: the sociolinguistic construction of Hindi and Urdu in the nineteenth century. **Paper** presented at South Asian Linguistic Analysis (**SALA-25**), University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign. Sep 16-18 2005.
- Imaginations of Hindi in the Dalit resistance movement. **Paper** presented at South Asian Linguistic Analysis (**SALA-25**), University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign. Sep 16-18 2005 (with Sai Samant).
- Scripting a new identity: the battle for Nagari in 19th century India. **Paper** presented at **International Symposium on Bilingualism(ISB)**, Barcelona, Spain, March 21, 2005.

- 2004 Language ideology and the construction of Hindu/Hindi identity in late 19th century India. **Paper** presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation (**NWAV-33**). Ann Arbor. Oct 2, 2004.
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CONSULTING

- 2013-present Urdu and Hindi language consultant for PS212. A branding company based in New York City, USA.
- 2012 Urdu language consultant for FACIT (**Functional Assessment of Chronic Illness Therapy**) in developing Urdu language cognition test. Chicago, IL, USA.
- 2004-present **Consultant**, Urdu language, for **Lexicon Branding**, a US-based branding company that develops and evaluates brand names for commercial products (<http://lexiconbranding.com/>).
- 2003 Urdu language consultant on morpho-syntactic tagging of electronic Urdu corpus, **Lancaster University, UK**.
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PEER REVIEW

- 2022 Reviewed a manuscript for the journal *Multilingua*.
- 2021 Reviewed a manuscript for the journal *Translator*.
- 2020 Reviewed a book proposal for Bloomsbury Publications.
- 2020 Reviewed a book proposal for Routledge/Taylor & Francis.
- 2020 Reviewed a chapter for a book by University of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur.
- 2018 Reviewed a paper for the journal **Pedagogica Historica**, Taylor & Francis.
- 2018 Reviewed a paper for the journal **Writing Systems research**, Taylor & Francis.
- 2018 Reviewer abstracts for CALA-2019, **Conference on Asian Linguistic Anthropology**.
- 2017 Reviewer for **Routledge Studies on Arabic and Identity**, Taylor & Francis.
- 2017 Reviewed a paper for the journal of **Multilingua**, Taylor and Francis.
- 2015 Reviewed a paper for **Perspectives on Arabic Linguistics XXIX**.
- 2014 Reviewed a paper for the **Journal of Sociolinguistics**.

- 2013 Reviewed a paper for Qatar Debates, **Qatar Foundation**, Qatar.
- 2013 Reviewed abstracts for the Annual conference of the **Linguistic Society of America**
- 2013 Reviewed a paper for the journal **Indian Linguistics**, the official publication of the **Linguistic Society of India**.
- 2012 Reviewed abstract for the Annual meeting of the **Linguistic Society of America**.
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EDITORIAL WORK

- 2017- **Member**, Editorial Board, Routledge Studies in **Arabic and Identity**, Taylor & Francis.
- 2016 **Managing Editor (English)**, Qatar Al-Kalam, قطر الكلام a biannual, cultural magazine of the College of Arts and sciences.
- 2015 **Founding member** of Qatr Al-Kalam قطر الكلام, a biannual, bilingual cultural magazine of the College of Arts and sciences
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SERVICE TO INSTITUTION

- 2022 Member, Recruitment Committee, College of Arts and Sciences, Qatar University.
- 2022 Co-Chair, Recruitment Committee, DELL, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University.
- 2022 Chair, **Curriculum Committee**, DELL, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University.
- 2020- Member, **Strategic Planning Committee**, DELL, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University.
- 2018- **Students' Complaints Committee**, College of Arts & Sciences, Qatar University.
- 2019-2021 Chair, **Recruitment Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
- 2019-2020 Chair, **Faculty Promotion Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
- 2018-2019 Member, **Organizing Committee**, Linguistics in the Gulf Conference-6, DELL.
- 2018-2019 Member, **Faculty Promotion Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
- 2018-2019 Member, **Research Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
- 2018-2019 Co-Chair, **Recruitment Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.

- 2018- Member, **University Faculty Senate**, Qatar University.
- 2017- 2018 Member, College Recruitment Committee, CAS, **Qatar University**.
- 2016-2017 Chair, Recruitment Committee, DELL, CAS.
- 2016-2017 Member, CAS Recruitment Committee, Qatar University.
- 2016-2017 Member, Academic Quality Assurance Committee, DELL, CAS.
- 2015-2016 Member, Peer Review of Teaching Committee, DELL, CAS.
- 2015-2016 Founding Member, Editorial Board, Qatar Al-Kalam, CAS Cultural magazine, Qatar University.
- 2015-2016 Chair, Textbook Committee, Department of English Literature & Linguistics, Qatar University.
- 2015-2016 Member, **Curriculum Development Committee**, Department of English Literature & Linguistics, Qatar University.
- 2015 Chair, **Peer Review Committee**, Department of English Literature & Linguistics, Qatar University.
- 2015 Chair, **Recruitment Committee**, Department of English Literature & Linguistics, Qatar University.
- 2015 Member, **Organizing Committee for Linguistics in the Gulf-5**, March 29-30, 2015. Qatar University.
- 2015 Chair, **Scientific Committee for Linguistics in the Gulf-5**, March 29-30, 2015. Qatar University.
- 2015 Member, **Time-Table Committee**, Department of English Literature & Linguistics, Qatar University.
- 2014 Worked as a member on the preparation of a **Self-Study Report** of the Department of English Literature and Linguistics, Qatar University.
- 2012-2014 Member, Advisory Board, **Translation and Interpreting Institute (TII)**, Hamad Bin Khalifa University. Qatar
- 2012-2013 Member, **CAS, Faculty Evaluation Appeals Committee**, Qatar University
- 2013 Worked on the Qatar University Organizing Committee of AIDA, **International Association of Arabic dialectology**. 10-14 November 2014.
- 2013 Organized an international conference "Linguistics in the Gulf-4" at Qatar University, March 17-18, 2013.
- 2012 Organized a lecture by Professor Teun Van Dijk on Discourse of racism, anti-Semitism, and xenophobia in the European Union, November 12, 2012.
- 2012-2014 Chair, **Hiring Committee**, Department of English Literature & Linguistics

- 2012-2014 Chair, **Faculty Annual Evaluation Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
- 2012-2014 Chair, **Peer Review Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
- 2012 Chair, **Research Committee**, DELL, Qatar University.
- 2012 Chair, **Faculty Probation Committee**, DELL, Qatar University
- 2011-2012 Member, **CAS, Faculty Evaluation Appeals Committee**, Qatar University
- 2011 Member, **Strategic Planning Committee** for DELL, Qatar University
- 2010-2011 Faculty Advisor of ten English majors at American University of Kuwait.
- 2009-2010 Member, **President's Award Committee**. American University of Kuwait
- Member, **Faculty Search Committee**, American University of Kuwait
- Member, **Professional Development Committee**, American University of Kuwait.
- 2008-2009 Secretary, **Undergraduate Faculty Assembly**, American University of Kuwait.
- Chair, Faculty Search Committee, American University of Kuwait.
- 2007-2008 Member **Curriculum Development Committee**, American University of Kuwait.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

- June 2015 Engaging and Energizing your students: Four classroom tested methods, **OFID**, Qatar University.
- May 2015 Application of MaxQDA in Qualitative Research Data Analysis, one-day workshop given jointly by **SESRI and the University of Michigan**, USA.
- March 2013 Smooth move to **Blackboard 9.1**. OFID, Qatar University
- June 2013 Building on the future **Mentor and Mentee's relationship**, OFID, Qatar University
- July 2013 Attended workshop on "**sociolinguistic and Linguistic Issues Involved in Heritage Languages**", organized by Pieter Muysken and Ad Backus, **Linguistics Summer Institute**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- July 2013 Attended workshop on "**The Protection of Linguistic Diversity: Historical, Legal, and Sociolinguistic Aspects**" organized by Viola Miglio, **Linguistics Summer Institute**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

- July 2013 Attended workshop on "**Maintaining Linguistic Diversity: Supporting Language Programs**" organized by Samantha Disbray, Linguistics Summer Institute, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2013 Attended workshop on Introduction to Blackboard-9, OFID, Qatar University.

WORKSHOPS GIVEN

- 2022 (October 24). How to Transliterate Arabic references for international journals? King Saud University, Riyadh. KSA. (with Dr. Abdala El-Khatib).
- 2021 (March 29) **Transliteration of Arabic references** in journals. Workshop given to QU faculty and Community. Organized by **Qatar University Press** and College of Sharia and Islamic Studies. Qatar University.
- 2017 (December 10) **Cite as you Write: Using Zotero for Research.** Conducted two workshops for QU faculty on the reference and citation management software. **Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning**, Qatar University

ADMINISTRATIVE/MANAGERIAL TRAINING

- 2013 (Sep 3-5) BroadLand managerial training workshop, Intercontinental Hotel, Qatar
- 2013 (June 18-20) Attended a 3-day training workshop on **The 7 habits of highly effective people** (Stephen Covey's course).

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

Quite proficient in the use of Windows, Microsoft Office, Mac operating systems, Blackboard, Padlet, Socrative, Moodle.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Linguistic Society of America, 2006-present