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Education:

(2013-2015)

M.Arch, State University of New York at Buffalo, New York-USA, School of Architecture and Planning.

Graduated with a fully accredited first professional degree, the Master of architecture (M.Arch) degree, inclusive design research group.

GPA: 3.875/4

(2007-2012)

BSc in Architecture Engineering, Jordan University of Science and Technology, Irbid-Jordan, Collage of Architecture and Design.

Graduated with "Excellent" degree.

GPA: 85.7%.

Rank: 1st out of 85.

(2006-2007)

High-school, Amman Academy School.

Average: 94.3%

Work Experience:

Academic Experience:

(2015-present)

Full-time lecturer, Department of Architecture, College of Architecture and Design, Jordan University of Science and Technology.

(2025–present)

Dean's Assistant, College of Architecture and Design, Jordan University of Science and Technology.

(2014)

Teaching Assistant, State University of New York at Buffalo, New York-USA, School of Architecture and Planning.

(2012-2013)

Teaching Assistant, Jordan University of Science and Technology, Irbid-Jordan, Collage of Architecture and Design.

Non-Academic Experience:

(2016-present)

Architectural Designer, freelancer, works on design and design development for several architectural and landscape projects.

(2012)

Trainee, at the Working Drawings' department, Consolidated Consultants Company (CC).

**Professional
Certificates:**

(2020) Autodesk Revit Certified Professional Certification

Honors

(2024) Top 10 Honorable Mention:

Supervising graduation project which was in the Honorable Mention list (TOP 10 out of 587 entries from 125 Universities and 37 countries) for the Tamayouz International Award. By student Odeh Jarrah.

-<https://tamayouz-award.com/tamayouz-international-architecture-graduation-projects-2024-winners-announcement/>

-<https://www.architecturegraduationprojects.com/samad-interactional-cultural-village/>

(2024) Long List Award:

Supervising a graduation project which were Long-listed (TOP 50 out of 587 entries from 125 Universities and 37 countries) for the Tamayouz International Award. By student Doaa Haitham.

-<https://www.architecturegraduationprojects.com/eco-scape/>

(2024) Graduation Expo at Tanween:

Supervising two graduation projects which were selected from Jordan to be presented in the Graduation Expo at Tanween 2024 in Saudi Arabia. By students Doaa Haitham and Heba Bataineh.

(2024) Isustain Award:

Supervising the graduation project which were selected among the final 10 projects for the Isustain Award for graduation projects. By student Odeh Jarrah.

(2023) Silver Medal Award:

participating as a team member in the "Accessible Buildings competition" organized by the Higher Council for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Jordan in 2023. Our team have won the Silver Medal Award dedicated to the library building at JUST.

(2022) Erasmus+ mobility program:

Awarded the teaching scholarship within the European Commission funded project Erasmus+ "Higher Education student and staff mobility between Program and Partner Countries". The mobility program was held at Sapienza university, Rome/Italy.

(2017) Second Place Award:

Jordanian Universities Graduation Projects Supervision for outstanding projects by Jordanian Engineers Association: Supervised at Jordan University of Science and Technology. "Dead sea salt explorations" by student Dina khalil Irshedat.

(2017) Long List Award:

Supervising the project which was Long-listed (TOP 50 out of 468 entries from 118 Universities and 42 countries) for the Tamayouz International Award. "Dead sea salt explorations" by student Dina khalil Irshedat.

(2016) Second Place Award:

Supervising a team of architecture students from JUST in the Memorial competition held by The Royal Hashemite Court.

(2015) Dean's Certificate:

In recognition of highest achievement awarded to a graduating student in the school of Architecture and Planning, granted by State University of New York at Buffalo, New York-USA.

(2014) Design Excellence Award:

In recognition of outstanding studio work to an M. Arch. Inclusive Design Research Group student in the department of Architecture and a paid check with 1000 US dollars, granted by State University of New York at Buffalo, New York-USA. Project still featured in the university website , award section.

<https://udeducation.org/idgrg-arc605f14-award-1/>

(2013) Full Academic Scholarship:

Granted by Jordan University of Science and Technology, Irbid-Jordan, for completing Master studies in USA for two years.

(2012) Top ten graduation projects' list:

Among 85 graduation projects at Jordan University of Science and Technology.

(2007-2012) Academic Scholarships:

Granted by Jordan University of Science and Technology, Irbid-Jordan for academic excellence for undergrad studies.

(2005-2007) Full Academic Scholarship:

Granted by Amman Academy schools for high school education (Two years).

**Teaching
Experience:**

(2015-present) Full-Time Lecturer, Department of Architecture, College of Architecture and Design, Jordan University of Science and Technology.

Teaching Courses:

Design Courses:

- Graduation Project 1&2
- Design 6&4&3&1
- Basic Design 2&1 (coordination)

Architectural illustrations & Presentation Courses:

- Architectural Drafting (coordination)
- Visual Communication 1
- Computer Aided Design 2&1 (coordination)

Other Courses:

- Architectural Training
- Motion in Architecture
- Design Strategies/Universal Design (elective course)

(2014) Teaching Assistant, State University of New York at Buffalo, New York-USA, School of Architecture and Planning.

Instructed Courses:

- Structure 2

(2012-2013) Teaching Assistant, Jordan University of Science and Technology, Irbid-Jordan, Collage of Architecture and Design.

Instructed Courses:

- Visual Communication 1
- Design 3

Publications:

(2017) Paper: "Filing the gap between academia and professional practice in architecture in Jordan".
Presented at 3rd International Workshop on Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences. Istanbul, TURKEY.
<http://ase-scoop.org/papers/proceeding2017/proceeding2017.pdf>

Training Courses:

- **(2020)** Microsoft teams training workshop, Jordan university of Science and Technology/ online course.
- **(2020)** Omni plan training workshop for Autodesk Revit Architecture.

Conferences & workshops:

- **(2024)** participating in collaborating design workshop titled "Green Step" through Youth Climate Action Fund program, supported by Bloomberg, Irbid/Jordan.
- **(2024)** Attending the 7th Jordanian International Architectural conference (Architecture and Artificial Intelligence). Organized by Jordan Engineers Association, Amman/Jordan.
- **(2017)** A paper presenter at the 3rd International conference on Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Istanbul/Turkey.
- **(2017)** A presenter at the Arab International Conference and Exhibition in White Cement and Building Materials, Amman/Jordan.
- **(2013)** Attending Aqaba Biennale for Mediterranean Architecture, Aqaba, Jordan.

External Examiner:

External examiner in juries for graduation projects and design studios at Jordanian universities:

- **Jordan University of Science and Technology**, Department of Architecture.
- **Jordan University**, Department of Architecture.
- **German-Jordanian University**, School of Architecture and Built Environment.
- **Yarmouk University**, Department of Architecture Engineering and Department of Design /Interior Design.
- **University of Petra**, Department of Architecture.
- **Middle East University**, Architectural Engineering Department.

**Associations
& Memberships:**

(2012-present): Member, Jordan Engineers Association/ Division of Architecture.

Committees:

Member at the following faculty committees in JUST:

- **(2023 to present day) Website committee**, college of Architecture and Design, Architecture department.
- **(2022 to present day) Empowering People with disabilities in and out JUST campus committee, university scale** headed by JUST Vice President Prof. Suhad Al jundi.
- **(2024-2021+2017) Social committee**, College of Architecture and Design.
- **(2021-2022) Architectural Training committee**, college of Architecture and Design, Architecture department.
- **(2017) Graduation Exhibition Organizing committee** "Tafaoul".

**Services&
Activities:**

Academic Tasks and Duties:

- **(2025) Guest lecturer** on Universal Design, in the "Selected Topics in Architectural Design" course during the Fall 2025 semester, Department of Architectural Engineering at the University of Sharjah.
- **(2024) Speaker member** at the discussion panel titled "the Selection of Architectural Graduation Project", during the closing ceremony of the graduation project competition (MAKAN), organized by Jordan Engineers Association/ Division of Architecture.
- **(2021-2024) Team member** of **JUST-Able** Project supported by the Canadian embassy. Nazzal, M., Abu Al-Haija, H., Ababneh, E., Hammad, M. & Rawwash, R. The project aims in strengthening the right of people with disabilities in participation and integration through awareness, advocacy and creating a digital knowledge sharing platform on accessible places (JUST-ABLE), (Approved for 72,000 CAD), Canadian Fund of Local Initiatives (CFLI), Canadian Embassy to Jordan, Amman, Jordan, Reference number CFLI-2021-AMMAN-0002.
- **(2024) Preparing the accessibility evaluation report** for JUST campus (part 1) as a team member of Empowering People with Disabilities in and out JUST campus committee.
- **(2022) Preparing the strategic and action plan** for the inclusion of people with disability in JUST university, a part of the four-year general

strategic plan as a team member of Empowering People with Disabilities in and out JUST campus committee.

- **(2022) Organizing** a collaboration between JUST-Able project and RESMYLE project resulted in a workshop about accessibility assessment in Jordan "The RESMYLE is a project supported by the European Union that aims to social integration of young people in issues related to sustainable development. The project is managed by Dr. Ahmed Freewan from the College of Architecture and Design."

- **(2022) Preparing, presenting and supervising** "Accessibility Assessment of Public Spaces in Jordan International Workshop" as a team member from the JUST-Able team. The workshop, aims to provide an overview of disability and accessibility in public spaces in Jordan and promote awareness about the rights of People with Disabilities.

- **(2019-present) Member** in the documentation process of the courses I taught for Accreditation-National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), at the Department of Architecture, College of Architecture and Design, JUST.

- **(2018) Referee** at a hackathon of The Jordanian Action for the Development of Enterprises- JADE which is co-funded by the European Union aiming to support the development of an inclusive and innovative private sector that leads economic growth and development across regions in Jordan. The main goal of the Hackathon is to encourage entrepreneurs and innovative people to start up their own business based on creative ideas to boost the economy, maximize productivity and foster job creation.

- **(2017) Participating** in an educational trip to Egypt with architecture students at JUST, Architecture department.

- **(2015) Organizing** a lecture "The Importance of Inclusive Design" presented by the activist and ted talk presenter Saeed Qaffaf.

- **(2014) Adviser** for graduate international students at UB.

- **(2014) Working** at the commencement day at SUNNY at Buffalo.

- **(2013- 2014) Participating** in iSUSTAIN INITIATIVE as a coordinator between iSUSTAIN committee and JUST University.

Non-Academic Services:

- **(2022) Volunteer at "Bahja" initiative** that aims to spread awareness about the importance of including kids with disabilities in the community with their siblings and peers.

- **(2020) Head Designer** of private villa in Madaba, Jordan.

- **(2018) Speaker** at the Global Summit VI in Amman "Design for Health and Wellness". The Global Summit was launched in 2008 in San Francisco, CA, THE GLOBAL SUMMIT™ is a biennial Social, Economic & Environmental Forum. As a collaborative initiative led by Empowerment WORKS, it is brought to life every other year by a diverse community of

	<p>volunteers, pro-bono supporters, contributing voices and other Partners in Empowerment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - (2018) Designer of private villa with landscape in Madaba, Jordan. - (2017) Presenting a talk at OXALA organization “Networking” in Amman. The project OXALÁ developed by Pé de Pano - Cultural Projects, Portugal and other organizers, aims at thinking and reflecting about the territories using the artistic/cultural creation and civic participation in a transdisciplinary approach to motivate, contextualize and/or shape the urban changes and dynamics in their relations with the communities. - (2016) Modeling A digital 3D model for the Jordan Research and training reactor for the Nuclear Research Commission NRC. - (2016) Initiator of Mother’s-Day celebration for the college staff as a member of the faculty social committee. - (2014) Designer of private villa in Madaba, Jordan. - (2013) Interior designer –team member, for kids’ wing at King Abdullah Hospital Irbid, Jordan. - (2013) Designer of Signage system for JUST library -team work.
<u>Computer Skills:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Windows (excellent) -Adobe Photoshop (excellent) - Adobe Illustrator (excellent) - InDesign (v. good) - Revit (excellent) - AutoCAD all versions (excellent) - Twinmotion (v. good) - 3D max (good)
<u>Research interests:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inclusive Design/ Universal Design/ Accessible design. - Human behavior in the built environment. - Office environment. - Minding the gap between academia and professional practice in architecture. - Computational design.
<u>Languages:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Arabic mother language -English (excellent)
<u>References:</u>	<p>Available upon request.</p>