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### Education

Ph.D., History, Northeastern University, 2014  
 M.A., History, Northeastern University, 2009  
 B.A., History, Georgia State University, 2007

### Faculty Appointments

Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of California, Davis, 2018-present

Assistant Professor, Department of History, California State University Stanislaus, 2017-2018

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of History, California State University Fresno, 2016-2017

Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of History, Williams College, 2014-2015

### Publications

#### Book

*Between the Ottomans and the Entente: The First World War in the Syrian and Lebanese Diaspora, 1908-1925*. New York: Oxford University Press, March 2019.

Featured on the *Ottoman History Podcast*: <https://bit.ly/2HC8ISn>

#### Journal articles and book chapters

"An archaeology of rare books in Arab Atlantic history," *Journal of American Ethnic History* 37, no. 3 (Spring 2018): 77-83.

"Former Ottomans in the ranks: pro-Entente military recruitment among Syrians in the Americas, 1916–1918." *Journal of Global History* 11, no. 1 (March 2016): 88-112.

"Sound minds in sound bodies: transnational philanthropy and patriotic masculinity in *al-Nadi al-Homsi* (the Homs Club) and Syrian Brazil, 1920–1932." *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 46, no. 2 (May 2014): 259-283.

"Transnational modes and media: the Syrian press in the *mahjar* and emigrant activism during World War I." *Mashriq & Mahjar: Journal of Middle East Migration Studies* 1, no. 1 (February 2013): 32-57.

“The Syrian and Lebanese American Federation: a case for connection,” in *Connections and Ruptures: America and the Middle East*, edited by Robert Myers, 273-288. Beirut: American University of Beirut Press, 2011.

#### Sourcebooks and research encyclopedias

Entries in *Cultural Exchange in a Time of Global Conflict: Colonials, Neutrals, and Belligerents during the First World War* sourcebook, King’s College London. November 2016.

“Photograph of an Arab American intelligence officer” <https://bit.ly/2vBwSFw>

“Letter by an Arab American soldier writing home” <https://bit.ly/2H43IWk>

#### Book reviews

Review of *The War with the Ottoman Empire*, by Jeffrey Grey. *International Journal of Turkish Studies* 23, no. 1/2 (2017): 126-128.

Review of *Crescent Over Another Horizon: Islam in Latin America, the Caribbean, and Latino USA*, edited by María Narbona, Paulo Pinto, and John Karam. *Journal of American Ethnic History* 36, no. 4 (Fall 2017): 100-102.

Review of *Displacement and Dispossession in the Modern Middle East*, by Dawn Chatty. *Syrian Studies Association Bulletin* 16, no. 2 (Fall 2011).

#### Other publications

“Mother Syria and Syrian motherhood: imagining *mahjar* nationality between ideal and real.” *Zaytoon Graduate Student Journal* 1 (Spring 2009): 5-16.

#### Academic Blogging

“Essential Readings: Emigration from the Levant, 1870-1930: A Primer in Mahjar Studies,” *Jadaliyya*, April 30, 2019. <https://bit.ly/2H1xr27>

“A Little Advice: Syrian American Advice Booklets as Knowledge Production,” *Migrant Knowledge*, March 27, 2019. <https://bit.ly/2LmSgcr>

“What I’m Reading” interview with History News Network on new research in Middle Eastern migration history. January 2019. <https://bit.ly/2V3BTko>

“Resources for Migration and Refugee Histories of the Middle East,” *IEHS Online: the Immigration and Ethnic History Society* blog, 30 March 2017. <https://bit.ly/2VgmzWw>

“Teaching Migrant and Refugee Histories in the Shadow of Trump,” *IEHS Online: the Immigration and Ethnic History Society* blog, 27 March 2017. <https://bit.ly/2JOeXkl>

“What we can learn about America’s other Muslim Ban (Back in 1918).” *Tropics of Meta: Historiography for the Masses*, 8 February 2017. <https://bit.ly/2GUVVbY>

“The other Arab revolt: Syrian mobilization at the microlevel.” *World War I in the Middle East and North Africa* National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar web project, Georgetown University, July 2014. <https://bit.ly/2LnwGw>

### Talks and Presentations (last 3 years)

Book talks: *Between the Ottomans and the Entente*

- George Washington University, Institute for Middle East Studies, 12 September 2019.
- University of California Santa Cruz, Latin American and Latino Studies, 9 May 2019.
- University of Cincinnati, Taft Research Center, 14 March 2019.
- University of California Davis, Migration Research Cluster, 14 February 2019.

### Invited Lectures

- “Gender and Movement in Late Ottoman Contexts: Syrian Factory Women in Diaspora,” University of Copenhagen, 6 December 2018.
- “Passports and the Production of Post-Ottoman Syrian Nationality, 1918-1921,” Middle East Center/ Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington, 29 May 2018.
- “War Stories: World War I in the Syrian Diaspora.” Keynote address, History Graduate Student Symposium, California State University, Fresno, 16 April 2016.

### Paper presentations

- “Tyranny and Freedom, Darkness and Light: Rewriting Ottoman History from the Arab Mahjar,” The Early Modern Christian Cultural and Literary Heritage in the Eyes of Nahḍa Scholars Workshop, University of Oxford, 26-27 June 2019.
- “Many Diasporas, One Valley: Middle Eastern refugee resettlement and the politics of community in California’s central valley,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, 3-6 January 2019.
- “Claimed by Turkey as subjects? The Ottoman Arab diaspora, foreign passports, and contested repatriation rights at the close of empire, 1918-1925,” The Last Ottoman Generation and Interwar Europe, University of Copenhagen, 5-6 December 2018.
- Roundtable, “Refugees and the Resettled: the challenges of engaged research within Middle Eastern American communities.” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, 15-18 November 2018. Session sponsored by the Arab American Studies Association.
- “Factory and the Café: working-class feminisms and the politics of emasculation in the interwar Syrian mahjar,” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, 15-18 November 2018.
- “Passports and Migrant Repatriation: Reclaiming the Post-Ottoman Syrian Diaspora,” Minorities at the 1919 Paris Conference: Race, Empire, and Law Conference, American University, Washington D.C., 1-2 November 2018.
- “Banning Muslims by Executive Order: Immobilizing Ottoman Migrants through the Passport Regime in the United States, 1918-1924,” Bucerius Young Scholars Forum, German Historian Institute West, University of California Berkeley, October 2018.
- “Mandating the Mahjar, Domesticating Diasporas: the Early French Mandate and Lebanon’s Census of 1921,” French Colonial Historical Society, 31 May-2 June 2018.

- “Banning Muslims by Executive Order: Immobilizing Ottoman Migrants in America,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, 4-7 January 2018.
- “War Relief and Arab Émigré Politics in the Syrian Mahjar.” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, 18-21 November 2017.
- “Paper Syrians: Passport Fraud in the Syrian American Mahjar during the First World War.” British Society for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Edinburgh, 5-7 July 2017.
- “Travelling Syrians, Immovable Turks: Former Ottomans, Repatriation, and Passport Fraud at the Close of Empire, 1918-1920.” The Stakes in Middle East and North African Migration Studies Workshop, Khayrallah Center for Lebanese Diaspora Studies, North Carolina State University, 21-22 April 2017.
- “Absent without leave: Criminalizing Syrian Migrants during the First World War.” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, 7-10 April 2017.
- Roundtable, “Arab American History: the State of the Field.” Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, 7-10 April 2017.

### Recent Grants and Fellowships

- Santa Cruz Institute for Social Transformation Seed Grant, University of California, Santa Cruz, 2019
- Social Science Research and Instructional Council Grant, California State University Fresno, 2017
- Provost’s Grant in Islamic Studies, California State University Fresno, 2016-17
- Visiting Scholar, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of California, Berkeley, 2015-16
- Mellon Travel Grant, University of California, Berkeley, 2015
- Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in Middle Eastern History, Williams College, 2014-15
- National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar Grant, “World War I in the Middle East,” Georgetown University, 2014
- American Council of Learned Societies/Andrew Mellon Dissertation Completion Fellowship, 2013-2014

### Selected Academic Honors

- Syrian Studies Association Dissertation Prize, for “Making Nations, in the Mahjar: Syrian and Lebanese Long-Distance Nationalisms in New York City, São Paulo, and Buenos Aires, 1913–1929” (2016)
- Christina Gilmartin Memorial Paper Prize, Northeastern University, for “Sound Minds in Sound Bodies: Transnational Philanthropy and Patriotic Masculinity in al-Nadi al-Homsi and Syrian Brazil, 1920–32” (2013)

### Teaching

Courses Taught at University of California, Davis

- HIS 102x: Bans and Border Walls (Winter 2019)
- HIS 110w: Global Migration History (Spring 2019)
- HIS 193B: History of the Modern Middle East from 1914 (Spring 2019)

### Recent Professional Activities

H-Migration Listserv, Network Editor, 2015-present <https://networks.h-net.org/h-migration>

Women Historians of the Middle East (WHOME), co-founder/coordinator, 2014-present

Lebanese Studies Association, Treasurer, 2018-2020

Syrian Studies Association

Selection committee, SSA Book, Dissertation, and Article Awards, 2017 and 2018

Member-at-Large, 2016-2017

Secretary-Treasurer, 2013-2015

First World War in the Middle East scholarly network (FWWMENA), administrator, 2015-2017

Evelyn Shakir Arab American Book Award for Non-Fiction, Selection Committee, Arab American National Museum, Dearborn, MI, 2014, 2015, and 2016

### **Recent Public Humanities/Media**

“World War I in the Syrian and Lebanese Diaspora,” *Ottoman History Podcast*, March 2, 2019.

<https://bit.ly/2HC8ISn>

Interview with American History TV (CSPAN3) on Syrian immigrants in the United States during the First World War. Aired 17 June 2017. <https://cs.pn/2H2BLOz>

Research consulting, Aljazeera Plus series on Syrian immigration to the United States. “The Lost Syrian Neighborhood in Boston.” February 2017. <https://bit.ly/2H2CcZd>

Led USCIS officer training session, “Syrian Refugees and Asylum, Historical Considerations.” US Citizenship and Immigration Services Asylum Office, San Francisco, 18 November 2015.

<https://bit.ly/2VBZ1Lt>

### **Research Languages**

Arabic; Spanish; Portuguese; French

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