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## Academic Positions

Associate Professor, Department of History, University of California Davis, 2021-present  
Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of California Davis, 2018-2021  
Assistant Professor, Department of History, California State University Stanislaus, 2017-2018  
Lecturer, Department of History, California State University Fresno, 2016-2017  
Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of History, Williams College, 2014-2015  
Lecturer (GSI), Department of History, Northeastern University, 2010-2013

## Education

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

## Book

*Between the Ottomans and the Entente: The First World War in the Syrian and Lebanese Diaspora, 1908-1925.*  
New York: Oxford University Press, 2019. Paperback 2021.

## Journal Articles and Book Chapters

“Return Migration and Repatriation: Myths and Realities in the Interwar Syrian Mahjar.” *Routledge Handbook on Middle Eastern Diasporas*, edited by Dalia Abdelhady and Ramy Aly, 301-315. (London: Routledge, August 2022). \*\*In press.

“Ladies Aid as Labor History: Working Class Formation in the Mahjar.” *Journal of Middle East Women’s Studies* 17, no. 3 (November 2021): 326-347.

“‘Claimed by Turkey as Subjects’: Ottoman Migrants, Foreign Passports, and Syrian Nationality in the Americas, 1915-1925.” In *The Subjects of Ottoman International Law*, edited by Lâle Can and Michael Christopher Low, 216-237. Bloomington: University of Indiana Press, October 2020.

“Arab Labor Migration in the Americas, 1880–1930.” In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of American History*. Oxford University Press. May 2019. [URL](#).

“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-*

*Homs* (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 (Feb 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.

“Mother Syria and Syrian Motherhood: Imagining Mahjar Nationality between Ideal and Real.” *Zaytoon Graduate Student Journal* 1 (Spring 2009): 5-16.

## Sourcebook Entries

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

“Photograph of an Arab American intelligence officer.” [URL](#).

“Letter by an Arab American soldier writing home.” [URL](#).

## Fellowships and Awards

### *Academic Awards*

Arab American Book Award, Evelyn Shakir Award for Nonfiction, for *Between the Ottomans and the Entente*, Arab American National Museum (Dearborn, MI), 2020

Honorable Mention, Lebanese Studies Association Book Prize, for *Between the Ottomans and the Entente*, 2020

Khayrallah Prize in Migration Studies, for *Between the Ottomans and the Entente*, Khayrallah Center for Lebanese Diaspora Studies (Raleigh, NC), 2019

Syrian Studies Association Book Prize, for *Between the Ottomans and the Entente*, 2019

### *Select Fellowships and Grants*

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, 2021-2022

UC Davis Humanities Institute (DHI) Faculty Research Fellowship, 2021

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

## Books Reviewed

Review of *When the War Came Home: The Ottomans' Great War and the Devastation of an Empire*, by Yiğit Akin. *Journal of the Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association* 7, no. 2 (Winter 2020): 264-267.

Review of *Arab Routes: Syrian Pathways to California*, by Sarah M. A. Gualtieri. *Arab Studies Journal* 28, no. 2 (Fall 2020): 153-157.

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).

## Recent Lectures, Workshops, and Presentations

### *Invited lectures*

“Unmentionables: Smuggling and the Syrian Lace Trade in the Borderlands,” Newberry Library Seminar in Borderlands and Latino/a Studies, Chicago, 29 April 2022.

“Syrians at the Border: Comparative Smuggling Economies Using Bureau of Investigation Crossing Cards,” UC Davis Global Migration Center, 11 March 2020.

“Migration and the Druze in America,” American Druze Foundation and Georgetown University Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Los Angeles, 29 February 2020.

“Ladies Aid as Labor History: Working Class Formation in the Interwar Syrian American Mahjar,” Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, 15 October 2019.

Ottoman and Syrian Migration to the Americas roundtable (with Steven Hyland), New York University Center for Ottoman and Turkish Studies, 16 September 2019.

“Gender and Movement in Late Ottoman Contexts: Syrian Factory Women in Diaspora,” University of Copenhagen, 6 December 2018.

### *Workshops organized*

“New Perspectives on Middle East Migrations,” multidisciplinary workshop in migration studies, Khayrallah Center for Lebanese Diaspora Studies, February 18-20, 2022.

“Arab American Studies Association, Interrupted,” virtual workshop on research, pedagogy, and public advocacy in Arab American studies, April 9-16, 2021.

### *Paper presentations*

“Border Anxieties: Middle Eastern merchants and the textile trade in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands,” Latin American Studies Association annual meeting, 19-21 May 2021.—Held virtually/COVID19.

“Prayer Rugs in the Desert: Muslim migrants in U.S.-Mexico borderlands,” Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, 16 November 2019.

“Tyranny and Freedom, Darkness and Light: rewriting Ottoman history from the Arab Mahjar,” at 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.

## Current Teaching

**University of California Davis**

2018-present

### *Courses Taught*

History 19	Introduction to Global Migration
History 102x	Comparative Bans and Border Walls
History 110w	Partition! When Borders Cross Us
History 110w	Global Migration History
History 114	Comparative Histories of Partition
History 193a	History of the Modern Middle East, 1750-1914
History 193b	History of the Modern Middle East from 1914
ME/SA 180	Migrants and Refugees in the Middle East and South Asia
History 203(a/b/c)	Second Year Graduate Research Seminar
History 201w	Advanced Topics: Global Migration History

## Current Academic Service

### *Editorships and Advisory Boards*

Journal Editor, *Mashriq & Mahjar: Journal of Middle Eastern and North African Migration Studies* (with Akram Fouad Khater and Andrew Arsan), 2020-present

Book Series Editor, “Refugees and Migrants within the Middle East” at American University of Cairo Press (with Dawn Chatty and Annika Rabo), 2020-present

Book Series Advisory Board, “Migrations in History” at De Gruyter Press, 2021-present

### *Disciplinary Sectional Work*

Program Committee, Immigration and Ethnic History Society (at Organization of American Historians), 2021-23

Member at Large, Arab American Studies Association (elected), 2020-22

Treasurer, Lebanese Studies Association (elected), 2018-22

## Select Broadcast, Print, Electronic Media

“Finding fraternity thousands of miles from home, in Syrian São Paulo,” *Syria Untold*, February 25, 2022. [URL](#).

“American historian Stacy Fahrenthold: Arab emigrants played a role in demanding independence,” interview with Othman Amghour for *al-Jazeera Culture*, February 22, 2021. [URL](#).

“Teaching Arab American History through Digital Collections: Agenda for a Plague Year,” *Immigration and Ethnic History Society Newsletter*, December 2020. [URL](#).

New Books Out Now interview with *Jadaliyya*, August 13, 2019. [URL](#).

New Books Network interview, June 18, 2019. [URL](#).

“Essential Readings: Emigration from the Levant, 1870-1930: a Primer in Mahjar Studies,” *Jadaliyya*, April 30, 2019. [URL](#).

“A Little Advice: Syrian American Advice Booklets as Knowledge Production,” *Migrant Knowledge*, March 27, 2019. [URL](#).

“World War I in the Syrian and Lebanese Diaspora,” *Ottoman History Podcast*, March 2, 2019. [URL](#).

Interview with American History TV (CSPAN3) on Syrian immigrants in the United States during the First World War. Aired 17 June 2017. [URL](#).

“What we can learn about America’s other Muslim Ban (Back in 1918).” *Tropics of Meta: Historiography for the Masses*, 8 February 2017. [URL](#).

## **Current Professional Organizations**

Middle East Studies Association

American Historical Association

Syrian Studies Association

Lebanese Studies Association

Arab American Studies Association

Immigration and Ethnic History Society

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