# DR. AMANI AL-SERHAN

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### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:**

Assistant Professor, Women's Studies July 2016 - Present. Center for Women's Studies, University of Jordan

Assistant Director, University Requirements Coordination Office February 2022- Present. University Requirements Coordination Office University of Jordan

Head of Department, Training and Communication February 2020 - December 2020. Center for Women's Studies, University of Jordan

### **EDUCATION:**

Doctor of Philosophy, University of York, United Kingdom, 2012-2016 Women's Studies Thesis: 'Arab Feminism and the Negotiation of Gender in Contemporary Jordanian Novels'

Thesis: 'Arab Feminism and the Negotiation of Gender in Contemporary Jordanian Novels' Supervisors: Dr. Ann Kaloski-Naylor, Professor Ziad El Marsafi

Masters of Arts, University of Jordan, 2006-2008 American Studies, Non-thesis track Grade Point Average: 3.91/4.0

Bachelors of Arts, University of Jordan, 2003-2006 Spanish and English Languages and Literature Grade Point Average: 3.58/4.0

### **RESEARCH INTERSTS:**

Gender and culture in Arab and Muslim societies

Arab and Islamic feminisms

Literary and cultural studies

Feminist literary analysis

Postcolonial feminist theory

Feminist and gender theory

Feminist and critical pedagogy

### **AWARDS:**

Full PhD Scholarship (Centre for Women's Studies, University of Jordan), September 2012-September 2016.

#### **COURSES TAUGHT:**

Women in Culture and Literature (MA Level)
Women in Media and Communication (MA Level)
Contemporary Issues in Women's Studies (MA Level)
Social Theory (MA Level)
Feminist Theory (MA Level)
Special Issues: Women's Studies (BA Level)
National Education (BA Level)
Ethics and Human Values (BA Level)

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ELearning Liaison for the Center for Women's Studies. (November 2020- Present).

Member of Steering Committee to define priorities related to women and family affairs, National Council for Family Affairs (November 2018 - Present).

Member of Committee responsible for selecting female mentees from Center for Women's Studies, University of Jordan to participate in Female Political Mentoring Program as part of Forum of Federations Project and funded by the Canadian Government (September 2018).

Member of Steering Committee in a project entitled "Gender based Violence in Jordanian Universities: Pilot Testing a Promising Primary Prevention Intervention" Executed by the

Research Center at the King Hussein Foundation and Researchers from Emory University in USA (May 2018 –Present).

Founding Member, ANNA HUNNA International Women and Work, November 13<sup>th</sup>-November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Berlin, Germany.

## Review of academic and research proposals:

Reviewer, Hypatia, A Journal of Feminist Philosophy, (July 2021- Present).

Reviewer, European Journal of Women's Studies, (June 2021- Present).

Reviewer, Educational Management Administration & Leadership, (July 2019- Present).

Reviewer, Leadership and Organizational Development Journal, (January 2019 - Present).

Reviewer, Dirasat Journal for Social Sciences, University of Jordan, (January 2019 - Present).

Advisory Board Member and Reviewer, *Cultivate Feminist Journal*, Founded by Center for Women's Studies, University of York, (July 2017- Present).

### Academic Exchange Programs:

Academic Exchange Program funded by Erasmus Plus Scheme to conduct seminars at The University of Sodertorn, Sweden (April 7<sup>th</sup> – April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019).

Academic Exchange Program funded by Erasmus Plus Scheme to conduct seminars at The University of Sodertorn, Sweden (April 1<sup>st</sup> – April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017)

## Coordination of Academic Modules:

Module Coordinator, *Ethics and Human Values* (Mandatory University Requirements/ BA Level) in charge of designing module syllabus, teaching, assessments and evaluation of tutors. (August 2020- Present).

Module Coordinator, *Special Issues: Women's Studies* (Elective University Requirements /BA Level) in charge of designing module syllabus, teaching and assessment. (March 2017- February 2022).

### **ACADEMIC ARTICLES:**

- Women and Leadership in Jordanian Rural Settings: Challenges and Opportunities, *Jordan Journal of Social Science*, Volume (14) Number (1), 2021.
- Gender, Leadership and Empowerment: The Case of Jordanian Women, *Dirasat: Human and Social Sciences*, Volume (48) Number (2), 2021.
- Language, Gender and Utility: The Impact of Foreign Language Learning on Young Jordanian Female Students, *Dirasat: Human and Social Sciences*, Volume (46) Number (3), 2019.

#### **CONFERENCES:**

Chair, Women Writers Symposium, American University of Madaba, Jordan, March 27, 2019.

Member of Organizing Committee, First Strategic Talk on Innovation for Economic Empowerment of Women of ANA HUNNA International Network, Talal Abu Ghazaleh Knowledge Forum, Amman, Jordan, November 12, 2018.

Speaker, 'Theoretical Framework: The Role of Media in the Construction of Gender', *The International Conference on the Role of Media in Bridging the Gender Gap*, Center for Women's Studies, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan, December 4, 2017.

Member of Organizing Committee, *The Feminist Movement: History and Discourse*, Center for Women's Studies, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan, October 23, 2016.

Chair, 'What else has been written?: Generating a critical context for your work', *Sisterhood in Action Conference*, Centre for Women's Studies, University of York, United Kingdom, February 11, 2016.

Speaker, 'Tradition or modernity in advancing women's social status: Finding common ground', *Sisterhood in Action Conference*, Centre for Women's Studies, University of York, United Kingdom, February 11, 2015.

## **ORGANIZATIONAL AFFLIATION**

University of Jordan, Center for Women's Studies Association of Middle East Women's Studies ANNA HUNNA International Association Women and Work CAWTAR (Center for Arab Women for Training and Research) British Society for Middle Eastern Studies (BRISMES)

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST