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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Human Rights Law; Law, Gender and Religion; International Law and International Relations, Alternative Dispute Resolution

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Book: *Religion, Law and Dispute Resolution in Canada and the USA: Case Studies of Islam and Judaism*: Palgrave-MacMillan (SpringerNature Publishing Group, 2024).

<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-031-59940-8>

Book: *The Fragility of the Lebanese State*: Lexington Books (Roman and Littlefield, 2024)

<https://rowman.com/ISBN/9781666968842/The-Fragility-of-the-Lebanese-State>

DEGREE-SEEKING EDUCATION

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| Ph.D. 2019 | University of Miami (Miami, Florida)
Department of International Studies (International Law)
Dissertation: Alternative Dispute Resolution in Islam and Judaism |
| LL.M. 2011 | University of Miami (Miami, Florida)
School of Law (Public and Private International Law; Human Rights Law; International Criminal Law) |
| LL.B. Equivalent 2023 | Federation of Law Societies of Nova Scotia (Ottawa, Ontario)
Canadian Law (General) |
| J.D. 2010 | Florida Coastal School of Law (Jacksonville, Florida)
Focus: State and Federal Law |
| B.A. 2007 | Dalhousie University (Halifax, Nova Scotia)
Major: Political Science |

JURISDICTIONAL LICENSES

The Florida Bar – Issued by the Supreme Court of Florida (2010)

Multistate Professional Responsibility - Issued by The Florida Bar (2010)

Federation of Law Societies of Canada – Issued by the National Committee of Accreditation (2023)

Nova Scotia Barrister's Society - *Pending*

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Dalhousie University

- Human Rights: Legal Issues (Law, Justice and Society, Political Science)
- The Politics of Crime (Political Science)
- Unity and Diversity 2 [Canadian Federalism] (Political Science)
- Indigenous Politics in Canada (Political Science)
- Unity and Diversity [Canadian Federalism] (Political Science)
- Introduction to Government I (Political Science)
- Introduction to Government II (Political Science)

Saint Mary's University

- Honor's Student Supervision in Charter Politics and Canadian Equality Law (Upper Level Fourth Year Course – Political Science)
- International Law (Political Science)
- Law and Politics I (Political Science)
- Law and Politics II (Political Science)
- Canadian-American Relations (Political Science)
- Politics of the Middle East (Political Science)
- Introduction to the Qur'an (Religious Studies)
- Gender, Sexuality and Religion (Religious Studies)
- Law and Politics III (Political Science)
- The Islamic Religious Tradition (Religious Studies)

Acadia University

- Law and Society 1 (LAWS)
- Law and Society 2 (LAWS)
- Canadian Law and Politics (Political Science)
- International Law (Political Science)
- The Politics of Gender (Political Science)
- The United Nations and Contemporary Global Governance (Political Science)
- Gender and Development (Political Science)

- Canadian Politics (Political Science)
- Introduction to Women and Gender Studies (Women's and Gender Studies)
- History of Islam and Gender (History and Classics)

Mount Saint Vincent University

- Women, War and Peace (Women and Gender Studies and Political Science)
- Women, Culture and Food (Women and Gender Studies)

OTHER TEACHING COMPETENCIES

International Relations (Doctoral Level Comprehensive Exam – 2015)

Fields Tested (Written and Oral)

- IR Theory
- Global Public Health
- Security and Conflict
- European Studies
- International Development
- US Foreign Policy
- International Law
- International Institutions and Global Governance

International Political Economy (Doctoral Level Comprehensive Exam – 2016)

Fields Tested (Written and Oral)

- Global Public Health
- Political Theory
- Global Economic Governance
- Trade Agreements
- Globalization and the State
- Development

International Law (LL.M. 2011)

- International Human Rights Law
- International Criminal Law
- Comparative Law
- Comparative Politics/I.R.
- Comparative Religious Law

American Law (General) (Florida Bar Exam 2010)

Canadian Law (General) (Federation of Law Societies of Canada)

OTHER EDUCATION

2020-2023	The Federation of Law Societies of Canada (Ottawa, Ontario) Designation: LL.B. Equivalent - Eligibility for Bar Admission/Barrister's Society Admission in any Canadian Province
2015 – 2023	Shalom Hartman Institute (Jerusalem, Israel) Fellowship in: <i>Critical Understanding of the Complex Religious, Political, and Socioeconomic Issues Facing People in Israel and Palestine</i>
Summer 2012	The Tunis Exchange (Tunis, Tunisia) Topic: <i>Political Issues Facing Tunisia and the Wider Region</i>
Summer 2012	The Beirut Exchange (Beirut, Lebanon) Topic: <i>Lebanese Politics Through Direct Engagement with Political Leaders, Academics and Leading Intellectuals</i>
Spring 2011	Miami – Leipzig Seminar (Leipzig, Germany) Topic: <i>Ideas of Freedom, Democracy, Civil and Human Rights from the Perspective of German and American Law</i>
Winter 2010	Caribbean Law Clinic (Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago) Topic: <i>Study and Assessment of Legal Problems Confronting Individual Caribbean Countries or States</i>
Summer 2009	Study Abroad (Cairo, Egypt) Topic: <i>Islamic Law, International Oil and Gas Law</i>
Winter 2009	Study Abroad (George Town, Cayman Islands) Topic: <i>Offshore Banking Law, Comparative Caribbean Law</i>
Summer 2008	Study Abroad (London, Paris, Brussels, Geneva) Topic: <i>European Union Law, International Human Rights Law</i>
Spring 2007	Study Abroad (Havana, Cuba) Topic: <i>Cuban Women, Culture & Society</i>

ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

2022-Present	Part-Time Academic: Dalhousie University, Department of Political Science
2023-2024	Part-Time Academic: Acadia University, Department of Legal Studies
2023-2024	Part-Time Academic: Saint Mary's University, Department of Political Science
2021-2024	Part-Time Academic: Acadia University, Department of Politics
2022-2023	LTA Assistant Professor: Saint Mary's University, Department of Political Science
2021-2022	Part-Time Academic: Saint Mary's University, Department of Religion
2021-2022	Part-Time Academic: Acadia University, Department of History
2021-2022	Part-Time Academic: Acadia University, Department of Women and Gender Studies
2021-2022	Part-Time Academic: Mount Saint Vincent University, Political Studies Department and Women and Gender Studies
2016-2019	Graduate Teaching Assistant: Department of Political Science, UM, Professor Bradford McGuinn
2013-2015	Graduate Teaching Assistant: Department of Religion, UM, Dr. Amanullah De Sony

AWARDS & HONORS

2015	Award: Recipient of the Graduate School Academic Excellence, Leadership and Service Award, University of Miami
2010	Award: Pro Bono Service Award, Florida Coastal School of Law
2010	Award: Certificate of Merit, Florida Coastal School of Law
2009	Honor: Dean's Honor, Florida Coastal School of Law
2008	Honor: Dean's List, Florida Coastal School of Law
2007	Honor: Dean's List, Dalhousie University

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

As a visible minority from a half Trinidadian, half Lebanese background, I can contribute to campus diversity and I also seek endeavors that contribute to campus diversity.

- Law and Society Weekly Speaker Series (10:30-11:30AM, Weekly - Ongoing) (Acadia University)
- Large Scale Student Networking Event for International Careers – February 7, 2024 (Saint Mary's University)
- Canadian Politics Weekly Speaker Series – (9:30-10:30AM, Weekly - Ongoing) (Acadia University)
- Honour's Student Thesis Supervision (Saint Mary's University)
- Organizer and host of weekly International Speaker Series (Acadia University)
- Large-Scale Conference and Small-Scale Meeting Planning
- Liaison between the graduate school, dean's office, home department, administration and graduate students
- Host of monthly dissertation round-table
- Co-Founder Graduate Student Weekly Writing Group
- Organizer of panels in prominent speaker series
- Preparer of funding requests for on-campus co-departmental events
- Budgetary Planning
- Social Media Liaison
- Advertising of courses, programs, special events

RECENT RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

Book, *Religion, Law and Dispute Resolution in Canada and the USA: Case Studies of Islam and Judaism* (Palgrave-MacMillan, 2024).

Book, *The Fragility of the Lebanese State* (Lexington Books: Roman and Littlefield, 2024).

FORTHCOMING

Chapter Contribution, *Islam in Five Minutes*, "Does Islam Oppress Women": Equinox Publishing.

Release Date: July 2024 (<https://www.equinoxpub.com/home/islam-five/>)

Chapter Contribution, *Islam in Five Minutes*, "Can Women Lead Communal Prayer": Equinox Publishing.

Release Date: July 2024 (<https://www.equinoxpub.com/home/islam-five/>)

Book (Edited Volume), *The New Middle Power* (Case studies of Brazil, India, Saudi Arabia and the UAE and Turkey).

Expected Release: 2024

IN-PROGRESS

Working Paper: Reconciling Secular and Religious Law in Canada and the USA.

Working Paper: Canadian Courts and the Recognition of Religious Law.

Working Paper: Religious Schools, Immigrant Integration and LGBT Rights: Case Study of Atlantic Canada.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS AND CONFERENCE PAPERS

Conference Paper, Atlantic Provinces Political Science Association, *Alternative Dispute Resolution and Gender Considerations in Islam and Judaism*, October 2021.

Conference Paper, American Academy of Religion Northeast Region, *Pastoral Care as a Form of Alternative Dispute Resolution*, March 2018.

Conference Paper, American Academy of Religion Southeast Region, *International Law, Gender and the United States*, April 2018.

Book Review of *Citizen Hariri, Lebanon's Neoliberal Reconstruction* by Hannes Baumann: Oxford University Press (2016) – Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (2017)

Book Review of *A Political Economy of the Middle East* by Cammett, Diwan, Richards and Waterbury: Westview Press (2015) – Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (2016)

Chapter Contribution: *The ABA Guide to International Bar Admissions – Nova Scotia*, Edited by Russell W. Dombrow and Nancy A. Matos (2012)

Latin America and the Caribbean – Year in Review Country Report – Trinidad and Tobago – The International Lawyer: A Quarterly Publication of the ABA/Section of International Law (2012)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| 2024-Present | Mentor – The Halifax Partnership [Halifax, Nova Scotia] |
| 2022-Present | Vice President Canadian International Council – Halifax Branch [Halifax, Nova Scotia] |
| 2022-Present | Weekly Volunteer: Canada Lebanon Society (Children's Lebanese School School) [Halifax, Nova Scotia] |
| 2022-2024 | Board Member (Diversity Advisor): Canadian International Council – Halifax Branch [Halifax, Nova Scotia] |
| 2018-2021 | Advisory Member: Muslim Jewish Advisory Council [Miami, Florida] |

2015-2021	Regional Chair and Academic Outreach Officer: Florida Muslim Bar Association [Miami, Florida]
2015-2021	Board Member: Middle East American Professionals Association [Coral Gables, Florida]
2014-2015	President: International Studies, Graduate Student Association [Coral Gables, Florida]
2013	Board Member: Legal Information Society of Nova Scotia [Halifax, Nova Scotia]
2009	Legal Intern: International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia [The Hague, The Netherlands]
2008-2010	Chair and Recruiter: Canadian Recruiting Project [Jacksonville, Florida]
2007-2010	Delegate: Dean's Multicultural Roundtable [Jacksonville, Florida]
2008-2009	Legal Intern: Senator Obama's Campaign [Jacksonville, Florida]
2005-2006	Public Relations Officer: Dalhousie Debating Team [Halifax, Nova Scotia]
2007	Administrative Assistant: The Globe and Mail, Canada's National Newspaper [Halifax, Nova Scotia]
2007	Sales and Customer Service Associate: Corpratel [Halifax, Nova Scotia]
2003-2007	Volunteer: Halifax Sexual Health Center [Halifax, Nova Scotia]

SCHOLARLY AFFILIATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

The Florida Bar – Licensed Attorney Member in Good Standing

Canadian International Council – Halifax Branch (“CIC”) – Member of the Board

International Bar Association (“IBA”)

Inter-American Bar Association (“IABA”)

American Bar Association, Section of International Law (“ABA-SIL”)

Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (“ASMEA”)

American Academy of Religion (“AAR”)

Atlantic Provinces Political Science Association (“APPSA”)