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EMPLOYMENT

2016-Present Assistant Professor of North African, Middle Eastern, and Islamic History, Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane

EDUCATION

2016 Ph.D., Near Eastern Studies (Arabic & Islamic Studies), University of Michigan
2012 M.A., Near Eastern Studies, University of Michigan
2012 Certificat en langue française, Programme Intensif, Université du Québec à Montréal
2010 Center for Arabic Study Abroad, University of Damascus
2007 Honors B.A., History and Religious Studies & Certificate in Middle East Studies, summa cum laude, Western Kentucky University

BOOKS

2018 *Ibadi Muslims of North Africa: Manuscripts, Mobilization, and the Making of a Written Tradition* (Cambridge University Press)

Published reviews:

Ghazal, Amal. *Journal of Islamic Studies*, Pre-print online (2021):
<https://doi.org/10.1093/jis/etab001>

Prevost, Virginie. *The English Historical Review* 135, no. 572, (2020): 170–172,
<https://doi.org/10.1093/ehr/cez412>

Propst, Amanda. *Manuscript Studies: A Journal of the Schoenberg Institute for Manuscript Studies* 5, no. 1 (2020): 206-209. [doi:10.1353/mns.2020.0001](https://doi.org/10.1353/mns.2020.0001)

EDITED JOURNAL

2021 “Ibadi Manuscripts and Manuscript Cultures in North Africa,” special issue of *Journal of Islamic Manuscripts* 12:1, <https://doi.org/10.1163/1878464X-01201001>.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

2020 “Manuscripts are like vampires: libraries and their uncertain histories on the island of Jerba, Tunisia,” *History Compass* (September, 2020)
[doi:10.1111/hic3.12626](https://doi.org/10.1111/hic3.12626)

- 2018 "Ibadis on (and in) the Margins: Manuscript notes from the Buffalo Agency in Early-Modern Cairo," *Journal of Islamic Manuscripts*, Vol. 9:3, 225-241. [doi:10.1163/1878464X-00902008](https://doi.org/10.1163/1878464X-00902008)
- 2018 "What the flames missed: Traces of the al-Ba'ṭūrī Arabic manuscript library in Jerba, Tunisia," *Études et Documents Berbères*, Vol. 39-40, pp.147-153.
- 2018 "Provenance in the Aggregate: The social life of an Arabic manuscript collection in Naples," *Manuscript Studies*, Vol. 3:2, 334-356. [doi:10.1353/mns.2018.0018](https://doi.org/10.1353/mns.2018.0018)
- 2017 "The colonial pasts of medieval texts in northern Africa: useful knowledge, publication history, and political violence in colonial and post-independence Algeria," *Journal of African History*, Vol. 58:3, 445-463. [doi:10.1017/S002185371700038X](https://doi.org/10.1017/S002185371700038X)
- 2017 "The Sālim b. Ya'qūb Ibāḍī Manuscript Library in Jerba, Tunisia: A Preliminary Survey & Inventory," *Journal of Islamic Manuscripts*, Vol. 8:3, 257-80. [doi:10.1163/1878464X-00803002](https://doi.org/10.1163/1878464X-00803002)
- 2016 "Écouter le conte d'un manuscrit : Penser avec une copie d'une chronique ibadite de la bibliothèque Barouni à Djerba," *Études et Documents Berbères*, Vol. 35-36, 301-313.
- 2016 "Ibadi Manuscripts at the Bibliothèque Nationale de Tunisie: Descriptions, Watermarks, and Implications," *Journal of Islamic Manuscripts*, Vol. 7:1, 1-35. [doi:10.1163/1878464X-00701002](https://doi.org/10.1163/1878464X-00701002)
- 2012 "Djerba and the Limits of Rustamid Power: Considering the Ibadi Community of Djerba under the Rustamid Imamate of Tahert (779-909CE)," *Revista al-Qantara*, Vol. 33:2, 297-323. [doi: 10.3989/alqantara.2011.009](https://doi.org/10.3989/alqantara.2011.009)
- 2010 "The Sufis of Sijilmasa: Toward a History of the Midrarids," *The Journal of North African Studies*, Vol. 15:2, (June), 173 – 188. [doi:10.1080/13629380902734136](https://doi.org/10.1080/13629380902734136)

CHAPTERS IN COLLECTED VOLUMES

- 2020 (with Aziz El Hassani) "Revising the Syllabus: Integrating Information Literacy into a General Education History Course at Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco" in M. Stöpel, L. Piotto, X. Goodman, and S. Godbey (eds.), *Faculty-Librarian Collaborations: Integrating the Information Literacy Framework into Disciplinary Courses* (Chicago: Association of College and Research Libraries), pp.37-43.
- 2019 "Curating Ibadi Archives: A Note on the Social Life and Archival Logic of the Bin Ya'qūb Family Library in Jerba, Tunisia" in Y. Kondo and A. Ziaka (eds.), *Local and Global Identities: Social Change and Diaspora in Ibadi Communities* (Hildesheim: Georg Olms Verlag), pp.159-163.
- 2018 "An Ibadi Islandscape: Djerba in the Medieval Centuries," in C. Aillet (ed.), *L'ibadisme dans les sociétés islamiques médiévales: Modèles politiques, formes d'organisation et d'interactions sociales* (De Gruyter, 2018), pp. 190-206. <https://doi.org/10.1515/9783110584394-014>

- 2017 “Al-Wisyanī, Networks, and the New Philology,” in R. Eissener (ed.), *Today’s Perspectives on Ibadī History and the Historical Sources* (Hildesheim: Georg Olms Verlag), pp. 177-184.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLES

- 2020 “Djerba,” *Encyclopedia of Islam, Three*
2021 “al-Mazātī, Abū al-Rabī‘ Sulaymān b. Yakhlaf,” *Encyclopedia of Islam Three* (forthcoming)

RESEARCH & CONSERVATION PROJECTS

- 2019-2021 Project Coordinator for [“The Djerba Libraries Project: Preserving Endangered Manuscripts and Early Arabic Print Materials in Private Libraries in Djerba, Tunisia.”](#) A two-year project funded by the Endangered Archives Programme (British Library & Arcadia, UK) to digitize and to help conserve seven family and mosque library collections of manuscript books, family and institutional documents, and early-print materials in Arabic on the island of Jerba, Tunisia.
- 2017-18 Project Coordinator for [“Conserving Endangered Family Manuscript Libraries on the island of Jerba, Tunisia.”](#) A pilot project funded by the Endangered Archives Programme (British Library & Arcadia, UK) which digitized and helped conserve the al-Bāsī Mosque manuscript library in Jerba. The project also included a survey of family libraries on the island and plans for further surveys and digitization projects.
- On the project see: Boujdidi & Love, [“Preserving Endangered Archives in Jerba, Tunisia: The al-Bāsī Family Library Pilot Project,”](#) *Journal of Manuscript Studies* Vol. 3:1, (2018), pp. 215-19.
- 2015-16 Principle investigator for the “The Cheikh Salim Ben Yaqoub Conservation Project” (Jerba, Tunisia). A project to take preliminary steps towards the conservation of the Bin Ya‘qūb family manuscript library. Project included preparing an inventory list and placing bound volumes, quires, and fragments in archival-grade boxes.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

- 2019-21 British Library Endangered Archives Programme, Major Project Grant. £48,379.00
- 2019 American Institute for Maghrib Studies, Short-Term Research Grant. \$3,000.00
- 2018 Humboldt Yale History Network Travel Grant, (for research in the British National Archives). \$2,000.00

- 2017 British Library Endangered Archives Programme, Pilot Project Grant. £10,500.00
- 2016 NYU Abu Dhabi, Humanities Research Fellowship (Declined)
- 2015 Collection Care and Emergency Response Grant, The Islamic Manuscript Association (TIMA). £4,160.00
- 2015 Charlotte Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, Woodrow Wilson Foundation
- 2014 Social Sciences Research Council, International Dissertation Research Fellowship
- 2014 Center for American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) Mediterranean Regional Research Fellowship
- 2014 American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS) Supplemental Research Grant
- 2014 University of Michigan Rackham Graduate School International Research Award
- 2014 Hajja Razia Sharif Sheikh Travel and Study Award in Islamic Studies, University of Michigan Dept. of Near Eastern Studies
- 2014 University of Michigan Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant
- 2013 Hajja Razia Sharif Sheikh Travel and Study Award in Islamic Studies, University of Michigan Dept. of Near Eastern Studies
- 2013 African Studies Center Research Grant, University of Michigan
- 2012 University of Michigan, Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant
- 2010 American Institute for Maghrib Studies Short-Term Research Grant
- 2009 Center for Arabic Study Abroad Scholarship (Damascus, Syria)
- 2008 Critical Language Scholarship for Arabic Study, U.S. State Department (Salalah, Oman)
- 2007 U.S. Fulbright Research Grant (Cairo, Egypt)
- 2007 Critical Language Scholarship for Arabic Study, U.S. State Department (Sana'a, Yemen)
- 2006 Critical Language Scholarship for Arabic Study, U.S. State Department (Tunis, Tunisia)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

ORGANIZATION

- 2019 Workshop Organizer, "Ibadi Manuscripts and Manuscript Cultures," (Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco, 4-5 April)
- 2016 Panel Organizer, "Ibadi Archives: Thinking with Spaces from Manuscript Libraries to Digital Repositories," (Middle East Studies Association, Boston, MA, 17-20 November)
- 2014 Conference Organizer, Mu'tamar al-lugha al-'arabiyya wa ādābihā (Arabic Language and Literature Conference), University of Michigan

PRESENTED PAPERS

- 2020 "Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes: Ibadis between the Maghrib and Ottoman Cairo," Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, (Online, 5-17 October).
- 2019 "Ibadi Cairo: Merchants & Scholars in the Heart of Ottoman Egypt," 10th Conference on Ibadī Studies (University of Toronto, June 17-19)
- 2019 "The Charlatan and the Library: at the intersections of Ibadī Muslims, manuscripts, and colonialism in late-Ottoman Cairo," 5th Dies Academicus on African Studies (Ambrosiana Academy, Milan, 24-25 January)
- 2018 "Ibadi libraries as tools for (and obstacles to) knowledge transmission," 9th Conference on Ibadī Studies: Diachronic and Cross-Border Transmission of Ibadī Knowledge (Peking University, 17-19 September).
- 2018 "Beyond Co-design! Next steps for ACRL Framework collaboration" (Panel Participant), AMICAL 2018 (American University of Central Asia, 5-8 May).
- 2018 "I heard they burned them: Rumor, secrecy, and suspicion as challenges to manuscript conservation," 17th seminar on the Care and Conservation of Manuscripts (University of Copenhagen, 11-13 April)
- 2017 "An Ibadī Archive: The Buffalo Agency in Cairo (17th-20th c.), Arabic Pasts: Histories and Historiographies (SOAS/AKI, London, 6-7 October).
- 2017 "Private Libraries as Communal Archives: The Library of Shaykh Sālim b. Ya'qūb," 8th Conference on Ibadī Studies: Local and Global Identities. Social Change and Diaspora in Ibadī Communities (Tokyo, 20-23 May).
- 2017 "The Buffalo Agency: A Manuscript Network in Northern Africa (16th-20th c.)," International Congress on Medieval Studies, (Kalamazoo, MI 11-14 May 2017).
- 2016 "Building Ibadī Archives in Tunisia: The Salim b. Ya'qub Library in Djerba," Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, (Boston, MA 17-20 November).
- 2015 "Writing a Network, Constructing a Tradition: Ibadī Intellectual Networks in 11th century North Africa and Beyond," Arabic Pasts: Histories and Historiographies (Aga Khan University, London, 25-26 September)

- 2015 “La politique chez les Ibadites Maghrébins au Moyen Age : Entre théorie et réalité,” Le quatrième congrès international du Centre Arabe des Recherches et de l'Etude des Politiques: Politique en terre d'Islam: pensée, modèle, lieux (Tunis, 9-11 October)
- 2014 “Ibadi Prosopographical Literature: Al-Wisyānī, Networks, and the New Philology,” International Conference on Ibadi Studies, (Cambridge University, June).
- 2012 “An Ibadi Islandscape: Djerba in the Medieval Centuries,” L'ibadisme dans les sociétés islamiques médiévales: Modèles politiques, formes d'organisation et d'interactions sociales at the Casa de Velázquez (Madrid, Spain).
- 2012 “A Historical Ecology of Medieval Ibadism: The Island of Djerba,” Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association (Denver, CO).

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 “The Jerba Libraries Project: Digitizing at a distance and other challenges,” Les études sur le Maghreb et le numérique: ressources en ligne, outils et projets de valorisation (March).
- 2016 “Paper and Manuscripts in the Maghrib,” Arabic Language Institute in Fez (ALIF), Fez, Morocco (September).
- 2015 “Manuscripts on the Move: Ibadi Muslim Networks of People, Places, and Things in North Africa,” Centre d'études maghrébines à Tunis, Tunis, Tunisia (October).
- 2015 “Traçage de la carte d'archipel ibadite: Construction et maintenance des réseaux intellectuels ibadites dans le Maghreb médiéval,” Centre d'études maghrébines en Algérie, Oran, Algeria (May).
- 2015 “Qīmat al-makhtūṭāt al-ibāḍiyya fī al-turāth al-islāmī” [The Importance of Ibāḍī Manuscripts for Islamic Heritage], Multaqā al-shaykh Sālīm al-thaqāfī, Dār al-thaqāfā (Maison de la Culture), Houmt Souk, Djerba, Tunisia (January).
- 2014 “Ibadi Communities in Medieval North Africa: History, Historiography, and New Approaches,” Workshop on Ibadi History and Bibliography, University of Illinois—Urbana-Champaign (May).

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2019 W. Madelung and A. al-Salimi, *Ibāḍī Texts from the 2nd/8th Century*. (Brill, 2018) *Al-Masāq*, Vol. 31, No. 1), 121–122.
- 2018 W. Madelung and A. al-Salimi, *Early Ibāḍī Theology: Six Kalām Texts by Abū ‘Abd Allāh b. Yazīd al-Fazārī* (Brill, 2014), *Al-Masāq*, Vol. 30, No.3, 339-341.

- 2018 M. Kerbaj, “Beirut Won’t Cry” (Fantagraphics, 2017), *World Literature Today* (available online at: <https://www.worldliteraturetoday.org/2018/march/beirut-wont-cry-lebanons-july-war-visual-diary-mazen-kerbaj>)
- 2018 A. Bouyerdene, *La guerre et la paix: Abd el-Kader et la France* (Vendémiaire, 2017), *The Journal of North African Studies*, Vol. 23, No.3, 490-492.
- 2016 M. Cherif, *Émir Abdelkader. Apôtre de la fraternité* (Odile Jacob, 2016), *The Journal of North African Studies*, Vol. 21, No. 5, 915-917.
- 2014 A. Gaiser, *Muslims, scholars, soldiers: the origin and elaboration of the Ibādī imāmate traditions* (Oxford University Press, 2010), *H-Mideast-Medieval*, *H-Net Reviews*. (February)
- 2013 V. Hoffman, *The Essentials of Ibadi Islam* (Syracuse University Press, 2012), *Review of Middle East Studies*, Vol. 47, No.1, 68-9.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

CODICOLOGY/BOOK ARTS

- 2017 Workshop Participant, “The Arabic Manuscript: Codicology, Palaeography, and History” Summer School at the Bibliothèque Nationale de Tunisie, 10-15 July (Tunis, Tunisia)
- 2015 Workshop Participant, “Arabic Codicology: The Islamic Handwritten Tradition and its Reception in the El Escorial” 20-24 July (Madrid, Spain)
- 2014-15 Apprenticeship in traditional bookbinding and book arts, Beit el Bennani Library (Tunis, Tunisia)

ARCHIVES & RECORDS MANAGEMENT

- 2021 Completion of six courses in the Keeping Archives Archival Education E-Learning Series (Australian Society of Archivists):
- Introduction to Records and Archives
 - Appraisal
 - Context Control and Documentation
 - Physical Management and Preservation
 - Access
 - Digital Records and Archives

DIGITAL HUMANITIES

- 2019 Workshop Participant, Digital Humanities Institute—Beirut (American University in Beirut, Lebanon) [workshops on “R” and Omeka]
- 2014 Workshop Participant, Roots & Routes 2014, Translation, Mediation, and Circulation: Digital Scholarship and the Pre-modern Mediterranean (University of Toronto, Scarborough) [workshops on Gephi, ArcGIS, Palladio, TimeGlider, and OpenRefine]

- 2014 Data analyst with the “Land of Sunshine” digital humanities project (University of Michigan): <http://www.landofsunshine.org/blog/> [No longer active]
- 2012 Workshop Participant, Roots & Routes 2012, Translation, Mediation, and Circulation: Digital Scholarship and the Pre-modern Mediterranean (University of Toronto, Scarborough) [workshop on tools for use in the Digital Humanities including Zotero, TimeMaps, and XML text-markup]

PEDAGOGY

- 2017 Participant, “Co-Design: Integrating Information Literacy into your Disciplinary Course,” workshop organized by AMICAL at the American University of Paris, 31 March – 1 April, 2017.
- 2013 Participant, Graduate training seminar on teaching writing courses to upper-level undergraduate students (University of Michigan).

TEACHING & ADVISING

(AL AKHAWAYN UNIVERSITY)

GRADUATE SEMINARS

History of North Africa (Fall 2020)
 Culture and Politics of Islamic Manuscripts (January term 2020)
 Ottoman Egypt, 1517-1900 (Spring 2019)
 History of Algeria (Fall 2017)
 Sociology of Religion (Fall 2017)

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

Culture and Politics of Islamic Manuscripts (January term 2020)
 Text Mining & the Digital Humanities (Fall 2019, co-taught)
 History of North Africa and the Middle East in the 20th century (Spring 2019)
 History of Algeria (Fall 2017)
 History of the Arabs (Fall 2016-Spring 2021)
 Islamic Societies (Fall 2019; Spring 2021)
 Thematic Honors Seminar on “Truth” (two class sessions, Spring 2018)
 Introduction to the Study of Islamic Civilization (Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall 2018)
 International History: 1914-Present (Fall 2016)

M.A. THESES SUPERVISION

- 2020 Nael Khader, “The Sana’a Palimpsest from academia to YouTube: the mediatization of an early Qur’an manuscript”
- 2018 Wissam Hiti, “Memorable violence: Algeria's Black Decade and the Social Structure of the Past.”

B.A. SENIOR THESES (CAPSTONES) SUPERVISION

- 2019 Safae Bouyahyaoui, “Ultras Football Chants in Morocco”
- 2019 Sharafeddine Alaoui, “South Africa and Comic Books as Propaganda: A Study of Apartheid South Africa, Afri-Comics, and Mighty Man”
- 2019 Sara Belyazid, “The Nayda Movement [in Morocco]. Negotiating intersections: a tale of language and identity through social non-movements”
- 2018 Nadia Ettriki, “Perceptions of Corruption among Tunisian Youth”
- 2017 Omar Belkaid, “A Spanish Curse in the Northern Morocco: The Use of Chemical Weapons in the Rif War”
- 2017 Maha Rhannam, “Building Loyal Citizens in Morocco” [on the politics of Moroccan history textbooks]

(UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD)

Elementary Modern Standard Arabic 2 (Winter 2014)

Elementary Modern Standard Arabic 2 (Winter 2012)

Elementary Modern Standard Arabic 1 (Fall 2011)

(UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, GRADUATE STUDENT INSTRUCTOR)

Introduction to World Religions (Fall 2012)

Introduction to Arab Culture (Winter 2013)

SERVICE & OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

(AL AKHAWAYN UNIVERSITY)

- 2020-Present Advisory Board, Advancement of Teaching, Learning and Scholarship (ATLAS) Center
- 2018-Present Coordinator, North African and Middle Eastern Studies (NAMES) MA Program
- 2018-Present University Honors Committee
- 2018-2020 Coordinator, Islamic Religious Studies (MAIRS) MA Program
- 2018-2020 School of Humanities and Social Sciences Research Committee
- 2016-2018 North African Studies Program Committee
- 2016-Present Coordinator, Faculty Brown Bag Series
- 2016-Present International Studies Program Committee

(UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN)

- 2012-14 Advisor for undergraduates, The Islamic Studies Program
- 2013-14 Administrative assistant, Islamic Studies Program
- 2012 Coordinator, Interdisciplinary Seminar in Islamic Studies Workshop and Lecture Series

(SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION)

- 2019-21 American Institute for Maghrib Studies, Board of Directors (Institutional Member)
- 2021-2023 Editorial board, *postmedieval*
- 2017-Present Peer reviewer for journal articles in *Journal of African History*, *Manuscript Studies*, *al-Masāq*, *Philological Encounters*, *Libyan Studies*
- 2011 Program Director, Fulbright-Hays Summer Seminar in Morocco & Tunisia

ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Institute for Maghrib Studies
Middle East Studies Association
The Islamic Manuscript Association

LANGUAGES OF RESEARCH

Arabic (advanced Modern Standard, Classical, Tunisian & Syrian dialects)
English (maternal)
French (advanced reading)
Italian (intermediate reading)
Latin (elementary reading)
Spanish (elementary reading)