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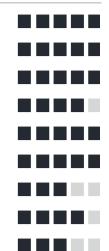
### Websites, Portfolios, Profiles

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Skilled Researcher enthusiastic about supporting advancements in video game research, emergent cultures, and digital media. Passionate about increasing knowledge to drive growth and needed improvements. Ready to apply knowledge and 10 years of experience in research.



Advertising Strategy Policy analysis Speech Writing **Audience Engagement** Research and analysis Cultural Awareness Video Editing Multimedia integration Volunteer Management



## **Work History**

2023-11 - Current

#### ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

IMAM MOHAMMAD IBN SAUD UNIVERSITY

- Teaching at the Faculty of Languages and Translation
- Research on modern media narrative

2023-08 - 2025-03

#### **EDUCATIONAL CONSULTANT**

KING ABDULLAH AIR DEFENSE ACADEMY

- Curriculum development and academic accreditation rereports.
- Improving cadet assessment and evaluation.

- Faculty development programs and educational technology integration
- Academic advising and program evaluation

#### 2016-01 - 2023-01 LECTURER

IMAM MOHAMMAD IBN SAUD UNIVERSITY

- Teaching at the Faculty of Languages and Translation
- Research on modern media narrative.

#### 2010-01 - 2016-01 **TEACHING ASSISTANT**

IMAM MUHAMMED IBN SAUD UNIVERSITY

- Teaching at various faculties of Imam Muhammad ibn Saud University:
   Faculty of English and
- Translation, Faculty of Media, and Communication, Faculty of Science and Engineering.

#### 2008-01 - 2010-01 INSTRUCTOR

AI RASS COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

- Under the Saudi Technical & Vocational Training Corporation
- Duties include teaching English communication and language skills to students of various departments: management & computer.

#### 1990-01 - 2009-01 Pro Bono Publico

Non-Profit, Qassim

- Attending and participating in youth community centers, Establishing and managing a non-profit digital media group: Al-Mithnab Network. It included managing a small staff of (6 13) of writers and media creators from 2003 to 2009.
- The group handled media coverage and organization with governmental bodies (e.g., local municipality, hospitals, and youth rehabilitation centers).
- Participated and volunteered in nonprofit rallies promotions and organization such as Breast Cancer Awareness events and Disability Awareness events.
- Mentoring and connecting with youth at community centers, especially ones with challenging social circumstances.

#### 2005-01 - 2008-01 DEPARTMENT COORDINATOR & INSTRUCTOR

AL, MITHNAB TECHNICAL

 Led & coordinated department of 7 employees specializing in computer skills instruction for youth. Developed curriculum, designed engaging lessons, and implemented pedagogical strategies to enhance learning outcomes. Managed team of instructors, providing feedback, training, and support for effective teaching. Facilitated collaboration and knowledge-sharing within department. Monitored student progress, evaluated teaching effectiveness, and identified areas for improvement. Advocated for use of technology in education and facilitated integration of computer skills across other disciplines.

#### 2003-02 - 2005-01 DESIGN DEPARTMENT COORDINATOR

WEB, CORPORATION DATA CENTER

 Led 20 editors for government vocational training website, establishing style guides, optimizing workflows, and providing ongoing feedback.
 Bridged gaps, ensuring content aligned with user experience best practices. Implemented rigorous quality assurance process and monitored website analytics for continuous improvement. Kept team abreast of web trends for effective strategies.

Organized and maintained department records for easy access and regulatory compliance

Resolved any conflicts or issues that arose within team effectively while always maintaining professionalism

Conducted thorough research on industry trends, providing valuable insights that informed strategic planning efforts

Provided administrative support to senior leadership as needed, including calendar management, travel arrangements, and document preparation

Enhanced employee morale through recognition programs and teambuilding activities designed to foster camaraderie within department Coordinated cross-functional team meetings for enhanced collaboration and communication within department

#### 2001-01 - 2003-01 ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHER

SCHOOL UNDER, TVTC

- Institute under Saudi Technical & Vocational Training Corporation
- English Teacher:
- Reading, writing, listening, and speaking.
- Taught 23 lessons per week to over 28 students throughout secondary grade levels
- Planned lessons for classroom of 30 students
- Integrated multimedia resources into lessons to enhance engagement and comprehension of complex topics
- Designed and implemented differentiated instruction to accommodate diverse learning needs and styles



### 2023-05 Ph.D.: Video Game, Emerging Cultures And Digital Media

University of Wollongong - Wollongong / Australia Research in video game and media studies, cultural and media policy, consumer global hybridity and industry localization. Thesis Title: Saudi-Arab Emerging Video Game Cultures, Archetypes, Narratives, and User Experiences.

#### 2015-04 Master of Arts: Literature And Film

Essex University - Colchester / United Kingdom

World literature and on displacement works from Essex's department of Literature, Film, and Theatre Studies.

# Graduate Diploma: Academic Writing And Critical Thinking

Essex University - Colchester United Kingdom

An intensive three term program that refines writing skills across diverse genres, sharpens analytical abilities to evaluate information, cultivates persuasive arguments and strengthens communication across professional and academic contexts.

#### 2007-04 No Degree: Teaching English As A Second Language

Hastings College of Arts - Hastings / United Kingdom

A 25-day course on implementation of modern communication skills and technology to classes. 3, NETWORK ADMINISTRATION, VOCATIONAL MILLITRY TRANSNING CENTER

## 2019-05 Bachelor of Arts: English Language, English Literature & Education

Qassim University (formally IMISU Branch) - Qassim



## **Publications and Research**

- (Q1 Journal): Al-Khamees, Brian Yecies & Christopher Moore (2022) Cultural policy aspirations and the turn in Saudi Arabia's video game industry, International Journal of Cultural Policy, DOI:1080/10286632.2022.2135705
- Conference Paper: Policy Paratext and the Cultural Milieux (PPCM):
   Administration and Public Policy (SEAPP) At Doha Institute for Graduate
   Studies Feb 2023.
- Lecture (Speaker): Saudi Arabia Gaming: A Culture in Flux, Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures, University of Delaware, Nov 2023.

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## Certifications

2019-05	Nvivo Qualitative Analysis, Poas UOW, Australia.

**2007-08** Teacher Training Course, Hastings College Of Arts

2007-11 Network Administration, Vocational Military Training Center, Saudi Arabia

2007-06 NLP Neuro-Linguistic Programming, Life Skills Training Center

2004-04	Programming With Visual Basic.Net (Microsoft Cert.), New Horizon Training Center
2004-05	Programming With Ado.Net (Microsoft Cert.), New Horizon Training Center
2004-05	Microsoft Certification on Programming with ADO.NET by New Horizon Training Center
2004-07	Animated Graphics Design (Levels: 1&2), New Horizon Training Center
2004-07	Photoshop Graphics Design (Levels: 1&2), New Horizon Training Center
2004-05	Developing Microsoft Asp.Net Web Applications Using Visual Studio (Microsoft Cert.), New Horizon Training Centerer
2004-05	Microsoft Certification on Programming ASP.NET web applications by New Horizon Training Center



## Software

NVivo	
DaVinci Resolve	
Final Cut	
MS Office	
SPSS	
Google Forms	



## Languages

Arabic

English

Bosnian/Serbian/Croatian



## Interests

Storytelling

Script Writing (theater & motion picture)

Cinematography

Photography

Theater

Cultural Exchange

Volunteer Work