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EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

(2005 - 2009) The University of York, York UK **Doctor of Philosophy**
PhD in Environmental Economics and Management, under the supervision of Professor Jon Lovett & Dr. Meg Huby. Thesis Title: *Effectiveness and Compliance with International Environmental Law During Times of Conflict: Case Study of the Lebanese-Israeli War of 2006.*

(2002 - 2004) American University of Beirut, Beirut Lebanon **Masters Degree**
Masters of Science, Environmental Sciences [82%]
Dissertation Title: *Women Restrictions from Certain Occupations: Social or Health Based Justified*

(1997 - 2002) American University of Beirut, Beirut Lebanon **Bachelors Degree**
BS in Environmental Health

(1993 - 2007) International School of Choeifat, Lebanon **Int Bacc.**

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

1997-2000 Holder of 3 one-year student scholarships at the American University of Beirut, Lebanon

SCIENTIFIC PAPERS


Takshe, A.A., et al., Dealing with pollution from conflict: Analysis of discourses around the 2006 Lebanon oil spill, *Journal of Environmental Management* (2010), 91(4); p887-896.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

October 2009 - current **Post-Doctorate Research Fellow, Twente Centre for Studies in Technology and Sustainable Development, School of Management and Government, University of Twente, Enschede, The Netherlands.**

October 2002 - March 2005 **Research Assistant, United Nations, Lebanon**
Held the position of Research Assistant in the Sustainable Development and Productivity Division and later the Women Centre at the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia. Duties involved:

- Participate in the programmatic/administrative tasks to prepare the team's work programme; propose resources for completion of activities; report on budget/programme performance in addition to the preparation of input for results-based budgeting.
- Contribute to the preparation of substantive studies on environment/women empowerment; reviewing and preparing reports, periodic surveys, background documentation for meetings and other purposes related to environment/women empowerment.
- Contribute to the organization of meetings, workshops, seminars, etc. on relevant substantive-related issues. Assist in the management of the substantive preparation and organization of such meetings and seminars.

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- Assist in identifying the regional challenges induced by environmental changes/social policy changes and assist in promoting mitigation measures in both the environment and social sector.
 - Keep abreast of industry and market developments related to environmental improvement, establish and maintain relations with government departments, international organizations and the business community to enlist their support and contributions to the areas of work described above.
 - Cooperate with and contributes to the work of other ESCWA's Division, United Nations bodies and participate in international, regional or national meetings, and provide inputs on relevant issues
 - Perform other duties as assigned by the Chief of Division as required.

September 2001 - 2002 **Science Instructor, Computer and Educational College of Hotel Management & Technical Studies, Lebanon**

For a whole academic year I was responsible for teaching Sciences (Biology, Physics and Chemistry) for three secondary classes. Duties involved:

- Provide instruction that may include lecture and laboratory classes in accordance with the College approved curriculum and course outlines.
- Inform students about course requirements, evaluation procedures, attendance and participation requirements in a course syllabus
- Effectively teach and communicate with students of diverse backgrounds.
- Advise students on academic and career matters; assist in outreach and articulation with high schools.

OTHER RELEVANT POSITIONS

September 2006 - 2008 **Welfare Officer & Trustee, York Graduate Students' Association**

The organisation represents all postgraduate students within the university. As an elected part time sabbatical (for two consecutive years), I was responsible for all academic and welfare matters relevant to postgraduate students. I offered advice, support and represent students in academic appeals, as well as sit on a number of specific university committees such as Board for Graduate Schools and Students Services Committee.


September 2007 - 2008 **College Tutor, Wentworth Graduate College**

A residential post with responsibility for the welfare of all college students (over 500 postgraduates). Acting as the principal point of contact between the college/university and the students, the role involves a wide range of duties including fostering and maintaining a sense of community amongst all members, dealing with issues that arise with shared living arrangements, and organising regular social events. I also sit on College Council (governing institution of the college) in this capacity.

September 2007 -2008 **Vice President, Arab Society**

During 2007 I was the co-founder and Vice President of the Arab Society where we participated in different activities at the University. Duties included:

- Help the president to serve ex-officio on all Society committees.
- Act in the absence of the President and assist the President as requested.
- Coordinate the activities of the Society and other societies.
- Assist the President with coordinating reunion and other annual alumni event planning.

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- Perform any other duties deemed necessary to ensure the proper organization and operation of the Association

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

I'm a fluent speaker of Arabic, English and moderate in French. In my spare time I am passionate about reading and politics and international news. I also enjoy travelling, and am a member of the National Association of Underwater Instructors (NAUI).

I am a Founder Member of the Editorial board of Global Journal of Environmental Science and Technology

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