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Date and place of birth:	10/12/1943, Lebanon
Working languages:	Arabic, French and English (not fluent)

Current position/function:

- Professor in sociology at the Lebanese university
- Vice-President of the Committee for the Follow-up on Women's Issues (NGO)
- General Secretary of the Arab Association of Sociology
- Scientific Committee member in the Forum Mondial pour l'Enseignement supérieur de la recherche et la production du savoir (UNESCO-PARIS)

Main professional activities:

- Researcher in the field of human women's right, social science and political science.
- Expert in Human rights, Gender mainstreaming in international agencies such as, ESCWA, UNDP, UNIFEM, UNESCO and other.
- Founder and member in several regional and local Non-Governmental Organizations.
- Member in many steering committees, and regional and local social bulletins.

Educational background:

- Doctorat Es-Lettres en Philosophie. Université de Paris en 1993
- Doctorat en philosophie politique. Université de Paris en 1981
- DEA en philosophie politique à l'Université de Paris en 1979
- Licence (1970) et Magistere (1978) en philosophie à l'université libanaise
- Ecole normale primaire 1961-1974
- Bac II 1974

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:

The preparation of the National Plan of Action for Women's Human Rights provided to the Parliament and the UNDP. Publication of several studies accordingly to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Beijing declaration, and the implementation of the UN CEDAW convention in Lebanon and other related treaty bodies.

As well as, the preparation of the study on the "Evaluation of the National Committee for Lebanese women" on 2007.

Moreover, preparation of studies to identify the discrimination against women in the curriculum .

Trainer on the CEDAW convention to strengthening the civil society on the content of the convention and the best practices to implement the convention and the CEDAW committee's concluding comments 2005 and 2008 respectively.

Lobbied and Advocated the implementation of the CEDAW convention with the government, through negotiation, conferences, press release, television's interview, demonstration.

List of most recent publications in the field:

- First and second and Third Shadow report in the implementation of the CEDAW convention in Lebanon, 1999, 2004 and 2008 respectively.
- Discrimination against women in the intermediate textbooks based on the Gender approach, 2008.
- Women and politics in Lebanon, 2008.
- The domestic violence against women, 2008.
- National human women's rights plan (NHRP), UNDP, 2007.
- Discrimination against women in the primary textbooks based on Gender approach, 2005.
- The impact of the Human rights organization's activities and plans in the Lebanese culture, 2007.
- Second document on the discrimination against women in the Lebanese Laws, 2005.
- The participation of the Lebanese women in the political life,2005.

And many other publications in social and political science.