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Education

- **Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)**
Daejeon, South Korea (2006 to 2012)
PhD, Information Retrieval & Natural Language Processing
- **The University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan (2003 to 2006)**
MSc. in Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence
- **Al-Balqa' Applied University, Al-Salt, Jordan (1999 to 2003)**
BSc. in Information Technology
- **Islamic Educational College, Amman, Jordan (1985 to 1999)**
KG, Primary, Secondary, and High School: Scientific Stream

Academic Experience

- Part-time Lecturer, The University of Jordan (Mar 2004 to Mar 2006)
- Full-time Lecturer, The University of Jordan (Mar 2006 to Aug 2006)
- Research Assistant, The University of Jordan (Mar 2004 to Aug 2006)
- Assistant Professor (Jun 2012 to Dec 2016)
- Invited Professor, Web Science & Technology Division, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (Aug 2014 to Feb 2015)
- **Associate Professor (Dec 2016 to now)**
- **Adjunct Professor, Rochester Institute of Technology, UAE (2024 – now)**
- **Adjunct Professor, Westcliff University, USA (2024 – now)**

Non-Academic Experience

- Assistant Dean for Lab Affairs, King Abdullah II School for Information Technology, The University of Jordan (2013)
- Assistant Dean for Technology Affairs / Journals Manager, Deanship of Academic Research & Quality Assurance (2015 to 2017)
- Assistant Dean for Lab Affairs, King Abdullah II School for Information Technology, The University of Jordan (2018 to 2018)
- Assistant Dean for Automated Exams Management, King Abdullah II School for Information Technology, The University of Jordan (2018 to 2019)
- Deputy Director of Information Technology Center at The University of Jordan (2019 to 2020)
- Director of Information Technology Center at The University of Jordan (2020 to 2022)

Professional Experience

- Local consultant with KNET/KOICA project in collaboration with Jordanian government: Jordan Online E-Procurement System (JONEPS) (Jan 2016 to Jun 2017)
- Regional developer/consultant at PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) Assurance Center of Excellence (ACE) (May 2016 to Aug 2017)
- Journals Manager, and Technical consultant at Scientific Research Support Fund (SRSF), Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research (Aug 2017 to Aug 2018)
- **Board Member, Talal Abu-Ghazaleh, AIMICT, Amman, Jordan (May 2021 to Now)**
- **Associate Consultant for Eight Dimension, Doha, Qatar (Jan 2022 to Now)**
- **Consultant, ESCWA, UN, Amman, Jordan (Nov 2023 to May 2024)**

Grants & Funded Research

- Plagiarism Detection Application, The University of Jordan (2013 – 2015)
- Factors impacting the adoption of the of Capability Maturity Model Integration (CMMI) among Jordanians software organizations, The University of Jordan (2016 – 2019)
- Developing automatic spraying system in vinyl houses, The University of Jordan – ongoing (2016 – 2019)
- Restructuring & modernization of the deanship of academic research procedures and processes to enhance their efficiency and effectiveness, The University of Jordan (2016 – 2017)
- Modernization of Institutional Management of Innovation and Research in South Neighboring Countries (Erasmus+) (2016 – 2018)

- Pathway in Forensic Computing / FORC (Erasmus+) (2018 – 2020)
- Inventory of the Registers of the Sharia'a Court at the City of Jerusalem (2018 – 2020)

Conferences (Last 5 Year)

- The 16th International Conference on Management of Digital EcoSystems, Napoli, Italy (Author), 2024
- The 14th International Conference on Management of Digital EcoSystems, Venice, Italy (Author), 2022
- The 12th International Conference on Computational Collective Intelligence, Hendaye, France (Co-Author), 2019

Workshops (Last 5 Year)

- Workshop on Digital Participation, Ministry of Digital Economy & Entrepreneurship, Jordan, 2023
- Inventory of the Registers of the Sharia'a Court at the City of Jerusalem, Jordan (Lecturer / Trainer), 2020

Training (Last 5 Year)

- Digital Forensics and Incident Response A, CyberShield, Jordan (2023)
- Decision Support using Advanced Excel Features, The Jordanian Civil Aviation Regulatory Commission, Amman, Jordan (Lecturer), 2021
- Digital Forensics using Autopsy – BASIS Technologies (Online - Corona), 2021
- Network Security/Cybersecurity - Cisco (Online - Corona), 2021
- Linux - Cisco (Online - Corona), 2021
- Computer Forensics, The University of Jordan (FORC Project), 2020
- Biometric Forensics, The University of Jordan (FORC Project), 2020
- University of Cagliari, Italy (FORC Project), 2019
- University of Middlesex, London, UK (FORC Project), 2019
- PSUT, Amman, Jordan (FORC Project), 2019

Selected Publications (Last 5 Year) Quartile & Percentiles are determined by Scopus statistics of. 11/2024

- Almahmoud, Sawsan; Hammo, Bassam; **Al-Shboul, Bashar**; Exploring non-human traffic in online digital advertisements: analysis and prediction, Computational Collective Intelligence: 11th International Conference, ICCCI 2019, Hendaye, France, September 4–6, 2019, Springer Lecture Notes in AI (LNAI) Proceedings, Part II 11, 663-675, 2019, Springer International Publishing (**Q3, 38%**)
- ADHIM, KHALID K; HUDAIB, AMJAD; **AL-SHBOUL, BASHAR**; Efficient requirement prioritization based on enhanced multi-verse optimizer, Journal of Theoretical and Applied Information Technology, 97,19,2019 (**Q4, 17%, Class A previously**)
- Almahmoud, Sawsan; Hammo, Bassam; **Al-Shboul, Bashar**; Obeid, Nadim; A hybrid approach for identifying non-human traffic in online digital advertising, Multimedia Tools and Applications, 1-34, 2022, Springer US (**Q1, 84%**)
- Al-Zubi, Sawsan; Awaysheh, Feras M; **Al-Shboul, Bashar Awad**; Arabic Question Answering System for Information Retrieval on Large-scale Image Objects, 2021 Second International Conference on Intelligent Data Science Technologies and Applications (IDSTA), 162-170, 2021, IEEE (**SCOPUS Indexed**)
- Beseiso, Majdi; Tripathi, Samiksha; **Al-Shboul, Bashar**; Aljadid, Renad; Semantics based English-Arabic machine translation evaluation, Indonesian Journal of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, 27,1,189-197, 2022, (**Q3, 43%**)
- Al-Smadi, Faris; **Al-Shboul, Bashar**; Al-Darras, Duha; Al-Qudah, Dana; Aspect-Based Sentiment Analysis of Arabic Restaurants Customers' Reviews Using a Hybrid Approach, Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Management of Digital EcoSystems, 23-128, 2022, (**SCOPUS Indexed**)
- **Al-Shboul, Bashar**; Al-Darras, Duha; Al-Qudah, Dana; A Semantic Text Expansion for Paraphrasing Identification in Arabic Microblog Posts, Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on Management of Digital EcoSystems, 129-135, 2022, (**SCOPUS Indexed**)
- Al Qudah, DA; **Al-Shboul, B**; Al-Zoubi, A; Al-Sayyed, R; Cristea, AI; Investigating users' experience on social media ads: perceptions of young users. Heliyon 6 (7), 2020, (**Q1, 82%**)

- Abu-Salih, Bilal; Alhabashneh, Mohammad; Zhu, Dengya; Awajan, Albara; Alshamaileh, Yazan; **Al-Shboul, Bashar**; Alshraideh, Mohammad; Emotion detection of social data: APIs comparative study, Heliyon,9,5, 2023, Elsevier **(Q1, 82%)**
- **Al-Shboul, Bashar**; Al-Qudah, Dana A; Boshmaf, Hadeel; Abu-Salih, Bilal; Beseiso, Majdi; Al-Saqq, Samar; Arabic Wikipedia users' personalized behavior analysis considering gender gap, PloS one (19) 10, 2024 **(Q1, 89%)**
- Shbool, Mohammad A; Al-Dmour, Rand; **Al-Shboul, Bashar Awad**; Albashabsheh, Nibal T; Almasarwah, Najat; Real estate decision-making: precision in price prediction through advanced machine learning algorithms, International Journal of Housing Markets and Analysis, 2025, Emerald Publishing Limited **(Q2, 71%)**
- Duha Al-Darras, Nesreen Hamad, and Bashar Al-Shboul, Exploring Clustering Improvement: A Comparative Study of Utilizing Metaheuristics and Initialization Strategies, Communications in Computer and Information Science, 2025 **(Q3, 39% to appear)**
- Bashar Al-Shboul, Reem Abudayah, and Dana Al-Qudah, Stylometric Features Embedding For The Task Of Author Attribution, Communications in Computer and Information Science, 2025 **(Q3, 39% to appear)**

Graduate Courses

- Web Economics (MSc of Web Intelligence)
- Web Semantics (MSc of Web Intelligence)
- Decision Support for Public Sector (MSc of eGovernment)
- Research Methodology for Computer Science (MSc of Computer Science)
- Database Systems (MSc of Computer Information Systems)
- eGovernment Infrastructure & Technology (MSc of eGovernment)

Undergraduate Courses

- King Abdullah II School of Information Technology
 - First Year Courses
 - C++ Programming
 - Digital Logic
 - Discrete Mathematics
 - Remedial Information Technology
 - Fundamentals of Information Technology
 - Basics of Information Technology
 - Web Application Development – 1
 - Second Year Courses
 - Advanced Web Programming / Web Application Development – 2
 - Statistical Packages
 - Web Publishing
 - Third Year Courses
 - E-Business
 - Decision Support Systems
 - Ontologies & Knowledge Graphs (Department of AI)
 - Fourth Year Courses
 - Semantic Web
 - Document Analysis & Recognition
 - Information Retrieval
- School of Business
 - Expert Systems & Decision Support
 - eCommerce
- Others
 - Client Programming (REACT / REACT Native)
 - IT Project Management

Graduate Theses & Dissertations Supervision

- **Ph.D. in Computer Science**
 - An enhanced multi-verse optimizer (emvo) for solving the problem of software requirements prioritization, Ibrahim, Khalid Khalis, 2019
 - Exploring non-human traffic in online digital advertisements: analysis and prediction, Al-Mahmoud, Sawsan Basem, 2020
 - An Ontology-Based Differential Diagnosis System for vitamin deficiencies Using A-Box Abduction, Al-Darras, Duha, **(2024 - now)**
- **M. Sc. in Web Intelligence**
 - Employee-based e-government readiness and enhancement benchmarking marco-index(egre), Mohammad, Dana Mustafa Ahmad. 2018
 - Probabilistic eeg event identification and prediction, Abdullah, Aseel Burhan. 2018
 - Paraphrase identification on arabic microblog posts using semantic text expansion, Al-Darras, Duha Ahmad. 2019
 - Topic-based news genre classification of Arabic news corpus utilizing various query expansion methods, Hakh, Heba Mohammad. 2019
 - Aspect-based sentiment analysis of Arabic customers' reviews using machine learning, Al-Smadi, Faris. 2019
 - Ontology-based system for matching job descriptions to job seekers, Hattab, Samer Khaled Tawfeeq. 2019
 - Automatic medical ontology generation for Arabic question answering system, Hassan, Duha A. 2020
 - Arabic question answering system for information retrieval on image objects, Al-Zubi, Sawsan Hashem. 2020
 - Building an Arabic ontology of Islamic resources for religious information search, Zayed, Rana Hasan Hasan, 2023
 - The Relation between Ontology and the e-Commerce Product Recommendation for the IT Customers, Oleimat, Abdallah, 2024
 - A study on arabic poetry genre classification, Abo-Rayash, Eman, 2025
 - A Comprehensive Study on the Utilization of Arabic Large Language Models in Arabic Information Retrieval, Abul Fillat, Tayseer, **(2024 – now)**
- **M. Sc. in Computer Information Systems**
 - An ontology-based system to assist in prescribing the appropriate drugs, Al-Muhtaseb, Worood Ibrahim Abdel-Haleem. 2022
 - An ontology guided question answering system for medical diagnosis, Al-Btoush, Nusaiba Yahya Basheer. 2022