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Personal Information

Birth Date: 1 February 1988

Marital Status: Married

Gender: Female

Residence Country: Jordan

Nationality: Jordanian

Languages

Arabic: Excellent (mother tongue)

English: Excellent.

Academic Qualifications

- Doctor of Philosophy in Built Environment - The University of New South Wales / Australia (2024)

Thesis Title: Residential architecture and human experience: A phenomenological interpretation for a user-sensitive practice in Sydney and Amman.

Supervisors: Prof. Bruce Judd and Dr. John Gamble.

- Master of Architecture - The University of Jordan / Jordan (2016)

Academic Status: Excellent (3.84 / 4.00)

Thesis Title: Human-Environment Interaction: The Influence of applying wayfinding approach in urban spaces on human behavior modification. Case study: Amman Downtown.

Supervisor: Prof. Nabeel Al-kurdi.

- Bachelor of Architecture - The University of Jordan / Jordan (2011)

Academic Status: Very Good (3.16 / 4.00)

Graduation Project: Rehabilitation Center for addicted people.

Professional Experience (5 YEARS)

The Ministry of Public works and Housing

December 2011 – December 2012

Responsibilities & Duties:

- Assisting in the coordination of plans and designs.
- Building CAD drawings based on information provided by customers and engineers.
- Preparing conceptual designs to delivery.
- Preparing layouts, drawings and preliminary sketches.
- 3D designing for health centers and hospitals.
- Preparation of architectural plans, elevations, sections, and architectural details sheets.

SBJ International Group

March 2013 – Dec.2014

Responsibilities & Duties:

- Working on a proposed Master plan of 400,000-meter square Project located in Dead Sea / Jordan.
- Assisting in the coordination of plans and designs.
- Building CAD drawings based on information provided by customers and engineers.
- Preparing conceptual designs to delivery.
- Working on Sustainability and green buildings researchers with collaboration with specialized companies in this field.
- Working on the company's communication progress (COP) for the United Nation Global Compact as SBJ int. group is one of UN members.
- Marketing and commercial correspondence with international companies aiming for business collaboration.
- Participated in planning and marketing of the company's events.
- Managing and planning of meetings held with the government of Jordan, international and local companies.

University of Jordan

2013 -2014

Teaching the following courses in the department of architecture:

- Urban Planning and Design.
- Architectural Design.
- Descriptive Geometry.
- Building Construction.

Orient Engineering Consultancy & Design

Dec. 2014 – June 2015

Responsibilities & Duties:

- Assisting in the coordination of plans and designs.
- Building CAD drawings based on information provided by customers and engineers.
- Preparing conceptual designs to delivery.
- Preparing layouts, drawings and preliminary sketches.
- 3D designing for various types of buildings.
- Preparation of architectural plans, elevations, sections, and architectural details sheets.
- Cooperation in designing various types of residential buildings (private houses, residential complex).

Creative Urban Designs / Jordan branch

June 2015 – May 2017

Responsibilities & Duties:

- Preparing conceptual designs for many projects which approved by lead architects.
- Creating building designs and highly detailed drawings.
- Developing designs and drafts preliminary plans for buildings and facilities.
- Assisting in the coordination of plans and designs.
- Coordinating with Structural and MEP disciplines.
- Prepares sketches, working drawings and construction plans
- Supported and assisted lead architect in all phases of a major project.
- Produce detailed workings, drawings and specifications.
- Prepare design proposals to the client.
- Work on multiple projects from the concept stage to the design development stage under the supervision of specialists and engineers at every stage.
- Working with specialist engineers on multiple large projects within and outside Jordan, some of these are outlined below:

Towers Hotel in Makkah, Saudi Arabia- in the phase of design development.
Dallah Hospital expansion in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia - in the phase of design development.
Olaya Hospital expansion in Saudi Arabia - in the phase of design development.
Governmental schools and health centers projects with the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Public works and Housing.
Cooperation in designing various types of residential buildings (private houses, residential complex).
Other types of buildings such as restaurants, visitors' centers, Jordan Ahli Bank branches, Arab Islamic Bank branches, Arab Bank Branches.

Philadelphia University in Jordan

Assistant Professor, Faculty of Architecture and Design
October 2024 – Present.

Academic Teaching:
Responsible for teaching a range of undergraduate courses, including:
Architecture and Building Construction
Aesthetics and Behavior
Architectural Design VI
Environmental Design and Landscape
Architectural Graduation Thesis and Project

Administrative Role:
Participated in multiple academic and administrative panels.
Contributed to curriculum development for the Faculty of Architecture and Design.
Prepared accreditation documents for the Accreditation and Quality Assurance Commission for Higher Education Institutions (AQACHEI).
Actively involved in implementing and maintaining quality assurance standards at Philadelphia University.
Nominated for the position of Head of the Department of Interior Design in recognition of academic and administrative contributions.

Certifications

- **Architectural Details of Buildings** (Certificate), JEA, August 2011.
- **Safety Principles in Architectural spaces** (Certificate), JESTCC, December 2011.
- **Modern Trends in Traffic Safety Systems and Strategies Management** (Certificate), Emirates American Consulting & Training Center (EACTC), July 2012.

Research Publications

The impact of spatial environment on walkability in Amman: the case of Jordan, Amman, Khalil Alsalam Street. Authors: Nabeel Alkurdi, Aya Alshawabkeh, Luma Daradkeh. Wulfenia Journal, Klagenfurt, Austria. Vol 22 No. 12, Dec 2015.pg 298-319

Research strengths

- Using the phenomenology philosophy as a method of qualitative research to capture and understand human experience with a focus on residential satisfaction factors.
- Forming a phenomenological interviewing framework for face-to-face interviews aiming to improve data depth.
- Conducting interviews considering social aspects to improve the interviewing capability and the quality of the data.
- Implementing the phenomenological interpreting method of coding and thematising interviews using Nvivo.
- Analysis and interpretation of architectural designs.
- Preparing project documents for ethics approval.