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### Abdulrahman Al Farhan

#### **Education**

Ph.D. Near and Middle Eastern Studies (Outright Pass) 2017 School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London

M.A. in Arabic Literature 2012School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London

B.B.A. Finance 2011

American University of Kuwait

Minors: Arabic Literature / Visual Performing Arts

## **Professional Experience**

Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences 2021-Present

Assistant Dean, College of Arts and Sciences 2019-2020

Assistant Professor of Near and Middle Eastern Studies
Arabic Program Lead
Department Chair
Taught Courses:

2016 – Present
2017 – 2019
2019 – Present

- ARAB 205 Survey of Arab-Islamic Civilization
- ARAB 215 Arabic Composition
- ARAB 221 Arabic Creative Writing
- ARAB 220 Readings in Arabic Heritage
- ARAB 303 Literature of the Arabian Gulf
- ARAB 312 Modern Arabic Literature
- ARAB 313 Arab Women and Literature
- ARAB 315 Literature of Al-Andalus
- ARAB 318 Modern Arabic Novel
- ARAB 389 Politics and Literature in the Middle East

#### Administrative assistant and Writing staff consultant, AUK Writing Center

2011

Assisted students with finding topics and structuring essays, as well as thinking critically, amending essay content and developing research skills.

Ran workshops that focused on Arabic creative writing.

Supervised student consultants.

#### Arabic Teaching Assistant, Rassias Center, Dartmouth College

2010

Taught comprehensive Arabic language classes for non-Arabic speakers. Assisted students with their assignments and preparations for class. Helped develop students' oral skills outside of the classroom in their spare time.

## **Conference Participation & Invited Lectures**

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "Poetry as a Mode of Existence in the Incarceration Experience" Paper Presented at the University of Lille's "About Life Paths That Call to Writing in the Modern Arab World" Conference, Lille, France, November 2019.

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "Housing Time: New Approaches to Time and Trauma in Arabic Prison Poetry" Paper presented at the University of Toronto's Centre for Comparative Literature's 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada, March 2019.

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "The Journey of Meaning" Organizer. Literary conference at American University of Kuwait, Kuwait, March 2018.

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "Discussion on Arab Identity" Lecture, American University of Kuwait, Kuwait, November 2018.

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "Kuwait in the Algerian's Memory" Lecture, Kuwait Literary Association, Kuwait, November 2018.

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "Studying Humanities in the Gulf' Lecture, Centre for Gulf Studies, American University of Kuwait, Kuwait, October 2018.

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "Story & Storytellers conference" Organizer. Literary conference at American University of Kuwait, Kuwait, March 2018.

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "A world without Heroes and villains" Keynote, GELL: Heros, Anti Heroes and Villains. Gulf University for Science and Technology, Kuwait, March 2018.

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "The Transnational Flow of Modern Ideologies" Discussant, Centre for Gulf Studies, American University of Kuwait, Kuwait, March 2017.

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "Where are the Women in Today's Arab World?" Lecture, International Women's Day Celebration. American University of Kuwait, Kuwait, March 2017.

Al Farhan, Abdulrahman. "Literature between Creating and Chronicling Reality: Samples and Questions." Lecture, Muaarikh Center, Kuwait, April 2017.

## **University Committees**

Enrolment Management Committee – Member 2021-2022 Strategic Planning Committee – Member 2021-2022 Emergency Planning Committee – Member 2020-2021 Study Abroad Committee – Member 2019-2020 Grade Appeal Committee – Chair 2016-2019

### Other Academic Responsibilities

Supervisor of the Student Council. Supervisor of the Arabic Debate Club in International Arabic Debate Competition. Supervisor of the Arabic Theatre Club.

### Membership in Professional Societies

Center for Gulf Studies at AUK. London Middle East Institute. British Society for Middle Eastern Studies.