

Employment Status Graduate Teaching Assistant and PhD student at West Virginia University-
2018-2019 Sociology Department.

Education

May 2018 Institutional Research Certificate, Ball State University, Muncie, IN

December 2017 Masters in Sociology, Ball State University, Muncie, IN

September 2011 Bachelors in Sociology, University of Sulaimani, Sulaimani/ Kurdistan-Iraq

Research Experience

Fall 2017 Thesis: “The Impact of Religious Beliefs on Attitudes toward Body Organ Donation after Death” Dr. Richard Petts – Advisor and Jun Xu and Fang Gong committee members.

This research discusses the relationship between religion and attitudes toward body organ donation. The main research questions are: Do attitudes toward body organ donation differs by levels of religiosity? Do attitudes toward body organ donation differs by religious affiliation? Specifically, this study seeks to indicate the similarity and differences between religious followers (Christian and Muslim) in their perspective about donating body organs after death. The data for this research is derived from a study titled the Detroit Arab American Study (DAAS). This study found that religiosity is not related to people’s attitudes toward body organ donation after death while religious affiliation has a significant impact on shaping people’s attitudes toward donating body organs after death. Specifically, the findings indicated that Christians are more likely to have a positive attitude toward body organ donation after death than Muslim.

2011 Research paper: “The Impact of Religious Upbringing on the Division of Gender roles”
Dr. Zhia Abbas - Advisor. This practical research presented to the University of Sulaimani as part of the requirements for the B.A. in sociology.

I conduct this quantitative research in Kurdistan by collecting data from 50 males and 50 females about the role of religion in their family/social life then analyzed their views regarding duty division between man and women to indicate the impact of religious upbringing on people’s views on gender equality in Kurdish society. The results found religion as a significant factor of both men and women’s choice of work, role divisions and supporting others role based on their religious work division for men and women. In sum, more than %80 of participants were agreed that their religion is the main reason to differentiate family duties and personal responsibilities based on gender.

Teaching Experience

2011-2014 Have three years' experience as a tutor and mediator between professors and students. It is similar to a T.A. since assisted professors with teaching and opened a communication line between students and professors.

Relevant Courses Taken

Spring 2016	SOC 681	Survey Research Methods
	SOC 684	Advanced Sociological Data Analysis
	SOC 699	Seminar in Selective Topics in Sociology
Fall 2015	SOC 600	Sociological Inquiry
	SOC 603	Readings in Sociological Theory
	SOC 682	Social Statistics

Leadership Experience

September 2013 I worked for Independent High Election Commission of Iraq, Sulaimani as a director of the ten observers during the parliament election in September 15/2013 - September 19/2013.

Awards and Honors

May 2017 Attended NCSA conference in Indianapolis, obtained the NCSA's certificate of professional development program.

September 2011 Got a certificate for participating in the training about creative suggestions to reduce the crime rate and I have been chosen as an active member. The training was held by Social & Crime Research Center (S.C.R.C), Sulaimani, Kurdistan-Iraq.

Currently, I am a member of Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Honor Society.

Related Skills

- Multiple language skills: Excellent Kurdish as a mother tongue, fluent in Persian and English, also understanding Arabic well, but limited to speak Arabic.

-Computer skills: Skillful with Microsoft office programs with having ICDL Certification. Additionally, I can use SPSS and R-Studio to analyze data.

-Voluntary activities: Volunteered with the Rinker Center for International Programs and got certification of appreciation.

-Cross-cultural ability: Strong organizational and intercultural communication skills.

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