Ahmad Agbaria

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Academic Appointment

2018-2019: *The University of Texas at Austin*. The Department of Middle Eastern Studies.(Lecturer.)Spring 2019: *Huston-Tillotson University*. Department of History. (Adjuct)

EDUCATION

• <u>University of Texas at Austin</u>: 2011-2018 Ph.D. History Department Dissertation Title: "The Turn to the Turath: The Arab Rationalist Association 1959-2000."

• <u>Tel Aviv University</u>, Ramat Aviv, Israel, 2005-2008. Master of Arts, Department of Middle East and North African History Thesis title: "Self-Criticism in Arab Thought After 1967"

• <u>Tel Aviv University</u>, Ramat Aviv, Israel. 2001-2004 Department of Middle East and North African History, B.A. (Magna Cum Laude)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

• Graduate Seminar: "Islam and Nation State in the Middle East." Department of Middle Eastern Studies. University of Texas at Austin (Spring 2019).

• Upper-Division: "*The Islamic World: From Empire to Nation State*." Huston-Tillotson University. (Spring 2019)

• "Introduction to the Middle East: Religion, Culture, and History." History Department, University of Texas at Austin (Fall 2018)

• "*The Middle East: Adjustment and Change in Modern Time*." Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Texas at Austin (Summer 2018)

• "*Modern Middle East 1798-2011, Survey Course*." Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Texas at Austin (Summer 2016)

JOURNAL ARTICLES

• Accepted, pending revisions, "From Translation to Critique: The Origins of the New Arab Left in Lebanon" *Modern Intellectual History*.

• Revised and resubmitted "The Force of Arab Authenticity Awakened: The Establishment of a Framework in the 1960s" *Die Welt des Islams*.

• In press, "What Does it Mean to Be an Arab Left Today" IJMES, roundtable.

• In preparation "The Invention of Arab Heritage: Re-Imagining the Turath in Post-Colonial Syria." Expecting to submit Summer 2019.

Book Review

• Ordinary Egyptians: Creating the Modern Nation Through Popular Culture by Ziad Fahmy (2011). Not Even Past: <u>https://notevenpast.org/ordinary-egyptians-creating-modern-nation-</u>through-popular-culture-2011/

• Freedom in the Arab World: Concepts and Ideologies in Arabic Thought in the Nineteenth Century by Wael Abu-Uksa. 2017. The Middle East & Islamic Studies Association of Israel (MEISAI)

FELLOWSHIPS & ACADEMIC HONORS

- The University of Texas, Professional Development Grant, (2016-2017)
- The University of Texas, Professional Development Grant, (2015-2016).
- The University of Texas at Austin, Research Grant, (Summer 2015)
- The University of Texas at Austin, Travel Grant. History Department, (Fall 2014)
- Fulbright Scholarship. Fulbright Outreach Program, American Embassy-Tel Aviv, (2011)
- Tel Aviv University, Ramat Aviv, Professional Development Grant, (Spring 2006)

Departmental Services

Departmental Committees

2018- Green Danciger Committee. Department of Middle Eastern Studies. UT

2019- *FLAS Committee*. Research grant application reviewer. Department of Middle Eastern Studies, UT

Graduate Instructor

- Supplemental Instructor, History Department, University of Texas at Austin (Fall 2017)
- Teaching Assistant, History Department, University of Texas at Austin 2012-2016.
- Research Assistant, Konard-Adenour Program for Jewish-Arab Cooperation, Tel-Aviv University, 2003-2005.
- High School teacher, AJYAL high school, Jaffa, Israel, school year 2009-10.

Language Courses:

• Language Instructor, Hebrew language Levels I, Middle Eastern Studies, University of Texas at Austin, Fall 2018.

• Language Instructor, Advanced Arabic-Level III, Arabic Flagship Program, University of Texas at Austin (Summer 2014)

RESEARCH LANGUAGES

- English: Fluent spoken and reading, advanced writing competence.
- Arabic: Native Fluency
- Hebrew: Native Fluency
- French: Basic reading with dictionary

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa
- The Middle East & Islamic Studies Association of Israel (MEISAI)

Conferences

• "Print Culture and Publishing Houses in Lebanon: Dar al-Tali'a 1959-1984" *MESA: Middle Eastern Studies Association*, Washington, Fall 2017.

• "Society Without Consensus: The Drift Away from Islamic Piety in post-1967". ASMEA: Association for the Study of Middle East and Africa, Washington, 2016.