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2000-Present, Professor of Persian and Comparative Literature, University of Texas at

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 1973‑1976, Tenured Instructor, English Language and Literature, University of Isfahan, Iran

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 1999, June. "Persian Language in the Western United States." Conference on The Domain of the Persian Language and Literature in North America. Columbia University, New York City, New York

 1997, November, "Translating Cultural Concepts." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, San Francisco

 1997, October-November, "Comparative Analysis of Translations of *Dialogue in the Garden*." Annual Meeting of the American Literary Translators Association, at the University of Dallas, in Richardson, Texas

 1996, November, "Critical Reading of Persian Literary Texts and the Process of Translating." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, at Browne University in Providence, Rhode Island

 1996, November, "Found in Translation: Translating as Critical Reading of Persian Literary Texts." Annual Meeting of the American Literary Translators Association, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana

 1996, November, "The State of Literary Translation in Iran." Annual Meeting of the American Literary Translators Association, Bloomington, Indiana

 1996, February, "On Iranian T.V." Annual Meeting of the Texas Association of Middle East Scholars, Austin, Texas

 1995, November, "The Short Stories of Nima Yushij." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, Washington, DC

 1994, April, "Nineteenth-Century Iranians in America." International Conference on Nineteenth-Century Iranian Travel Memoirs, The University of Texas at Austin

 1994, November, "The Use of Iranian Feature Films on Video Tape for Persian Language Instruction." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, Phoenix, Arizona

 1993, November, "Iranian War Films: Entertainment and Propaganda." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina

 1992, October, "Women in the Fiction of Sadeq Chubak." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, Portland, Oregon

 1992, April, "The Life and Works of Hushang Golshiri: An Introduction." Annual Conference of the Center for Iranian Research and Analysis, University of Texas at Austin

 1992, March, "The Dilemma of the Iranian Literati Vis-a-Vis the West and the Image of the West in Persian Fiction." Annual Meeting of the Center for Critical Studies of Iran and the Middle East, Hamline University, St. Paul, Minnesota

 1992, February, "Translation as a Multi-Cultural Product." Annual Meeting of Texas Association of Middle East Scholars, Laredo State University, Laredo, Texas

 1991, November, "A Journey Through No-Man's Land: On Translating the Persian Novel." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, Washington, D.C.

 1991, May, "Sakhtar-e Ravayat dar *Gonbad-e Siyah*." Nezami Congress: On the Occasion of the 850th Anniversary of the Celebrated 12th-Century Persian Poet, University of California, Los Angeles

 1991, April, "Translating with a Foreign Accent." Conference on Translation, Comparative Literature Program, University of Texas at Austin

 1991, April, "Western Agents of Change in the Works of Iranian Writers." Annual Meeting of the Texas Association of Middle East Scholars (TAMES), University of Texas at Austin

 1991, April, "The Life and Works of Mahmud Dowlatabadi: An Introduction." Annual Meeting of the Center for Iranian Research and Analysis (CIRA), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

 1991, April, "Proficiency in a Cultural Context." Conference on Oral Proficiency, University of Texas at Austin

 1990, November, "Iranian Drama Since the Islamic Revolution." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, San Antonio

 1989, November, "Visits to Wonderland: Diaries of Iranian Travelers to the West in the Nineteenth Century." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, Toronto

 1989, March, "Parvin E'tesami's Utopia." Conference on Parvin E'tesami, University of Chicago

 1988, November, "The Apotheosis of a Rebel: Narrative Progression in *Klidar*." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, Beverly Hills, California

 1987, November, "A Portrait of the Iranian Intellectual in Exile: An Analysis of Esmail Fassih's *Sorayya dar Eghma*." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, Baltimore

 1987, February, "Another Reading of 'Another Birth,'" "Forugh Farrokhzad Twenty Years Later." A Weeklong Tribute at The University of Texas, Austin

 1985, November, "Levels of Language in Translating Prose Fiction." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, New Orleans

 1984, November, "Hushang Golshiri and New Concerns of Iranian Writers of Fiction." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, San Francisco

 1984, November, "Culinary Arts in the Safavid Period." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, San Francisco

 1984, April, "Islamic Fundamentalism in Iran and the Neighboring Region." Asian Symposium: "The Impact of Islamic Fundamentalism." East Carolina University, Greenville, North Carolina

 1983, November, "'Prophets of Doom': The Literary and Extraliterary Attitudes of Iranian Writers During the Pahlavi Period." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, Chicago, Illinois

 1981, November, "*Buf-e Kur*: Writing as Therapy." Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, Seattle, Washington

 1981, March, "Literary Predictions: Modernist Persian Literature as a Reflection of Twentieth‑Century Iran." South East Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Seminar, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia

 1977, November, "Sexuality in the Verse of Forugh Farrokhzad" (joint paper with Michael C. Hillmann). Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America, New York

**INVITED ACADEMIC AND PUBLIC LECTURES**

2011, April, "Two Central Metaphors in *The Blind Owl*." University of California, Irvine

2010, July, "How to Teach Culture in Language Instruction." The Tajikistan Academy of Science," Dushanbe, Tajikistan

2010, May, "Fiction in Film, Film in Fiction." The University of Washington, Seattle

2008, June, "The Reception of Persian Literature in the United States." Shahr-e Ketab, Tehran, Iran

2008, June, "On Translating *Fal-e Khun*." Art Center, Tehran, Iran

2008, June, "Persian Language and Literature in America." Art Center, Tehran, Iran

2008, June, "Iranian Films as Cultural Texts for Persian Language Instruction." Dushanbe, Tajikistan

2007, June, "Teaching Language Through Literature: The Use of Literary Texts in Advanced-Superior Levels." Refaqat Educational Development Center, Dushanbe, Tajikistan

2007, June, "Language Assessment (with Emphasis on LCTLs)." Refaqat Educational Development Center, Dushanbe, Tajikistan

2007, June, "Persian Classes in the United States: Different Levels, Heritage Students, the American System." Refaqat Educational Development Center, Dushanbe, Tajikistan

2007, May, "Are All Translations Mistranslations?" Austin Area Translators and Interpreters Association, Austin, Texas

2006, December, "The Effects of Censorship on Artistic Production in Iran." University of Alberta, Canada

2006, April, "Reflections on Recent Iranian Fiction and Film." The University of California, Berkeley

2005, November, "Hybrid Identities in the Globalized World." Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada

2005, September, "The Children of Iranian Immigrants." Sponsored by Society of Iranian American Women for Education, Houston

2005, May, "Iranian-Americans and the Question of Identity." Cosponsored by the Iranica Institute and the Center for Persian Studies and Culture, The University of California, Irvine

2004, February, "You Can Take Politics Out of a Persian Novel, But …" The University of Michigan at Dearborn

 1998, April, "First-Year Persian Language Computer-Assisted Instruction." Joint presentation with Mehdi Khorrami, Meeting of Western Consortium of Middle East Centers, at the University of Arizona

 1997, November, "The War of Culture, Religion, and Politics in the Islamic Republic of Iran." Colloquium Series, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Texas

 1997, March, "The History and Culture of the Middle East." Combined World History classes at McNeil High School, Round Rock Independent School District, Round Rock, Texas

 1996, November, "The State of Persian Studies in Texas." Conference on the Development of Persian Language and Literature in North America, Columbia University, New York

 1994, December, "Socio-Cultural Continuity and Change in Post-Revolutionary Iran." Austin Council of Foreign Affairs

 1994, June, "The Roots of Current Intellectual Trends in Iranian Cultural History." University of Tehran, Tehran, Iran

 1994, June, "The Politics of Translation and Publication of Persian Literature in English." Kelk Literary and Cultural Institute, Tehran, Iran

 1994, May, "Persian Literary Research in America." University of Tehran, Tehran, Iran

 1994, May, "Recent Trends in Persian Poetry." University of Lucknow, Lucknow, India

 1994, May, "Persian and Iranian Studies on the International Level." Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India

 1994, April, "Observations on Edward Said's *Culture and Imperialism*." Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio

 1994, April, "Iranian Fictional Reconstructions of the West." Global Studies Seminars, Denison University, Granville, Ohio

 1994, April, "Images of the Middle East." Denison University, Granville, Ohio

 1994, April, "Persian History in Literature." Denison University, Granville, Ohio

 1994, April, "Iranian Women Writers and Poets." Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio

 1994, April, "Continuity and Change in the Images of the West in Iranian Fiction." Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio

 1992, October, "New Voices in Persian Fiction." Persia House Cultural Community, Portland, Oregon

 1992, June, "Utilizing Middle Eastern Fiction in Teaching Social Science Courses to Pre-Collegiate Students." McAllen School District Outreach Workshop, McAllen, Texas

 1991, April, "Recent Fiction in Iran." Middle East Colloquia Lectures, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Texas at Austin

 1991, January, "Neveshtan-e Darmani dar *Buf-e Kur*." Sadeq Hedayat and Modern Persian Fiction, University of Texas at Austin

 1990, February, "Cultural Dilemmas in Post-Revolutionary Iran." Foothills Forum, Tucson

 1989, October, "Teaching Persian in a Liberal Arts Education: Retrospections, Introspections, and Prospects." University of Texas at Austin

 1989, October, "The Portrayal of the West and Westerners in Persian Fiction." University of Arizona

 1989, September, "The Persian Literary Scene Since the Islamic Revolution." University of Arizona

 1989, September, "Iranian Exiles: A Generation in Flux." Gallery talk at the Center for Creative Photography, University of Arizona

 1989, May, "Traditionalism Versus Modernism in Persian Literature." Iranian Students Cultural Club, Ann Arbor, Michigan

 1989, April, "Observations on the Modern Novel." University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

 1989, March, "Iran Ten Years After the Revolution: Cultural Trends." University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

 1989, March, "Persian Literature in the Decade Since the Islamic Revolution." University of Chicago

 1989, March, "Modern Persian Poetry: Commentary and Reading." University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

 1988, November, "Nineteenth‑Century Accounts of the West in *Safarnameh*s." Center for Near Eastern and North African Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

 1988, October, "*Klidar*: A Modern Epic." Center for Near Eastern and North African Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

 1988, April, "Beginnings of Persian Theater." Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Texas at Austin

 1986, March, "Persian Drama During the Qajar Period." University of California at Berkeley,

 1985, May, "Future Trends in Persian Literature." University of Washington, Seattle

 1984, October, "Reflections of the West in Persian Literature." Colloquia Orientalia, University of Virginia, Charlottesville

 1983, November, "The Question of Commitment in Modernist Persian Literature." Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

 1982, March, "Current Events in Iran." Biannual Meeting of the South East Regional Middle East and Islamic Studies Seminar, Fort Bragg, North Carolina

 1982, February, "Bani‑Sadr's Vision of an Islamic Government." University of Richmond, Richmond, Virginia

 1980, October "The Predicament of the Individual in Twentieth‑ Century Iran." Asian Studies Club, University of Virginia, Charlottesville

 1980, August, "Tradition versus Modernity: Transition in Modern Iran." University of Texas at Austin

 1979, December, "Iran: Past, Present, and Future." Old Dominion University Norfolk, Virginia

 1978, October, "Life in Isfahan." Persepolis Lecture Series, Arlington, Texas

 1976, May, "Modern Trends in Persian Art: A Comparative Analysis of Qajar and Contemporary Painting and Sculpture." University of Isfahan, Iran

**AWARDS**

 *Encyclopaedia Iranica* Lifetime Achievement Award for Contribution to Iranian Culinary Arts, 2009

 American Institute for Iranian Studies Lois Roth Persian Translation Prize for *Translating the Garden*, 2008