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Education

2005-2009

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Ph.D., Human Development major & Minor: Inquiry Methodology ,
School of Education, 2009.

Dissertation: *Mothers' Parenting Styles as Predictors of Palestinian Children's Peer Victimization and Aggression.*

University of Jordan, Jordan, Amman

M.S., Educational Psychology, Faculty of Educational Sciences, 2005,
graduated with High Honors

**Educational Sciences Faculty: United Nations Relief and Works Agency
for Palestinian (UNRWA)**, Amman, Jordan

BA, Elementary Education, 1999, graduated with High Honors

Professional Experience

Associate Professor, Faculty of Educational Sciences, The University of
Jordan, 2015-2017.

Assistant Professor, Faculty of Educational Sciences, The University of
Jordan, 2009-2014.

Visiting Assistant Professor, The Faculty of Rehabilitation Sciences,
University of Jordan, 2012-2014).

Visiting Assistant Professor, Social Work College, University of Jordan,
TEMPUS Joint European Project - Egypt and Jordan. (2011/2012)

Assistant Dean for Development Affairs, Faculty of Educational Sciences, The University of Jordan , (2011/2012).

Graduate Research Assistant, Professor Anne Dopkins Stright, School of Education, Indiana University at Bloomington, 2005-2009.

Assistant Instructor, the Faculty of Educational Sciences, The University of Jordan, (2004-2005).

Undergraduate Research Assistant, Professor Saleh Abu Jado, Educational Sciences Faculty: United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine.

• Courses Taught at University of Jordan

For Master Degree:

- E708 : Human Developmental Theories and its application (2013/2014)
- ED 705: Child Psychology. (2011/2012)
- ED 710: Child Language Development. (2012/2013).

For Diploma Degree:

- SW 501: Child Growth in Arabic World-Diploma Degree.
- SW 508: Children in a Changing Economy-Diploma Degree.

For Bachelor Degree:

- ED 203: Human Development (2010/2013)
- ED 311 : Socioemotional Development (2009/2012)
- ED 251: Educational Psychology (2011/2013)
- ED 191: Research Basics of Educational Research (2009/2014)
- ED 340: Principles of Psychological and Educational Measurement (2010/2013)
- ED 312: Language and cognitive development of the child.
- ED 252: Child Development

Early Childhood Teaching Experience

Elementary School Teacher –The Hashemite Kingdom of Ministry of Education (1999-2033).

Publications

- Smetana, J. G., **Ahmad, I.**, & Wray-Lake, L. (2016). Beliefs about parental authority legitimacy among refugee youth in Jordan: Between-and within-person variations. *Developmental Psychology*, 52, 484-495.
- Smetana, J. G., **Ahmad, I.**, & Wray-Lake, L. (2015). Iraqi, Syrian, and Palestinian refugee adolescents' beliefs about parental authority legitimacy and its correlates. *Child Development*, 86, 2017-2033.
- Smetana, J. G. **Ahmad, I.**, & Wray-Lake, L. (2015). Beliefs about parental authority legitimacy among refugee youth in Jordan: Between- and within-person variations. *Developmental Psychology*.
- Ahmad, I.**, Smetana, J., & Klimstra, T. (2014). Parental monitoring, adolescent disclosure, and adolescent adjustment among Palestinian refugee youth in Jordan. *Journal of Research on Adolescents*. doi: 10.1111/jora.12133
- Ahmad, I.**, Vansteenkiste, M., & Soenens, B. (2013). The relations of Arab Jordanian adolescents' perceived maternal parenting to teacher-rated adjustment and problems: Perceived need satisfaction as an underlying mechanism. *Developmental Psychology*, 49, 177-183.
- Ahmad, I.** & Soenens, B.(2010). Perceived maternal parenting as a mediator of the intergenerational similarity of dependency and self-criticism: a study with Arab Jordanian adolescents and their mothers, *Journal of Family Psychology*, 34(6),756-765.
- Reeve, J., Vansteenkiste, M., Assor, A., **Ahmad, I.**, Cheon, S. H., Jang, H., & Wang, C. J. (2013). The beliefs that underlie autonomy-supportive and controlling teaching: A multinational investigation. *Motivation and Emotion*, 1-18.

Papers Under Review

Ahmad, I. & Smetana, J. (under review). Surviving Handala: Palestinian refugee youth in Jordan: Maternal practices, and adolescent well-being.

Presentations

Ahmad, I., & Smetana, J. (2016). Perceptions of parenting among Iraqi, Palestinian, and Syrian Refugee Adolescents. Paper will presented at a symposium at the Society for Research on Adolescents, Maryland, Baltimore, USA.

Ahmad, I., Smetana, J., & Gruhn, D. (2015). *The Impact of Collective War Trauma and Parenting Practices on the Adjustment of Syrian and Iraqi Refugee Adolescents*. Paper presented at a symposium at the Biennial Meetings of the Society for Research in Child Development. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA.

Smetana, J., **Ahmad, I.**, & Wray-Lake, L. (March, 2015). *Heterogeneity in Iraqi, Syrian, and Palestinian refugee youths' beliefs about parental authority*. Paper presented at a symposium at the Biennial Meetings of the Society for Research in Child Development. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA.

Smetana, J., **Ahmad, I.**, & Iraqi, Wary-Lake, L. (March, 2015). *Syrian, and Palestinian Refugee Youths' Beliefs about Legitimate Parental Authority*. Paper presented at a symposium at the Biennial Meetings of the Society for Research in Child Development. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA.

Crocetti, E., Klimstra, T., **Ahmad, I.**, Ciecuch, C. H. Gao, P. M. Matos, Negru, O., Sugimura, K., Zimmermann, G., Meeus, W. (2012). *Studying identity cross culturally: A nine Nation study with adolescents and emerging adults from European and Asian countries*. Paper presented at the 13th biennial conference of the European Association for research on adolescence, Venue: Island of Spetses, Greece.

Crocetti, E., **Ahmad, I.**, Gao, C., Fermani, A., Meeus, A. (2012). *Unraveling links between anxiety and identity in adolescents from European countries, Middle East and China*. Paper presented at the 13th biennial conference of the European Association for research on adolescence, Venue: Island of Spetses, Greece.

- Niemiec, C. P., **Ahmad, I.**, Cheng, Y., Hamarta, E., Özyeşil, Z., & Yu, S-H. (2012, April). *Provision of choice and grade focus in the written narratives of students from four countries*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Vancouver, Canada.
- Ahmad, I.**, & Assor, A., & Roth, G. (2011). *Parenting Styles as Predictors of Jordanian Early Adolescents' types of motivation* . Paper presented at the meeting of the American Psychological Society in Washington, DC (May 26-29, 2011).
- Ahmad, I.**, Soenens, B. & Vansteenkiste, M. (2011). *How is Parenting Related to Adolescent Adjustment? Need Satisfaction as a Mediator in an Arab Jordanian Sample*. Poster session presented at the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD), Montreal, Canada.
- Ahmad, I.** (2010). *Parenting Styles as Predictors of Palestinian Early Adolescents' Peer Victimization and Aggression*. Poster session presented at the Annual Convention of Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA.
- Ahmad, I.**, & Soenens, B. (2010). *Maternal Psychological Control and Depressive Symptoms and Experiences In Arab Adolescents*. Poster session presented at the Annual Convention of Association for Psychological Science, Boston, MA.
- Ahmad, I.**, & Soenens, B. (2010). *Cross-cultural Equivalence of the Assessment of Maternal Psychologically Controlling Parenting: A Comparison of Dependency-Oriented and Achievement-Oriented Psychological Control between Jordanian and Belgium Samples*. Poster session presented at the at the Fourth International Conference on Self-Determination Theory, Ghent, Belgium.
- Ahmad, I.** (2009). *Children socialization*. Poster session presented at the 10th annual international conference on Education . Athens, Greece.
- Stright, A. & **Ahmad, I.** (2008, May). *Maternal parenting styles and children's social adjustment and academic achievement in Jordanian primary school*. Poster session presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Society, Chicago, IL.

Master's Thesis Supervision

Chaired:

Parenting

Mais, Abu Al-Adas. (2016). Parenting styles and their relation to children attachment patterns of kindergarten children. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.

Lafi, Tamador. (2016). Parental Styles and its relationship with social competence considering related demographic variable for adolescents in Palestine. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.

Khawalid, Randa. (2015). Individual identity dimension and its relationship with depression in late adolescence stage among a sample of Palestinian and Jewish University students. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan

Hazem, Baraah. (2015). The Relationships between Parenting Styles and Individual Identity Status For Arab Secondary School In Palestine. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.

Saeed, Al-said. (2014). Developing Arab Version of Dimensions of Identity developmental scale in late adolescents in Jordan and Discuss the validity and reliability characteristically by the Standard Psychometric Norms. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan

Committee Membership:

Nadiah, Al-Khaldi. (2016). The impact of a training program based on psychodrama in the development of self-concept and self- efficacy among seventh grade students in Kuwait. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.

Tasneem, Eghbariah (2016). The level of creative divergent thinking among third-grade children according in view of language learning (monolingual\bilingual) and sex differences. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.

Reem, Habashi. (2015). Attachment parent and peer and its relations with self-concept adolescence in the middle stage. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.

ALotaibi, Ghazai. (2014). self efficacy and its relation with motivation of achievement for sixth grade students in al-dawadmi directorate in the kingdom of Saudi arabia. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.

Kharraz, Doaa. (2014). The effect of training on Meat-cognitive skills in the development of self-regulated learning and problem solving for female tenth grad students. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.

Ashraf, Dawod. (2014). Studying the Impact Of The Skills In The Internal Collection, Study-Skills, And Motivation of Eighth-Grade Students In Jordan. Unpublished Master thesis, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.

Al-Braizat, Arwaa. (2013). Effectiveness of a training program based upon SCAMPER strategies to develop self-efficacy of gifted kindergarten children. Unpublished Master thesis, Al-Balaqa' Applied University, Al Salt, Jordan.

Academic Service

Reviewer, International Journal of Behavioral Development, 2012.

Reviewer, Journal of Research on Adolescents, 2014.

Honors and Awards

University of Jordan, Deanship of Academic Research Council funding research The differences of perceived parenting and its relationships between Iraqi, Syrian, and Palestinian refugee adolescents and Jordanian, (\$2,150), 2013

Jacobs Foundation International Travel Award for Doctoral Student (\$1500), Society for Research in Child Development. 2011

Trentham Travel Award (\$1500), School of Education, Indiana University at Bloomington, 2009

Full 4-Year Doctoral Scholarship to Study Abroad, Faculty of Educational Sciences at The University of Jordan, 2005-2009

Full 3-years Master Scholarship for Students Excellence, Faculty of Educational Sciences at The University of Jordan, 2003-2005.

Work & Consulting

2012 till 2016

Cross-cultural International Consultant, AhmediaTV, Network, USA. offering consulting on variety of reporting concerning the psychological trauma on children's life in refugee camps in Middle East.

2014-2015

Overseen the editing and reviewing of several academic books and publications, for national and international publishing houses.

Professional Memberships

- Association for Psychological Science (APS) (2011-2015).
- International Society for Interpersonal Acceptance and Rejection (2011-2013).
- Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) (2010-2015).
- Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA) (2010-2015).
- Association of Jordanian women academics. (Jordan) (2014-2015)
- Jordanian Psychological Association (Jordan). (2014-2015)

References:

References will be submitted upon request