

Doria El Kerdany

Curriculum Vitae (Jan 21st, 2023)

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Education

M.A., Teaching Arabic for non-Arabic Speakers, The American University in Cairo, Dec. 2007

B.A., Mass Communications and Journalism, Cairo University, Egypt, May 1980

Teaching Award:

Sitterson, Mentor and William C. Friday Teaching Award, 2021

Professional Experience

Teaching Associate Professor in Arabic July 2018- present

Arabic Language Coordinator, UNC Asian & Middle Eastern Studies, July 2014-present

Lecturer, Arabic Language, University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, July 2009-2018

Adjunct Faculty, American University in Cairo, 2005-2009

Text-Bookstore administrative Coordinator, American University in Cairo, 1994-2007

Kindergarten teacher and director, American University in Cairo, 1985-1994

Publication

- Short stories & a novelette (in Arabic): “*Stories of Cats* حكايات القطط” Cairo: Dar El Thaqafa El Gadidah Publishing House, Nov. 2015

- A Novel (in Arabic): “*Soft Quicksand* زمال ناعمة”, Cairo: Dar El Thaqafa El Gadidah Publishing House, Aug. 2011

- Review Translation: My life as a Plant 2014 (cooperation with UNC Biology Department)

- In Writing Process: “*Serreyahm the House Help*”, a historical novel.

- In Writing Process: “*India, in an Arab-Egyptian Eyes*”, travel book.

Courses Taught (UNC at Chapel Hill):

ARAB 101 (Elementary Arabic I): Fall 2011, 2017 & 2019

ARAB 102 (Elementary Arabic II): Spring 2012, 2015 & 2017 & 2018 & 2019 & 2020

ARAB 203 (Intermediate Arabic I): Sum14, Fall 09,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21, & 2022

ARAB 204 (Intermediate Arabic II): Sum11, Spring 2010, 2013, 2014, 2016, & 2017

ARAB 305 (Advanced Arabic I): Fall 2009, 2010, 2012, & 2013

ARAB 306 (Advanced Arabic II): Spring 2010, 2011, 2018, 2021, & 2022

ARAB 407 (Readings in Arabic I): Fall 2010, 2014, 2017, 2022, & Spring 2019

ARAB 408 (Readings in Arabic II): Spring 2011, 2012, 2013, 2023 & Fall 2018

ARAB 300: Arabic Grammar & Composition, Spring 2014, 2015, 2021, 2022 & 2023

Courses Taught (American University in Cairo):

Advanced Arabic, Spring 2009 - Heritage Students Elementary Arabic Fusha, Spring 2009 - Elementary Egyptian Colloquial, Spring 2009 - Intermediate Arabic Fusha, Fall 2008 & Spring 2008 - intermediate Egyptian Colloquial, Spring 2008 - Intensive Elementary Egyptian Colloquial, AUC Summer School, 2008

Workshops

- Queen Rania Teacher Academy's workshop on: Arabic colloquial in teaching Arabic curriculum, led by Dr. Laila Familiar, Dec 14, 2022
- Canvas workshop, DAMES, November 2022
- Center for Educational Resources in Culture, Language and Literacy (CERCLL) live webinar We ALL Can Do It: Empowering all Learners in the Language Classroom, June 17, 2020
- PPT's Webinar: "Teaching Beginning Language Classes in Remote Learning Contexts: A Focus on LCTLs", May 28th, 2020
- Diversity workshop: "Understanding Differences: A Personal and Professional Developmental Framework", organized by the UNC Dean of the college of Arts and Science, Oct. 28, 2016
- Oral Proficiency Test workshop (ACTFL OPI): Aug 2014
- Innovative Way in Teaching "Arabic Poetry 3arouD الغروض for non-Arabic Speakers" , Cairo University, Egypt, Jan 2014
- Kristen Brustad teaching workshop, UNC Asian Studies, Spring 2012
- Assessment methods and challenges in teaching Second Language, BYU, Utah, Fall 2010
- UNC teaching workshops: Negotiation Skills for Academic Leaders (Dec 2013) Introduction to Adobe Photoshop (Jan 2013), Using performing Arts in teaching (fall 2012), Teaching with Image and Media (2011), Eyes that See: From Visual Literacy to Critical Thinking (2011), Developing and Evaluating Students Presentations, (2011), Teaching Portfolio & Developing Websites for Teaching Languages (2010), Creating Effective Assignments (2010), Creating

Dynamic Syllabus & Developing Lesson Plans (2009), Behavior Management in The classroom (UNC 2009), Collaborative Language Teaching and Learning (2009)

- Spring teaching & Learning Symposium, (UNC May 2011)
- AUC Workshops: The New Edition of “Al Kitaab” Teaching” lead by the Authors (2007), Using Smart Classroom to Engage Students and Advance Learning (2007), Reading Strategies workshop, (2006), Teaching Grammar Workshop, (2006), Time Management, (AUC, 2006), Egyptian Colloquial Teaching training (2005), Listening skill workshop, (May 2005)

Conferences

- North Carolina Arabic Teacher Council conference, Oct 2022
- International Symposium on Internationalizing the Arabic Language (Cairo Univ., Dec 2014)
- MESA 2013 Conference, New Orleans. Panel Participant: “Knowledge Production in Egypt” Oct 2013
- MESA 2012 Conference, Denver, Colorado, Nov 2012
- Coptic Language, St Mary Church, Raleigh NC, Oct 2012
- AUC OXF Conference on Language and Linguistics, Cairo, March 2006

Service: Department of Asian Studies

- Arabic Language Coordinator, UNC Asian & Middle Eastern Studies, July 2014-present
- Member of Search, Review, and Promotion Committees:
 - Review Committee of Dr. Dwayne Dixon, Fall 2022
 - Promotion Committee of Hebrew & Persian professors, Fall2018 & Spring2019
 - Search: Korean Lecturer (Spring 2017) & Persian lecturer (Fall2014, SP2015)
 - Super Search Committee for Arabic, Chinese, & Korean lecturers (Fall2013, SP2014)
 - Arabic Language Instructor Search” Fall 2009 & Spring 2010
- Peer Faculty Teaching Observation:
 - Bud Kaufman, Khalid Shahu, and Che Sokle (Arabic program), and Ms. Jia Lin (Chinese program) F19 & Spring20
- Member of Department committee:
 - Elected member of Asian Studies Salary committee 2016-2020
 - Asian Studies Program Committee” (2012- 2013)
 - Asian Studies Department’ Event Funding, F12& S13
 - Committee to prepare the Department corner at the Major Expo Spring 2011

- Coordinator of 1st year, 2nd year, 3rd year, 4th year Arabic levels, 2011-2014
- Arabic Cultural Activities and events organizer: 2009-present
- Developing and evaluating Arabic Language Placement Exam: 2009-present.
- Workshop for Asian Studies teachers: Examples of Asian Teachers' Innovative Teaching methods, April 2015, Creative Ways in teaching the language Using Blogs, April 2013, & Creative ways to teach the Language" (April 2012)

Service: University of North Carolina

- Adviser: Arab Students Organization, 2012-present
- Member of renew/review committee of Swahili lecturer, UNC African Studies (Spring 2016)
- Review Translation: "*My life as a Plant*", 2015 (cooperation with UNC Biology Department)
- Arabic Language Evaluator for Fellowships and scholarships (FLAS & CLS), 2009-present
- Lecture: "Arabic Language" ASIA150: Shemer's 2012, Taj's 2013, 15, 16, & Bardawil's 2014
- Lecture: "Um Kulthum & Arabic Music" in David Garcia's Class, Dept. of Music, Sep 2012
- I was a Guest Speaker (discussion about my Books and Writing): Dr. Yaqub (in English) & Dr. Halabi (in Arabic), F16

Service: Community

- Guest speaker: Selected and recited Arabic poetry in event by the Center for the Middle East & Islamic studies: Concert Armenian Duduk with ME Poetry Arabic/ Persian/ Turkish, Sept 2022
- Guest Speaker at the Duke University's "Arabic Halaqa", discussing my Novel "*Soft Quicksand*" Jan. 2019
- Trainer & Lecturer at the Middle East & Africa Culture Teachers Fellows, organized at the Fedex Global center by the Middle East Center, 2018 and 2019
- Spring 2018 I cooperated (regarding Egypt) with a team of educators from Guilford Tech Community College, helped by UNC public service "World View", creating a module to infuse global connections into courses on social media in India, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, and Russia.
- In Spring 2018 I gave a presentation and workshop in the professional development meeting for elementary visual arts teachers in Wake County Public Schools. Workshop was in Raleigh, and the topic was Middle Eastern Arts and culture.

- Lecture: Egypt, Then & Now, A Dialogue Seminar (Mar 2017), outreach program at the UNC's "Public Humanities"
- Welcoming Event "MarHaba" for newly arrived to the area Syrian refugees families, Mar 2017
- "The Arabic Lecture" by members of three Syrian Refugee Families. (Spring 17)
- Guest Speaker at Dr. Nesrine Basheer's class (in Arabic) discussion of my book *stories of Cats*, University of Sydney (NSW) Via Skype, Spring 2017
- Lecture: "Rethinking the Middle East through Creative Culture Ideas", a Seminar for North Carolina Educators" (K12 and Community Colleges), organized in the Friday Center by the "UNC World View", (March 2015).
- Panel: Global Protest in Context. FedEx Global center Sep 2013.
- NPR program: "The Story", with Dick Gordon. Interview "What is Happening in Egypt" July 2013
- Lecture and Panel at the "Think Fast" around the Revolution in Egypt. Spring 2011
- I organize a demonstration in front of Franklin St. Post office to raise awareness about the revolution in Egypt. January 2011.
- Translation to NPR Radio program "the Story" with Dick Gordon, Fall 2010 & Spring 2011
- TV interviews (Dec 2016):
 - Belal Fadl: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AHiRY5j0ijM&t=8s> & <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9a3MBzZpcUM>
 - Khalid Mansour: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qvrIR3vQsw8&t=594s>

Service to the Profession

- Texas university in Austin Flagship Online Assessment Project, Fall 2010 & Spring 2011
- Developing a method to teach the Arabic language and culture through theater and performing <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E57cwWs66ds&t=13s>

Profession Affiliation

- Member of the American Association of Teacher of Arabic (AATA) since 2007
- Member: The American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) since Fall 12
- Member of MESA since Fall 2012