

Curriculum Vitae



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Independent Arbitrator and Professor & Dean of Law

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Academic Qualifications

1997- 2001 Ph.D. in Contract Law–University of Bristol (UK).
1996-1997 LLM in Commercial Law – University of Aberdeen (UK).
1992-1996 LLB – Faculty of Law – University of Jordan.
1992 Secondary School – Science Track

Administrative Experience

2020 – Now Dean of the Faculty of Business & Law, the British University in Dubai.
2019-2020 Head of MSc Construction Law and Dispute Resolution, the British University in Dubai.
2016-2018 Dean of the Faculty of Law, Yarmouk University, Jordan.
2015-2016 Dean of the Faculty of Business & Law, the British University in Dubai.
2011-2016 Head of MSc Construction Law and Dispute Resolution Programme, the British University in Dubai.
2008-2010 Dean of the Faculty of Law, Yarmouk University, Jordan.
2004-2005 Assistant Dean of the Faculty of Law, Yarmouk University.

Academic Experience

2018-Now	Professor of Law, the British University in Dubai.
2012-Now	Professor of law, Yarmouk University, Jordan. (Tenure position-on leave of absence)
2011-2016	Professor of Law, the British University in Dubai.
2007-2012	Associate Professor, Yarmouk University, Jordan.
2001-2007	Assistant Professor, Yarmouk University, Jordan.
2014-2015:	Part-Time lecturer at the Middlesex University – Dubai
2013-2016:	Part-Time lecturer at the Saint Joseph University – Dubai
2001-2003:	Part-Time lecturer at the New York Institute of Technology
1999-2000:	Part-Time lecturer at the Bristol University (UK)

Educational Grants Received:

- **Royal grant covered the bachelor degree tuition fees.**
- **Karim Rida Said Foundation Grant for distinguished Arab students studying in the United Kingdom.**

External Reviewer and Accreditation

- **Member of the accreditation committee for reviewing and accrediting the UAE University law programs. The committee was formed by the UAE Commission for Academic Accreditation.**
- **Member of the accreditation committee for reviewing and accrediting the Jordan University law programs. The committee was formed by the Jordanian Commission for Accreditation and Quality Assurance.**
- **External reviewer/examiner of law program at the Al Ghurair University (UAE).**
- **External reviewer of a law master program at Qatar University. The review was conducted for the purpose of launching the program.**
- **External reviewer of the law program at Al Buraimi University (Oman). The review was conducted, upon a request from the ministry of higher education in Oman, for the purpose of launching the program.**
- **External reviewer of academic promotion applications.**
- **Peer reviewer at many law journals.**

Membership in Academic and Professional Societies

- **Board member of the International Construction Law Association.**
- **Listed Arbitrator at the Dubai International Arbitration Centre**
- **Lawyer (admitted to the Jordanian Bar).**
- **A private mediator, licensed by the Jordanian Ministry of Justice http://jc.jo/mediation/private_mediators .**
- **Member of the International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction.**

- **Member of the W113 Law and Dispute Resolution at the International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction.**
- **Member of the Chartered Institute of Builders.**
- **Member of the Society of Construction Law (Gulf).**
- **Member of the Jordanian Bar Association.**
- **Member of the Jordanian Intellectual Property Organization 2002-2004.**

Teaching Experience:

- **The British University in Dubai:** the PG courses of Arbitration and Dispute Resolution; Construction Law 1 & 2.
- **Bristol University:** Contract Law.
- **Saint Joseph University (Dubai Branch):** Contract law; Property Law under Common Law and legal obligations.
- **Yarmouk University (Jordan):**
 - **LLB:** Sources of Obligations (Contract law, tort law & Unjust Enrichment); Evidence Law; Procedural Law; Property law; Principles of Commercial Law; Commercial Papers and Banking Transactions; Labour Law; English Terminology, Introduction to Law; Private International Law; nominate contracts; Insurance Contract; Execution Law.
 - **LLM:** Advanced Civil Law; International Commercial Contracts (In English).
 - **MA of Health Care Management (A Joint Program with the Royal College of Dublin):** Ethical and Legal Aspects of Health Care Management (In English).
- **New York Institute of Technology (NYIT):** Business Law I & Business Law II.

Research

Research Interests:

Contract Law; Construction Law; Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolutions (ADR); Procedural and Evidence Law; Professional Liability; Labour Law; Information Technology Law and IP law; Medical Law.

Editorial Boards Memberships

2020-Now	Member of the Editorial Board of Al Dar Research Journal
2021-Now	Journal of International Legal Studies, South Valley University, scientific committee, 2021-now.
2016-2018	Member of the Editorial Board of the Jordanian Journal for Law and Political Sciences.
2016-2018	Member of the Editorial Board of the International Journal for Legal Studies (at Jarash University – Jordan)

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| 2016 – Now | Member of the scientific Committee of the Legal Research & Studies Journal at Mohammed Boudiaf University in Al Masilah, Algeria. ISSN 2437-1084. |
| 2012-2015 | Member of the Editorial Board of the International Journal of Humanities and Management Sciences (IJHMS). |

I have also peer reviewed many articles for many regional and international law journals.

Publications (Refereed Journal Articles):

- 1. Masadeh, A. (2021) co-author of a book on International Construction, (In process).**
- 2. Masadeh, A. (2018) co-author of a book chapter, *International Construction Law Contracts*, Wiley.**
- 3. Masadeh, A. & Farag, R. (2018) “Understanding Foreseeability in Construction Contracts”, *The Legal Research & Studies Journal* at Mohammed Boudiaf University, Algeria, ISSN 2437-1084.**
- 4. Masadeh, A. (2014) “Vicarious Performance and Privity in Construction under the law of United Arab Emirates” *International Construction Law Review (ICLR)*, Volume 31, issue 1, p.108.**
- 5. Masadeh, A. (2014) “Decennial Liability in Construction: Law and practice in the United Arab Emirates”, CIB 2014 Conference, Sri Lanka, 4-8 May 2014. (a refereed published conference). Available online.**
- 6. Masadeh, A. (2013) “The court’s supportive role in Arbitration under the law of United Arab Emirates” *International Journal of Humanities and Management Sciences (IJHMS)* Volume 1, Issue 1, pp.129-131.**
- 7. Masadeh, A. & Khasawneh A. (2011) “Civil Liability of Authentication Authority”, *University of Sharjah Journal of Shari'a & Law Sciences*, Vol 8, Issue 1. (In Arabic)**
- 8. Masadeh, A. & Khasawneh A. (2011) “The Consumer's Right of Withdrawal in Doorstep and Distance Selling Contracts”, *Shariah and Law Journal – UAE University*, Vol.46, p.157. (In Arabic)**
- 9. Masadeh, A. & Alshammari M. (2011) “The Abuse of the Author's Moral Right by the Heirs”, *Shariah and Law Journal – UAE University*, vol.45, p.21. (In Arabic)**
- 10. Masadeh, A. (2010) “The Scope of the Legal Duty to Treat” *Arab Law Quarterly*, vol 24.4, p.361.**
- 11. Masadeh, A. & Mahasneh N. (2010) "The Legal Duty of Disclosure of the Proposed Medical Intervention" (2010) Vol. 37 No.1 *Dirasat Journal - Jordan University*, p184. (In Arabic)**

12. Mahasneh N. & Masadeh, A. (2009) "The Professional Liability of the Legal Advisor - A Jordanian and English law Perspective: A Critical Study", *Shariah and Law Journal – UAE University*, vol.38, p.27.
13. Masadeh, A. & Daradkeh L. (2009) "The time – scale of the applicability of the Jordanian Arbitration Law: An Analytical Study under law provisions, scholars' theories and judicial applications" 25(3) *Abhath Al Yarmouk Journal*, p.453. (In Arabic)
14. Masadeh, A. (2009) "Evaluation of the Sublease Legal Regime: An Analytical Study under Jordanian Law" 25(2) *Abhath Al Yarmouk Journal*, p.259. (In Arabic)
15. Bashayreh M. & Masadeh, A. (2008) "The position of Jordanian Law Towards International Jurisdictional Clauses: A Critical Study in Comparison with The Hague Convention 2005", 24 *Abhath Al Yarmouk Journal*, p.465. (In Arabic)
16. Masadeh, A. & Bashayreh M. (2007) "Contemporary Legal Issues of Contract Formation by Online Orders" *Shariah and Law Journal – UAE University*, Vol. 31, p.19.
17. Masadeh, A. (2007) "Employee's Legal Protection against Unfair Dismissal and Redundancy" Vol. 24 No.2 *Dirasat Journal - Jordan University*. (In Arabic)
18. Masadeh, A. (2005) "Classification of Software Contract", *December, Mountbatten Journal of Legal Studies MJLS (Southampton-UK)*. (In Arabic)
19. Masadeh, A. (2005) Digital Signature and Electronic Certificate: Their Features and Legal Effects, 11 *The Manarah Journal-Al Albayt University*, p.249. (In Arabic)
20. Masadeh, A. (2004) "Mediation as a Dispute Resolution under Jordanian Law", 20 *Abhath Al Yarmouk Journal*, p.1935. (In Arabic)
21. Masadeh, A. (2002) "Remedies for Defective Goods: An Analytical Study under Jordanian Law, English Sale of Goods Act and the EC directive on certain aspects of the sale of consumer goods and associated guarantees", *Al Rafidain Journal*, p.37. (In Arabic)

Academic Supervision and Viva Committees

- Supervisor of postgraduate students at the British University in Dubai and at Yarmouk University in the fields of construction law, contract law, arbitration and mediation.
- Supervisor of postgraduate students at the Jordanian Judicial Institute.
- Member of LLM and PhD viva committees at several Jordanian universities.

Samples of MSc dissertations I have recently supervised:

- The Recoverability of Damages for Moral Losses under Jordanian and Omani Laws.

- **Warranty of Quality under Jordanian Law.**
- **The Principle of Good Faith Principle under Jordanian and Algerian Laws.**
- **The Privity Principle and the contractual liability for third party's acts.**
- **Contractor's Entitlement to Extension of Time in the United Arab Emirates**
- **The Applications Of The Variation Clauses Of The FIDIC Red Book 1987 And 1999: Analytical And Empirical Study Under the UAE Law**
- **Limitation of Liabilities – Analysing a balanced approach to Limiting Liabilities in Construction Contracts**
- **The Effect of Article 390(2) of the UAE Civil Code on the Liquidated Damages Claims in the UAE Construction Industry.**
- **The Impact of ‘back to back’ payment clause on the Cash flow of subcontractor in the UAE.**
- **Are U.A.E. seated Arbitral Tribunals vested with adequate powers to grant Provisional Measures within the context of arbitration?**
- **Enforcement of Foreign Arbitration Awards**
- **Entitlement to Extension of Time in Cases of Concurrent Delays under the UAE Law**
- **Designer’s Duties: Pre-commencement of Construction under the Traditional Procurement Method in UAE-Dubai.**
- **Delocalized Arbitration myth or reality? Analyzing the interplay of the delocalization theory in different legal systems.**
- **It’s not you. It’s me! Terminating Contractors for Convenience in the UAE**
- **Why do UAE Courts annul Final Arbitral Awards which are issued in the UAE?**
- **Key clauses in the Dubai Municipality General Conditions of Contract: Are they compatible with Islamic Law?'**

Professional Experience

- **Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb).**
- **Listed Arbitrator at**
 - **Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC).**
 - **London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA).**
 - **Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC).**
 - **Saudi Center for Commercial Arbitration (SCCA)**
- **Board member of the International Construction Law Association (ICLA).**
- **Arbitration experience: I have experienced almost all roles in arbitration. For example:**
 - **Chairman of Arbitral Tribunal, DIAC Case 89/2018.**
 - **Sole arbitrator, DIAC Case 12/2019 & *ad hoc* arbitration cases.**
 - **Co-arbitrator, DIAC Cases 161/2019 & 169/2019.**

- Legal expert witness, ICC Case No. 23528/AYZ & ICC Case no. 19988 / MCP).
- Counsel, DIAC Cases 111/2018, 112/2018 & 135/2020.
- Co-counsel, ICC Case no. 22415/ZF/AYZ
- Private mediator, licensed by the Jordanian Ministry of Justice
- Lawyer (admitted to the Jordanian Bar in 2004)
- Counsel under several arbitration rules such as the Dubai International Arbitration Centre Rules and the arbitration rules of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association LMAA.
- Legal expert witness at significant arbitration cases.
- Frequent trainer: I have conducted many arbitration professional training courses, some of them are considerably long. A full list can be found below.
- Licensed trainer at the training centre of the Dubai Legal Affairs Department. I train lawyers on arbitration, construction law, ethics, legal frameworks and civil law. So far, I delivered more than 300 hours there.
- Frequent speaker at international legal conferences, workshops, public lectures, etc.

Training Programs Conducted

- 2015-2016** Training course on Ethics, Civil Law & UAE Legal Framework, which are designed for legal practitioners, registered at the Dubai Legal Affairs Department of Dubai.
- 2015** A professional development course (80 hrs) for project managers of the ministry of public works (UAE) in the field of construction law & dispute resolutions.
- 8-12 June 2014** Training course on legal writing, organized for public sector employees at the Sultanate of Oman.
- 13 May 2014** Thomson Reuter training course on the laws of the Dubai International Financial Centre DIFC.
- 6-10/11/2011** Training course on Advanced Contract Drafting (mainly construction and BOT contracts), organized for the Ministry of Housing employees at the Sultanate of Oman.
- 17-21/3/2007** Training course on Contract Drafting (mainly construction and BOT contracts), organized for the Ministry of Housing employees at the Sultanate of Oman.
- 2009-2011** Training course for Junior Academics at Yarmouk University.

Training Programs Attended

- Jan. 2007** 40 Hour Basic Mediation Training (Amman)
- March 2008** An advanced training program for the use of Black Board.
- Feb. 2008** Training program for the use of Black Board.
- 1999 – 2000** Program of Teaching and Learning for Postgraduates who Teach at Bristol University (UK). (One Year Programme).
This programme included: Passive and active learning, Learning styles for adult learners, Planning and resourcing teaching, Teaching large and small groups of students, Developing transferable skills, Assessment, evaluation and feedback, and Mentoring, peer observation and professional development.

Sept. 2003

Training programme for enhancing the teaching skills of the teaching staff at Yarmouk University. This programme included: Course syllabus, Demonstration Techniques, Assessments and Students' evaluation of the course's contents and the teacher.

Academic Committees

Over the last 14 years in academia, I have been involved in many academic committees. Below is a list of the main ones:

- *Academic Committees at the British University in Dubai*
 - Member of the Research Ethics Committee
 - Senior Management Council
 - Member of the University Senate
 - Member of the Academic Board
 - Member of the Promotion Committee
 - Member of the program reviewing committee
 - Member of the learning and teaching committee
 - Member of the research ethics committee
 - Member of the student recruitment and marketing forum
 - Member of the Unfair Means Committee

- *Academic Committees at Yarmouk University (Jordan)*
 - Member of the Dean's Council (2008-2010); 2016-2018
 - Head of the Law Faculty's council (2008-2010); 2016-2018.
 - Member of the Higher University Council (2008-2010); 2016-2018.
 - Member of the academic disciplinary appeal committee (2016-2018).
 - Head of students disciplinary appeal committee (2016-2018).
 - Head and member of many promotion committees in the deans' council (2008-2010).
 - Member of the Higher Legal Committee at the University level 2008-2010; 2016-2018.
 - Member of the management board of the Refugees & Displaced Persons & Migration Center, 2008-2010; 2016-2018.
 - Member of the founding committee of the Jordanian Woman Studies Centre (2010)
 - Member of the management board of the Academic Entrepreneurship Center of Excellence, 2009-2010.
 - Member of the Higher Committee of Strategic Planning, 2007-2008.
 - Member of the Higher Committee of Quality Assurance, 2007.
 - Coordinator of the American Bar Association's Tamayyaz Program at Yarmouk University, 2005-2007.
 - Member of the Higher Committee for Strategic Planning, Yarmouk University, 2006-2007.
 - The coordinator of the Law Program organized by the Hussein Fund for Excellence (HFE) in cooperation with the UK Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) 2006. (The Faculty scored 23/24 in the 2006 QAA evaluation).
 - Member of the Law Faculty Council, Representative of Private Law Department, 2005/2006, 2003/2004.

- **Member of Higher Committee of Appeal of penalties in cases of administrative and Technician Staff 2004/2005.**
- **Head of the Exit Exam (Kafa') Committee of the Law Faculty, 2006-2007.** (Depending on the exam results in the academic year 2006/2007, the Higher Education Ministry ranked the Faculty the first among the law faculties in Jordan.)
- **Yarmouk Law Faculty Committees:**
 - **Head of the quality assurance committee 2010-2011.**
 - **Head of the higher education committee 2008-2010.**
 - **Head of the Faculty consultation committee 2008-2010.**
 - **Head of the orientation and exams committee 2008-2010.**
 - **Head of the library committee of the law faculty, 2008-2010.**
 - **Member of the Law Library Committee, 2003-2005.**
 - **Head of the Law Quality Assurance Committee, 2004-2005, 2009-2010.**
 - **Head of Law Committee for Quality Assurance Strategic Planning, 2007.**
 - **Head of the committee law courses equalizing, 2004-2005.**
 - **Member of the postgraduate studies committee (Private Law Dept.) 2007-2008, 2010-2011.**
 - **Member of the Law Library Committee, 2003-2005; 2010-2011.**
 - **Member of the Advising and Supervising Committee, 2004-2005**
 - **Member of the Law Exams Committee, 2003-2004.**
 - **Member of the students' interrogation committee, Deanship of students' affairs, 2001-2005.**
 - **Member of the students' interrogation committee, Faculty of Law, 2002-2003.**
 - **Member of law faculty consultation committee, 2004-2005.**
 - **Member of the Law Faculty Accreditation Committee, 2004-2005.**
 - **Member of the students union election committee 2001-2005.**
- **External Academic Committees in Jordan**
 - **Member of the research committee of law and political science at the Higher Council for Science and Technology, 2009-2010.**
 - **Head of the consultation committee for contracting with an Internet Service Provider (ISP) set by the council of directors of the Jordanian universities net on 23-4-2009.**
 - **Member of the Higher Education Council at the Private Jarash University 2008-2009.**
 - **Member of the higher committee for the improvement of the information technology law courses set by the Jordanian Higher Education Council. (2009)**

Professional and Scientific Meetings

Conferences Planning / Steering Committees

- Member of the consultancy committee of the “Constitutional rights and freedoms in light of technological development” conference that was held online at the Abbas Laghrour University of Khenchela, Algeria 20-21 October 2021.
- Head of the planning committee, the conference of “Law in a Changing World”, Yarmouk University 25-26 April 2018.
- Member of the steering committee, head of session & a speaker at the second International Construction Law Association which was held at the British University in Dubai, UAE on 26 January 2017.
- Sustainable Building 13 (SB13), an international conference held at the British University in Dubai, December 2013.
- "Professional Liability", a conference held at Yarmouk University, 13-15/4/2010.
- “The Enhancement of Legal Education II”, a conference held by the American Bar Association and the Accreditation Council, Amman, 24-25/3/2007.
- “The Enhancement of Legal Education I”, a conference held by the American Bar Association and the Accreditation Council, Amman, 14-15/9/2005.
- "Environmental Legislation in the Arab Countries: Methods of Implementation and Developments” A conference held at Yarmouk University, Irbid, 18-19 July 2006.

Conferences, Workshops & Symposia

- 2021, an honorary guest at the “Constitutional rights and freedoms in light of technological development” conference that was held online at the Abbas Laghrour University of Khenchela, Algeria 20-21 October 2021.
- Aug 2020, chairing a session at the International Research Conference at the American University in Emirates.
- 25 April 2018: Speaker at the conference of “Law in a Changing World”, Yarmouk University.
- Jan 2017: speaking at the second International Construction Law Association which was held at the British University in Dubai, UAE on 26 January 2017.
- Dec 2016: chairing a symposium on criminal justice under the Jordanian Juvenile Criminal Justice, held at Yarmouk University.
- Nov 2015: “Arbitrate or Litigate? Possibly Mediate” workshop, held at the British University in Dubai in association with the British Irish Commercial Bar Association.
- Nov 2014: “Fundamentals of UAE Construction Law”, UAE FIDIC conference which was held in UAE 24-25 Nov 2014.
- May 2014: “Defects liability under UAE law”, CIB 2014 Conference, Sri Lanka, 4-8 May 2014.

- **Dec 2013: Sustainable Building 13 (SB13), an international conference held at the British University in Dubai.**
- **March 2013: A conference on “The Role of Law Schools and Human Rights.” The 2013 IALS Annual Meeting which was held from March 6 – March 9, 2013 at the Infosys Global Education Centre in Mysore, India.**
- **December 2012: International Conference on Law and Social Sciences, organized by International Scientific Academy of Engineering and Technology at Kuala Lumpur.**
- **May 2012: Qatar Law Forum**
- **April 2012: Governance and anticorruption conference, Jarash University, Jordan.**
- **November 2011: Intellectual Property Conference, Ajman University, Ajman.**
- **20-22/5/2010: The Conference of the "International Association of Law Schools IALS" held at the University of Milan - Italy.**
- **2-3/5/2010: "The Eighth Conference of the Arab Law Schools Association", held at Sirt University - Libya.**
- **24-27/3/2010: Judge of the "Monroe E. Price International Media Law Moot Court Competition" held in Oxford University, UK.**
- **26-27/2/2010: "Legal Framework for Jordan's Audio-Visual Sector" A workshop organized by IREX.**
- **15-18/3/2010: "Teaching and Education" A conference held at the University of Malta.**
- **30/12/2009: A lecture about the students' discipline procedures at Yarmouk University.**
- **29-31/5/2009: "Qatar Law Forum" a conference organized by the permanent committee for organizing conferences in the State of Qatar.**
- **6-7/5/2009: "Human Organs Transplantation", a conference organized by Jarash University.**
- **5/5/2009: A paper delivered in the symposium of "Medical Liability" organized by the Faculty of Law at Yarmouk University.**
- **7/4/2009: "Promoting the rule of law and the right in litigation", a conference organized by the Faculty of Law at Yarmouk University and the Hayat Centre.**
- **28/3-4/4/2009: A study visit to a number of prominent British universities for the purpose of becoming familiar with the teaching techniques in the field of media law.**
- **21/1-7/2/2009: A study tour to a number of prominent American universities for the purpose of becoming familiar with the teaching techniques of ethics.**
- **18-19/11/2008: A paper delivered in the "International Seminar on Comparative law" held at the Islamic Science University of Malaysia.**

- **4-5/11/2008: "Judicial Procedures", A conference organized by the Faculty of Law at Yarmouk University in cooperation with the Ministry of Justice.**
- **19/12/2008: "Landlord and Tenant Law", a symposium organized by the Faculty of Law at Yarmouk University.**
- **April 2008: "Human trafficking" a conference organized in cooperation with Qatar University in Qatar.**
- **30-11-2006: "A lecture on the Methods of Teaching Legal Practical Skills" held by the Legal Network of the Arab Women at the American University in Cairo.**
- **3-19-9-2006: "A tour for Jordanian Academics to a number of well-known universities in the USA", which was sponsored by the USAID and organized by the American Bar Association (ABA).**
- **18-19/7/2006: "Promoting Excellence in Higher Education Programs", A Workshop held by the Hussein Fund for Excellence, Jordan.**
- **June 2006: "Legal Ethics Workshop", held by the American Bar Association (ABA), Jordan.**
- **17-19/3/2006: "Workshop on Practical Legal Skills" held by the American Bar Association (ABA), Jordan.**
- **16-18/12/2005: "Workshop on Interactive Teaching Techniques" held by the American Bar Association (ABA), Jordan.**
- **14-15/9/2005: "The Enhancement of Legal Education", a conference held by the American Bar Association and the Accreditation Council, Jordan.**
- **24-28/4/2005: A paper delivered in "The Judicial Press Workshop", held by the Higher Council for Press, Jordan.**
- **8-9/3/2005: A paper delivered in the conference of "The Role of Private Sector in Development", held by the University of Kuwait, Kuwait.**
- **December 2004: A paper delivered in the symposium of "Mediation as an Alternative Dispute Resolution", held at Yarmouk University, Jordan.**
- **November 2004: "Workshop on producing the self-evaluation document (SED) and the program specifications for a law program", held by the Hussein Fund for Excellence, Jordan.**
- **July 2004: A paper delivered in the conference of "Law and Computer", held at the University of Yarmouk, Jordan.**

Achievements of the Faculty of Law at Yarmouk University during the period of my deanship

The main duty of the dean is to achieve a high quality education and academic progress in his faculty. To be able to do so, I chaired the most important committees, such as quality assurance and accreditation committee, curriculum and exams committee, higher education committee, etc. I also monitored the academic performance of the faculty members in terms of teaching and research. This required a regular evaluation of their teaching skills and publications. As for new faculty members, special training courses were arranged for them. Hiring new competent academic staff and applying the most suitable quality assurance process made it easy for me to guide the Faculty towards meeting the international accreditation standards.

In the process of improving the quality of teaching, a special attention was made to practical courses, such as judicial applications and legal research methodology. An internship program was established to allow students to receive legal training before graduation.

At for the postgraduate level, we applied the modern international trend in the legal postgraduate studies which focuses on specialized branches of law. The master of commercial law, taught in the Faculty 2001 proved to be one of the leading programs in Jordan. Some of its courses are taught in English. It started with the track of taught courses and comprehensive exam but we have added the dissertation track. Furthermore, the admission requirements for this program were reviewed to guarantee quality inputs.

Two new master programs were established, i.e administrative and civil laws. These programs meet the international standards of the legal postgraduate studies and they were approved by the Jordanian Higher Education Council.

In addition to the curriculum, the Faculty was active in local and regional civil service. In 2008-2009, an international conference on judicial procedures was held in my Faculty; in 2009-2010 another international conference on professional liability was held. Also a symposium on landlord and tenant law and another one on medical liability were held in my Faculty. Apart from these public activities, I encouraged my colleagues to invite expert practitioners to lecture on practical matters that may interest our students.

The Faculty enjoyed excellent relations with the International Association of Law Schools (IALS), American Association of Law Schools and IREX organization. With the help of IREX, we developed a media law course based on the media course taught at Pennsylvania University.

All achievements in the Faculty were made under a quality assurance strategic plan that the Faculty prepared and was approved by Yarmouk University. In drafting the strategic plan, I certainly benefited from the ABA accreditation standards. The SWOT analysis was applied in order to recognize the opportunities of development and to overcome the obstacles that we may face. The Plan focused on a number of subjects (1. teaching, learning and assessment 2. students support services 3. Research 4. Community Services 5. Management).

Achievements of the Law Master Program at the British University in Dubai during my term

The program of MSc Construction Law and Dispute Resolution improved in terms of quality and students recruitment over the last 3 years. Starting from Sep 2011, when I joined the British University in Dubai, I managed to update all modules descriptors, restructure the curriculum and secure both academic and professional accreditation.

In addition the CAA academic accreditation in UAE, the program is recognized by Naric – UK and professionally accredited by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. It has also excellent industrial links, such as the Society of Construction Law (Gulf).

Now, the program has two tracks, i.e. the dissertation and project tracks. All modules include assessed assignments. New practical modules, such as the Arbitration Award Writing, were added.

International seminars and public talks were organized by the program team.