

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 1) PhD, Rehabilitation Sciences, 2011, University of Pittsburgh, PA, USA.
- 2) MSc, Neurological Physical Therapy, 2008, University of Pittsburgh, PA, USA.
- 3) BSc, Physical Therapy, 2005, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.

Academic Experiences

A) Academic Appointments

1. **Full Professor**, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan (3/2019).
2. **Associate Professor**, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan (2015-2019).
3. **Assistant Professor**, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan (2011-2015).
4. **Research assistant**, department of otolaryngology, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA, USA (2008-2011).
5. **Teaching assistant**, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan (2006-2007).
6. **Peer Reviewer**, Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy, USA (2010-present).

B) Administrative Appointments at University of Jordan

1. **Vice Dean for the School of Rehabilitation Sciences**, (2018-present).
2. **Assistant dean for development and quality assurance**, Deanship of Academic Research and Quality Assurance, (2016-2018).
3. **Head of students' support department**, Deanship of Students Affairs, (2015-2016).
4. **Head of physiotherapy department**, (2011-2012).

C) Physical Therapy Administrative Appointments

1. **General Secretary** at the Jordanian Athletic Therapy Association, Amman, Jordan (2020-present).
2. **Board member** at the Jordanian Sports Medicine Federation, Amman, Jordan (2017-2020).
4. **President** of the Jordanian Physiotherapy Society, Amman, Jordan (2017-2020).
5. **Head of Media Committee**, Jordanian Physiotherapy Society, Amman, Jordan (2016-2017).
6. **Head of Scientific Committee**, Jordanian Physiotherapy Society, Amman, Jordan (2011-2012).

Membership

- The World Confederation for Physical Therapy (WCPT) Congress Programme Committee (CPC), 2017-2019.
- The Bárány Society (2017-Present).
- The International Parkinson and Movement Disorder Society (MDS), Europe (2016).
- Association of Physiotherapists in Parkinson's Disease Europe (APPDE), Europe (2016).
- The Jordanian Physiotherapy Society, Amman, Jordan (2011-Present).

Dr. Alghwiri has been working in several projects in collaboration with the **World Health Organization, Humanity and Inclusion**, as well as the **Red Cross**.

Publications

Dr. Alghwiri has published around 40 publications in the areas of vestibular disorders, multiple sclerosis, concussion, sleep, stroke, diabetes mellitus, International Classification of Functioning Disability and Health (ICF), back pain, plantar fasciitis, and she contributed as an author in writing "balance and fall" chapter in the third and fourth editions of the "geriatric physical therapy" book and in writing "An Overview of Vestibular Rehabilitation" in the third series of "Handbook of Clinical Neurology" book.

Dr. Alghwiri collaborated with several authors in her publications from all over the world including **the United States, Germany, Italy, Ireland, Australia, South Africa, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and Jordan.**

Clinical Training

- Practicing Neurological and vestibular rehabilitation (2011-Present).
- Traumatic Brain Injury clinic, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA, USA (2007).
- The Jordan Center of Balance and Hearing Disorder, Pittsburgh, PA, USA (2007).
- Jordan University Hospital, Amman, Jordan (2006).

Community Service

- **"Qusai"**: A royal initiative that was launched by the crown prince Husain to improve the readiness of sports' therapists in Jordan, (2014-Present). ()
- **"Living Healthy"** Radio program: A health promotion program to enhance the awareness of the role of physiotherapy in managing many health conditions. University of Jordan radio station (JU FM 94.9), (2015/2016).
- **"Reject Extremism"**: An initiative to spread awareness against extremism and terrorism in collaboration with Jordanian Peace Community Center, (March 1st, 2016).
- **"Light of Hope"**: An initiative to gather volunteers to help in providing blind students with the academic courses recorded or typed, (February 11, 2016).
- **"Kursi wa Kitab"**: An initiative to spread *conductive education* (a neurological approach to treat people with cerebral palsy, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, and stroke) in Jordan with collaboration with Peto institute-Austria, (July, 2015).
- **"How to avoid back pain"**: Awareness lectures to schoolteachers clarifying wrong postures and activities that cause back pain and the correct ones, (May, 2014).
- **"Your mother in your mind"**: An activity to honor mothers with disability or mothers who raised children with disability, (April, 2014).
- **"From Amman we begin"**: An initiative that aims to raise the public awareness of disability and the rights of people with disability and to improve the environmental accessibility for them, (January, 2014).
- **"How to avoid diabetes"**: An initiative that aims to raise awareness on how to avoid getting diabetes mellitus in 6 Jordanian cities (Amman, Salt, Madaba, Ajloun, Jerash and Aqaba) (March-May, 2013).

Awards

"World Confederation for Physical Therapy Outstanding Platform Presentation Award by an Early Career Researcher". Geneva, 2019. [www.wcpt.org/wcpt2019/programme/awards]

References

Reference	Phone	E-Mail
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