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## EDUCATION

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- Ph.D. in Islamic Studies, McGill University, July 2024.
  - **GPA: 4/4**
  - Supervisor: Prof. Rula Jurdi Abisaab.
  - Thesis title: “From ‘Alidism to Spiritual Shi‘ism: The Kubrawiyya Sufi Order’s Creedal Evolution in Late Medieval Persia.”
- M.A. in Comparative Religions and Mysticism, University of Tehran, 2017.
  - Supervisor: Prof. Mojtaba Zuvani.
  - Thesis title: “The Kubrawiyya Order’s Characteristic Mystical Teachings in the 13th and 14th Centuries A.D.”
- B.S. in Pure Mathematics, Shahid Beheshti University, 2015.

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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- “Mīr Sayyid ‘Alī Hamadānī’s Treatise on Dreams: An Introduction and a Critical Edition,” Cairo: *Miscellanies Mélanges de l’Institut dominicain d’études orientales (MIDÉO)* 39, 2024.
- “Najm al-Dīn Rāzī’s Spiritual Anthropology: Human as the Microcosm of the Visible and Macrocosm of the Invisible,” (forthcoming), 2024.
- “Taṣḥīḥ wa taḥqīq-i *Risāla-yi dhikr-i khaṭī* athar-i Shaykh ‘Alā’ al-Dawla-yi Simnānī (Shaykh ‘Alā’ al-Dawla Simnānī’s Treatise on Silent *Dhikr*: A Study and Critical Edition),” Tehran: *Āyīna-yi Mīrāth* 67, 2021.
- “*Risāla-yi Wāridāt-i Amīriyya* of Mīr Sayyid ‘Alī Hamadānī”, in *A Collection of Persian Treatises*, Tehran: Intishārāt-i pajūhishgāh-i ulūm-i insānī va mutālīāt-i farhangī, 2019.

- “*Risāla-yi Nūriyya: Mu‘arrifī-yi du nuskha-yi khattī-yi jadīd wa baḥṭh dar bāb-i intisāb-i ān (Risāla-yi Nūriyya: Two Newly Discovered Manuscripts and a Study about its Ascription)*,” Islam Abad: *Dānish* 126, 2017.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

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- Teaching Assistant, ISLA 210: Muslims Societies, McGill University, 2023.
  - Course Instructor: Dr. Setrag Manoukian.
- Teaching Assistant, ISLA 200: Islamic Civilization, McGill University, 2022.
  - Course Instructor: Dr. Sara Abdel-Latif.
- Teaching Assistant, ISLA 221: Introductory Arabic, McGill University, 2020-2022.
  - Course Instructor: Shokry Gohar.
- Teaching Assistant, ISLA 541: Introductory Persian, McGill University, 2020-2021.
  - Course Instructor: Dr. Pouneh Shabani-Jadidi.
- Teaching Assistant, ISLA 542: Intermediate Persian, McGill University, 2019-2020.
  - Course Instructor: Dr. Pouneh Shabani-Jadidi.
- Teaching Assistant, ISLA 322: Intermediate Arabic, McGill University, 2019.
  - Course Instructor: Shokry Gohar.

## **ATTENDED TRAINING COURSES**

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- Arabic Codicology, Royal Library of the Monastery of San Lorenzo de El Escorial, (San Lorenzo El Escorial, Spain), 2022. Instructors: Professor François Déroche, Professor Nuria de Castilla.
- Principles of Critical Edition of Islamic Manuscripts, Scientific Association of the Islamic Mysticism of Iran, (Tehran, Iran), 2017. Instructor: Dr. Najafqoli Habibi.
- Basics and Principles of Islamic Codicology, Association of Islamic Treasures (Majma‘ al-Dhakhā’ir al-Islāmiyya), (Qom, Iran), 2017. Instructor: Dr. Mohammad Karimi Zanjani Asl.
- Introduction to Islamic Codicology with an Emphasis on Historical Manuscripts, Institute for Humanities and Cultural Studies, (Tehran, Iran), 2016. Instructor: Dr. Elham Malekzadeh.
- Arabic Grammar and Arabic-Persian Translation, Jihad Daneshgahi Training Center of the University of Tehran, (Tehran, Iran), 2014. Instructors: Dr. Rasoul Dehqan Zad, Dr. Mahdi Naseri.

## RESEARCH VISITS

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- University of Glasgow, Department of Theology and Religious Studies, (Glasgow, UK), 2023.
  - Supervisor: Dr. Lloyd Ridgeon.
  - Duration: 3 Months.
- British Library & Cambridge University Library, Middle Eastern and Central Asian Collections, (London & Cambridge, UK), 2023.
  - Duration: 1 Month.
- Suleymaniye Library, Islamic Manuscripts Treasury, (Istanbul, Turkey), 2022.
  - Duration: 1 Month.

## GRANTS & AWARDS

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- AIS Conference Travel Grant, 2024. Conferrer: Association for Iranian Studies.
- Mitacs Globalink Research Grant, 2023. Conferrer: Government of Canada & UKRI.
- McGill-Glasgow Award, 2022. Conferrer: Faculty of Arts, McGill University.
- Professional Development Award, 2023. Conferrer: Institute of Islamic Studies, McGill University.
- Schull Yang Graduate International Experience Award, 2022. Conferrer: Faculty of Arts, McGill University.
- Accommodation Scholarship for Arabic Codicology Course, 2022. Conferrer: École Pratique des Hautes Études (ÉPHÉ).
- Al Thani Fellowship in Islamic Studies, 2021. Conferrer: Institute of Islamic Studies, McGill University.
- Graduate Mobility Award (GMA), 2021. Conferrer: Faculty of Arts, McGill University.
- Graduate Excellence Award, 2020. Conferrer: Institute of Islamic Studies, McGill University.
- DFW Award for International Students, 2019. Conferrer: Faculty of Arts, McGill University.
- Margaret E. Anderson Fellowship, 2019. Conferrer: Institute of Islamic Studies, McGill University.

## PRESENTED ARTICLES

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- “Was Muḥammad Taqī Majlisī a Sufi?,” at the Middle East Studies Association (MESA) 2023 Annual Meeting.
  - Panel Title: Textual Innovation and Transgression from Iberia to Iran.
  - Montreal, Canada; November 2023.
- “Jalāl al-Dīn Dawānī’s *Nūr al-hidāya*: New Insights into its Ascription,” at the MISSC 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium.
  - Panel Title: Intellectual Debates.
  - Montreal, Canada; April 2023.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Late Medieval and Premodern Persian Sufism, Sufi-Shī‘ī Interrelations, Twelver Shī‘ism in Iran, Islamic Manuscript Tradition, Intellectual History of Medieval Iran.

## LANGUAGES

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- English: Advanced.
- Persian: Native.
- Classical Arabic: Advanced in Reading.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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- Middle East Studies Association (MESA)
- Association for Iranian Studies.
- Association for the Study of Persianate Societies.
- Scientific Association of the Islamic Mysticism of Iran.
- The Muhyiddin Ibn ‘Arabi Society.

## HONORS

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- Completed Doctoral Coursework with the GPA of 4/4.
- Ranked **1st** among the Participants of the Iranian Nationwide University Entrance Exam for Higher Education in Religious Studies (Also Known as the Nationwide Master’s Concours), 2015.