

## Curriculum Vitæ

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### University Education:

- 1994 Ph.D. University of Arizona. Asian History, European History
- 1983 M.A. University of Arizona. Oriental Studies
- 1976 A.B. University of California at Santa Cruz. Religious Studies

### Teaching Experience:

2001-present—Associate Professor. World Civilization, History of the Middle East, Comparative Revolutions, Renaissance and Reformation, Eastern Religions. European History. Jackson State University.

1998-2001--Visiting Assistant Professor: World Civilization, Women in World Religions, History and Religion of India, Renaissance and Reformation, The Enlightenment, Senior Research, . Stetson University.

1995-1998—Assistant Professor: History of Islam, History of the Modern Middle East, World Civilization, World Religions, Women and Religion, History and Religion of India, Berry College, Rome, Georgia.

1992-1995—Visiting Assistant Professor: History of Islam, History of India, World Civilization. Murray State University, Murray, Kentucky.

1992 Visiting Instructor in Religion: Introduction to Islam, Islam and Politics. Franklin and Marshall College.

1990-1991—Visiting Instructor: History of the Islamic Near East, British India, Religious Movements in Iran and India, Western Civilization. University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee.

## **Publications:**

“Ancient India”, *Early World History: An Interactive Text*, National Social Science Press, 2010

“Accusations Against the Baha’is within the Context of Islamic Heresiography” Center for the Study of New Religions 2009

“Baha’i Women” in *Encyclopedia of Women in Islamic Cultures*, vol. 2, Brill Press, 2004

*About Philosophy: A Multi-Cultural Approach*, Wolf, Davis, Maneck and Crump. Pearson, 2004.

“Tahirih: A Religious Paradigm of Womanhood” in *Tahirih in History*, ed. S. Afaqi, Kalimat Press, 2004.

Editor: *Study Guide, Workbook, Reader: The Earth and It’s People*, (Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2003.)

“Women within the Baha’i Community” in *Women and Religion in India*. Oxford University Press, 2002 .

*The Death of Ahriman: Culture, Identity and Theological Change Among the Parsis of India* (Bombay: K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 1997)

“The Presbyterians and the Parsis” in *Fides et Historia*. Vol XXI, No. 2 June, 1989, pp. 51-60.

“Early Zoroastrian Conversions to the Baha’i Faith in Yazd, Iran” in Juan Cole ed. *From Iran East and West* (Los Angeles: Kalimat Press 1984) pp. 67-93.

“A Question of Gender: Women in the *Kitab-I Aqdas*” *Dialogue* Vol. 2, No. 1. Fall, 1987, pp. 17-18.

“The Conversion of Religious Minorities to the Baha’i Faith in Iran: some Preliminary Observations” in *The Journal of Baha’i Studies*, Vol. 3, No. 3, 1991, pp. 39-54.

“Tahirih: een religieus voorbeeld voor de vrouw” in *Uit Baha’i Vizier* July-November, 1993

“Women and the Baha’i Faith” in *Women and Religion*. SUNY Press, 1994, pp. 211-27.

“Imaani-Zardoshtiaan Beh Diyaanat-I Baha’i” in *Pazhuheshname*, Vol. 1, No. 1. Summer 1996, pp. 126-51

“Wisdom and Dissimulation” in *Baha’i Studies Reveiw*, Vol. 6, 1996, pp. 11-23.

**Book Reviews:**

*The Law of Love Enshrined: Selected Essays* (John Hatcher and William Hatcher) Baha'i Studies Review Volume 7 (1997).

*Revisioning the Sacred: New Perspectives on a Baha'i Theology* (ed. J. A. McLean) Journal of Baha'i Studies, 9.2.1999.

**Fellowships:**

American Academy of Religion Research Grant 1988-89.

Turville Fellowship 1988-89.

Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship, 1983-84; 1984-85.

American Institute of Indian Studies Fellowship, 1985-86.

American Institute of Iranian Studies Fellowship, 1985-86.

**Awards:**

University Award of the Association for Baha'i Studies, 1983.

Graduate Student Award of the Western Regional American Academy of Religion, 1984.

Graduate Student Award of the Western Regional American Academy of Religion, 1985.

History Colloquium Award, Zeta Omega Chapter of the Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, 1985.

**Conference Papers:**

“Dempsey Morgan: Tuskegee Airman, Bahá'í Pioneer” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Baltimore, Nov. 23-25, 2013

“A Nineteenth Century Zoroastrian-Bahá'í Dialogue: Manakji Limji Hatavia and Bahá'u'lláh” The Third International Conference on Modern Religions and Religious Movements in Judaism Christianity and Islam and the Bábí-Bahá'í Faiths, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, March 22-24, 2011.

“Accusations Against the Baha’is within the Context of Islamic Heresiography” 2009 CESNUR Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, June 11-13, 2009

“For the Betterment of the World: The concept of an Ever-Advancing Civilization” Plenary Speaker, International Association of Baha’i Studies, Calgary, Canada, 2004.

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“Religion and State: A comparative analysis of Islamic and Baha’i concepts” American Academy of Religion, 2003.

“The Search for the Historical Prophets” First International Conference of Modern Religions and Religious Movements in Judaism, Christianity, Islam and the Babi-Baha’i Faiths. Hebrew University, Jerusalem, 2000.

“The Enlightenment and the Lives of the Prophets” Foundational Issues in Baha’i Studies, Oxford University, 2000

“Justice, Fairness and the Meekness of God” Irfan Colloquium, London School of Economics, 2000.

“Entry by Troops: A cross-cultural analysis of mass conversion” American Academy of Religion, 1998.

“Time and the Containment of Evil in Zoroastrianism” Friends of Persian Culture Conference, 1997.

“The Interaction of Iranian and American Baha’i Women” Women Studies Seminar of the European Association of Baha’i Studies, 1996.

“Wisdom, Unwisdom and Dissimulation: the use and meaning of *hikmat* in the Baha’i Faith” Association of Baha’i Studies, Annual Meeting, 1995.

“Akbar, the Parsis and the Ishraqiyyun” Middle East Studies Association, Annual Meeting, 1993.

“The Impact of Nineteenth Century Christianity on Modern Zoroastrianism” The Conference on Faith and History, 1988.

“Mulla Firuz and the Calendar Dispute: Zoroastrian Identity in the Eighteenth Century” Middle East Studies Association, Annual Meeting, 1988.

“The Conversion of non-Muslim minorities to the Baha’i Faith in Iran” Indian History Congress, Kashmir, India, 1987.

“The Presbyterians and the Parsis”  
Rocky Mountain Regional American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, 1988.

“Early Zoroastrian Conversions to the Baha’i Faith in Yazd”  
American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, 1984.

“Tahirih: A Religious Paradigm of Womanhood”  
Rocky Mountain Regional American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, 1985.

“Religious Minorities in Nineteenth century Iran”  
Middle East Studies Association, Annual Meeting, 1986.

“Women in the Kitab-I Aqdas”  
Baha’i History Conference, Los Angeles, 1987.

### **Professional Development:**

Participated in Communication Across the Curriculum Workshops in the Spring of 1993.

Participated in Multi-Media Workshops in the Summer of 1994.

Participated in Case Study Workshops in the Fall of 1994.

Participated in Summer Seminar for College Teachers sponsored by the National Endowment of the Humanities. Topic: Rethinking Europe/Rethinking World History. Summer 1995.

Participated in Seminar for Speech Across the Curriculum Workshop in Spring of 2000

### **Languages:**

Spanish: Near fluency

Persian: Reading competency

French: Reading competency

Arabic: Two years of study

### **Academic Memberships:**

American Academy of Religion

Middle East Studies Association

Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society—Treasurer, Zeta Omega Chapter, 1987-88

American Historical Association

American Association of University Professors

**Community Service:**

Moderator History of Islam (Islam-L)

Moderator H-Bahai  
Moderator Baha'i Studies

Faculty Advisor to the Model Arab League and the Religion and Philosophy Club

**References:**

Dr. Sholeh Quinn, Associate Professor of History, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, 45701-2979, (740) 593-4349

Dr. Todd Lawson, Associate Professor, Middle East and Islamic Studies, University of Toronto, 416-978-3080

Dr. Mark Foster, Professor of Sociology, Johnson County Community College, 12345 College Boulevard, Overland Park, Kansas 66210-1283, (913) 768-4244.

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