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Personal Information

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Education

2010-2014	University of Sheffield, UK Department of Human Communication Sciences Faculty of Medicine PhD Research Topic: 'Speech production for Saudi children with operated cleft palate'
2007-2008	University of Sheffield, UK Department of Human Communication Sciences Faculty of Medicine Master of Science in Speech and Cleft Palate
2000-2005	King Saud University, Saudi Arabia Applied Medical Sciences College BSc in Speech and Language Pathology and Audiology

Professional Profile

- Two years' work experience gained in health care sectors.
- Clinical experience in the assessment and treatment of children and adults with multiple communicative disorders.
- Visited and worked in different medical centers around UK to participate in assessing and investigating speech disorders associated with cleft palate and VPI using perceptual and instrumental analysis in parallel with other disorders such as DLD , dysphagia, stuttering.
- Designed teaching audios on speech assessment of cleft palate speech.
- Developed a speech assessment protocol for cleft palate and craniofacial anomalies (Saudi Arabic version of GOS.SP.ASS

framework).

- Participated in giving many classes for MSc students on assessment of cleft and VPI related speech issues.
- Holds different skills required in work environment including problem solving, analytical, and communication skills.
- Years of experience in volunteer working in UK and Saudi Arabia.
- Skilled in organising events such as conferences and workshops.
- Contributed in organising many events within the UK.
- Appointed as Sheffield female coordinator of Saudi Students Club.
- Appointed as the head of programs in the Saudi Academics Forum in the UK.
- Granted an Associate Practitioner certificate in the practice of Emotional Freedom Techniques (EFT).
- Received honours and awards for volunteer works in UK.

Professional Experience

February 2016 till present	Chairperson of Educational Affairs and Student Activities Committee for Health Colleges Princess Nora Bint Abdulrahman University (PNU),Riyadh
February 2016 till present	Board member of Research Centre at the College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences Princess Nora Bint Abdulrahman University (PNU),Riyadh
February 2016 till present	Assistant Professor, Paediatric Speech Pathology at College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences Princess Nora Bint Abdulrahman University
April 2015 till present	Vice Dean of Student Affairs at College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences Princess Nora Bint Abdulrahman University (PNU),Riyadh
March- April 2015	Assistant Vice Dean of Student Affairs at College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences Princess Nora Bint Abdulrahman University (PNU),Riyadh
Dec 2013	Lecturer, Paediatric Speech Pathology at College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences

Princess Nora Bint Abdulrahman University
(PNU), Riyadh

- 2009 -2010** SLP in the Prince Sultan Humanitarian City
in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- 2006-2007** Part-time worked as an Audiologist at the
Ideal Medical Centre, Riyadh
- 2005-2006** Internship year at King Fahad National
Guard Hospital, Riyadh
Six months in Audiology clinic
Six months in Speech clinic

Research and innovation activities

- October, 2017** Received the ‘World Innovation Award’
and a Gold Medal in the British
Invention Show (BIS)17.
- June, 2016** Received the “Gold Award” in the Korea
international Women’s invention
Exposition, Korea, 2016
- 2016** Supervising students in a research project
on cleft palate

International Experience

- 2015 till present** Consultant member of Scientific
Committee of Arab Science Club
- 2014 till present** Founder of Nisreen List project that aims
in presenting successful stories of
distinguished students worldwide (twitter
account: @NisreenList)
- 2013 -2015** Administrator of the ‘Saudi students in
UK’ –twitter account (@Saudiuk1)
- 2012 till present** Administrative member in the Saudi
Academics Association in the UK
www.saudiacademics.com
- 2011-2012** Organiser in the Saudi Academics Forum
in the UK

2010-2011 Saudi Female Coordinator in Sheffield,
UK

Participations

2016 Reviewer of abstracts for the Arabic Linguistics
Forum
December 2016
York, UK

March 7-9, 2016 Speaker at the Innovation Arabia Conference
2016
Dubai, UAE

June 11-13, 2014 Paper accepted for poster presentation at the
International Clinical Phonetics and Linguistic
Association (ICPLA)
Stockholm University
Stockholm, Sweden

May 14, 2013 Speaker at the British Association of Clinical
Linguistics (BACL)
Newcastle University
Newcastle, UK

July 8, 2012 Poster presenter at the PGR conference
University of Sheffield, UK

June 27-30, 2012 Poster presenter at the 14th Meeting of the
International Clinical Phonetics and Linguistics
Association (ICPLA)
Cork, Ireland

June 1, 2012 Poster presenter at the Community Histories,
Social Change and Dialect Variation
University of Sheffield, Sheffield, UK

Feb 15, 2012 Organiser at the 1st Forum of Saudi Academics
Manchester, UK

June 29, 2011 Poster presenter at the PGR conference
University of Sheffield, UK

June 15-17, 2011 Poster presenter at the International Child
Phonology Conference (ICPC) Workshop on
Cross-linguistic Studies
University of York, UK

- June 10, 2011** Speaker at the Arabic Phonetics and Phonology Conference
University of York, UK
- April 11 -12,2011** Poster presenter at the 3rd Colloquium of the British Association of Clinical Linguistics (BACL) Leeds Metropolitan University
Leeds, UK
- March 22-24, 2011** Poster presenter at the 3rd Cleft Palate and Craniofacial Symposium
King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- May, 2011** Organiser at the 2nd Academic Forum for Saudi Female Students in UK and Ireland “Let’s communicate for our future”
Scarman House of University of Warwick,
Coventry, UK
- Oct, 2010** Organiser at the 1st Ladies Marathon
Sheffield, UK
- July 30-31,2010** Organiser at the Fourth Saudi International Conference 2010,SIC04
Manchester, UK
- June 25, 2010** Speaker at the PGR conference
University of Sheffield, UK

Training Courses and Workshops

- March 7-9,2016** Annual Congress Innovation Arabia 9
Dubai, UAE
- March 6,2016** ‘Implementation of Innovative Initiatives Through Change Management’ workshop as a part of Annual Congress Innovation Arabia 9
Dubai, UAE
- December 7-8, 2015** Strategic Leadership Projects Presentation
From Pioneering Executive Leadership,
INSEAD Business School,
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

November 9-12, 2015	Leadership in Action (36 hours) From Pioneering Executive Leadership, INSEAD Business School, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
October, 2015	RSI@Work: Organization and Relationship Systems Coaching Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
October 11-15, 2015	Building your Business Acumen(36hours) From Pioneering Executive Leadership, INSEAD Business School, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
June 7-11,2015	Leading yourself and others (40 hours) From Pioneering Executive Leadership, INSEAD Business School, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
March 29- April 1,2015	The Fundamentals :Leading Inside the Organization(38 hours) From Pioneering Executive Leadership, INSEAD Business School, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
March 4,2015	Dysphagia Workshop iCAN, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Feb 18&24,2014	Personal Impact ‘Motivate yourself, your team and your PI’ Sheffield, UK
September 14,2013	Training Course on Negotiation Leeds, UK
April 23,2012	Clinical EPG Workshop (WinEPG system and associated Articulate Assistant software) Queen Margret University in co-operation with Articulate Instruments Ltd Edinburgh, Scotland
Dec 3, 2011	Attended Effective Communication Skills in Manchester, UK
March 22-24, 2011	The 3 rd Cleft Palate and Craniofacial Symposium “Speech Pathology Workshop” King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre, Riyadh, SA

Nov 21,2010	Training course in Successful Project Management, Sheffield
July 31,2010	Training course in “Teamwork and Leadership Development”. Manchester, UK
July 29,2010	Training course in “Negotiation and Influencing Skills Training “ Manchester, UK
June 26 -27, 2010	Training course in “Management Skills for Effective Meetings” Sheffield, UK
June, 2010	Training course of professional study in the practice of Emotional Freedom Techniques Sheffield, UK
April 22, 2010	Training course in “Speech recordings and analysis for professional in Speech and Hearing” UCL, London, UK
Nov 18,2009	Training course in “Dysphagia” assessment and intervention for swallowing and swallowing disorders “for five weeks” Sultan Bin Abdulaziz Humanitarian City, Riyadh, KSA
Feb 25-26,2006	Evaluation and Treatment of Oral Feeding Disorders In the NICU and After Discharge at Prince Salman Centre for Disability Research Riyadh, KSA
March 2002	Certificate of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) from Saudi heart association for successful completing the cognitive and performance examinations in accordance with the standards of the association as: Provider in Basic Cardiac Life Support.

Conferences

Sept 27,2014	Attended the Inaugural Ceremony of SSSSUK
Feb 1-2,2014	The 7 th Saudi Students Conference (SSC2014), University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland

June 27-30,2012	The 14 th Meeting of the International Clinical Phonetics and Linguistic Association University College of Cork, Cork, Ireland
July 30-31,2010	The fourth Saudi International Conference 2010, SIC04, University of Manchester, Manchester
June 23-26,2010	The 13 th Meeting of the International Clinical Phonetics and Linguistic Association University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway
May 4,2006	The international 8th scientific symposium for communication disorders held at JISH, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, approved by the Saudi Council for Health Specialties for credits 8 CME hours
May 3,2006	‘Specific Methods for Addressing Speech and Language Disorders in Children’ held at JISH, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, approved by the Saudi Council for Health Specialties for credits 3 CME hours
Feb13-15, 2006	The 6 th International Otolaryngology-Head & neck surgery Saudi society symposium, AlKhozam Centre, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from with 18 CME credit hours
April 26-27,2005	The 23 rd ORL Seminar on Cochlear Implant Updated conducted by ORL Department in collaboration with Saudi ORL Society and House Ear Institute Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
March 1-3,2004	King Saud University Symposium in Disability & Rehabilitation Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
April 10-12,2004	The 29 th Arabian Deaf’s Week, at Nayara Hall, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, approved by the Saudi Council for Health Specialties for credits 7 CME hours.
April 30,2003	The Down’s syndrome Awareness Day, at KFSH and RC. Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

May 8,2003

The Fifth Annual Communication Disorders
Workshop
Jeddah Institution for Speech and Hearing
centre.
Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

Publications:

Paper for submission:

Al-Awaji N., Howard S., Sell D., Harding-Bell A. (in press). GOS.SP.ASS: an Arabic version assessment protocol for speech disorders associated with cleft palate and/or velopharyngeal dysfunction.

Published papers:

Zakaria H., Al- Awaji N., Hammad L. (2016). Never let your dreams Go: Step by step Guide for PNU students to be innovators. HBMSU Publishing House,ISSN:2414-6102.

Al-Awaji N. (2014). Speech production in Arabic speaking children with operated cleft palate. PhD thesis, University of Sheffield

References

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