

## Curriculum Vitae

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#### Education

Ph.D., 1968, Yale University  
M.A., 1965, New School for Social Research, New York  
B.S., 1963, University of Michigan

#### Academic Positions Held

2021- Research Professor of Political Science, Boston College  
1988- Research Fellow, Center for International Studies, M.I.T.  
2007-21 Professor of Political Science, Boston College  
2007-21 Chair, International Studies Academic Advisory Board, Boston College  
2007-21 Director, Islamic Civilization & Societies Program, Boston College  
2002-07 Codirector, Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies Program, Boston College  
1986-07 Professor of Cultural Psychology, Boston College  
1996 (Spring term) Senior Fellow, St. Antony's College, Oxford University  
1984 (Spring term) Lester Martin Fellow, Truman Institute for the Advancement of  
Peace, Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
1981-82 Visiting Fellow, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Harvard University  
1976-77 Visiting Associate Professor of Near Eastern Studies and Sociology,  
Princeton University  
1975-76 Lecturer in Sociology, University of Tehran  
1971-86 Associate Professor of Psychology, Boston College  
1969-71 Assistant Professor of Psychology, University of Southern California  
1968-69 Assistant Professor of Psychology, Yale University and Connecticut College

#### Positions Held in Professional Associations & Editorships

2021- Editor-in-Chief, *Freedom of Thought Journal*, Amsterdam  
2016- Editorial Advisory Board Member, "Alternative Histories" Series, Edinburgh  
University Press.  
1982- Member, Editorial Advisory Board, *Journal of Iranian Studies*  
2012- Editorial Board, *Bustan: The Middle East Book Review*  
2015-17 Consulting Editor, *Encyclopaedia Iranica* (Columbia University)  
2013-16 Associate Editor, *Encyclopedia of Islam and the Muslim World*  
2007-21 Member, Editorial Board, *Society Magazine*  
2007-14 Member, Advisory Editorial Board, *World Book Encyclopedia*  
2009-16 Member, Board of Directors, Encyclopaedia Iranica Foundation  
2004-05 President, Middle East Studies Association of North America (MESA)  
2003-06 Board Member, Society for Cross-Cultural Research  
2000-09 Member, Advisory Board, Institute on Religion & World Affairs, Boston  
University  
2002-03 Member, Task Force on Public Diplomacy, Council on Foreign Relations, New  
York  
2000-02 Member, Board of Directors, Middle East Studies Association

- 1998-99 President, Association for Iranian Studies  
 1994-96 Member, Governing Council, International Society for Political Psychology  
 1994-15 Member, Editorial Board, *Iran-Nameh*  
 1984-92 Advisory Editor, *International Journal of Politics, Culture and Society*  
 1983-87 Member, Editorial Board, *International Journal of Middle East Studies*  
 1981-85 Member, Task Force on Social Stratification in the Middle East, Social Science Research Council  
 1976-82 Member, Joint Committee on the Near & the Middle East, Social Science Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies  
 1976-77 Member, International Panel of Experts on Social Indicators, UNESCO  
 1974-76 Director, UNDP Project on Social Indicators for Iran  
 1974-75 Member, Study Panel on the Middle East, Commission on Critical Choices for Americans (“The Rockefeller Commission”)  
 1968-82 Founding Editor, Journal of *Iranian Studies*

### Membership in Professional Associations

Middle East Studies Association (Fellow), Academy of Political Science, International Studies Association, Association for Iranian Studies

### Grants for Research

- National Science Foundation, comparative study of fairness reasoning—U.S. and the Philippines (with Alison Carson), 1998-2000.  
 Ford Foundation, comparative study of religion, ethnicity, and politics in Afghanistan, Iran and Pakistan (with Myron Weiner, 1984-86).

### Current Research Interests

Intellectuals and politics in the Middle East; religion and politics; politics of human rights; comparative study of religion, ethnicity, and social movements in the Middle East; U.S.-Iran relations.

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

### Books

- Ardeshir Mohassess: A Retrospective* (co-authored with A. Babaknia). Irvine, CA: University of California in Irvine Press, 2022.  
*Dar Bareh-ye Siasat va Farhang: Dar Goft-o-Gu ba Shahrokh Meskoob* [On Culture and Politics: In Conversation with Shahrokh Meskoob]. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed. Tehran: Entesharat Farhang Javid, 1400 Sh./2021.  
*Social Classes, State, and Revolution in Iran* (co-authored with A. Ashraf). Tehran: Nilufar Publications, 2008. [In Persian]  
*Myths about the Powerless: Contesting Social Inequalities* (coedited with M. B. Lykes, R. Liem, and M. Morris). Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1996.  
*The New Geopolitics of Central Asia and Its Borderlands* (coedited with M. Weiner). Indianapolis: Indiana University Press (and London: Tauris Publishers), 1994.  
*The Politics of Social Transformation in Afghanistan, Iran, and Pakistan* (edited with M. Weiner). Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1994.  
*On Culture and Politics* (with S. Meskoob). Paris: Khavaran Publications, 1994 [in Persian].

*The State, Religion, and Ethnic Politics* (coedited with M. Weiner). Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1986.

*Social Stratification in the Middle East and North Africa: A Bibliographic Survey*. London and New York: Mansell Publishing Co., 1984.

*Social Indicators for Iran*. Tehran: United Nations Development Program and Plan & Budget Organization, 1978. 484 pp. [in Persian].

### Journal Guest Editing

“Iran’s Political Crisis: Roots and Challenges,” Guest Editor, *Iran Nameh*, Vol. 25, No. 3 & No. 4 (Fall 2009 & Winter 2010).

“Iranian Cultural Identity,” Guest Editor, *Iran Nameh*, Vol. 12, No. 3 & No. 4 (Summer & Fall 1994).

### Articles, Chapters in Edited Books, and Encyclopedia Entries

“A New World Order? On the Middle East.” *Boston College Magazine*, Summer 2022, pp. 42-43.

“The Crossing Paths of Religion and Nationalism in Contemporary Iran.” In Nadim Rouhana and Nadera Shalhoub Kevorkian, eds., *When Politics are Sacralized: Comparative Perspectives on Religious Claims and Nationalism*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2021, pp. 247-271.

Review Essay on *Iraniyat, Melliyat, Qowmiyat* [Iranianism, Nationalism, Ethnicism] by Ashgar Schirazi. *Iranian Studies*, Vol 52, Nos. 5-6 (2019), pp. 1029-1040.

“Democracy and Democratization,” *Encyclopedia of Islam and the Muslim World*, 2nd Ed., Vol. 1. Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan/Gale, 2016, pp. 289-291.

“Islamic Revolution in Iran,” *Encyclopedia of Islam and the Muslim World*, 2nd Ed., Vol. 1. Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan/Gale, 2016, pp. 550-555.

“The Pahlavis (1925-1979),” *Encyclopedia of Islam and the Muslim World*, 2nd Ed., Vol. 2. Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan/Gale, 2016, pp. 833-840.

“The 1953 *Coup d’Etat* in Iran,” *Encyclopedia of Islam and the Muslim World*, 2nd Ed., Vol. 2. Farmington Hills, MI: Macmillan/Gale, 2016, p. 837.

“That’s Not Fair’: Similarities and Differences in Distributive Justice Reasoning between American and Filipino Children” (With A. S. Carson), *Journal of Cross-Cultural Psychology*, Vol. 39, No. 4 (2008), pp. 493-514.

“Forty Years On: A Note by the Founding Editor,” *Iranian Studies*, Vol. 40, No. 1 (2007), pp. 1-4.

“Middle Eastern Studies and the Politics of Intimidation,” *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East*, 25, No. 3 (2005), 519-21.

“Iran’s Tortuous Path Toward ‘Islamic Liberalism’” (with A. Ashraf), *International Journal of Politics, Culture and Society*, Vol. 15, No. 2 (Winter 2001), pp. 237-256.

“Urban Elites and Social Mobility in the 19<sup>th</sup>-Century Shiraz” (with A. Ashraf). *Encyclopaedia Iranica*, Vol. IX (1999).

“Dialogue, Diversity, and the Common Good,” *Conversations on Jesuit Higher Education*, No. 13 (Spring 1998), pp. 25-26.

“Psychology, the Distant Other, and the Dialectics of Change in Non-Western Societies.” In M. Brinton Lykes et al., eds., *Myths about the Powerless: Contesting Social Inequalities*. Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1996.

“Faltering Legitimacy: The Ruling Clerics and Civil Society in Contemporary Iran,” *International Journal of Politics, Culture and Society*, Vol. 8, No. 4 (1995), pp. 563-578.

- "Iran's Revolutionary Impasse: Political Factionalism and Societal Resistance in Iran"  
*Middle East Report*, Vol. 24, No. 6 (1994), pp. 2-8.
- "Cultural Schizophrenia and the One-Hundred-Year Struggle with the West," *Iran Nameh*,  
Vol. 11, No. 4 (Fall 1993), pp. 705-709.
- "Classes, Social" [a series of three articles on social classes in Iran from the medieval period  
to the Islamic Revolution in *Encyclopaedia Iranica*, written in collaboration with A.  
Ashraf], 1991-92.
- "Iran's Revolution Reappraised," *Third World Quarterly*, Vol. 10, No. 2 (April 1988), pp.  
1041-47.
- "Social Psychological Approaches to Political Development." In Myron Weiner and Samuel  
P. Huntington, eds., *Understanding Political Development*. Boston: Little, Brown and  
Co., 1987. Pp. 281-316.
- "The State, Classes and Modes of Mobilization in the Revolution in Iran" (with A. Ashraf),  
*State, Culture and Society*, Vol. 1, No. 3 (Spring 1985), pp. 3-40.
- "The Iranian Agony: Human Rights and the Plight of Intellectuals," *Commonweal*,  
February 24, 1983.
- "Shanty-Town Dwellers of Tehran: An Ethnographic Study of a Migrant Family," *Alefba*,  
New Series, Vol. 3 (Summer 1983) [in Persian].
- "Iran." Main article in *World Book Encyclopedia*, 1984 Edition (revised every three or four  
years since).
- "Policies and Strategies of Land Reform in Iran. "Chapter in *Land Reform: Some Asian  
Experiences* (with A. Ashraf). Kuala Lumpur: Asian and Pacific Development  
Administration, United Nations, 1980.
- "Iranian 'National Character': A Critique of Some Western Perspectives." Chapter in  
*Psychological Dimensions of Near Eastern Studies*. Edited by L. Carl Brown and  
Norman Itzkowitz. Princeton, N. J.: The Darwin Press (Princeton Studies on the Near  
East), 1977. Pp. 210-239.
- "Iran: The Making of a Regional Power." Chapter in *The Middle East: Oil, Conflict & Hope*.  
Edited by A. L. Udovitch. Lexington, Mass.: D. C. Heath and Co., (Critical Choices for  
Americans, Vol. X), 1976. Pp. 463-505.
- "Role Playing and Its Associated Problems of Inference" (with S. Movahedi), *American  
Psychologist*, Vol. 30, No. 10 (1975), pp. 1016-1018.
- "Interpersonal Dynamics in a Simulated Prison: A Methodological Analysis" (with S.  
Movahedi), *American Psychologist*, Vol. 30, No. 2 (1975), pp. 152-160.

#### **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES (SELECTED LIST)**

- "U.S.-Iran Relations: What Will It Take—on Both Sides—to End the 'Forever Enemies'  
Stalemate?" Invited Emile Bustani Lecture, Center for International Studies, M.I.T.,  
April 13, 2021.
- "The Failure of Religious Nationalism in Iran," Invited Lecture, Weatherhead Center for  
International Affairs & Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Harvard University,  
November 12, 2020.
- "Shahrokh Meskoob and His Vision Beyond Ideological Boundaries," Paper presented at the  
53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, New Orleans, Louisiana,  
November 16, 2019.

- “Class, Inequality, and Social Mobility in Pre-Revolutionary Iran,” Invited Lecture, International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, May 10, 2019.
- “Four Decades of U.S.-Iran Conflicts and the Drumbeats of a Regional War,” Invited Lecture, World Affairs Council of Albuquerque and the University of New Mexico, March 6 & 8, 2019.
- “Who Wants to Go to War with Iran, Why, and to What End,” Invited Lecture. Center for International Studies, Harvard University, May 1, 2018.
- “The Precarious Future of the Iran Nuclear Agreement,” Invited lecture, Fletcher Seminar on International Conflict, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, November 7, 2017.
- “Which Way for U.S.-Iran Relations under Trump—and within the Middle East Cauldron,” Invited Emile Bustani Lecture, Center for International Studies, M.I.T., February 21, 2017.
- “The Iran Nuclear Agreement: Can It Lead to a Broader U.S.-Iran Rapprochement?” Invited lecture, Albuquerque International Association, Albuquerque, NM, March 4, 2016.
- “Shahrokh Meskoob and the Predicaments of Intellectuals in Politics,” Paper presented at the Eleventh Biennial Conference of the International Society for Iranian Studies (Cosponsored by the Austrian Academy of Sciences), Vienna, Austria, August 5, 2016.
- “The Iran Nuclear Agreement and the Future of U.S.-Iran Relations.” Invited lecture, University of Scranton, Scranton, PA, November 13, 2015.
- “Nationalism and the Vicissitudes of Political Islam in the Middle East.” Paper presented at the conference on “Religious Claims, Nationalism and Human Suffering in Political Conflict” (Cosponsored by the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy and the Wits Institute for Social and Economic Research), Johannesburg, South Africa, October 10, 2015.
- “Catholic-Muslim Dialogue in the Context of Extremism and Sectarian Conflict in the Muslim World.” Invited lecture at the conference on “Understanding the Francis Papacy,” Portsmouth Institute for Faith and Culture, Portsmouth, Rhode Island, June 19, 2015.
- “Politicization of Religion or Sacralization of Politics: Two Faces of Political Islam.” Invited Keynote Address, Conference on Religion and State, Roger Williams University, Bristol, RI, April 23, 2015.
- “Iranian Intellectuals and the Islamic Revolution—Then and Now.” Invited Talat and Isabelle Othman Lecture, University of Chicago, Jan 21, 2015.
- “Income Inequality and Social Mobility in Prerevolutionary Iran.” Paper presented at the Third Conference of the International Iranian Economic Association, Boston, October 24, 2014.
- “The Nuclear Agreement with Iran and Its Ramifications for the Regional Politics of the Middle East.” Emile Bustani Invited Lecture, Center for International Studies, M.I.T., April 15, 2014.
- “Iran’s Domestic Politics & Foreign Policy from June 2013 Elections Until Now.” Invited Lecture, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Harvard University, October 31, 2013
- “Interpreting the Iranian Revolution Three-and-a-Half Decades Later.” Invited Lecture, College of Humanities, University of Utah, September 12, 2013.
- “Reflections on the Arab Spring and the Persian Winter.” Invited Lecture, Euro-Arab Foundation and the University of Granada (Granada, Spain), March 7, 2013.
- “Iran’s Green Movement fail and the Arab Spring Compared?” Invited Lecture, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Harvard University, December 6, 2012.

- “Education, Occupation, and Social Mobility in Pre-Revolutionary Iran.” Paper presented at the Ninth Biennial Conference of the International Society for Iranian Studies, Istanbul, August 3, 2012.
- “Iran: Domestic Politics, Sanctions, and the Drumbeats of War.” Emile Bustani Invited Lecture, Center for International Studies, M.I.T., April 10, 2012
- “Roots of Authoritarianism in Iran.” Invited talk at the conference at the “Future Trajectory of Iran,” Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and the U.S. State Department, Washington, DC, September 9, 2011.
- “Generation in Revolt: What Do Middle East Youth Want?” Invited paper at the conference on “Revolution and Reform: The Historic Transition in the Middle East,” Belfer Center, Kennedy School, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, April 8-9, 2011.
- “Iran’s Quest as a Regional Superpower.” Invited paper at the conference on “The Shifting Sands of Hegemonic Powers in the Middle East,” Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, March 9, 2011.
- “Iran: Sanctions, Negotiations, and support for the Democracy Movement.” Invited Lecture, Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy, Tufts University, September 15, 2010.
- “The Crisis of Legitimacy in the Islamic Republic after the 2009 Presidential Election.” Invited Lecture, University of Venice, Venice (Italy), May 24, 2010.
- “Iran: Assessing Ahmadinejad’s Legacy.” Invited Emile Bustani Lecture, Center for International Studies, M.I.T., March 3, 2009
- “The Iranian Revolution and Its Waning Regional Impact,” keynote address at ACC-Koc University Symposium on “Eurasia in a Shifting Global Context,” Koc University, Istanbul, Turkey, June 20, 2009
- “Iran’s Post-Election Crisis: What’s Changed? What Remains the Same?” invited talk at the Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, September 17, 2009
- “Interpreting the Iranian Revolution Three Decades Later.” Invited lecture given at Centre d’études et de recherche internationales, SciencesPo, Paris, June 25, 2008.
- “Martyrdom in the Political Cultures of Iran and the Middle East.” Series of four invited lectures at the University of Maryland, March 5-10, 2007.
- “Spiritual Capital and Political Development in the Middle East,” Paper presented at the conference on “Spiritual Capital and Political Development,” Pew Research Center, Washington, DC, June 27, 2006.
- “Human Rights and U.S. Policy in the Middle East,” Invited Lecture at Harvard Law School, April 25, 2006.
- “The Politics of Martyrdom in Iran and the Middle East.” Invited Lecture, Columbia University, February 7, 2006.
- “Sacrificing the Self and Others in the Way of God.” Presidential Address, Middle East Studies Association in North America (MESA) Annual Meetings, Washington, DC, November 17-21, 2005.
- “The Coming Crisis in U.S.-Iranian Relations.” Paper presented at an invitational conference on “Iran: Domestic Change and Regional Challenges,” the Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice, University of San Diego, September 29-30, 2005.
- “U.S. Foreign Policy & Iran’s Nuclear Program.” Invited Talk at Program on Negotiation, Harvard Law School, September 14, 2005.
- “Aspects of Self-Construal and Identity in Persian Culture.” Paper presented at an invitational conference on Private Lives and Public Spaces, Saint Antony’s College, Oxford University, July 7-10, 2005.
- “The Democratization Movement in Iran--Time for a Requiescat?” Emile Bustani Invited Lecture, Center for International Studies, M.I.T, September 21, 2004.

- “Psychology’s New Encounter with Evil.” Invited paper presented at the Plenary Symposium of 15th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Society, Atlanta, May 29 - June 1, 2003
- “Iran: What Remains of the Islamic Revolution?” Invited talk at the Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, November 7, 2002.
- “Norms of Distributive Justice and Conceptions of Equality: A U.S.-Philippines Comparison” (with Alison C. Carson). Paper submitted for presentation at the Thirty-First Meeting of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research, Santa Fe, New Mexico, February 20-24, 2002.
- “Attitudes toward the Elderly: A U.S.-China Comparison” (with Tricia H. Sung). Poster presented at Convention of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, Toronto, June 2002.
- “Postrevolutionary Iran: Ideological Disunity as a Democratic Virtue.” Invited lecture, Humanities Series, Boston University, April 25, 2002.
- “Prospects for Liberal Democracy in Iran.” Invited Lecture, cosponsored by the Departments of History, Political Science, and Asian Studies, University of Utah, March 28, 2002.
- “Religion and Political Violence in the Middle East.” Invited talk at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, February 4, 2002.
- “Norms of Distributive Justice and Attitudes toward the Care of the Elderly” (with Tricia H. Sung). Paper presented at the 109th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco, August, 2001.
- “What is Fair? A Comparison between Filipino and American Children’s Distributive Justice Reasoning” (with Alison C. Carson). Paper presented at the Society for Cross-Cultural Research meeting in San Diego, Feb. 20-22. 2001.
- “Reflections on Islamic Fundamentalism.” Invited lecture at the conference, “After September 11th: Paths to Peace, Justice, and Security,” cosponsored by the American Friends Service Committee and the Peace and Justice Studies Program at Tufts University, December 7-8, 2001.
- “Justice and Fairness as Bases of Intergroup Conflict: Social Psychological Perspectives.” Invited talk at Program in International Conflict Analysis and Resolution, Harvard University, November 6, 2000.
- “Islam and the Quest for Civil Society.” Invited paper at the Conference on “Ethical Pluralism, Civil Society, and Political Culture,” organized by the Ethikon Institute, held in Santa Fe, New Mexico, January 15-17, 1999.
- “Iran: Islamic State and Civil Society.” Invited Joseph Sterlitz Annual Lecture in Middle Eastern Studies, Tel Aviv University, April 18, 1999.
- “Social Indicators of ‘State Failure’ in the Muslim Countries.” Invited paper presented at the conference on Predicting State Failures, Joint Project of University of California, Berkeley & University of Maryland, Washington, DC, July 16, 1999.
- “Cultural Dimensions of Occupational Prestige Ranking.” Paper presented at the 14<sup>th</sup> Congress of the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology, Bellingham, Washington, August 6, 1998.
- “Challenges and Prospects for a Civil Society in Postrevolutionary Iran.” Invited Lecture at the Center for Behavioral Research, American University in Beirut, Beirut, March 3, 1998.
- “Conceptions of Equality and Social Policy Preferences” (with W. Ryan). Paper presented at the Twentieth Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Krakow, Poland, July 21-24, 1997.