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PROFILE

ADEK-approved Social Studies and Islamic Education teacher for Arabic and non-Arabic speakers and UAE MoE Licensed Teacher, with expertise across Grades 1–12 in the American Curriculum and subject mapping to IB MYP, Cambridge Global Perspectives, IB Theory of Knowledge, and A-Level Philosophy. Holds a BA in Philosophy (Alexandria University) and a Postgraduate Diploma in Education (Al-Azhar University). Appointed Faculty Head for Model United Nations; coached the school delegation to win Best School at MANORMUN V 2026. Author of "Depth of Knowledge: A Practical Guide to Designing Rigorous Questions Without AI" (2026), a handbook grounded in Norman Webb's Depth of Knowledge framework. Academic IELTS Band 7. Bilingual in Arabic (native) and English.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

English Social Studies Teacher

Al Nahda National School for Boys, Abu Dhabi, UAE | Aug 2026 – Present

- Teaching English Social Studies at Al Nahda National School for Boys, commencing the 2026/2027 academic year.

MSC Studies and Islamic Education B Teacher and Lead of Non-Arabic Speaking Section

Ain Al Khaleej Private School, American Division, UAE | Sep 2025 – Jul 2026

- Oversee the Non-Arabic Studies department, managing Social Studies and Islamic Education delivery for non-Arabic speakers across Grades 1–12, ensuring alignment with ADEK and Irtiq'a quality standards.
- Lead curriculum design, lesson planning, and differentiated instruction strategies for diverse learner profiles including ELLs and gifted students, driving strong attainment and inclusive progress.
- Appointed Faculty Head for Model United Nations (MUN) programme (2025/2026 and 2026/2027), directing student preparation, debate coaching, and cross-school event coordination.
- Champion integration of educational technology platforms (HMH, Alef, Paradigm, MS Teams, Google Classroom, Canva, Teachy) to enhance personalized, data-driven learning outcomes.
- Collaborate with cross-curricular teams to embed critical thinking, cultural literacy, and global citizenship across the school curriculum.
- Pioneered expert-level distance and blended learning delivery during school closures, maintaining full curriculum continuity and student engagement.
- Coached the school delegation to win Best School at MANORMUN V 2026, developing students' diplomatic reasoning, research writing, and public speaking.
- Active contributor to the school's "Student First" initiative and a campus-wide source of mentorship and emotional support for students beyond his own classes.
- Manage parent communication, student progress reporting, and stakeholder engagement to support holistic student development.

Research Assistant and Translator

Emory University (with Ustadh Dr. Rahimjon Abdugafurov) | 2017

- Transcribed and analyzed historical manuscripts in Islamic Civilization with a focus on philosophical and theological contexts.
- Produced English–Arabic translations of academic works for use in bilingual educational settings.
- Contributed scholarly material analysing the philosophical and theological dimensions of historical texts for academic research.

PUBLICATION

Depth of Knowledge: A Practical Guide to Designing Rigorous Questions Without AI

Independently published, First Edition, 2026 | ISBN: 979-8-1913137-5-7 | 149 pages | Paperback \$19.99, eBook \$9.99

Available globally on Amazon. [Buy on Amazon](#) | [Book Details](#)

A handbook that restores to educators the craft of writing cognitively demanding questions from lesson content alone, without relying on AI tools. Grounded in Norman Webb's Depth of Knowledge framework, returns to his original 1997 and 2002 monographs as primary sources, and corrects the widespread misinterpretation perpetuated by the unauthorized DOK Wheel. The method is verified by reverse-coding. Twelve chapters, eleven printable classroom resources, and worked examples across seven subjects. A substantial chapter traces the principle that recall is not reasoning through the Islamic intellectual tradition, from Al-Hasan al-Basri to Ibn Khaldun.

EDUCATION

Postgraduate Diploma in Education / Al-Azhar University / Sep 2024 – Sep 2025 (Very Good)

Educational psychology and human development, philosophy and history of education, curriculum studies, instructional methodologies, educational administration and planning, micro-teaching and practical teaching experience. Accredited and attested by authorities in Egypt and the UAE, with UAE Ministry of Education equivalency.

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy / Alexandria University / Sep 2016 – May 2021 (Good)

Formal, inductive, and mathematical logic; philosophy of science; metaphysics; philosophy of language; ethics and value theory; Greek, Islamic, modern, and contemporary philosophy; ancient Eastern thought; Islamic theology (Kalam) and Sufism; logic and artificial intelligence. Accredited and attested, with UAE Ministry of Education equivalency.

CORE COMPETENCIES

- Lesson Planning and Curriculum Design (American, IB MYP, British, UAE MoE)
- Inquiry-Based Learning and Student-Centred Instruction
- Differentiated Instruction for ELLs and Gifted Learners | Inclusive Education
- Assessment Design and Cognitive Taxonomies (Webb's DOK, Bloom's, SOLO)
- Classroom and Behaviour Management | Safeguarding and Child Protection Awareness
- Educational Technology (HMH, Alef, Paradigm, MS Teams, Google Classroom, Canva, Teachy, Plickers, Kahoot)
- Model United Nations Programme Leadership
- Parent Communication and Student Progress Reporting
- Distance and Blended Learning Delivery
- Podcasting and Educational Content Creation

CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Professional Teaching License (Social Studies, Cycle 3), UAE MoE — Valid until Feb 2029
- IELTS Academic Band 7, British Council — Valid until Aug 2027
- HMH Differentiate with Small Groups — Apr 2026 | Ready to Wrestle, UWW — Feb 2026
- AI for Educators (Level 1), Teachy — Oct 2025 | Network Fundamentals and Security, Mahara Tech — Jun 2025
- Advanced Person-in-Charge (PIC), Dubai Municipality — May 2025
- Fire Warden (Level 2), Dubai Civil Defence — Valid until Aug 2026
- Verification of Manuscripts in Philosophy and Theology, Bibliotheca Alexandrina — Nov 2021
- Critical Thinking and Decision Making, LinkedIn Learning — Jul 2021

EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES

Creator & Host — Echoes of Wisdom Podcast

Independent Educational Initiative | 2026 – Present

- Produces and hosts a bilingual (Arabic/English) philosophy podcast with 16 episodes across 2 seasons.
- Bridges academic philosophy and public discourse, making complex ideas in ethics, logic, and epistemology understandable and actionable.

Founder, Studio of Phronesis

Educational Content and Software Platform Studio | 2024 – Present

- Founded a personal studio producing bilingual educational content and production-grade software platforms.
- Built MSCS Academy: 130 lessons, 390+ activities, UAE curriculum-aligned learning platform.
- Built DiplomatIQ: MUN operating system with seven-tier competency framework and AI evaluation.

Co-Founder & Member — Educational Youth Club

Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Alexandria, Egypt | Oct 2013 – Dec 2018

- Co-founded an educational youth club in partnership with Bibliotheca Alexandrina to promote environmental awareness, critical thinking, and community engagement among high school students.
- Participated in multiple student programmes including YESBU, LYM (League of Young Masters), and ALYM (African League of Young Masters).

LANGUAGES

- Arabic — Native
- English — Fluent (C1, Academic IELTS Band 7)
- Urdu — Beginner
- Spanish — Beginner

AFFILIATIONS

- Member, British Philosophical Association (BPA), 2025 – Present

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- CompTIA A+, Network+, Linux+
- Microsoft Office Suite | Google Workspace
- Educational Technology Platforms: HMH, Alef, Paradigm, MS Teams, Google Classroom, Canva, Teachy

ADDITIONAL

- Conference Organisation: Co-organised the 3rd Annual International Conference, Department of Philosophy, Alexandria University (Nov 2017)
- Sports Coaching: Strength and Conditioning Coach, Swift Football Academy, Al Ain, 2023–2024