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## SUMMARY

### Ph.D Islamic Studies

Under submission

**2014 -present**

University of Kashmir

Srinagar, J&K

Topic of Dissertation: *"The Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) and Empowerment of Women"*.

Currently working in Govt. College for Women heading the Department of Islamic Studies.

**2017**

## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Examinations Passed	Board/ University	Subjects	Year	Division/ Grade/Merit
SSE	State Board of School Education	English Mathematics Urdu Science Social Science	2005	DISTINCTION
Higher Secondary 1	State Board of School Education	General English Physics Chemistry Biology Mathematics	2006	Grade A  DISTINCTION
Higher Secondary 2	State Board of School Education	General English Physics Chemistry Biology Mathematics	2007	DISTINCTION
Bachelor's Degree	University of Kashmir	Business Administration	2011	First Division
Master's Degree	University of Kashmir	Islamic Studies	2012	Distinction
NET/JRF	University Grants	Arab Culture and Islamic	2012	JRF Qualified

	Commission	Studies		
Certificate of Arabic and Islamic studies	The institute of Arabic and Islamic Studies, Soura Srinagar	5 YEAR ALMIYAH COURSE in Islamic Studies and Arabic proficiency.	2015	Grade A

### MAJOR AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- Participated in the All India Seerah Essay Writing Competition -2015 and submitted a 14000 word research paper on the theme of *“Religious Tolerance and the Teachings of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ”* and bagged **3<sup>rd</sup> prize.**

### WORKSHOPS / COURSES ATTENDED

COURSE TITLE	ORGANISERS	DURATION	YEAR
Research Methodology	ACADEMIC STAFF COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR	7 Day	2014
ORIENTATION COURSE	COLLEGE OF ADVANCED STUDIES IN EDUCATION (Formerly College of Education)	4 week	2016

### SEMINARS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED

STATE /NATIONAL /INTERNATIONAL LEVEL	ORGANISERS	TITLE OF PAPER PRESENTED	YEAR
2-Day International Conference entitled “ISLAMIC STUDIES CONGRESS”	Institute of Islamic Culture and Civilisation in Collaboration with College of Education, M.A Road, Srinagar	Tolerance in Islam: A Study of Islamic History.	8-9 August 2015
International Conference on Social and Spiritual Teachings of the Quran in Contemporary	K.A Nizami Centre for Quranic Studies ,A.M.U, Aligarh	The Quran as lived by the Prophet (ﷺ) and the Companions(R.A)	4-5 April 2016

Perspective			
2 day National Seminar on Gender Equality and Social Inclusion in Contemporary India: Issues and Challenges	Department of Sociology, University of Kashmir, Srinagar in collaboration with ICSSR, New Delhi	Gender Relations in the light of Quran and the Seerah of Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ)	8-9 March 2017
2Day National Seminar on “Relation between Noble Quran and Arabic Language: Revelation, Recitation and Translatability”.	Department of Arabic and Islamic Studies , Government Degree College Pulwama, Kashmir	Linguistic Miracle of Quran : A Study of Nuances of Arabic Language and its importance in the interpretation of Quran	25-26 <sup>th</sup> September

## TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Arabic Language
- Religious Sciences
- Seerah of Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ)
- Islamic Culture and Civilisation
- Gender Studies

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Stage	Title of thesis/Work	University where the work was carried out	Year
Ph.D Under submission	The Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) and Empowerment of Women	University of Kashmir	2014- present Not awarded yet

## RESEARCH PAPERS

- 1) *Tolerance in Islam: A Study of Islamic History*, Published in the proceedings of First Islamic Studies Congress-2015, Published by Institute of Islamic Culture and Civilisation, Srinagar, 2016 **ISBN:978-81-932379-0-8**
- 2) *The Quran as lived by the Prophet (ﷺ) and the companions –With Special Reference to the Social Rights of Women*, Published in the proceedings of Two-day International Conference on Social and Spiritual Teachings of the Quran in

Contemporary Perspective, published by Excel India Publishers, New Delhi, 2016,  
**ISBN: 978-93-85777-55-4**

- 3) *Importance of Education in Islamic Tradition: A Study of Contribution of Muslim Women in Scholarly Fields* Published in Inquiry: An Educational Journal, Volume 36 , December ,2016,pp 87-89, **ISSN-0974-8997**, UGC Approved.
- 4) *Religious Dictum on gender relation: A Study of Islamic Texts in the Context of Gender Studies.* Published in Imperial Journal of Interdisciplinary Research, Vol. 3, Issue -4. With Impact factor 3.7, 2017, **ISSN:2454-1362**, [www.onlinejournal.in/IJIR](http://www.onlinejournal.in/IJIR). UGC Approved.
- 5) *Comprehensive Study of Islamic Texts with regards to Environmental Conservation* Published in International Journal of Humanities and Social Science Invention, Volume 6 Issue 8 | August. 2017 | | PP.46-51, **ISSN (Online): 2319 – 7722, ISSN (Print): 2319 – 7714** [www.ijhssi.org](http://www.ijhssi.org) .impact factor 4.524. UGC Approved.

## PUBLICATIONS / ARTICLES

- 1) *The purpose of education*, Published in Kashmir Reader, January 26, 2016  
<http://kashmirreader.com/2016/01/26/the-purpose-of-education/>
- 2) *CONTROVERSY* ,Published in Kashmir Monitor, January 19,2017  
<http://www.kashmirmonitor.in/Details/116281/controversy>
- 3) “*Religion leads to Peace. Why blame it?*” Published in Kashmir Reader, February 2, 2017 ,  
<http://kashmirreader.com/2017/02/02/religion-leads-peace-blame/>
- 4) Book Review, *How to Read a Book* by Mortimer Adler, Published in Kashmir Observer, April, 8, 2017,  
<https://kashmirobserver.net/2017/reviews/how-read-book-16512>.
- 5) *Hijab Ban Debate- Not in my Name* Published in Kashmir Reader, April,9,2017

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

DESIGNATION	INSTITUTE	Courses Taught	Duration	Year
Arabic Language Teacher	<i>Madrassah Khadijat ul Kubra</i>	<i>Almiyah</i> Year 1st	<b>7 months</b>	<b>2014</b>
Arabic language Instructor	Institute of Islamic Culture	<b>CAL</b> Certificate	<b>6 Months</b>	<b>2015-2016</b>

	and Civilisation	Course in Arabic Language		
Assistant Professor	Govt. College for Women ,M.A. Road, Srinagar	UG. B.A. Subject: Islamic Studies	<b>1 year</b>	<b>20 May 2016-17</b>

### **EXTENSION WORK /COMMUNITY SERVICE**

<b>COMMITTEES</b>	<b>DESIGNATION</b>	<b>YEAR</b>	<b>INSTITUTION</b>
1) Debating 2) Library	<b>Member</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>Govt. College for Women, M.A Road Srinagar</b>
1) Debating 2) Admission 3) Career Counselling 4) CASH	<b>Member</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>Govt. College for Women, M.A Road Srinagar</b>

### **ORGANIZATIONAL EXPERIENCE AND GRANTS**

- Qualified Junior Research Fellowship **2012**
- Organiser of Guest Lecture on the topic “*Al Biruni’s Contribution to Science and Geodesy*”. Held at Govt. College for Women, M.A. Road, Srinagar, Organised by Dept. of Islamic Studies. **1<sup>st</sup> April 2017**
- Organiser of 2 Day Workshop on “*Techniques of writing Book reviews*” at Govt. College for Women, M.A.Road, Srinagar, Organised by Dept. of Islamic Studies. **30-31<sup>st</sup> August 2017**

### **ACADEMIC CONTRIBUTIONS**

- Conducted 2 sessions on “Art of Reading” in Two day Workshop on “*Techniques of writing Book reviews*” at Govt. College for Women , M.A. Road, Srinagar. **30-31<sup>st</sup> August 2017**

### **Languages Known**

English

Kashmiri

Urdu

Arabic