## **Curriculum Vitae**

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### **Education**

- **Ph.D.** Computer Science / Digital Image Processing, July. 1988, University of Franche-Comté Besancon- FRANCE. Ph.D. Dissertation: "Detection and analysis of linear structures in biomedical and industrial images"
- **M.Sc.** Computer Sciences / June. 1984, University of Franche-Comté, Besancon FRANCE. (DEA)
- **B. Sc.** (Electronique, Electrotechnique et Automatique), June 1983, Université of Orléans, Orléans FRANCE

### **Administrative Experience**

- Vice President, Princess Sumaya University for Technology, from Sept 2017 present
- **Dean of the King Hussein Faculty of Computing Sciences**, PSUT. First dean of the faculty from Sept 2005 to sept 2007 and from sept. 2014 Sept. 2017.
- **Dean of Students Affairs**, PSUT, Jordan- Sept. 2011- 2014.
- Advisor to PSUT president for the admission and registration, February 2011- 2015.
- **Registrar General,** PSUT, February 2011- Sept. 2012.
- **Director of the Information Technology Center,** Royal Scientific Society Amman Jordan. April 2009 Sept. 2010.
- **Chairperson of Department**, Computer Graphics and Animation Department, King Hussein School for Information Technology, PSUT, Sept. 2005 Sept. 2007
- **Chairperson of Department**, Computer Science Department, King Hussein School for Information Technology, PSUT, Sept. 2002 Sept. 2005.
- **Head of the PSUT tender Committee** 2017- now
- **Head of the Employee Affairs Committee** at PSUT 2017 now
- **Head of the Health Insurance Committee** at PSUT 2017 now
- **Head of the Curriculum Development Committee** at PSUT- 2017-now

## **Academic Experience**

- **Professor**, Computer Science Department, King Hussein Faculty for Computing Sciences, Princess Sumaya University for Technology, Jordan. 2015 present
- **Associate Professor**, Computer Science Department, King Hussein Faculty for Computing Sciences, Princess Sumaya University for Technology, Jordan. 2008- 2014.
- **Associate Professor**, School of Engineering and Technology Department of Computer Science New York Institute of Technology Amman Campus. 2007-2009. (Sabbatical leave from PSUT).
- **Adjunct Professor** at New York Institute for Technology –Amman Campus (2006 2007)
- **Assistant Professor**, Computer Science Department, Princess Sumaya University for Technology, Jordan. Sep, 1993- Aug, 2006.
- Lecturer, (Assistant Associé) Université of Franche-Comté France (IUT De Belfort). 1985-1988.

## **Teaching Experience**

- Undergraduate Courses: Programming Languages: C, C++, Java and Prolog. Data Structures, Algorithms Analysis and Design. Artificial Intelligence. Computer Graphics. Information System Security
- M. Sc. Courses: Natural Language Processing. Digital Image Processing. Advanced Algorithms Analysis and design. Information System Security, Security Risk Analysis
- **Ph. D. Courses:** Natural Language Processing. Statistical Natural Language Processing. Research Methodology and Seminar. Machine Learning
- E-Learning Experience:

I had initiated the use of e-learning in PSUT since 2003 by developing the PSUT e-learning platform. I conducted lectures for PSUT staff on the use of e-learning and to introduce the MOODEL technology. I had developed and posted more than 40 different courses on the platform. More than 80% of the PSUT professors are using now this platform at different levels. Currently, I am using the e-learning for almost all my courses. Within the IVLE Tempus project, I have developed a complete online course on e-commerce for a master degree on computer science. In addition, I had been selected as the main lecturer for the e-learning Network Engineering course organized by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Menhaj Educational Technologies and three universities: Princess Sumaya University for Technology, University of Jordan and Birzeit University (Palestine).

# **Awards**

- Best Researcher at the School of Computing Science. Award from PSUT 2018
- Best Researcher of the university. Award from PSUT 2011
- The EL-Hassan Bin Talal award for Scientific Excellency in higher education for the MEDFORIST project and the establishment of the unit of research and development in elearning – PSUT- 2006

# Fellowships and Scholarships

- Full B.Sc. Scholarship granted by Ministry of Education (Jordan) and CROUS France (1978 1983).
- Full M.Sc. Scholarship granted by CNOUS France (1983-1984).

### Languages

- **Arabic** (Mother tongue)
- English (Fluent Reading/Writing/Speaking)
- French (Fluent Reading/Writing/Speaking)

## **Consultations:**

- Price WaterHouse Corporation Consulting (2013-2014). Consultant for the reengineering of processes in Saudi Universities. This work includes the assessment of current situation as related to business processes, application functionalities, quality and excellence, the documentation of the As-Is Business processes, the development of Business processes prioritization frameworks and analysis, the development of the To-Be Architectures (Business processes, application profiles, and providing technical in-depth knowledge of the universities operations and core functions)
- **LEADS Technology (American Company)-** Consultant for image processing and image compression projects from 2002 2011.
- Menhaj Educational Technologies (Jordanian Company): Consultant for the IT Curriculum development project for Abu Dhabi Schools United Arab Emirates from 2001-2005
- **UNISCO:** The United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization invited me to join a committee of experts for the preparation of the DRAFT recommendation on the promotion and use of the multilingualism and universal access to cyberspace. Feb. 2002
- Orphans Fund Development Foundation (Public Organization): Consultant for the implementation and automation of the financial system and other business processes. From 1996 to 2000.

## **Projects and Funds**

- 1. MEDFORIST Project (from 2002-2005, Fund received by PSUT: 120000 Euro): I was the country manager of the MEDFORIST project. MEDFORIST is a Euro Mediterranean project for building a network of universities and professors from European and Mediterranean universities to share IT resources, expertise and know-how. The main results for PSUT were: An E-learning Platform was created, Training 4 people from PSUT in France and Morocco, the organization of the first International Conference on E-Business and E-Learning (Participants from 40 countries), Establishing the MEDFORIST lab. (Unit for research and development in E-Business and E-Learning). Winner of the El-Hassan award of scientific Excellency in 2006.
- 2. IVLE TEMPUS Project( from 2005 2008, Fund Received by PSUT: 20000 Euro): I was the coordinator of the Tempus project (IVLE) in PSUT. IVLE (INTEGRATED VIRTUAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT: LEARNING SUPPORT SYSTEM) is a European funded project for developing new curricula in Mediterranean countries. This project aims at producing a complete curriculum for graduate studies in computer Science. The main advantages for PSUT were providing PSUT with Hardware and software t improve the e-learning capability of the university, 8 courses of the Master degree are developed on line by the partners of the project two of them were by PSUT.
- **3. PSUT-GEM MIRA Project (2006-2008):** I was the PSUT coordinator for this project. MIRA is funded by the Rhone-Alpes region in France for supporting the collaboration between PSUT and the Grenoble School of Management (GEM). It aimed at facilitating the exchange of professors, programs between the two institutions and organizing meetings and workshops for the MIS and CS departments' students in PSUT.

- 4. SERMANTEQ Tempus Project (2009-2011, Fund received by PSUT: 140000 Euro): As the PST manager of the SERMANTEQ project, I had been in charge in charge of the implementation of the different activities relate to this project as well and to participate in the steering committee. SERAMTEQ is a TEMPUS funded EU project. It main objective was to modernize academic courses through development of new trainings in Technology Management and Marketing of Services; and reinforcement of processes policies concerning the trainings' quality, the students' services capacities, as well as those concerning the Mediterranean partner institutions' management.
- **5. MEDAWL**(2012-2015): The MEDAWEL project is a Tempus project that seeks to examine and improve the current student services' approach and structure within the Southern Neighboring Area participating higher education institutions. The project includes partners from Jordan, Lebanon, Egypt and Palestine, and is underpinned by the experience of partners from Spain, Ireland and United Kingdom. As the dean of students' affairs, I am in charge of the implementation of the project in PSUT in order to improve the services provided to students and share PSUT experience with the other partners.
- 6. Creating E-portal in Arabic to Support Health care in Jordan (2014-2016, Fund allocated to PSUT 65000 JD): This project is funded by Novo Nordisk foundation (Switzerland) to create medical and social networking portal in order to increase awareness and good practices among patients and their families in Jordan. It includes different activities such as developing an electronic portal and Arabic website, organizing training workshops and awareness meeting and producing publications in Arabic. Arabic Language Content Research Centre in PSUT, Jordan University-Coagulation and Haemostasis, medical experts from the different health services (Ministry of health, Royal Medical Services and University hospitals) and ICT experts will work together to improve medical services, health care and support to patients with Haemophilia in all the regions of the country and surrounded countries.
- 7. **JOVITAL Project.** (from 2017 to 2020, 200,000Euro). This is an EU funded project that offers Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in Jordan the possibility to explore, implement, and disseminate state of the art academic practices in e-learning and virtual learning to enhance teaching quality and improve learning outcomes.
- **8. FORC Project.** (from 2017 to 2020, 120,000 Euro). This project seeks to build capacities to develop an integrated curriculum in forensic computing as pathways within the undergraduate degrees of the facilities of Information Technology and Law, using a student-centered adaptive learning approach based on the bologna processes.
- 9. Developing Semantic Representation Methods for Knowledge Discovery from Arabic Text. (From 2017 to 2020, 15000 JD) This project is funded by the Scientific Research Fund (Jordanian Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific research). It aims at allowing automatic knowledge extraction from Arabic text. The first phase will be dedicated to collect and build semantically annotated corpus of Arabic texts from different resources. As semantic distinctions are always associated with other linguistic features such as morphological features, part of speech and syntax attributes, different solutions will be developed at the level of morphological analysis, Part of speech tagging and syntax analysis. Freely available resources will be used too to enrich the proposed work such as WordNet Synsets, Wikipedia and other freely available Arabic corpora. The main contribution of this project is to prove that semantic analysis and annotation of text will establish a systematic approach which can be used with success to extract information and knowledge from Arabic text. The expected results of the project will provide researchers and organizations with tools to help them in analyzing and understanding Arabic e-content.

## **Conferences and Workshops**

#### **Conference Chair:**

- **1. Conference Chair** of the International Conference on new Trends in Computing Sciences (ICTCS2019). Amman, Jordan 9-11 Oct. 2019.
- **2. Conference Chair** of the International Conference on new Trends in Computing Sciences (ICTCS2017). Amman, Jordan 11-13 Oct. 2017.
- **3.** Chair of the Local organization committee of the 4th International Conference on Next Generation Mobile Applications, Services and Technologies (NGMAST2010) organized in Amman on 27-29 July 2010
- **4.** Chair of the 5th Session (Artificial Intelligence) 2nd Jordan International Conference on Computer Science and Engineering. 5-7 December, 2006. Al Balqa' Applied University-Jordan.
- **5.** Chair of the Organizing Committee and member of the Scientific Committee. First International Conference on E-Business and E-Learning (EBEL 2005). Amman, Jordan 23-24 May 2005.
- **6.** Chair of the organizing committee of the 1<sup>st</sup> National Scientific Meeting in Informatics. Jordan Computer Society. Amman- Jordan, November, 1997.

### **Committees' Member: (Some of them)**

- **1.** Member of the Technical Program committee of the International Conference on Information and Communication Systems (ICICS 2016). April 5-7, 2016 Irbid –Jordan.
- **2.** Member of the Technical Program Committee of the Mediterranean Conference on Information and Communication Technologies 2015, May 7-9, Saidia, Morocco.
- **3.** Member of the Program committee of the 5<sup>th</sup> International conference on Information and Communication Technology and Accessibility, December 21-23, 2015, Marrakech, Morocco.
- **4.** Member of the Program Committee of the Fourth International Conference on Information and Communication Technology and Accessibility, October 24-26, 2013, Hammamet, Tunisia
- **5.** Member of the Technical Program Committee of the International Arab Conference of e-Technology IACe-T' 2012, organized by Zarqa University, Zarqa-Jordan April 25-27, 2012.
- **6.** Member of the Expert Meeting on ESCWA Initiative for Promoting the Digital Arabic Content Industry through Technology Incubators. 1-2 October 2012, Amman, Jordan.
- 7. Member of the International Program committee of the Fourth IEEE International Symposium on Innovation in Information & Communication Technology (ISIICT 2011), November 29-December 1, 2011, Philadelphia University, Amman Jordan
- **8.** Member of the Scientific Committee of the 2011 IEEE Jordan Conference on Applied Electrical Engineering and Computing Technologies (AEECT) organized by the Faculty of Engineering and Technology University of Jordan, 6-8 December, 2011, Amman, Jordan
- **9.** Member of the scientific committee of the conference of l'Association Francophone de Management Electronique (AFME). March 2008 27th and 28th Grenoble France.
- **10.** Program committee of the first International Conference on Information and Communication Technologies and Accessibility ICTA 2007 April 12-14, 2007, Hammamet, Tunisia.

## **Memberships**

- Member of the Association of Computational Linguistics (ACL)
- Member of the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM)
- Member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE).
- Member of the IEEE Computer Society.
- Member of the Jordan Computers Society.
- Founder member of the Jordanian the Intellectual Property Association

### **Professional Service**

- Member of the editorial board of the Jordanian Journal of Computers and Information Technology published by PSUT and sponsored by the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research. (SCOPUS)
- Scientific Research Support Fund (Ministry of Higher Education & Scientific Research):
  - a. Member of the Scientific Committee of the SRSF since 2018
  - b. Head of the Scientific committee for the IT sector since 2018
  - c. Member of the Scientific committee for the IT sector from 2016 to 2018
  - d. Reviewers of SRSF projects proposals
- Member of the first executive board of the IEEE section in Jordan (2002)
- Reviewer for the Qatar National Research Fund project (QNRF) -Qatar Foundation
- Reviewer for the following journals:
  - a. Evolutionary Intelligence (SPRINGER)
  - b. Malaysian Journal of Computer Science (MJCS)
  - c. Jordan University journal "Dirassat".
  - d. Jordanian Journal for applied Sciences.
  - e. Al Manara for Research and Studies.
- External Examiner for many Master Thesis in Jordanian Universities (PSUT, Jordan University, Al-Bayt University, Philadelphia University, Al-Balqa' applied University).

## **Activities in the local society**

- Employment-Technical and Vocational Education and Training Council
  - a. Member of the National Sector Skills Council for the ICT sector since 2018
- National Center for Human Resources Development:
  - a. Member of the committee in charge of analyzing and describing the jobs in the Information and communication technology (2017)
- Ministry of Higher Education:
  - a. Member of the committee in charge of redefining unified rules for the financial and administrative regulations in the Jordanian Public Universities (2015).
  - b. Member of the National Committee in charge of evaluating the Students deanships activities in Jordanian universities (2013 2014).
  - c. Member of the committee in charge of redefining the rules of the Computer Science programs accreditation in the Jordanian Universities.
- Jordan Computer Society:
  - a. Appointed by Her Royal Highness Princess Sumaya to represent her in the Jordan Computer Society (JCS) activities and meetings
  - b. Member of the JCS since 1996
  - c. Member of the editorial board of the Al-Hassoub Magazine from 1996- 2002
  - d. Member of the organizing committee of the Middle-East exhibition METS from 1995-1998 and 2003

- The National Information Center
  - a. Member of the legality of electronic documents committee (2001-2002)
  - b. Member of the national ICT committee (2006-)
- The Higher Council for Science and Technology
  - a. Member of the committee for National Observatory for science and technology 2008-2009
  - b. Member of the National Committee in charge of defining the research priorities in the ICT sector 2009-2010
  - c. Member of the National e-Technology Committee Higher Council for Science and Technology (Jordan) from August 2008
- Ministry of Education: Member of the IT curricula committees and co-Author of electronic commerce books for the IT stream in the secondary schools
- Ministry of Health: Member of the National hemophilia Committee from 2002-now
- Institute of Public Administration: Trainer and lecturer in several workshops and training courses on the use of ITC in public administration and public sector (2004-2006).
- Member of the steering committee of the Jordan UK Get-Connected initiative (2000-2005)
- Amman Chamber of Commerce: I was invited to give lectures (a week of training courses in 2006) on e-business and e-commerce.
- The Jordanian the Intellectual Property Association:
  - a. One of the founders of JIPA.
  - b. Member of the first executive boards and Chair of the Cultural committee.
- Member of the ICT planning Committee for the Al Hussein Bin Talal University Ma'an Jordan (2003-2005).
- Member of the International Society for Engineering education and Coordinator of the National Monitoring Committee of the ISEG in Jordan.
- Board member and vice president of the Jordan Thalassemia and Hemophilia Society and chair of the Hemophilia committee at the of the Jordan Thalassemia and Hemophilia Society from 2005 - now.
- Member of the National Hemophilia Committee in the Ministry of health from 2005-2012 and from 2018 now.

### Curricular and extra-curricular activities

- Head of the committee in charge of writing the proposal for implementing a Ph.D. program in computer science in King Hussein Faculty of Commuting Sciences (PSUT) 2014.
- Head of ABET accreditation committee- King Hussein Faculty of Computing Sciences, Princess Sumaya University for Technology, 2014- 2017.
- Head of the curriculum committee in KHFCS in charge of updating and developing the undergraduates' curricula (B.Sc. Computer Sciences, Software Engineering) and graduates curricula (computer Sciences, Information Systems Security and Digital Criminology).

## **Scientific Research**

- Natural Language Processing, Arabic NLP
- Computational Linguistics, Text Mining
- Image Processing
- Machine Learning

## **Publications**

#### 2020

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- 3. Hamdan S., Hudaib A., **Awajan A.**, 2019. Detecting Sybil Attacks in Vehicular Ad Hoc Networks. International Journal of Parallel Emergent and Distributed Systems. TAYLOR & FRANCIS (ISI) DOI: 10.1080/17445760.2019.1617865
- 4. Tedmori S., **Awajan A.**, 2019. Sentiment Analysis Main Tasks and Applications: A Survey. Journal of Information Processing Systems. Vol.15, No.3, pp. 500-519, June 2019. DOI: 10.3745/JIPS.04.0120. (ISI, Scopus).
- 5. Alian M., **Awajan A.**, Ramadan B. 2019. Unsupervised Learning Blocking Keys Technique for Indexing Arabic Entity Resolution. International Journal of Speech Technology, Vol. 22, Number 3. DOI 10.1007/s10772-018-9489-6 (ISI, Springer Scopus).
- 6. Hriez S., Obeid N., **Awajan A.** 2019. User Authentication on Smartphones Using Keystroke Dynamics. Proceedings of DATA'19, December 2–5, 2019, Dubai, United Arab Emirates. Copyright 2019 Association for Computing Machinery. ACM ISBN 978-1-4503-7284-8/19/12. DOI: http://doi.org/10.1145/3368691.3368725.
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- 9. Al-Saqqa S., **Awajan A.**, Ghoul S. 2019. Stemming Effects on Sentiment Analysis using Large Arabic Multi-Domain Resources. Proceedings of Sixth International Conference on Social Networks Analysis, Management and Security (SNAMS). Granada, Spain. October 22-25, 2019. 10.1109/SNAMS.2019.8931812. Pages 211-216.
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- 11. Alhijawi B., Al-Naymat G., Obeid N., **Awajan A.** 2019. Mitigating the Effect of Data Sparsity: A Case Study on Collaborative Filtering Recommender System. Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on new Trends in Computing Science (ICTCS'19). 9-11 October 2019, Amman-Jordan. Pages 136-141.
- 12. Abdel-Nabi H., Al-Naymat G., **Awajan A**. 2019. Content Based Image Retrieval Approach using Deep Learning. Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on new Trends in Computing Science (ICTCS'19). 9-11 October 2019, Amman- Jordan. Pages 170-177.
- 13. Hamdan S., Awajan A., Almajali S. 2019. Compression Techniques Used in IoT: A

- Comparitive Study. Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on new Trends in Computing Science (ICTCS'19). 9-11 October 2019, Amman- Jordan. Pages 2018-212.
- 14. Halabi D., **Awajan A**. 2019. Graph-Based Arabic Key-Phrases Extraction. Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on new Trends in Computing Science (ICTCS'19). 9-11 October 2019, Amman-Jordan. Pages 244-250.
- 15. Suleiman D., **Awajan A.** 2019. Using Part of Speech Tagging for Improving Word2vec Model. Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on new Trends in Computing Science (ICTCS'19). 9-11 October 2019, Amman-Jordan.
- 16. Biltawi M., **Awajan A.**, Tedmori S. 2019. Evaluation of Question Classification. Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on new Trends in Computing Science (ICTCS'19). 9-11 October 2019, Amman-Jordan.
- 17. Suleiman D., **Awajan A.**, Al Etaiwi W. 2019. Arabic Text Keywords Extraction using Word2vec. Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on new Trends in Computing Science (ICTCS'19). 9-11 October 2019, Amman- Jordan. Pages 251-257.
- 18. Al Etaiwi W., **Awajan A.** 2019. Arabic Text Semantic Graph Representation. Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on new Trends in Computing Science (ICTCS'19). 9-11 October 2019, Amman-Jordan. Pages 265-271.
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- 24. Alian M., **Awajan A.**, 2018. Arabic Semantic Similarity Approaches Review. Proceedings of the 19th International Arab Conference on Information Technology (ACIT'2018). 28-30 November 2018. Beirut, Lebanon.
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