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## **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D.**, Ankara University, 2002

History of Religions: "Tibetan Buddhism –Lamaism"

Advisor: Prof. Dr. Abdurrahman Kucuk

**M.A.**, Harran University-1996,

History of Religions: "The History of Antiochan Syrian Church Between I-IV. Centuries"

Advisor: Prof. Dr. Omer Faruk Harman

**B.A.**, Marmara University, 1990.

Divinity School

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Assistant Professor** (03.06.2003- )

Harran University, Divinity School.

**Research Assistant:** (11.10.1993 – 02.06.2003)

**Co-chair**, "Christianity in 2000's: Past, Present and Future", Sponsored by Turkish Association for History of Religions (TU DTAD), June 9-10, 2001.

"Harran School in History: I. International Symposium", 28-29 April 2006, Divinity School, Harran University.

**Supervisor**, B.A. Thesis, "The History of Religious Studies in Modern Turkey (1949-2003)" 2004.

B.A. Thesis, "Ahmed Mithad As a Historian of Religion", 2005.

**Member of Advisory Board**, "Congress of Cultural Development in Southern Turkey (Viransehir)", January 17-18, 2004, Viransehir, Sanliurfa, Turkey.

### **Teaching:**

Comparative History of Religions I-II, Harran University (TR), Spring-Fall Semesters, 2003-2004;

Comparative History of Religions I-II, Harran University (TR), Spring-Fall Semesters, 2004-2005.

Islamic Spirituality, University of Houston, A.D. Bruce Religion Center, Fall 2007.

Islamic Spirituality, University of Houston, A.D. Bruce Religion Center, Spring 2008.

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Islamic Spirituality, University of Houston, A.D. Bruce Religion Center, Spring 2009.

Muslim-Christian Relations, UH, A.D. Bruce Religion Center, Fall 2008.

Muslim-Christian Relations, UH, A.D. Bruce Religion Center, Spring 2009.

Muslim-Christian Relations, UH, A.D. Bruce Religion Center, Fall 2009.

Muslim-Christian Relations, UH, A.D. Bruce Religion Center, Spring 2010.  
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Jesus and Muhammad, UH, A.D. Bruce Religion Center, Fall 2009.  
Jesus and Muhammad, UH, A.D. Bruce Religion Center, Spring 2010.  
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Muslim-Christian Relations, UH, A.D. Bruce Religion Center, Spring 2010.  
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## **PUBLICATIONS:**

### **I. Books:**

1. Lotus'un Icindeki Inci -Lamaizm'le Nirvana'ya Yolculuk (The Pearl in the Lotus -A Travel Through Lamaism to Nirvana ), 271 pp., Karakutu Press, Istanbul 2003.
2. Dinler Tarihi Yardimci Ders Notlari (The History of Religions: A Study Book), V+198 pp., Textbook, Forthcoming, Harran University Press, Sanliurfa, 2005.

### **II. Articles:**

1. "Turkiye'deki Akademisyen Dinler Tarihçilerin Bibliyografyası (A Bibliography of the Academic Historians of Religions in Turkey)", Ankara Üniversitesi İlahiyat Fakültesi Dergisi (AUİFD), XLIII, 1 (2002), pp. 187-229
2. Review Article (AUİFD), XLIII, 2 (2002), pp. 505-512: "Cizvitler ve Katolik Kilisesindeki Yeri (The Jesuits and Their Place in the Catholic Church)", XVI+252 p., Ali Isra Gungor, Ankara 2002.
3. "AnaBritannica Ansiklopedisinde Dinlerle ilgili Maddeler (Entries Regarding Religions in the Encyclopedia of AnaBritannica)", Harran Üniversitesi İlahiyat Fakültesi Dergisi, S. 13, Ocak-Haziran 2004.
4. "Abd al-Ahad Dawud", Entry in Dictionary of Islamic Philosophers, Routledge 2004, Edited by Oliver Leaman. Forthcoming.
5. "Rahmat Allah al-Hindi", Entry in Dictionary of Islamic Philosophers, Routledge 2004, Edited by Oliver Leaman. Forthcoming.
6. "Covenant (Ahd)", Entry in the Encyclopedia of the Qur'an, Edited by Oliver Leaman. Forthcoming.
7. "Qarun", Entry in the Encyclopedia of the Qur'an, Edited by Oliver Leaman. Forthcoming.
8. "Islamic Approach to Non Judeo-Christian Religions", Forthcoming.
9. "The Major Differences Between Islam and Judeo-Christian Faith", Forthcoming.
10. "Is There a Concept of Holy Spirit in Islam As in Christianity?", Forthcoming.

### **PAPERS PRESENTED AT CONFERENCES:**

- 1- "The Perception of Religion in Tibetan Buddhism", A Symposium: The Perception of Religion in World Great Religions, November 20-21, 1998, Konya, Turkey.
- 2- "Turkish Buddhists and Tibetan Buddhism", A Symposium: Christianity in 2000's: Past, Present and Future, June 9-10, 2001, Ankara, Turkey.
- 3- "Travel to Religious Sites and Eyyubnebi", The Symposium of Prophet Job, May 22 2004, Eyyubnebi, Sanliurfa, Turkey.

### **SEMİNARS**

1. Satanizm: Cesitli Dinlere Gore Seytanın İnsan Uzerinde Harici Bir Etkisinin Olup Olmadığı (Satanism: Is There Any Effect of the Satan on Human)", April 26, 2003, Diyanet Egitim Merkezi, Sanliurfa, Turkey.
2. Cesitli Dinlerde ve Kur'an'a Gore Kadının Ortunmesi (Headscarf in Islam and in Other Religions)", September 12, 2002, Zambak Dugun Salonu, Ankara, Turkey.
3. Siyasi Görüs ve Mezhep Farklılıklari Kulturel Zenginliklerdir (Different Political and Religious Views Are the Legacy of Multicultural Society)", April 13, 2004, Diyanet Egitim Merkezi, Sanliurfa, Turkey.

4. Toplum İinde Kisiyi Yalnız Birakan İki Huy: Gurur ve Kibir (The Two Significant Features Which Leaves a Person Alone in the Society: Pride and Arrogance)", TRT Radyo Konuşması, Kayıt: May 07, 2004, Sanliurfa.
5. Misyonerlik: Tanımı, Yöntemi ve Etkileri (Missionary: Definition, Methodology and Influence)", 23.12.2004, Diyanet Egt. Merkezi, Sanliurfa, Turkey.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:**

Member of Advisory Board of the Turkish Association for History of Religions (TÜDTAD), Ankara, Turkey.

**LANGUAGES:**

Turkish (Native)  
Ottoman Language (Fluent)  
Arabic (Advanced)  
French (Intermediate)  
English