

# Curriculum Vitae

## 1. Personal Data

**1.1 Name:** Salah Eldin Taysir Al-Shakhshir

**1.2 Date of birth:** 12-06-1963

**1.3 Place of birth:** Nablus

**1.4 Nationality:** Palestinian

**1.5 Marital Status:** Married

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**1.7 Children:** Four



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## 2. Education

**2.1 Philosophiae Doctor (PhD) Studies** at The Norwegian University of Life Sciences (UMB), Ås- Norway, the Dept. of Landscape Architecture and Spatial Planning, (ILP) from 2005 in Sandwich program as a Candidate Doctor In a Cooperative Program in Landscape Architecture, between the Department of Landscape Architecture, (UMB) and the Department of Architecture at Birzeit University (BZU) in Palestine and the expected date for the graduation was, the end of 2008, until now I haven't the chance to defend and continue the last stage..

*Thesis Theme:*

**"From Policy to Reality". Splitting Policies, Diverting Opinions for the Management of the Cultural Heritage in Palestine.**

**Case Study: Sebastia Cultural Heritage Area**

**2.2 Starting M.Sc in Landscape Architecture in sandwich program at Agricultural University of Norway (NLH), Ås- Norway**, the Dept. of Land Use and Landscape Planning from 1999. It has been converted to a PhD studies after the end of the first semester of M.Sc. From 2001 was the starting date for Dr. Scientiarum Thesis under the *Theme*:

***"Design Approach for Archaeological Sites in Palestine as Tourist Attractions".  
Case Study: Sebastia Archaeological Site.***

*The Research Monograph was ready and approved for defence, in 2003 nevertheless it was not defended for returned to homeland and waiting date for defence, nevertheless the date chance for PhD Program have been ended . It has opened the way for more research with important theme as mentioned above in point 2.1, which was accepted to be followed and be started from November 2005.for new research theme.*

2.3 MSc in Architecture Engineering from Sofia-Bulgaria: in ***"Residential Buildings and Complexes"***, urban and design at the higher institute of Architecture & Civil Engineering in Sofia, Faculty of Architecture. (1983-1989)

2.4 General Secondary Certificate in 1981  
- Certificate of driving license

### **3. Professional Employment**

**- Engineering Memberships:**

- Jordanian Engineers Association – Membership No. 1854/1989
- Palestinian Engineers Association – Membership 1991.

3.1 **Instructor “Teacher Assistant” at An-Najah National University**, at the Faculty of Engineering, department of Regional and Urban Planning from September 2013-2014 until now teaching the following topics:

- 3.1.1 Engineering drawings.....
- 3.1.2 Basics of architectural design.....68260
- 3.1.3 Landscape Architecture
- 3.1.4 Graduation Project
- 3.1.5 Environmental Design 1
- 3.1.6 Urban Regeneration and Renewal
- 3.1.7 Urban & Regional Planning session 3
- 3.1.8 Urban & Regional Planning session 4
- 3.1.9 Urban & Regional Planning session 5
- 3.1.10 Urban & Regional Planning session 6
- 3.1.11 Urban & Regional Planning session 7
- 3.1.12 Environmental Design 2
- 3.1.13 Engineering Drawings and presentation
- 3.1.14 Planning for residential buildings and complexes
- 3.1.15 Urban design

- From 2013-2014 working as designer and supervisor for various projects in Palestine.

3.2 **Faculty Staff Member as Lecturer “Teacher” at Palestine Polytechnic**

**University**, at the department of architecture from 2009 -2013 teaching different topics such as:

- 3.2.1 Landscape Architecture.....ARE 552
- 3.2.2 Working Drawing 2.....ARE 422
- 3.2.3 Architectural Design 4.....ARE 451
- 3.2.4 Architectural Design 5.....ARE 452

- 3.2.5 Architectural Drawings and Design Presentation.....ARE 122
- 3.2.6 Introduction to Graduation Project/Thesis.....ARE 591
- 3.2.7 Graduation project.....ARE 593
- 3.2.8 Interior Design.....ARE 552
- 3.2.9 Working Drawings 1.....ARE 421
- 3.2.10 Architectural Design 2.....ARE 352
- 3.2.11 Building drawing for civil Engineering.....CE 282
- 3.2.12 Environmental Architecture.....ARE 301
- 3.2.13 Architectural Design 3.....ARE 352
- 3.2.14 City planning 1.for architecture.....ARE 461
- 3.2.15 City planning for engineering.....CE 528
- 3.2.16 Environment & Waste treatment.....2580
- 3.3 Faculty Staff Member as Lecturer “Teacher” at Birzeit University**, at the department of architecture from 2003 until 2009
- 3.3.1 Architecture Design ENAR 227
- 3.3.2 Architectural Presentation ENAR 225
- 3.3.3 Working Drawings I ENAR 321
- 3.3.4 Working Drawing II ENAR 322
- 3.3.5 Perspective; Shade and Shadows ENAR 222
- 3.3.6 Introduction to Graduation Project/Thesis ENAR 520
- 3.3.7 Graduation Project ENAR 530
- 3.3.8 Building Construction for Civil Engineers ENAR 339
- 3.3.9 Landscape Architecture ENAR 436
- 3.3.10 Presentation and Perspective ENAR 233
- 3.4 Instructor “Teacher assistant” at An-Najah National University**, the faculty of Engineering; Department of Architecture & also at the faculty of fine arts, Dept. of Interior Design, in addition to the Faculty of Social Sciences/ Dept. of Architecture from 1993-1998 as a part timer. Teaching different topics as the followings:
- 3.4.1 Design for first second and fourth levels
- 3.3.2 Graduation Projects
- 3.3.3 Perspective Shade and Shadows
- 3.3.4 Presentation and Shop Drawings
- 3.3.5 Interior Design Studios
- 3.3.6 Quantity Surveying and specifications for fifth graduation student's level
- 3.3.7 Technical and Architectural Drawings
- 3.3.8 History of Architecture
- 3.4 Faculty Staff Member as Instructor “Teacher assistant” at An-Najah National University**, the faculty of engineering, 1995-1998 as a full time teacher. The following courses:
- 3.4.1 Design Graphics
- 3.4.2 Perspective Shade and Shadows
- 3.4.3 Architectural Design Studios
- 3.4.4 Interior Design Studio
- 3.4.5 Materials and Construction
- 3.4.6 Building Construction Systems
- 3.4.7 Working Architectural Drawings and Shop Drawings

- 3.4.8 Presentation and Architectural Graphics
- 3.5 I have worked also as a designer & supervisor for different residential & public building projects in NGOs and private institutions and my own *Asala Architectural Engineering office in Nablus* from 1994-1998
- 3.6 Design for large and medium scale projects in Oslo, Norway in Parks and Urban Open Spaces, and participating in Large Scale Landscape Development project in Southern part of Norway during studies.

#### **4. Fields of Interest**

- 4.1 Landscape Planning and Design / gardening studies and practices, supported with site visits for parks and famous historic and modern gardens to several of International, National, Regional and local parks. ex. in France; Germany; Norway, Sweden; Syria, Jordan and in historic Palestine.
- 4.2 Landscape of cultural heritage and management
- 4.3 Vernacular and Traditional Architecture and cultural landscape/ periodical lectures about the vernacular stone buildings in Palestinian rural Areas (Manateer, Sira, Ezab...etc).
- 4.4 Residential and housing issues
- 4.5 Interior and decoration
- 4.6 Architectural Engineering education for building construction and systems
- 4.7 Monitoring and supervision of different graduation projects in design, urban design, planning; landscape and landscape planning. Participation in the arbitration committee's for graduation projects.
- 4.8 Participation in different committees during the years of teaching such as the committee on Library Service of dept. of Architecture, the committee on the development plan study for the architecture; committee courses for construction and shop drawings; the committee of Architectural presentation; Perspective Shade and Shadows, and the committee for the Engineering day at BZU.  
Chairman for the social and the non- curriculum committee at Palestine Polytechnic University and participation in organizing the architectural exhibitions for the annual engineering day.
- 4.9 Member of the committee of graduation projects at Palestine Polytechnic University during the period 2010-2011; 2011-2012
- 4.10 Member of the development plan study for the architectural department during 2011-20012 at Palestine Polytechnic University.
- 4.10 Chairman for the committee to establishment of new discipline at Palestine Polytechnic University, at the Department of Engineering and architecture. The (Committee of Interior Design Department-new Curriculum) 2011-2012.
- 4.11 Chairman for the committee of the third conference for Energy and Environmental challenges at Palestine Polytechnic University. The (Committee of Design; Media & Publications) 2012-2013

#### **5. Languages**

- 5.1 Arabic the native language
- 5.2 English language very good
- 5.3 Bulgarian language very good

## **6. Experience**

- 6.1 Supervisor & Designer Engineer (1989-1990) in Abo-Dayeh Engineering office in Amman- Jordan:
- 6.2 Supervisor & Designer Engineer (1990-1991) of villas and residential buildings in Dr. Jalal Dawani Company, Amman- Jordan
- 6.3 Supervisor & Designer Engineer of Villas and residential and public buildings, at Tbileh engineering company – Nablus (1991-1993)
- 6.4 Working as a teacher at An- Najah National University, Faculty of engineering department of architecture & the dept. of Arts, from 1993-1998
- 6.5 Owner and Manager of Asala Engineering office for architectural professional works/ design and supervision. Nablus. Rafidia Street from 1995- 1999.
- 6.6 Working on the field of design, and participation of some architectural competition, winning the prize of designing of Anabta Occupational centre, that is belong to the town Municipality.
- 6.7 Designing & implemented for the decorations of Sebastia International Annual festival, under the auspices of An- Najah University, since 1995.
- 6.8 Around 60 different Interior design and decoration projects and different reconstruction working projects in different places mostly in Nablus.
- 6.9 Two Residential projects at Surda and Birzeit towns.
- 6.10 Landscape architectural design and monitoring projects Alnajmeh residential complex (Abu Qash); finishing buildings and garden designs.
- 6.11 Finishing and landscaping works for different apartments in Ramallah and Petunia-2006/2007.
- 6.12 Two decoration shop works for exchanging money in Ramallah, Al-Silwadi and Beit-Nabala stories in 2007.
- 6.13 Consultation works for Palestinian tower Al- Ersal Street through BZU in 2006-2007, supported with reports.
- 6.14 Evaluation of Salfeet (Kufi Hares) Competition design for town garden 2006-2007, through BZU, Department of Architecture
- 6.15 Working on different activities for the cooperative program between Birzeit University and The University of Life Sciences, such as drawing the major axis for the conference on management and conservation for cultural heritage which was held at BZU 11/2007. In addition to preparation and implementation to the first part of the Public Awareness Session in Landscape Architecture under theme "Vernacular Stone Buildings in Rural Areas in Palestinian Territories in 10/2006- 01/2007, supported with lectures held and presented in 12 different preparatory and secondary schools in Ramallah and its suburbs.
- 6.16 Various design and supervision for landscape gardens and design for villas in Hebron, such as garden design for Al-Natsha brother's three villas and Sarsour villa garden, Isead villa garden, Abu Al-abed Natsha garden for villa, and Ashraf Al Natsha design Villa, design for villa Hazem Shawar, Interior kitchen design for Al- Zghaier villa. Interior Design for Alatta Engineering and Construction contractors, Hebron, for Abu Jawad Al-amleh 2012
- 6.17 Interior design and supervision for Apartment of Zafer Stetia in Nablus 2013 and conservation and roof isolation for shop in Rafidia Nablus, owner Mutasem Statia 2013.

6.18 During the period of 2013-2016 design and supervision to various small and large projects, such as Mazen shakhshir light industrial building, Maher shakhshir light industrial building and other commercial and residential buildings, and complexes in addition to reconstruction for Al TINA Mosque in Nablus.

6.19 Working from 20 July 2016-18 August 2016 as landscape planning for group and team work; field visits and consultation; and supervision in the RHC regeneration of Historic Centers of local level Sabastia; Burqa; Almasudia; Jnesinia;...under the project of regeneration of historic centers project through AN najah University supported by Belgium Technical Cooperation.

6.19 Summer School for Spatial planning for the conservation and revitalization of historic centers: rehabilitating the cultural landscapes as connecting spaces and economic assets; in Sabastia and Burqa; working with the joint service council of the whole area and the central level; MOLG, MOTA; BTC in summer of 2016.

6.20 Working in the Land Use and the Land Settlement projects as supervisor and coordinator in different local settlements such as; Bidia; Sartta; and Ellar towns through An-Najah University-the Planning unit from 15-04-2017 until Now.

6.21 Working from 28-10-2017 until 25-03-2017 as consultant in the field of economic development session' the tourism and recreation' field which Supports the preparation of Strategic Development and Investment Plans (SDIPs) in selected municipalities."North Cluster (25 municipalities in Palestine 2017.

The International Group for Engineering and Consultants " Malem "Company in Nablus and Mazaya Consultant Company in Ramallah are the responsible of project.

## **7. Conferences**

7.1 Landscape and the Eco system in Norway 1999

7.2 Landscape planning in Norway 2000

7.3 Conservation for the Cultural Heritage in Sweden 2001 and different Seminars.

7.4 Conservation and Management of Landscape in Conflict Regions 2007 at Birzeit University (BZU).

7.6 The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Energy and Environmental Protection in Sustainable Development, at Palestine Polytechnic University (PPU), 10-12 of November 2009.

## **8. Term papers**

8.1 Introduction to the Theory of Science and Method Spatial Planning as a Research Field.I  
Paper Theme: *'Can the landscape assessment of West Bank function as a good basis for landscape planning'?*

Case Study: *One example for Nablus Governorate.*

8.2 Planning Theory 1

Paper Theme: *'Theories of planning forms for Palestinian urban green structure'.*

8.3 Environmental Science and Landscape.

Paper Theme: *'Ecology in West Bank Governorates'.*

One Example: *for Flora and fauna in the West Bank /Nablus Governorate*

8.4 Dendrology and Herbaceous Ornamentals.

Paper Theme: *'The Palestinian Plants'*

8.5 Soil Science and Landscape.

Paper Theme: *' The Kinds of Soil in the West Bank for Agricultural Land'.*

- 8.6 Theory of Science as a Research Field II Stage.  
 Paper Theme: *'The Past Explain the Present and the Present Explain the Past of Sebastia'.*
- 8.7 Seminar in Landscape Architecture.  
 Paper Theme: *'Curriculum'. 'Plan of the Master of Science Degree (M.Sc) Program in Landscape Architecture MLA'. Nablus –Palestine 1999-2000*
- 8.8 Theory of Science and Method Spatial Planning as a Research Field.II  
 Paper Theme: *'Framing the Image of Landscape Assessment of the West Bank Governorates and Sustainability'.*

## **9. Workshops**

- 9.1 Conservation of Cultural Heritage Areas in Palestine, the Ministry of Culture and Arts, department of cultural heritage in 1999.
- 9.2 Conservation of Archaeological Landscapes, at UMB Norway 2006
- 9.3 Regional Workshop in landscape architecture, at BZU, and UMB, in December 2007, in science and methods in landscape architecture. Birzeit University (BZU).
- 9.4 Regional Workshop in landscape architecture, from 9-14 of September 2007.BZU Operation / Management of Parks and urban open spaces, the significance of Parks and Green structure Development in urban Planning and Design.
- 9.5 Regional Workshop in Urban Structure and Landscape May 2008. BZU / The Department of Architecture Engineering.
- 9.6 Regional Workshop in Decolonizing Architecture, joint workshop between Birzeit University and Planners and Architects from the National Architecture School of Lyon. 3-8 of May 2008.
- 9.7Regional Workshop in Design and Planning of schoolyards, at Birzeit University in cooperation with Norwegian University of Life Sciences (UMB), 12-15 of October 2008.
- 9.8Workshop for renewal and design of historic towns and villages, at Polytechnic University at the department of architecture engineering dated 28/12/2009 with Riwaq institution for conservation and restoration of historic towns.
- 9.9Wrkshop at Polytechnic University at the department of architecture engineering, about recent conservation and restoration; regeneration and the cultural policies for urban and historic fabrics dated from 7-10/02/2010 with Naples University in Italy.
- 9.10Workshop at department of architecture engineering/Polytechnic University dated 17/02/2010 concept and content of regeneration schemes of historic cities; case study: the old city of Bethlehem, wit Florence University in Italy.
- 9.11 Workshop at Mirador Hotel / Ramallah dated 29/11/2011(Green buildings in Palestine, design criteria's and continence.
- 9.12 Workshop at Al- Najah National University 20/01/2013 “ High-Raise Buildings treatment
- 9.13 Workshop at Palestine Polytechnic University 10/3/2013 “ High – Raise Buildings Reality & Challenges and Treatment Approaches.
- 9.14 Workshop in TOT Ramallah, Training of Trainers supported by BTC and MOLG ' Regeneration of Historical Centre in Local Government Units from 12-15 June and from 12-14 July 2016. By International Consulting Services for the project

HYDEA. Supported by BTC under Cooperation of MOLG and Palestinian Universities.

- 9.15 Workshops in Regeneration of Cultural Heritage in North West Nablus Area; Sabastiya and Burqa from 20-07-2016 until 18-08-2016; the position as Teaching assistant; Trainer for the Group Leaders; and the interest of landscape planning and urban planning consultant and supervisor of the RHC project.

## ***10. Papers for Publication***

- 10.1 Visions for the Management of Tourist Cultural Heritage Landscape in Palestine.
- 10.2 Alternative Scenarios for management of the cultural heritage in Palestine for tourism.
- 10.3 Visions for the Management and conservation of Archaeological Landscapes for tourism in Palestine. Case study Sebastia cultural heritage Area.
- 10.4 Design for Tourism of Archaeological sites in Palestine.
- 10.5 *Visions for design of cultural heritage in Palestine.*
- 10.6 *Planning and management for energy & environment policies in Palestine .on going for the Third International Conference “ Energy & Environment Protection in Sustainable Growth 10-1913*

## ***11. Training Program Courses***

- 11.1 Computer training course in Windows1992
- 11.2 Auto Cad training course 1998 2D.
- 11.3 Auto Cad training course 1999 2D and 3D.
- 11.4 GIS Archie view training course 2000.
- 11.5 Preparatory and Advanced Excel courses 2007-2008
- 11.6 Teaching and Learning 2009
- 11.7 Teaching strategies & teachers typologies (English language as communication method) 2011
- 11.8 Training of Trainers(12-14)-2016 July in Ramallah; Hotel City In; related to Summer school : Networks; Reconnecting the historic centres patterns and cultural landscape in North –West Nablus Region. The training related to An Najah University and the BTC
- 11.9 Training of Trainers 14-20 June 2016 14, 15,20/6/2016 in Ramallah; Hotel City In; and 16,19/6/2016 in Nablus and Sabastia and Burqa. The training related to An Najah University and the BTC Project to assist trainers and group leaders of the RHC project.

## ***12. Hobbies***

Swimming, Instrumental Music, Cultural and Leisure Recreation, and Hiking trails; Visual communication and Art drawings; in addition to writing some poetry