

Personal Information

Name	Dr. Oumama Hamasha
Place and date of birth	Amman/Jordan (25/12/1986)
Faculty	Shari'a (Islamic Studies)
Department	Foundations of Religion

Qualifications

Qualification	Specialization	University of donor rank	Date
PhD	Theology and Religion	The University of Birmingham	2018
M.A (Hons)	Hadith Science	The University of Jordan	2011
B.A (Hons)	Islamic Studies	The University of Jordan	2008

Specialization and domain of interest

Specialization	Islamic Studies/ Hadith Studies
Domain of interest	Hadith Science, <i>Sirah</i>, Islamic History, Hadith Criticism, Orientalism.

Specialization and domain of interest**Title and abstract of the doctoral thesis (within 150 words)**

***RECONSTRUCTING THE PAST: IBN AL-QAYYIM'S APPROACH IN
CRITIQUING ACCOUNTS OF MAGHĀZĪ (BATTLES) IN HIS BOOK ZĀD AL-
MA'ĀD***

The purpose of the present study is to assess the contribution of the renowned Mamluk-period scholar Shams al-Dīn Muhammad b. Abū Bakr, known as Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyyah (d. 751/1350) in the *maghāzī* and *sīrah* genres, by investigating and examining the features of his approach in critiquing and evaluating the authenticity of *maghāzī* narratives in his *sīrah* collection, *Zād al-Ma'ād fī Hadī Khayr al-'Ibād*, and to reveal the main methods that

he utilised in critiquing the *isnāds* and the *matns* of these narratives. This thesis also provides a comprehensive overview of the *maghāzī* genre and highlights the main theories that have been put forward in both Western and Muslim scholarship, to explain its nature, emergence, development and position among other Islamic genres.

This thesis includes an introduction, five main chapters and a conclusion. The first includes the introduction where the rationale, objectives, research questions and the methodology of the present research are discussed; the second outlines Ibn al-Qayyim's life and age; the third explores *maghāzī* literature and the work of Ibn al-Qayyim within this genre; the fourth provides an analytical survey of the main resources on which Ibn al-Qayyim built his *maghāzī* work; the fifth investigates first *isnād* criticism in the work of both Western and Muslim scholars and then analyses Ibn al-Qayyim's approach with respect to the *isnād*; the sixth chapter outlines the origin of *matn* criticism and explores the main methods of content criticism used by Ibn al-Qayyim to evaluate *maghāzī* narratives; finally comes the conclusion of the whole work which provides the main results of the present research and recommendations.

The present thesis suggests that Ibn al-Qayyim's approach combines and intertwines between different methods applied by earlier traditionists, jurists and historians, by which he developed an advanced approach in critiquing and evaluating *maghāzī* narratives.

Career Experience

Job Title	Place of work	Date
(Assistant Professor)	The University of Jordan	2018– Present
(Research and Teaching Assistant)	The University of Jordan	2009-2014

Administrative works and committees

Administrative work and committee	Date
Coordinator of Islamic Culture Module	Since the 1 st term 2019/2020 until present
Social Committee of Shari'a Faculty/ Member	Since the 1 st term 2018/2019 until present

Conference Committee of Shari'a Faculty/ Member	Since the 1 st term 2019/2020 until present
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Recent Publications within last five years

Name of researcher	Research title, Publisher, Date
Dr. Oumama Hamasha	Prophet's Marriage to Umm Ḥabībah': Methods of Critiquing Historical Events (2019)
Dr. Oumama Hamasha and Prof Mohammah al-Sahib	Deviation from the scientific approach in the accusations of the contemporaries of the Ḥadīth of al- Ṣaḥīḥayn (with Prof Mohammah al- Sahib, 2019)
Dr. Oumama Hamasha	Reconstructing the Past: Ibn al- Qayyim's Approach in Critiquing Accounts of Maghāzī (Battles) in His Book Zād al-Ma'ād (my PhD thesis 2018)
Dr. Oumama Hamasha	Anti -Corruption from Islamic perspective (2016)
Dr. Oumama Hamasha	The Prophetic Guidance in Leadership: A Thematic Study (my MA dissertation 2011).

Scientific conferences and symposia

Conference Title	Place and date of conference	Type of participation
Contemporary Issues in Islamic Studies: An International Conference	(The School of Shari'ah, The University of Jordan) (Amman 30-31\7\2019)	speaker

The 3rd Annual Symposium of Islamic & middle Eastern Studies (TIMES)	(The TIMES forum ,UoB) (Birmingham 12\6\2019)	speaker
The 2nd Annual Symposium of Islamic & middle Eastern Studies (TIMES)	(The TIMES forum ,UoB) (Birmingham 9\5\2018)	speaker
The 5 th Annual Conference of The British Association for Islamic Studies	(BRAIS, Exeter) (9-11\4\2018)	attendee
The 1 st Annual Symposium of Islamic & middle Eastern Studies (TIMES).	(The TIMES forum ,UoB) (Birmingham 12\6\2017)	attendee
The 4 th Annual Conference of The British Association for Islamic Studies	(BRAIS ,Chester) (11-13\4\2017)	attendee
The Modern Hadith Studies between Arabophone and Western Scholarship Conference	(Pembroke College ,University of Oxford) (9-10\1\2017)	attendee
The 3 rd Annual Conference of The British Association for Islamic Studies	(BRAIS ,London) (11-12\4\2016)	attendee

Muslim families in the Light of the Contemporary Changes Conference	(International Institute of Islamic Thought) (Amman, 9-11\4\2013)	attendee
Towards a Scientific Methodology for Dealing with the Sahih Collections	(The School of Shari'ah, The University of Jordan) (Amman 6-7\7\2010)	attendee

Training courses

Name of course	Date
Become A Better Speaker Course (Harry Singha International Organisation)	(Amman, 2\8\2019)
Using MCQs to Test Higher Order Thinking Skills Course (Accreditation and Quality Assurance Center, The University of Jordan)	(Amman, 25\7\2019)
Emotional Intelligence Course (Accreditation and Quality Assurance Center, The University of Jordan)	(Amman, 30\4\2019)
Teaching Case Study Course (Accreditation and Quality Assurance Center, The University of Jordan)	(Amman, 14\3\2019)
Mandatory Training Course for Newly Appointed Teaching Members (Accreditation and Quality Assurance Center, The University of Jordan)	(Amman, 21-23\1\2019)
Literate Review Workshop (Westmere Hub, UoB)	(Birmingham, 5\3\2018)
English Transliteration of Arabic Texts Workshop (The Department of Theology and Religion, UoB)	(Birmingham, 26\2\2018)
Muslim Societies Workshop (The Department of Theology and Religion, UoB)	(Birmingham, 1\12\2017)

Presentation Skills Course (The Language Gallery)	(Birmingham, 3-21\7\2017)
Academic Writing Course (The Language Gallery)	(Birmingham, 3-21\7\2017)
Exploring Radicalisation and Securitisation Course (The Department of Theology and Religion, UoB)	(Birmingham, 27\3\2017)
Birmingham Quran Manuscript and How to Take Care of the Manuscripts: A Training Course in Preparation to Represent the UoB at the Qatar-UK Business and Investment Forum of 2017. (Cadbury Research Library ,UoB)	(Birmingham, 21\3\2017)
Increase Your Productivity (Westmere Hub, UoB)	(Birmingham, 6\2\2017)

Teaching activities

Taught Courses	Bachelor	Graduate
Hadith Science	✓	
Islamic Culture	✓	
Hadith Authentication and the Study of Chains	✓	
Analytical Hadith	✓	
Biography of the Prophet p.b.u.h.	✓	
Islamic Studies in English	✓	
Quranic Recitation and Memorization1	✓	
Quranic Recitation and Memorization2	✓	
The Prophetic guidance in Ethics and Morals	✓	

Membership in scientific and professional bodies and societies

Name and place of scientific body and society	Date
Member with the Hadith Trust	2018- present
Social Committee of Shari'a Faculty/ Member	Since the 1 st term 2018/2019 until present
Conference Committee of Shari'a Faculty/ Member	Since the 1 st term 2019/2020 until present
Member with the British Association of Islamic Studies (BRAIS)	2015-present
A founding and committee member of the Forum of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies [The TIMES]	2015-2018

Awards

Name of Award	Donor and place of award	Date
External Scholarship for PhD degree	The University of Jordan/ to study in the UK at the University of Birmingham (the first female student from the faculty of Sharia'a to gain this scholarship)	2014-2018
Internal Scholarship for MA degree	The University of Jordan/ to study at the University of Jordan	2008-2011
Academic Excellence Scholarship (first in the 2008 class)	The University of Jordan	2008

