

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION:

2006 Ph.D. in History, specialization in Contemporary History. Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris, France.
Research topic: "Maîtresses et Mission Coloniale en Méditerranée: Trajectoires d'Institutrices Européennes en Algérie Coloniale (1874-1949): Emanciper les Ecolières ou Féminiser les 'Fatmas'?" ["Teachers and Colonial Mission in the Mediterranean - Itineraries of European Women Teachers in Colonial Algeria (1874-1949): Emancipating Pupils or Feminizing Indigenous Women?"]
With *Summa cum Laude* and *Felicitations du Jury*

1990 - 1991 M.A. in Development Studies, specialization in Women and Development. Institute of Social Studies. The Hague, Netherlands.
Research topic: "Gender, Education and Colonial Policies of Assimilation in Algeria".

1987 - 1988 D.E.A. (Diploma of Advanced Studies) in Contemporary History, specialization in Women's History. Université de Provence, Aix-en-Provence, France.
Research topic: "Femmes, Ethnicité et Education dans une Colonie de Peuplement: Algérie, XIXth-XXth siècles" ["Women, Ethnicity and Education in a Colonial Settler Society: Algeria, 19th-20th Centuries"]
With *Summa cum Laude*

1986 -1987 M.A. in Contemporary History, specialization in Women's History. Université de Provence, Aix-en-Provence, France.
Research topic: "Transition entre Naissance à la Maison et Accouchement à l'Hopital – Etude de Cas d'une Ville Méridionale: Marseille 1826-1949" ["The Shift between Birth at Home and Delivery at Hospital - Case-study of a Southern Town: Marseille 1826-1945"]
With *Summa cum Laude*

1985 - 1986 B.A (Licence) in History. Université de Provence, Aix-en-Provence, France.

1982 - 1985 D.E.U.G. in History. Université de Provence, Aix-en-Provence, France.

Secondary Studies Lycée Descartes, Algiers, Algeria.

TEACHING-RELATED EXPERIENCE:

John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY August 2008 – present
Department of History, Assistant Professor 2008-2015
Associate Professor 2015-present

EVENT PLANNING:

- March 2009: logistical coordination and launch of the WLUML (Women Living Under Muslim

Laws) exhibition "Dress Codes and Modes: Women's Clothing in Selected Muslim Countries."
Amherst College, Amherst, MA, USA July 2007 – June 2008
Department of Political Science, Research Fellow/ Visiting Assistant Professor

Mount Holyoke College, So. Hadley, MA, USA July 2006 – June 2007
Gender Studies Department, Visiting Assistant Professor

EVENT/ CONFERENCE PLANNING:

- November 2006 – Mt. Holyoke College: logistical coordination, fundraising and launch of the WLUML (Women Living Under Muslim Laws) exhibition "Dress Codes and Modes: Women's Clothing in Selected Muslim Countries."
- Academic Year 2006-2007 – Organizing team member for the WSQ/Gender Studies Conference: "The Global and the Intimate: Gender Studies and the Present Crisis of Citizenship" (April 2007)

U-Mass Amherst, Amherst, MA, USA Jan – June 2006
Women's Studies Department, Visiting faculty

Five College Women's Studies Research Center, MA, USA Jan – June 2005
Appointed Ford Fellow, Five Colleges Inc., Amherst, MA

Hampshire College, Amherst, MA, USA Jan – June 2005
Social Sciences Department/ Visiting faculty

Courses taught:

- Global History Survey I (Prehistory-600; worldwide)
- Global History Survey II (Prehistory-1750; worldwide)
- Global History Survey III (1500-2000; worldwide)
- Global History Survey IV (1650-2005; worldwide)
- Global History survey V (1750-2005; worldwide)
- Senior Seminar in History
- The Triangle Fire, NYC, 1911: Gender at work – Immigration, Industrial Labor and Women
- The USA from Reconstruction to the present: Discrimination and Resistance (1865-present)
- Prisons, People and Punishment in the United States (1770s-present)
- History of Muslim Societies and Communities (600-2005)
- Sexualities, Genders and Cultures in Muslim Societies (600-2005; History/ Gender Studies)
- Gender, Power & Culture: Seeking Equality in the Middle East (graduate course)
- Gender, Power & Culture: Seeking Equality in Muslim Societies
- Gender & Sexuality in Muslim Societies - Promoting & Resisting Equality (graduate course)
- Politics of Sexuality in Muslim Contexts: from Colonial Discourses to Queer Activism
- Politics of Gender and Identities in Muslim Countries and Communities: Colonial Legacies, Religious Fundamentalisms and Feminist Strategies
- Politics of Genders and Sexualities: Global Perspectives
- Gender, Ethnicity and Culture: Colonial Dichotomies and Contemporary Debates
- Women, Gender and Power in Global Contexts
- Religious Fundamentalisms and Women's Strategies in Global Contexts

Syllabi developed:

- Sexualities, Genders and Power in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries
- Religion & Power: Religious Fundamentalisms in Global Contexts [under development]
- Colonialism and Gender [under development; to be cross-listed History/ Gender Studies]

Student thesis committees:

- 2005 – Hampshire College (M.A.): Zoë Joly, "Patriarchal Legacies, French Colonialism, and the Emergence of Algerian Women's Activism: "Is My Battle Lost? Certainly Not!""
- 2006-2007 – Hampshire College (M.A.): Lila Kushner, "Gender, Hindu Religious Right and the Hidden Faces of Goddesses in India".

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS:

<u>President's List</u> , John Jay College	2014
<u>Phi Eta Sigma Honors Society</u> , John Jay chapter: Honorary inductee	2012
<u>Faculty Development Fellow</u> , Collaborative Knowledge: Exploring Interdisciplinary Pedagogy and Course Development, CUNY Office of Undergraduate Education	2008-2009
<u>Karl Loewenstein Fellowship</u> in Political Science and Jurisprudence, Amherst College, MA, USA Department of Political Science	2007-2008
<u>FORD Fellowship</u> , Five College Inc., Amherst, MA, USA Five College Women's Studies Research Center, Mt Holyoke College	2005
<u>Study Grant</u> , Dutch Quakers Association, Amstelveen, The Netherlands	1990-1991
<u>Emeritus Student Loan</u> , E.H.E.S.S. Paris, France	1990-1991
<u>Study Grant</u> ("Bourse Universitaire"), French Education Ministry – for D.E.A. Université de Provence, Académie Aix-Marseille	1987-1988
<u>Study Grant</u> ("Bourse Universitaire"), French Education Ministry – for M.A. Université de Provence, Académie Aix-Marseille	1986-1987
<u>Study Grant</u> ("Bourse Universitaire"), French Education Ministry – for B.A. (Licence) Université de Provence, Académie Aix-Marseille	1985-1986
<u>Study Grant</u> ("Bourse Universitaire"), French Education Ministry – for D.E.U.G. Université de Provence, Académie Aix-Marseille	1982-1985

BOARD MEMBERSHIPS:

Center for Secular Space Advisory Committee, member.	2011 – present
Women Living Under Muslim Laws (WLUML) International Solidarity Network (Publication Committee, member; Program Implementation Council member 1990-2009; active networker)	1984 – present
Reproductive Health Matters London, UK (Editorial Advisory Board, member)	2005 – 2016
Urgent Action Fund For Women's Human Rights Boulder (CO), USA (Vice-chair, 2009-present; Executive Director Selection Committee 2008; Board, member)	2005 – 2012
Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights Amsterdam, Netherlands/ Manila, Philippines. (Board, member 2005-present; Board Development Committee 2008-present; Personnel Committee 2006-2008; Executive Director Selection Committee 2006; Transition Team 2005-2006; Interim International Board, member 2002-2005)	2002 – 2012
Mulabi – Espacio Latinoamericano de Sexualidades y Derechos Buenos Aires, Argentina, (Advisory Board, member)	2007 – 2008
Women's Caucus for Gender Justice at the International Criminal Court	2002 – 2003

New York, USA (International Board, member)

Al-Fatiha (Muslim identified LGBT advocacy group) 1999 – 2003
USA and UK (Member)

ANEF (Association Nationale des Etudes Féministes) 1982 – 1988
France (National Association of Feminist Studies) (Member)

PUBLICATIONS:

- 2017** (Forthcoming) Sexualités, Cultures et Société dans les Contextes Musulmans, French translation of *Sexualities, Culture and Society in Muslim Contexts*, Hélié, Anissa (ed.), 2013, Dossier: Journal of Women Living Under Muslim Laws, Vol. 32-33, London: WLUML, (260p.).
- 2016** "Righteous Transgressions: Women's Activism on the Israeli and Palestinian Religious Right", article review on Lihi Ben Shitrit (2016), Righteous Transgressions, Journal of Church & State, Oxford University Press. <http://jcs.oxfordjournals.org/content/58/4/761>
- 2014** [lead article] Ashe, Marie and Hélié, Anissa, "Realities of Religio-Legalism: Religious Courts and Women's Rights in Canada, UK, and US", UC Davis Journal of International Law & Policy, Vol. 20.2.
- 2013** "Former à son image - Institutrices Européennes en Algérie colonisée (1910-1940)", Michelle Zancarini-Fournel, Gilles Boyer, Pascal Clerc (eds.), L'Enseignement dans l'Empire Colonial Français : L'Ecole aux Colonies, les Colonies à l'Ecole, éditions des Presses de l'Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS Editions University Press), collection éducation, Lyon, pp.57-68.
- Sexualities, Culture and Society in Muslim Contexts, Hélié, Anissa (ed.), Dossier: Journal of Women Living Under Muslim Laws, Vol. 32-33, London: WLUML, (260p.).
- "Editorial Foreword", Hélié, Anissa (ed.), Dossier: Journal of Women Living Under Muslim Laws, Vol. 32-33, London: WLUML, (pp.1-6).
- "Communities and Control of Sexuality: Tackling So-called 'Honour' Crimes", Hélié, Anissa (ed.), Dossier: Journal of Women Living Under Muslim Laws, Vol. 32-33, London: WLUML, (pp.79-122).
- 2012** Hélié, Anissa and Hoodfar, Homa (eds.), Sexuality in Muslim Contexts: Restrictions and Resistance, London/New York: ZED Books/ Palgrave Macmillan.
- "Introduction: Politicizing Gender, Sexuality and 'Muslimness'", Hélié and Hoodfar (eds.), Sexuality in Muslim Contexts: Restrictions and Resistance, London: ZED Books (pp.1-14).
- "Risky Rights? Gender Equality and Sexual Diversity in Muslim Contexts – Assertions and Representations", Hélié and Hoodfar (eds.), Sexuality in Muslim Contexts: Restrictions and Resistance, London: ZED Books (pp.294-334).
- "The Politics of Abortion Policy in the Heterogeneous 'Muslim World'", Self-Determination and Women's Rights in Muslim Societies, Raghavan, Chitra and Levine, James (eds.), Boston: Brandeis University Press, Gender, Culture, Religion, and Law Series (pp.3-36).
- Hélié, Anissa and Ashe, Marie, "Multiculturalist Liberalism and Harms to Women: Looking through the Issue of the Veil", UC Davis Journal of International Law & Policy, Vol. 19.1 (pp. 1-65)
- "Problematizing 'autonomy' and 'tradition' with regard to veiling – A Response to Seval Yildirim", Santa Clara Journal of International Law, 10 Santa Clara J. Int'l L. 93 (2012). Santa Clara University School of Law: Center for Global Law and Policy (pp. 94-105).
<http://digitalcommons.law.scu.edu/scujil/vol10/iss1/5>

- 2010** "A Bountiful Desert: Trade and Culture within and across the Sahara", Article review of Lydon, Ghislaine (2009), On Trans-Saharan Trails: Islamic Law, Trade Networks, and Cross-Cultural Exchange in Nineteenth-Century Western Africa, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. H-Net Reviews, February 2010 (E-publication) www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=25745
- 2009** Reviewer and content editor to Kariapper, Ayesha Salma, Walking a Tightrope: Women and Veiling in the United Kingdom, London: Women Living Under Muslim Laws, 122p.
- 2008** Contributor and reviewer to Demanding Credibility and Sustaining Activism: A Guide to Sexuality-Based Advocacy, S. Fabeni and S. T. Fried (eds.), "Communities and Control of Sexuality: Organizing Against 'Honor' Crimes in Muslim Contexts", Global Rights – Partners for Justice, DC, USA.
- "Bodily Rights and Sexual Rights in Muslim Contexts: All Equal Before God and the Media?", in Reporting Global Conflict – Uncovering the Link Between religion and Human Rights, The Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard, May 9-10, 2008, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA. (Conference presentation excerpts – online at: <http://www.nieman.harvard.edu/events/conferences/religion08/index.html>)
- 2007** "'Muslim Women' and Feminist Strategies in Times of Religious Fundamentalisms", Women, Feminism & Fundamentalism, Dubel and Vintges (eds), Humanistics University Press, Holland, pp.141-158.
- 2006** Documenting Women's Rights Violations by Non-State Actors: Activist Strategies from Muslim communities, co-authored with Felice Bauer, Rights & Democracy/ Droits & Démocratie, Montreal, Canada, 171 p. (booklet format)
- The above publication is translated into Arabic, Russian and Farsi. It has already been translated and published in French as Documenter les Violations des Droits des Femmes par les Acteurs Non Etatiques: Stratégies Militantes dans les Communautés Musulmanes, Rights & Democracy/ Droits & Démocratie, Montréal, 190p. (format guide de poche).*
- "Our Great Ancestors: Women Asserting Rights in Muslim Contexts", Book review and interview with Prof. Vivienne Wee (Hong Kong), WomenHRNet: Challenging Fundamentalisms - A Web Resource for Women's Human Rights, AWID. <http://www.whrnet.org/fundamentalisms/docs/issue-ancestors-0603.html>
- "Setting the Record Straight on Feminism in Muslim Countries", Article review on Shaheed (2005), Great Ancestors, Conscience - a Newsjournal of Prochoice Catholic Opinion, Summer 2006, Vol. XXVII, No 2, Washington, USA, pp.50-51.
- "Threats and Survival: The Religious Right and LGBT Strategies in Muslim Contexts", Women in Action - Queering: Social Movements and Feminist Theories, Vol. 1, Manila, ISIS, Philippines, pp.19-31. <http://www.isiswomen.org/pub/wia/wia2006-1/helie.html>
- This article has been posted on various websites, including WLUML, ILGA, asylumlaw.org. It has also been translated into Spanish as "Amenazas y supervivencia: La derecha religiosa y las estrategias LGBT en contextos musulmanes" and posted on websites such as Bostaxola (Spain), Campana por una Convención Interamericana de los Derechos Sexuales y los Derechos Reproductivos (Uruguay), Articulation Feminista Marcosur, as well as circulated on the IGLHRC Latin-America e-list.*
- "'Moslima's' en Feministische Strategieën in Tijden van Religieuze Fundamentalismen", Tijdschrift voor Humanistiek/ Journal for Humanistics, October 2006, Issue 27, pp.114-128.
- 2005** "The U.S. Occupation and Rising Religious Extremism: The Double Threat to Women in Iraq", DifferenTakes No35, Summer 2005, Hampshire College, (MA), USA.
- This polemic piece was republished in more than 15 different websites and on-line magazines – including Z-Net, Madre, AWID, Women's World, Environmentalists Against the War, WHRNet. It was also translated into Italian as "L'occupazione degli USA e il crescente estremismo religioso: la doppia minaccia per le donne in Iraq", as well as into Spanish, as "La ocupación de los Estados Unidos y el creciente extremismo religioso: la doble amenaza para las mujeres en Irak".*
- "Fundamentalisms and Alternatives", Women for Peace, Women In Black, Belgrade, Serbia, pp.251-256.

- 2004** "Politico-Religious Forces and the Gay and Lesbian Movements in Muslim Countries and Communities", Reproductive Health Matters: Sexuality, Rights and Social Justice, Vol. 12, No 23, May 2004, London, UK, pp.120-124.
- 2003** Threatened Existence: A Feminist Analysis of the Genocide in Gujarat, co-written and co-edited with the women's collective International Initiative for Justice in Gujarat (IIJ) and co-authors Sunila Abeysekara, Uma Chakravarti, Rhonda Copelon, Gabriela Mischokowski, Vahida Nainar, Farah Naqvi, Meera Velayudan and Nira Yuval-Davis, Bombay, India, 244p.
- 2002** "An Unholy Alliance" - book review (co-written with Cassandra Balchin) of "Globalization, Gender, and Religion: The Politics of Women's Rights in Catholic and Muslim contexts" by Jane H. Bayes and Nayereh Esfahlani Tohidi (eds), Conscience - a Newsjournal of Prochoice Catholic Opinion, Spring 2002, Vol XXIII, No 1, Washington, USA, pp.36-38.
- "A WLUML Alert-for-Action: Case-study on Sex Workers in Karnataka", Newsletter, Program for the Study of Sexuality, Gender, Health and Human Rights, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, NY, USA.
- Contributor to "The role of Religion in International Policy Making", Conscience - a Newsjournal of Prochoice Catholic Opinion; in Vol. XXII, No. 4, Winter 2001/2002, Washington, USA, pp.2-9.
- "Queer Islam", Homan magazine – Bulletin in Defense of Iranian Gays and Lesbians, No. 18, Winter 2002, Stockholm, Sweden, pp.6-10.
- 2001** "The Religious Right in Muslim Countries and Communities: Backlash Against Gays and Lesbians' Increasing Visibility", Islam en Homoseksualitetit, Yoesuf Foundation, Utrecht, The Netherlands, pp.22-28.
- "¿Odio Santo? - Sanciones por Homosexualidad en los Paises Musulmanes", Lo!@ 2, LOLA Press, Germany/Uruguay/ South Africa. www.lolapress.org
- 2000** Feminism in the Muslim World Leadership Institutes, Center for Women's Global Leadership/Women Living Under Muslim Laws, 114p.
- "Holy Hatred – Penalties for Homosexuality in Muslim Countries and Communities", New Internationalist, No 328, October 2000, Oxford, UK, pp.21-23.
- Reprinted as:*
- "Holy Hatred" in Pukaar, the Journal of the Naz Foundation, issue 34, July 2001, Lucknow, India, pp.15-16.
 - "Holy Hatred?", in Homan magazine – Bulletin in Defense of Iranian Gays and Lesbians, No 17, Spring 2001, Stockholm, Sweden, pp.14-16.
 - "The Religious Right and Homophobia in Islam", in Trikone Magazine, Special Issue "Queer Muslims – de-closeted", No 2, Vol. 16, April 2001, San Jose, CA, USA, p.9.
- This article was one of four which led this issue of TriKone to be awarded the NCM (New American Media) award 2002 for "Best In Depth Quarterly/ Monthly" magazine.*
- "Holy Hatred", in Shirkat Gah Newsheet, Vol. XV, No 3-4, December 2003, Lahore, Pakistan, pp.44-47.
 - Excerpts also appeared in the New Internationalist reference booklet serie No Nonsense Guide to Sexual Diversity, Vanessa Baird (editor), Oxford, UK, 2003.
- This article was voted "Best Feature of the Year 2003" by readers of <http://www.huriyahmag.com> and also appeared on various websites - for example:*
- Heinrich Boll Foundation, "Obvious and Hidden: Marginalized Sexual Identities in the Arab World" <http://www.boell-meo.org/en/web/621.htm>
 - Al-bab.com: an open door to the Arab world: <http://www.albab.com/arab/background/gay.htm>
 - AFROL – The independent news agency dedicated to Africa: <http://www.afrol.com/features/10270>
 - Behind The Mask - A website on gay and lesbian affairs in Southern Africa: <http://www.mask.org.za/index2.htmlc>
 - Blacklight Online: <http://www.blacklightonline.com>

- Flame Out: Extinguishing the Flames of Religious Homophobia
<http://www.flameout.org/flameout/islam/muslimcountries.html>
- Gay Egypt: <http://www.gayegypt.com/qayarablinks.html>
- Laneta (Mexico) : www.laneta.apc.org/cgi-bin/WebX?230@96.7FjmaQF3DxU^0@ee72c34
- LOLA Press: http://www.lolapress.org/elec2/artenglish/heli_e.htm
- NMC (News California Media):
http://news.ncmonline.com/news/view_article.html?article_id=0ebcc2b129fba12533be1cacc76c2892
- Women Living Under Muslim Laws website:
<http://www.wluml.org/english/newsfulltxt.shtml?cmd%5B157%5D=x-157-16381>

This article was also circulated on many mailing lists - for example Amnesty LGBT Network France, ILGHRC Latin America (Spanish translation), Al-Fatiha, Amnesty International LGBT network, etc.

- 1998** "Islamist Armed Groups and Violence Against Women in Algeria", (based on a panel presentation at the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, March 1998), SIGI News – A Publication of the Sisterhood Is Global Institute, Volume VI, Issue II Fall/Winter 1998, Maryland, USA.
- 1996** "Le Mariage et les Politiques de Mutation Sociale dans les Communautés Musulmanes de l'Inde", in Les Frontières Mouvantes du Mariage et du Divorce dans les Communautés Musulmanes, WLUML Dossier Spécial – Programme Femmes et Loi dans le Monde Musulman, WLUML, Montpellier, France, pp.151-168.
Translated as: "Marriage and the Politics of Social Change in India's Muslim Communities, in Shifting Boundaries in Marriage and Divorce in Muslim Communities, WLUML Special Dossier – Women and Law in the Muslim World, WLUML, Montpellier, France, pp.168-186.
- 1995** "Between 'becoming M'tourni' and 'going native': Gender and Settler Society in Algeria", Unsettling Settler Societies - Articulations of Gender, Race, Ethnicity and Class, Daiva Stasiulis and Nira Yuval Davis (eds.), Sage, London, pp.263-290.
- 1994** "Les Institutrices de l'Algérie Coloniale: Agents de Pouvoir ou Agents de Changement?" [Women Teachers in Colonial Algeria: Paws of Power or Agents of Change?], Resources for Feminist Research/Documentation pour la Recherche Féministe, Vol.23, n.1/2, spring/summer 1994, Toronto, Canada, pp.9-15.
- 1993** "Women and Muslim fundamentalism", Economic and Political Weekly, 6th/13th November 1993 issue, Bombay, India, pp.2454-2456.
- 1991** ""Je suis née dans le lit de mes parents" - Contribution à l'étude de l'accouchement à domicile à Marseille au début du XXème siècle" ["«I am Born in my Parents' Bed» - Contribution to the Study of Birth at Home in Marseille in the Early XXth century"], Recherches Féministes, Vol.4, n.1, Laval Université, Québec, Canada, pp.45-65.
- 1990** "Aurélié Picard-Tidjani: Une Biographie" [Aurélié Picard-Tidjani: A Biography], Parcours: l'Algérie, l'Histoire et les Hommes, Vol.7, n.2, Paris, France, pp.184-188.
- Les Femmes dans le Coran: Kit d'information, WLUML, Montpellier, France, 82 p. (Compilation of 4 translations, among the most well-known, of the Qur'an into French. Comparing all the verses mentioning women, this document highlights the differences in interpretation proposed by the various translators).
- 1989** "Les Sages-femmes Marseillaises: Vers un Nouveau Statut" [Marseille's Midwives : Towards a New Status], Provence Historique, Fasc. 157, Marseille, France, pp.437-457.
- 1988** "Les Sources Orales pour l'Histoire des Femmes dans l'Histoire de la Colonisation" [Women's History : Oral Sources in the History of Colonization], Etudes et Documents de l'Institut d'Histoire d'Outre-Mer, Université de Provence, Aix-en-Provence, France, pp.72-78.

PAPERS: International Conferences, Workshops, Seminars

Numerous presentations since 1987, including:

2016

- (invited, discussant) "Gender Based Violence and Global Governance", Expert seminar, Institute of Social Studies- Erasmus University/ Prince Claus Chair/ PARTOS , The Hague, (June 8)

2015

- (invited) "Emerging issues in cultural rights 1: Emphasis on fundamentalisms and extremisms and related issues", International expert meeting with Ms. Bennoune, the newly-appointed United Nations Special Rapporteur in the field of Cultural Rights, Jacob Blaustein Institute for the Advancement of Human Rights (JBI), New York City (December 18-19)

2014

- (invited, moderator) Convening on Sexuality, Islamic theology and culture, Global Religions Institute, Jakarta, Indonesia (October 11-17)

2013

- (invited) "Decolonizing Sexualities Dialogue", Decolonize Sexualities Network, University of Kent, Canterbury, England (July 4-5)
- (invited, Keynote speaker) "Global happenings, international networks and geopolitics", Safra Project conference, Birkbeck University, London (July)
- (invited) "Going Beyond the Comfort Zone - An Intercultural Dialogue on Sexuality, Reproductive Health and Rights in Development", International Institute of Social Studies / Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Hague, Netherlands (June 3-6)
- (invited, moderator) "International feminist Roundtable", 'From Abortion Rights to Social Justice: Building the Movement for Reproductive Freedom', Civil Liberties and Public Policy and the Population and Development Program, Hampshire College, Amherst, MA. (April).
- (invited, facilitator) "Regional Meeting on Women's Human Rights in the Middle East/North Africa", Urgent Action Fund/ Mediterranean Women's Fund, World Social Forum, Tunis, Tunisia (March 25-29)
- (invited) Launch panel of "Double Bind: The Muslim Right, the Anglo-American Left, and universal Human rights, The New School for Social Research/ Centre for Secular Space, The New School, New York (March)

2012

- (invited) "Rising Religious Fundamentalism: Politics and Gendered Dynamics", The New School for Social Research, New York, public lecture (October)
- (invited) "From Decolonization to International Solidarity: A Journey", panel on 'Origin Myths of the Women's Movement and Other Social Justice Movements', The 5th Symposium of the Sallie Bingham Center for Women's History and Culture, 'Acting Across Borders: The Future of the Feminist 1970's – Celebrating the Meredith Tax Papers', Duke University, N.C. (April).
- (invited) "Sexual Rights Advocacy in Muslim Contexts: Shifting Notions of Culture and Tradition", panel on 'Developments in UN and Regional Bodies Addressing the Human Rights of LGBTI People', Annual Meeting of the American Society of International Law (ASIL), (March).
- (invited) "Stigmatized Bodies and Sexualities: Discrimination and Agency in Muslim Contexts", panel on 'Ending Violence and Discrimination based on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity: Activism and Challenges', Church Center for the United Nations, Commission on the Status of Women 2012 session, New York (February).

2011

- (invited) "Dialogue on Women's Human Rights, Imperialism, Militarism, and the Religious Right", the Center for Constitutional Rights and the Center for Women's Global Leadership, Rutgers University, NJ, (October).

- (invited) "Holding Non-State Actors and Human Rights Organizations Accountable", 'Terrorism, Counter-Terrorism, Secularism and Human Rights', the Center for International Human Rights at John Jay College and the Center for Secular Space, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, NY, (October); as moderator and panelist.
- (invited) 'War & Peace: Challenging the Military Industrial Complex', 30th Anniversary Conference 'From Abortion Rights to Social Justice: Building the Movement for Reproductive Freedom', Civil Liberties and Public Policy (CLPP) and the Population and Development Program, Hampshire College, Amherst, MA. (April).
- (invited) 'Religion and International Law' Symposium, respondent to Seval Yildirim's "Global Tangles: Laws, Headcoverings and Religious Identity", Santa Clara University School of Law and the Center for Global Law and Policy, (February).
- (invited) "Looking at Religious Fundamentalisms through a Gender Lens", International Women's Human Rights Law School, CUNY, New York, (February); as guest lecturer.

2010

- (invited) "Sex and Salvation in Muslim Contexts: Rights, Restrictions and Resistance", Coalition of Women for Peace and ASWAT (Palestinian Arab Lesbians), Tel-Aviv, Israel (October).
- (invited) "Sex and Salvation in Muslim Contexts: Rights, Restrictions and Resistance", Isha L'Isha – Haifa Feminist Center and Kayan – Feminist Organization, Haifa, Israel, (October).
- (invited) Organizing Committee member, Chair (Organizing Committee sessions) and Rapporteur (Plenary 4 on Human Rights), 'Repolicizing Sexual and Reproductive Rights', Reproductive Health Matters and ARROW (Asian-Pacific Resource and Research Center for Women), Langkawi, Malaysia, (August).
- (invited) "Trends and Shifts: Views on Abortion in Muslim Contexts", Regional Consultation Meeting, Asia-Pacific Alliance and WGNRR (Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights), Bangkok, Thailand, (January).

2009

- "Sexualities, Rights and Responses in Muslim Contexts", 11th Annual Women's History Conference: 'Gender and Power in the Muslim World', Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY, (March).
- (invited) 'Gender, National Security, and Counter-Terrorism Consultation', Expert Consultation with Martin Scheinin, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Protection and Promotion of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms while Countering Terrorism, Center for human rights and global justice, NYU School of Law, New York, (March).
- Opening Remarks, WLUML (Women Living Under Muslim Laws) exhibition "Dress Codes and Modes: Women's Clothing in Selected Muslim Countries", John Jay College of Criminal Justice, NY (April).

2008

- "Framing European Women in Settler Societies – Locating Female Teachers in Colonial Algeria", John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY, New York (January).
- (invited) "Beyond 'Persian Vice' or 'Western Disease': Asserting Sexual Diversity in Muslim Contexts", U-Mass Amherst, MA, USA (February).
- (invited) "Religious Fundamentalisms: Challenges and Strategies", Hampshire College, MA, USA (April); as guest lecturer.
- (invited) "Bodily Rights and Sexual Rights in Muslim Contexts: All Equal before God and before the Media?", The Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard: "Reporting Global Conflict: Uncovering the Link Between Religion and Human Rights", Harvard, Cambridge, MA (May).
- (invited) "A Globalization of Solidarity – Closing remarks", Women's Access to Health Forum 2008, Likhaan and University of The Philippines, Manila (May).

- (invited) "Engaging Sexuality and Relationships", ISIS International and Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights, Manila, Philippines (May).
- (invited) "WLUML and its 'Great Ancestors' – Role Models in Religion and Resistance? Historical and Contemporary Forms of Women's Activism in Muslim Societies", UP Center for Women's Studies, University of The Philippines, Manila (June).

2007

- (invited) "Women Resisting Religious Fundamentalisms", Urgent Action Fund for Women's Human Rights, Boulder, Colorado, USA (March).
- (invited) "Transnational Networking and Alliance Building", 'From Abortion Rights to Social Justice: Building a Movement for Reproductive Freedom', Hampshire College, MA, USA (April).
- (invited) "Looking at Religious Fundamentalisms through a Gender Lens", Amherst College, MA, USA, (April).
- (invited) "Religious Clashes over Abortion: Comparative Perspectives – Focus on Muslim contexts", 4th Annual Social Scientists' Networking Meeting, National Abortion Federation, Boston, USA (April).
- (invited) "Contemporary Feminist Organizing in Muslim Contexts", M.I.T., Boston, USA (April); as guest lecturer.
- (invited) "Transnational Feminist Networks: The Case of Women Living Under Muslim Laws", Amherst College, MA, USA (December); as guest lecturer.
- (invited) Strategic Discussion on 'New Strategies Convening: Reevaluating and Reinvigorating the Struggle for Abortion Rights', Civil Liberties and Public Policies Program at Hampshire College, New York, USA (December).

2006

- (invited) "Danish Cartoons and Legislative Change in Nigeria – Different Sides of a Same Coin? Fundamentalisms At Work and Impact on Women Human Rights Defenders", APWLD/CWGL/ Amnesty International/ISIS-WICCE/WLUML, Women Human Rights Defenders Campaign, United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, New York, USA (March).
- (invited) "Women Asserting their Rights in Muslim Contexts: Historical Figures from the Early Days of Islam till the 1950s - a WLUML Research", Seminar at IDS (Institute of Development Studies), Brighton, UK (March).
- (invited) "The Streets, the State and the United Nations: Freedom of Thought, Blasphemy and the Danish Cartoons Controversy", 'From Abortion Rights to Social Justice: Building a Movement for Reproductive Freedom', Hampshire College, MA, USA (April).
- (invited) "Beyond Stereotypes - Reclaiming a Feminist Past in the Muslim World: a Research by the Women Living Under Muslim Laws Network", Yale University, CT, USA (May).
- (invited) Expert Meeting on 'Strategic Conversation on Leadership Development', Center for Women's Global Leadership, Rutgers university, NJ, USA (October).
- Opening remarks: "Politics of Clothing across Time and Places", exhibition 'Dress Codes and Modes: Women's Clothing in Selected Muslim Countries', Mount Holyoke College, MA (November).
- (invited) "Women's Human Rights: Law, Religion and Tradition", Feminist Foundation Series, U-MASS Amherst, MA, USA (December).

2005

- (invited) "Women Teachers in Colonial Algeria: Patterns of Complicity and Resistance in a Settler Society", Five College Women's Studies Research Center, Mount Holyoke College, MA, USA (February).
- (invited) Expert Meeting on 'Sexual Rights Globally: Conceptual Frameworks, Challenges and Strategies', Action Canada for Population and Development, United Nations Commission on the Status of Women/ Beijing+10, New York, USA, (March).

- (invited) "'Tactical" and "Strategic" Decisions: Are Some Women Human Rights Defenders More Deserving Than Others?", APWLD/ CWGL/ Amnesty International/ Frontline/ Inform/ IGLHRC/ OMCT/ WLUML/ ISIS-WICCE/ CLADEM, Women Human Rights Defenders Campaign, United Nations Commission on the Status of Women/ Beijing+10, New York, USA (March).
- (invited) "Algerian Women: Status and Struggles in a Post Colonial Context", Amherst College, MA, USA (March); as guest lecturer.
- (invited) "Women of Iraq: Who Stand in Their Defense?", From Abortion Rights to Social Justice: Building a Movement for Reproductive Freedom, Hampshire College, MA, USA (April).
- (invited) "Feminist Organizing Across Borders: Case Study of the *Women Living Under Muslim Laws International Solidarity Network*", Amherst College, MA, USA (April); as guest lecturer.
- (invited) "Reclaiming a Feminist Past in the Muslim World – a WLUML research", Mount Holyoke College, MA, USA (April).
- (invited) "New Directions in Global and Transnational Feminism", 'Power Matters: Reshaping Agendas through Women's Leadership', National Council for Research on Women, Annual Conference, New York USA (June).
- (invited) "Millennium Development Goals: a Progressive Agenda?", WGNRR, International Women's Health Meeting, New Delhi, India (September); as moderator/ chair.

2004

- (invited) Feminist Dialogues at the World Social Forum, Bombay (January).
- (invited) 'From Abortion Rights to Social Justice: Building a Movement for Reproductive Freedom', Hampshire College, MA, USA (April).
- (invited) Promoting Peace, Education and Health – Countering Militarism, Women In Black, Belgrade, Serbia (May).
- (invited) Expert meeting on the international 'Stop Violence Against Women Campaign' with focus on lesbian, bisexual and transgender women, Amnesty International, Amsterdam, The Netherlands (June).
- European Social Forum, London, UK (October).

2003

- (invited) Asian Social Forum, Hyderabad, India (January).
- "Democracy and the Hindu Religious Right in India: One Year after Gujarat", B-books; and Student Union at the Heinrich Boll Foundation, Berlin, Germany (March).
- (invited) Metaforo: Feminist strategic meeting for the World Social Forum 2004, Campaign Against Fundamentalisms/ Articulation Marcosur, Montevideo, Uruguay (August).
- Launching panel of "Threatened Existence: a Feminist Analysis of the Genocide in Gujarat", International Initiative for Justice in Gujarat, Bombay, India (December).

2002

- (invited) 'Gathering Forces: Lesbians, Bisexual and Transgender Women Identifying as Muslims', Safra-project, Manchester, UK (June).
- AWID 9th International Forum: 'Reinventing Globalization', Association for Women's Rights in Development, Guadalajara, Mexico (October).
- 'Warning Signs of Fundamentalisms', WLUML, London, UK (November); as moderator/ chair.

- International Initiative for Justice in Gujarat (IIJ), included fact finding mission, speaking tours, addressing human rights bodies and holding press conferences in Delhi and Bombay, India (December).

2001

- (invited) 'Reconfiguring Human Rights and Sexuality Roundtable', Law and Policy Project, Columbia University, Harriman, NY, USA (June).
- (invited) Al-Fatiha 2nd North-American conference: 'Reclaiming our Faith and Re-igniting our Spirit', Al-Fatiha USA, San Francisco, CA, USA, (June).
- (invited) "Lesbienne dans les Sociétés Musulmanes", Université d'Été Euro-Méditerranéenne des Homosexualités (UEH, Euro-Mediterranean Summer University of Homosexualities), Amnesty International (French section), Marseille, France (July).
- (invited) 'Islam and Homosexuality', Yoesuf Foundation, Utrecht, Holland, (October).
- (invited) The Role of Religion in International Policy Making, Catholics For a Free Choice, Hearing at the European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium (November).

2000

- Al-Fatiha 2nd International retreat: 'Hold fast Onto the Rope of Allah', Al-Fatiha UK/USA, London, UK (May).
- (invited) 'Separation of Faith and Hate: Sexual Diversity, Religious Intolerance and Strategies for Change', IGLHRC, Rome, Italy (July).
- (invited) 'Women, Human Rights, Tradition and Culture', international seminar, British Council, London, UK (September).

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

Women Living Under Muslim Laws (WLUML)

Editing of French-English translation of "Dress Codes and Modes" exhibition August 2006

International Coordination Office, London, UK. 2000 – Dec 2004
Executive Director and Program Coordinator

Work of Executive Director included: Responsibility for relocating the WLUML International Coordination Office from France to the UK and implementing restructuring - including finding office premises, handling company registration in the UK and hiring new staff; responsibility for the development and implementation of programmatic and organisational work plans and budgets; responsibility for staff management and for implementation of planning, monitoring and evaluation systems; and responsibility for programme management, project design, fund-raising and reporting to donors, overseeing international events. Tasks also involved: working with communities that included government ministries, universities, donors, media, NGOs, inter-governmental agencies and grassroots groups; collaborating with colleagues around the world on issues of joint concern; and representing the organisation at national and international fora.

Work of Program Coordinator for Sexuality / Networking North Africa, Europe and North America included: responsibility for programme planning and management, networking and "solidarity cases" (cases of human rights violations requiring immediate support, including Alerts-for-Action). This included the maintenance of communications between the WLUML network and its allies; keeping the network components informed of useful materials, trends, emerging issues and global connections on thematic and focal areas; sharing information about relevant research or activities, in addition to editing the translations (English-French) of key documents, writing articles, submitting affidavits in asylum proceedings, assisting with fundraising and generally taking part in collective projects.

Center for Women's Global Leadership

1997 – 2000

Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, U.S.A., Program Coordinator

Work included: administering/coordinating the Women's Global Leadership 1997 Annual International Institute (Summer School), including screening of applicants; developing of regional contacts; organizing of training workshops,

panels and working groups; coordinating with resource persons; and overseeing staff and interns. Work also involved responsibility for coordinating the "Feminism in the Muslim World Leadership Institutes" in 1998 (Istanbul, Turkey) and 1999 (Lagos, Nigeria), and responsibility for fundraising and for coordinating an international planning team located on four continents.

International Women's Human Rights Law Clinic

1998 – 1999

City University of New York, CUNY Law School, NY, U.S.A., Consultant

Work included: reviewing French legal documents for purposes of compiling information related to a federal human rights case based in Washington, D.C., U.S.A., against an Algerian fundamentalist leader accused of war crimes and crimes against humanity; summarizing the above information; and providing consultation on the political and historical context of the French proceedings.

Women's Research and Action Group

1996

Bombay, India. Consultant

Work included: Co-organizing international strategic planning meeting, developing conceptual framework for meeting, and providing logistical support; reviewing selected data from quantitative and qualitative study of 15,000 women from Muslim communities in India, focusing on women's legal status under national and customary laws; compilation of selected data and development of report on marriage customs in Muslim communities; participation in coalition building processes between women from Hindu and Muslim communities tackling communalism and violence against women.

Women Living Under Muslim Laws

1984 – present

International Solidarity Network Coordination Offices in UK, Pakistan and Nigeria,
Coordination Group/ Program Implementation Council Member

Work includes: participation in collective decision-making regarding the policy and programs of the network (generally on a voluntary basis); providing information regarding the network to media, educational institutions, lawyers, grass roots organizations and individuals; providing ad-hoc support to women and children victims of human rights violations and mobilization of international opinion on their behalf; advocacy around high profile human rights cases; lobbying on behalf of the network in United Nations proceedings and meetings; and research on electronic communications as a tool for women's activism (resulting in a report: "Internet or Internet? WLUML in the age of communication technology", 90p., 1996); coordination of ICTs training workshops for networkers (Bangladesh 1997, USA 1999); and compilation of French translations of the Qur'an with a focus on women's status in Islam.

Global Network for Reproductive Rights

1994

Amsterdam, Netherlands. Consultant

Work involved: Translation from English to French of "Women's World," a bimonthly newsletter focusing on global reproductive rights issues.

United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia

1993

Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Consultant.

Work involved: Participation in Human Rights workshops focusing on "Training Women for Democracy."

Maria Elena Moyano International Campaign

1992

The Hague, Netherlands. Co-coordinator.

Work: Coordinated European, North African and Southeast Asian wings of international solidarity campaign on behalf of Peruvian activist slain by terrorist group, Shining Path, for her activism supporting poor women's political participation in Peruvian civic and political affairs.

D+ Productions

1988 – 1989

Paris, France. Consultant.

Work: Historical and archival research for the purpose of T.V. documentaries on "European female travelers in the colonies"; resulting in an unpublished report entitled "Les voyageuses coloniales – du désert au Zambèze" (230p., 1989).

Chambre de Commerce de Marseille

1984 - 1988

Aix-en-Provence, France. Consultant

Work: Research on Marseille's Chamber of Commerce 19th century archives for publication by the Université de Provence.