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Research Interests

Genocide studies; settler colonialism; political violence; decolonization and social justice; political and comparative sociology; Middle East politics; Israel/Palestine; critical social theory.

Education

Ph.D. in Sociology and Political Economy *(2026)*
Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario
Dissertation: *Genocide and Settler Colonialism in Gaza: A Critical Sociological Analysis*
Supervisor: Nahla Abdo
Nominated for the Dean's Excellence Medal

M.A. in Sociology and Criminology (2020)
University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba
Thesis: *Genocide in Gaza: Physical Destruction and Beyond*
Advisor: Andrew Woolford
Graduated with distinction (GPA: 4.3/4.5)

B.A. in Sociology (2018)
Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey
Exchange Study: Södertörn University, Stockholm, Sweden (2015)
Graduated with honours (GPA: 3.59/4.00)

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Nijim, Mohammed. 2026. "Indigenous Epistemologies and Decolonizing Genocide Research on Palestine." Journal of Holy Land and Palestine Studies.

Nijim, Mohammed. 2026. "The Dialectics of Reconstruction in Gaza: Settler Colonialism and the Impossibility of Rebuilding Gaza." Settler Colonial Studies.

Nijim, Mohammed. 2024. "Gazacide: Palestinians from Refugeehood to Ontological Obliteration." Critical Sociology. DOI: 10.1177/08969205241286530

Nijim, Mohammed, Abdo Hassoun, Ahmed Hamad, Dalal Iriqat, Yamina Bouchikh, and Mohamed Buheji. 2025. "The Implications of the Ongoing War on Gaza for Food Sustainability." Sustainable Futures 100473.

Nijim, Mohammed. 2023. "Genocide in Palestine: Gaza as a Case Study." The International Journal of Human Rights 27(1).

Book Chapters

Samer Abuzerr, Najla Trabelsi, Toufik Ouatmani, Zuhaib Bhat, Mohammed Nijim, Abderahman Rejeb, and Abdo Hassoun. 2025. "Shattered Foundations: How the War on Gaza Has Undermined Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure." In War on Gaza: Consequences on Sustainability and Global Security, edited by Abdo Hassoun, 231–246. Cham: Springer Nature.

Honours & Awards

- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Fellowship (2023–2026), $40,000 annually
- Government of Ontario Graduate Scholarship (2022–2023), $15,000
- Canadians for Justice and Peace in the Middle East Fellowship (2023), $1,000
- Doctoral Entrance Scholarship, Carleton University (2021), $3,000
- Department of Sociology Scholarship, Carleton University (2021–2025), $46,000 total
- International Graduate Student Entrance Scholarship, University of Manitoba (2018), $5,400
- Department of Sociology Scholarship, University of Manitoba (2018–2019), $5,000
- University of Manitoba Graduate Fellowship (2019–2020), $14,000
- Government of Turkey Scholarship (2013–2018), ₺36,000

Teaching Experience

Instructor

- Research Design and Methods (Undergraduate Course, Al-Aqsa University (Gaza), Fall 2026 (*Note*: I teach this course virtually as a volunteer due to the lack of staff)
- Critical Genocide Studies (Graduate Seminar) Carleton University, Fall 2025
- Sociology of Palestine and the Middle East (Undergraduate Course), Carleton University, Summer 2025

Tutorial Administrator

Carleton University

- Introduction to Sociology, Winter 2025
- Introduction to Human Rights, Fall 2024

Teaching Assistant
Carleton University (2021–2026)
Courses in sociology, human rights, and social justice

University of Manitoba (2018–2020)
Courses in sociology and criminology

Research Experience

Research Assistant
Carleton University

- Climate Change Committee (May–August 2022)
- Indigenous Bundles: Truth and Reconciliation Commission Implementation (January 2022–January 2023)

Invited Talks and Public Lectures

- "Social Work and the Impact of Genocide." Department of Social Work, University of Chicago (2025). (Virtual).
- "Political Economy in Palestine." Students for Justice in Palestine, University of Ottawa (2024).
- "Israeli Eliminationist Policies in Gaza." Department of Sociology, Carleton University (2023).
- "Slow-Motion Genocide in Gaza." Human Rights Program, University of Winnipeg (2020).

Conferences

- Nijim, Mohammed. 2026. "Questioning Sumud under Genocide." Paper presented at *AI and Equity at the Frontier: Palestine, Liberation, and Academic Freedom Symposium*, York University, Toronto, June 10–11, 2026.
- Nijim, Mohammed. 2025. "The Gaza Genocide and Its Manifestations." Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the British Society for Middle Eastern Studies (**BRISMES**), University of Leeds.

Media Appearances

- CBC Radio, *All in a Day*. "Reflections on the First Anniversary of the War in Gaza." Interview, 20 January 2025.
- CBC Radio, *All in a Day*. "The Second Anniversary of the War in Gaza." Interview, 7 October 2025.
- CBC Television, *The National*. Interview on the Gaza ceasefire agreement, 9 October 2025.

Professional Memberships

- Member, Canadian Sociological Association (2023 – present)

Languages: Arabic (Fluent); English (Fluent); Turkish (Fluent); French (Beginner)

References

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