



## Curriculum Vitae

### Personal information

First name / Surname **Iman M. A. Amad**  
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Nationality Palestinian  
Gender Female

### Work experience

Dates **September 2013 to present date**  
Occupation or position held Director, Unit of Architectural Conservation, Urban Planning and Risk Reduction Centre  
Associate Professor of Architecture  
Main activities and responsibilities

- Management of the Unit of Architectural Conservation
- Teaching undergraduate and postgraduate courses
- Supervision of Master of Architecture thesis
- Academic counselling for 20-25 students
- Research

Name and address of employer An-Najah National University, PO Box 7,707 Nablus, Palestine, [www.najah.edu](http://www.najah.edu)  
Type of business or sector Higher Education

Dates **September 2011 to September 2013**  
Occupation or position held Head, Department of Architecture  
Head, Department of Urban Planning  
Coordinator, Master of Architecture Program, Faculty of Graduate Studies  
Associate Professor of Architecture  
Main activities and responsibilities

- Management of the Department of Architecture
- Management of the Department of Urban Planning
- Coordination for Master of Architecture Program (5-10 students)
- Teaching undergraduate and postgraduate courses
- Supervision of Master of Architecture thesis
- Academic counselling for 20-25 students
- Research

Name and address of employer An-Najah National University, PO Box 7,707 Nablus, Palestine, [www.najah.edu](http://www.najah.edu)  
Type of business or sector Higher Education

**Dates September 2009 to September 2012**

Occupation or position held Director, Unit of Architectural Conservation, Urban Planning and Risk Reduction Centre  
Associate Professor of Architecture

Main activities and responsibilities

- Management of the Unit of Architectural Conservation
- Teaching undergraduate and postgraduate courses
- Supervision of Master of Architecture thesis
- Academic counselling for 20-25 students
- Research

Name and address of employer An-Najah National University, PO Box 7,707 Nablus, Palestine, [www.najah.edu](http://www.najah.edu)

Type of business or sector Higher Education

**Dates September 2008 to September 2009**

Occupation or position held Associate Professor of Architecture (on Sabbatical leave)

Main activities and responsibilities

- Teaching undergraduate courses
- Academic counselling for 20 students

Name and address of employer German Jordanian University, Amman, Jordan, [www.gju.edu.jo](http://www.gju.edu.jo)

Type of business or sector Higher Education

**Dates September 2006 to September 2008**

Occupation or position held Head, Department of Architecture  
Coordinator, Master of Architecture Program, Faculty of Graduate Studies  
Associate Professor of Architecture

Main activities and responsibilities

- Management of the Department of Architecture
- Coordination of the Master of Architecture Program
- Teaching undergraduate and postgraduate courses
- Supervision of Master of Architecture thesis
- Academic counselling for 20-25 students
- Research

Name and address of employer An-Najah National University, PO Box 7,707 Nablus, Palestine, [www.najah.edu](http://www.najah.edu)

Type of business or sector Higher Education

**Dates September 2005 to September 2006**

Occupation or position held Associate Professor of Architecture

Main activities and responsibilities

- Teaching undergraduate and postgraduate courses
- Supervision of Master of Architecture thesis
- Academic counselling for 20-25 students
- Research

Name and address of employer An-Najah National University, PO Box 7,707 Nablus, Palestine, [www.najah.edu](http://www.najah.edu)

Type of business or sector Higher Education

**Dates September 2000 to September 2005**

Occupation or position held Head, Department of Architecture  
Coordinator, Master of Architecture Program, Faculty of Graduate Studies  
Assistant Professor of Architecture

Main activities and responsibilities

- Management of the Department of Architecture
- Coordination of the Master of Architecture Program
- Teaching undergraduate and postgraduate courses
- Supervision of Master of Architecture thesis
- Academic counselling for 20-25 students
- Research

Name and address of employer An-Najah National University, PO Box 7,707 Nablus, Palestine, [www.najah.edu](http://www.najah.edu)

Type of business or sector Higher Education

Dates **September 1998 to September 2000**  
Occupation or position held Assistant Professor of Architecture  
Main activities and responsibilities - Teaching undergraduate courses  
- Academic supervision for 15-20 students  
- Research  
Name and address of employer An-Najah National University, PO Box 7,707 Nablus, Palestine, www.najah.edu  
Type of business or sector Higher Education

Dates **September 1981 to September 1996**  
Occupation or position held Lecturer at the Department of Architecture  
Main activities and responsibilities - Teaching undergraduate courses  
- Research  
Name and address of employer An-Najah National University, PO Box 7,707 Nablus, Palestine, www.najah.edu  
Type of business or sector Higher Education

## Education and training

Dates From June 1993 to July 1998  
Title of qualification awarded Doctor of Philosophy of Architecture ( Ph.D. Architecture)  
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered - Architecture  
- Traditional architecture  
- Housing  
- Research Methods and applications  
Name and type of organisation providing education and training Mackintosh School of Architecture , University of Glasgow  
167 Renfrew Street, Glasgow G3 6RQ  
United Kingdom

Dates From October 1992 to April 1993  
Title of qualification awarded Master of Architecture (M. Arch.)  
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered - Building Conservation  
Name and type of organisation providing education and training Mackintosh School of Architecture , University of Glasgow  
167 Renfrew Street, Glasgow G3 6RQ  
United Kingdom

Dates From October 1975 to June 1980  
Title of qualification awarded Bachelor of Architecture ( B.Sc.)  
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered - Architecture  
- Architectural Design  
- Urban Design  
Name and type of organisation providing education and training University of Jordan  
Amman, Jordan

Dates April 2005  
Title of qualification awarded Training Course on Project Management  
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered Cultural heritage projects management  
Name and type of organisation providing education and training Euromed Heritage (Unimed Heritage II project)  
Regional Management and Support Unit  
Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Alexandria, Egypt

Dates January 2005  
 Title of qualification awarded Training Course on Project Design  
 Principal subjects/occupational skills covered Cultural heritage project design  
 Name and type of organisation providing education and training Euromed Heritage (Unimed Heritage II project)  
 Regional Management and Support Unit  
 Istituto Centrale per il Catalogo e la Documentazione- ICCD Rome

### Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s) **Arabic**

Other language(s) **English**

Self-assessment

**Understanding**

**Speaking**

**Writing**

*European level (\*)*

Listening

Reading

Spoken interaction

Spoken production

C2 Proficient User

C2 Proficient User

C2 Proficient User

C1 Proficient User

C1 Proficient User

(\*) [Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#)

Social skills and competences

- Good ability to adapt to multicultural environments.
- Ability to establish and maintain good working relations with people of different national and cultural backgrounds.
- Team spirit and good communication skills gained through my work with students and colleagues at the department of architecture of my university and others from local and international universities.

Organisational skills and competences

- Leadership (2011-2013 head of two departments at the Faculty of Engineering), I was responsible for a teaching team of 30 professors, lecturers, teaching assistants and around 300 students.
- Good experience in team management gained through my work as a director for the Unit for Architectural Conservation 2009- 2012, 2013- present.
- Excellent planning and organizational skills.
- Problem solving attitude
- Responsibility, self- respect and self- reliance

Computer skills and competences

- Good command of Microsoft office tools ( Word, PowerPoint)
- Good command of SPSS+ ( Statistical Package for Social Sciences)
- Good Command of Adobe Photoshop
- Basic knowledge of Auto Cad

Artistic skills and competences

- Architectural and interior design acquired through study and work
- Sketching and pencil drawing acquired through work and training
- Silk and Glass painting

Driving licence

- hold a driving license since 1980, B category

## Additional Information

### Publications

- Residential Architecture in Palestine: Continuity and Change in Traditional Concepts of House Design in Nablus, LPA Lambert Academic Publishing GmbH & Co. KG, Germany, 2012.
- " Refugee Camps in Occupied Palestinian Territories: Need for Integration with the Cities", Sommario- Dossier Palestina, vol. XVI, No. 41, December 2005, pp 9-13 ( co- author)
- " Historical Centers and Palestinian Cultural Identity", Sommario- Dossier Palestina, vol. XVI, No. 41, December 2005, pp/29-32 ( Co- author).
- "Protection and Conservation of the Old City of Nablus", Tutela, Conservazione e Valorizzazione del Patrimonio Culturale della Palestina\_Mediterraneum (ed. Prof. Fabio Maniscalco), Massa Editore, vol.5, pp.107-118, 2005.
- "Sustainable Heritage and the Arab City " ( in Arabic) ( Journal of Environmental Research and Sustainable Development), Federation of Arab Scientific Research Council, June 2005.
- "Post- Disaster Assessment for the City of Nablus", Threatened Cities: Arab City and Future Challenges, The third Architectural Conference organized by Jordan Engineering Association, October 6-10, pp.3-17, 2003 ( Co- author).
- "Traditional Concepts and New Housing Design in Palestine", Open House International, (The Architecture of Development) Vol. 28, no.3, pp.58- 67, 2003.
- "Assessing the Extent of Adaptability of the Central –Hall house to the Contemporary Life-Style of Users: The Case Study of Nablus, Palestine", Dave, Michael (ed.): La Maison Beyrouthine Aux Trois Arcs, une architecture bourgeoise du Levant, Academie Libanaise des Beaux-Arts (ALBA), Beyrouth; Centre de Recherches et d'Etudes sur l'Urbanisation du Monde Arabe (URBAMA), Tours, pp.359- 424, 2003.
- "The Central-Hall house", ISG Magazin (Internationales Städteforum Graz) Nablus, historic Center of Nablus- its preservation, adaptation and future, pp. 28-30, March, 2001.
- "Measuring the Extent of the User's Role to Influence Change in Housing Development in Nablus, West- Bank /Palestine", The XXVIIth World Congress on housing, San Francisco, USA, June 1-7, 1999.
- "A Case Study of the Residential Quarters of Old Nablus/ Palestine: The Potential for Urban Recovery after Occupation", Sites of Recovery, architecture's (inter) disciplinary role. The fourth international other connections' conference, Beirut, Lebanon, October 25-28, pp. 19-26, 1999.
- "A Responsive Housing Design Assessment in Palestine: A case study of the Architect's Role in Contributing to Cultural Continuity", Open House International, (Urban Design Development), Vol.24, No.4, pp.5-12, 1999.
- Soap Factory (Nablus/ Palestine) (Entry), Encyclopedia of Vernacular Architecture of the World (ed. Paul Oliver), Cambridge University Press, pp 694-695, (1.IX.2.t), 1997.

### Presentations

- Urban Conservation of Old Nablus, workshop: Historical cities and urban renewal, Organized by the Swedish Institute in Istanbul, Istanbul Turkey 7-9 May 2010.
- Conservation Projects in Palestine: The Case of Nablus, workshop: Role of Local Institutions in Preserving Cultural and Historical Heritage in Palestine, Organized by Welfare Association in Palestine, Jericho Palestine 27-28 February 2010.
- Cultural Heritage and Identity in the Built Environment: The Case of Palestine, workshop: Cultural Heritage and Identity in the Contemporary Context, Organized by the Swedish Institute in Istanbul, Istanbul Turkey 3-5 December 2008.
- Architectural Conservation Education at An-Najah National University, workshop: of Heritage Conservation in Professional Education in the Arab Region, ATHAR Programme (Conservation of Cultural Heritage in the Arab Region) Sharja, United Arab Emirates, June 8-11, 2008.
- Conservation of the Historic Houses of Nablus, workshop: The Fourth workshop on Townscape Management and Conservation Assilah and Nablus, Swedish Research Link- MENA, Alexandria, Egypt April 29-30, 2008.
- The Old Town of Nablus; Urban Morphology and Architecture, International Symposium: Arabisance and Colonial Urbanism, The Royal Institute of Technology, Department of Architecture, Stockholm, Sweden, September 7-6, 2006.
- Conservation of Cultural Heritage within Urban Centers, seminar: organized by Ministry of Tourism & Antiquities, Palestinian National Authority, Ramallah, June 27 2006
- Restoration and Adaptive Reuse of the Khan Al-Wakalah Building in Nablus (West Bank), workshop: Cultural Heritage within the Barcelona Process Assessment and Orientation, Workshop, organized by RMSU and IEMED, Barcelona, Spain, 29-30 October 2005.

- Projects**
- Revitalization Plan for the Old Town of Nablus /Palestine ( 2007- 2009)
  - Restoration and Adaptive Reuse of Khan Al-Wakalah Building in Nablus (2005- 2007)
  - EUROMED HERITAGE II (Unimed Cultural Heritage Project) ( 2002- 2005)
  - Post –Disaster Damage Assessment for the City of Nablus (2002)
- Conferences**
- “Incompleteness and the Vernacular, The case of the Throne Villages of Palestine”, conference: New Light on Vernacular Architecture Studies in Britain, Ireland and the Isle of Man, Douglas, Isle of Man, UK, Conference organized by Liverpool University, UK, 22-25 June 2011.
  - “Protection of Historic Buildings Against Seismic Hazards: The Case of Palestine” (co- author), conference: Seismicity and Earthquake Engineering in the Extended Mediterranean, Organized by Luso-American Foundation, Portugal, Lisbon, Portugal 26-29 October 2009.
  - “Tourism and Cultural Heritage of Cities”, Symposium: "2<sup>nd</sup> Tourism and Architecture, symposium" themed "National Tourism Policies and Architecture", Organized by the Chamber of Architects in Turkey, Antalya branch. Antalya, Turkey 31<sup>st</sup> October- 01<sup>st</sup> November 2008.
  - “Change of Use in the Old Town of Nablus, Palestine”, conference: The Medinas, Between Usage and Projects, The National School of Architecture, Rabat, Morocco, April 27, 2007.
  - “Transformation of the Built Environment: the Case of Nablus, Palestine”, conference: Nordic and International Urban Morphology: Distinctive and Common Themes, Nordic Network of Urban Morphology, Stockholm, Sweden, September 3-5, 2006.
  - Euromed Heritage Conference “ A tangible example of dialogue between cultures”, Rome, Italy, 17-19 June 2004.
  - Post- Disaster Assessment for the City of Nablus”, ( co- author), Conference: Threatened Cities: Arab City and Future Challenges, The third Architectural Conference organized by Jordan Engineering Association, October 6-10, 2003.
- Workshops**
- Kofor Romman Project Design Workshop II, HTWK Leipzig & An-Najah National University, Nablus/ Palestine 29 October -5 November 2012.
  - Kofor Romman Project Design Workshop I, HTWK Leipzig & An-Najah National University, Leipzig / Germany 3-10 June 2012.
  - UMAR Summer Workshop, Summer workshop organized by the Union of Mediterranean Architects (UMAR), Torino, Italy, 14-25 July 2003.
  - The Old City of Nablus Workshop: Architectural survey and conservation study of the traditional houses and historical sites of Old Nablus (An-Najah University/ Department of Architecture, Nablus Municipality, Ecole de' Architecture de Paris- Belleville, February 1999.
  - The City of Bethlehem Workshop: Architectural survey and conservation study of the traditional houses of Bethlehem ( An-Najah University/ Department of Architecture, Ecole de' Architecture de Paris- Belleville, Bir- Zeit University, February 12-23, 1995.
- Seminars**
- Architecture and Urban Reconversion for Sustainable Development, Naples, Italy, International Seminar organized by University of Naples Federico II, 13-17 June 2011.
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Regional Workshop on Heritage Education in the Arab Region: Making ATHARnet Effective, Making Conservation Relevant, Sharjah, U.A.E, 28-30 March 2011.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Regional Workshop on Conservation Professional Education and Practice in the Arab Region, Sharjah, U.A.E, 1-3 June 2010.
  - Drawing Conclusions, Learning from Urban Design Interventions for Development. Seminar, Development Planning Unit DPU, UCL , London, 23- 24 September 1999.
  - Preservation and Adaptation of the Historic Center of Nablus, Palestine, seminar, Nablus Municipality, Nablus, September 30- October 1 2000.
- Scholarships**
- January 2009, Visiting Scholar in Erasmus Mundus Course, Erasmus Mundus, Mundus Urbano Program.
  - 1997 -1998, British Chevening Scholarship, Doctoral research.
  - 1996, Karim Rida Said Scholarship, Three month study visit , Glasgow University UK
  - 1994, Study visit to the Institute of Advanced Architectural Studies, York University, UK
  - 1991- 1992, British Council Scholarship, Master of Architecture (Building Conservation, Glasgow University UK

- Membership
- 2010 - Present, Vice president, the board of trustees of the Arab Thought Forum, Jerusalem.
  - 2010 - Present, member, General Assembly, Palestinian Housing Council.
  - 2007 - 2008, member of the Graduate Studies Council, An-Najah National University.
  - 2006 - 2011, Coordinator, Swedish Research Link – MENA: Cooperation Project between An-Najah National University, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden and the National School of Architecture, Rabat, Morocco.
  - 2007, jury member, International Architecture Student Project Competition, Organized by: chamber of Architects of Turkey/ Antalya Branch.
  - 2006, jury member, Architectural Competition for the Design of Edward Said Music Institute, Ramallah and Beit Sahour, Organized by: The Engineering Association, Palestine.
  - 2006, jury member, Architectural Competition for the Design of Public Spaces and Urban Facilities in the Old city of Nablus, Organized by: UNESCO & Nablus Municipality.
  - 2005, jury member, Architectural Competition for The National Park Project, Ramallah, Organized by: Ministry of Public Works & Housing, Palestinian National Authority.
  - 2004, jury member, Architectural Competition for the Design of the Chamber of commerce, Nablus, Organized by The Engineering Association, Palestine.
  - 2001 - 2005, member, committee for Institutional Cooperation between An- Najah National University and Oslo School of Architecture.
  - 2000-2010, member, the board of trustees of the Arab Thought Forum, Jerusalem.
  - 2000- Present, member, Association of Architects in Palestine (AAP).
  - 1981- Present, member, Engineering Association (Jerusalem Center), Palestine.