

Alborz Ghandehari

Curriculum Vitae

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CURRENT POSITION

July 2018- Assistant Professor, Ethnic Studies, University of Utah
 Instructional Coordinator, Diversity Scholars Program
 Current Book Project: *The Iranian Post/Revolutionary Condition*

EDUCATION

2018 PhD, Ethnic Studies, University of California, San Diego
 9500 Gilman Drive, La Jolla, CA 92093
 Dissertation: *Post-Revolutionary Fervor: Gender, Class, and Political Consciousness in Iran's Social Movements (2000-2018)*.
 Fatima El-Tayeb (Co-Chair), Shelley Streeby (Co-Chair), Shahla Talebi, Babak Rahimi, Roshanak Kheshti

2010 BFA, Drama, Carnegie Mellon University
 5000 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- [“Feminist Historical Writing in Postrevolutionary Iran: Missing Soluch and My Share,”](#) *Journal of Middle East Women's Studies*, July 2020.
- [“Gender Politics in Iran and the Last Forty Years: Eleven Stories,”](#) *Frontiers Journal of Women Studies*, online June 2020.
- [“Struggle and the Politics of Translation: Martin Luther King Jr., Omar Khayyam, and the Persian Translation of Intersectionality,”](#) *Critical Ethnic Studies*, Spring 2017.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (Online Journals)

- [“A Call for Solidarity: Working-Class Struggles in Iran and the United States,”](#) *Jadaliyya*, October 2020. Translated into [Persian](#) by Bidarzani.
- [“Attacking the Right to Freedom of Movement: How the Racist Visa Waiver Bill Targeting Iranians, Syrians, Iraqis, and Sudanese Can Prompt Deeper Solidarities with the Migrant Justice Movement,”](#) *Jadaliyya*, March 2016.

OTHER ARTICLES

- [“Iranian Americans: Victims of Discrimination,”](#) Op-Ed for *The Salt Lake Tribune*, November 2019.
- “Changing the Story of Iranian Popular Resistance,” *Workers' Voice*, January 2018.
- “Unionizing Solidarity with Palestine” (co-author), *Dissident Voice*, November 2014.

IN THE MEDIA

- Quoted in [The Associated Press](#), " 'Othered' in America: An old story, still playing out daily," Noreen Nasir and Russel Contreras, February 3, 2020
- Quoted in [The Salt Lake Tribune](#), "Utahns protest potential war with Iran," Jessica Miller, January 5, 2020.
- Featured in [The Utah Review](#), "Inaugural Queer Spectra Arts Festival explores multiple facets of queer aesthetic," Les Roka, May 31, 2019.
- Featured in [loveDANCEmore](#), "Queer Spectra Arts Festival," Kate Mattingly, May 29, 2019.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2019-20	Global Learning Across the Disciplines Grant, University of Utah (\$10,000, 3 member team): Outcome: Migrant Connections : Immigrant and Refugee Stories from Utah to Greece (interactive online oral history project). migrants.lib.utah.edu
2017-18	Mellon/American Council of Learned Societies- Dissertation Completion Fellowship (\$33,000)
2017	Waitlisted Alternate, University of California President's Postdoctoral Fellowship
2016	Best Paper in Comparative Ethnic Studies presented at American Studies Association Annual Meeting, 2016: "The Persian Translation of Intersectionality" (\$500)
2013	UC San Diego Friends of the International Center Research Grant (\$2,000)
2013	Alternate, Ford Predoctoral Fellowship
2011-13	UC San Diego Ethnic Studies Predoctoral Fellowship (\$18,000 per year)
2010	Senior Leadership Award, Carnegie Mellon University
2009	Carnegie Mellon I-SURG, International Small Undergraduate Research Grant

INVITED TALKS

2021	Migrant Connections from Utah, US to Greece. University of the Pacific. March 2021.
2020	Migrant Connections from Utah, US to Greece. Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, Iran. December 2020.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2020	Roundtable Panelist: "Embodiment, Gender, and Sexuality." Association for Iranian Studies, Salamanca, Spain, August 25-28.
2019	"The 40 th Anniversary of a Novel and a Revolution: Mahmoud Dowlatabadi's <i>Missing Soluch</i> in Iran Then and Now." American Studies Association Conference, Honolulu, November 8.
2017	"It's a Labor Issue: Islamophobia, Academic Workers, and Academic Freedom." 8th Annual Islamophobia Conference, Berkeley, April 23.
2017	"The Significance of the 1968 Global Student and Labor Strikes." National Association for Ethnic Studies Annual Conference, San Francisco, March 25.
2016	"Struggle and the Politics of Translation: The Persian Translation of Intersectionality." American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Denver, November 20.
2015	"Coalition and Transnational Solidarity in Contemporary Iranian May Day

- 2014 Communiques.” Critical Ethnic Studies Conference, Toronto, May 2.
 “Towards a Decolonial Sexual Politics: Stories from Iran and Ecuador.”
 With Maria Celleri at the UC Riverside Tabla Conference, Riverside, January 19.
- 2013 “Mapping Memories: Towards a Reconstruction of Palestinian Narratives of
 Belonging.” Boston University Right of Return Conference, Boston, April 6.
- 2013 “ ‘More Beautiful Than the Sound of Armaments’: Anti-Imperialism and Popular
 Resistance Among Women in Iran.” 23rd annual UCLA Thinking Gender
 Conference, Los Angeles, February 1.
- 2010 Steel Dove: Stories of Art and Occupation in Palestine, paper and video essay
 screened at Carnegie Mellon Meeting of the Minds Symposium, May 1.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

260 S. Central Campus Drive, Salt Lake City, UT 84105

Assistant Professor, Ethnic Studies Department

Instructional Coordinator, Diversity Scholars Program

- Supervisor: Edmund Fong (801-585-7656)
- Diversity Scholars: Social Justice and the Arts (Fall 2018)
- Transnational Education (Fall 2018)
- Diversity Scholars: Navigating a Predominantly White Institution (Spring 2019)
- Land and Labor (Fall 2019, Fall 2020)
- Borders and Migration (Fall 2019, Fall 2020)
- What is Justice? (Spring 2020, Spring 2021)

UC SAN DIEGO

9500 Gilman Drive, La Jolla, CA 92093

Associate-In (Instructor of Record)

July – August 2015

- Supervisor: Fatima El-Tayeb (858-534-3563)
- Instructor of Record for Ethnic Studies course “Gender, Race, Ethnicity, and Class.”
 Prepared two three-hour lectures per week and graded written papers for 20 students.

Teaching Assistant

October 2013 – June 2015

- Supervisors: Dayo Gore (858-246-0793); Wayne Yang (858-822-2824); Sara Kaplan (858-822-2823); Roshanak Kheshti (415-225-5599)
- Taught weekly sections for undergraduate Ethnic Studies introductory course sequence, graded 40 students each quarter: “Land and Labor” (Fall), “Circulations of Difference” (Winter), “Making Culture” (Spring).

Teaching Assistant

Winter 2015

- Supervisor: Roshanak Kheshti (415-225-5599)
- Mentored undergraduate Critical Gender Studies students, graded 50 students in course “Gender, Modernity, and Globalization.”

Reader

October 2012 – December 2012

- Supervisor: Ross Frank (858-534-6646)
- Graded 55 students in “History of Native Americans in the United States”

CHABOT COLLEGE

25555 Hesperian Blvd, Hayward, CA 94545

Adjunct Instructor

January-May 2016

- Supervisors: Deonne Kunkel (510-723-6670)
- Instructor of Record for Ethnic Studies course “Race, Class, and the Family.” Prepared two 1.5-hour lectures per week and graded written papers for 20 students.

UC BERKELEY

Berkeley, CA

Teaching Assistant

August 2016 – December 2016

Berkeley, CA 94720

- Supervisor: Paola Bacchetta (pbacchetta@berkeley.edu)
- Graded papers and exams for Gender Studies course “Transnational Feminisms.”

OTHER TEACHING

Theater Instructor, Ashtar Theater

July 2009 - August 2009

P.O. Box 2127 Irsal Street, Ramallah, Palestine

- Supervisor: Iman Aoun (iman@ashtar-theatre.org)
- Taught theater workshop for children ages 12-17, directed theatrical production.

Teaching Assistant, Carnegie Mellon University January-May 2009

5000 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

- Supervisor: Barbara Mackenzie-Wood (bmacwood@andrew.cmu.edu)
- Tutored and mentored first year undergraduate students in the drama department

ADDITIONAL TEACHING COMPETENCIES

- Genealogies of Critical Racial and Ethnic Studies
 - Interdisciplinarity and Knowledge Production in Ethnic Studies
 - Transnationalism and Borderlands Theory and Practice
 - Transnational Feminisms
 - Gender, Sexuality, and Race
 - Race, Gender, and Space
 - Gender, Race, Ethnicity, and Class
 - Marxist Thought
 - Critical Immigration and Refugee Studies
 - Racial Capitalism and the Prison
 - Historical Methods
 - Ethnographic Methods
 - Methods of Cultural Studies
 - Social Movements in the Middle East
 - Islamophobia and the Racialization of Muslims in the West
 - Gender and Sexual Politics in the Middle East
 - History of the Modern Middle East
 - History of Modern Iran
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SERVICE

2019 Search Committee Chair for Black Cultural Center Director, University of Utah
2018- Instructional Coordinator, Diversity Scholars Program, University of Utah
2018- Member, School of Cultural and Social Transformation Council, University of Utah
2017 Refugee Justice Delegation, SWANA Connect and War Resisters' League, Athens, Greece, August 2017
2016-17 Anti-Oppression Committee Coordinator, Graduate Student Worker Union- University of California, January 2016 - June 2017
2011-16 Head Steward, Graduate Student Worker Union- University of California
2008-09 Co-Chair, Carnegie Mellon University Student Activities Board,

HONORS AND SKILLS

- Languages: Persian (Farsi)- proficient
- Singer/Actor