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## Personal Details

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## Current Positions

1. Full professor and faculty member in Information Systems Department / Faculty of Computer and Information Science. / Imam Mohammad Bin Saud University.
2. Part –time lecturer at  several private  and government universities

## Education

**1998-2001**    Loughborough University, Loughborough, United Kingdom
Ph.D. in Information Systems: The principal aim of the Ph.D. was to investigate the provision of computer network system to enable Saudi University Hospitals to exchange medical information electronically.

**1992-1994**    Pittsburgh University, USA
Master degree in Management Information Systems: As a senior project, I considered the implementation of a management information system in KAMA.

**1991-1992:**    Pittsburgh University English Language Centre, USA
Certificate of Proficiency in English Language.

**1984-1989:**    King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
BA in Management.

## Employment History

**2018-**Now      **:** Professor of Information Systems / Faculty of Computer and
Information  Science and Part –time  lecturer  at  several  private universities
**2017-2018**      **:** Consultant of Shgra University for academic and educational affairs
Information Science

| **2012-2014** | **:** Assistant of vice Rector For Education and Academic Affairs at Salam Bin Abdul-Aziz University and professor of Information Systems |
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| **2011-2012** | **:** Vice dean of Faculty of Engineering at Salam University |
| **2009-2011** | **:** Faculty member in the Information Systems Department and IT and Business consultant for several organizations |
| **2007-2009** | **:** Vice dean of Faculty of Computer and Information Science and Associate Professor in Information Systems Department. |
| **2004-2007** | : Head of Information Systems Department |
| **2004–2005** | **:** Assistant professor of Information systems/ Faculty of Computer and Information Science |
| **2001-2004** | **:** Assistant Professor at King Abdul-Aziz Military Academy, Adjunct Professor, Computer Science Department, External examiner at Nayf Arab University. |
| **1994-1998** | **:** Lecturer at King Abdul-Aziz Military Academy and Management Consultant at KAMA (Public relation Department) for 6 months. |
| **1990-1991** | **:** Assistant Manager and teacher assistant |
| **1989-1991** | **:** Teaching Assistant at King Abdul-Aziz Military Academy, Classes taught in personnel management and public administration. |

## Areas of Interest

I have a particular professional interest in the following areas: computer networks, network management, hospital information systems, systems analysis and design, information systems security, soft systems methodologies, cost/benefit analysis, management, project management, systems development methodologies and human resource management

## Journal Published Papers

1. **Saleh Al-Zahrani,** 2002, Use of Information and communications in healthcare organizations, Perspective from Saudi Arabia. British Journal of Healthcare Computing and Information Management, Vol. 19, No. 10, pp. 17-19.

2. **Saleh Al-Zahrani,** 2003, The Attitudes of Healthcare Personnel Towards Computers in Saudi Arabian University hospitals. British Journal of Healthcare Computing and Information Management, Vol. 20, No. 2, pp. 38–42.

3. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2004, A National Health Information Network Systems for Saudi Arabia: An Overview and Views on Future Development. Journal of Computer and Applied Science. Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Vo.2(2),42-51 http://www.aci.org.sa/.

4. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2006, An information management system model for the Industrial Incidents in Saudi Arabia: A conceptual framework based on SDLC methodology. Journal of Computer Science. 2 (5): 447-454, ISSN 1549-3636 http://www.scipub.org/

5. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2006, From Words to Concepts in Text Mining, Journal of Digital Information Management. Vol. 4, No. 2, pp. 147-149.

6.  **Saleh, Al-Zahrani**, & Saed Alghatani, 2007, The Design of Geographic Information System Education Administration Tools for the Saudi Ministry of Education (MOE) in Saudi Arabia, Arabic Journal of libraries and information, Vol. 2, No. 27, pp. 123-128

7.  **Saleh, Al-Zahrani**, 2009, An Empirical Investigation of the Information Technology Implementation in Saudi Arabia. International Journal of Computing Architecture: Vol. 4, No. 2, pp. 89-97. Available at http://icdim.org/ijca

8.  **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2010, Management Information Systems Role In Decision-Making During Crises: Case Study. Journal of Computer Science 6 (11): 1247-1251, 2010 ISSN 1549-3636: http://scipub.org.

9.  **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** and Mubark Alghtani, 2010, Audio Environment Recognition using Zero Crossing Features and MPEG-7 Descriptors. Journal of Computer Science 6 (11): 1262-1266, 2010- ISSN 1549-3636: http://scipub.org

10. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2010, Development of a Soft System Model to Identify Information and Communications Technology problems and Obstacles in Government Organizations in Saudi Arabia. Journal of Theoretical and Applied Information Technology, Vol. 20, No. 2, pp. 99–104,  Available at http://jatit.org

11. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** and Pit. Pichappan 2010, A Framework of 'Enabling Security Systems' for Organizations: IJCSNS International Journal of Computer Science and Network Security, Vol. 10, No. 10, pp. 121-127, Oct. 2010, http://www.ijcsns.org/

12. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2010, Assessment and Predictive Measures of Information Technology Readiness: Case study,  International Journal of Web applications: Vol. 3, No. 1, Available at  http://www.dline.info/ijwa

13. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2010, A Structural Study between chatting and Cheating, to appear in American Journal of Applied Sciences. Available at http://www.scipub.org/.

14. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani**, 2010, Threats to Information System Security in Saudi Arabia Security Agencies: A Comprehensive Case Study, Accepted for publication and to appear in Saudi Computer Journal, Applied computing & Informatics, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

## Conference Published Papers

15. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2004, Health Information System for Saudi Arabia. In: Proceedings of the Information Technology and Natural Science Al-Zaytoonah University of Jordan. Amman, pp. 246-257.

16. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2006, Awareness of Hospital Information Systems Security: Perspective from King Saud University Hospitals. Information Security Symposium, Taibah University. College of Computer Science and Engineering, pp. 159-173.

17. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2006**,** Controlled Security of EHR Access in Health Information System" the First IEEE International Conference on Digital Information Management, Bangalore, India 6-8, pp. 25-27

18. Saleh, Al-Zahrani, Al-Ghatani, Yahiya, 2006, Investigation of End Users Attitude toward Computers in Saudi Arabia", The 4the International Multiconference on Computer Science and Information Technology Applications, Jordan, pp.321

19. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** & Saed Alghatani, 2007, Multi-Criteria for School Site Selection: Saudi Arabia Point of View**,** Proceedings of the Information Technology conference. Iran, pp. 146-157.

20. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani** and Pit Pichappan 2007, An Empirical Study of 'Enabling Security Systems' for organizations: the Information Technology and National Security Conference. Riyadh. SA, pp.1232-1248

21. **Saleh, Al-Zahrani,** 2010, A Multilayered Electronic Health Record System generation: Third International Conference on the Applications of Digital Information and Web Technologies (ICADIWT 2010), Istanbul, Turkey, pp. 136-140.

## Attended Conferences

- Third IEEE EMBS International Conference on Information Technology Applications in Biomedicine, Nov. 2000, Virginia, USA.
- 16th National Conference on Computers Computer for Education, Feb. 2001, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- The Saudi 18th National Computers Conference on Mar. 2006, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

## Courses Taught
  - ✓ Management Information Systems
  - ✓ Interdiction to Information Systems
  - ✓ Software Project Management
  - ✓ System Analysis and Design
  - ✓ System Development
  - ✓ Interdiction to Computer
  - ✓ Supply Chain Project Management
  - ✓ E. Commerce
  - ✓ Personal Management
  - ✓ Introduction to Human Resource

## Related courses work

- I had an opportunity to enroll in some postgraduate courses and fulfilled its requirements. Thos courses were attended just to broaden my knowledge and experience. Some of those courses as follow:

1. Doctoral Training Programme,

2. Introduction to Models of Research,

3. Understanding Research,

4. Database structure and Design,

5. Approaches to Analyses, Design, and Managing Information Systems,

6. Information Systems Development, an overview,

7. Systems Analysis and Design,

8. Information Systems Management in the National Health Services,

9. Hospital Information Systems,

10. Business Information &User needs,

11. Computer Networks and, Network Management,

12. Understanding your PC (Practical course for 4 months).

## Related Short Courses Work

I have also attended several short courses. Some of those courses as follow:

Time Management, Using the Internet, Improving Writing Skills, Project Management, and SPSS for Analysing Survey Data, Information Strategy, Presentations Skills, Supervising PH.D students.

## Editorship and Refereeing Activities:

- Referee for  several organizations such as
    1. Institute of Public Administration
    2. King Abdul-Aziz City for Science and  Technology
    3. Naïf University For Security Studies
    4. Several international journals
- Program Committee member for the 2005  Information Technology conferences, Jordon
- Referee for several regional and international conferences for several years.

## Current and Recent Academic Services

- College board member
- Supervising Master theses as well as many senior projects.
- School Curriculum committee  member
- Department Curriculum committee coordinator.
- Promotion/appointment committee member.
- Graduation projects examiner member.
- Exam and disciplinary committee member.
- Research committee member

- Graduate committee member
- Tender committee coordinator
- Preparing departmental and school pamphlets, handbooks, website, etc.
- College Academic advisor
- Scheduling coordinator
- Lectures scheduling coordinator
- Member of IT committee at Imam university

## Memberships

- 1999 – present active member in IEEE
- 1999– present active member in Saudi Computer society
- 2006– present active member in association of Saudi health informatics
- 2000- Present member of Journal of Health care Computing and Information management
- Served as a program committee member for the CSIT conference, Jordan. Amman, April 2006
- 2006–active member in higher education committee for evaluating prince Fahad Bin Sultan University

## Other Activities

- 1991-present: Member of the Islamic Society of North America.

- 2000-2001 Chairman of the Saudi Student House in Loughborough

- From 1988 up to date I participate with monthly article to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Magazine in Al-Baha, column article at the university news paper and somewhere else.

## Undergraduate Projects: Supervising many senior projects

- Student affairs Information System.
- On-Line Students Grade System..
- Courses Scheduling System..
- Web design

## Training

I have also prepared and trained more than 250 training programs for several organizations. Some of those courses as follow:

Time Management, Communications skills, Interpersonal skills, Strategic planning, critical thinking skills, CORT, Using the Internet, Improving Writing Skills, Project Management, Electronic Management, SPSS for Analysing Survey Data, Information Strategy, Information Security, Presentations Skills, Interviews skills , writing your CV. ,Research skills,  and Management.

## Skills

- Substantial experience of a variety of Information Systems research methods.
- The ability to critically evaluate students' work of various levels and subject areas.
- Well developed organisational skills enabling the development of effective working relationships with students; academic, technical and administrative colleagues.
- Excellent presentation/communication skills developed through various conferences paper & research group seminar presentations.
- Ability to manage priorities in the challenge of competing demands and tight deadlines.

## Honours

- A commendatory letter from the Saudi ambassador in USA for outstanding achievement
- I received a commendatory letter from the Saudi ambassador in London for outstanding achievement
- I received a commendatory letter from the Saudi Cultural Bureau in London for outstanding achievement while carrying out my Ph.D.
- Teaching Assistant Award, King Abdul-Aziz academy
- Placed on the Honour list 5 times during my undergraduate study.
- I was selected to represent higher degree students in the UK at the 16th Computer Conference in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia in Nov. 2001.
- I received a trophy, certificate and a PC from the Saudi Ministry of Education for excellent achievement

## Community Activities

- Participated in different IT workshops
- Conducted training courses on management, and ICDL.
- Served as head of Saudi elections committee

## Hobbies

On a more general level, I have a wide interest in literature and have written published articles for local newspapers and magazines. I have read intensively in areas of information systems and social sciences.

## References

1. His Royal Highness Advisor to the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques Dr. Mansour bin Mtaib bin Abdul Aziz
2. Dr. Abdulrahman bin Mohammed Al-Assami, Deputy Minister of Education
3. His Excellency the former Director of Imam Muhammad bin Saud Islamic University Dr. Mohammed Al-Salem
4. His Excellency the former Director of Naif University, Dr. Abdulaziz bin Saqr Al-Ghamdi