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Education

2000	Ph.D Arizona State University (Tempe, Arizona), in Anthropology, (Title: The Upper and Epipaleolithic Transition in the Southern Levant: Microlith Typology Versus Technology).
1993	M.A Yarmouk University (Jordan, Irbid), in Archaeology, Prehistory/ Neolithic.
1988	B.A. Yarmouk University (Jordan, Irbid), in Interior Design.
1984	High School Islamic and Scientific Collage, Amman, Jordan

Research Interests:

Prehistory of southern Levant, Human Adaptation, Prehistoric Settlement Patterns, Paleoenvironmental changes, and Lithic Analyses, Museums, Cultural Heritage Studies.

Professional positions:

2017-2018 2013-2017	On sabbatical at The Institute of Prehistory in Cologne University/ Germany Dean of the Faculty of Archaeology and Tourism / University of Jordan
2016	Full Professor, Department of Archaeology, Faculty of Archaeology and Tourism, University of Jordan.
2010-2015	Associate professor, Department of Archaeology, Institute of Archaeology, University of Jordan.
2010-2011	On Sabbatical in the Department of Archaeology at Yarmouk University, Irbid, Jordan.
2009- 2010	Head of the Department of Archaeology, Institute of Archaeology, University of Jordan.

- **2009-2010 Museum Director**, Archaeological Museum and Heritage Museum, Institute of Archaeology, University of Jordan
- **2008-2009** Dean Assistant for Archaeological and Heritage Museums, Archaeology Institute, University of Jordan
- **2004- 2007 Museum Director,** Archaeological Museum and Heritage Museum, University of Jordan.
- **2005-2007 Head of the Department of Archaeology**, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, University of Jordan.
- **2003-2004 Dean Assistant for Student Affairs**, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, University of Jordan.
- 2000- 2009 Assistant Professor, Department of Archaeology, University of Jordan.
- **1996-1999** Research Assistant, Archaeological Research Institute, Arizona State University.
- **1995 Museum Director**, Archaeological Museum, University of Jordan.
- **1991-1994 Professional Drafts-Person**, Archaeological Museum, The University of Jordan.

Field Experience:

- **2016-Present** Co-Director in The First Human Settlements on the Left Bank of the Jordan Valley project, in Corporation with Dr Reto Jagher and Prof. Dr. Jean-Marie Le Tensorer and (University of Basel, Switzerland) and Prof. Dr. Khaled Abu Ghaneimeh (Yarmouk University).
- **2009- Present Co-Director in the** Greater Petra Area Survey and excavation project (Wadi Sabra, and Ansab sites) in Corporation with Jürgen Richter (University of Cologne/Germany).
- **2014- 2016 Project Director**, Tell Abu es-Suwwan Project, Jerash (Neolithic), University of Jordan field school
- **2009-2012 Co-director** with Debora Olszewski for Early Epipaleolithic in the Western Highlands of Jordan. Funded by National Science foundation.
- **2005-2008 Project Director**, Tell Abu es-Suwwan Project, Jerash (Neolithic), University of Jordan field school.
- 2007-2008 Lecturer, at College of Hospitality and Tourism (JAU) (Prehistory of Jordan

Classes)

Coordinator of the University of Jordan Research Team for the National Museum Exhibit information, Amman, Jordan

Staff member, Wadi Zarqa' Ma'in Drainage, Madaba Plateau project (Middle Paleolithic), Directed by **April Nowell, (Canada)**.

- 2003-2010 Senior Personnel and Consultant for the project work in Jordan, in the Mediterranean Landscapes Dynamics project. Funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF). The International Institute for Sustainability at Arizona State University, <u>https://shesc.asu.edu/medland/</u>, <u>http://www.asu.edu/clas/shesc/projects/medland/summary.htm</u>
- **2004 Staff member,** Wadi al Hasa Chert Survey. directed by Deborah I. Olszewski (University of Pennsylvania).
- **2000 Staff member,**The Eastern al-Hasa Late Pleistocene Project. directed by Deborah I. Olszewski (University of Pennsylvania).
- **1998 Professional Draft-person**, Tell Abu Na'aj, directed by Dr. Steve Falconer, Arizona State University, United States.

Staff member, The Eastern Hasa Late Pleistocene Project, directed by Dr Deborah I. Olszewski (Bishop Museum, Honolulu) and Nancy Coinman (Iowa State University).

1997 Staff member, The Eastern Hasa Late Pleistocene Project, directed by Dr. DeborahI. Olszewski (Bishop Museum, Honolulu) and Nancy Coinman (Iowa State University).

Staff member, Tell Abu NIAJ's in the Jordan Valley (Bronze Age) directed by Dr Steven Falconer, Arizona State University.

- **1996 Participant**, Rudd Creek (13th century), directed by Dr. Todd Howell Arizona State University.
- **1994 Professional Drafts-Person**, Umm el Jimal (Roman/ Nabatean) in Jordan, directed by Dr. Bert Devris, Calvin College.

Professional Drafts-Person, Kh. Salameh Excavations(Iron Age Byzentin) University of Jordan, directed by Dr.Pear Bekaie, Jordan.

Participant, Ain Ghazal (Neolithic) in Jordan, directed by Dr. Gary Rollefson from San Diego state University, USA, and Dr. Zidan Kafafi from Yarmouk University, Jordan.

Professional Drafts-Person, Bait Ras pottery, directed by Dr Cherie Lenzen, Yarmouk University, Jordan.

- **1993 Professional Drafts-Person**, Kh. Salameh Excavations (Iron Age-Byzentine), University of Jordan, directed by Dr.Pear Bekaie, Jordan
- **1992 Professional Draft-Person**, Kh. Salameh Excavations (Iron Age Byzentine), University of Jordan, directed by Dr.Pear Bekaie, Jordan.
- **1989 Participant**, Yasieleh Excavations (Byzentines), directed by Dr. Zaidoun Al-Muhassen Yarmouk University, Jordan.

Participant, Ain Ghazal (Neolithic) in Jordan, directed by Dr. Gary Rollefson From San Diago state University, USA, and Dr. Zidan Kafafi from Yarmouk University, Jordan.

Participant, Bait Ras (Islamic)in Jordan, directed by Cherie Lenzen, Yarmouk University, Jordan.

Committees:

- 2015-present Board member in the Trustees of the Royal Academy of Culinary Arts (RACA), King Abdullah II Fund for Development, Amman, Jordan
- 2015-2017 Board member in the Scientific Committee at the Scientific Research Support Fund, Higher Education Ministry, Amman, Jordan
- 2014-2017 Board member in the Department of Antiquities Advisory Board, Amman, Jordan
- 2013-2017 Board member in Petra Advisory Board of Trustees, Department of Antiquities, Amman, Jordan
- 2012-2015 Vice President of the Friends of Archaeology and Heritage Board, Amman, Jordan. <u>https://sites.google.com/site/friendsofarchaeology/about-us</u>
- **2010-2016 Board member,** in the DAAD PhD Jordanian students Grant.
- 2011 External Reviewer, American Pre-Doctoral (Students) Fulbright Grant. Jordanian-American Commission for Educational Exchange(Fulbright), Amman, Jordan.
- **2010-2012** Vice President in the foundation board of the Jordanian Fulbright Alumni Association (JFAA), Amman, Jordan.

2008-2011 Board member in the Friend of Archaeology and Heritage, Amman, Jordan.

Conferences and Workshops:

2019	Participant and Chair at the 14 th International Conference on the History and Archaeology of Jordan (ICHAJ), held in January 2019, Florence, Italy.
2018	Participant in the third International Conference "Prehistory of the Arab World" ICPAW 2018. Held by the Department of Antiquities and Museums, National Council of Culture and Art. Kuwait from the 20 th -24 th of February, 2018
2017	Lecture at the Institute of Near Eastern Archaeology at Berlin University. On the 6^{th} of December 2017.
2015	Chair and Participant in the Sixth International Forum of Writings and Inscriptions" entitled "Prehistory in the Arab World and Africa - Second Cycle" conference ., held by Library of Alexandria, Alexandria, Egypt, From the 2 nd -5 th of March, 2015
2014	Chair and Participant in the Society of the American Archeology-SAA 79th Annual Meeting at Austin, TX. from 23-27 April, 2014
	Chair and Participant in "The First International Conference ,Egypt and Mediterranean Countries Through Ages", held by Cairo University, Egypt, from 15-18 October, 2014
2013	Participant in "The development of early settlement in arid regions" conference, held by the German Archaeological Institute, in Aqaba between 12 - 15 November 2013.
	Visitor Professor, Institut fuer Ur- und Fruehgeschichte Universitaet zu Koeln, in Germany in July 2013. Giving lectures about the Paleolithic of Jordan.
2012	Participant in the "First International Congress of Prehistory in the Arab World" held by Cairo University between 15 -19 of December 2012. Cairo, Egypt.
	Scientific Committee Member in the World Archeological Congress-7 (WAC-7) which will be held in the Dead Sea/Jordan between 14-18 of January 2013. http://wac7.worldarchaeologicalcongress.org/text2.html
	Participant in Le Paléolithique au Proche-Orient Bilan et perspectives (The Paleolithic of the Near east Workshop), held in January 21 st -25, 2012, at Anthropologie des Techniques, des Espaces et des Territoires au Pliocène et

Pléistocène (AnTET)les in Eyzies de Tayac/ in southern France, Organized by Eric Boëda 2011 Visitor Professor at Ferrara University, Italy in March 2011. Giving lectures about the Paleolithic and the Neolithic of Jordan. 2010 **Organizing Committee Member of the Scientific Day**, held in May 21st at the Institute of Archaeology, University of Jordan. Organizing Committee Member and Participant in the Museum and Public Education Workshop, held in April 7-8th 2010, at Jordan Museum, Amman. Trainer for Course in "How to Write Grant Proposal" for the University faculty members, Held in the Technology Center at the University of Jordan, Organized be the Higher Council For Science and Technology. 2010-2012 Building the Capacity of Jordanian Researchers" Project, Three stages of workshops, Held in at Princess Sumaya University for Technology, Organized be the Higher Council For Science and Technology. Participant in the Prehistory of Jordan, Past and future Research held in May 2009 27-30th 2009 at the Department of Archaeology, Amman, Jordan Participant in the Workshop for Heritage Status for Jarash Archaeological Site. held in April 29th 2009 in Jrarsh, Jordan Supported by Ministry of Tourism in Jordan and UNISCO. 2008 Participant in the Basta Final Symposium, which was held in April 24-27th, 2008, Freie Universitat Berlin, Institut für Vorderasiatische Altertumskunde Arbeitsschwerpunkt Neolithikum - Basta Joint Archaeological Project - ex oriente, Berlin 2007 Member on the Organization Committee of the 10th International Conference on the History and Archaeology of Jordan (ICHAJ), held in May 2007, Washington DC 2006 Participant in the 5th International Congress in the Archaeology and Ancient Near East, (5ICAANE), presenting a paper : "Tell Abu es Sawwan first season Excavation, Neolithic Site in Jordan" April, Madrid, Spain. High Education Course on The Euro- Mediterranean Cultural Heritage" Knowledge without Borders". Brindisi, Pasti-Scientific Park of Brindisi Citadel of Research, Italy. Economics and the Management of Cultural Heritage workshop, Distance Learning Program, Centre for International Studies on Economic Growth (CEIS).

Mediterranean Landscapes Dynamics planning workshop. In the International Institute for Sustainability at Arizona State University. USA

- 2004 The Fifth International Conference on Yemeni Civilization, San'a History and Cultural Heritage. San'a University, Sana, Yemen
- 2003 Fifth World Archaeological Congress (5WAC) Conference. Paper presented: Microlith Typology and Technology of the Upper and Epi-Paleolithic Transition, Jordan. Washington, USA.
- 2002 The First Conference on Science and Technology in Archaeology and Conservation. Queen Rania Institute of Tourism and Heritage The Hashemite University, Jordan.

Publications and Posters :

2018 Al Nahar, Maysoon

The Neolithic site of Tell Abu Suwwan, Jerash. In *The Archaeology and History of Jerash, 110 years of excavations,* eds. by Rubina Raja and Achim Lichtenberger, British Library Cataloguing in Publication Data BREPOLS publications. Vol. 1, Pp 7-14.

2016 Maysoon al-Nahar and Deborah I. Olszewski Early Epipaleolithic lithics, time-averaging, and site interpretations: Wadi al-Hasa region, Western Highlands of Jordan, *Quaternary International*. 396 (2016): 40-51.

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Human Hunting and Settlement Mobility in the Early Epipaleolithic of the Jordanian Western, Highlands. *Quaternary International.* 396 (2016) 31-39.

Siavash Samei, Natalie D. Munro, Maysoon al-Nahar, Deborah I. Olszewski Differential Bone Preservation and Human Foraging at the Early Epipaleolithic Site of Tor at-Tareeq (WHS1065) in the Western Highlands of Jordan, *Quaternary International.* 396 (2016) 52-61.

2015 Abuhelaleh Bellal 1, M. Al Nahar, U. Thun Hohenstein and G. L. F.

Berruti 3, E Cancellieri

Experimental Study of Bone Artifact Manufacture from the Neolithic site Tell Abu Suwwan (PPNB-PN), Jordan, *Adumatu*, (2015) 32 :7-20.

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Maysoon Al Nahar and Zeidan Kafafi

The Yarmoukian Pottery Assemblage from Tell Abu Suwwan, Jordan. *Mediterranean Archeology and Archaeometry (MAA)*, Vol. 15, No 3,(2015): 57-72

2014 Al Nahar, Maysoon

"Ain Ghazal and Wadi Shueib: Neolithic Personal Ornaments", in *Settlement, Survey, and Stone, Essays on Near Eastern Prehistory in Honor of Gary Rollefson,* edition: 1, Publisher: ex oriente, Berlin (2014), Editors: Bill Finlayson, Cheryl Makarewaicz, Pp.243-256

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The 2012 Excavations in the Area A Early Epipaleolithic at Tor at-Tareeq, Wadi al-Hasa, , *Neo-Lithics* 1/14: 25-32

2013 Al Nahar, Maysoon

Typo-Chronological and Analytical Lithic Study of the Neolithic Period in Jordan: (Case study: Tell Abu Suwwan), In *History and Archaeology of Jordan*, University of Jordan Publications. 05/2013; Volume VII(No. (2,3)):120-143.

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Glacial and Interglacial Desert Refugia and the Middle Paleolithic of the Azraq Basin, Jordan. Special Issue: *The Middle Paleolithic in the Desert.*, *Quaternary International*, 300:194-210.

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Deborah I. Olszewski and Maysoon al-Nahar

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2010 Abuhelaleh Bellal 1 , M. Al Nahar , G. L. F. Berruti 3 , E Cancellieri, and U. Thun Hohenstein.

Raw &Worked Osseous Materials, Study of Bone artifacts and use techniques from the Neolithic Jordanian site;Tell Abu Suwwan (PPNB-PN). Poster published in the *International Council for Archaeozoology*, 11 th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE,PARIS, 23-28 August 2010.

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The Lower Paleolithic in Jordan, In *Archaeology and History of Jordan*, University of Jordan Publications. Vol 3 (2): 173-215

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2001	 Simmons, A. H., G. O. Rollefson, Z. Kafafi, R.D. Mandel, M. Al- Nahar, J. Cooper, I. Köhler- Rollefson, K. R. Durand. Wadi Sueib, A Large Neolithic Community in Central Jordan: Final Report of Test Investigations. <i>In Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research BASOR</i>. 321: 2-39.
	Olszewski, D.I., Coinman, N. R., Clausen, T., Cooper, J. B., Jansson, H., al- Nahar, M., Saele, L.S., Sampson, A.J. Schurmans, U. and Thompson, J. R. The Eastern al Hasa Late Pliestocene Project. Preliminary Report on the 2000 Season, <i>Annual of Department of Antiquities of Jordan (ADAJ)</i> . 45: 39-60.
2000	Olszewski, D.I, U. Schurmans, H. Jansson, J. Cooper, and M. al- Nahar Chert Raw Material Survey in the Wadi al Hasa, Jordan: Preliminary Findings. <i>Neo-Lithics</i> 2-3 /00: 16-18.
	Al- Nahar, Maysoon The Upper and Epipaleolithic Transition in the Southern Levant: Microlith Typology Versus Technology. Arizona State University, Unpublished Dissertation.
1999	Coinman, N. R., D.I. Olszewski, K. Abdo, T. Clausen, J.B. Cooper, J. Fox, M. al-Nahar, E. Richey, and L. Saele Eastern Hasa Late Pleistocene Project: Preliminary report on the 1998 season. Annual of Department of Antiquities of Jordan(ADAJ). 43:9-25.
1998	Olszewski, D., M. al- Nahar, J. Cooper, K. Abdo and A. Rosen Renewed excavations at Tor Sageer (WHNBS-242), an Early Epipaleolithic Site in the Wadi al Hasa, Jordan. <i>Neo-Lithics</i> 2/98: 5-8.
	Olszewski, D., N. Coinman, J. Schulderein, T. Clausen, J. Cooper, J. Fox, B. Hill, M. al-Nahar, and J. Williams. The Eastern Hasa Late Pleistocene Project: Preliminary Report on the 1997 Season. <i>Annual of Department of Antiquities of Jordan (ADAJ).</i> 42: 53-74.
1997	Olszewski, D. and M. al- Nahar The First Season at Tor Sageer (WHNBS-242), an Epipaleolithic Site in the Wadi al-Hasa, Jordan. <i>Neo-Lithics</i> 3/97: 11-13.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:

- **2017-2018** Gerda Henkel Stiftung fund for my Sabbatical project at Cologne University, Germany
- 2009-2012 National Science Foundation , (project grant) for the Early Epipaleolithic in the

	Western Highlands of Jordan project. The grant awarded to both directors of the project (Debora Olszewski and Maysoon Al Nahar) for four years (2009-2012).
2009	University of Jordan Scientific Research grant for the Early Epipaleolithic preject in the Karak plataue
2005	Fulbright Alumni Development Grant (Travel Grant), Title: Collaborative Research Meeting for Prehistoric Land-use and Ecology Study. At Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona / United States.
1996	Harrel Fellowship Travel Grant. Title: Travel Jordan to Participate in Tell Abu Ni'aj Project as a staff member.
1995-1997	Fulbright Full Scholarship For the Ph.D. Degree from Arizona State University.
1995-1999	University of Jordan Scholarship For Ph.D. Degree from Arizona State University.