

## **Biography**

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**– Academic Qualifications :**

1. Bachelor , Department of Islamic Archaeology, Faculty of Arts, Cairo University , May 1973, with a grade of "very good"
2. M.A. in Islamic Archaeology, Faculty of Archaeology, Cairo University, 1977 with grade "excellent"
3. PhD in Islamic Archaeology, Faculty of Archaeology, Cairo University, 1988, with first class honors

**– Career progression :**

1. Demonstrator, Faculty of Archaeology, Cairo University , 1973
2. Assistant Teacher, Faculty of Archaeology, Cairo University (1977–1982)
3. Teacher, Faculty of Arts, Helwan University, from 20/7/1977
4. Assistant Professor, Faculty of Arts, Helwan University , from 22/2/2002
5. Acting Head of the Department of Archaeology and Civilization from 16/9/2004 to 1/8/2006
6. Acting Head of the Department of Archaeology and Civilization from 31/5/2007

7. **Professor at the Faculty of Arts, Helwan University, from 29/6/2008**
8. **Head of the Department of Archaeology and Civilization , Faculty of Arts, Helwan University, from 20/11/2008 for a period of three years and renewed a second term from 20/11/2011 to 31/7/2012**
9. **Emeritus Professor from 1/8/2012**

**– Honoring from universities and bodies:**

- Excellence Award (gold medal) in the festival honoring the Faculty of Archaeology - Cairo University in 2005 for the first graduates of the class of 1973**
- Honoring from the Faculty Members Club at Helwan University in 2012**
- A certificate of appreciation from the Faculty Members Club at Helwan University in 2012 for the march of achievements and the role in preparing generations at Helwan University**
- A certificate of appreciation from the Department of Cultural Development and Archaeological Awareness in Ancient Egypt and Fustat to participate in the activities of the second season of the Archaeological Forum in Ancient Egypt 2015**
- Certificate of appreciation from the editorial department of the Journal of the Museum of Islamic Art in Cairo for participating in the arbitration of research papers of the sixth issue of the Journal of Islamic Archaeological Studies**
- Certificates of appreciation from the Museum of Islamic Art for participating in the university's initiative with us (2016–2017–2017–2018–2018–2019)**
- A certificate of appreciation from Ain Shams University and the French Scientific Institute of Oriental Archaeology for participating**

and chairing a session in the first scientific forum for young researchers from 9–10 December 2019 AD

**- Membership of committees and unions :**

1. **Member of the Permanent Scientific Committee for the Promotion of Professors and Assistant Professors in Islamic Archaeology, Twelfth Session 2016–2019**
2. **Arbitrator of the five–member committees for promotion in the field of Islamic Archaeology in public universities and Misr University for Science and Technology**
3. **• Arbitrator in the Scientific Committee for the Promotion of Professors and Assistant Professors in the Field of Archaeology and Restoration from 2008 to 2016**
4. **Member of the Committee for Examining Scientific Production to obtain State Incentive Awards in Social Sciences, Islamic Archaeology Branch, 2011 AD Ministerial Decree No. 542 of 2012 AD**
5. **Member of the Antiquities Committee of the Supreme Council of Culture (2013–2015)**
6. **Member of the selection committee for the university incentive awards at Sohag University (2015)**
7. **Former member of the Board of Directors of the General Union of Arab Archaeologists**
8. **Member of the Board of Directors of the Museum of Islamic Art in Cairo in 2008**
9. **Member of the committee formed by the decision of the Minister of Antiquities to review the scientific material of the**

**catalog of the Museum of Islamic Art in Cairo No. 5109 dated  
27/7/2017 AD**

- 10. Member of the Committee for the Examination and Selection of Applicants for the positions of Professor – Assistant Professor and Lecturer at the Faculty of Arts, Beni Suef University (31/12/2016 – 12/1/2017)**
- 11. Rapporteur of sessions at the conferences of the General Union of Arab Archaeologists**

**- Examination of the scientific production of applicants for promotion in the Scientific Committee for the promotion of professors and assistant professors in Islamic Archaeology:**

**Examination of the scientific production of (40) faculty members applying for promotion to the degrees of professor and assistant professor in Islamic Archaeology at the universities of Cairo, Ain Shams, Sohag, South Valley, Minya, Helwan, Tanta, Kafr El–Sheikh, Suez Canal, Fayoum, Assiut, Alexandria, Aswan and Misr University for Science and Technology**

**- Academic and scientific contributions**

- Participation in the symposium on Islamic Archaeology in the east of the Islamic world, organized by the Faculty of Archaeology, Cairo University in 1988 (research)**
- Participation in the Women's Conference (Memorial Issue) 2000 AD Papyrus Center, Ain Shams University (Research)**
- Participation in the book of the memorial issue of the late archaeologist Dr. Mohamed El–Sayed Gheitas – Journal of the Faculty of Arts, Sohag University – Book Two (Arts) 2004 (research)**

- Participation in the book of the commemorative issue issued by the annals of the Supreme Council of Antiquities to honor A0D / Tuhfat Handoussa in 2007 (research)
- Participation in the book of the memorial number of the late archaeologist, Mr. Abdel Rahman Abdel Tawab. Faculty of Arts, Sohag University, 2008 (two researches)
- Participation in the conferences of the Union of Arab Archaeologists with research, attendance and chairing sessions
- Participation in seminars of the Department of Archaeological Awareness at the Ministry of Antiquities with lectures and seminars
- Member of the Council of the Faculty of Arts, Helwan University (2004 to 2014 – 2017–2018)
- Member of the Cultural Committees, Graduate Studies, Student Affairs and Environmental Affairs, Faculty of Arts, Helwan University
- Head of Control at the Faculty of Arts, Helwan University, from 2007 to 2015
- Participation in amending the regulations of the Islamic Archaeology Division in the Department of Antiquities and Civilization
  - Supervising scientific trips in the Department of Archaeology and Civilization from 2000 to 2012
- **Arbitration of specialized scientific journals**
  - Arbitrator in the Journal of the Papyrus Center, Ain Shams University
    - Arbitrator at Abjadiyat Magazine at the Bibliotheca Alexandrina
    - Arbitrator in the Journal of the Faculty of Arts, Mansoura University
  - Arbitrator in the Journal of the Union of Arab Archaeologists

- Member of the jury committees of the Journal of Architecture, Arts and Humanities issued by the Arab Society for Islamic Civilization and Arts
- Arbitrator in the Journal of Archaeological Research and Studies issued by the Center for Archaeological Research and Studies at the University of Mina
- Arbitrator in the Journal of Islamic Archaeological Studies, published by the Museum of Islamic Art in Cairo
- Arbitrator at the Journal of Manuscript Sciences issued by the BA Manuscripts Center
- Arbitrator in Abydos magazine issued by the Faculty of Archaeology, Sohag University

### **- Teaching**

- \* Teaching students of the four teams of the Department of Archaeology and Civilization since the opening of the department in 1997
- \* Teaching for pre-master's students since 2002/2003
- \* Teaching for master's and doctoral students in the credit hour system from 2017/2025

### **- Discussions and supervision of master's and doctoral theses**

1. Supervision of master's and doctoral theses (more than 65 theses) Helwan, Assiut, Mansoura, Cairo and Suez Canal Universities
2. Discussion of master's and doctoral theses (more than 60 theses) at the universities of Cairo, Tanta, Assiut, Ain Shams, Helwan, Alexandria, Suez Canal and Fayoum

### **-Literature**

#### **First: Research and Articles**

- Women in Indian Mughal and local contemporary photography. A study of her features – her fashion and decorations. Symposium on

**Islamic Archaeology in the Eastern Islamic World, Faculty of  
Archaeology, Cairo University, 1998**

- Technical study of a new group of Fatimid textiles. The Fourth Conference of the General Union of Arab Archaeologists – Fourth Scientific Symposium 2001**
- Kashkool between the symbolism of the form and the symbolism of the decorations. Journal of the Union of Arab Archaeologists – 2002**
- A marriage contract from the Fatimid era. Papyrus Center. Ain Shams University Journal, Issue 17 (Memorial Issue), 2000 AD**
- Technical study of copper coats from the Ottoman era. Journal of the Faculty of Archaeology, eighth issue, 1997**
- A study in the documents of Sultan Al-Malik Al-Ashraf Shaaban "Commercial establishments and new lights on the architectural planning of hotels and quarters in the Mamluk era. Journal of the Egyptian Historian. Cairo Literature Issue 21 January 1999**
- Cairo carpets in the Ottoman era, a comparative study with the Ottoman Turkish carpets, 2002**
- Masterpieces of the Islamic art .glass lamps from the mamluk period – . Journal of the Faculty of Archaeology – Cairo University, seventh issue, 1996**
- The religious manuscript in the Ottoman era (cover and decorations) through the collection of the Manial Palace Museum in Cairo. The commemorative number of the late archaeologist Dr. Muhammad Gheitas. Faculty of Arts – Sohag University 2004**
- A study in the documents of Sultan Al-Malik Al-Ashraf Shaaban bin Hussein, "Darb Al-Labana Gate", Journal of the Faculty of Archaeology, Cairo University, Sixth Issue, 1995**
- Prince Quson Al-Saqi Mosque. Journal of the Faculty of Arts, Tanta University, Issue Ten, January 1996**

- The art of grafting wooden artifacts with ivory, bone and mother-of-pearl in Egypt in the Ottoman era. Journal of the Faculty of Archaeology, tenth issue, 2004
- Book skins and leather crafts in the Ottoman era. Journal of the Faculty of Arts, Minia University, Issue 58, October 2005
- Residential yards in Cairo in the Ottoman era. Journal of the Faculty of Arts, Minia University. Issue 60 April 2006
- Al-Jashma is an architectural archaeological study. Journal of the Faculty of Arts, Tanta University, Issue 20, January 2007
- Egyptian and Turkish khans and cayassers in the Ottoman era. The world of the pharaohs is a special issue in honor of Dr. Tuhfa Handoussa. Annals of the Supreme Council of Antiquities No. 37 – 2007
- Technical study of a new group of ceramic tiles. The commemorative issue of Professor Abdel Rahman Abdel Tawab. Journal of the Faculty of Arts, Sohag University, 2008, Part Two
- Endowment document of Prince Youssef Jorbji, famous for Al-Hayatem and his facilities in Cairo, the memorial issue of Professor Abdel Rahman Abdel Tawab, Sohag Arts Magazine, Part One, 2008

**Thanba: Books:**

- Islamic architecture in Egypt in the Ottoman era (studies and research) 2013
- Islamic decorative arts in Egypt in the era of the Circassian Mamluks 2012 AD
- Cairo's mosques and schools in Ottoman-style (923–1213 AH / 1517 AD–1798 AD) (under print)
- Islamic decorative arts in Egypt in the Ottoman era (under printing)

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