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### **EDUCATION**

2011- 2016 PARIS SACLAY UNIVERSITY, France

Ph.D. in Sociology (with high honors)

*Thesis title:* Construction of education inequalities in higher education in Lebanon: case study of scholarship students in a Lebanese university.

2006 - 2007 LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE, UK

M.Sc. in Management and Governance

2003 - 2005 UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, US

M.S. in Nutrition, Public Health

2000 - 2003 AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF BEIRUT, Lebanon

B.S. in Nutrition and Food Sciences (with honors)

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

*Aug 2017 – ongoing* **Post-Doctoral Researcher**, Koç University Migration Research Center (MiReKoc), Turkey

*Feb 2017 - ongoing* **Adjunct Lecturer**, Galatasaray University, Turkey

*Sept 2010- Sept 2014* **USAID Program Manager**, Haigazian University, Lebanon

*Jul 2009 - Jul 2010* **SPSS Analyst** (part-time), Skoun NGO, Lebanon

*Sept 2009 - Sept 2010* **Program Manager** Teach For Lebanon, Lebanon.

*Jul 2007 - Aug 2009* **Research Executive** Social Research Institute, Ipsos MORI, UK

### **ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS**

-- "Mechanisms of reproduction of inequalities in the Lebanese higher education system: through the lens of a scholarship program" (submitted to Cahiers de la recherche sur l'éducation et les savoirs at the request of the editor-in-chief)

-- "La méritocratie néolibérale contre l'égalité sociale? Analyse d'un dispositif de développement destiné aux étudiants libanais", Civil Society Knowledge Center, Lebanon Support, 2014

-- "Liban: 'misère' de l'école publique", Les Carnets de l'Ifpo. La recherche en train de se faire à l'Institut Français du Proche-Orient (Hypotheses.org), 5 march 2013.

### **CHAPTER IN BOOKS**

-- "Developing human capital or encouraging emigration? Case study of an international development program in Lebanon" (to be published by Cambridge Scholar Publishing)

-- "Lutte contre les inégalités d'accès à l'enseignement supérieur au Liban : étude d'un programme de bourses" in Réussite scolaire, réussite professionnelle, l'apport des données longitudinales, XXIes journées d'étude sur les données longitudinales dans l'analyse du marché du travail, Dijon, 19-20 June 2014, Relief 48 Echanges du Céreq, June 2014

#### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

"Production and reproduction of gender inequalities in Lebanon: between access to an elite higher education institution and structural inequalities" Journal article in preparation

"Negotiating identity construction and transformation of dispositions among stigmatized scholarship students in a private elite university" Journal article in preparation

#### **SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Oct 2017 2nd conference on international migrations in the 21st century, KEKAM, Yeditepe University, Turkey

"Afro Türk" organization and the rebirth of the Calf Festival in İzmir: diasporic history, racial minorization, and the promotion of an African cultural identity" (co-authored with Armand Aupiais-L'homme)

Jul 2017 Association Française de Sociologie 7th congress, Amiens France

"Construction et transformation des inégalités sociales au prisme d'un dispositif méritocratique de bourses universitaires dans le contexte libanais"

Dec 2016 XXIIIèmes journées du longitudinal (JDL) at Université de Rennes, France

"Inégalités à l'entrée du marché de travail: Etude de cas d'un dispositif de bourses dans une université privée au Liban"

Oct 2016 International migrations in the 21st century, KEKAM, Yeditepe University, Turkey

"Effects of an international development program in Lebanon: Developing human capital or encouraging emigration?"

Jan 2015 Centro de Estudios Avanzados, Universidad de Playa Ancha, Chile

"University socialization and construction of inequalities, Case study of a group of scholarship recipients in an elite university in Lebanon"

Nov 2014 Institut Français des Etudes Anatoliennes, Turkey

"Lutte contre les inégalités d'accès à l'enseignement supérieur au Liban: Etude d'un programme de bourses"

Jun 2014 Takaful, Fourth Annual Conference on Arab Philanthropy and Civic Engagement, Lebanon

"Teaching Social Entrepreneurship to University Students: Knowledge-based and Practical Learning Outcomes"

Jun 2014 Institut de Recherche sur l'Éducation (IREDU), Echanges du Céreq, France "Trajectoires scolaires et lutte contre les inégalités d'accès à l'enseignement supérieur: étude d'un programme de bourses"

#### **MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES**

2014- *current* Member of Association Française de Sociologie

**VOLUNTEERING**

2015-2016 Volunteer Turkish teacher to Syrian refugees, Small Projects Istanbul, Turkey

**LANGUAGES**

**English, French, Arabic:** Native **Turkish:** Advanced (C2 level) **Spanish, German:** Intermediate

**COMPUTER SKILLS**

SPSS, SAS, Zotero