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He has taught at the University of Damascus (1999-2006), and was a visiting assistant professor at Brigham Young University (2006-09). He also was the director of Scientific and Conservation Laboratories at the General Department of Antiquities and Museums (1999-2004), and head of the Centre for Archaeological Research (2003-2006) at the University of Damascus. In addition, he served as dean of university requirements at the Arab European University (2005-2006).

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