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Position

Michigan State University
Staff Physician/Psychiatrist
Clinical Assistant Professor
Core Faculty - Muslim Studies Program
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Vice-President - Muslim Mental Health Institute
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Employment History:

2012- ongoing	Michigan State University-Psychiatry Department
2010- ongoing	Staff Psychiatrist - Olin Health Center
2005	Observership, Internal Medicine and Psychiatry Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
1992 – 2000	Internist, Abbasi Medical and Surgical Hospital Hyderabad, Pakistan
1990 – 1992	Internist, Faisal General Medical Clinic Karachi, Pakistan
1990 – 1991	Medical Intern, Liaquat Medical College Eye Hospital Hyderabad, Pakistan
1989 – 1990	Medical Intern, Radiology Internship, Liaquat Medical College Hyderabad, Pakistan

Medical Education:

- 2006-2010 Michigan State University Psychiatry Residency Program
- 1983-1989 M.B.B.S. (Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery) Liaquat Medical College, Hyderabad, Pakistan

Licensing Examinations:

- May 2011 ABPN–written
- June 2010 USMLE Step3
- January 2005 CSA
- January 2005 USMLE Step 2
- April 2004 USMLE Step 1

Honors and Awards:

- 2011 Presentation of Plaque by Lansing City Council
Appreciation and recognition by Mayor of Lansing
- 2008 American Psychiatric Association Fellowship,
SAMSHA FELLOW
- 2008 American Psychiatric Association Award
MPS, Ritz-Carlton, Dearborn, MI

Invited Lectures and Presentations:

- 2012 Speaker, AMSA for Mental health day at College of Human Medicine
- 2012 Haslett-Rotary Club “Everything you ever wanted to ask about Islam and Pakistan”
- 2012 Fourth Muslim Mental Health Conference: “Empowering Community Workers”;
“Training Imams, Chaplains and Community Leaders as Mental Health Workers”
- 2011 Presenter/panelist, Michigan Victims Alliance Conference
“Healing from a Broken Place: Supporting Trauma Survivors”
- 2011 Facilitator, film: “My Name is Khan”
Michigan State University Office for Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives
Community Conversations Initiatives
- 2011 Key Note Address, 5th Annual Mayor’s (Lansing & East Lansing) Ramadan
Unity Dinner
- 2011 Facilitator, film series and discussion: “Talking Through Walls”
Sponsored by MSU Library, Muslim Mental Health, Inc.
Film provided by Unity Productions Foundation

- 2010 Presenter, Institute of Psychiatric Services workshop, Boston
“Cultural and Linguistic Matching Patient to Provider: Pros and Cons”
- 2010 Speaker, “Dealing with Muslim Patient Population”
Counseling Center, Michigan State University
- 2010 Speaker, “Dealing with Muslim Patient Population”
Olin Student Health Center, Michigan State University
- 2010 Second Muslim Mental Health Conference, Speaker: “Why it Matters:
Addressing the Myths & Realities of the Relationships among Mental Health,
Violence and Muslims”
- 2009 Introduction of guest speakers at film presentation: “Inside Islam: What a
Billion Muslims Really Think?”, Michigan State University
- 2009 Speaker, Peers Day, GMEI, “Culture Matters”
East Lansing, MI
- 2009 Speaker, Annual Psychiatric Association Workshop, San Francisco, CA
“Impact of Immigration”
- 2009 First Muslim Mental Health Conference, Speaker: “Islam and Medicine: A
Mental Health Perspective”, University Club, East Lansing, MI
- 2009 Panelist, “What Dream Was Pakistan Built On?”
Pakistan Student Association, Michigan State University
- 2009 Founder and Speaker, Substance Abuse Awareness Day
University Club, East Lansing, MI
- 2009 Host and facilitator, “Refusing To Be Enemies - The Zeitouna Story”
Sponsored by ACCEPT, Michigan State University
- 2009 Speaker, Cultural Competency Lecture
St. Lawrence/Sparrow Health Services, Lansing, MI
- 2009 Psychiatry Ground Rounds: “Rwandan Tutsi Genocide: Telling the Story”,
Presented by ACCEPT, Michigan State University
- 2008 Speaker, “Dealing with Arab-American Patient Population”
Building Cultural Bridges in Health Care: Strength in Diversity Conference
National Arab American Nurses Association Convention, Detroit, MI
- 2008 Poster Presentation: “Patterns and Prevalence of Opioid Dependence”
Institute of Psychiatric Services, Chicago, IL

- 2008 Host, Conversations with Lauren Brown, MD
 “Fat Politics: A Health at Every Size Approach to Body Acceptance”
 Sponsored by ACCEPT, Michigan State University
- 2008 Leadership Training Workshop: Component meeting for Minority Affairs
 Washington, DC
- 2008 Speaker, Diversity Lecture: “All in the Family: Insight into Judaism and
 Islam” Sparrow Health System, Lansing MI
- 2008 Presenter, 31 Michigan Family Medicine Research Day
 (1) “Concurrent HTN Impedes Antidepressant Treatment Response” and
 (2) “Patterns and Prevalence of Opioid Dependence”
- 2008 Presentation: (1) “Concurrent HTN Impedes Antidepressant Treatment
 Response”, and (2) Poster Presentation: “Patterns and Prevalence of Opioid
 Dependence”, GMEI Lansing Research Day, Michigan State University
- 2007 Speaker, “Impact of Immigration on Mental Health in Muslim Populations of
 Michigan”, WFMH Conference on Transcultural Mental Health- Changing
 World: Building a Global Response, Minnesota, MN
- 2007 Poster Presentation: 59th Annual Institute on Psychiatric Services,
 “Encephalitis Lethargica: A Case Study”
- 2007 Poster Presentation: GMEI, Lansing Research Day, “Encephalitis Lethargica:
 A Case Study”
- 2007 Speaker, Black History Month, “Dreams Don’t Die”
 St. Lawrence/Sparrow Health Services, Lansing, MI

Professional Societies Service and Committees:

- 2011 Member Community Conversations Committee
 Office for Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives, Michigan State University
- 2011-2012 Information Secretary, Pakistan Association of America
- 2009 Secretary, Journal of Muslim Mental Health
- 2008 President Elect Resident Chapter, Michigan Psychiatric Society
- 2001 Director, Pakistan Chapter Global Hope Makers
- 1999 – 2000 Secretary General, Project Mercy International, Hyderabad, Pakistan

Professional Society Memberships:

Michigan Psychiatric Society, Legislative Representative, since 2007
Michigan State University CRIB, since 2007
American Psychiatric Association, since 2006
Ingham Foundation Fundraising Committee, since 2004

Teaching:

2009 OST 536: Cultural Competence and Health Disparities Panel
2009 Diversity Seminar: Providing Culturally Appropriate Care to Muslim Patient Populations
2009 OST 590: Health Disparities and Multicultural Medical Skills
2009 Psychopharmacology Seminar: Cultural Formulation
2008 Lecture: “A Case of a Father and Three Women” Students’ and Trainees’ Association (SATA) of the Michigan Psychoanalytical Institute

2008 Lecture: “Neuropsychiatry”
College of Osteopathic Medicine, Michigan State University

2008 Lecture: Cultural Competency Panel
College of Osteopathic Medicine, Michigan State University

2008 Speaker, Journal Club: “Psychosis and Spirituality”

2008 Speaker, “ACCEPT: A Cultural Competence Education and Practicing Track”

2008 Speaker, Journal Club: “Impact of Pornography on Families”

Other Service:

2005 – 2012 Research Associate, International Neurologic and Psychiatric Epidemiology Program (INPEP)

2012 Core Faculty, International Neurologic and Psychiatric Epidemiology Program (INPEP)

2008 Founder, A Cultural Competence Education and Practicing Tract (ACCEPT), Michigan State University

2006 Designed Malawi Human Subject Research Booklet for INPEP, with Michigan State University Committee on Research Involving Human Subjects

Community Service Activities

- 2009 Instituted “Excellence in Diversity Award” at Islamic Society of Greater Lansing, MI
- 2008 Organizer, Dream Girl Benefit Gala
Women’s Center of Greater Lansing
- 2004 Organizer, Dr. Tim Francesco Bilateral Lung Transplant Fundraiser
- 2001 Spokesperson for Rep. Paul DeWeese - Global Outreach and Islamic Awareness Programs
Speaker, Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services
Speaker, Bureau of International Speakers