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EDUCATION:

2013 Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium. PhD in Law.

2011-2012 College of Europe, Bruges, Belgium. MA in International Relations and European Diplomacy.

2007-2008 Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels, Belgium. LL.M. Program on European and International Law.

2003-2007 Arab American University, Jenin, Palestine. BA in Law.

EXPERIENCE:

Current position: Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law and Public Administration, Birzeit University, Palestine.

2016-2023: Officer of the [External Academic Relations](#), Director of the [Grants and Contracts Office](#) at Birzeit University.

2013: Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Law, Arab American University, An Najah University, Palestine.

2009-2013: Academic assistant at Centre for Private and Economic Law, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium.

08 April 2013 – 08 July 2013: Internship at Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists & Democrats in the European Parliament. Working in the International Trade (INTA) Committee responsible for matters relating to the establishment and implementation of the European Union's common commercial policy and its external economic relations.

2015-2024: Visiting professor at Tallinn University of Technology (TTU), the Faculty of Law (Estonia, 2015), Tampere Peace Research Institute (TAPRI) at the Faculty of Social Science of Tampere University (Finland, 2016), the Faculty of Law of the University of Deusto (Bilbao, Spain, 2016), the Faculty of Law and Criminology of Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Brussels, Belgium, 2017, 2018). Participating in seminar on the University Governance

Capacity Building for Developing Countries in China, 2017. Participating in training sessions in different countries, Jordan, Lebanon, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Belgium, France and Norway.

CONFERENCES AND PUBLICATIONS:

- Amir Khalil, Nawal Hend, Mohammed Alqaisi, "COVID-19 and Arbitrability of Insolvency: Cross-Country Comparative Analysis in MENA Region" in Crossroads of Insolvency and Arbitration, in the Comparative Law Yearbook of International Business, Volume 43A (Special Issue, 2022), Kluwer Law International, Wolters Kluwer. <https://law-store.wolterskluwer.com/s/product/the-comparative-law-yearbook-of-international-business-volume-43a/01t4R00000OkHHQA3>
- Amir Khalil, Gaël Le Roux, "[Trade relations between the European Union and Palestine: Assessment and Potential improvements](#)", Journal of Middle East Law and Governance (MELG), Brill Academic Publishers, Netherlands, 16 July 2021.
- Banan Tantour, Amir Khalil, "The Specificity of Resorting to Arbitration in Financial Leasing Contracts in Palestine: A Comparative Study", UAEU of Law, United Arab Emirates University, Vol 92, October 2022. https://digitalcommons.aaru.edu.jo/sharia_and_law/vol92/iss92/5/?fbclid=IwAR050hsJ6Idd42LYvaM5tcZFONGKyGiIyDqZSi-rqbV14G-90ZJNiGKF3Ac
- Amir Khalil, Tasneem Kahala, 'Toward A Cyber Arbitration in Palestine in Time of Corona Pandemic: A Comparative Study', International Review of Law, Vol. 10, No. 3, Qatar University, Qatar, 2021. <https://journals.qu.edu.qa/index.php/IRL/article/view/2261>
- Tasneem Kahala, Amir Khalil, 'The legal basis for Factoring Contract in Palestine: A comparative study', Dirasat Journal, Shari'a and Law Sciences, Vol. 48, No. 1, University of Jordan, 2021 (p. 182-200). <https://dsr.ju.edu.jo/djournals/index.php/Law/article/view/2993>
- Amir Khalil, Tasneem Kahala, 'The Ottawa Convention for the Unification of the Rules of the Contract for the Purchase of Commercial Rights (Factoring): "A comparative analytical study"', Irbid Journal for Research and Studies, Vol. 24, No. 1, Irbid National University, Jordan, 2022. <http://ijrs.inu.edu.jo/jrs/index.php/jrs/issue/view/1/9>
- Amir Khalil, "[The Need for Legal Framework to Regulate Franchising in Palestine](#)", in the Global Journal of Comparative Law 6 (2017) 206-225.

- Amir Khalil, "[To what extent does the European Union Promote Democracy Effectively in the Occupied Palestinian Territories?](#)" Working paper, Arab Reform Initiative, Arab Research Support Programme II, 2017.
- Amir Khalil, "The impact of Palestinian accession to the New York Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards", paper for the Law and Economic Development in Palestine Conference, Birzeit University, Ramallah, Palestine, 2015.
- Amir Khalil, "Consumer Protection under the Franchising Contracts", Paper for the Consumer Protection through Palestinian Law Conference, Birzeit University, Ramallah, Palestine, 22 October 2014.
- Amir Khalil, "Towards a Legal Framework for Regulating Franchising in Palestine: A Comparative Study", PhD Thesis, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Belgium, 2013.
- Amir Khalil, "The Legal Aspects of Protecting and Promoting the Local Products", paper for the 9th edition of the International Days of Marketing at Cadi Ayyad University, Marrakesh, Morocco, February 26 to March 1, 2013.
- Participated in the 5th International Neighborhood Symposium on "Leadership and Change in the Eastern Neighborhood and the Mediterranean South", Organized by the Center for International and European Studies (CIES) at Kadir Has University, Heybeliada, Istanbul, Turkey, 23 June- 28 June, 2015.
- "Understanding Palestinian Diplomacy in 21st Century: Future, prospective and the role of the EU in fostering the Palestinian Statehood", Master Thesis for the EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies, Bruges, College of Europe, June 05, 2012.
- Commentators in the conference: "The European Union: History, Law and Institutions" at Ibrahim Abu-Lughod Institute of International Studies (IALIIS)/ Birzeit University- Palestine, December 13, 2012.
- "The Right of Self-Determination in International Law, (Case Study: Palestinian Right to Self-Determination)", paper submitted at World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies. World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies, Barcelona, July 19 - 24, 2010.

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS:

- Palestinian Quebecer Science Bridge Research Grant at the Faculty of Law at McGill University, Canada, 2023. Funded by Palestine Academy for Science and Technology and the Quebec Research Funds.

- Academic Staff Mobility program at different European universities.
- Phoenix Fellowship for Academic Staff Mobility at the University of Tampere-Finland (June 2016- July 2017) funded by the EU.
- Civil Society Scholar Awards (CSSA) funded by the Open Society Foundation (2015-2016).
- Arab Reform Initiative fellowship for conducting research (2014-2015).
- Arab Regional Workshop and Fellowship program funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York (2014).
- Guest Editor for Themed Section 1 (2023): [Higher Education under Occupation in Palestine](#), in the [Education as Change Journal](#) (2022-2023).

RELATED INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES:

- 2022 Member of Higher Education Reform Experts (HEREs), Erasmus+ program.
- 2022 Member of Executive Committee for the Mediation & Arbitration Center (ARBCCI), Chamber of Commerce & Industry Ramallah & Al-Bireh Governorate.
- 2019-2021 Member of the Higher Education Thematic Working Group (HETWG), the Ministry of Education and Higher Education, Palestine.
- 2021-2019 Member of the Steering Committee for Horizon Projects, the Ministry of Education and Higher Education, Palestine.
- 2014-2016 Member of the Committee for the Diplomas and Certificates Equivalency in the Ministry of Higher Education, Palestine.
- 2009- 2013 Member in the International Law Association Belgium Branch
- 2010- 2011 Member in EGMONT – The Royal Institute for International Relations
- 2011- 2013 President of the General Union of Palestinian Students- Belgium
- 2013-2021 Coordinator of the Palestinian Alumni of Belgium

OTHER INFORMATION:

Languages: Arabic (Native), English, French.

Interests include, sports, politics, reading and writing. Good in organizing and preparing any sort of events, good initiative and having knowledge of Public Relations, External Relations and Project Management. Good communication skills.