# Anoud Bani-Hani, Eng.D.

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## **Academic Qualifications**

Eng. Doctorate. Computer Science	Loughborough University, UK, 2014
M.Sc. Multimedia and Internet Computing	Loughborough University, UK, 2007
<b>B.Sc.</b> Computer Science and Information Technology	JUST, Jordan, 2006

## **Employment History**

Associate Professor, University of Colorado, Denver, USA	June 2024- Current
Associate Professor, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE	June 2022- July 2023
Director of the NextGen Centre, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE	August 2020–June 2022
Assistant Professor, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE	August 2014–June 2022
Research Assistant, Loughborough University, UK	October 2009 – 2013
Software Developer, JCK Joinery, Leicester, UK	October 2009 – 2013
Lecturer, Jordan University of Science and Technology	Aug 2008 - June 2009

## **Committees and Professional bodies**

<b>Research Ethics</b> – Chair	2018-2022
Research Ethics – Member	2016-2018
Search Committee ISTM – Member	2019
Search Committee CAT – Member	2019
Students Affairs Committee – Member	2016
Students Special Case Committee – Member	2016
Research Committee – Member	2020 - 2021
Dual Study Task Force	2016-2020
College Purchase Committee – Member	2016
Website Committee – Member	2019
EXPO 2020 Committee – Member	2019-2020
Curriculum review Task force – Member	2019
Senior Project committee – Member	2020
ACM Member	2020- Present
IEEE Member	2019- Present

## Awards and Nominations

Zayed University President Award for Employee Excellence	2021
Prime Minister Office Award for Employee Excellence (Nomination)	2021
Outstanding Teaching Award (Nomination)	2019

### **International Leadership and Professional Citizenship**

- **EXPO2020** trips with students.
- Future Foresighting studies for the UAE's Cultural and Creative Industries Sector (2020): I was nominated by the Ministry of Culture and knowledge development to lead the study and write a report on how technology can help boost cultural economy in UAE in the far future, my contribution to appear in UAE strategy 2050 -2071.
- The Ministry of Education's Department of Science, Technology and Research have selected me for its "Majlis" Talk Series, session 1, focused on COVID-19 related research, featuring my research about detecting fake news through social media.
- The Eighth Gulf Programing Contest GPC: Member of the Organizing Committee.
- SAP Dual Study Lead at Zayed University.
- UAE- Germany Trip 2018 for students: SAP, IBM and Munich University.
- Innovation Week: I have run multiple events in the Innovation week 2018, E-Team Challenge, Design Thinking Session.

### Invited Talks and Panels

- Kuwait ITAR Group 2021: COVID-19 Related AI-Analytics and Fake News: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wu4xKPLGjsA&t=2043s
- <u>https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:6803908945061789696/</u>
  Germany, Speaker at the Global Perspective: The Rise of Women in STEM: https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:6795375728738230272/
- UAE Ministry of Education Session, Covid-19 Majlis: https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=O2FoUX3g210&t=248s
- UAE Distance learning impact on Higher Education: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UZyM0YSToqo
- Oman HCT University talk 2021: <u>https://www.hct.edu.om/centers/etc/about-etc/news-archive/seminar-fake-news-social-media-032921</u>

### **Conference Organization and Peer Esteem**

- General Co-Chair on the 7th International workshop on Online Social Network Technologies (OSNT 2021).
- Workshops Chair of the 8th IEEE International Conference on Social Network Analysis, Management and Security, 2021 (SNAMS 2021).
- General co-chair on the 5th International workshop on Online Social Network Technologies (OSNT 2020) in conjunction with the 7th IEEE International Conference Social Network Analysis, Management and Security (SNAMS 2020)
- TPC co-chair of International Symposium on Health and Medical informatics, Management and Security (HMiMS 2020), in conjunction with the 7th IEEE International Conference on Internet of Things, Systems, Management and Security.
- URC Conference 2020: Member of the Judging Panel for the best awards, Program Co-Chair.

- TPC Co-Chair of The International Symposium on Software Engineering for Cloud, Edge and Internet of Things Systems (SECEI 2020) in Conjunction with the 7th IEEE International Conference on Software Defined Systems (SDS-2020)
- TPC member of the **ITT** conference for the HCT university 2018, 2019 & 2020
- TPC member of the 7th IEEE International Conference on Social Network Analysis, Management and Security, 2020 (SNAMS 2020)
- TPC member of the 6th IEEE inter conference on Fog and Mobile Edge Computing, (FMEC 2020)
- I organized and Co-chaired a workshop in the ICCMIT '19 The 5th International Conference on Communication, Management and Information Technology Mar 26-28, 2019, Vienna, Austria.
- TPC member of the **URC** Conference 2016: Publicity Co-chairs
- Reviewer of the Journal of Cluster Computing by Springer.
- Reviewer for the Journal of Digital Forensics, Security and Law.
- Reviewer for the journal of Small Business and Enterprise Development.
- Organizing Committee member: The eighth gulf programming contest (GPC).
- Reviewer for Journal of Digital Forensics, Security and Law, Florida, United States of America.
- CIS IEEE conference IEEE 2018, 2019, 2020

### **Research Grants** of total (\$600k)

- 1) <u>Research Intensive Fund (RIF):</u>
- 2) Zayed University Research Intensive Fund "E-Motive Ontology: Extracting Emotions in Arabic" 2017-2018 (PI) <u>30,000\$</u>
- 3) Zayed University Research Intensive Fund: "A Multi-purpose Semantic-rich Ontology for the detection of Fake News in Social Networks" 2019- 2021 (PI) – <u>72,000 \$</u>
- 4) Zayed University Research Intensive Fund: "Cloud-driven Semantic-Enabled Social Network Analysis" **2019- 2021 (Co-PI)** <u>41,000\$</u>
- Zayed University Research Intensive Fund: "Smart Heuristic Kit Technology for students with autism: An experimental and developmental study in the UAE." 2019 – 2021 (Co-PI) – <u>36,000\$.</u>
- 6) Zayed University Research Intensive Fund "Integrated Framework for a Holistic Digital Transformation Strategy" **2021- 2023 (Co-PI)** <u>52,000\$.</u>
- Zayed University Research Intensive Fund: "A Semantic Knowledge Graph based solution for Improved Cyber Threat Intelligence Analytics in UAE" – 2021-2023 (PI) – <u>58,000\$.</u>
- 8) <u>Clusters:</u>
- 9) Zayed University Cluster: Sustainable policies for Solving transportation traffic and congestion issues (Cluster with RTA) Sustainable Transportation Research-2016 2018 (Co-PI) <u>100,000\$.</u>
- 10) Zayed University Cluster: Responding to the Covid-19 Public Health Impact in UAE: An Intelligent Data Fusion Model and Predictive Analysis for Proactive and effective response, leveraging Semantic Technologies and Artificial intelligence. (PI) <u>– 136,000\$</u>
- 11) Research Collaboration Fund between UAEU/ZU: For a more Resilient Society: Detecting and Predicting Mental Health Changes in UAE using Social Media Data and Artificial Intelligence. 2022-2024 (Co-PI) – <u>68,000\$.</u>

### **Software Development**

Along with my research team we have developed several software (*Please note these are for ongoing research so updates may apply*):

- 1. Fadnet Ontology: A Semantic Model for Context-Based Fake News Detection on social media: <u>rif-zu/fandet-ontology (github.com): https://github.com/rif-zu/fandet-ontology</u>
- 2. Fane-KG: A Semantic Knowledge Graph for Context-Based Fake News Detection on Social Media: <u>rif-zu/fane-knowledge-graph (github.com): https://github.com/rif-zu/fane-knowledge-graph</u>
- 3. Cone-KG: A Semantic Knowledge Graph with News Content and Social Context for Studying Covid-19 News Articles on Social Media: <u>rif-zu/cone-knowledge-graph</u> (github.com): https://github.com/rif-zu/cone-knowledge-graph
- 4. A Covid-19 web-based news search service, powered by a semantic knowledge graph Cone-KG News Portal is a web-based application implementation based on Cone-KG: <u>rif-zu/cone-kg-news-search-app</u>: (github.com): <u>https://github.com/rif-zu/cone-kg-news-search-app</u>

### **Training and Development**

#### Assurance of Learning - Professional Development

- 2012: The Ins and Outs of Research Design, Loughborough University, UK
- 2013: Certificate of Attendance: Working with the Media for Research Staff and Postgraduate Researchers, Loughborough University, UK
- 2014: Certificate of Completion "Good teaching to great instruction: Pathways to continued instructional success, Zayed University, DXB.
- **TERP 10**: SAP Training.
- 2014: Certificate of Attendance of: UAE Cultural Awareness Course, Zayed University, DXB.
- 2015: Tobii Eye Tracker Technology Training, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- 2016: Certificate of Attendance of: CRM SAP Course, SAP, UAE.
- 2017: Certificate of completing the World Governmental Summit: Future Perspectives: Technologies that Pave the Way to Logistics and Infrastructure, WGS.
- 2019: **Blackboard** Conference, RMEA.
- 2020: Completion of: Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship Educator's Guide by Stanford University.
- 2020: Certificate of Appreciation for attending: Faculty Guide to support Services by student accessibility service department, Zayed University, DXB.
- 2023: Entrepreneurship in Emerging Economies by Harvard University, USA.
- 2024: Canvas Training, Denver, USA.

#### Students Trips/ related activities (Sample):

- Joining the female students to a fieldtrip to **GITEX'**2014- 2015- 2017-2019.
- Sharjah Entrepreneurial Festival 2017, 2019, 2021.
- International University Trip to Germany, Student trip to IBM Internet of Things Watson Centre and SAP Berlin/ Munich, Followed with a visit to Munich University 2018.
- **EM-Tech** Mena Conference 2019.
- Etisalat Innovation Center visit 2019.

#### **Research-related**

- 2014: Keynote Speaker at the International Conference on Engineering, Technology and Sciences (ICETS-2014), Dubai, UAE.
- Managed more than 6 **Research assistant** students from Zayed University, 3 Research Assistant International students.
- ICCMIT 2019: Conf. Chair and Organizer of special session.
- URC Conference 2020: Member of the Judging Panel for the best awards.

Program Co-Chair

#### Technology and Teaching-related Training (Certificates)

- 2023: Certificate for "Entrepreneurship in Emerging Economies" from Harvard Business School, Harvard University
- 2020: Completion of: Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship Educator's Guide by Stanford University.
- 2014 2020: Zayed University Professional Development Week, Dubai, UAE. Attended several IT training and research related sessions during Zayed University Professional Development week.
- Enterprise Design Thinking Team Essentials for AI, Issued by IBM 2020.
- Enterprise Design Thinking Co-Creator Issued by IBM 2020.
- Enterprise Design Thinking Practitioner Issued by **IBM 2020**.
- Issued by Microsoft 2020:
  - Define an AI strategy to create value in education.
  - Define an AI strategy to create business value.
  - Enable business users with key AI use cases.
  - Introduction to Power BI.
  - Introduction to Power Platform.
  - Introduction to Power Apps.
  - How to build a canvas app.
  - Get started with a Finance and Operations implementation project.
  - FastTrack Customer Success Program for Finance and Operations.
  - Get started with Lifecycle Services for Finance and Operations apps.
  - Design and plan an implementation of Finance and Operations apps.
  - Perform user acceptance testing in Finance and Operations apps.
  - Prepare data for migration to Finance and Operations apps.
  - Identify data integration patterns and scenarios in Finance and Operations apps.
  - Implement data integration concepts and solutions for Finance and Operations apps.
  - Implement the Data management package API for Finance and Operations apps.
  - Data integrations with Finance and Operations apps.
  - Work with data management in Finance and Operations apps.
  - Implement application lifecycle management in Finance and Operations apps.
  - Define an AI strategy to create value in education.
  - Understand the importance of building an AI-ready culture.
  - Discover how to foster an AI-ready culture in finance.
  - Discover how to foster an AI-ready culture in marketing.
  - Use Lifecycle Services to design and plan an implementation of Finance and Operations apps.

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