# Sangar Youssif Salih

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#### **EDUCATION**

- **2008 Bachelor** in Sociology, University of Salahaddin. Erbil, Kurdistan Region, Iraq
- **2015 Master** in Sociology, University of Cincinnati, USA.

## **Work Experience:**

2009 – 2012	Assistant researcher at Salahaddin University. Erbil-Iraq.
2015 - 2021	lecturer at Salahaddin University- Erbil- Iraq. (part-time)
2016 - 2017	Deputy head of the department of Social work at Salahaddin University-Erbil
2017 – <b>2019</b>	Head of the Quality Assurance Committee in the department of Social Work
2018 - 2019	Head of the Exam Committee in the department of Social Work -Salahaddin
	University- Erbil
2009 - 2022	Working with national and international organizations as Researcher,
	Program manager, project coordinator, and consultant.
2018 – present	Coordinator of the Kurdistan Social Forum.
2019 – present	Coordinator of the international platform "Observatory to Prevent Extremist
	Violence (OPEV) in KRI.
2019- 2022	<b>Executive Director</b> of Peace and Freedom Organization.
2021- 2022.	National Consultant with the International Labor Organization-ILO.

## **Teaching Experience – Undergraduate Courses:**

- Quantitative and Qualitative Research in Social Science (Fourth year).
- Theory of Science and Scientific Methods Qualitative Research (Second Year).
- School Social Work (Fourth year).
- Child and Family in Social Work (Fourth year).
- An introduction to Social and Human Rights (Second year).
- Welfare Organization (Third Year).

## **Research Interests:**

My areas of interest are sociology of education, social inequality, minority and vulnerable groups, peace-building and social integration, violent extremism, and qualitative methods.

## **Researches:**

- Salih, S. Y., Rahman, A., M, Qadir, K. (2016) "The Condition of Workers' Rights and Freedom of Trades in Iraq the Kurdistan Region. Peace and Freedom Organization. Available at <a href="https://pfo-ku.org/index.php/reports/55-pfo-reports/259-the-reality-of-workers-rights-and-trade-union-freedoms-in-iraq-and-the-kurdistan-region">https://pfo-ku.org/index.php/reports/55-pfo-reports/259-the-reality-of-workers-rights-and-trade-union-freedoms-in-iraq-and-the-kurdistan-region</a>

- Salih, S., Matthew, E.M. and Linders, A. (2017) How Kurdish Immigrant Parents in the United States Think about the Formal and Informal Education of Their Sons and Daughters. Open Journal of Social Sciences, 5, 79-102.
- Salih, S. Y., Rahman, A. M., & Othman, J. K. (2017). Reflection of National and Cultural Identities in Foreign Schools of the Kurdistan Region/ Iraq. Creative Education, 8, 1135-1154.
- Salih, S. Y. (2018). Earning a living Beyond the Borders: Lives of Migrant Workers in the Kurdistan Region. As part of Peace and Freedom Organization's publications. <a href="https://www.dmeforpeace.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Foreign-Workers-Living-Conditions-in-the-Kurdistan-Region.pdf">https://www.dmeforpeace.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Foreign-Workers-Living-Conditions-in-the-Kurdistan-Region.pdf</a>
- Salih, S. Y. and Rahman, A. M. (2020). Drivers of Violent Extremism in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq as part of Peace and Freedom Organization's publications. Available at <a href="https://pfo-ku.org/index.php/reports/pfo-reports/647-peace-and-freedom-organization-launched-a-particular-research-on-violent-extremism-in-the-kurdistan-region">https://pfo-ku.org/index.php/reports/pfo-reports/647-peace-and-freedom-organization-launched-a-particular-research-on-violent-extremism-in-the-kurdistan-region</a>
- Khedir, H. H and Salih S. Y (2020). "The Alienation of Social Sciences from "the Social": The Experience of Teaching Sociology at Kurdish Universities (KUs), Kurdistan Region of Iraq". Advances in Applied Sociology.
- Paulson, J.; Bermeo Osorio, J.D.; Charria Hernandez, C.A.; Keo, D.; Manning, P.; Milligan, L.O.; Moles, K.; Nelson, A.; Pennell, C.; Salih, S.; Shanks, K. (2020). Education as Site of Memory: developing a research agenda. International Studies in the Sociology of Education.
- Salih, S. Y., Qadir. A., Mahmood. J. (2021). "Invisible Threats: Digital Security and Female Journalists in Iraq and the Kurdistan Region". Peace and Freedom Organization.
- Rahman, A. M, Salih S. Y. (2022). "The Reality of the Worker's Rights between laws and implementations in the Kurdistan Region." Ayındanasy Journal, 12, Pp 46 61

#### **Book chapter:**

- Salih, S. and Qadir, K (2019). How the deprivation of land ownership makes minority groups more vulnerable: An examination of the case of Yazidis in Iraq. In: Baumann, H.M. Reclaiming Home: The struggle for socially just housing, land and property rights in Syria, Iraq and Libya. the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung-Tunis. Pp 103-119
- Salih, S and Khalid, A. (2019). Iraq. In: 2018 Civil Society Organization Sustainability Index For The Middle East And North Africa 7th Edition
- Salih, S and Khalid, A. (2020). Iraq. In: 2019 Civil Society Organization Sustainability Index For The Middle East And North Africa 8th Edition.

## **HONORS & AWARDS**

**2012** Top students award by the Kurdistan region's president and the minister of higher education.

#### **INTERNATIONAL GRANT:**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> of December, 2018 to 15<sup>th</sup> of March, 2019. **Sangar Youssif Salih** and Kaify Maghdid. "How the Deprivation of Land Ownership Makes Minority Groups more Vulnerable: An Examination of the Case of Yazidis in Iraq" Funded by Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung.
- 16<sup>th</sup> of November, 2018 to 31<sup>st</sup>, April, 2019. **Sangar Youssif Salih.** A research project on "Transformative History Education" As a service contract with the University of Exeter. UK.

# **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- Parental Involvement in Children's Education in a Kurdish Community in the United States. Humanities **NOW** Graduate Conference, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, March 5, 2015.
- What the Quality of Education Looks Like in Kurdistan's Primary Schools. 7<sup>th</sup> International Visible Conference on Educational Studies & Applied Linguistics, Erbil, Kurdistan Region, Iraq, April 24, 2016.
- Peaceful Coexistence between Majority and Minority Religious Groups: An Examination of Muslim's Responsibilities from Religious Minorities' Perspectives. 3<sup>rd</sup> Lalish Conference for Peace and Coexistence: Civic State Guarantees the Sustainable Peace.
  Duhok. Kurdistan region, Iraq, The American University of Kurdistan 25-26 April, 2017.
- How Social Background of Students Predicts their College Destination. 9<sup>th</sup> International Visible Conference on Educational Studies & Applied Linguistics, Erbil, Kurdistan Region, Iraq, April 28-29, 2018.
- Who We Are and Who Others Are: the Experiences of the Iraqi Youth of their Ethnoreligious Socialization. 12th International Visible Conference on Educational Studies & Applied Linguistics, Erbil, Kurdistan Region, Iraq, May 20-21, 2022.

### **Work in Progress:**

- "How Foreign Schools Facilitate Social Integration among Ethnic and Religious Groups in the Kurdistan Region" (with Khetab Aziz). Paper in progress.
- "Education and Diversity: how the Iraqi youth learned about "others" through schooling (with Hiwa Haji & Kelsey Shanks). Paper in progress.
- Social and Economic Predictors for college destination between 2015 2021 in the Kurdistan region of Iraq. Research in progress.