Alexander Magidow

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Education

2012 (expected)	Ph.D., Arabic Studies University of Texas — Austin, Department of Middle Eastern Studies *Dissertation Topic:* Towards a Sociohistorical Reconstruction of Pre-Islamic Arabic Dialects *Exam areas:* Arabic Linguistics — Historical and Contact Linguistics — Classical Arabic Literature. Passed with distinction.
2009	M.A., Arabic Studies University of Texas — Austin, Department of Middle Eastern Studies *Thesis:* The Semantic and Pragmatic Role of Case Marking in Formal Spoken Arabic
2006	B.A., Linguistics, Honors in the Major University of Wisconsin — Madison

In-Country Language Study

2011 (summer)	Center for Cross Cultural Learning, Rabat, Morocco. Individualized study.
2007–2008	Center for Arabic Study Abroad (CASA) University of Damascus, Damascus, Syria
2004–2005	Language Center, Jordan University, Amman, Jordan

Articles

In press	"Explaining Inconsistent Case Marking in Spoken Formal Arabic," *Zeitschrift für Arabische Linguistik* 55 (2012)
In press	"Competing Pressures in Diglossia: Avoiding Colloquial in Writing Standard Arabic," *Journal of Arabic and Islamic Studies*

Book Reviews

Submitted	*Journal of Semitic Studies*: Henkin, Roni (2010). *Negev Arabic: Dialectal, Sociolinguistic and Stylistic Variation.* Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz Verlag.

Refereed Conference Presentations

2012	"The Diversity of Pre-Islamic Dialects and the Development of Arabic," Arabic Linguistics Symposium
2012	(with Emilie Durand Zuniga and Michael Turner) "State of the Field: Arabic in Contact," Jīl Jadīd 2012 Graduate Conference in Arabic Studies, University of Texas — Austin
2012	"Information Structure and the Development of -Vn in some Arabic Dialects from Original Case Markings," 40th meeting of the North American Conference on Afroasiatic Linguistics (NACAL)

2010 (with Jung Min Seo) "An Integrated Approach to Assessing Second Year Arabic Students' Learning Outcomes," Middle Eastern Studies Association (MESA) Conference

2010 "Koineization and Dialect Contact in Arabic", International Linguistics Association's 55th meeting

2010 "Explaining Case Marking in Spoken Formal Arabic," Arabic Linguistics Symposium

2010 "Explaining Case Marking in Spoken Formal Arabic," Georgetown University Round Table in Linguistics (GURT)

2010 "-V:n morphemes in Semitic Languages," 38th meeting of the North American Conference on Afroasiatic Linguistics (NACAL)

2009 "Case-Marking in the Negotiation of Register and Style in Arabic," Middle Eastern Studies Association (MESA) Conference

2009 "Avoidance of Colloquial Arabic in Writing Formal Fusha", Arabic Linguistics Symposium

2006 "Between Standardization and Creativity: Writing in Egyptian Colloquial Arabic," Second Occasional Workshop on Linguistics and Literature, University of Texas — Austin

Invited Talks

2012 Panelist, International Symposium on Contact Between Genetically Related Languages, University of Texas — Austin

Organized Conferences and Panels

2012 Organizer, Jīl Jadīd 2012 Graduate Conference in Arabic Studies, held at the University of Texas — Austin

2011 Lead Organizer, Jīl Jadīd Graduate Conference in Arabic Studies, held at the University of Texas — Austin

Awards and Fellowships

(date awarded)

2010 **Jacob K. Javits Fellowship** Four-year renewable fellowship from the US Department of Education, covering tuition and stipend.

2010 **Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Fellowship** Three-year renewable private fellowship, covering tuition and stipend. Awarded but declined.

2009 **University Continuing Fellowship** Academic year tuition and stipend at the University of Texas — Austin. Awarded by the University of Texas Office for Graduate Studies.

2007 **Center for Arabic Study Abroad (CASA) Year Long Fellowship** Nationally competitive fellowship for the study of Arabic in Cairo or Damascus covering tuition, airfare and stipend.

2006 **University of Texas Graduate Recruitment Fellowship**
Year-long fellowship covering tuition and stipend for graduate study at the University of Texas — Austin. Awarded by the University of Texas Office for Graduate Studies.

2006, 2007, 2009 **Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship for the Study of Arabic**
Academic year tuition and stipend, awarded but declined.

2004 **National Security Education Program (NSEP) Boren Scholarship**
Nationally competitive undergraduate scholarship for study abroad. Full funding from the Institute for International Education (IIE) for study abroad in Jordan.

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant:

2010 **Third Year Arabic**: Summer, University of Texas — Austin Flagship Summer Institute. Primary Instructor: Leila Familiar

2009 **First Year Arabic**: Summer, University of Texas — Austin Flagship Summer Institute. Primary Instructor: Kevin Burnham

2009 **Second Year Arabic**: Summer, University of Texas — Austin Summer Institute. Primary Instructor: Summer Loomis

2009 **Second Year Arabic**: Fall and Spring, University of Texas — Austin. Primary Instructor: Dr. Martha Schulte-Nafeh

2008-2010 **Mentor** for students in the Univerity of Texas Arabic Flagship program

2009 **Private Language Tutor**, tutoring Arabic, Austin, TX

2008 **Private Language Tutor**, tutoring conversational English, Damascus, Syria

Research Experience

2003-2006 **Research Assistant**, Hmong Language and Culture Research Center, University of Wisconsin — Madison. PI: Dr. Marlys Macken.

2002 **Research Assistant**, Institute of Linguistics, ESL and Slavic Languages and Literatures, Univeristy of Minnesota — Twin Cities. PI: Dr. Polly Szatrowski.

Languages

Modern Standard Arabic	Superior
Levantine Colloquial Arabic	Advanced
Moroccan Colloquial Arabic	Intermediate
German	Reading Proficiency

Professional Memberships

Middle Eastern Studies Association (MESA)
North American Conference on Afro-Asiatic Linguistics (NACAL)
Arabic Linguistics Society (ALS)
Linguistic Society of American (LSA)