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Education

Educated in Cairo and London, I was subsequently a student at the École normale supérieure (rue d'Ulm) and completed my doctoral and post-doctoral qualifications at the University of Paris–Nanterre.

1997 Habilitation à diriger des recherches, Université Paris–Nanterre

1987 PhD in English Literature, Université Paris–Nanterre

1985 Agrégation d'anglais

1982–1987 École normale supérieure (rue d'Ulm)

Senior Academic and Institutional Leadership

I have held senior academic positions with responsibility for research and doctoral training, including an appointment as Senior Research Fellow of the Institut Universitaire de France.

2008–present Professor of English Literature, Sorbonne Université

2011–2016 Senior Research Fellow, Institut Universitaire de France

2019–2024 Director, Research Centre in Anglophone Literatures, Sorbonne Université

2011–2018 Director, Doctoral School 'Civilisations, cultures, littératures et sociétés', Sorbonne Université

2003–2008 Director, Maison Française d'Oxford (CNRS research centre attached to the University of Oxford)

Diplomatic and International Public Service

I served in the French diplomatic service, including a secondment to the French Embassy in Syria with responsibility for cultural and artistic policy.

2009–2012 Chair, Scientific Committee, French Research Institutes in the Middle East (Egypt, Sudan, Yemen)

1996–2000 Cultural Attaché, French Embassy in Syria; Co-Director, French Cultural Centre

Collegiate and Visiting Appointments

I was a visiting fellow and professor at universities in the United Kingdom, North America, and India.

2025 Visiting Fellow Commoner, Trinity College, Cambridge (Lent Term)

2015–2016 Visiting Fellow, St Edmund Hall, Oxford

2012–2013 Visiting Fellow, All Souls College, Oxford

2003–2008 Fellow by Special Election, St Catherine's College, Oxford

Visiting Professor or Fellow at Brown University, Durham University, McGill University, Pondicherry University, the University of Galway, and the Jadavpur University (Kolkata).

Academic Governance and Editorial Service

I have held long-term governance and editorial responsibilities at the Voltaire Foundation in Oxford and I have served on governance and appointment committees at the Sorbonne and other French Universities.

Since 2018 Associate Editor, Oxford University Studies in the Enlightenment (Voltaire Foundation)

2015–2019 General Editor, *Études anglaises* (foremost French journal for English studies)

2013–2018 Member of the Editorial Board, Oxford University Studies in the Enlightenment

2009–2020 Chair, Finance and Strategy Committee, Voltaire Foundation, University of Oxford

Since 2003 Member, Board and Fund Committee, Voltaire Foundation, University of Oxford

Research Leadership and Competitive Grants

I have led or co-led nationally and internationally funded research programmes.

2023–2026 Group Coordinator, ANR–DFG programme ‘ARENES’

2019–2023 Member, DIGIT.EN.S, Horizon 2020 programme ‘British Sociability in the Eighteenth Century’

2013–2015 Dual Principal Investigator (with Daniel O’Quinn, University of Guelph), France–Canada Research Fund ‘Sporting Culture’ programme

2011–2015 Principal Investigator, ANR-funded project ‘AGON’

2004–2008 Principal Investigator, Franco-British research programme ‘Frontiers of Modernity’

Public Engagement and Cultural Service

I have been regularly involved in public engagement through journalism, broadcasting, and cultural institutions.

Since 2019 Regular contributor, *The Telegraph*, Kolkata

2000–2011 Regular contributor, *Esprit* (monthly journal)

2000–2002 Literary critic, ‘La Suite dans les Idées’, France Culture

Languages

French (native); English (fluent); Spanish and Arabic (reading and speaking)

Club

Athenaeum, London.

A full list of publications is provided in a separate document.