# Ali M. Abu Ghanimeh, Ph.D. Architectural History

### Courses Taught (Two academic years prior to current visit/ (17/18 & 18/19):

- ARCH0932714 Contemporary Architecture in the Islamic Context
- ARCH0907343 History and Theories of Architecture 3
- ARCH0907595 Graduation Project Thesis Research
- ARCH0907597 Graduation Project Design

#### **Educational Credentials:**

- (1997) Sapienza University of Rome, Rome, Italy
  Ph.D. in Architectural History
- (1997) Sapienza University of Rome, Rome, Italy
  Postgraduate course in Design for People with Special Needs
- (1994) Scholarship to Vicenza, Italy
  International course on the work of architect Andrea Palladio
- (1993) Sapienza University of Rome, Rome, Italy
  Postgraduate Diploma in Theories of Architecture
- (1989) Jordan Engineers Association (JEA), Amman, Jordan Landscaping Course
- (1987) Sapienza University of Rome, Rome, Italy
  BA. In Architectural Engineering

## **Teaching Experience:**

- **(2018- Present)** Dean of the School of Engineering at the University of Jordan.
- (2015-2018) Vice President of Al-Bayt University, Mafraq, Jordan.
- (2012- Present) Full Professor, The University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.
- **(2012-2014)** Head of the Department of Architecture, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.
- (2009-2012) Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Al-Bayt University, Mafraq, Jordan.
- **(2008-2009)** Dean of the Institute of Architecture and Islamic Arts, Al-Bayt University, Mafraq, Jordan.
- **(2007-2008)** Head of the Department of Architecture, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, University of Jordan.
- **(2006-2007)** Member of the Board of the Faculty of Arts and Design, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.
- **(2005-2012)** Associate Professor, The University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.
- **(2003-2005)** Head of the Department of Architecture, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.
- **(2003)** Teaching the first course of building codes for people with special needs, in Jordanian universities, Jordan.
- (1998-2005) Assistant Professor, The University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan.
- (1988-1991) Part-time Lecturer, Yarmouk University, Irbid, Jordan.

### **Professional Experience:**

- **(2019)** Member of the Panel of the Wise for the competition entitled "Civilization Rights to Build a Civilization" organized by the Academy of Scientific Research at the British University, Egypt.
- (2019) Member of the Scientific Committee of The Third International Conference of Mosque Architecture (ICMA), held by the Abdullatif Fawzan Award for Mosque Architecture in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 25-27 November 2019.
- **(2019)** Member of the Scientific Committee of the World Conference "MDA 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Environmental Design" held by the Mediterranean Design Association in Marsala, Italy, 3-4 October 2019.
- (2019) Management and organization of the workshop "Management and Organization of Conferences, Exhibitions and Workshops", held by Secretariat of the Asir Region, Saudi Arabia, 12-16 January 2019.
- **(2018)** Member of the Scientific Committee of "The 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference of Green Heritage (Chance-Change-Challenge)" held by the British University in Egypt, 6-8 March 2018.
- (2018) Member of the Scientific Committee of "The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of the Faculty of Engineering - Construction, Energy & Urbanism" held by the Faculty of Engineering, Fayoum University, Egypt.
- (2018) Member of the faculty of the Ph.D. program in Architecture at the D'Annunzio University of Chieti, Pescara, Italy.
- (2017) President of the Forum of Mediterranean Architects.
- (2017) Chairman of the Preparatory Committee for the 16<sup>th</sup> Architectural Week entitled "Contemporary Trends in Architectural Education", held by the Architectural Division of the Jordan Engineers Association, 23-25 July 2017.
- (2017) Member of the International Correspondents Committee of the "ABITARE LA TERRA" journal, published by Cangemi (whose editor-in-chief is famous architect Paolo Portoghese), Italy.
- **(2017)** Member of the Scientific Committee of the conference "Innovation in Building Cities: Prospects and Ambitions", held by the Faculty of Engineering at Cairo University, Cairo, Egypt, 27-29 March 2017.
- (2016) Member of the Scientific Committee of the XII International Forum of Studies "Le Vied dei Mercanti", held by the University of Naples II in cooperation with UNESCO, in Naples and Capri, Italy, 15-17 June 2016.
- **(2015)** Vice President of the National Society for Consumer Protection, Jordan.
- **(2015)** Received the Order of the Knight "Cavaliere dell'Ordine della Stella d'Italia" from His Excellency the President of the Italian Republic.
- **(2015-2018)** Elected member of the Architectural Division of the Jordan Engineers Association (JEA).
- **(2015)** Member of the Scientific Committee of the XII International Forum of Studies "Le Vied dei Mercanti", held by the University of Naples II in cooperation with UNESCO, in Naples and Capri, Italy, 11-13 June 2015.
- **(2014)** General Coordinator of the international architectural planning competition "Abha's Dream" organized by the secretariat of the Asir region in cooperation with the Saudi Commission for Tourism and National Heritage, Saudi Arabia.

- **(2014)** Chairman of the Committee for the follow-up and implementation of cultural exchange and the Aqaba Biennale between the Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority, the University of Palermo and the University of Rome III in Italy.
- (2014) Member of the Scientific Committee of the XII International Forum of Studies "Le Vied dei Mercanti" held by the University of Naples II in cooperation with UNESCO, in Naples and Capri, Italy, 12 -14 June 2014.
- (2013) Part-time Consultant for the Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority, Aqaba, Jordan.
- (2013) General Secretary of the Agaba Biennale for Mediterranean Architecture.
- **(2013)** General Coordinator of the Forum of Coastal Architecture (Aqaba, Beirut, Alexandria), which was held in Amman and Aqaba, Jordan.
- (2013) Member of the Scientific Committee of the Journal of the Faculty of Architecture entitled "Journal of Architecture and Planning", Beirut Arab University, Beirut, Lebanon.
- (2013) Member of the Board of Trustees of Wadi Al-Seer Training College, Jordan.
- **(2012)** Member of the Consultative Engineering Committee to study the master plan of the city of Aqaba.
- (2012) Member of the Committee formed by the University of Jordan to coordinate and discuss ways of cooperation between the University and the Agaba Special Economic Zone Authority.
- **(2011)** Secretary General of the Arab Academic Architects Forum.
- (2011) Received Antonetta La Pese Prize for cultural and educational role, Catania, Italy.
- (2011) Member of the Scientific Committee of the "International Symposium on Common Governance Culture & Restructuring Problems in Three Seas Basin Countries" held by Istanbul Aydin University, Turkey, 13-16 October 2011.
- **(2010)** Member of the Scientific Committee of Conference "Domus in the World" held by the Romualdo del Bianco Foundation, Florence, Italy, 3-6 November 2011.
- (2010) Member of the Scientific Committee of the First International Conference on Sustainability and the Future, The British University in Egypt, 23-25 November.
- (2009) Member of the Scientific Committee of the Journal of Environment and Community Studies issued by Sohag University in Egypt.
- **(2009)** Member of the Scientific Committee of the "Mediterranea" magazine issued by the University of Reggio Calabria, Italy.
- **(2008)** Adviser to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs for Local Development and Local and International Cooperation.
- (2008) Member of the Technical Committee for Urban and Urban Heritage, Ministry of Tourism and Antiques.
- **(2007)** Member of the Committee for the establishment of standards for the Division of Architecture, Jordan Engineers Association (JEA).
- **(2007)** Member of the Campus Organization Committee, University of Jordan, for the academic year 2007-2008.
- **(2007)** Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Second Conference of International Students in Jordanian Universities, University of Jordan.
- (2007) Head of the University of Jordan team in the training workshop organized by the Faculty of Architecture at the University of Agrigento in cooperation with the University of Jordan.
- **(2006-2009)** Member of the Board of Directors of the Housing Fund for Employees at the University of Jordan.

- **(2006)** Chairman of the Architecture Committee to celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of Irbid Municipality, Greater Irbid Municipality.
- (2006) Member of the Higher Committee for the celebration of the 125<sup>th</sup>
  anniversary of the establishment of Irbid Municipality, Greater Irbid Municipality.
- (2006) Member of the Scientific Committee of the Master of Architecture and Site Coordination and Master of Conservation of Heritage Sites, held by the University of Catania, Italy.
- (2006) Awarded the first prize for the "Arab poster design for celebration of the Arab Housing Day" held by the General Organization for Housing and Urban Development, Amman, Jordan.
- **(2005)** Member of the Advisory Committee for the Development of Downtown Irbid, Greater Irbid Municipality and the Ministry of Tourism and Antiques.
- **(2005)** Member of the Engineering Committee of the University of Jordan Campus, University of Jordan.
- **(2005)** Member of the Committee on the use and occupancy of the buildings of the University of Jordan, University of Jordan.
- **(2004)** Member of the jury of the development of Zarqa (bridge, water tower and tunnel) Mawared, Jordan.
- (2004) Member of the Jury of King Abdullah II Award for Innovation in the field of the Arab City and its issues/ Role of the Arab City in the development of architectural heritage, Greater Amman Municipality.
- **(2004)** Chairman of the team of the University of Jordan in the development of the Cave of Bargash-joint with the Hashemite University, Ministry of Tourism.
- (2004) Member of the Preparatory Committee of the Yemeni Architecture
  Conference held in Sana'a in cooperation with the Arab Architects Authority and the Yemeni Ministry of Culture and Tourism.
- **(2004)** Member of the jury of the Abdali Gardens Project, Greater Amman Municipality, Amman, Jordan.
- (2003) Chairman of the team from the University of Jordan to design a project "Let's try an environmental guest house" in the Dead Sea area, in cooperation with King Abdullah II Center for Design and Development.
- (2003) Member of the Committee for Investigating Students' Violations, Faculty of Engineering, University of Jordan.
- **(2003)** Member of the University team cooperating with the Greater Amman Municipality to re-study traffic at the southern gate of the University of Jordan.
- **(2002)** Architectural Consultant for the Mayor of Greater Amman.
- (2002-2008) Member of the Permanent Committee of Local and Regional Authorities of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership, Headquarters in Palermo, Italy.
- **(2002)** Elected member of the Qatari-Jordanian Committee of Arab Architects.
- (2002) Member of the jury to select the best architectural projects for the students of architecture in the Jordanian universities, Jordanian Engineers Association.
- **(2001)** Member of the Board of the University of Jordan as a representative of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology.
- **(2001)** Member of the jury for the selection of the best architectural projects for students of architecture in Jordanian universities, Jordan Engineers Association.
- **(2001)** Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Career Day of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, University of Jordan.
- (2001) Member of the High Committee of the World Conference "Matera Petra", Rome.

- **(2001)** Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Faculty of Engineering and Technology Silver Jubilee celebration, University of Jordan.
- **(2000)** Member of the Technical Committee for the evaluation of "Designs of the Cultural Village in Al-Hussein Gardens", Greater Amman Municipality.
- **(2000)** Chairman of the Preparatory Committee for the Silver Jubilee of the Department of Architecture, University of Jordan.
- **(2000)** Founder and organizer of the first architectural exhibition of the Italian architect Paolo Luccioni, Royal Cultural Center, Amman, Jordan.
- **(1998-1999)** Member of the Committee for the rehabilitation of engineering and consulting companies, Ministry of Public Works and Housing.
- **(1998)** Representative of the local community in the city of Irbid for the Saraya and surrounding streets, Ministry of Tourism and Antiques.
- (1998) Member of the jury of the architectural competition "Design of the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority Building", Ministry of Public Works and Housing.
- **(1993-1996)** Communication Officer with Arab Universities in the European Group project "med campus- unimed 139".
- **(1993)** Member of the High Committee for the International Exhibition "Holy Place in Civilizations", Venice Biennale, Italy.
- **(1992)** Member of the High Committee of the International Exhibition for Works of Architect Hassan Fathi, Rome, Italy.
- **(1989)** Editor-in-Chief of the Jordanian Architect Magazine Special Issue of the Fifth Architectural Week.
- **(1988)** Architectural critic in the Jordanian newspapers (Al-Rai, Al-Dustour, and Al-Arab Al-Youm).

### **Licenses/Registration:**

- Jordan Engineers Association (JEA)

### **Selected Publications and Recent Research:**

#### **Published Books:**

- (2005) Tourism and Sustainability/ "Turismo e Sostenibilita`", joint book with several Italian and foreign researchers, published in Italian by Armando Publishing, Rome, Italy.
- (2003) Stones and Temples/ "Sassi e Templi", joint book with several Italian and Jordanian researchers, published in Italian by Armando Publishing, Rome, Italy.
- **(2002)** Architectural Writings in the Jordanian Press, published in Arabic by the Jordan Engineers Association, Amman, Jordan.
- **(2001)** Jafar Tukan Architecture, published in English in conjunction with Professor Mario Pizani, Liberia Publishing House, Melfi, Italy.
- (1996) Theories of Architecture/ "Teorie dell'Architetture", joint book with a number of Italian researchers, published in Italian by Kappa Publishing, Rome, Italy.
- **(1991)** Paolo Portoghese: One of the most important contemporary Italian architects, published in Arabic by Al-Dustour Press, Amman, Jordan.

#### **Recent Research:**

- **(2016)** Sustainable Features in architectural heritage in the light of community partnership, Deposit Egyptian Book House, ISBN 978-977-490-382-3
- (2015) Visual Perception of Architectural Form in a Cultural Content Case of old Salt city- Alkhader Street, Architecture & Planning Journal, Volume 23, 165 -175
- **(2014)** Islamic Religious Architecture in Historical Context in Jordan, Architecture and Modern Information Technologies, AMIT 3 (28) 2014
- **(2012)** Italian Architects Dealing with the Vocabulary of Islamic Architecture in the Twentieth Century, LONAARD, London, Issue 12, volume 2, ISSN: 2045-8150
- **(2012)** Design as formulation: from application to reflection, disegnar idee immagini, Sapienza University of Rome, Rome, Italy.
- (2011) Revival of the Islamic Architectural Heritage in Jordan: A Case Study "Using the Inner Courtyard in Residential and Public Buildings", the Jordanian Journal of Islamic Studies issued by Al-Bayt University, Issue 9, Volume 3.
- (2010) Humanization of Tall Buildings: Case Study of the City Centre of Melbourne in Australia, Journal of Human Ecology, 30:3, 165169, DOI: 10.1080/09709274.2010.11906285
- **(2009)** Analysis of the Socio-Cultural Heritage of Madaba an Approach to Conservation of Heritage Buildings: The Case Study of Dar Al Saraya in Madaba, The Anthropologist, 12:1, 27-34, DOI: <u>10.1080/09720073.2010.11891128</u>
- (2008) Historical city center in Jordan: Change in use from residential to commercial, Forum of International Studies "Le Citta Del Mediterraneo", Reggio Calabria, Italy.
- **(2006)** The Use of Computers in Architectural Research and Practice in Jordan, European University of Lefeke, North Cyprus.
- **(2004)** The impact of shopping mall upon the future of urban planning in Greater Amman, ICSC.

#### **Professional Memberships:**

- Board Member of the Division of Architecture in Jordan Engineers Association (2015-2018).
- Member of the Qatari-Jordanian Committee/ Organization of Arab Architects.
- Member of the Culture, Technology and Environment Committee/ Permanent Committee of Local and Regional Authorities of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership.
- Member of the High Committee/ Committee of the International Antonietta Lapesi Prize, Catania. Italy.
- Vice President/ The National Society for Consumer Protection, Jordan.
- Chairman of the Scientific Committee/ Jordan Environment Society, Amman, Jordan.
- Member of Jordan Film Club.