

Curriculum vitae - current as of September 2014

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“I call upon you to remember that cruel punishments have an inevitable tendency to produce cruelty in the people” Sir Samuel Romilly



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Education

Harvard University School of Law, Cambridge, MA
Post-Doctoral, July 2011

Golden Gate University School of Law, San Francisco, CA
Doctor of Judicial Science, S.J.D. (**Ph.D. equivalent**), May 2008
With emphasis on Comparative Criminal Justice Systems

Honors: Merit Scholarship Recipient
GPA: 4.00

Tehran University School of Law, Tehran, Iran
Master of Law (LL.M), *with honors*, Criminal Law & Criminology, July 2003

Class Rank: Top 1%
GPA: 3.80
Activities: Successful Participation in Judgment Examination & Bar Exam

Allame Tabatabaee University School of Law, Tehran, Iran
Bachelor of Law, LL.B (**J.D. equivalent**), *summa cum laude*, July 2001

Class Rank: Top 1%
GPA: 3.92

Teaching & Academic Experience

Lamar University, Criminal Justice Department

Beaumont, TX

Assistant Professor

August 2011- Present

Director, Center for Death Penalty Studies

September 2013- Present

Courses taught:

Intro to Criminal Justice, Legal Research & Writing, Crime & Criminals, Death Penalty, Criminal Women, Theoretical Foundations (Graduate course), Juvenile Justice in International Perspective

(Graduate course), Comparative Penology (Graduate course), Current Legal Scholarship on Capital Punishment (Graduate course), and Women in Criminal Justice (Graduate course).

Harvard University, School of Law Cambridge, MA
Visiting Fellow February 2011- July 2011
Project: Capital Punishment: Comparative Perspective

Golden Gate University, School of Law San Francisco, CA
Post-Doctoral Scholar October 2009- July 2011
Project: The Abolition of Death Penalty in International Law

Heald College, Criminal Justice Department San Francisco, CA
Adjunct Faculty July 2009- July 2010
Courses taught:
Legal Research, Legal Writing, Criminology, Introduction to Criminal Justice System, Introduction to Corrections, Organized Crime, Gangs & Terrorism

Harvard Law School Cambridge, MA
Lecture: April 2011
What is Wrong with Capital Punishment?

Golden Gate University, School of Law San Francisco, CA
Fulbright Symposium April 2010
Presentation:
The Impact of International Law on Abolition of Death Penalty in a Time of Change: The Widening Divide between the United States and Iran

Tehran University, Criminology Institute Tehran, Iran
Lecture September 2007
Death Penalty in the United States

Awards

- Research Grant, Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (ASMEA), 2014).
- Scholar in Residence, Law Library of Congress, summer 2013.
- Fellowship award, Scholars for Peace in the Middle East (SPME), 2013
- Fellowship, Harvard University School of Law, 2010.
- Teaching Appreciation Award, Criminal Justice Department, Heald College, San Francisco, 2010.
- Merit Scholarship, Golden Gate University School of Law, 2004.
- Graduate Student Award, Criminology Department, Tehran University, 2003.
- Top Student Award, Allame Tabatabaee University School of Law, 2001.

Miscellaneous

- New Yorker, *Interview in the New Yorker about the Oscar winner movie "A Separation", and the judicial system in the movie*, February 2012.
- Invitee Faculty, *NATO School and International Institute of Higher Studies in Criminal Sciences Military Operations Seminar*, Italy, November 2012.
- Library of Congress, *An Interview with Sanaz Alasti, Scholar in Residence in Custodia Legis*, August 2013.
- Weekly interviews with Radio and TV channels located in LA regarding death penalty.

Course & Curriculum Designed

Capital Punishment Curriculum for Law Schools <i>World Coalition</i> , available at www.worldcoalition.org	Chatillon, France June 2009
The Death Penalty: Undergraduate Course <i>Criminal Justice Program, Lamar University</i>	Beaumont, TX Fall 2011
Comparative Penology: Graduate Course <i>Criminal Justice Program: Lamar University</i>	Beaumont, TX Fall 2011
Juvenile Justice in International Perspective: Graduate Course <i>Criminal Justice Program: Lamar University</i>	Beaumont, TX Spring 2012
Women in Criminal Justice: Graduate Course <i>Criminal Justice Program: Lamar University</i>	Beaumont, TX Summer 2014

Selected Publications

Books

- Author, **The Death Penalty in the Middle East**, work in progress [In English].
- Author, **History of Corporal Punishment: A Comparative Historical Perspective**, work in progress [In English].
- Author, **Cruel and Unusual Punishment: Comparative Perspective in International Conventions, the United States and Iran**, Vandeplass Publication, Florida, US, March 2009 [In English].
- Author, **Criminal Law & Criminology Dictionary**, Mizan Publication, Tehran, Iran, winter 2009 [English to Farsi].
- Author, **Pioneer Criminologists**, Mizan Publication, Tehran, Iran, winter 2009 [In Farsi].
- Translator, **Crime & Punishment: A History of the Criminal Justice system**, Mitchel Roth (Translation), Vol. 1, Mizan Publication, Tehran, Iran, summer 2006 [In Farsi].
- Translator, **Crime & Punishment: A History of the Criminal Justice system**, Mitchel Roth (Translation), Vol. 2, Mizan Publication, Tehran, Iran, fall 2007 [In Farsi].
- Co-Translator, **Oxford History of Prison: The Practice of Punishment in Western Society**, Norval Morris, David J. Rothman (Translation, Collective Work) Mizan Publication, Tehran, Iran, winter 2005 [In Farsi].
- Author, **Criminal Infringement of Copyright**, Mizan Publication, Tehran, Iran, winter 2004 [In Farsi].

Book Chapter

- Author, **Juvenile Death Penalty in Islamic Countries: The Road to Abolition is paved with paradox**, Edited by Peter Hodgkinson in *Capital Punishment Collections: New Perspectives*, Ashgate Press, London, UK, Fall 2013 [In English].

Law Reviews & Journals

- Author, **Chronological and Geographical Differences in Execution Methods**, Work in progress [In English].
- Author, **What is Wrong with Corporal Punishment: Official and Unofficial attitudes Towards the Abolition of Corporal Punishment**, Work in progress [In English].
- Author, **Crime and Punishment in Iran**, The Wiley Encyclopedia of Crime & Punishment, Work in progress [In English]
- Author, **Women and the Death Penalty in Iran**, World Coalition against the Death Penalty Journal, available in October 2014. [In French]
- Author, **Comparative Study of Stoning in the Religious of Islam and Judaism**, Justice Policy Journal, March 2007 [In English].
- Author, **Comparative Study of Cruel and Unusual Punishment for Consensual As Homosexual Acts**, Annual Survey of International and Comparative Law, Golden Gate University, Volume 12, 2006 [In English].
- Author, **Prevention of Women Victimization**, Proceeding Journal, Tehran, Iran, fall 2006 [In Farsi].
- Co-Author, **Juvenile Delinquency**, Justice Department Journal, Tehran, Iran, fall 2005 [In Farsi].
- Author, **Criminal Law in Shakespearean Works**, Attorneyship Journal, Tehran, Iran, fall 2004 [In Farsi].
- Author, **Prison Population in the United States**, Prisons Organization Journal, Tehran, Iran, fall 2004 [In Farsi].
- Author, **Criminal Procedure in Ancient Era**, Prisons Organization Journal, Tehran, Iran, winter 2003 [In Farsi].

Selected Presentations and Workshops

- Capital Punishment and Super Due Process, *UCLA Death Penalty Conference*, Los Angeles, CA, May 2014.
- A Dialogue among Scholars: Social, Legal and Ethical Issues about Capital Punishment and Computer Hacking, Cardinal Conversation event by **Ken & Nancy Evan**, President's house, Lamar University, February, 2014.
- Democracy and Punishment, *ASMEA Conference*, Arlington, VA, November 2013.
- Chronological and Geographical Differences in Execution Methods, *American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting*, Atlanta, GA, November 2013.
- A conversation on Death Penalty, *Spindletop Unitarian Church of Beaumont*, Beaumont TX, September 2013.
- Capital Punishment Law of Iran, *Law Library of Congress*, Washington DC, August 2013.
- Crime and Punishment in *Sharia* Law, *International Institute of Higher Studies in Criminal Sciences Seminar*, Italy Siracusa, November 2012.
- The Death Penalty Cross-Nationally, *Annual Meeting of the American Society of Criminology*, Washington D.C., November 2011.
- Workshop on Crime and Criminal Justice Reform in Global Context, *Harvard Kennedy School*, Cambridge, MA, Spring 2011.
- What is Wrong with Capital Punishment? *Harvard Law School Lecture Series*, Cambridge, MA, April 2011.
- The Impact of International Law on Abolition of Death Penalty in a Time of Change: The Widening Divide between the United States and Iran, *Fulbright Symposium*, San Francisco CA, April 2010.
- Death Penalty in the United States, *Tehran University, Criminology Institute*, Tehran, Iran, September 2007.