Racha Ahmad Hijazi



Education and Assessment Specialist

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Experience:

• Founder of Sawaa for Rehabilitation and Development Capacity Center (Sept. 2017- present)

- Assess and screen the needs of school's system to design the action plans and educational programs with academic objectives, tools and trainings.
- Provide individual education plan and sessions in cooperation with the multidisciplinary team for students with special needs and learning difficulties.
- Consult and train parents and school directors, administrators, teachers, staff etc.
- Carry out administrative tasks including procurement, financial statements and payroll for multidisciplinary team.
- Conduct various activities related to development skills for children (sensory motor skills, phonological awareness, auditory and visual awareness.

Consultancy of Quality Control officer: Qitabi 2 Project, with MSI - funded by USAID (JAN 2022 - Present).

- Lead training sessions on the administration of surveys and standardized assessments including early grade reading assessment (EGRA), early grade math assessment (EGMA), and curriculum-based assessment (CBA) prior to the start of data collection.
- Oversee and organize the data collection, including schedule of visits and communication with school officials.
- Ensure compliance with standard procedures and protocols for administering EGRA, EGMA and CBA tools and surveys by conducting observation of assessors during testing activities.
- Provide additional training to assessors and supervisors as needed during field activities.
- Ensure assessors meet established targets, and document instances where targets are not met.
- Collect information related to the field activities, and provide regular field updates.
- Make recommendations on improving the assessment activities.

• Educational Counselling and special education Supervisor: Amel Institutions (March 2018- Dec. 2020)

- Assess and screen the needs of all educational and administrative teams to provide a quality of education.
- Train counsellors, all directors and staff in the school on different educational, psychosocial and mental health topics.
- Monitor and evaluate pedagogical methodologies and activities in eight schools trough field visits and a distance with Google drive use.
- Design, implement and evaluate MHPSS activities, tools and program to be followed by the counsellors in eight schools.
- Assess and screen students difficulties, educational, psychosocial and economic issues, then provide and manage action plan to intervene individual and group support activities.

• Monitoring, evaluation and accountability in Ebdaa School for special needs and Kasir High School (Sept. 2017 till Sep 2020):

- Design action plans, and implement management system and educational programs based on needs assessment.
- Adapt the curriculum, environment and tools for students with special needs (autism, mental retardation, learning disorders, etc.)
- Monitor and evaluate the academic and rehabilitation objectives for students with special needs
- Train teachers on the methodology of teaching the students with special needs.

• Trainer : (Sept.2014 till present):

- Provide training related to education/ special education, assessment, PSS, PES, mental health and counselling.

- Vocational educator- TS special education department: AM Institution (Sept. 2016 till Jun. 2021):
 - Design the curriculum and plan the progression and the evaluation tools of this curriculum
 - Teach TS students to prepare didactic lessons in mathematics and science for student and other with special needs
- Orthopédagogue: Ministry of Education and Higher Education with UNICEF: Project of inclusion in public schools using MTSS system (Feb.2018- Jun 2021).
 - Monitor and evaluate behavior and academic plan (PBIS and RTI)
 - Plan and Provide individual and group intervention sessions (tier 2 and 3).
 - Plan lessons with the teachers (Co-Teaching): differentiated education (tier 1, live and remotly)
- Member of the committee that accommodate official exams for students with special needs: (grd 9 and grd 12) Ministry of Education and Higher Education (May 2018- present)
- Mathematics Educator for primary cycle: Al Safir High School (Sept. 2014- June 2017)
- Special Educator: LWAH NGO (June 2012 August 2014)

Education:

- PHD under preparation in Pedagogy.
- Research Masters in pedagogy and development, branch Special Education: Lebanese University (2019)
- Professional Masters in pedagogy and development, branch Special Education: Lebanese University (2012-2015)
- Teaching diploma in teaching Mathematics and Science for Primary Cycle: Lebanese University (2009-2012)

Certificates:

- Assessment on BDA 2017
- Training of Trainer- Lebanese Scout Federation 2013, and TOT formation IABC 2015.
- Mentoring and evaluation on Middle East Conference GIZ NGO Jordan Amman 2018-2019.
- Mediation: LEAD program (strengthening women in decision making in the middle east_ GIZ NGO, Jordan Dead sea
 Lebanon: Himmana 2019
- Teams work (mobile team), communication skills, intervention of OP in public schools, MTSS system of inclusion, accommodation and adaptation curriculum, tools for e-Learning rehabilitation and evaluation, capacity building, leadership skills, stress management, positive thinking, decision making: USJ and MEHE (UNICEF project) 2019-2020
- Access and Engagement: AUL Perspective- British Council 2013
- The 18th Annual Science and Mathematics Educators Conference- AUB 2016
- Bangkok e-learning on information and communication technology in education- UNESCO 2013
- Motivating students in the classroom: the key of success / Little effort: high productivity / In- Service Teacher Training Program / Leadership Development Haigazian University 2015
- Games for special needs Right to play 2012 (training for 1 year)
- Standards for preparing enrichment activities for successful and gifted students /Teaching Mathematics in view of global trends- Al Mabarat 2015
- NLP Workshop- Binaa NGO 2016
- Advanced Training Class- Interactive Education Technology 2011
- Gender ABAAD 2018
- Promoting Women's Participation in Local Development / VAW shelters: NCLW-CVM 2018
- L'approche Snoezelen- Beit Al Tabib 2019

Extracurricular Activities:

- Municipal member at Ghazieh Municipality (2016- present): Head of women affairs committee, pedagogical and culture affairs committee in Ghazieh municipality: Responsible in write and evaluate project plans for donors with reporting.
- Head of urgent committee (Covid 19): connect with helper NGO and MOPH, provide health, food support programs.
- Volunteer as a Mentor at GIZ NGO: LEAD (strengthening women in decision making in the middle east 2018- present)
- Volunteer at National Commission for Lebanese Women NCLW (2019-present)
- Volunteer at Lebanese women affairs association (2013 present)

Computer Skills:

MS Office, Active Inspire, Internet, E-learning platforms.

Languages:

Arabic, French, English.