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education

May 2025 — BFA in Graphic Design, American University of Beirut, School of Architecture and Design [GPA 3.9/4, distinction]

A four-year design program with areas of emphasis in graphic & communication design, publications, typography, interactive and web design.

May 2020 — High School Diploma Cedar International School, Saudi Arabia

work experience

2023 — Present, Freelancer

2024 — 2025, Graphic Designer, AUB Work-Study Program

Designing a cookbook using students' projects with the Publication Committee; ArD department.

2024, Ceramics Intern, Lina Shamma Ceramics

Created over 100 ceramic pieces and supported studio workflows including clay recycling, glaze testing, color sampling, basic kiln use, and product photography.

volunteer

AUB Volunteer, Beirut Arab International Book Fair, 2025

Represented AUB by showcasing student publication projects and engaging with fair visitors.

AUB Open House Member, 2023 — 2024

Presented an overview of graphic design to visitors and showcased some previous works to illustrate its principles and application.

Decorations Team Leader, AUB Outdoors, 2023

Gallery assistant, ATHR [Arts and Culture Space], 2019

Presented at a local Saudi art gallery, providing visitors with background information and context about exhibited artworks.

Awards

1st place Areen Award Winner, FYP [Final Year Project], 2025

Areen Projects Award for Excellence is an annual monetary award given at AUB to the top three final projects in graphic design and architecture.

IDEAS 2025 Creative Achievement Award, MSFEA [Maroun Faculty of Engineering and Architecture], 2025

Selected as one of three designers (initially out of 25) to receive the award and showcase my Final Year Project for its originality and creative impact.

Dean's Honor List, 2021 — 2025

Special Recognition Award MSFEA, 2024

2nd Prize winning team in the AUB Design West Hall Competition with our design to be implemented.

Avicenna Scholarship , 2023 — 2024

Certificate of Excellence and Appreciation, 2017 [Issued by the Consulate General of Lebanon in Jeddah]

works published/showcased

Artist book and magazine, 66th Beirut Arab International Book Fair, 2025

Issue 3, Cogs and Caffeine Magazine - MSFEA, 2022

conferences/workshops attended and participated in

2024, Type Workshop with Samar Maakaroun/Pentagram

2024, Branding with Arabic Type lecture with Tarek Atrissi

2023, Inscript Type Lectures

2023, Bookbinding workshop with Scope Ateliers

2023, Linking Cultures

2023, Drawing Around Illustration Workshop with Power Paola

2022, Mashq Conference

2022, Arabic Logo Interpretation Workshop with Azza Alam

2022, Comics Workshop with Khalid Nahar and Nour Hifaoui

2022, Master Class with Mehdi Anassi

languages

Fluent in: English, Arabic

technical skills

Adobe Creative Suite [InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop, After Effects, XD], Figma, HTML/CSS, UI/UX prototyping, digital and photography, photo editing, motion graphics, Mac & PC proficient.

references and digital portfolio

Available upon request