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Education	Employment	
Courses Taught	Cooperation with Scientific & Research Societies	
Education & Consulting Activities	Cooperation with Scientific & Research Journals	
Research Interests	Publications	
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Awards & Rankings	Master & Doctoral Theses Supervised
Master and Doctoral Thesis Co-Supervised	References

Education

Degree	Institution	Field	Date
B.Sc. 1977	University of Tehran, Iran	Mechanical Engineering	
MA 1983	Qum Theological Centre, Iran	Religious Studies	
(Equivalent)			
Ph.D. 1987	Qum Theological Centre, Iran	Religious Studies	
(Equivalent)			
Religious Studies,	Qum Theological centre, Iran		
	1992		
		1. Advanced level (Darse Kharej) in Fiqh and Usul	
		2. Advanced level in Islamic Philosophy and Irfan	
		3. Advanced level in Quranic Studies	
MA Ph.D. 1998	University of Qum, Iran Tarbiat Modarres Univ	Theology and Islamic Studies Islamic Philosophy and Theology	1992
		Specialty in Transcendent Islamic Philosophy	

Employment:

Instructor, BuAli Sina University, Hamedan, Iran, 1983-1985.
 Instructor (Equivalent M.A. and Ph.D.), Qum University, Qum, Iran, 1983-1992.
 Instructor (Equivalent Ph.D.), Tarbiat Modares University, Tehran University, Shahid Beheshti University, Imam Sadiq University, Shahid Motahhari University, and Association of Philosophy, 1992-1998.
 Assistant Professor, Tarbiat Modares University, University of Tehran, and Association of Philosophy, Iran, 1998-2001.
 Visiting Research Associate, Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding, Georgetown University, Washington, DC, November 2001- October 2002.
 Resident scholar, (researching, writing, and teaching), Islamic Education Center, Potomac, MD, April 2002- Present.
 Research Fellow of the George Washington University, Washington D.C., December 2002.

Associate Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, Tarbiat Modares University, Tehran, since 2006.
Head and member of Bord of Founder of Sadra Institute for Higher Education, Tehran, Iran.
Dean of Faculty of Humanities, Tarbiat Modares University, Tehran.

Courses Taught

Ø Undergraduate, 1983 - 1992

§ Islamic Studies

§ Islamic Philosophy and Theology

§ Logic

Ø Graduate (MA level), 1992 - 2001

§ Theology

§ Islamic Philosophy

1. Philosophy of Mulla Sadra (al-Shawahid al-Rububiyah)
2. Philosophy of Ishraq (Sharh-e-Hikmat al-Eshragh)
3. Philosophy of Peripatetic (Sharh-e-Esharat wa al-Tanbihat)
4. Mysticism (Naghd al-Nusus Jami-Fusus al-Hekam)

Ø Graduate (Ph.D. level), 1995 - 2001

§ Islamic Transcendent Philosophy (-Asfar al-Arba'at al-Aghliyyah)

§ Islamic Peripatetic Philosophy (al-Shifa)

§ Islamic Illumination Philosophy (Hikmat-al-Ishragh)

Ø Graduate, 2001-Present

§ Islamic Philosophy and Irfan

§ Qura'nic Studies

Cooperation with Scientific and Research Societies

Iranian Institute for Science and Research Development
The Center for Studying and Compiling University Books in Humanities (SAMT)
Association of Philosophy
Dr. Fardid Philosophy Foundation
Sadra Islamic Philosophy Institute (SIPRI)
Mulla Sadra International Society (MSIS)

Educational & Consulting Activities

Modares (A Journal for Scientific Research)
Shahed (A Journal for Scientific Research)
Kharazmi Festival
Kheradnameh (A Philosophical Journal)
Andishe ye Dini (Religious Thought) (A Journal for Scientific Research)
International Philosophy and Logic (Philosopher Index)
Mofid (A Journal for Scientific Research)

Cooperation with Scientific & Research Journals

Member of editorial board, *Ayineh Maarefat*, Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran
Member of editorial board, *Horizon of Islamic Thought and Civilization*, Social Science Research
Member of editorial board, *The Journal of Humanities*, Ministry of Science, Research & Technology
Member of editorial board, *Hikmah* (Wisdom), Center of Islamic Thought and Culture
Member of editorial board, *The Journal of Islamic Art*, Institute of Islamic Art
Member of editorial board, *Falsafa-e-Din wa Kalaam-e-Jadid* (Journal of Religious Philosophy and Modern Thought), Center of Islamic Thought and Culture
Member of editorial board, *Modares Journal of Humanities*, Tarbiat Modares University

Research Interests

Islamic Philosophy and Mysticism in Islam
History of Islamic Thought
Comparative Studies in Islam
Religious Philosophy

Publications:

Books

- 1) *Akhlaq wa Irfan* (Ethics and Mysticism), Tehran: Daftar-e-Nashr-e-Farhang-e-Islami, 1999.
- 2) *Qur'an in the Mirror of Research (The Influence of Quran in the Islamic Philosophy)*, Tehran: Ministry of Culture and Islamic Guidance, Rayzen Publication, 2000.
- 3) *Falsafeh wa Din* (Philosophy and Religion), Tehran: Boq'ei Publication, 2001.

- 4) *Asfar al-Arba'a* (Four Intellectual Journeys in Transcendent Theosophy), Edition, Introduction and Research, vol.9, Tehran: SIPRIIn, 2002.
- 5) *Science and Religion*, Tehran: Boq'ei Publication, 2002
- 6) *Monasebat-e-Din wa Falsafeh dar Jahan-e-Eslam* (The Sources of Philosophical Thought in Islam). Tehran: Amir Kabir Publication (forthcoming).
- 7) *Forty Sermons of Friday Prayers (Khutba of Jumu'ah)*, Islamic Education Center U.S.A, 2003.
- 8) *Comparison of Religion and Philosophy in Islamic World*, Canter of Islamic Thought and Culture, 2007.
- 9) *Transcendental Philosophy and Contemporary Philosophical Thought*, Sadra Islamic Philosophy Institute, 2007.
- 10) *The Fundamental Principles of Mulla Sadra's Transcendent Philosophy*, 2007, U.K.
- 11) *Transcendent Philosophy and Man*, Publication of Islamic Cultural Guidance, 2007 (under publication).
- 12) *At a glance: Philosophical Excursion in Islamic Iran*, Publication of the institute for the development of knowledge and research, 2007 (under publication).

Articles

- 1) "The Problem of Existence in Avicenna's Peripatetic Philosophy," *Modares*, 7, 1998.
- 2) "The Principality of Being and the Subject of First Philosophy in Transcendent Theosophy of Mulla Sadra," *Modares*, 9, 1999.
- 3) "The Philosophical Explication of Time in Mulla Sadra's Thought," *Kheradnameh-e-Sadra*, autumn 1999, no. 17.
- 4) "The Main Difference between Peripatetic and Transcendent Theosophy in Islam," *Kheradnameh-e-Sadra*, winter 2000, no. 18.
- 5) "Tran-Substantial Motion and its Philosophical Consequences," (in Farsi)

Kheradnameh-e-Sadra, spring 2000, No.19.

- 6) “The Basic Principle in Avicenna’s Islamic Peripatetic School,” the *Journal of Humanities of the Islamic Republic of Iran*, 2000.
- 7) “Existence as a Predicate in Kant and Mulla Sadra,” (in Farsi) *Kheradnameh-e-Sadra*, autumn 2000, no. 21.
- 8) “Existence as a Predicate in Kant and Mulla Sadra,” *Transcendent Philosophy: An International Journal for Comparative Philosophy and Mysticism*, London, December 2000, vol. 1, no. 3
- 9) “Suhrawardi and His Illuminationist School,” *Kheradnameh-e-Sadra*, 2001, vol. 7, no. 25.
- 10) “The Fundamental Principle of Ibn-Sina’s Ontology,” *Transcendent Philosophy: An International Journal for Comparative Philosophy and Mysticism*, London, June 2001, vol. 2, no. 2.
- 11) “Practical Theosophy in Islamic Philosophy,” *Kheradnameh-e-Sadra*, 2001, vol. 7, no. 26.
- 12) “The Principle of Primacy of ‘Existence’ over ‘Quiddity’ and its Philosophical Results in the Ontological System of Mulla Sadra,” *Transcendent Philosophy: An International Journal for Comparative Philosophy and Mysticism*, London, December 2001, vol. 2, no. 4.
- 13) “Tran-substantial Motion and its Philosophical Consequences,” *Transcendent Philosophy: An International Journal for Comparative Philosophy and Mysticism*, London, June 2002, vol. 3, no. 2.
- 14) The Relationship between Persian Islamic Philosophy and Chinese Islamic Thought, *Journal of Hui Muslim Minority Study*, 2005, China.
- 15) Man as a Microcosm and the Universe as a Macrocosm in Mulla Sadra’s Teachings, *Hikmat Wa Falsafeh*, 2005, Iran.
- 16) “Existence in the Philosophy of Mulla Sadra, *Kheradnameh-e-Sadra*, no. 41.
- 17) Definition of Metaphysics from Aristotle to Mulla Sadra, *Topoi*, 2006, U.S.A
- 18) “Descending purgatory, ascending purgatory”, *The Journal of Humanities*, Tarbiat Modares University, 2006.

- 19) The Fundamental Principle in Practical Philosophy of Mulla Sadra and its Importance in Present Era, *Kheradnameh-e-Sadra*, no. 43.
- 20) Study and analysis of reasoning from the point of views of Avicenna and Descartes, *Humanity Research Journal*, no. 49, spring 2006.
- 21) Comparative Views of Mulla Sadra and Farabi about 1st chief of Medina, *Kheradnameh-e-Sadra*, no. 47, spring 2007.
- 22) The Temporal Origination of the Material World and Mulla Sadra's Tran-Substantial Motion, *Islamic Philosophy and Occidental Phenomenology in Dialogue*, Vol.3, August 2007, Springer.
- 23) Transcendent Philosophy and proving the Plurality of Imaginal world, *Kheradnameh-e-Sadra*, no. 49, autumn, 2007.
- 24) Burhan-e Seddigin, the Impact of Qur'anic Wisdom, *Philosophical Research*, University of Qum, no. 30, autumn, 2007.
- 25) The place of human being in transcendental philosophy of Mulla Sadra, *Kheradnameh-e-Sadra*, no. 50, winter, 2007.
- 26) Study and analysis of the theory of *Muthul* and its place from the point of views of Mulla Sadra and Plato, *Mofid*, 2007.
- 27) Influence of philosophical thoughts on the architecture of Islamic era, *Encyclopaedia of Humanities*, Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, 2007.
- 28) The Relation between Religion and Philosophy in Islam, *al-Hikmah*, 1, October.

Conference Presentations and Lectures

- 1) "Being from Avicenna's and Mulla Sadra's Viewpoint," Proceedings of the International Congress on Mulla Sadra's Philosophy, Tehran, 1999, 25 pages.
- 2) "The Existential Explication of Time in Mulla Sadra's Theosophy," Proceedings of the International Congress on Mulla Sadra's Philosophy, Tehran, 1999, 20 pages.
- 3) "Philosophical Bases of Freedom, Proceedings of a Seminar on Freedom," Tarbiat Modares University, Tehran, 1999, 22 pages.

- 4) "Existence as a Predicate in Kant and Mulla Sadra, Proceedings of the International Conference on Perception According to Mulla Sadra and Western Schools of Philosophy," University of London (SOAS), London, 2000, 22 pages.
- 5) "A Comparative Study on Suhrawardi's and Mulla Sadra's Philosophical Thought," International Congress on Suhrawardi's Philosophy, University of Zanjan, Iran, 2000, 25 Pages, (presented and published in the articles of the congress).
- 6) "Man from Imam Ali's view, Congress of Imam Ali," University of Mashad, Iran, 2000, 19 Pages, (presented and published in the articles of the congress).
- 7) "Practical Philosophy in Transcendent Theosophy of Mulla Sadra," Congress of Philosophy in Human Life, Association of Philosophy, Tehran, Iran, 2001, 15 Pages.
- 8) "Transcendent Theosophy and Contemporary Philosophical Thought," International Congress of Mulla Sadra and Contemporary Philosophy, SIPRI, Kish, Iran, 2001.
- 9) God in Mulla Sadra's Philosophy, International Conference on Mulla Sadra and his Transcendental Philosophy, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, 5 May, 2005.
- 10) The Relationship Between Persian Islamic Philosophy and Chinese Islamic Thought, Collection of the Conference on Zheng Hes Navigation to the Western Oceans and Dialogue Between Civilizations, 30 June - 3 July, 2005, China, (in English language).
- 11) The Relationship Between Persian Islamic Philosophy and Chinese Islamic Thought, Collection of the Conference on Zheng Hes Navigation to the Western Oceans and Dialogue Between Civilizations, 30 June - 3 July, 2005, China, (in Chinese language.)
- 12) The Temporal Origination of the Material World and Mulla Sadra's Tran-Substantial Motion, Islamic Philosophy and Occidental Phenomenology in Dialogue, 2005, U.S.A.
- 13) Islam and Humility, Center of Globalization, 2006, Tehran, Iran.
- 14) Shi'ite philosophy: from Khwaja Nasir Tousi to Mulla Sadra, seminar, Dept. of Philosophy, Allameh Tabatabai University, Tehran.

- 15) Comparative Views of Mulla Sadra and Farabi about 1st chief of Medina, in a conference in 2006, Tehran, Iran.
- 16) Place of human being in the transcendental philosophy of Mulla Sadra, in the 10th congress on Mulla Sadra in May 2007, Tehran.

Head of Research Projects

The most important Philosophical Principles of Mulla Sadra, SIPRI (1999-2000)

Ø Two Principles have been presented:

1. Principality of Being over Quiddity.
2. Trans-substantial motion and its philosophical consequences.

Shi'ah Philosophical Thought, Institute of Islamic Studies, London, (2001-2003)

Intellect and Rationality in Qur'an (Intellectual, philosophical discussions of Qur'an, regarding modern views), Institute for Culture and Islamic Thought, (2003-2004).

Encounter of Religion and Philosophy in Islam, George Washington University, USA, 2002-2004.

The Fundamental Principles of Mulla Sadra's Transcendent Philosophy, George Washington University, USA, 2002-2004.

Intellectual, Spiritual, and Legal Message of Shi'ism, George Washington University, USA, 2002-2005.

Philosophical History of Islamic World, Institute of History and Philosophy, 2007-2012.

Philosophical Encyclopaedia of Islam, Institute of History and Philosophy, 2007-2012.

Awards & Rankings

Rank 1 in Ph.D. in Islamic philosophy and theology, Class of 1998, GPA=19.36/20.

The Best Doctoral Dissertation Award, 1999.

The Best Instructor Award, Shahid Beheshti University, 1993.

Rank 1 in MA in Islamic Theology and Studies, Class of 1991, GPA=19.37/20, Tarbiat Modarres University, Tehran, 1991.

Rank 3 in universities entrance examination of B.Sc. in Iran, Mechanical Engineering, Tehran University, 1972.

Rank 1 in Diploma Mathematics in Hamedan province, Iran, 1972.

Master & Doctoral Theses Supervised

MA Level:

- 1) "Translation and Annotation of the Book "Shahadat", Rawandi's Fiqh al-Quran," 'Abbas 'Abbasi Lamsoo, 1997.
- 2) "The Goal of the Life According to the Muslim and Western Philosophers," Taha Hashemi, 1997.
- 3) "The Secrets of Prayer," T. Bahrami, 1998.
- 4) "The Final Cause of the Divine Acts in Islamic Philosophy," GH. Gerami, 1999.
- 5) "Expression and Critical Analysis of Rational Perception According to Avicenna, Ibn Rushd and Fakhr Razi," Majid Sarabadani, 1999.
- 6) "Abd al-Razzaq Lahiji's Doctrines and Qushchi's Doctrines a Comparative Study," Davood Heidari Abhari, 1999.
- 7) "Tax in Islam," Umm al-Banin Qasemi, 1999.
- 8) "Efficiency and its Kinds According to Muslim Philosophers," M.D. Dokami, 1999.
- 9) "The Nature of the Mental Existence," S. M. Hoseyni Nasab, 1999.
- 10) "Development of the Criterion for Need in the Cause among the Muslim Philosophers," S. S. Hashemi, 1999.
- 11) "An Analysis on the Causality According to Leibnitz and Mulla Sadra," H. Najd, 2000.
- 12) "Good and Evil in the Ethics of Moore and Muhaqqiq Tusi," S. M. H. Musawipoor, 2000.
- 13) "Causality According to Kant and Ibn-Sina," H. Hoseyni, 2000.
- 14) "From the Gradational Unity of the Existence to the Individual Unity of the Existence in Mulla Sadra's Philosophy," M. Goodarzi, 2000.
- 15) "A Critical Analysis on Abul Barakat Baghdadi's Doctrines," M. R. Zamani, 2000.
- 16) "The Divine Justice, According to Qadi 'Abd al-Jabbar," H. Nowhehkhani, 2000.

- 17) "Philosophical Explanation of Relation Between God and World," Hassan Emami, 2000.
- 18) "Knowledge by Presence in Sohrevardi and Mulla Sadra," Eskandar Mirzadeh, 2001.
- 19) "Expression and Critical Analysis of Qazzali's Opinion," Hamid Danesh Amooz, 2001.

Ph.D. Level:

- 1) Possibility in Kant and Mulla Sadra," Askar Dirbaz, 2000.
- 2) 'Unity of Religions from the point of views of Arabi and Mulla Sadra', Jalali, University of Tehran, 2006
- 3) 'Philosophical analysis of the relation between quiddity and being in the transcendental philosophy of Mulla Sadra, in comparison with the philosophy of Thomas Aquinas', Suhrab Hagheeghat, 2006.
- 4) 'Study and analysis of place of Imagination in the philosophy of Mulla Sadra, in comparison with Kant', Hassan Moradi Gorandani, 2006.
- 5) 'Philosophical analysis of *vahy* (revealed words) in Mulla Sadra's Philosophy in Comparison with the philosophy of Thomas Aquinas', Alireza Fazeli, 2007.
- 6) Existential explication of Knowledge in Heideger and Mulla Sadra's philosophy, Reza Zamaniha, 2007.

Master & Doctoral Thesis Co-Supervised

MA Level:

- 1) "Quran According to Imam Khomeini," M. Rey'an, 1993.
- 2) "Theological and Interpretative Study of the Issue of 'Seeing the Creator-the Exalted'," M. Alinejhad, 1993.
- 3) "The Interaction between Theology, Philosophy, and Islamic Wisdom According to Khwajah Nasir Tusi," 'A. Hamzaeian, 1993.

- 4) "The Relation between the Religion and Ethics According to 'Allamah Tabataba'i," M. Omid, 1994.
- 5) "Imam Fakhr Razi and Hume on the Causality, a Comparative Study," S. M. Dibaji, 1994.
- 6) "Ash'ari Point of View in the Acquired Causality and Malbranche's Viewpoint on the Required Causality, a Comparative Study," S. 'Arefi, 1994.
- 7) "Existence and Quiddity According to Mulla Sadra and Hakim Lahiji," 'A. Ghorbani, 1994.
- 8) "The Issue of Identification According to Shaykh Ishraq and Pascal, A Comparative Study," M.M. Reshadati, 1994.
- 9) "An Analysis on the Historical Development of 'The Primacy of Existence' in the Islamic Philosophy," F. Mo'meni, 1994
- 10) "The Consideration of Ibn-e-Abilhadid's Theological Specific Doctrine," GH. Ahmadi, 1994.
- 11) "The Position of Muslim Theologians in the 4th and 5th Centuries Against Philosophy," M. Salmani, 1995.
- 12) "Consideration and Comparison of Possibility in Islamic Philosophy with Kant's Philosophy," Z. Amiree, 1995.
- 13) "A Comparative Analysis of the Intellectual and Transmitted Sciences," M. Mohseni, 1995.
- 14) "Innate Theism in the Quran and Hadith and Al-Hikmat Al-Motazaalie," Reza Rasooli, 1996.
- 15) "Making in Islamic Philosophy," Fakhrossadat Moosavi, 1997.
- 16) "The Value of Theoretical Intellect Perceptions in Kant and Ibn Sina," M. Al Is'haq, 1997.
- 17) "Fundamentals of Environment Protection in Islam," Sadegh Asghary Lafmejany, 1997.
- 18) "The Relation between the Reason and the Revelation According to Muslim Thinkers," M. Babai, 1997.

- 19) "An Analysis on Mulla Sadra's Understanding of the Quranic Verses in Philosophical Issues," A. Ajir, 1997.
- 20) "The Corporeal Resurrection," K. Siyawashi, 1999.
- 21) "The Emanation of Many from the Unity according to Ibn-Sina, Suhrawardi, and Mulla Sadra," B. Hoseynloo, 1999.
- 22) "The Union of the Perceiver and Perceived According to Hegel and Mulla Sadra," M. Mohammadi, 2000.
- 23) "Existence in Masha'er of Mulla Sadra and Being and Time of Heidegger," Abbas Hajiha, 2001.
- 24) Comparative study of being and quiddity in the philosophy of Avicenna and Suhrawardi, Mahdi Hariri, Tarbiat Modares University, 2006.
- 25) Critical study of medium of being near Aristotle and Islamic Philosophers (Emphasis on Avicenna, Suhrawardi and Mulla Sadra, Amir Avitipour, Tarbiat Modares University, 2007.
- 26) Necessity and Possibility in the philosophy of Farabi and Avicenna, Fatemeh Amin Ra'ya, Tarbiat Modares University, 2007.

PhD Level:

- 1) "Mysticism in the Prayer 'Arafah'," Z. Naderinejhad, 2001.
- 2) "The Reality of Man in Ibn-Arabi and Heidegger," Ali Asghar Mosleh, 2001.
- 3) "The Basic Principles in Islamic Education," Jamileh Alam al-Hoda, 2001.
- 4) "The Philosophical Explanation of Will from Aquinas' and Mulla Sadra's View," Gita Moghimi, 2001.
- 5) Martin Bobour and his criticism on the basis of Suhrawardi's views, Tarbiat Modares University, 2006.
- 6) Effect of Philosophical Thought on the Contemporary Architectural Design, Pourmand, Tarbiat Modares University, 2006

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