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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia.

MA in International Relations (Pol. Sci. Dept.), University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona.

EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, University of Central Florida, May 2001- Present.

Assistant Professor, University of Central Florida, August 1995- May 2001.

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Books

- 2020 Diane Zorri, **Houman Sadri**, & David Ellis, Iranian Proxy Groups in Iraq, Syria, and Yemen, MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, FL: Joint Special Operation University Press.
- 2011 **Houman Sadri** & Madelyn Flammia. Intercultural Communication. New York, NY: Continuum Publishing Group.
- 2009 **Houman Sadri** & Dmitri Katsy. Trends, Prospects, & Challenges of Globalization. St. Pet, Russia: St. Pet. Press.
- 1997 **Houman Sadri**. Revolutionary States: Leaders, and Foreign Relations. New York, NY: Greenwood Publishing Group.

PRIMARY RESEARCH AREA REFERRED ARTICLES (most recent)

- 2022 A. Kurmashev & **H. Sadri**, "Understanding Criteria for Defining Small and Middle Powers." *Central Asia's Affairs (Kazakhstan)*, 4 (80) 2022, pp. 7-22 (journal-caa.kisi.kz). Int'l Refereed.
- 2022 A. Ibrayeva, A. Kussainova, & **H. Sadri**, "Development of Bilateral Cooperation Between Russia & the US in Space Exploration." *Public Administration and Civil Service Journal, (Kazakhstan)* Vol. 80, No.1, 2022. pp. 117-130. International Refereed.
- 2019 **H. Sadri** & **B. Akar**, "Russian Foreign Policy Toward the Central Asian Region." *Journal of Vestnik Saint-Petersburg University International Relations (Russia)* V1, N1, 2019. International Refereed.
- 2018 A. Kurmashev, D. Akhmedyanova, **H. Sadri**, & Akbota Zholdasbekova Kazakhstan's Middle Power Response to Terrorism." *Journal of Insight (Turkey)*. Vol 20, No 4, Fall, pp.111-128. Int'l Refereed.
- 2018 **H. Sadri**, "The Myth & Reality Regarding Russian Policy Toward & Challenge in the Central Asia Region in the Context of Global Powers." *Journal of Vestnik of the Udmurt University. Sociology. Political Science. International Relations (Russia)*. Vol. 8, No. 2. International Refereed.

SCHOLARSHIP OF TEACHING & LEARNING (SoTL) Selected Recent Refereed Articles

- 2018 **Houman Sadri**, “Model U.N. & Classroom Simulations: What Have We Learned?” *Bulletin of the Eurasian National University: Turkology Series (Kazakhstan)* V. 2, N. 123. Int’l Refereed.
- 2014 **H. Sadri** & M. Flammia. “Democracy, Political Perceptions & New Media,” *Journal of Systemics, Cybernetics and Informatics (USA)*. V12:3. 2014. pp. 29-33. **Selected best papers in 2014**. <http://www.iiisci.org/journal/sci/Contents.asp?var=&previous=ISS1403>. Int’l Refereed.

SoTL Refereed Proceeding Articles (selected few)

- 2018 Madelyn Flammia, **Houman Sadri**, & Cynthia Mejia, “Internationalizing the Curriculum Through Interdisciplinary Collaboration,” *ISSS Papers Proceeding*. Refereed; International.
- 2016 M. Flammia, **H. Sadri**, & C. Mejia, “Interdisciplinary Approaches to Global Education,” *ISSS Papers Proceeding*, 2016. Refereed; International.
- 2015 **Houman Sadri** and Madelyn Flammia. “A Comparison of Students’ Performance in Video Streaming International Relations Classes,” *Proceedings of the 2015 International Studies Association Conference*, New Orleans, LA, February 18-21, 2015. Refereed; International.

Field Research Area Refereed Proceeding Articles (selected few)

- 2014 **Houman Sadri** & Madelyn Flammia, “Democracy, Political Perceptions, & New Media,” *Proceeding of the 5th International Conference on Society & Information Technologies (ICSIT, 2014)*, Orlando, Florida, March 4-7, 2014. International Refereed.
- 2010 **Houman Sadri**. "Security in the South Caucasus." *Selected Symposium Papers Series*. Yalcin Sarikaya, editor. *Black Sea International Symposium: Black Sea Beneficiaries*. Giresum University, Turkey. No. 8. Pp. 180-196. International.

RESEARCH AWARDS (selected few)

International

- 2019 Invited Keynote Speech at the Plenary Session with Dr. Flammia. “Ethical & Social Justice Issues in Internationalization,” **Crystal Award**, International Conference on Society and Information Technologies, Orlando, FL, 3/14/2019.
- 2018 Keynote Address at the Plenary Session with Dr. Flammia. “The Role of Interdisciplinary Collaboration in Academic Globalization,” **Recognition Glass Plaque**. International Conference on Society and Information Technologies, Orlando, FL, 3/16/18.
- 2017 Invited Speaker **Appreciation Letter**, University of Pecs, Pecs, Hungary, 11/26-28
- 2017 Guest Speaker **Appreciation Letter**, Wroclaw University, Wroclaw, Poland, 11/29
- 2016 **Medal of Honor**, In Recognition of Excellent Research, Embassy of Kazakhstan, Wash. D.C., 8/4

National

- 2018 **Recognition Certificate** for the Star-Talk in Russian Language. The U.S. Department of Defense Language Program, Russian Studies Program. 27 July 2018.

INVITED & KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS (selected few)

- 2022 H. Sadri, “Verbal Communication in IR,” on Zoom, Invited Foreign Lecturer for the KazGuu University (Kazakhstan), Organized by Dean Anar Irayeva of School of Liberal Arts, KazGuu, Nur Sultan, Kazakhstan, **10/29/2022**.
- 2022 H. Sadri, “Russian Policy,” Invited Guest Speaker. Civic Engagement Center, Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona, FL, **4/26/2022**. Moderator, Dr. Brad Gardner.
- 2022 H. Sadri, with D. Zorri and D. Ellis, “Iranian Proxy Groups,” Invited Book Roundtable Speakers. FPSA Meeting, Daytona Beach , FL, **3/26/22**. Moderator, Dr. Dorcas McCoy
- 2021 H. Sadri, “Political Party: Nur Otan,” on Zoom Invited Speaker, “Evolution of the Party-Political System of Kazakhstan: Challenges, Achievements, and Prospects,” Forum, Institute for Public Policy, “Nur Otan” Party, Nur Sultan, Kazakhstan, **11/30/2021**.
- 2021 H. Sadri, with D. Zorri and D. Ellis, “Iranian Proxy Groups,” Invited Guest Speakers. Summer Webinar, US Cent Com (JSOU), Tampa, FL, **7/7/21**. Moderator, Kerry Roberts
- 2019 Houman Sadri with Madelyn Flammia, “Ethical and Social Justice Issues in Internationalization,” Invited **Keynote** Presentation. International Conference on Society and Information Technologies, Orlando, FL, 3/14/2019.
- 2018 Houman Sadri with Madelyn Flammia, “The Role of Interdisciplinary Collaboration in Academic Globalization,” Invited **Keynote** Presentation. International Conference on Society and Information Technologies, Orlando, FL, 3/16/2018.

RESEARCH GRANTS (selected few)

External Research & Contract Grants

- 2018 Houman Sadri, Selected Team Member, UCF Fulbright-Hays Grant for Russia, Grant Title: “Building Bridges with Language & Culture,” Alla Kourova (PI), 2017-2018. It covered all my travel, research, & equipment (research purchases up to \$200) expenses. 7/2017-12/2018 (1.5 year).
- 2016 Houman Sadri (PI), “The Major Security Threats from the Persian Gulf,” Masaryk University (Brno, Czech Republic), November 21-26, 2016. Travel, research, and presentation expenses were remembered up to \$5000.

INTERNAL GRANTS

- 2018 Principal Investigator. “Bridging the Cultural Gap with Technology.” UCF WebCourse Research & Development Grant, \$2,500 for 2018-19.

REFEREED RESEARCH CONFERENCE PAPERS and PRESENTATIONS (selected few)

International

- 2019 **Houman Sadri** and Madelyn Flammia, “Rethinking Globalization in a New Era: The Role of Social Media in Global Citizenship.” The International Conference on Society and Information Technologies, Orlando, FL, 3/12-15/19. Refereed; Int’l.
- 2019 Madelyn Flammia and **Houman Sadri**, “Teaching Mindful Intercultural Communication: Using Interdisciplinary Collaboration to Internationalize the Curriculum.” The International Conference on Society and Information Technologies, Orlando, FL, 3/12-15/19. Refereed; International
- 2018 Madelyn Flammia and **Houman Sadri**, “Going ‘Glocal’: Strategies for Fostering Global Competency Across the Disciplines.” The International Conference on Society and Information Technologies, Orlando, FL, 3/16/18. Refereed; Int’l
- 2018 Madelyn Flammia, **Houman Sadri**, and Cynthia Mejia, “Internationalizing the Curriculum Through Interdisciplinary Collaboration,” 2018 Conference of the International Society for the Social Studies, Orlando, FL, 2/22/18. Refereed; Int’l.
- 2017 **Houman Sadri**, “Teaching about Intercultural Communication Despite Technological & Disciplinary Divides,” Global Awareness Society International, 26th Annual Conference, San Jose (Costa Rica), 5/25-29/17. Refereed; Int’l.

National

- 2023 **Houman Sadri**, “Azeri Multivector Strategy & the Great Powers in the post-2022 Invasion of Ukraine,” International Studies Association (ISA), Montreal, (Canada), 3/14-18/2023. Refereed; International.
- 2022 **Houman Sadri**, “Central Asian States & the Great Powers,” International Studies Association (ISA), Nashville, (TN), 3/28-4/2/2022. Refereed; International.
- 2019 **Houman Sadri & Diane Zorri**, “Revolutionary Islam’s Violent Wake: Weak States & Strong Extremists,” International Studies Association, Toronto, 3/27-30/19. Refereed; National.
- 2018 **Houman Sadri & Basak Akar**, “Russian Foreign Policy Toward Central Asian States,” International Studies Association (ISA), San Francisco, 4/4-7/2018. Refereed; National.
- 2018 **Houman Sadri**, “An Active & Creative Learning Tool: Model United Nations Program,” International Studies Association (ISA), San Francisco, 4/4-7/18. Refereed; National.

Regional

- 2023 **Houman Sadri**, “Azerbaijan & the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM): A Foreign Relations Strategy,” FPSA, Deland, FL, 4/22 Refereed; Regional.
- 2022 **Houman Sadri**, “Eurasian Republics & the Global Powers,” FPSA, Daytona, FL, 3/26 Refereed; Regional.
- 2019 **Houman Sadri & Greg McDowall**, “Iranian Systems of Influence,” FPSA, Tampa. 3/2. Refereed; Regional.

TEACHING & TRAINING

My teaching activities are not limited to the classroom. I teach 3 courses in Fall and 3 in Spring.

TEACHING AND LEARNING AWARDS (selected numbers)

International

- 2003 College of Business & Economics. United Arab Emirates Uni. Training Award.
- 2002 Udmurt State University, Russia. "Owl Wisdom Teaching Award."

National

- 2011 American Political Science Association and Pi Sigma Alpha. National Recognition for Outstanding Teaching in Political Science. 30 August.
- 2008 U.S. State Department. Training Award for Teaching Foreign Service Officers.
- 2006 American Political Science Association and Pi Sigma Alpha. National Recognition for Outstanding Teaching in Political Science. 30 August.
- 2006 U.S. State Department. Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Teaching and Training Award for Teaching and Training International Visitors about U.S. Foreign Policy.

TEACHING AND LEARNING GRANTS (selected numbers)

EXTERNAL GRANTS (Selected Number)

- 2010 Principal Investigator. "International Education: A Plus and Minus View." Research and Travel Grant. Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO), Russia. \$3,000.
- 2008 Principal Investigator. Miami E.U. Center. Faculty Teaching Development Grants. "Global Classroom." Summer. \$1,500 (or 1000 Euro, summer rate).

INTERNAL GRANTS (Selected Number)

- 2009 Co-Principal Investigator with Madelyn Flammia. "Global Citizenship: Theory & Practice." UCF Honors College. \$2,000 (Developing an Interdisciplinary Approach & Honors Course).

REFEREED TEACHING CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (Selected Number)

International

- 2015 "Overcoming Cultural Challenges in Virtual Teamwork: Finding 'Third Ways' of Working Together," with Madelyn Flammia. The 9th International Multi-Conference on Society, Cybernetics and Informatics, Orlando, FL, July 14, 2015. Refereed; International.
- 2014 "Using an Interdisciplinary Course to Teach Intercultural Communication," with Madelyn Flammia. The 5th International Conference on Society and Information Technologies (ICSIT 2014), Orlando, FL, March 6, 2014. Refereed; International.
- 2014 "Democracy, Political Perceptions, and New Media," with Madelyn Flammia. The 5th International Conference on Society and Information Technologies (ICSIT 2014), Orlando, FL, March 6, 2014. Refereed; International.

2014 “A Comparison of Students Attitude & Behavior in a Cross-National Setting in IR Classes,” with Shiva Jahani. The 55th Annual Conference of International Studies Association Conference, Toronto, Canada, March 26-29, 2014. Refereed; International.

National

2015 “Using an Interdisciplinary Course to Teach Intercultural Communication: Helping Students & Faculty Bridge Disciplinary Divides” with Madelyn Flammia. International Studies Association Conference, New Orleans, LA, February 18-21, 2015. Refereed; National.

2015 “A Comparison of Students’ Performance in Video Streaming International Relations Classes,” with Madelyn Flammia. International Studies Association Conference, New Orleans, LA, February 19, 2015. Refereed; National.

2014 “Political Perceptions and Social Media: Preparing Students to be Critical Consumers of New Media,” with Madelyn Flammia. Information Fluency Conference, Orlando, FL, February 27, 2014. Refereed; National.

Regional

2023 “Teaching Challenges After COVID,” Teaching Roundtable, FPSA, Deland, FL, 4/22 Refereed; Regional.

2012 “The Challenges of Intercultural Communication in Online Environments.” With Madelyn Flammia. FIU-STC Meeting. Miami, FL. 9 April.

2012 “Roundtable on Teaching Political Science.” Florida Political Science Association (FPSA). Tampa, FL. 17 March.

WORKSHOPS AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS (selected numbers)

2018 “Role, Nature, and Impact of Non-State Actors,” By Invitation, Attended & Participated at the Workshop organized by the Joint Special Forces University (JSFU) of the U.S. Central Command (USCC), JSFU, USCC, Tampa, Florida, January 8-10, 2018.

2017 “An Internationalization Project to Develop Global Competency across the Disciplines,” with Madelyn Flammia. UCF Diversity Week 2013, October 18, 2017.

SERVICE (selected activities)

International

2023-Present **Editorial Board Member**, *Frontiers in Political Science* journal, Switzerland.

2017-2018 **Editorial Board Member**, Black Sea Center for Strategic Research, Russia

2010-2018 **Advisory Board Member**, Black Sea Center for Strategic Research, Turkey

National

2023-Present **Vice President Elect**, Post-Communist Systems Section, ISA

2023-Present **Communication Committee**, Post-Communist Systems Section, ISA

2022-2023 **Distinguished Scholars Committee**, Global South Caucus Int’l Studies, ISA

2022 **Ad Hoc Committee**, Post-Communist Systems Section, ISA

2018-Present Board Member, Educational Director, Information and Policy Analysis Center

2015-2018 **Executive Committee Member at Large**, Active Learning in International Relations section, International Studies Association

2016-2019 **Executive Committee Member**, Post-Communist Systems in International Relations, International Studies Association
2012-2018 **Section Board Member**, Post-Communist Systems in International Relation Section, International Studies Association

Regional

2022-2025 **Executive Board**, Florida Political Science Association (FPSA)
2022-2025 **Comparative Politics Section Program Organizer**, FPSA
2018-4/2019 **International Relations Section Chair**, FPSA

MEDIA (most recent interviews)

2022 *Pegasus*, Vol 28, N3, Fall 2022, “Science or Science Fiction,” by Robert Stephens.
2022 *Asia-Times*, “Anti-Afghan sentiment undercuts Iran-Taliban ties,” by Mr Ziabari, 4/29

PERSONAL INFORMATION

PERSONAL

Naturalized U.S. Citizen.
Race: White; Ethnicity: Eurasian.

SPECIAL SKILLS

Trained in IDL Technology, Black Board, Canvas, and Web CT for online course services.
Experienced in computer programming: MicroCase, SPSS, and in advanced statistical techniques.
Trained in Microsoft Excel spreadsheet program.
Experienced with Microsoft Office, WordPerfect, and MS DOS programs.

LANGUAGES

Fluent in English, Persian (Farsi), Dari, and Tajik.
Knowledge of Arabic (reading and writing)
Russian (limited conversation).

REFERENCES

Available upon Request