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Profile

Algerian academic and community organiser with a PhD in Applied Linguistics and a strong record of leadership within the Algerian diaspora in the United Kingdom. Experienced in representing student and research communities, organising national initiatives, and engaging diverse stakeholders across academic, institutional, and community settings.

Committed to advancing equitable access to education, strengthening diaspora engagement, and contributing to evidence-informed policy development in Algeria. Brings a combination of analytical expertise, public communication skills, and practical experience in community leadership and support.

Core Competencies

- **Public Engagement and Representation** – Experience working with diverse communities, including international students, early-career researchers, and underrepresented groups
 - **Leadership and Initiative Development** – Founder of a national doctoral network supporting 300+ Algerian researchers in the UK
 - **Policy Awareness and Advocacy** – Strong interest in education reform, youth development, and diaspora inclusion in national policy
 - **Stakeholder Engagement** – Collaboration with universities, embassies, academics, and community organisations
 - **Communication and Public Speaking** – Conference presentations, panel leadership, workshop delivery, and community dialogue facilitation
 - **Project and Event Management** – Planning and delivering national conferences, workshops, and academic initiatives
 - **Research and Analytical Skills** – Evidence-based thinking, data analysis, and policy-relevant research
 - **Cross-Cultural Competence** – Extensive experience working across linguistic, cultural, and international contexts
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Professional & Community Experience

Resident & Welfare Advisor

Aston University, Birmingham | 2023 – Jan 2026

- Provide frontline support to a diverse student population, addressing wellbeing, safeguarding, and crisis situations
- Work with university services and external partners to coordinate appropriate interventions and support pathways
- Support international and underrepresented students in navigating institutional systems and challenges
- Contribute to a safe, inclusive, and supportive community environment

Founder & President

Algerian PhD Students Society UK (APS-UK) | 2020 – Present

- Established and led a national network supporting over 300 Algerian doctoral researchers across the UK
- Organised large-scale academic and community events addressing key challenges such as research ethics, uncertainty, and career development
- Collaborated with universities and institutional partners to deliver workshops, mentoring programmes, and knowledge-sharing initiatives

- Promoted Algerian academic excellence internationally and strengthened diaspora connections
- Engaged with the Embassy of Algeria in London to support academic and community initiatives

Research & Academic Engagement

Aston University & International Networks | 2018 – Present

- Member of the Aston Stylistics Research Group, contributing to academic dialogue and organising research events
- Led panel discussions and coordinated academic sessions bringing together researchers and scholars
- Peer reviewer for academic journals, contributing to quality and standards in research publication

Teacher & Education Practitioner

United Kingdom & Algeria | 2013 – 2025

- Delivered teaching and academic support across secondary and higher education contexts
- Supported learners from diverse linguistic, cultural, and educational backgrounds
- Developed learning materials and facilitated skills development in communication, critical thinking, and independent learning

Education

PhD in Applied Linguistics Aston University, United Kingdom | 2025

PgCert in Social Science Research Aston University, United Kingdom | 2019

MSc in Educational Research University of Exeter, United Kingdom | 2017

MA in English Language & Literature University Amar Telidji, Algeria | 2015

BA in English Language & Literature University Amar Telidji, Algeria | 2013

Public Engagement & Leadership Activities

- Organiser and Chair, APS-UK National Conferences (2021–2022) – addressing research challenges and academic development
- Contributor to intercultural academic initiatives with international institutions (e.g. University of Limerick)
- Speaker at international academic conferences, including the Poetics and Linguistics Association (PALA), 2025
- Facilitator of workshops and mentoring sessions supporting academic success and integration of Algerian students abroad

Policy Interests

- Higher education reform and quality enhancement
- Youth empowerment and graduate employability
- Diaspora engagement and international academic collaboration
- Equity of access to education and student support systems
- Mental health and wellbeing in educational environments

Languages

Arabic (Native) | English (Fluent) | French (advanced)
