

CURRICULUM VITAE

PART ONE: Personal Information

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PART TWO: Academic Degrees

- 1) B.Sc. Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 1983.
- 2) M.Sc. Rural Sociology, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, U.S.A, 1988.
- 3) Ph.D. Rural Sociology, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, U.S.A, 1992.

PART THREE: Employment and Administrative History

A. Employment History:

- Professor, Department of Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology, College of Food and Agricultural Sciences, King Saud University. From 01/10/2001 until now.
- Associate Professor, Department of Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 31/10/1996 to 30/09/2001.
- Assistant Professor, Department of Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 17/11/1992 to 30/10/1996.
- Instructor, Department of Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 06/03/1983 to 16/11/1992.

B. Administrative Assignments:

- Head of Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology Department, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 06/04/1996 to 30/01/2002.
- Manager of the Agricultural Extension Center, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 06/04/1996 to 30/01/2002.

PART FOUR: Council's Membership

- Member of the Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology Department Council, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 17/11/1992 to until now.
- Member of the Agricultural College Council, King Saud University in the Academic year 1993/1994.
- Member of the Agricultural College Council, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 05/04/1996 to 30/01/2002.
- Chairman of the Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology Department Council, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 06/04/1996 to 30/01/2002.

- Member of the Food and Agricultural Sciences College Council, King Saud University. From 03/12/2005 until now.
- Member of the Scientific Council of King Saud University. From 03/12/2005 until now.
- Member of the Students Fund Council of King Saud University. From 04/02/2006 until now.

PART FIVE: Participation in Conferences and Symposia

A. Conferences:

- 54th Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociology Society, August 19-21, 1991, Columbus, Ohio, USA. Presented a research paper titled: (Theoretical Perspective for Explaining Cooperative Membership in Saudi Arabia).
- 57th Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, August 11-14, 1994, Portland, Oregon, USA. Presented 2 research papers titled: (1) “Socioeconomic Characteristics of Farmers Belonging to Voluntary Organizations: The Case of Agricultural Cooperatives in the Qassim Region of Saudi Arabia” (2) “The Impact of Selected Variables on Developing Opinion Leadership Among Agricultural Students of King Saud University”.
- 58th Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, August 17-20, 1995, Pentagon City, Virginia, USA. Presented a research paper titled: (The Training Requirements for Saudi Personnel Desired by Owners of the Specialized Private Agricultural Projects in the Riyadh Area).
- 59th Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, August 15-18, 1996, Des Moines, Iowa, USA. Presented a research paper titled: (Evaluation of the Use and Applicability of Mail Surveys for Collecting Agricultural Social Data in Saudi Arabia).
- 61st Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, August 5-9, 1998, Portland, Oregon, USA. (Attending).

- 63rd Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, August 13-17, 2000, Washington, D.C., USA. Presented a research paper titled: (Differences between Full-Time and Part-Time Farmers in the Central Region of Saudi Arabia).
- 64th Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society, August 15-19, 2001, New Mexico, USA. Presented a research paper titled: (Adoption of Natural Resources Conservation Practices in Al-Zulfy, in Saudi Arabia).
- The Second Conference of Agricultural Extension and Rural Community Development in the Arab World, October 1-2, 2003, Cairo, Egypt. Presented a research paper titled: (Role of the Multi Purpose Cooperatives in Developing Rural Communities in Saudi Arabia).

B. Symposia:

- Symposium on Desert Studies in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, 24/10/1994, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Presented a research paper titled: (Human Causes of Desertification and its Social Impacts on Agricultural Communities).
- Symposium on Rural – Urban Migration, 1-14/09/1995, Cairo, Egypt. Presented a research paper titled: (Motives and Consequences of Migration of some Rural Families to Riyadh City).
- First Saudi Symposium on Agricultural Sciences, 25-27, 1997, College of Agriculture, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Presented 2 research papers titled: (1) “A Study of Relations between Personal and Job Characteristics and Saudi Agricultural Organizations, Commitment”. (2) “A Study of Attitudes of some Agricultural Specialists about the importance of the Scientific Research and its Applications in Saudi Arabia”.
- Symposium on Higher Education in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, 22-25/02/1998, Ministry of Higher Education, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. (Attending).
- Third Saudi Symposium on Food and Nutrition, 26-29/10/1998, College of Agriculture, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. (Attending).
- The Grand University Symposium on the Centennial of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (Agricultural Section), 16-27/10/1999, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Presented a work paper titled: “The main Features and Research Achievements of the Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology Department”.

- Symposium on the Urban Development Strategies, 9-12/04/2000, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. (Attending).
- First Symposium on the Water Consumption Rationalization and the Development of its Resources, 14-18/04/2000, Ministry of Agriculture and Water, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. (Attending).

C. Other Activities:

- Membership of Scientific Associations:
 - Rural Sociological Society (RSS).
 - The Egyptian Rural Sociological Society.
 - Saudi Society for Agricultural Sciences (SSAS).
 - Saudi Biological Society (SBS).
 - The Saudi Association of Sociology and Social Work (SASSW).

D. Committees:

- Members of the equipment committee, Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology Department, College of Agriculture, King Saud University, 1993.
- Member of a committee for writing suggestions regarding the improvement of the present and future human resources for agriculture education in the Arabian Countries, 1993.
- Reporter of the Text Books Committee, Agriculture Extension and Rural Sociology Department, College of Agriculture, King Saud University, 1994-1995.
- Reporter of the Academical Guidance Committee, Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology Department, College of Agriculture, King Saud University.
- Member of the Consultant Committee for the Agricultural Extension Center, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 06/04/1996 to 30/01/2002.
- Member of Final Exam Committee (First Semester), College of Agriculture, King Saud University, 1993.
- Member of Committee for preparing a symposium for the College of Agriculture to be presented during the activities of the Saudi Environmental Development Project in 1994.

- Member of the Academical Guidance Committee, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 1995 to 1996.
- Member of Organizing Committee for Tree Week, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 1996-2000.
- Member of a Committee for Assigning New Teaching Assistants, College of Agriculture, King Saud University. From 1998-1999.
- Member of a Test Committee for Individuals Applying to work as a lab Technician in the field of Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology, College of Agriculture, King Saud University, 1998.
- Member of a Test Committee for Individuals Applying to work as an Agricultural Research Assistant in the Fields of Agricultural Extension and Rural Sociology and Agricultural Economics, College of Agriculture, King Saud University, 1999.
- Member of a Preparatory Committee of College of Agriculture in Participating the Kingdom's Hundredth Years Celebration, College of Agriculture, King Saud University, 1998.
- Reporter of a Committee for Studying Suggestions of the Members of Saudi Society for Agricultural Sciences, 2000.
- Member of the Permanent Committee of the Scientific Council for Assigning New Faculty Members, King Saud University, 1998 and 2000.
- Member of the Editorial Board for the Journal of the Saudi Society for Agricultural Sciences. From 2004 until now.
- Member of the Editorial Board for the Scientific Publications of the Saudi Society for Agricultural Sciences. From 2003 until now.
- Member of the Permanent Committee of the Scientific Research and Cultural Relations (K.S.U. Scientific Council). From 03/12/2005 until now.
- Reporter of the Permanent Committee of the Scientific Research and Cultural Relation (K.S.U. Scientific Council). From 24/09/2006 until now.

E. University and Community Service:

- Head of the Halls Committee of the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Saudi Biological Society, College of Agriculture, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 1995.

- Evaluation of some research papers submitted for publication in two scientific Journals in Saudi Arabia, 1995 and 1999.
- Evaluation of a scientific work submitted to the Academic Council for promotion to associate professor in the field of Rural Sociology, Academic Council, King Saud University, 1999.
- Member of the Agriculture Extension and Mass Communication Committee at the Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. From 08/08/1998 to until now.
- Member of the consulting committee for the King Saud University Housing in Al-Olaya. From 01/12/1999 to until now.
- Member of the Public Relations Committee of the First Islamic Conference for the Ministers of Higher Education, Ministry of Higher Education, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 15-18/10/2000.
- Preparation of lectures for some training sessions and participating in the discussions of many scientific meeting. From 1993 to 2000.
- Preparation of Three Scientific Topics for the extension book “Selected Topics in the Field of Agricultural Extension”. Agricultural Extension Center, College of Agriculture, King Saud University, 1997.
- Writing Several Topics to Newspapers about problems of Cooperatives in Saudi Arabia.
- Several Talks to a Radio and TV programs about different subjects related to Agricultural and Rural Development.

F. Scholarship and Awards:

- Bachelor of Agricultural Sciences in the Field of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology with a general grade average of “Excellent with second class honor” in 19/02/1983.
- International Sociology Honor Society (Alpha Kappa Delta), Iowa State University Chapter, in 24/04/1988.
- The Honor Society of Agriculture (Gamma Sigma Delta), Iowa State University Chapter, in 18/04/1990.

- Certificate of Achievement, from the Development Advisory Team (DAT) Training Program. Sponsored by Technology and Social Change Program, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, August 17-22, 1988.
- Award of Prince Bandar Bin Sultan Bin Abdulaziz for Outstanding Students, 1992.
- Thanks Certificate from Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Agriculture and Water, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for participating in the first training session provided by the Ministry in 1996.
- Thanks Certificate from King Saud University for participating in the activities associated with the Kingdom's Hundred Years Celebration, 2000.

G. Consultations:

- Working as part-time consultant for the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. From 22/09/1988 to 07/07/2005.
- Participating in a consultation work shop on Cooperatives Associations, arranged by King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz Foundation for Development Housing (dedicated for his parents) on 19/05/2004.
- Working as part-time consultant for the Ministry of Social Affairs, Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. From 24/09/2006 until now.

H. Research Projects:

- Main researcher of three research projects sponsored by the Agricultural Research Center, King Saud University. Also, working as a second researcher in other three research projects from sponsored the center.
- The main researcher of a study about cooperatives' effectiveness in Saudi Arabia, the study was financed by the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs, through Prince Abdullah Research and Consulting Institute, King Saud University, 2000-2002.
- The main researcher of a study titled: "Magnitude Determinants and Consequences of Internal Migration in Saudi Arabia". The study was a research grant sponsored and financed by King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology, 2003-2005.

- Member of a research team for studying the ways of improving the role of cooperatives in Agricultural Marketing. The study was sponsored and financed by Riyadh Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 2004-2005.

I. Published Research Work:

- 1) Al-Sakran, M.S. and Vernon Ryan. Theoretical Perspective for Explaining Cooperative Membership in Saudi Arabia, (Presented at the 1991 Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society), Columbus, Ohio, USA.
- 2) Al-Sakran, Muhamad S. "Human Causes of Desertification and its Social Impacts on Agricultural Communities". Presented in the Symposium on Desert Studies in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia: Extrant and Implementation. King Saudi Uni., Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 2-4/10/1994. (In Arabic).
- 3) Al-Sakran, M.S. and Vernon Ryan. The Impact of Moral Conditions Associated with Culture on the Traditional Adoption-Diffusion Model: The Case of the Qassim Region of Saudi Arabia. *Geojoral*, Germany, 1995, 37(1): 17-25.
- 4) Al-Sakran, M.S. and A.M. Hasab-Elnaby. The Training Requirements for Saudi Personnel Desired by Owners of the Specialized Private Agricultural Projects in the Riyadh Area. *Bull. Fac. Agric. Univ. Cairo, Egypt*, 1995, 46(4): 565-580.
- 5) Al-Sakran, M.S.; V. Ryan and A.M. Hassab-Elnaby. Socioeconomic Characteristics of Farmers Belonging to Voluntary Organizations: The Case of Agricultural Cooperatives in the Qassim Region of Saudi Arabia. *J. King Saud Univ. Agric. Sci., Saudi Arabia*, 1996, 8(1): 21-34.
- 6) Al-Sakran, Muhamad S. Motives and Consequences of Migration of Some Rural Families to Riyadh City. *Al-Azhar J. Agric. Res., Egypt*, 1996, 23 (June): 343-369. (In Arabic).
- 7) Hasab-Elnaby, A.M. and M.S. Al-Sakarn. The Impact of Selected Variables on Developing Opinion Leadership among Agricultural Students at King Saud University". *J. King Saud Univ., Agric. Sci., Saudi Arabia*, 1996, 8(1): 3-19.
- 8) Al-Sakran, M.S. Evaluation of the Use and Applicability of Mail Surveys for Collecting Agricultural Social Data in Saudi Arabia. *Alexandria J. Agric., Res., Egypt*, 1996, 41(2): 1-12.

- 9) Al-Sakran, Muhamad S. Determinants of Job Satisfaction among Agricultural Employees at the Ministry of Agriculture and Water, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Bull. Fac. Agric. Univ. Cairo, Egypt, 1997, 48(1): 1-24. (In Arabic).
- 10) Al-Sakran, M.S.; Kh. H. El-Zahrani and S.A. Al-Nomlah. "The Relationship between Socioeconomic Characteristics and Exposure to the Televised Agricultural Program: Analytical Study of a Sample of the Program: Viewers in Kharj Governorate of Saudi Arabia". J. Agric. Sci. Mansoura Univ., Egypt, 1999, Vol. 24(2): 673-686 (in Arabic).
- 11) Salama, F.A. and M.S. Al-Sakran. "Coordination among Rural Organizations in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia". Tanta Univ. J. Agric. Res., Egypt, 1999, Vol. 25(2): 41-53. (In Arabic).
- 12) Hassab-Elnaby, A.M. and Muhamad S. Al-Sakran. "A Study of the Attitudes of Some Agricultural Specialists about the Importance of the Scientific Research and Its Applications in Saudi Arabia". Saudi Journal of Biological Sciences. The Official Journal of the Saudi Biological Society, Saudi Arabia, 1999, 6(1): 47-64.
- 13) Al-Sakran, M.S. and A.M. Hasab-Elnaby, "A Study of Relations between Personal and Job Characteristics and Saudi Agricultural Organizations Commitment". J. Agric. Sci. Mansoura Univ., Egypt, 1999, 24(7): 3475-3493.
- 14) Al-Sakran, M.S.; El. A. El-Hag and S.H. Al-Namlah. "Farmers' Attitudes toward the Agricultural Television Program and the Impact of the program on knowledge, Skills of Farmers in Kharj Governorate of Saudi Arabia". Journal King Saud Univ. (Agric. Sci.), Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, 2000, Vol. 12" 33-55. (In Arabic).
- 15) Al-Sakran, M.S. "Social Causes and Consequences of Desertification of Some Oases (Al-Okall) Villages in Al-Zulfi Governorate in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia". Al-Ashar J. Agric. Res., Egypt, 2000, Vol. 31 (June): 35-56. (In Arabic).
- 16) Al-Sakran, M.S. "Some Factors Affecting the Achievement of the Agricultural Cooperatives' Objectives in Saudi Arabia; The Case Study of Al-Kharj Agricultural Cooperative". Annals of Agricultural Science, Ain Shams Univ., Egypt, 2000, 45(2): 829-846. (In Arabic).
- 17) Al-Sakran, M.S. "Differences between Full-Time and Part-Time Farmers in the Central Region of Saudi Arabia". Alexandria Science Exchange J., Egypt, 2000, 21(3): 185-196.

- 18) Al-Sakran, M.S. and M.M. Al-Dagal. "Trends of Food Shopping and Consumption of Students' Fathers and Teachers in Riyadh City and Its Rural Areas". Agricultural Research Center College of Agriculture, King Saud University, Saudi Arabia, 2000, Research Bulletin No. 94. (In Arabic).
- 19) Al-Dagal, M.M. and M.S. Al-Sakran. "Food Safety Awareness Level among Students' Fathers and Teachers in Riyadh City and Its Rural Areas". Alexandria Science Exchange, Alexandria, Egypt, 2000, 21(3): 97-109. (In Arabic).
- 20) Al-Sakran, M.S. and M.H. Shaker. "Extension Knowledge Needs of Date Palm Farmers in Al-Kharj Governorate in Saudi Arabia". Alexandria Science Exchange, Alexandria, Egypt, 2000, 21(4): 167-183. (In Arabic).
- 21) Shaker, M.H. and M.S. Al-Sakran. "Extension Knowledge Needs of Wheat Farmers in Three Governorates Belonging to Riyadh Region in Saudi Arabia". Mansoura University Journal of Agricultural Sciences, Egypt, 2000, 25(9): 5689-5700. (In Arabic).
- 22) Al-Sakran, M.S. "Adoption of Tissue Culture Technology among Date Palm Growers in the Central Region of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia". Bull. Fac. Agric., Cairo Univ., Egypt, 2000, 52(2): 183-206. (In Arabic).
- 23) Al-Zaidi, Abdullah, A.; M.S. Al-Sakran; Elhag A. Elhag and A.A. Aldriwish. "Attitudes of Trainees Toward Agricultural Extension Training Programs Executed by Ministry of Agriculture and Water, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia". Agricultural Research Center, College of Agriculture, King Saud University, Saudi Arabia, 2001, Research Bulletin No. 104. (In Arabic).
- 24) Muneer, S.E. and M.S. Al-Sakran. "Adoption of Natural Resources Conservation Practices in Al-Zulfy, in Saudi Arabia". Scientific Society of Agricultural Extension, Egypt, 2003, Research Bulletin No. (5/2003): 60-68.
- 25) Al-Sakran, M.S. "Role of the Multi Purpose Cooperatives in Developing Rural Communities in Saudi Arabia". The Second Conference of Agricultural Extension and Rural Community Development in the Arab World. Cairo, Egypt, October 1-2, 2003. (In Arabic).
- 26) Al-Sakran, M.S. and S.E. Muneer. "Magnitude and Trends of Migration between the Administrative Regions of Saudi Arabia". Bull. Fac. Agric., Cairo Univ., Egypt, 2004, 55(4): 513-530. (In Arabic).

- 27) Al-Sakran, M.S. and S.E. Muneer. "Adoption of Date Palm Tissue Culture Technology among Date Palm Producers in the Central Region of Saudi Arabia: Replicated Study". Research Center, College of Food and Agricultural Sciences, King Saud University, Saudi Arabia, 2006, Res. Bult., No. 145. (In Arabic).
- 28) Al-Sakran, M.S. and S.E. Muneer. "Rural-Urban Migration in Some Administrative Regions in Saudi Arabia and Its Effects on Agricultural Development". Bull. Fac. Agric., Cairo Univ., Egypt, 2006, 57(2): 215-230. (In Arabic).