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Areas of interest (max 100 words)	Arabic, Syriac, Aramaic, Lebanon, Sociolinguistics, Semitic Languages, the language situation in Lebanon, language as identity marker, pidgin, jargon, onomastics, place names
Current research project (100 words)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Middle Eastern Place-Names: Lebanon, Jordan and Yemen. This project extends the areas covered in my work on Lebanese place-names to cover all the territories of Lebanon. Through a cooperation with colleagues from Jordan and Yemen the project will cover parts of Jordan and Yemen.- Language as a pluralistic identity marker - the case of Lebanon. The study will attempt to map the interaction between the different languages in Lebanon, not in terms of being opposed poles, but rather in terms of asserting a cosmopolitan and diverse identity of Lebanon.- On the Jargon – Pidgin Continuum: The Arabic Spoken by the Armenian and Sri Lankan Communities in Lebanon. The aim is to describe the Arabic used by the Armenian and Sri Lankan communities in Lebanon within the framework of Pidgin studies, and compare these Pidgins to similar languages in other Arabic speaking countries.
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