



Education:

- PhD, Sociology, [University of Kansas](#), USA, 1979
- M Phil, Sociology, University of Kansas, USA, 1978
- MA, Social Psychology, [Morehead State University](#), USA, 1975
- BA, Sociology, National U. of Iran (Shahid Beheshti University) Tehran, 1994
- AA, Statistics, Tehran, INTO, Training College, 1972

Employment:

- Assistant Professor, Dept. of Social Research, [Allameh Tabatabaee University](#), 1979-Present.
- Official Scientific Board Member, [Swiss Academy for Development](#), 2003-Present.
- Senior Advisor, National Survey on **Social Capital**, an ongoing research by Iran's Management and Planning Organization and University for Welfare and Rehabilitation Sciences.
- Project Manager, **International Conference for Reconstruction of Bam**, UNDP, 2004
- Senior Social Scientist & Social Development Specialist, (Consultant), UNDP, UNODC, UNFPA, 1998-present, [World Bank](#), 2002, Present.
- Chair: **Local Development Study Group**, Center for Studies and Research on Management & Planning, MPO, Iran, 2002-2003.
- Founder & Chair: **Department of Urbanology**, Cultural Research Bureau, 1996-2001.
- Chair: **Department of Sociology**, Cultural Research Bureau, 2004-2005. Senior advisor, [Tehran City Council](#), 1999-2001.
- Visiting Professor, **School of Architecture and Urban Planning**, Shahid Beheshti University, 1990-Present.
- Visiting Professor, **School of Earth Sciences**, Shahid Beheshti University 1998-2004.
- Visiting Professor, **School of Fine Arts**, [Tehran University](#), 1992-2001.
- Chair: National Most Committee, [UNESCO](#), 1998-2002.

- Scientific Board Member, Children, Youth & Environment Quarterly [University of Colorado](#), USA, 2005-Present.
- Scientific Board Member, Journal of Political Economy, 1988-Present.
- Scientific Board Member, Journal of **Architecture and Culture**, 1999-Present.
- Scientific Board Member, Quarterly of **Urban Management**, 2000-2005.
- Scientific Board Member, Quarterly of **Environmental Sciences**, 2004-Present.
- Scientific Board Member, Quarterly of **Social Welfare**, 2000, Present.
- Senior Advisor to **Mayor of Tehran**, 2001-2002.
- Member of Reviewing Commission, **New Town Planning**, Ministry of Housing & Urban Planning, 1992-1994.
- Ad Hoc member of graduate faculty, **University of Kansas**, USA, 1978-1979.
- Assistant Instructor, **Morehead State University**, USA. 1975.
- Member of Research Team, AOA Study, American Institutes for Research in the Behavioral Sciences, **Stanford University**, Summer, 1977.

Areas of Interest:

- Urban Sociology& Planning, Research Methodology, Local Development, Participation and Voluntary Organizations, Poverty Alleviation and Social Development, Governance and Local Government.

Awards:

- UNDP Award for **Community Development and Poverty Alleviation**, 2001. Carrol D. Clark Award for Outstanding PhD, Student, University of Kansas USA, 1978.

Designing Participatory Projects:

- 1- Shoorayari Project (Neighborhood Councils in Iran), executed in 8 Neighborhoods of Tehran and 8 other cities. It will be executed all over Iran.
- 2- Neighborhood Council Project for Shirabad, Zahedan(Selected as best Practice).
- 3- School Mayors of Iran. Executed in more than 1000 schools through- out Iran. This project was selected as an International Model Project by the 4th International Congress of Educating Cities, Chicago, 1996.
- 4- Citizens Centered Cities.
- 5- Healthy and Clean Neighborhood.

- 6- Tehran City Charter and its attached participatory projects of community development.
- 7- Bam City Area Based Development including participatory projects.

Publications:

A: Books (English):

- Poverty Alleviation In Sistan & Baluchestan, the Case of Shirabad, UNDP, 2002.
- Social Assessment and Poverty Mapping in Iran, Prepared for World Bank, 2002.
- Socio-cultural Factors & Reproductive Health: The Case of Rural Communities, UNFPA & CWP, 2005.

B: Articles (English)

- "School Mayors of Iran: Learning Social Participation in Unfavorable Environment", Children, Youth & Environment, Vol.// No.// 2005.
- "Effects of Social Interaction Between Afghan Refugees and Iranians on Reproductive Health Attitudes", Disasters, The Journal of Disaster Studies, Policies and Management, Vol. 28, No.3, Sept. 2004, Blackwell.
- "School Mayors of Iran: Citizenship and the Children" Children and the City Amman, December, 2002.
- "Citizenship & Urban Form "In Transformations of Urban Form, Alinea Publisher, Firenze, Italy, 1999.
- "Marcuse and the Problem of Instrumental Rationality" Mid-American Review of Sociology, Vol. 2, No.2, winter, 1977.
- "Historicity and the Poverty of Empiricism: the Case of Sociology" with Robert J. Antonio, Red Feather Institute for Advanced Studies in Sociology Colorado, USA, 1979.
- "The Loss of Man and History in Baconian Sociology: the Relevance of the Annales Critique" with Robert J. Antonio, Red Feather Institute for Advanced Studies in Sociology, Colorado, USA, 1979.

C: Book Review:

- " Labor Economics: A Guide to Information Sources" Written by Ross E. Azevedo, Mid-American Review of Sociology, Vol. 3, No. 2 winter, 1978

Papers at Professional Meetings:

- “Challenges Concerning Decentralization and Local Government in Iran” Seminar on Urban Issues in Iran, School of Architecture and Urban Planning, Shahid Beheshti University, February 26, 2006.
- “The Quest of Time: Pre-requisites of Knowledge City in the Middle East Knowledge City Symposium, Madina, Saudi Arabia, December 2005.
- “Youth Movement in Iran: Redefining and Recapturing Public Spaces” SSRC Conference on Public Sphere, Beirut, 2004.
- “Building Scale & Urban Scale: Distorted Public Space”, University of Lyon, Conference on Semiotic of Space, Lyon, France, 2004.
- “Reproductive Health & Afghan Refugees in Iran” International Conference, On Reproductive Health and Disasters, Brussels, 2003.
- “Street Children of Tehran: A New Face of Poverty in Iran”, MAward, Workshop, Rabat, Morocco, 2003.
- “Poverty in Iran: A Different Approach”, MAward Workshop on Poverty, Khartoum, Sudan, 2002.
- World Bank Workshop on Social Development, Washington, USA, 2002.
- Coordinator, SSRC Workshop on Civil Society in Iran, Istanbul, 2002.
- “Informal Social Support System in Iran” MAward Conference, Beirut, 2002.
- “Neighborhood Councils in Iran” CERMOC Workshop on Governance, Beirut, 2002.
- “Citizenship & Urban Form” Sixth International on Urban Form, Florence, Italy, 1999.
- “Shanty Towns of Iran” & International Conference of Asian Sociology, Beijing, China, 1996.
- “School Mayors of Iran: the World Youngest Mayors” selected as International Model Project at 4th International Congress of Educating Cities, Chicago, 1996.
- “School Mayors of Iran: Learning Social Participation” 3rd International Congress of Educating Cities, Bologna, Italy. 1994.
- “Disasters as Total Social Phenomena” First International Conference on Disaster Prevention in Urban Areas, Tehran, 1992.
- “Cooptation, Conflict Generation and Coercion: Methods of Rulership in Iran & Awaiting a Disaster: Air Raids on Cities”, XII World Congress of Sociology, Madrid, 1990.
- “Trends in Post Revolutionary Iranian Education” with Robert E. Rucker, 84th Annual Meeting of American Sociological Association, San Francisco August 1989.
- “Over-urbanization in Iran”, Mid West Sociological Society Meeting, Chicago, 1988.

- "Poverty and Poverty Eradication in Iran", Second National Conference on Poverty, Tehran, 1987.
- "Poverty and Social Problems in Iran" First National Conference on Poverty, Tehran, 1986.
- "Sub-Standard Housing in Iran" Second International Conference on New Towns, Tehran, 1985.
- "Social Planning in New Town Planning", First International Conference On New Towns, Tehran, 1984.
- "International Dominance & Structural Transformation of Third World", 2ed Annual Third World Conference, Omaha, USA, 1978.
- "Marcuse and the Problem of Instrumental Rationality", Southwestern Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Houston, USA, 1978.
- "Historicity and the poverty of Empiricism: the Case of Sociology" with Robert J. Antonio, & The Loss of Man and History in Baconian Sociology:
- the Relevance of the Annal Critique" with Robert j. Antonio 9th World Congress of Sociology, Uppsala, Sweden, 1978.
- "Historical Development and Underdevelopment" 4th Annual Third World Workshop, Chicago, 1978.
- "Elites and Development in the Third World", Mid West Sociological Society Meeting, Minneapolis, USA, 1977.