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# **Education and Degrees:**

B.A., M.A. 1964-1969 State University of Yerevan D. Phil. 1970-1979 University of Oxford

Fellow, Armenian National Academy of Sciences, Republic of Armenia, 2011.

Doctor of Letters (*honoris causa*), The Khachatur Abovyan Pedagogical University, Yerevan, Armenia, 2011.

Doctor of Letters (honoris causa), Yerevan State University, Armenia, 2006.

#### **Professional Experience:**

Professor, Department of Near Eastern Studies (2001-); Associate Professor, Department of Near Eastern Studies (1997-2001); Associate Professor, Department of Slavic Languages & Literatures (1987-97), University of Michigan

Instructor (1974-75), Preceptor (1975-79), Lecturer (1979-82), Senior Lecturer (1982-87) and Armenian Bibliographer, Harvard University

Special Assistant for the Armenian Collection, The British Museum, 1971-1974

# **Awards and Fellowships:**

Calouste Gulbenkian Scholarship (1970-73); Armenian General Benevolent Union Scholarship (1972-74); University of Oxford (1970-74): Middle East Centre, St. Antony's College, Nubar Pasha Armenian Fund, Committee for Modern Middle Eastern Studies, Committee for Graduate Studies, Cyril Foster Fund.

"The Jack H. Koligian Memorial Award for Meritorious Achievement in Armenian Studies and Culture" awarded by The National Association for Armenian Studies and Research, Cambridge, MA. 1984

Armenian Students Association of America's "Arthur H. Dadian Armenian Heritage Award," New York, NY, 2000.

The Writers' Union of Armenia, "In recognition of fruitful literary activities and accomplishments," 7 July, 2008.

The Republic of Armenia, Presidential Recognition for long-standing contributions to Armenian studies, identity and language, proclaimed by Serge Sargsyan, President of the Republic of Armenia, 21 February, 2009.

"The Ellis Island Medal of Honor," 07 May, 2011.

The Republic of Armenia Ministry of the Diaspora and the Mekhitarist Congregation: "The Hakob Meghapart Medal" for contributions to Armenian studies, 03 October, 2014.

#### **Grants:**

U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare grant to prepare a textbook of Modern Western Armenian (with R.W. Thomson). 1974.

The National Endowment for the Humanities grant to prepare a reference guide to Armenian literature (with R.W. Thomson). 1979-1980.

#### Languages:

Armenian (Classical, Middle, Eastern, Western and numerous secondary dialects); Arabic (classical and modern and a few regional dialects); Azeri; English; French; Modern Turkish; Ottoman Turkish; Russian. Reading proficiency: N.T. Greek, Latin, Persian and Syriac.

#### **Publications - Books :**

Bardakjian, K., <u>The Mekhitarist Contributions to Armenian Culture and Scholarship</u>.

Cambridge, MA.: Middle Eastern Department, Harvard College Library, [1976].

Bardakjian, K. and Thomson, R., <u>A Textbook of Modern Western Armenian</u>. New York:

Caravan Books, 1977. (With a grant from the U.S. Department of Health,

- Education and Welfare).
- Bardakjian, K., <u>The Historical Figures and Events in Some of Hagop Baronian's</u> Allegorical Works. Boston: Baikar Press, 1980. (In Armenian).
- Bardakjian, K., <u>Hitler and the Armenian Genocide</u>. Cambridge, MA.: The Zoryan Institute, 1986.

Translated and published in Armenian: <u>Hitlerë ev hayeri c'elaspanut'yunë</u>, Yerevan, Armenia, 1991.

New translation: Hitlerë ev hayeri c'elaspanut'yunë, Yerevan, Armenia, 2005

Translated into Turkish, <u>Hitler ve Ermeni Soykırımı</u>, Istanbul: Peri Yayınları, 2006. Tr. by Ali Gelen

- Bardakjian, K. and Vaux, B., <u>Eastern Armenian, A Textbook</u>. New York: Caravan Books, 1999.
- Bardakjian, K., <u>A Reference Guide to Modern Armenian Literature</u>, 1500-1920, with an <u>introductory history</u>. Detroit: Wayne State University Press, 2000. (With a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities).

Translated into Turkish, Modern Ermeni Edebiyatı. Istanbul: Aras, 2013.

# **Publications - Journals :**

- Bardakjian, K., 1984, "Baronian's Debt to Molière," <u>The Journal of the Society for Armenian Studies</u>, v. 1, 89-100.

  Translated into Turkish, "Baronyanın Molièr'e Borcu," <u>Mimesis, Tiyatro/çeviri Araştırma Dergisi</u>, v 17, 159-185.
- Bardakjian, K., 1986, "Baronian's Tiyatro," <u>Klatzor, Annual of the American Armenian International College</u>, v. 2, 57-64.

  Translated into Turkish, "Baronyan'ın *Tiyatro*'su, <u>Mimesis, Tiyatro/çeviri Araştırma Dergisi</u>, v 17,187-203.
- Bardakjian, K., 1990, "The Turkish Evidence," <u>Armenian International Magazine</u>, July, 13-14.
- Bardakjian, K., 1991, "Looking Death in the Eye," The World & I, March, 423-29.
- Bardakjian, K., 2003, "The Role of the University Chairs," <u>Journal of Armenian Studies</u> v. vii, no. 2 (2003), 8-11; a special issue devoted to "Rethinking Armenian Studies."
- Bardakjian, K., 2003, "Relations Between Armenian Studies in the United States and Armenia," <u>Journal of Armenian Studies</u>, v. vii, no. 2 (2003), 109-112; a special issue devoted to "Rethinking Armenian Studies."

# **Publications - Book Chapters:**

- Bardakjian, K., 1981, "Armenia and the Armenians Through the Eyes of English Travellers of the Nineteenth Century," <u>The Armenian Image in History and Literature</u>, ed. R. G. Hovannisian, pp. 139-53. U. C. L. A.
- Bardakjian, K., 1982, "The Rise of the Armenian Patriarchate of Constantinople,"

  <u>Christians and Jews in the Ottoman Empire</u>, eds. B. Braude and B. Lewis, vol. 1, pp. 89-100. New York: Holmes and Meier.
- Bardakjian, K., 1988, "Armenian Literature," <u>The Cambridge Encyclopedia of the Middle East and North Africa</u>, pp. 211-13. Cambridge University Press.
- Bardakjian, K. 2014, "Kostandin Erznkac'i's Vision-Poem: Who bestow poetic grace and how," <u>Mélanges Jean-Pierre Mahé</u>, édités par Aram Mardirossian, Agnès Ouzounian, Constantin Zuckerman, pp. 95-104. (Collège de France CNRS, Centre de recherche d'histoire et civilization de Byzance, Travaux et Mémoires, 18), Paris, 2014.

#### **Publications – Edited Books**

- Bardakjian, K. 2011, Вірмено-українські історичні зв'язки: Матеріали міжнародної наукової конференції (Львів, 29-31 травня 2008). Armenian-Ukrainian Historical Contacts; Papers of the international conference held in Lviv, 29-31 May 2008. Edited by Kevork Bardakjian, Frank Sysyn and Andrii Yasinovskyi. Lviv, 2011. (Ukrainian Catholic University, Lviv and the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies, University of Alberta).
- Bardakjian, K. 2014, The Armenian Apocalyptic Tradition: A Comparative Perspective:

  Essays presented in honor of Professor Robert W. Thomson on the occasion of his eightieth birthday. Edited by Kevork B. Bardakjian and Sergio La Porta. Leiden:

  Boston: Brill [2014]. (Studia in Veteris Testamenti Pseudepigrapha, 25).

# Research Reports, Reviews, Commentaries:

- Bardakjian, K., 1981, Review of M. Minasian's <u>Grammaire d'arménien oriental</u>, <u>The Annual of Armenian Linguistics</u>, v. 2, pp. 105-107.
- Bardakjian, K., 1998, Review of <u>The Armenian People from Ancient to Modern Times</u>, <u>Volume II, Foreign Dominion to Statehood: The Fifteenth Century to the</u> <u>Twentieth Century</u>, <u>Middle East Studies Association Bulletin</u>, v. 32/2, pp. 193-94.
- Bardakjian, K., 2011, Review of A. Yeghiazaryan's <u>Daredevils of Sasun: Poetics of an Epic, Middle Eastern Literatures</u>, v. 14, no. 3, pp. 324-327.

#### Papers Presented and Invited Colloquia:

- June, 1978, "The Rise of the Armenian Patriarchate of Constantinople." Paper presented at international conference on "The Millet System: History and Legacy," Princeton University.
- November, 1978, "The Vilification and Vindication of Arshak II, King of Armenia." Paper presented at symposium on "Rewriting Armenian History," Society for

- Armenian Studies and the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- December, 1978, "Mount Ararat in Armenian Tradition." Paper presented at Special Session, "Armenian, Mongolian and Baltic Literature and Folklore," MLA (Modern Languages Association) annual convention, New York.
- November, 1979, "Armenia and the Armenians through the Eyes of English Travellers of the Nineteenth Century. Paper presented at a symposium "Images and Self-Images of the Armenians," UCLA.
- November, 1980, "Armenian Colophons." Paper presented at MESA (Middle East Studies Association), Society for Armenian Studies panel, "Letters, Colophons and Autobiography as Sources for Armenian History," Washington DC.
- February-April, 1982, "Forging a New Self-Image: Recovery, Revival and Reinterpretation of Past Figures and Events in Modern and Contemporary Armenian Literature," "The Takakjian Lectures" (a series of five lectures), Columbia University.
- April, 1983, "The Mekhitarist Vision." Paper delivered at symposium on "The Making of the Armenian People," University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- November, 1984, "Literary Reactions to the Armenian Massacres." Paper delivered at panel on "The Survivors' Art: The Impact of Genocide on Armenian Literature," MESA/Society for Armenian Studies, San Francisco.
- November, 1985, "The Armenian Satirist Hagop Baronian and Armeno-Turkish Cultural Relations." Paper presented at MESA/Society for Armenian Studies Panel, New Orleans.
- September, 1986. Invited guest. First International Symposium on "Medieval Armenian Literature," Academy of Sciences, Armenian SSR, Yerevan.
- October, 1987, "Hitler and the Armenian Genocide." Paper presented at an international conference on "The Armenian Communities in the West and the Third World," Academy of Sciences of Armenian SSR, Yerevan.
- April, 1988, "The Armenian Literature of Nagorno-Karabakh." Paper presented at a conference, "Soviet Armenia: Problems and Prospects," Center for Soviet and East European Studies, U. Penn/ Society for Armenian Studies, Philadelphia.
- April, 1989, "The Ottoman Courts Martial Records." Paper presented at conferences on "The Armenian Genocide: History, Politics, Ethics," held at Sacramento State University and UCLA.
- May, 1990, "The Armenian Experience in the Twentieth Century." A lecture for The Chicago Council on Foreign Relations, Chicago.
- October, 1990, "Of Muses and Murder: Topics in Armenian Literature and Culture." Paper presented at "Armenian Odyssey II," University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- June, 1991, two-week workshop and daily lectures on Armenian literature. The Illinois Summer Research Laboratory on Russia and Eastern Europe, Urbana-Champaign.
- March, 1993, "Raffi's Vision of Armenian Identity." Paper presented at a symposium on "Building a Transnational Community: Armenians and their Diaspora," Ann Arbor.
- October-November, 1994, "Re-inventing Armenian Identity in 19th and 20th Century Armenian Literature." Paper presented at an international conference, "The

- Greeks and Armenians in SE Europe: Aspects of Co-existence and Survival," Thessaloniki, Greece.
- April, 1995, "Beyond the 'Received' Tradition: the Pagan Movement in Armenian Literature." Paper presented at "International Symposium on Armenian Identity" Institute for the Humanities, Yerevan, Armenia.
- June, 1996, invited participant. International colloquium on "The 1700th Anniversary of Christian Armenia," held in Paris. Organized by the Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians.
- September, 1999, "Culture, Identity and Relations Between Armenia and the Dispersion." Special report commissioned by the government of Armenia for the "Armenia-Diaspora" international conference, Yerevan, Armenia.
- March, 2000, "What Ottoman documents tell us about the premeditated nature and timing of the Armenian genocide." Paper presented at an international workshop on "Armenians and the End of the Ottoman Empire," Chicago University.
- October, 2001, "Christianity and Eghishe Charents's poetry of the 1930s." Paper presented at an international conference on "Armenian Literature and Christianity," Institute of Literature of the National Academy of Sciences of Armenia, Tzaghkadzor, Armenia.
- December, 2001, "Some aspects of 18<sup>th</sup> century Armenian thought." Paper presented at an international conference on the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Church of Armenia, "The Rise and Development of the National Church of Armenia," Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, Krikor and Clara Zohrab Information Center and the Armenian Center at Columbia University.
- January, 2002, "What do some Turkish sources tell us about the Armenian genocide?" Paper presented at an international conference on "Generations of Genocide," Institute of Contemporary History and Wiener Library, SOAS, University of London, UK.
- March, 2002, "At the crossroads of nationhood: Catholicos Simeon I Yerevantsi's vision and mission." Paper read at Tufts University on the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Church of Armenia, Darakjian Jafarian Chair of Armenian History and the History Department, Tufts University.
- April, 2002, "Armenian literature: an overview." Kean University, NJ.
- April, 2002, Keynote address at the Massachusetts State House commemoration of the Armenian genocide. House of Representatives Chamber, State House, Boston, Massachusetts.
- May, 2002, invited speaker on cultural relations between Armenia and the Diaspora. Armenia-Diaspora Second Conference, Yerevan, Armenia.
- October, 2002, two lectures on Armenian Studies Chairs in the US and Scholarly relations between scholars of Armenian in Armenia and abroad. "The Future of Armenian Studies," National Association of Armenian Studies and Research, Belmont, Massachusetts.
- March-April, 2003, "Some cultural aspects of Modern Armenian." Keynote paper at "Armenian Linguistics from a Modern Perspective," an international workshop

- organized by the Association Interantionale des Études Arméniennes, Leiden University, Leiden, The Netherlands.
- October, 2003, organized, jointly with Bert Vaux, "The Seventh Quadrennial International Conference on Armenian Linguistics;" and "The First International Conference on Modern Western Armenian." Both conferences held in Ann Arbor.
- April, 2004, organized an international conference on "Where the Only-Begotten Descended: the Church of Armenia Through the Ages," held in Ann Arbor. Read two papers: "The Armenian Patriarchate of Constantinople;" and "The Church of Armenia in the Eighteenth Century."
- May, 2004, "Armenian-Turkish Relations." A lecture at Sabanci University, Istanbul, Turkey.
- October, 2004. "Unifying the Armenians?: Armenia-Diaspora Relations." A paper at "Armenia/The South Caucasus and Foreign Policy Challenges," an international conference organized by the Armenian Studies Program, held in Ann Arbor, 21-24 October.
- November, 2004, "Armenia and the Armenians in Modern Times." Two lectures (22, 24 November) at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. One lecture "The Armenians in Modern Times" at Calcutta University (25 November).
- April, 2005, "Ultimate Crime, Ultimate Challenge: Human Rights and Genocide," an international conference, Yerevan, Armenia, 20-21 April. A talk on the "Turkish state policy of denial."
- May, 2005, "Atelier/seminaire de syntaxe de l'arménien," under the auspices of the Association Internationale des Etudes Arméniennes in cooperation with Centre Georges Dumézil, held at Pithivers, Saint Gregoire l'Arménien, France, 23-25 May. A paper on "Observations on Grigor Daranaghtsi's word order."
- May, 2005, "Sir Catchick Paul Chater C.M.G., 1846-1926." Paper on Armenian studies and Armenians in India, at a pilgrimage-conference organized in honor of Sir Chater, Hong Kong, 27 May-1 June.
- June, 2005, "International educational conference devoted to the 1600[<sup>th</sup>] anniversary of the invention of [the] Armenian script and the foundation of Amaras School," organized by the Artsakh University and Yerevan State University, Stepanakert, Karabakh, 2-5 June. Key-note lecture, "Reflections on the latest phases in the history of Armenian language, literature and thought."
- July, 2005, research trip to Istanbul, Turkey, for a history of the Armenian Patriarchate of Constantinople.
- September, 2005, AIEA [Association Internationale des Études Arméniennes] Tenth General conference. Organized by Universidad del País Vasco Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea, Campus de Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain, 8-10 Septmeber. Paper on "Grigor Daranaghtsi's *Chronology*."
- September, 2005, "International conference on the 1600<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the invention of the Armenian script," organized by the National Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Armenia and sponsored by the Matenadaran and UNESCO National Council of Armenia, held at Yerevan, 12-16 September. Key-note lecture:

- "Script, word and thought: a glance at the relations between Armenian language and Armenian thought and culture."
- December, 2005, "Innovations and Reproductions in Cultures and Societies," Congress Centrum, Vienna, 9-11 December, organized by INST. Paper on "Recasting the Armenian Past: Raffi's historical novel, *Samuel*," at Session on "Innovations and Reproductions in Literature. The Narrative."
- December, 2005, "290th Anniversary of the enthronement of Patriarch Hovhannes Golod of Constantinople," Istanbul, 17 December, organized by the Armenian Patriarchate of Istanbul. Paper on "Hovhannes Kolot and the emergence of the Armenian religious seat as a universal patriarchate for the Armenians of the Ottoman Empire."
- Feburary-March, 2006, International expert to train trainers implementing educational reform in the Republic of Armenia; expertise in Armenian language and literature, first session, February 18 March 5.
- April-March, 2006, International expert to train trainers implementing education reform in the Republic of Armenia; expertise in Armenian language and literature, second session, April 21 May 9.
- May, 2006, two lectures for the Soceity of Armenians from Istanbul, Montreal, May 17 and 18, "Genres and themes in Armenian literature in the context of literary relations with neighboring literary traditions."
- May-June, 2006, research trip to Istanbul, Basbakanlik archives!
- June-July, 2006, chaired panel and served as discussant at international conference on the Armenian national epic, *David of Sasun*, 23 25 June, organized by the Institute of Literature of the National Academy of Sciences of Armenia, June 18 July 2.
- September, 2006, panel chair and discussant, Armenia-Diaspora Conference III, "The Mechanics of Diaspora-Homeland Relations: A Two-Way Street" (on the future direction of cultural and socio-economic relations between Armenia and Diaspora), and unscheduled Discussant for a panel on "Repatriation and Territory of Common Identity," Yerevan, Armenia, 18-20 September, 2006.
- September, 2006, Paper and Discussant for a symposium, "Armenian-Turkish Dialogue and the Direction of Armenian Studies," Cambridge, MA., 30 September, organized by the National Association for Armenian Studies and Research.
- October, 2006, Paper "Modern Armenian in modern Armenian texts: Desiderata," at a "Colloque international sur LA PHILOLOGIE ARMENIENNE ENTRE PASSE ET FUTURE, du manuscrit au document digitalisé," Université de Genève, 5-7 Octobre, 2006.
- December, 2006, Paper and panel chair, "Identity and nationhood: Aspects of Armenian Thought and movements in the eighteenth century and their subsequent impact," Athens, Greece, December 28-31, "Fourth International Conference on History: from Ancient to Modern," organized by The Athens Institute for Education and Research (ATINER).
- April May, 2007, Venice, research into manuscripts at the Mekhitarist Congregation, San Lazzaro, April 22 May 2, 2007.
- May, 2007, Paper "When orthography spells cacophony how does one pronounce

- (contemporary) Armenian identity?" Chicago, 17 20 May, "The Caucasus: Directions & Disciplines" organized by the Center for East European and Russian/Eurasian Studies and other University of Chicago units.
- May June, 2007, Paper "Armenian soldiers in the last fight for Constantinople: the unfinished mission of Trdat's warriors," Jerusalem, June 4-6, "After the Apocalypse: the *Nachleben* of apocalyptic literature in the Armenian tradition," organized by The Center for Literary Studies, with the support of the Armenian Studies Program and the Authority for Research and Development of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
- June, 2007, Chair of "Art and literature section," panel chair, and paper, "Reflections on the Artsakh [Karabagh] literature of the Soviet period," Shushi and Stepanakert, The Republic of Nagorno-Karabagh, June 21-23, "Shushi as a cradle of Armenian civilization," organized by the Ministries of Education of the Republics of Armenia and Nagorno-Karabagh, the National Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Armenia, and the State Universities of Yerevan and Artsakh.
- July, 2007, Panel chair, and paper "Loan words in *hayrens*: origin and cultural background," Michaelbeuern, Austria, July 04-07, "Cultural, linguistic and ethnological interrelations in and around Armenia," organized by Dr. Jasmine Dum-Tragut, Dept. of Armenian Studies, ORIENTALE LUMEN, Mayr-Melnhof-Institute for the Christian East, Salzburg and Dr. Uwe Blaesing, Slavonic-Altaic Studies, Leiden University.
- September-October, 2007, Research trip to Armenia to prepare materials for volume ii of my <u>A Reference Guide to Modern Armenian Literature</u>, Sept. 27 Oct. 8. Meetings with some Armenian writers. Two lectures on contemporary Armenian identity for the Departments of Sociology (Oct. 2) and Philology (Oct. 5).
- December, 2007, "Knowledge, Creativity and Transformations of Societies,"
  Congress Centrum, Vienna, 5-8 December, organized by INST. Paper "Old images, new interpretations: the vilification and vindication of Arshak II, King of Armenia," at "Caucasus and Europe" session.
- April, 2008, Lecture, "One nation, one country, one culture?": A cursory glance at some aspects of modern Armenian identity," April 4, International Relations/Armenian Studies, University of Connecticut, Storrs.
- August, 2008, Research trip to Istanbul, Başbakanlık archives, August 18-27.
- September, 2008, paper "The Abecedarian poems of the late medieval Armenian tradition," Paris, September 9-12, "11e Conférence Générale de l'Association Internationale des Etudes Arméniennes," at the Sorbonne and Collége de France.
- October, 2008, paper "William Saroyan's identity and some aspects of Armenian-American literature," Yerevan, October 6-10, "William Saroyan: world culture and national background," organized by the Ministry of Culture of Armenia, the Briusov State Linguistics University and the Writers' Union of Armenia, under the auspices of UNESCO.
- October, 2008, organized an international conference, "The Armenian Apocalyptic Tradition: a comparative perspective," Ann Arbor, October 16-19. Twenty –three participants from Armenia, Europe and the USA.

- November, 2008, paper "The fatal failure of the Muses: literary biographies of Siamanto and Varuzhan," Zurich, 13-15 November, "Academic conference: **Turkey 1908-1914: biographical approaches**," organized by the University of Zurich, Department of History and Department of Oriental Studies (Hans-Lukas Kieser, Carlo Moos, Ulrich Rudolph).
- November, 2008, discussant "In search of new paradigms: Armenian literature and globalization," SAS sponsored panel at MESA 08, Washington DC, November 22-25 (papers by: Tamar Boyadjian, Talar Chahinian, Kari Neely, Lilit Keshishyan and Myrna Douzjian).
- January, 2009, Tekeyan Cultural Association jury deliberations for "Best literary book of the year in Armenia," Yerevan, January 15-26.
- March, 2009, paper "The Armenian 'national' constitution: a *Dhimmi*-Muslim 'contract?", Ann Arbor, April 18-21, "Armenia and Armenians in international treaties," organized by the Armenian Studies Program, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- March, 2009, paper "A glance at the SAS," UCLA, March 26-28, "Armenian Studies at a Threshold," Society for Armenian Studies 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary conference.
- April, 2009, organized a graduate workshop: "Armenian literary identity: text and transmission," with a panel devoted to translation, U of M, Ann Arbor, 16-19 April. Graduate student participants from Armenia, Italy and the USA. Read a paper on some aspects of translation.
- May, 2009, trip to Istanbul for research in the Başbakanlık archives, 15 26 May.
- June, 2009, a public lecture, "Hopeful signs, discouraging prospects: A perspective on the thorny road to better Armenian-Turkish relations, at "An evening with scholars: Cengiz Aktar and Kevork B. Bardakjian," organized by the AGBU-ASBEDS, Los Angeles, 18 June.
- June, 2009, a research and ASP business trip to Yerevan, Armenia, 21 June 7 July.
- July, 2009, invited guest of the Catlouste Gulbenkian Foundation, Lisbon, 17-25 July.
- August, 2009, two papers on Armenian libraries and collections and chair of concluding session, organized by Ejmiatzin and the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, Ejmiatzin, Armenia, 18-30 August.
- September, 2009, two papers, "The Armenian Apocalyptic Tradition," and "Armenian literature of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries," at "AIEA [Association Internationale des Études Arméniennes] Workshop on Armenian Literature, Handbook of Armenian Studies, Volume on Literature," Oxford, UK, 23-29 September.
- October, 2009, paper "A glance at the Arabic manuscripts at the Matenadaran," conference marking the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Matenadaran, Yerevan, 13-26 October.
- November, 2009, four lectures: "A glance at ways of disseminating knowledge and learning in the Arabic and Armenian literary traditions," (The Library of Alexandria, in Arabic: المحة خاطفة من وسائل تعميم المعرفة و الثقافة في الأدبين العربي و الأرمني: "Arabic loan words in Armenian and their significance in Armenian literature," (The University of Cairo, in Arabic: المفردات العربية المستعارة في اللغة الأرمنية و أثرها في الشعة (الأدب الأرمني); "Return of the banished Muses: a glance at the literature of contemporary Armenia," (The American University of Cairo); "Armenian-

- Turkish relations since the independence of Armenia," (Cairo Armenian community, in Armenian։ Հայ-թրքական յարաբերութիւնները անկախութենկն ի վեր). Alexandria and Cairo, 4-19 November.
- November, 2009, attended MESA annual convention, Boston, 20-24 November.
- January-February, 2010, a lecture "A Bifurcated Tradition: Modern Eastern and Western Armenian Literatures of the Nineteenth Century," sponsored by the Institute of Byzantine Studies, Byzantine Art History, Modern Geek Studies and the Institute for the Near and Middle East; and a Workshop conducted for Ottomanists, "Reading Armeno-Turkish Texts," sponsored by the Institute for the Near and Middle East, respectively 2 and 6 February, at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich, Germany.
- February, 2010, panel chair and discussant, "International Conference & Student Workshop on the Armenian Diaspora," Boston University, 12-14 February.
- March, 2010, three lectures on the invitation of the Montreal A.G.B.U: "Armenian-Turkish relations since 1915;" "The Rise of the Armenian Patriarchate of Constantinople;" "A Glance at Armenian Identity through Literature." The AGBU Montreal Center-Demirdjian Hall, Montreal, 7-11 February.
- May, 2010, lecture, "Armenian Identity in the Context of Armenian-Turkish Relations," The Armenian Bar Association, Chicago, 15-16 May.
- June, 2010, two lectures: "Hagop Baronian: an outstanding satirist, novelist and playwright of his time," at a conference at Bogazici University; and "Armenian-Turkish cultural relations and trends in Armenian dramatic literature in 19<sup>th</sup> century Constantinople," at "Symposium on cultural interactions in the Ottoman Empire and Turkey," organized by the Hrant Dink Foundation, Bilgi University, Istanbul, 2-18 June.
- June-July, 2010, chair and discussant and a paper on "Teaching Western Armenian" at a conference organized by the Diaspora Ministry of the Republic of Armenia, "The current state of teaching Western Armenian in the Diaspora," Tzaghkadzor-Yerevan, 3-5 July.
- September, 2010 [Washington DC]
- September, 2010, paper on "Deciphering Kostandin Erznkats'i's 'unusual' poem," at the Eighth Nordic Conference for Middle Eastern Studies, entitled "Middle Eastern Connectivities," Bergen, Norway, 24-26 September.
- October, 2010, chair and discussant for panel "The Armenian Genocide: literary and historical perspectives," at the third annual Middle East Studies Conference, Fresno, CA., 7-9 October.
- October, 2010, paper on "Charents's poem 'Vahagn': perceptions and perspectives," and chair and discussant, at an international conference "Yeghishe Charents and his epoch" organized by the Armenian research center at the Armenian-Slavonic University, Yerevan, 29-30 October.
- November, 2010, attended MESA and chaired the SAS Business meeting, San Diego, 18-21 November.
- February-March, 2011, two lectures in L'viv (Lvov), Ukaraine: "Yaroslav Dashkevych

- and the history of the Armenians in Ukraine," 25 February, commemorative evening for Y. Dashkevych; "Piety and Patriotism: The Mekhitarist Vision and Mission," 28 February, for the Ukrainian Catholic University, L'viv, 22 February-6 March.
- May 6-8, New York, to receive "The Ellis Island Medal of Honor," awarded by the National Ethnic Coalition of Organizations (NECO), May 7, 2011.
- May, 2011, paper on "Cataloguing Orthographic Identity: Spelling and Pronunciation Assonances in modern Armenian," at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual conference of The European Association of Middle East Librarians, organized by MELcom International, Middle East Libraries Committee, Berlin, Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin, May 23-25.
- June 20-25, 2011, Leiden, Holland, paper on "Text and context: Grigor Daranałc'i's Chronology," at the HiSoN-conference on "Touching the Past. (Ego) documents in a linguistic and historical perspective, Leiden, 22-24 June. [HiSoN= Historical Sociolinguistics Network].
- June 26-12 July, 2011, Yerevan, paper on "The nightingale's flight: what was Sayat-Nova's world like as a *panjara*?' at an international conference "15 years of Achievements: celebrating the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of *Iran and the Caucasus*, Brill Academic Publishers," 1-2 July, Yerevan, Armenia.
- September 17-26, 2011, Yerevan, paper on "The rise of Classical, Middle and Modern Western Armenian literary standards," at an international conference marking the 1650<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mashtots and the opening of the new wing of the Matenadaran, organized by the Matenadaran.
- October 4-10, 2011, Budapest, panel chair and paper on "Who bestow poetic grace and How?: Kostandin Erznkac'i's vision-poem," at the 12<sup>th</sup> general gathering of the AIEA, marking its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- November 15-21, 2011, Istanbul, main speaker on "The origins of the Armenian Patriarchate of Constantinople," at a gathering marking the 550<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of The Armenian Patriarchate of Constantinople, organized by the Armenian Patriarchate; and a lecture on "Armenian Literature during the Tanzimat period," organized by the Bogazici Visual Arts Society (BGST).
- November, 2011, Washington DC, attended MESA and chaired SAS General and Executive Committee meetings, 1-4 December.
- February-March, 2012, Venice, research into early modern manuscripts in the Mekhitarist collections at San Lazzaro, 23 February 5 March.
- April, 2012, Washington DC, delivered The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Vardanants Day Armenian Lecture, "Scribes, Compositors and the Mind in the Making: the Armenian Script and the Creation of an Armenian Literary Identity," as the opening lecture of the exhibition "To Know Wisdom and Instruction: The Armenian Literary Tradition at the Library of Congress," The Library of Congress, 19 April.
- May, 2012, Nicosia, Cyprus, read a paper, "Modern Western Armenian grammar: problems and prospects," at an international conference on "Endangered Languages of Eastern Mediterranean: current challenges," organized by the University of Cyprus and the Institut national des langues et civilisations orientales, CNRS, IRD, 21-24 May.
- June, 2012, Paris, read a paper, "Creating and disseminating knowledge: the Arabic and

- Armenian manuscript traditions," at the 34<sup>th</sup> annual conference of MELCom (Middle East Librarians Committee) hosted by BULAC, Paris, 4-6 June.
- June-July, 2012, Yerevan, Armenia and Stepanakert (Nagorno-Karabakh), read a paper "Armenian historiography of the late Medieval and early Modern Ages: Accomplishments and Prospects," at an international conference, "The Historical-Cultural Heritage of the Armenian Highland," 24 June 1 July, 2012.
- October, 2012, Los Angeles, read a paper, "Ideology and literature: the Mother Party and some of her literary children," at a conference at Woodbury University, dedicated to the 125-th anniversary of the Social Democrat Hunchakian Party," 27 October.
- November, 2012, St. Petersburg, read a paper, "The rise of the 'new' and Modern Western Armenian literary standards: some observations," at the IX International Conference on Armenian Linguistics, November 7-9, organized by the Institute for Linguistic Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences, St. Petersburg, Russia.
- November, 2012, MESA Conference, 17-20 November, Denver, Colorado. Chaired a panel, served discussant for another and presided over SAS meetings.
- April, 2013, Yerevan, as a member of the Academy, reported on my scholarly activities to the annual gathering of the Armenian National Academy of Sciences, 22-23 April.
- September, 2013, Moscow, read a paper, "The origins of the designation *Amira*," at the VIII International Conference on Comparative-Historical Linguistics, organized by the Department of Philology at the Lomonosov State University, 25-27 September. Also read a paper, "Dogma and identity: the political role of the Armenian Church," at the Seminary of the Russian Orthodox Church at Zagorsk (now ), 29 September.
- October, 2013, MESA, New Orleans, participated in the round-table, "Challenging entrenched categories: re-thinking approaches to Armenian literature," organized by Tamar Boyajian; also served as discussant for "New strategies and methodologies for teaching modern Armenian, part 2," organized by Ani Kasparian, 11-12 October.
- October, 2013, Yerevan, spoke on the State of Armenian Studies in the USA at the Second International Congress on Armenian Studies, 17-19 October.
- October-November, 2013, Istanbul, attended Conference on Islamized Armenians Organized by the Hrant Dink Foundation, 2-4 November.
- February-March, 2014, Yerevan, to finalize agreement with the Armenian National Academy of Sciences for a joint conference on Armenian studies in October, to mark the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Society for Armenian Studies.
- April, 2014, Yerevan, read a paper, "The Forty Years of the Society for Armenian Studies, 1974-2014" at the annual gathering of the Armenian National Academy of Sciences, 21-24 April.
- September-October, 2014, Yerevan, organized SAS 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary international conference in Yerevan, 4-6 October. 43 papers by young scholars from Armenia and abroad.
- October, 2014, Lisbon, participant in a seminar and forum, "The Armenians in 2115," organized by The Calouste Gulbenkain Foundation, Lisbon, Portugal.
- November, 2014, Washington DC, opening remarks for the SAS 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary

- Conference, 11/21-22. Presided over SAS EC and General Assembly meetings. February-March, 2015, Yerevan, by invitation, delivered two lectures at the Russian Slavonic University of Armenia, March 3, 6, on "Relations between Armenia and the Diaspora," and "Contemporary Armenian Identity: issues and perspectives." And a lecture on "Armenian Studies in the USA," at the Noravank Research Institute in Yerevan, 5 March.
- April, 2015, Los Angeles, public speech on the 95<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the self-defence of Aintap and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, organized by the Cultural Society of Aintap Armenians: "Reflections on the self-defence of Aintap and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armenian genocide."
- April-May, 2015, Yerevan, attended for aand commemorative events marking the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armenian Genocide.
- May June, 2015, Istanbul, by invitation, two lectures on modern Armenian literature (H. Baronian, Y. Odian and D. Varuzhan and Z. Yesayan) at Bogazici University 30 and 31 May, and a lecture at Sehir University on the Armenian theatre in Constantinople, 28 May. Conducted research at ISAM, The Center for Islamic Studies.

# **Professional Memberships:**

Middle East Studies Association Society for Armenian Studies The National Association for Armenian Studies and Research Association Internationale des Études Arméniennes

# **Internal Service:**

<b>University</b> :	
1988-1992	Founder, Director, and Principal Instructor, University of Michigan
	Summer Armenian Institute, Yerevan, Armenia.
1997- 2010	Director, University of Michigan Summer Armenian Institute,
	Yerevan, Armenia
1991-1993	CMENAS, Modern Middle Eastern and North African Studies
	Program Committee
1991-1993	CMENAS M.A. Admissions Committee
1992-1993	Rackham Non-Traditional Fellowship Faculty Selection
2008-2009	Committee
1995-2007	Director, Armenian Studies Program
2011	Member, Search Committee for the Alex Manoogian Chair in
	Modern Armenian History.
2015	Member, Search Committee for the Alex Manoogian Chair in
	Modern Armenian History.

Departmental:	
1988-1989	Graduate Fellowships (Slavic Dept.)
1988-1995	Michigan Slavic Publications (Slavic Dept.)
1991-1992	CREES (Slavic Dept.)
1994-1995	Russian and East European Studies (Slavic Dept.)
1997-1998	Undergraduate Committee (NES)
2000- 2009	Admissions/Fellowships (NES)
2004	Member, Review Committee for Michael Bonner's promotion to
	Full Professorship
2004-2009	Director, Graduate Studies (NES)
2004-2009	Member, Executive Committee (NES)
2005	Chair, Gottfried Hagen's promotion to Associate Professorship
2010- 2012	NES Language Coordinator
2013	Chair, Nilay Sevinç's Interim Review Committee
2013, Winter	AAPTIS Undergraduate Adviser
2014-2015	AAPTIS Undergraduate Adviser
2014-2015	Chair, NES lecture series
2015	Chair, Nilay Sevinç's Major Review
2015	Member, Review Committee for Gottfried Hagen's promotion to
	Full Professorship.
2015-2016	Chair, NES lecture series

# **External Service:**

1978-	Member, Academic Committee, The National Association for
	Armenian Studies and Research, Cambridge, MA.
1979-1988	Compiled annual bibliography of Armenian publications for
	<u>Türkologischer Anzeiger</u> , Vienna.
1982-2010	Member, Editorial Board of Ararat (New York)
1982	Armenian language evaluator for the Voice of America Radio
	Armenian language program.
1982-1984	President, The Society for Armenian Studies (two consecutive
	two-year terms)
1982-1995	Member, Editorial Board of The Journal of the Society for
	Armenian Studies.
1984	Prepared a special, confidential report on the Armenian Genocide,
	commissioned by The Holocaust Memorial Council, Washington,
	DC.
1984-1986	Member, Armenian Committee at meetings with The Holocaust
	Memorial Council, reviewing plans for the Musuem and the
	inclusion of the Armenian Genocide.
1986	Appeared in "An Armenian Journey," a PBS documentary,
	produced by WGBH Boston, and directed by Ted Bogosian.
1995-	Member, the Fellowship Selection Committee and the
	Publications Committee, The Dolores Zohrab Liebmann Fund (J.P.

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