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| Dr. Clovis Karam | |
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| Professional Summary | |
| * Ph.D. in Philosophy of Religions from the Catholic University of Lyon, France * Ph.D. in Philosophy from the University of Lyon III France * Professor of Religion & Arabic at Santa Clara University SCU 2019-2020 * Professor of Philosophy, Mythology & Arabic at CSUS 2013-19. * Professor of Humanities at CRC 2016. * Assistant Professor at Notre Dame University (NDU) Lebanon 1999-2013. * Assistant Professor of Aramaic-Arabic Religious Studies at the Antonine University Beirut 2000-20012. * According to the Bulletin of the Catholic University of Lyon, Dr. C. Karam is one of the few scholars that have demonstrated extensive knowledge and research in the fields of Phoenician Mythology and the Bible, Near Eastern Religions, and Mediterranean Cultures. * Member of SAMR, Society for Ancient Mediterranean Religions. * Member of CISA, Center for Interfaith Studies in America. * Senior Coordinator for North America World Lebanese Cultural Union (WLCU-TGC. * Director of PARC.ORG the Phoenician Aramaic-Arabic Research Center. * Director of ETAPE.ORG, a leading student exchange program for Europe. * Author of the Semitic-Phoenician trilogy on Religion, Philosophy and Cultural Anthropology of the Semitic World. | |
| Education | |
| Université Catholique de Lyon, France | 1979-1985 |
| Ph.D. Scholastic Philosophy (Philosophy of Religion, Mythology, Theology, Pre-Socratics, Neoplatonism, World Ethics) | |
| Université de Lyon II, France | 1979-1984 |
| Ph.D. in Philosophy – Multidisciplinary Studies: Modern Western Philosophy, Psychology, Structuralism & Linguistics, Sociology & Cultural Anthropology. | |
| Institut de Sciences Sociales Appliquées ISSA, France | 1979-1983 |
| Diploma in Applied Social Sciences (The Advent of the European Union) | |
| American University of Beirut (AUB) | 1974-1979 |
| Bachelor in PSPA, Political Science / Public Administration.  **Antonine Seminary & University of Biblical Studies, Beirut** 1970- 1974    Advanced Diploma in Semitic Languages, Aramaic, Syriac, Arabic & Colloquial Levantine. | |
| Experience | |
| Professor at CSUS, California State University of Sacramento, College of Arts & Letters, Humanities Department.  Philosophy Department:   * Existentialism & Phenomenology PHIL 117, * History of Philosophy, PHIL 26, * Introduction to Ethics PHIL 06   **Humanities & Religious Department:**   * World Mythology HRS 151   **World Languages & Literatures Department:**   * Arabic 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, ARBC 199.     Los Rios District, CRC College, Sacramento:   * Introduction to the Humanities HUM 301   Notre Dame University, NDU. Lebanon, Department of Religious, Cultural and Philosophical Studies: | 2013-2018  2000 - 2013 |
| * Ancient World Philosophy, PHL 232. * Ethics and the Modern World PHL 311. * Human Thought to 1500, HUT 301. * Modern & Contemporary World Philosophy, PHL 334. * Introduction to Sociology, Ibn Khaldoun on Arab Societies, SOL 201. * Cultural Anthropology, Arabian and Levantine Traditions. ANT 322 * Religions & Social Issues: The Lebanese Interreligious Experience REG 212. * World Religions REG 215. | |
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| Antonin University, Institute of Biblical Studies, Beirut Lebanon |  |
| * Phenomenology of the Semitic Mind: Fertile Crescent, Canaan, Aram, Syria, Arabia and the Bible. * A New Phoenician Perspective for a better hermeneutic of the Scriptures. | |
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| International Universities, Nice, France | 1988 - 1999 |
| Director of the International Program for Languages: Arabic, French, Italian, English, Russian. | |
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| **Institut Montaigne, Nice, France (International Programs Director).** | 1984 - 1988 |
| * Philosophy * Arabic & Global Studies * Applied Social Studies | |
| Institut Tunon, Monte Carlo (Hospitality management College) | 1984- 1988 |
| * Global Cultural Studies & Mediterranean Cultures and the rising Arabia, | |
| **Académie de Lyon, France** | 1983 - 1984 |
| * Philosophy & Religion * Arabic Language and culture | |
| **Outlook Magazine, Beirut, Lebanon, Weekly Trilingual Forum on Social, Economic, and Political issues.** | 1982 - 1983 |
| * Editor in Chief interrupted by the wars and the occupation of Lebanon by the Syrian regime. Today it is Lebanon Times, a bilingual magazine published in (Arabic-English), in Houston. | |
| **Lebanese University** | 1982 - 1983 |
| * French Civilization. * Structuralism & Linguistics | |
| Publications | |
| Adonai, Essai de Mythocritique de la Mythologie Phénicienne . PUE 2018. ISBN 978-3-639-54843-3  La Symbolique des Archétypes de la Mythologie Phénicienne. PUE 2018.  ISBN 978-613—8-42918-0  Herméneutique du Genie Sémitique. PUE 2018. PUE 2018.  Lexicon of Aramaic-Syriac & Arabic. Book, Beirut Lebanon. |  |
| Khaddada (articles in Arabic, on Lebanese Philosophy in NDU Spirit) |  |
| Essay on Gibran’s Philosophy Father of the Arabian Renaissance. (200 pages, Faculté Catholique de Lyon) |  |
| Mediterranean Mythologies, Religions, Civilizations, and Symbolism (various articles and conferences in France, Lebanon and USA) |  |
| Articles in Arabic: Unique research on the Arabian mind, religion and culture.  Abraham and Ishmael on the Road to Peace? |  |
| The riddle of Prophet Elijah and John the Baptist: The mystery of his  violent death (article) |  |
| Mediterranean Mythologies, Religions, Civilizations, and Symbolism (various articles and conferences in France, Lebanon and USA) |  |
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| Min Kaab el Dissit (on Aramaic-Lebanese, Levantine living traditions) |  |
| Ajajine al Nour (essay on the symbolic of Water to Wine miracle at Cana of Galilee) |  |
| Gan Adon-Garden of Eden? Adam-Adon-Adonis, and the Lost Paradise (deciphering the book of Genesis based on Aramaic-Lebanese-Arabic syntax!). |  |
| Islam- Al Haram wal Halal : Women, Wine & Money (essay on Arabian Taboo, cultural anthropology). |  |
| Maran Atha (essay on Historical Jesus, and the Eschatological times). |  |
| From Dabkeh to Nargilleh-Houka (essay on Lebanese Folklore).  Customs and Traditions of Old Lebanon in retaliation to Biblical Times (project of PARC Phoenician Aramaic Research Center). |  |

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| Seminars / Conferences & Research Area of Concentration. | |
| Ecumenical Encounters with Eastern Apostolic Churches. CISA.    Islamic-Christian Interfaith Encounters CISA Greater Sacramento Area.  Global Interfaith Conference 1. CSUS  Global Interfaith Conference 2. CSUS  Kierkegaard The Knight of Faith, Sacramento State University Philosophy Club.  Existentialism and its Future in American Universities, CSUS  Nietzsche on Zarathustra’s Path in Eze/Nice France, CSUS  The Religious Dimension, CSUS.  Mythology in Our Today’s Life. HRS Department, CSUS  The Impact of Vatican II on Middle Eastern Churches.  NDNU, Belmont, California  From the Promised Lands to the Land of the Promise: The Phoenician Journey from Lebanon to River Sidon-USA.  FIRM Foundation, Salt Lake City, Utah  Global Cultural Sociology, Series of Video Conferences  Between El Camino College CA and NDU.  What if Plato Was Wrong in his Phaedrus on the Celebration of the Gardens of Adonis.  Hermeneutics of Primordial Times.  The Hellenic Polis Versus the Phoenician Cultus. Conference, Friends Hall NDU.  Panel on Intercultural–Interreligious Marriages in Lebanon, series broadcasted on “Voice of Lebanon” “Voie Du Liban” radio (VDL), Beirut, Lebanon  Taboo or not Taboo in the Middle East, series on  Voice of Lebanon Radio (VDL), Beirut, Lebanon  Sex in Media, it’s Impact on Lebanon’s society. MTV, Beirut, Lebanon  From There Perspective: Lebanese and ME Societies in the eyes of Europeans, a panel of foreign nationals (in Arabic and English).  Home Helpers in Lebanon: Slavery or Salvation?  On Zajal, typical Lebanese colloquial poetry, (NDU inter department lectures series) | 2014-2019  2016-2019  November 2017  May 2019  October 2013  February 2013    November 2014    December 2014    May 2014    April 2014  April 2014  May 2012  October 2011  April 2011  2003 to 2012 |
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| On the Phoenician Path (Phoenicia.org) | 2003 2019 |
| On the Mystery of the Phoenician Origins (Herodotus, the Histories, Book I Chapter I): A voyage to the Land of Myra and Incense, Oman | ongoing |
| Phoenician Studies Seminars (Sorbonne, Paris) | 1984 to 1997 |
| Psychology, Structuralisme and Religion Seminars (Faculté Lyon III) | 1981 |
| Minorities in the Middle East, Table Ronde. (Faculté Catholique de Lyon) | 1981 |
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| Seminars/Conferences & Research Areas of Concentration | |
| The Contribution of the Phoenician-Lebanese Diaspora to World Civilization (WLCU - LAU Lebanese American University Alumni) 2018.  A series of lectures on the future of Christianity in the Middle East, addressed to the Knight of Columbus in the Greater Sacramento Area.  A series of lectures on Existentialism at CSUS Philosophy Club.  The Impact of Vatican II on Eastern Churches, NDNU- Millbrae 2013.  From the Promised Land to the Land of Promise, LDS 2013 Convention Utah, 2014.  Human Thought, Pre-Socratic Philosophy, Mythology, Cultural Anthropology of the Old & Modern Arab World and the Levant.  Customs, Politics of Middle Eastern Cultures & Religions  Phoenician Civilization & contribution to world civilization  Semitic Genome Project  New Insight in Middle Eastern Cultural Anthropology  Ibn Khaldoun revisited  Comparative Middle Eastern Studies: Taboo (Halal & Haram)  Solving the Riddle behind the Pig Taboo (pig lovers and pig haters)  Maronite Oriental Christian Heritage, Ritual and traditions  Coordinator for Apostolic Eastern Churches of Greater Sacramento an ecumenical & interfaith peace initiative for Californians.  Educational Travel | 2013-2019 |

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| Languages & Hobbies | |
| English, French, Arabic, Aramaic, notions of Italian.  Hiking, camping, gardening, music, nature and cultural travel. |