

## Helle Lykke Nielsen

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### Title

Associate Professor

### Occupation

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### Skills

- Middle East
- Vollsmose and "ghetto" issues in general
- Death and burial of Muslims in Denmark
- Arab immigrants in Denmark
- Arabic language and culture
- minority language in Denmark

### Education

- PhD in Arabic and foreign language teaching, Odense University, 1992
- MA. in Arab Area Studies, Odense University, and in French, University of Copenhagen

### Recruitment

- Helle Lykke Nielsen is associate professor with special qualifications at the Center for Middle East Studies, University of Southern Denmark, 1997- (leave 2015-2016)
- Associate Professor in Arabic at the Department of Language and Literature, Gothenburg University, 2015-2016
- Assistant professor at the University of Southern Denmark, 1992-97, and graduate scholar, 1989-92
- internship at EU Commission Directorate-General I, the Office of the Petrochemical Negotiations between the EU and the Arabian Gulf Countries, 1987
- scientific employee, Middle East information, Odense University, 1986-89
- administrative employee at Service Civil International, Paris, 1982-83

### Trust posts and memberships

- Deputy Vice-Chairman of the Censor Corps for Global Language and Area Studies, the area of Arabic, Heritage and Turkish, 2018-
- Member of Evaluation Committee for Middle East and African Studies at the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Gothenburg (2016-2017)
- Member of the University Chancellor's Board (the Swedish Ministry of Education and Education) quality evaluation of Swedish university programs in African and Oriental languages (February 2012 - January 2013)
- Member of the Danish Ministry of Education's task commission for Arabic, the department for upper secondary education (2005 - 2018)
- Deputy Chairman of the Censor Corps for Semitic and Turkish in Denmark, 2005-2018
- Shop steward at the Department of History, SDU, 2001-
- board member, The Danish Institute in Damascus, appointed by the Danish Council for

Humanities, 1996-2000

- Chairman, The Faculty of Humanities' Gender Equality Committee at Odense University, 1993-97
- board member, The British Association of Teachers of Arabic, 1991-93

#### **Awards**

- The Teacher Prize, Faculty of Humanities, Gothenburg University, 2016

#### **Production**

- Helle Lykke Nielsen works with identity and belonging among Muslims in Denmark as it does. is expressed among young educated Muslims, the older generation of Muslims and in vulnerable residential areas such as Vollsmose
- Contributed to several books and magazines on facework, identity and power among young Muslims, about death and burial among older Muslims in Denmark, about perception of death in Islam and about images and counter images of vulnerable residential areas
- "Saddam, Prince of Tikrit", Aschehoug, 2004
- the book "Internet and distant foreign languages", Odense, 2003
- contributed to several books and journals on Arabic rhetoric as expressed by Saddam Hussain, Mu'ammarr Qadhafi and various Islamic leaders, Middle Eastern politics, primarily Iraq, Islamic culture in the Middle East and Danish context, including on issues such as the Muhammad crisis, Ramadan , abortion, domestic violence, child raising etc.
- editor of "Middle East information, Monthly overview", Center for Middle East Studies, University of Southern Denmark in Odense and author of several articles for this as well as for newspapers and newspapers about Middle Eastern conditions
- articles on women in the Middle East and gender equality issues at Danish universities
- articles on language acquisition of distant foreign languages with focus on Arabic, university pedagogy, e-learning and teaching didactics, as well as intercultural issues in foreign language education
- book "When women travel. Clear yourself in the Middle East and North Africa", Odense, 1989

#### **Language**

- Helle Lykke Nielsen has Danish as native language, speaks and writes English and French fluently, master Arabic and read German

#### **Keywords**

- boards
- Fremmedsprogspædagogik
- Iraq
- Islam
- Culture
- women
- Equality
- Middle East
- Policy
- Language
- universities

#### **professions**

- researchers
- Lectors

#### **organizations**

- Center for Middle East Studies
- Odense University
- University of Southern Denmark, Odense

#### **Region**

- Fyn
- Odense
- South Denmark Region