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- Fall 2008- Vice Chair & Graduate Director of the History Department, UC Irvine
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- Spring 2007 Acting Chair of the History Department, California State University, Fullerton
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Editor: *The International Journal of Ancient Iranian Studies*, Iran University Press, Tehran  
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- Ed. Book *The Oxford Handbook of Iranian History*, ed. Touraj Daryaee, Oxford University Press (2009-10; contract signed)
- Book *Scholars & Humanists: Iranian Studies in Henning and Taqizadeh Correspondences 1937-1966*, in collaboration with I. Afshar, Mazda Publishers, 2009.
- Book *Bibliographica Sasanika: Bibliographical Guide to the Sasanian Empire, vol. I Years 1990-1999*, in collaboration with E. Venetis, M. Alinia, Mazda Publishers, 2009.
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- Guest Editor *Iranistik: Deutschsprachige Zeitschrift für iranistische Studien. Festschrift für Erich Kettenhofen* eds. T. Daryaee & O. Tabibzadeh, 5. Jahrgang, Heft 1&2, 2006-2007(2009).
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- Book *Šāhanšāhī-ye Sāsānī (The Sasanian Empire)*, Qoqnoos Publishers, Tehran, 2004.
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- Article "The Pahlavi Title of Čihr az Yazdan and the Sassanian Kings," *Name-ye Farhangestan, The Quarterly Journal of Iranian Academy of Persian Language and Literature*, Vol. 4, No. 4 (Ser. No. 16), November 2000, pp. 28-32.
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“Zoroastrian Apocalypse as History,” Apocalypse as History: the Near East and Beyond *A One-Day Conference on Eschatological Tradition in Ancient Cultures*, University of California, Irvine October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

“Sasanian Trade in Late Antiquity,” *Trade and Traffic of Persia*, Claremont University, California, 17-19 October 2008.

“Zoroastrian Apocalyptic Texts as History,” Stanford University, Feb 8, 2008.

“Zoroastrian Studies” *Mirrors & Windows: Facing Religious Stereotypes and Prejudice*, Claremont Graduate School, Sunday, April 13, 2008.

“Iranian Filmmakers at Billy Wilder Theater,” moderator and speaker, UCLA, Saturday, April 12, 2008.

“From Yima’s Throne to Takht-e Jamshid: On the Naming of Persepolis,” *The Iranian Presence in the Ancient World*, UCI, March 5, 2008.

“Why Study Iranian Culture and History?” Youth Organization, UCLA, January 28, 2008.

“Ardaxšīr and the Rise of the Sasanian Dynasty,” St. Andrews University, Nov. 2007.

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“A New Look at the Sasanian Civilization (200 AD-650 AD),” New Light on Ancient Iran, UCLA, Saturday, November 6, 2004.

“Inside Iran: A First Hand Account,” Beyond the Headlines: The World Today, Lindbrook Center, UCLA, October 26, 2004.

“Sasanian Perspectives on the Persian Gulf,” History of the Persian Gulf, Limassol, Cyprus, October 8, 2004.

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“Ethnicity and Frontier in Sasanian Persia,” Iran’s Historical Press, July 22, 2002. (Tehran)

“Ethnicity and Boundary in Ancient Persia,” The First National Congress on Iranian Studies, June 17-20, 2002, Iran. (Tehran).

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“Moderator: Afghan-American Students Speak Out,” CSUF Humanities Forum, Fall 2002 (October)

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“Queen Buran and the Restoration of Sasanian Imperial Propaganda,” Heritage of Sasanian Iran: Dinars, Drahms and Coppers of the Late Sasanian and Early Muslim Periods, June 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> 2001. (New York)

“Eagle and the Lion: US-Iranian Relation in the Twentieth Century,” Clio Club, March 2001.

“Islam in North Africa,” CSUF Africa Summer Institute, August 7, 2000.

“From Zoroaster to Rumi,” UCLA Center for Near East Summer Institute, August 2, 2000.

“The Titulature of Queen Buran,” Third Biennial Conference on Iranian Studies, May 26, 2000. (Bethesda, Maryland)

“Zoroastrianism During the Sasanian Period: Perspective from below and above,” Zoroastrianism: A Doctrine for Humanity Seminar, March 25, 2000 (Orange County).

“Next-of-kin Marriages in the Late Antiquity and Early Medieval Persia,” Middle East Studies Association of North America, Nov. 16, 1999 (Washington DC).

“Iranian Languages and Religion,” talk given in Linguistics 530 (Historical Linguistics), California State University, Fullerton, March 1999.

“Trends in Ancient Studies in the United States and Europe,” Nashr-e Tarīkh Institute, June, 1999 (Tehran).

“Indo-European Source for the Study of Persian Epic,” Mahjub Memorial Lecture, Stanford University, Feb. 1999 (Stanford).

“Mowbed's Services in the Sāsānian Period,” California Zoroastrian Center, Westminster, CA, Oct. 1998.

“The Significance of the Buyid Title: Šāhān Šāh,” MESA conferences, December, 1998 (Chicago).

“The Disintegration of the Sāsānian Empire in the Seventh Century,” Iranian Studies Conference, May, 1998 (Bethesda, Maryland).

“Religion in Sāsānian Iran,” talk given to Goftegu, University of California, Nov. 1998 (Berkeley).

“The Administrative Geography of Late Sasanian, Early Islamic Fars” panel on the "Aspects of Cultural Transition from Sasanian Persia to Islamic Iran,” MESA conference, November, 1997 (San Francisco).

“Sources for the Economic History of Late Sasanian Fars,” International Conference on Matériaux pour l'histoire économique de monde iranien, September, 1997. (Strasbourg)

“Jews, Muslims and Zoroastrians in Early Islamic History: Who was Debating Whom?” Western Commission on the Study of Religion (WECSOR), Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, March, 1997. (Berkeley)

“Persian Views on the Late Roman Empire: Brothers and Foes,” Second UCLA Conference on Late Antiquity, April, 1997.

“Kāve the Smith: The Indo-European Fashioner,” Iranian Studies Conference, UCLA, History Department, February, 1997.

“Apocalypse Now: Zoroastrian Reflection on the Arab Muslim Conquest of Iran, and the Abbasid revolution” in the panel on The use of Apocalyptic Literature as Sources for Early Islamic History, 1996 MESA conference, November, 1996 (Rhode Island).

“Sāsānian Ideology in the Sixth and Seventh Centuries,” the annual JUSUR conference, UCLA, April, 1996.

“Who Controlled the Sāsānian Empire when the Persian King was in Byzantium?,” First UCLA Conference on Late Antiquity, 1996.

“The Last Sāsānian Crown,” The American Numismatic Society, August, 1995. (New York)

“The Function of Zoroastrian Mobeds in the Formation of Iranian National History,” the annual JUSUR conference at UCLA, 1995.

“Muslim Theologians and the Zoroastrian Intelligentsia, the use of ‘Ilm al-Kalām,” panel on Communal Identity in Early Islamic History, 1995 MESA conference, December, 1995 (Washington D.C.),.

“Mint Organization of the Sāsānian Empire,” von Grunebaum Center for Near Eastern Studies, UCLA, October, 1995.

“Muslim-Mazdean Intellectual Interaction in Early Islamic History,” the annual JUSUR conference (Middle East Studies Conference) at UCLA, 1994.

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FDC CSUF International Grant 2000, 2001, 2003, 2005  
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American Institute of Iranian Studies  
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