

**TRAINING TO ENGAGED RESEARCH WORKSHOP  
ARAB FAMILIES WORKING GROUP**

**MARCH 16, 17, & 18, 2013  
CAIRO, EGYPT**

***LEAD PRESENTER: Suad Joseph  
Distinguished Professor of Anthropology and Women and Gender Studies  
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***LOCATION: Flamenco Hotel, Zamalek, Cairo, Egypt***

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**APPLICATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 20, 2013**

**Training to Engaged Research** is a workshop for junior faculty (without PhD's) and graduate students in Egyptian public universities who are already enrolled in a graduate-degree program in the social sciences and who are committed to doing research relevant to important social issues in their own societies. Junior faculty and graduate students who have completed undergraduate degrees at Egyptian public universities, now enrolled in degree programs at private universities may be considered. A limited number of seats are for Lebanese and Palestinian junior faculty and graduate students.

The goal is to provide training in proposal writing, research design, and carrying out research that is relevant to social conditions in your own society. Following this three-day workshop, graduate students will be selected for individual mentoring on their projects during 2013, with a follow-up workshop to be scheduled in 2013.

**Applicants must be fluent in written and spoken English.  
Apply by February 20, 2013 to participate!**

**TO APPLY:**

Please put your name, your email address, your phone number, your graduate university department and affiliation, your undergraduate college/university and the date on the front cover. Answer the following questions in essay form. Use the phrases in parentheses (ex "Problem Statement") as subheadings to answer the

questions. Compose essay as a Word Document and send to: Suad Joseph (sjoseph@ucdavis.edu); and Dina El Sherbeny (dinasherbeny@aucegypt.edu ) by **February 20, 2013.**

- 1. What is the question you wish to answer? (Problem Statement)**
- 2. What is your tentative answer to the question? (Hypothesis)**
- 3. How have others answered this question? (Literature review)**
- 4. Why are those answers inadequate? (Need for research)**
- 5. Why is your answer to this question better than of others? (Theory)**
- 6. What is the value added by answering this question? (Significance)**
- 7. How will you go about answering this question? (Methods)**
- 8. How much will it cost to answer this question? (Budget)**
- 9. How much time will it take to answer the question? (Timetable)**

## **PRE-WORKSHOP:**

Before the workshop, participants are to browse Suad Joseph's website <http://sjoseph.ucdavis.edu/workshops> and read the following documents. Documents are also found on [www.arabfamilies.org](http://www.arabfamilies.org) ("Training"): [http://sjoseph.ucdavis.edu/Faculty\\_Workshop/index.htm](http://sjoseph.ucdavis.edu/Faculty_Workshop/index.htm)

- a. Components of a Humanities & Social Science Research Proposal
- b. Ten Tips for Proposal Writing
- c. The Art of Proposal Writing (English only)

## **WORKSHOP STRUCTURE:**

### **March 16**

8:30-9AM	Register and coffee
9:00-10:30AM	Lecture Session I by Dr. Suad Joseph covering: Research question (problem statement) Research answer (hypothesis)
10:30-10:45 AM	Break
10:45AM-2PM	Other answers to question (literature review) Why answer this question (need) What is the value added (significance)
2-3PM	Lunch (provided)
3-5PM	Lecture Session II by Dr. Suad Joseph covering: Why is yours a better answer (theory) How will you answer the question (methods)

How much will it cost (budget)  
How long will it take (time table)  
Summary of proposal (abstract)  
Contacting funders, Review when fail, resubmit

5-6PM Planning, Assignments, Groups  
7-9PM AFWG Core Group working dinner

### **March 17**

8:30-9AM Groups connect & coffee  
9-10:30AM Review by Dr. Suad Joseph covering Section I  
10:30-10:45AM Break  
10:45AM-2PM Small Group sessions  
2-3PM Lunch (provided)  
3-5PM Small groups work independently  
Individual appointments for participants with AFWG Mentors  
5-6:30PM December 2012 Group present projects  
7-9PM All Workshop Working Dinner

### **March 18**

8:30-9AM Groups connect & Coffee  
9-10:30AM Review by Dr. Suad Joseph covering Section II  
10:30-10:45AM Break  
10:45AM- 2PM Small Group sessions  
2-3PM Lunch (provided)  
3-4:30PM Small Groups work independently  
Individual appointments for participants with AFWG Mentors  
4:30-6:30PM March 2013 Group presents projects  
6:30-7PM Planning Next Steps  
7-9PM AFWG Core Group Working Dinner