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## **Summary of Career**

Summing of Curcu	
2007-present	Professor of Arabic, SOAS
2000	Elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh
1997-2007	Professor of Middle Eastern History, Department of Middle
	East Studies, University of St Andrews
1995-8	Dean of the Faculty of Arts
1992-8	Deputy Head of the School of History
1990-97	Reader in Mediaeval History at the University of St. Andrews
1972-90	Lecturer in Mediaeval History at the University of St. Andrews
1969-72	Postgraduate student in Faculty of Oriental Studies, Cambridge.
	Ph.D. Thesis, "Politics and the Political Elite in the Early
	Abbasid Caliphate" 1977.
1966-69	Undergraduate at Pembroke College, Cambridge, 1968, Part I
	Arabic and Persian; 2:1; 1969 Part II History; First.
1965-66	Long course at Middle East Centre for Arabic Studies, Shemlan,
	Lebanon on Foreign Office Scholarship.

#### Recent Outside Grants Held

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2004-2007	"Continuity and Change Through the Muslim Conquest of the	
	Middle East in the Seventh and Eighth Centuries," Leverhulme	
	Senior Research Fellowship	
2005	"Baghdad Map Project," British Academy Small Research Grant,	
	£7500	
1998-2001	"Military and Society in the Early Islamic State," British	
	Academy Research Readership	
Books		
2007	The Great Arab Conquests (London, Weidenfeld and Nicolson)	
	(ISBN 13978 0 29784 6574)	
2004	Revised ed. of Prophet and the Age of the Caliphates, 600–1050 (Longman,	
	London) (ISBN 0582405254)	
2004	The Court of the Caliphs (London, Weidenfeld and Nicolson)	
	(ISBN 0 297 83000 7)	
2003	Mongols, Huns and Vikings: Nomads at War (London, Cassell)	
	(ISBN 0 304 35292 6) Also trans. into French.	
2001	The Armies of the Caliphs: military and society in the early	
	Islamic (London, Routledge) (ISBN 0 415 25092 7)	
1996	Muslim Spain and Portugal: a political history of al-Andalus (London and	
	New York, Longman,) (ISBN 0 582 299683)	
1994	Crusader Castles (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press)	

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1990	(ISBN 0 521 42068 7) Al-Mansur and al-Mahdi; being an annotated translation of vol. xxix of the History of al-Tabari (Albany, State University of New York Press)
1986	The Prophet and the Age of the Caliphates, 600–1050 (London, Longman) Trans. into Hebrew.
1981	The Early Abbasid Caliphate; a Political History (London and New York, Barnes and Noble).
<b>Edited Volumes</b>	
2006	Muslim Military Architecture in Syria (Leiden, Brill) (ISBN 90 0414713 6)
2004	(with I. Alfonso, J. Escalona). <i>Building Legitimacy. Political Discourse and Forms of Legitimating in Medieval Societies</i> (Leiden, Brill) (ISBN 9004 133054)
2002	Historical Atlas of Islam (New Edition, Leiden, Brill) (ISBN 900412235 4)
2001	The Historiography of Islamic Egypt (Leiden, Brill) (ISBN 90 04 11794 6)
Major Articles, Bo	ook Chapters
2007	"Justinianic Plague in Syria and the Archaeological Evidence," in <i>Plague d of Antiquity</i> , ed. L. Little (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press), pp.
2006	"From Shahristan to Medina," in Studia Islamica 102/3, 5-34
2004	"The Decline and Fall of the First Muslim Empire," <i>Der Islam</i> lxxxi, 4–30.
2002	"Military pay and the economy of the early Islamic state," in <i>Historical</i> research lxxv, pp. 155–69.
2002	"Caliphs and their chroniclers in the Middle Abbasid period (third/ninth century)," in <i>Texts, documents and artefacts. Studies in honour of D. S. Richards</i> , ed. C. Robinson (Leiden, Brill), pp. 17–36.
2000	"Intellectual Life in the First Four Centuries of Islam," in <i>Intellectual traditions in Islam</i> , F. Daftary, ed. (London, Routledge), pp. 17–30.
2000	"The Early Development of Church Architecture in Syria and Jordan, c.300 – c. 750," in <i>The Holy Land, Holy Lands and Christian History</i> R. N. Swanson, ed. (Studies in Church History, 36) (Woodbridge, Boydell), pp. 1–33.
2000	"Gerasa and Scythopolis: Power and patronage in the Byzantine Cities of Bilad al-Sham," <i>Bulletin d'études orientales</i> lii, pp. 199–206.
1999	"Medieval Merv. An historical overview," in G. Herrmann, Monuments

"sv Islam," Late Antiquity: a guide to the postclassical world, in edd. G. W. 1999 Bowersock, P. Brown and O. Grabar (Cambridge, Mass., Harvard University Press), pp. 219-37. "From Antiquity to Islam in the Cities of al-Andalus and al-Mashriq," 1998 in Genèse de la ville islamique en al-Andalus at au maghreb occidental, edd., P. Cressier and M. Garcia-Arenal (Madrid, CSIC), pp. 53-64.

of Merv (London, Society of Antiquaries), pp. 27-44.

1997	"Arab genealogical literature from oral memory to written record," <i>Arabica</i> xliv, pp. 531–44.
1995	"The Financing of the Military in the Early Islamic State," in <i>The Byzantine and Early Islamic Near East</i> vol. iii, ed. A. Cameron (Princeton,
1992	Darwin) pp. 361–78.  "Nomads and Settled People in Bilad al-Sham in the Ninth and Tenth Centuries," in <i>Proceedings of the Fifth International Conference on Bilad al-Sham</i> (Amman, Aram), pp. 105–13.
1992	"Antioch: from Byzantium to Islam and back again," in <i>The City in Late Antiquity</i> ed. J. Rich (London, Routledge), pp. 181–98.
1992	"Byzantine-Arab diplomacy in the Near East from the Islamic conquests to the mid eleventh century," in <i>Byzantine Diplomacy</i> ed. J. Shepard and S. Franklin (Aldershot, Ashgate), pp. 133–43.
1992	"The Impact of Muslim Rule on the Pattern of Rural Settlement in Syria," in <i>La Syrie de Byzance à l'Islam</i> , edd. P. Canivet and J.P. Rey-
1990	Coquais (Damascus, Institut français du Proche orient) pp. 291–7. "The Barmakid Revolution in Islamic Government," in <i>Persian and Islamic Studies in Honour of P.W. Avery</i> (University of Cambridge; Centre of Middle Eastern Studies), pp. 89–98.
1989	"Antioch and the Villages of Northern Syria in the Fifth and Sixth Centuries," <i>Nottingham Mediaeval Studies</i> xxxii, pp. 65–90 (with W. Liebeschuetz).
1986	"The Desert and the Sown in Eastern Arabian History," in <i>Arabia and the Gulf</i> , ed. I.R. Netton (London, Croom Helm) pp. 18–28.
1986	"The Uqaylids of Mosul: the origins and structure of a nomad dynasty," in <i>Actas del XII Congreso de la U.E.A.I.</i> (Madrid, UEAI) pp. 391–402.
1986	"The Melkite Church from the Islamic Conquest to the Crusades: Continuity and Adaptation in the Byzantine Legacy," in 17th International Byzantine Congress: The Major Papers (New Rochelle, Aristide D. Caratzas) pp. 325–43.
1985	"From <i>Polis</i> to <i>Madina</i> : urban change in late Antique and Early Islamic Syria," <i>Past &amp; Present</i> cvi, pp. 3–27.
1985	"The Last Century of Byzantine Syria: a reinterpretation," <i>Byzantinische Forschungen</i> x, pp. 141–83.
1982	"Succession Disputes in the Early Abbasid Caliphate," <i>Proceedings of the Tenth Congress of the U.E.A.I. Edinburgh 1980</i> (Edinburgh, U.E.A.I) pp. 29–33.
1981	"Central Government and Political Elites in the Early Abbasid Caliphate," <i>Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies, London</i> xliv, pp. 26–38.
1980	"The Arab-Byzantine Frontier in the Eighth and Ninth Centuries: Military Organization and Society in the Borderlands," in <i>Zbornik</i> Radova Visantoloskog Instituta (Belgrade) xix, pp. 79–116 (with J. Haldon)

# **Contributions to Cambridge Histories**

2008 "Christianity Face to Face with Islam" in *The Cambridge History of Christianity*, vol. ii, ed. J. Smith, T. Noble, pp. 178-96.

2001 "Syria, Palestine and Mesopotamia" in The Cambridge Ancient History vol. xiv, ed. A.

- Cameron *et al.*, pp. 588–61.
- 2000 "Sicily and al-Andalus under Muslim Rule" in The New Cambridge Medieval History vol. iii, ed. T. Reuter, pp. 646-69.
- 1998 "Egypt as a Province in the Islamic Caliphate" in *The Cambridge History of Egypt*, vol. i, ed. C. Petry, pp. 62-85.
- 1995 "The Muslims In Europe, c.700–900" in *The New Cambridge Medieval History*, vol. ii, ed. R. McKitterick, pp. 249-71.
- 1990 "Abbasid Caliphate: a historical introduction" in *The Cambridge History of Arabic* Literature, vol. ii, ed. J. Ashtiany, pp. 1–15.

Reviews in *Times Literary Supplement*, *New York Times*, *History*, and specialist journals.

### **University Administration**

1995-8	Dean of the Faculty of Arts
1992-2000	Deputy Head of the School of History with responsibility for Library and
	IT matters
2002 to present	Member of University Senate Business Committee
2002 to present	Member the University Court (Governing Body)
2004 to present	Member of the Governance and Nominations Committee of the
	University Court.
2004 to present	Member of the Project Board (Supervising the Design and Building) for
	the new Arts Faculty Building

### Administrative roles Outside the University

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2004 to present	Vice President of Middle East Medievalists (This is the main international	
	grouping of historians of the pre-modern Islamic Middle East. I am the	
	only non-American on the Board.)	
2002 to present	I have been one of two British members of the Comite Scientifique of the	
-	Fondation Max Van Berchem, based in Geneva, which distributes some	
	\$250,000 per year to scholars working on Islamic archaeology and	
	history. I will be serving on this until retirement	
1998 to present	Senior Editor of Brill's Medieval Mediterranean Series	
1998-2003	Member of the Council for British Research in the Levant, the	
	management committee for the British Schools of Archaeology and	
	History in Jerusalem and Amman	
1995 to present	Editorial board of <i>Masaq</i> , <i>Al-qantara</i>	
-	Fellow of the Royal Asiatic Society, Member of the Historical	
	Association, British Society for Middle East Studies, Friends of Bir Zeit	
	University	

### **Conferences Organised**

2006 Biennial Conference of the School of Abbasid Studies, St Andrews

2001 Muslim Military Architecture in Syria, Aleppo

1998 Historiography of Islamic Egypt, St Andrews

1995 Tabari, the Man and the Historian, St Andrew