

## Prof. Nidhal Guessoum

### Short CV



**Title and Institution:** Professor of Physics and Astronomy,  
Interim Physics Dept. Head, American University of  
Sharjah, UAE

#### **Education and Academic Experience:**

- Ph.D. in Astrophysics (1988), University of California, San Diego (USA)
- Post-Doctoral Research Associate (1988-1990): NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center
- Faculty Member at: University of Blida (Algeria), College of Technological Studies (Kuwait), American University of Sharjah (UAE)
- Department Chair/Head at: Physics Dept., University of Blida (Algeria) and American University of Sharjah (UAE)
- Past President of Faculty Senate and Chair of various academic committees at the American University of Sharjah (UAE)

#### **Publications and Other Achievements:**

- Over 60 Astrophysics papers published in first-rate journals and international conference proceedings; 36 international conferences attended.
- Invited visiting researcher by various international academic institutions (17 times total) in the USA, the UK, France, and the Arab world.
- Invited speaker at several renowned universities, including Cornell University (“University Lecture Series”), April 2009.
- Over 1 million dollars received in research grants from various institutions (UAE, USA, France).
- Three books published (2 of them co-authored) in Arabic, French, and English; 2 conference proceedings co-edited; 1 monograph published.
- Over 120 general-public articles published, most of them in highly respected journals and magazines: 60 in Arabic, 40 in English, 20 in French.
- Over 100 guest-blog articles written on Science and Religion.
- Interviewed in various international media outlets: BBC World Service, Al-Jazeera, NPR, BBC Arabic, Al-Hurra TV, Le Monde; Radio France International; France 2; France Culture; others.