

Academic Cover Letter

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I am a Professor of Geography at the University of Salahaddin – Erbil, specializing in Urban Geography and Urban Planning. My academic work integrates research, teaching, and applied practice, with a strong emphasis on Geographic Information Systems (GIS), spatial modeling, and sustainable urban development.

I have authored and co-authored numerous studies on urban expansion, land use change, medical geography, and environmental assessment, in addition to publishing the *Atlas of Erbil Governorate* (2011). I also supervise postgraduate research at both the master's and doctoral levels, reflecting my commitment to advancing scholarship and mentoring future academics.

Alongside my university career, I have collaborated with governmental and international organizations, including the Kurdistan Regional Government and the United Nations, applying geographical methods to urban planning and humanitarian projects.

I remain committed to producing impactful research, contributing to academic and professional collaboration, and supporting sustainable solutions to urban and regional challenges.

Sincerely,

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