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Salam Hakeem is an instructor at the English Department of the College of Languages, Salahaddin University-Hawler, Iraq.

He graduated from the English Department of the College of Languages, Salahaddin University-Hawler in 1996. He got his MA in 2002 and his PhD in 2010 in English Language and Linguistics from the same university. His MA thesis tackled the syntactic and semantic properties of idiomatic expressions. His PhD dissertation, which was entitled 'Politeness in English and Syriac' (his mother tongue), focused on showing how people from different cultures and/or speaking different languages may use different politeness strategies in their interaction with one another.

Salam Hakeem is interested in pedagogy and has participated in several workshops concerning the most recent methods of teaching and their application. The latest was in USA in July 2011 and it was hosted by the University of Cincinnati as a part of the linkage program between Salahaddin University-Hawler and University of Cincinnati. His area of interest has mainly been using technology to facilitate and enhance learning especially in overcrowded classes where the interaction between the instructor and the students (and among the students themselves) is limited.