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Education:

I earned my MA in Tourism Management, specializing in Tourism Marketing in 11/05/2013 from Tourism Faculty, Semnan University, Semnan, Iran. (GPA = 16.83)

I earned my BA in Tourism Management in 09/02/2011 from Payam-e-Noor University of Gorgan, Gorgan, Iran. (GPA = 15.91)

Activities, Honors, and Awards:

The rank of 29 in the Tourism MA exam in Iran.

First graduate (both in BA and MA).

Success in YOS (exam for foreign students) in Turkey in 2004 (Law faculty of Ankara university = the best Law faculty in Turkey) and 2006 (Veterinary faculty of Ankara university = the second most important Veterinary faculty in Turkey).

A reviewer of Tourism Management in 2014

Publications:

Akhoondnejad, A. (2015). Analyzing the pre-travel, on-travel, and post-travel behaviors of Iran's first-time visitors. *Journal of Travel & Tourism Marketing*, 32(8), 1023-1033.

Akhoondnejad, A. (2016). Tourist loyalty to a local cultural event: The case of Turkmen handicrafts festival. *Tourism Management*, 52, 468-477.

Akhoondnejad, A. & Niroumand Toumaj, A. (2014). The investigation of factors influencing loyalty of tourists to local festival: The case of Turkmen local handicrafts and foods in Gonbad-e-Kavoos city. *Paper presented in the first conference on modern horizons in empowerment and sustainable development of Architecture, Civic, Tourism, Energy, and Urban and Rural Environment in Hamedan, Iran.*

Akhoondnejad, A. & Niroumand Toumaj, A. (2014). The role of handicrafts in the tourism industry. *Paper presented in the first conference on Tourism, National Capitals, and Future Perspective in Esfahan, Iran.*

Akhoondnejad, A., Niroumand Toumaj, A. & Hakimi, O. (2014). The study of the effect of destination attachment on tourist satisfaction and loyalty (case study: Gonbad-e-Kavoos city). *Paper presented in the first conference on Tourism, National Capitals, and Future Perspective in Esfahan, Iran.* (Note: This paper was selected as the best paper in the field).

Akhoondnejad, A. & Dehghanloo, S. (2016). The role of handicrafts in local women's empowerment through tourism. Paper presented in the first conference on Arts, Handicrafts and Tourism in Shiraz, Iran.