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Peer-reviewed Journals

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- Mady, C. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2022 July). Lebanon's LGBTQI+ Community at a Crossroads: A Vital NeoGlobalized-Local Conversation. Gender and Communication Section, International Association for Media and Communication Research, Beijing, China [virtual due to COVID-19].
- Mady, C. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2021 June). Local absence, global supply: Lebanese youth, sexual education and a Netflix series. International Association for Media and Communication Research, Nairobi, Kenya [virtual due to COVID-19].
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- Seif, D. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2021 May). Preserving the water of Lebanon: A mass media flow of awareness and action. Environmental Communication Division. International Communication Association Conference, Denver Colorado [virtual due to COVID-19].
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- Ahmadieh, S. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2021 May). The impact of cyberbullying: drug consumption as a coping mechanism. Mass Communication Division. International Communication Association Conference, Denver Colorado [virtual due to COVID-19].
- Nasrallah, A. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2021 May). Integration of politics and sports in Lebanon. Sports Communication Division. International Communication Association Conference, Denver Colorado [virtual due to COVID-19].
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- Raad, T., & El-Khoury, J.R. (2020 May). Road to prevention: A content analysis of anti-drug public service announcements in Lebanon. Mass Communication Division: Poster. International Communication Association Conference, Gold Coast, Australia [virtual due to COVID-19].
- Hanna, M. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2019, May). Body Images in Lebanese Music Videos: Social Comparisons and Perceptions of a Lebanese Audience. International Communication Association Conference, San Diego, California, USA.
- Mady, C. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2018, May). Effectiveness of Breast Cancer Narrative Exemplars on Lebanese Women. International Communication Association Conference, Prague, Czech Republic.
- Hajj, C. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2017, May). Models Portrayal in Advertising and the Increase of Plastic Surgeries among Lebanese Women. International Communication Association Conference, San Diego, California, USA.
- Abdelhay, M. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2017 April). The Impact of Social Media for Lebanese Business Marketing Initiatives. Lebanese Association for the Advancement of Science, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Nassar, S. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2017 April). The Impact of Social Media on Luxury Brands Marketing in Lebanon. Lebanese Association for the Advancement of Science, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Frem, F. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2017 April). Newspaper Coverage of the Islamic State Rise to Power. Lebanese Association for the Advancement of Science, Beirut, Lebanon.
- Savaya, D. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2016, June). The Internet as a Sex Education Resource for Lebanese Adolescents: Its Impact on Attitude and Intended Sexual Behaviors. International Communication Association Conference, Fukuoka, Japan.

- Bou Aoun, J. E. & El-Khoury, J. R. (2016, June). Cultural Intelligence and an Individuals Advertising Preference in the Lebanese Community. International Communication Association Conference, Fukuoka, Japan.
- El-Khoury, J. R., & Shafer, A. (2013, November). Narrative exemplars and the celebrity spokesperson in Lebanese anti-domestic violence messages. National Communication Association Convention, Washington D.C.
- El-Khoury, J. R. (2013, October). Image of beauty transferred from the West to the East: A plastic surgery craze. The Fourth International Conference of the Image, Chicago, IL.
- El-Khoury, J. R., & Wilkinson, K. (2013, June). The popular culture celebrity and the viewer: awareness through entertainment-education and parasocial interactions in Lebanon. International Communication Association Conference, London.
- El-Khoury, J.R. & Wilkinson, K. (2013, April). Entertainment-education celebrity: Parasocial interactions with popular culture figures. Twelfth Annual Research Poster Competition, Lubbock, TX.
- El-Khoury, J. R., Liles, A., & Sprinkles, A. (2013, March). Volunteerism: Participation and civic engagement at the media festival. AEJMC Midwinter Conference, Norman, OK.
- El-Khoury, J. R. (2013, February). Advertising techniques in anti-drug and alcohol public service announcements. The Southwest Texas Popular Culture Conference, Albuquerque, NM.
- El-Khoury, J. R. (2012, November). New trends in integrated communication marketing: Television and Internet merging strategies. The Fourth Annual International Research Conference, San Marcos, TX.
- El-Khoury, J. R. (2012, October). A content analysis of anti-drug and alcohol public service announcements. The Second Annual Arts and Humanities Graduate Research Conference, Lubbock, TX.
- El-Khoury, J. R. (2012, April). Gratified from American/European infotainment use in Lebanon. Eleventh Annual Research Poster Competition, Lubbock, TX.
- Merle, P., & El-Khoury, J. R. (2012, March). @Revolution 2.0.: A cross-national analysis of social media's salience during the Egypt Unrests. AEJMC Midwinter Conference, Norman, OK.
- El-Khoury, J. R. (2012, July). E-course technology and distance learning in college education. The Egyptian E-Learning University International Conference on E-Learning, Cairo, Egypt.
- El-Khoury, J. R., Kasprzak, D., El Sayed, A. Fazlovic, M. (2011, April). Struggles of families in the Middle East and Europe. The Cultural and Religious Understanding Conference, Rovereto, Italy.
- El-Khoury, J. R. (2011, February). Social media and the Arab revolutions. Third Euro-Mediterranean Research Souk Multi-Conference, Beirut, Lebanon.