Abstract

Manuscript Editing Abu Al Hayja History

The book ,"The History of Abu Al Hayja" is a general literary and historical book. It has dealt with Islamic history from the birth of the prophet Mohammed ;peace and blessings be upon him, his migration, conquests, his life .After that , he dealt with the Caliphates of Abu Bakr, Omer Ibn Al-khattab, Uthman and Ali Bin Abi Talib .Then, he dealt with the caliphate of the Ummayyads and Abbasids, then he talked about the Fatimids and Ayyubids. When he talked about the Ayyubids he focused on the period of Salah al-Din and his wars with Crusaders .

In general Abu al-Hayja described the history of this long period briefly, yet sometimes he tended to elaborate and give more information about some subjects that he thought that they are important.

The author used the chronological method in writing his book, but from time to time he described certain events in their entirety even though these events lasted for many years.

To edit the manuscript, I have used a one copy of the book which exist in the Manuscripts Institute of the Yarmouk University in Jordan.

The importance of this book is found in the mixing of the historical and literary methodology upon formulating the historical events by an attractive methodology far away from boredom. In addition to tackling several topics ,the most of which is political.

The editing method elicited to divide the thesis into two sections:

First section: I talked about the author concerning his life, bringing up, death , his period, the resources that he used, author's methodology and his style in historical writing .Then , I dealt with the subject: attribution of the book to Abu al-Hayja. After that I described the manuscript and its content. Then I spoke about the method and approach of investigation
that I used in order to edit the manuscript. Finally, I clarified the importance of this manuscript.

Second section: the edited text. After I wrote the text of the manuscript, I put a margin for purposes of commentary, explanation and comparing texts of the book with other basic resources, defining and explaining terms and linguistic utterances, specifying locations of countries and places and then list of resources and references used for the editing of the research.