

# **Honor Killings and Human Rights Violations in Jordan**

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## **Abstract**

In this paper I will research, analyze, discuss and recommend strategies to a very important topic that affects my country Jordan and many young women around the world, which is a honor killings. I will start with identifying and explaining honor killing's definition and statistical facts around the world; what it is, its characteristics, methods of honor killing, where it occurs, who are the vulnerable groups of honor killing, why does happen; with cultural justification and gender inequality (patriarchism). Looking more in depth into reasons behind the phenomenon, and universal perspectives according to international human rights laws, by clarifying data collection of theories, reports and studies about the background of honor killings and Middle East-Arab Region; Jordan in specific. Jordan culture will be elaborated in relation to cultural relativism in the context of honor killing with its traditional and religious background. Statistics, situations and cases in Jordan will be explained, enlightening national and international responses to the situation. Human rights, dignity and violations will be discussed with its relevance to honor killing, and social work intervention, and how to advocate for better justice solutions and recommendations.