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دکتر رحیم شایگان لیسانس خود را از دانشگاه آلبرتوس مگنوس کلن در آلمان دریافت کرد و فوق لیسانس خود را از دانشگاه سوربن در فرانسه و دکترای خود را در رشته ایرانشناسی در دانشگاه جورج آگوست گوتینگن آغاز کرده و در دانشگاه هاروارد در بخش مطالعات زبانها و فرهنگ خاور نزدیک به اتمام رسانید. سپس از سال ۲۰۰۰ تا ۲۰۰۴ بورس انجمن محققین دانشگاه هاروارد را در دست داشت و از سال ۲۰۰۴ کرسی ایرانشناسی دانشگاه کالیفرنیا در لس آنجلس را در دست دارد.

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