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Urdu FLTA, New York University, NY 2011- 2012

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**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

- 2020-present: PhD in English Linguistics, University Sultan Zainal Abidin (UNISZA), Kuala Terengganu, Malaysia.
- 2009 – 2016: MS English literature and linguistics, International Islamic University Islamabad, Pakistan.
- 2004- 2006: MA in English language, literature and Applied Linguistics, National Language of Modern Languages, Islamabad, Pakistan.
- 2002 -2004: B.Ed (Bachelors in Education) from Allama Iqbal Open University, Islamabad, Pakistan.
- 2000-2002: BA, Allama Iqbal Open University, Islamabad, Pakistan.
- 1998-2000: Intermediate in Pre-Medical, College for Women, Islamabad, Pakistan.
- 1996-1998: Matriculation with science major. Higher Secondary School, Islamabad, Pakistan.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**NEW YORK, USA:**

2011- 2012: Have taught as Fulbright Teaching Assistant for Urdu, Department of Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies, New York University, NY.

### **LEVELS TAUGHT:**

Assisted in teaching elementary, intermediate and advanced levels.

Taught all four language skills in the language classroom, developed worksheets for practicing reading and writing skills, designed different activities for student's oral skills, and prepared a variety of activities, worksheets for videos, and songs to help students practice listening skills. Grammar and different types of vocabulary for student's daily use is always kept in mind and to improve that, quizzes are administered on a daily or weekly basis.

Also assisted with the teaching of works by poets like Ghalib, Faiz, Iqbal, Parveen Shakir and Faraz, fiction by Saadat Hassan Manto, Deputy Nazir Ahmad, and Ammara Ahmad, to the Intermediate classes.

**Provided my assistance in developing materials for the Advanced Urdu I and II classes.**

### **PAKISTAN**

- **2007 – to present: Lecturer teaching English as a second language, National University of Modern Languages, Islamabad, Pakistan.**

### **LEVELS TAUGHT:**

- Taught at all levels such Masters in English Language, Linguistics and Literature, Bs English, BSML, language courses etc.
- Taught proficiency courses such as TOEFL and IELTS.
- Language courses such as Certificate and Diploma courses of 6 months and advanced diploma of a year.
- To Languages courses taught all four language skills including speaking, writing, reading and listening by designing all the activities and worksheets. Designing activities also include role play, movies, songs, games, and debates etc.
- Taught Drama and Phonetics to BS and BSML (Bachelors in Modern languages)
- To the Maters class taught Phonetics and Phonology, history of English language, poetry and drama.

- Also taught TEFL (Teaching English as a Foreign Language) to MA ELT (English Language Teaching) students.
- Taught CALL (Computer Assisted Language Learning) to MA ELT students continuously from 2009 till 2019.
- **2006-2007: Worked as English teacher in Siddique Public School, Islamabad, Pakistan. Taught 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes.**

### **STRENGTHS**

- Can speak Urdu, English, Punjabi fluently
- Skills in English Phonetics and Phonology
- Expert in Computer Assisted language learning
- Strong background in English Language and literature
- Strong background in Urdu Language and literature

### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS/ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Was selected as Fulbright Teaching Assistant (FLTA) in the year 2011-2012 at New York University.
- Developed a website for the students of Computer Assisted Language Learning (CALL) and for English Language students of all levels in November 2014.
- Compiled book on Computer Assisted Language Learning (CALL) in June 2015.
- Have been focal person of Learning Management System (LMS) at Department of English (UGS) since 2020 till present.
- Performed my duty as Mentor of first English works! Program at National University of Modern Languages (NUML) 2021-2022.
- Performed my duty as facilitator of first University Grants Partnerships Program (UPGP1 & 2) at NUML 2022-2023

### **CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS**

- Presented paper at International Conference on Malay, Arabic and English Literature held in September 2022 at Universiti Sultan Zainal Abidin (UNISZA), Kuala Terengganu (Online) on topic " NUML Undergraduate Students' Perspective on the Effectiveness of Transparent Language Software on English Language Learning".
- Presented at 5h Two Day FSS International Conference (Online) held in February 2022 at Air University, Islamabad on topic "Web-based Software and Language Teaching: An Action Research of Transparent Language Online (TLO) Implementation at NUML, Islamabad.
- Presented at International Conference on Philosophy of Language, Literature and Linguistics (ICPL) held in September 2021 at Khazar University, Azarbaijan (Online) on the topic "Spectrographic Sound Quality of Standard

## English Vowels among Pakistani Students.

- Presented paper at International Conference on Languages and Communication (ICLC) held in August 2021 at Universiti Sultan Zainal Abidin (UNISZA), Kuala Terengganu (Online) on topic “Spectrographic Analysis of Standard English Consonant Sounds among Undergraduate Students”
- Presented a paper at 3<sup>rd</sup> National Conference on English Language, Literature and Education (NCELLE) on Feb 24-25, 2020.
- Participated as a resource person in a three days’ workshop on Practicing technology on Language Teaching and Research from 30<sup>th</sup> Jan till 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2019
- Conducted a three days’ workshop on Practicing technology on Language Teaching and Research from 30<sup>th</sup> Jan till 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2019
- Presented paper in ICLAP at Fatima Jinnah University on 18<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2018.
- Presented a paper in International Conference on professional Development in Higher Education; Trends and practices, prospects and innovations on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018.
- Presented a paper at 1<sup>st</sup> International conference on English Language, Literature, Education and society (ICELLES) on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> March, in Lahore, 2018.
- Presented paper in International Conference on Language and Literature in Pakistan at Riphah International University Faisalabad Campus on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> February 2018.
- Participated as a Resource person on one day seminar on Computer Assisted Language Learning (CALL) in NUML, in January 2018
- 2018: Conducted one day seminar on Computer Assisted Language Learning (CALL) in NUML, in January 2018
- 2017: Attended 5 days workshop on research methodology in January 2017 in NUML.
- 2016: Attended a one-day workshop on NUML-RELO Faculty Development held on 6<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2019
- 2015: Successfully completed a 40 days research fellowship program at UNT, as part of UNT-NUML partnership program from 21<sup>st</sup> Aug-29<sup>th</sup> Sep.
- 2015: Participated in the 1<sup>st</sup> International Urdu Conference held in New York University on 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Sep.
- 2015: Attended a Two days faculty development workshop on ‘post-

- Colonial studies' as part of UNT-NUML partnership program held on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> June.
- 2014: Successfully attended and completed five days' workshop from 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> December held by Higher Education Commission on "Teaching English as a Foreign Language" in Lahore.
  - 2014: Attended 11th Annual Fulbright and Humphrey Scholarship Conference held in Lahore in December.
  - 2014: Attended a Two days faculty development workshop on 'Research Methodology' as part of UNT-NUML partnership program held on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> July.
  - 2013: Attended 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Fulbright and Humphrey Scholarship Conference held in Lahore in November.
  - 2013: Participated in a training workshop on Writing Resource Center at NUML in November.
  - 2012: Attended 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Fulbright and Humphrey Conference in Islamabad in November.
  - 2011-2012: Successfully completed Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistantship program (FLTA) of 'Urdu' at New York University.
  - 2011" Attended STARTALK conference held in Washington DC.
  - 2011: Participated in ACTFL OPI training workshop held at Columbia University.
  - 2012: Participated in STARTALK workshop on "Teaching with Hindi/Urdu Fiction" at New York University.
  - 2011: Attended the Fulbright Language Teaching Assistant Conference in Washington DC.
  - 2008: Attended training workshop on Essential Computing Skills for English Language Teachers, NUML Islamabad, Pakistan.
  - 2007: Attended the 23<sup>rd</sup> International ELT Conference of Society of Pakistan English Language Teachers at Fatima Jinnah University in Islamabad.
  - 2005: Attended First International Conference On American Literature at National University of Modern Languages, Islamabad.

### **EVENTS**

- 2011: Attended Event "FAIZ and FILM" organized by the Hindi/Urdu Programs at NYU, NYU, NY.

### **AWARDS.HONORS**

- Selected as a Pakistani ambassador along with 9 ambassadors out of 450 FLTA's to attend the Fulbright conference held in Washington to meet Congressional leader Mr. Paul Foldi at the Capitol building.
- Selected to represent Pakistani culture via a poster session out of at the Fulbright Washington Conference.
- Worked as a part of the departmental team for the maintenance of the official departmental website and received a letter of appreciation from the Dean. NUML Islamabad, Pakistan.
- Awarded prize for English debate, College for Women, Islamabad, Pakistan.
- Awarded second price for relay race, College for Women, Islamabad, Pakistan.

### **COMPUTER SKILLS**

- Ms Windows 9x/2000/XP
- Ms Excel
- Ms Word
- Ms Power point
- Web Browsing

### **THESES SUPERVISED**

- "An ESP course designing of functional English for M.Sc Economics," M.A English student.
- "Teaching Verbs through Total Physical Method at Primary Level", M.A ELT student.
- "Teaching English Vocabulary through Flash Cards at Elementary Level," Advanced Diploma student.
- "An Analysis of the Effects of One Child Policy in China," Advanced Diploma student.
- "Teaching Problems for the Government Teachers of Rural Areas at Primary Level," Advanced Diploma student.
- "The Merits and Demerits of Internet in Preparing Classroom Assignment at Masters Level," Advanced Diploma student.
- "The Importance of Presentation in Improving Speaking Skills at Masters Level" Advanced Diploma student.
- "The Element of Horror in Tell Tale Heart and the Killer," Advanced Diploma student.
- The use of Internet to Computer Assisted Language Learning classroom, M.A ELT student.
- Computer based language teaching through web based tools.
- Effectiveness of online application of computer assisted language learning in the development of English language.
- Dominated psychological traits exhibited by Satan in Paradise Lost.

- Learner autonomy in learning English as a foreign language.
- The social problems depicted in Reluctant Fundamentalist by Mohsin Hamid.
- Using multimedia to improve Listening skills of Chinese students in English Language class room.
- Use of visuals to Improve reading skills in CALL (computer assisted language learning) class room.
- Using video conferencing improves speaking skills in CALL class room.