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Languages

English – Fluent

Sinhala – Fluent

Tamil – Fluent

French-DELF B1 Level

Japanese- Elementary Level

Hobbies

- Writing poetry
- Writing short stories
- Reading
- Publishing academic articles
- Designing courses for L2 learners

Summary

An efficient and highly motivated individual with a responsible attitude. I have a passion for teaching and have geared my studies and work experience to enable me to continue my career in teaching. Dedicated to create a positive learning environment and making a difference in students' lives.

Experience

Lecturer (Probationary) - June/2022- Present
South Eastern University of Sri Lanka
Department of English Language Teaching

Temporary Lecturer - June/2020 to May/2022
University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka

- **Courses coordinated:** *English Language Coordinator of the Faculty of Science, University of Kelaniya (June/2020- Present)*, English for Biology, English for Physical Sciences, and English for Communication and Further Studies, English for Professionals, Pedagogical Grammar, Academic Literacy, Language Planning and Policy for Peace and Conflict Resolution, English for Technology
- **Courses taught:** English for Biology, English for Physical Sciences, English for Communication and Further Studies, English for Business Management, Advanced English for Commerce and Management Studies, English for Professionals, English for Humanities, English for Social Sciences, Pedagogical grammar, Intensive course in English for Humanities and Social Sciences, Academic Literacy, Research writing skills, The process of writing a dissertation, Language Planning and Policy for Peace and Conflict Resolution, English for Technology

Visiting Lecturer- April/2022

College of Information Management and Sciences, Rajagiriya

- **Courses conducting:** Communicative English, Literary forms, Practical approaches to teaching

Intern Teacher- September/2019 to October/2019

Guiding Light International School, No.18, Jayanthi Road, Dehiwala

- Lesson planning and resource planning.
- Making term test papers and work sheets.
- Organized a language day and a field visit.
- Monitoring student progression

Education

Master of Arts: **Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL)** (Reading)
Postgraduate Institute of English, Open University of Sri Lanka, Nawala

Bachelor of Arts (Hons): **Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) - Second Class Upper Division (GPA 3.72)**

March 2016- January 2020

University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka

Research and Publications

- Investigating Factors that affect ESL students' Listening comprehension (2018) at the Undergraduate Research Symposium organized by the Faculty of Humanities, University of Kelaniya.
- Identification of political incorrectness: Undergraduates' perspectives towards politically incorrect TV commercial Maliban White Chocolate Puff (2018) at the 1st National Conference on Mass Communication organized by Department of Mass Communication, University of Kelaniya.
- The evolution of Received Pronunciation over time: An acoustic analysis of the Queen's Christmas broadcasts (2019) at the Undergraduate Research Symposium organized by the Faculty of Humanities, University of Kelaniya
- Awareness and perceptions on politically correct language among university undergraduates (2019) at the Undergraduate Research Symposium organized by the Faculty of Humanities, University of Kelaniya
- Perceptions on kahoot as an English grammar learning tool: A study conducted at undergraduate level (2020): Full paper
- Language Challenges Faced by Minority Undergraduates: An Exploration of the Sri Lankan Language Policies on Higher Education (2021): Full paper
- The Influence of Gender Stereotypes on Career Choices of Undergraduates of State Universities in Sri Lanka (2020) at the International Research Conference organized by the Department of Demography, University of Colombo
- Attitudes of freshmen regarding the medium of instruction with regard to Sri Lankan Language Policies at the International Conference on Recent Advances in Social Sciences, Humanities, Management and Scientific Research Organized by Eudoxia Research Centre, India (2021)
- Integrating Padlet as a writing strategy during COVID-19 pandemic: A study conducted at the undergraduate level (2021) at the International Conference organized by the Department of English Language Teaching, Rajarata University of Sri Lanka
- Teachers' perceptions in selecting teaching materials/aids for secondary level classrooms: A study conducted with government in-service teachers in Southern province, Sri Lanka (2021) at the 5th International Conference on the Humanities organized by the Faculty of Humanities, University of Kelaniya
- The relationship between English learning anxiety and academic performance: A study conducted at undergraduate level (2021) at the World Summit on Social Sciences and

Humanities organized by the International Social Sciences Research Association (ISRA) and the International Council of Language and Literature Research

- Undergraduates' perceptions on open book versus closed book examinations: A comparative study (2021) at the 8th International Conference on Social Sciences organized by the International Institute of Knowledge Management (TIKM)
- Educational preferences in tertiary education: A Sri Lankan study on the role of gender (2021) at the International Conference organized by the Department of Demography, University of Colombo
- Needs Analysis in English for Specific Purposes (ESP) context: Human Resources Management (HRM) undergraduates as a case study (2021) at the SLIIT International Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities organized by the Sri Lankan Institute of Information Technology (SLIIT)
- Exploring the digital divide in remote learning during the Covid-19 pandemic in Southern Province, Sri Lanka at ICONARTS 2021 organized by University of Colombo
- Thesis-Strategies and perceptions on written corrective feedback in the grade 11 English as a Second Language classrooms in Galle District (2019)

Extra-curricular Activities

- Member of Little Friends' Club and Girl Guides' Association (2004-2014)
- Member of school Scrabble Association (2007-2011)
- Member of TESL Association (2016-2019) - University of Kelaniya
- Member of Rotaract Club (2017-2019) - University of Kelaniya
- Member of Leo Club (2016-2019) - University of Kelaniya
- Member of Association of Islamic Students (2016-2019)- University of Kelaniya
- Co-coordinator of school Muslim Majlis (2012-2014)
- Represented Southern Province team in the National Level English Literature quiz competition organized by Ministry of Education
- Member of school English Literary Association (2012-2014)
- Participated in the English language development program organized by the Department of English Language Teaching, University of Kelaniya, in collaboration with Walpola Rahula Institute
- Rendered services as a volunteer at the International Conference on the Humanities 2018/19 organized by the Faculty of Humanities, University of Kelaniya
- Delegate of International Model United Nations: Represented Thailand and Kuwait
- Member of the International Academic Forum
- Faculty Representative of University Quality Assurance Cell, University of Kelaniya
- Abstract Reviewer at the Undergraduate Research Symposium (2021) organized by the Department of English Language Teaching, University of Kelaniya
- Judge at the English essay competition organized by the Career Guidance Unit (2022), University of Kelaniya

Workshops

- Workshop on academic integrity and online assessment organized by Digital Teaching and Learning Interest Group, Faculty of Social Sciences and Faculty of Humanities, University of Kelaniya
- Workshop series for Training of Trainers on developing academic literacy in the state universities organized by the Ministry of Education and the World Bank (English Language Skills Enhancement, AHEAD Operation)
- International Training Program on Research Manuscript Drafting and Publishing (TORMP-2021) organized by Eudoxia Reseach Centre,India

Skills

- Innovative
- Creative
- Leadership skills
- Time management skills

References

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