

CURRICULUM VITAE



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Career Objective : To achieve excellence in research oriented teaching methodology.

Eligibility for Lectureship : Qualified **State Level Eligibility Test (SLET 2002)** conducted by Bharathiar University, Tamil Nadu.

Academic Qualification :

Course	Period	Institution	University	Percentage	Class / Distinction
B.A. English Literature	June 1996 to May 1999	D.R.B.C.C.C. Hindu College, Pattabiram, Chennai – 72.	University of Madras	59.5%	Second Class
M.A. English Literature	June 1999 to May 2001	Loyola College Chennai.	University of Madras	65%	First Class
M.Phil. English	Aug 2001 to Jul 2002	Anna University Chennai.	Anna University	CGPA – 9.1 First Class with Distinction	
Ph.D English	September 2010 – May 2014	AMET University	AMET University	Highly Commended	

Teaching Experience :

- ❖ Served as a **Lecturer in English and an NCC Officer - in-charge** in **Jaya College of Arts and Science**, Thiruninravur from July 2002 to May 2004.
- ❖ Served as a **Lecturer in English D.R.B.C.C.C. Hindu College (Evening)**, Pattabiram from June 2004 to January 2008.
- ❖ Serving as an **Assistant Professor of English & an Associate NCC Officer in RKM Vivekananda College**, Mylapore since Jan 2008.

🌐 **Ph. D Guidance: Recognized Ph. D. Guide since 17th January 2018**

🌐 **Internationally Certified TEFL/TESOL Trainer since December 2019**

Title of Ph. D Thesis : **Testing Fluency For The First Generation Tertiary Learners: An Experimental Study.**

Specialization :

- English Language Teaching (**ELT**)
- Spoken Language Testing & Teaching

Publication (Short Stories) -4 : **“The Night Party”** in Triveni,
(Jan – Mar 2002).
“Green Hopes” in Triveni,
(Oct – Dec 2006)
Second Love
Green Hopes

Conferences/Seminars/Workshops Attended/Papers presented/published :

- ❖ English Language Teachers’ Association of India (**ELTAI**) Annual Conference at Anna University in 2002.
- ❖ ‘Excellence in Academic Performance’ a workshop conducted by **DRBCCC Hindu College** in July 2004.
- ❖ ‘Innovative Teaching Methodologies’ a workshop conducted by **ICFAI** in Nov 2006
- ❖ **National Seminar On “English and Communication Skills for Employability”**

(25th and 26th March 2009) Topic: Interpersonal Skills, Venue: Anna University.

- ❖ **UGC Workshop on Soft Skills and Employability Enhancement Tools (23rd to 28th March 2009), Venue: Presidency College**
- ❖ **English Language Teachers' Association of India's 5th International and 41st Annual Conference(5th to 7th August 2010), Venue: Anna Adarsh College For Women.**
- ❖ **UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Applied Linguistics and Language Teaching (15th and 16th March 2011), Venue: Parithimar Kalaignar Campus, University of Madras.**
- ❖ **One Day National Conference on “Materials, Methods and Classroom Management” in English Language Teaching (26th August 2011)**

Topic: **Practising Innovative Approaches in the English classroom: Teaching and Testing Fluency**, Venue: Vellammal Engineering College.
- ❖ **National Workshop “On Doing Research in ELT: Methodologies, Applications & Challenges”(1st and 2nd December 2011), Venue: Loyola College, Chennai.**
- ❖ **One Day Conference on “Reflections and Innovations in Teaching English at the Tertiary Level” (24th February 2012),**

Topic: **Testing Spoken Language at the Tertiary level**,
Venue: St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli.
- ❖ **International Conference On Professional English (15th and 16th February 2012)**
Topic: **Creativity and Innovations: Teaching and Testing Fluency for the First Generation Tertiary Learners.**
Venue: Vel Tech Dr. RR & Dr. SR Technical University, ISBN: 97881 89843 496.
- ❖ **7th National Conference on Zealous Language Teaching (26th and 27th March 2012), Topic: Strategies to impart Spoken Skills to the First Generation Learners at the Tertiary Level. Venue: SRM University, ISBN: 81-908397-2-3.**
- ❖ **Workshop on Teaching English Language Skills using Forum (25th May 2012)**

Venue: USIS, Chennai.
- ❖ **International Symposium on “Testing English as a Second Language at the Tertiary Level” (28th and 29th June 2012),**
Topic: **Teaching and Testing Spoken Skills: An Experimental Study**,
Venue: Anna University, Chennai. ISBN: 9789382062424.

- ❖ **7th International and 43rd Annual ELTAI Conference on “The English Classroom – Experiments and Experiences” (19th to 21st July 2012)**

Topic: Testing Fluency: A Gateway to Success

Venue: Vellammal Engineering College. ISBN: 978 93 80757 91 9.

- ❖ **Language in India**

Topic: Testing Oral Skills: An Innovative Approach to Promote Fluency

Journal Volume: 13:3 March 2013,ISSN : 1930-2940

- ❖ **One day Workshop on Shy Learners and Speaking Skills: Banishing Fear and Building Confidence (31st January 2014) Venue: Saveetha Engineering College, Thandalam, Chennai.**

- ❖ **IATEFL funded National Level Workshop on Virtual Learning conducted by Tirupathi Chapter (ELTAI) (22nd and 23rd January 2015) at KMM Institute of Technology and Sciences, Tirupathi.**

- ❖ **National Level Seminar on Methods And Materials For Teaching English Language And Literature (12th February 2015)**

Topic: Storytelling As a Pedagogical Tool to Promote Speaking Skills

ISBN: 978-93-5212-059-8 Venue: DRBCCC Hindu College, Chennai.

- ❖ **Participated in a Regional Workshop on Outcome Based Teaching and Learning of English Language, (17th February 2015) Venue: Easwari Engineering College, Ramapuram, Chennai.**

- ❖ **Participated in a One Day Workshop on Curricular Reforms (31st March 2015) Venue: Meenakshi College For Women, Chennai.**

- ❖ **Participated in A One Day National Workshop on Building Confidence in Gen Y Learners To Speak English (4th March 2016) Venue: Saveetha Engineering College, Chennai.**

- ❖ **English Language Teachers' Association of India's National Workshop on Mobile Learning: Communicating, Connecting and Collaborating, (27th and 28th February 2016), Venue: Loyola College, Chennai.**

- ❖ **Participated in A One Day Colloquium on Emerging Theories and Applications in English Literature And Language Teaching Research (13th February 2016) Venue: BS Abdur Rahman University, Chennai.**

- ❖ **English Language Teachers' Association of India's 11th International and 47th National Conference(30th June to 2nd July 2016),**

Topic: “Promoting Critical Thinking among The Tertiary Learners

Venue: Vasavi College of Engineering, Hyderabad.

- ❖ Participated in a **Curriculum Development Cell Program on Self -Awareness and Higher Goals in Education (30th May to 03rd June 2016)** Venue: Centre for Continuing Education and Teaching Learning Centre, Indian Institute of Technology Madras.
- ❖ Participated in an **International Conference on Imaging and Imagining Literatures and Cultures: India, Canada and Latvia (29th November 2016)**
Venue: Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women, Chennai.
- ❖ **Published a research paper titled “Promoting Critical Thinking Among the Tertiary learners” in PESQUISA- International Journal of Research (ISSN-2455-0736) in Nov 2016.**
- ❖ **International Conference On Empowering The English Language Learner – Materials, Methods And Testing (23rd to 25th March 2017)**

Topic: The Role Of Emotional Assessment To Empower Language Skills: A Study. Venue: Anna University, Chennai. **ISBN: 819085678-2**
- ❖ English Language Teachers’ Association of India Tirupathi Chapter’s 5th Annual International Conference on The Bhagavad-Gita: To Become The Best Teacher (7th and 8th April 2017)
Topic: Rahul Saxena- An Ideal Teacher Like Lord Krishna
ISBN: 978-93-5268-196-9 Venue: Sree Rama Engineering College, Tirupathi.
- ❖ English Language Teachers’ Association of India’s 12th International and 48th Annual Conference on English Language Acquisition: Western Theories and Eastern Practices, (29th June to 1st July 2017)
Topic: Indigenous Rating Scales for The Assessment Of Fluency
Venue: St. Teresa’s College, Eranakulam, Kerala.
- ❖ **Two Day National Conference on Teaching of English Language and Literature (22nd and 23rd September 2017)**
Topic: Engaging the Tertiary Learners Through Short Stories: A Study.
Venue: Sri S. Ramasamy Naidu Memorial College, Sattur.
- ❖ Participated in **A Workshop on Eco Feminism (9th January 2018)**
Venue: University of Madras, Chennai.
- ❖ Participated in **A One Day National Workshop on “Cultural Studies: Paradigms and Practices” (13th February 2018)** Venue: The New College, Chennai.

- ❖ Participated in the **Post Centenary Diamond Jubilee International Conference “Resisting Hegemony And Centre: Narratives Of Australia, Canada, and New Zealand” (20th and 21st February 2018)**
Venue: Department of English, University of Madras.

- ❖ **Two Day International Conference On The Cultural Semiotics of English Language and Literature (2nd and 3rd March 2018)**
Topic: Semiotic Analysis of Christopher Marlowe’s Passionate Shepherd to His Love. Venue: DRBCCC Hindu College, Pattabiram, Chennai. **ISBN: 9788179664711**

- ❖ Attended an **International Workshop on Perspectives in Business English Training (28th July 2018)** Venue: Ethiraj College for Women.

- ❖ Participated in a **One Day National Seminar on Imparting Communication and Soft Skills (29th October 2018)** Venue: AMET University.

- ❖ Attended a **One Day Workshop on Re-searching Ecoliteracy: Multidisciplinary Approaches, Methods, Strategies and Frameworks (4th October 2018)** Venue: Loyola College, Chennai.

- ❖ **One Day International Conference on Emerging Trends in the English and Foreign Language Teaching (5th February 2019)**

Topic: **Indigenous Rating Scales for the Assessment of Fluency**
Venue: VIT, Chennai. **ISSN 2347-2073 U.G.C. Journal No. 44829 Special Issue Feb 2019**
Topic: **The Effectiveness of Board Games in ESL Classrooms: A Study.** **ISSN 2347-2073 U.G.C. Journal No. 44829 Special Issue Feb. 2019**

- ❖ Attended a **One Day Faculty Development Programme on Empowering the Colleges Towards Excellence In Teaching- Learning, Research and Extension Activities (31st January 2019)** Venue: DRBCCC Hindu College, Chennai.

- ❖ Attended a **One Day National Conference on Literature and Identity Politics (25th February 2019)** Venue: The New College, Chennai.

- ❖ Attended a **Two Day International Conference on Gendering Literature and Culture: Australia and The Asia – Pacific (20th and 21st January 2020)**
Venue: University of Madras.

- ❖ **One Day International Conference on Revisiting English Language and Literature In A Multicultural Milieu (22nd January 2020)**
Topic: **Articulating Silences: Indigenous Narratives in Perumal Murugan’s Pyre.**
Venue: SDNB Vaishnav College for Women, Chrompet, Chennai.

ONLINE COURSES COMPLETED

- ❖ Completed a **U.S. Department of State, The Regional English Language Office (RELO) sponsored Ten-Week course on Critical Thinking in Language Learning and Teaching (CT)** from November 16, 2015 to February 26th 2016.
- ❖ Completed an **Online Course on “Emotions: A Philosophical Introductions”** offered by **Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona and Coursera** from 9th April to 21st June 2016.
- ❖ Completed an Online course **“On Creating Engaging Environments For English Language Classrooms”** offered by **University of Oregon, United States of America** in Canvas Network from May 16th 2016 to June 15th 2016.
- ❖ Completed an Online course on **“Logical and Critical Thinking”** offered by **The University of Auckland, New Zealand** in Future Learn from 26th September to 14th November 2016.
- ❖ Completed an **Online Course on “Teaching for Success: The Classroom and The World”** offered by **The British Council** in Future Learn from 21st November to 17th December 2016.
- ❖ Completed an **Online Course on “Psychology at Work”** offered by **University of Western Australia** in Coursera from 6th March 2017 to 16th April 2017.
- ❖ Completed an **Online Course on “Becoming a Confident Trainer”** offered by **Open 2 Study, Australia** from 24th April to 23rd May 2017.
- ❖ Completed an **Online Course on “Becoming a Better Teacher”** offered by **The British Council** in Future Learn from 24th April to 2nd June 2017.
- ❖ Completed an **Online Course on “Education in a Changing World”** offered by **Open 2 Study, Australia** from 6th August to 5th September 2017.
- ❖ Completed an **Online Course on “Psychological First Aid”** Offered by **Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA** in Coursera from 21st August to 17th September 2017.

- ❖ Completed an **Online Course on “Teaching For Success: Lessons & Teaching”** offered by **British Council** in Future Learn from **11th September to 8th October 2017**.
- ❖ Completed an **Online Course on “What is Character? Virtue Ethics in Education.”** offered by **University of Birmingham** in Future Learn from **23rd October to 6th November 2017**.
- ❖ Completed an **Online Course on “Gender and Sexuality: Diversity and Inclusion in the Workplace”** offered by **University of Pittsburgh** in Coursera from **29th March 2018 to 19th April 2018**.
- ❖ Completed an Eight Week **NPTEL** Online course on ‘**Introduction to Literary Theory**’ conducted by **Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur** in September 2018.
- ❖ Completed a Twelve Week **NPTEL** Online course on ‘**History of English Language and Literature**’ conducted by **Indian Institute of Technology, Madras**, in October 2018.
- ❖ Successfully completed 20 Week **Annual Refresher Programme in English Language Teaching** conducted by **Human Resource Development Centre, Gujarat University** on 22nd February 2020.

Workshops Conducted/Organized

- ❖ Organized a **Workshop on Social Networking Media** at RKM Vivekananda College on 11th January 2014.
- ❖ Organized a **One Day Workshop On Reading Skills** at RKM Vivekananda College on 10th January 2015.
- ❖ Conducted a workshop on ‘**CRITICAL THINKING**’ at AMET University on 5th October 2016.
- ❖ Conducted a Workshop ‘**ON INTERVIEW SKILLS**’ at RKM Students’ Home, Mylapore, on 28th May 2016.
- ❖ Conducted a Workshop on ‘**Activities To Learn English Language**’ at **Sri S. Ramasamy Naidu Memorial College, Sattur** on 22nd September 2017.

- ❖ Conducted a Workshop on ‘**Interview Techniques And Personality Development**’ at **Sri S. Ramasamy Naidu Memorial College, Sattur** on 23rd September 2017.
- ❖ Organized a **Workshop on Employability Skills** at RKM Vivekananda College on 9th January 2019.
- ❖ Conducted a Workshop on ‘**Critical Thinking**’ at **K.C.S. Kasi Nadar College of Arts and Science**, Chennai on 05-03-2019.
- ❖ Organized a **Workshop on Motivation and Critical Thinking** at RKM Vivekananda College on 9th January 2020.
- ❖ Conducted a **UGC Sponsored Two Day Workshop on Stylistics and Creative Writing** at **AVC College, Mayiladuthurai**, Tamil Nadu on **13th February 2020**

GUEST LECTURE:

- ❖ Inaugurated **Literary Association at Prince Bhavani College of Arts and Science** and gave a speech on “**The Importance of Fluency**” on 09-10-2015.
- ❖ Delivered a Guest Lecture on “**Reflection of Culture in Literature**” at **Nazreth college of Arts and Science**, Avadi, Chennai on 09-08-2017.
- ❖ **Inaugurated** and delivered a **Key Note Address** on “**Re-Writing the Paradigms of Gender and Sexuality**” in a Two Day National Conference at **Pavanatma College**, Murikkassery, Idukki, Kerala on 9th March 2016.
- ❖ Delivered a **Guest Lecture** on ‘**Etiquettes for Interviews**’ at **Government Arts College for Men**, Nandanam, Chennai on 07-03-2019.
- ❖ Delivered a **Guest Lecture** on “**English Language Teaching**” at **Pachayappa’s College**, Chennai on 29th August 2019.

- ❖ Delivered a **Guest Lecture** on “**English Language Learning and Personality Development**” at **New Horizon College of Engineering, Bangalore** on 11th September 2019.
- ❖ Delivered a **Guest Lecture** on “**Communicative English**” at **Ramakrishna Mission Vidyalaya Matric Higher Secondary School, Villupuram** on 7th December 2019.
- ❖ Delivered a **Guest Lecture** on “**Language and Linguistics**” at **DRBCCC Hindu College, Pattabiram, Chennai** on 09th December 2019.

Personal Details

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References

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Declaration

I do hereby declare that all the above information furnished by me are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Place : Chennai
Date : 10-03-2020

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