# Ali Alzughaibi

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#### EDUCATION

PhD, Language and Literacy Expected Dec. 2023 University of South Carolina Columbia, SC, USA

Advisor: Dr. Lucy K. Spence

MA, Applied Linguistics 2016 - 2018

Southern Illinois University Carbondale Carbondale, IL, USA

Advisor: Dr. Karen Baertsch

BA, English Language and Translation 2009 - 2013

First Class Honor, GPA: 4.88

Qassim UniversityQassim, Saudi Arabia

## CERTIFICATES

Certificate for completing the level of Graduate Student English (GSE) May 2016

Southern Illinois University Carbondale Carbondale, IL

Certificate for completing memorization and recitation of the Quran

Institution of Quranic Studies Alkhabra, Saudi Arabia

Certificate for Quranic teaching December 2014 Institution of Ouranic Studies Alkhabra, Saudi Arabia

TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

October 2020 – January 2021 **Literacy Teacher** 

The Language and Literacy Lab (LLL), College of Education

\* Project: Elementary Students' Engagement in Online Spaces

\* Project PI: Dr. Lucy K. Spence.

**Graduate Assistant** January 2019 – August 2019

University of South Carolina, College of Education

\* Carver-Lyon Elementary School Project, Data Analyst

\* Bilingualism Matters at UofSC, Conference Planning Committee

**English Lecturer** January 2019 – Present

Department of English, King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences.

September 2016 – December 2018 **Teaching Assistant** 

Department of English, King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences.

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

October 2015

Columbia, SC

Columbia, SC

\* Monitored classes.

**Teaching Assistant** 

\* Administered final exams.

English Department, Qassim University.

- \* Assisted class instruction.
- \* Designed assessment materials.
- \* Graded homework and exams.

August 2014 – August 2016 Qassim, Saudi Arabia.

### **Research Assistant**

Southern Illinois University.

\* Apples Research Lab, Mentor: Dr. Katherine Martin.

January 2018 – December 2018 Carbondale, IL, USA

#### **Quran and Arabic Teacher**

Sunday School Program, Al-Noor Mosque.

\* Taught and assessed reading Quran and Arabic.

January 2017 – December 2017 Carbondale, IL, USA

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- · Alzughaibi, A. Saudi EFL teachers' knowledge of language constructs related to word reading. *Under Review*.
- · Alzughaibi, A. The impact of reading in Arabic (L1) on English (L2) reading development: Review of research. *Manuscript Submitted*.
- · **Alzughaibi, A.**; Martin, K; Summers, K. Reading assessments in Arabic and English: Insights from students. *Manuscript Accepted*.
- · Alzughaibi, A. (2019). "Because I'm Saudi": Critical thinking in a reader response class. *South Carolina English Teacher (SCET)*.

### PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- Alzughaibi, A. (July 2021, Virtual). Saudi EFL teachers' knowledge of language constructs related to word reading. Poster accepted for presentation at the Society for Scientific Study of Reading (SSSR) Conference.
- Alzughaibi, A. (March 2021, Virtual). The impact of reading in Arabic (L1) on English (L2) reading development: Review of research. Paper presented at the American Association for Applied Linguistics (AAAL) Conference.
- Alzughaibi, A. (October 2020, Virtual). Reading strategies research in Saudi education: Review of research. Paper presented at the Saudi Language and Literacy Webinar, King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences (KSAU-HS).
- Alzughaibi, A. (July 2020, Cancelled). Saudi Elementary students' literacy performance: Insights from teachers. Poster accepted for presentation at the Society for Scientific Study of Reading (SSSR), Newport Beach, California.
- Alzughaibi, A. (July 2020, Cancelled). Reading together through retrospective miscue analysis: Usama's case study. Paper accepted at the Language and Literacy for All (LLA) Conference, Normal, IL.
- **Alzughaibi, A.**; Martin, K; Summers, K. (February 2020). Reading assessments in Arabic and English: Insights from students. Paper presented at the Journal of Language and Literacy Education Conference (JoLLE), University of Georgia, Athens, GA.
- Alzughaibi, A. (October 2019). Developing critical literacy through reader response: A case study. Paper presented at the 20th Texas Language Education Research Conference (TexLER), University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas.
- Alzughaibi, A. (April 2019). Developing critical literacy through reader response: A case study. Poster presented at Discover USC 2019, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina.
- Alzughaibi, A. (April 2018). Palatalization of /k/ in Najdi and Eastern region dialects of Arabic in Saudi Arabia. Paper presented at the 10th annual meeting of the Illinois Language and Linguistics Society, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, Illinois.

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Association for Applied Linguistics (AAAL)
- Society for the Scientific Study of Reading (SSSR)
- Literacy Research Association
- Saudi TESOL

## **SKILLS**

**Languages**: English (Fluent), Arabic (Native).

**Programming**: R (Intermediate).