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PhD in Applied Linguistics, University of Auckland, Aotearoa New Zealand

MPhil in English Literature (University of Malakand, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa)

MA in English Literature and ELT (University of Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa)



Biography

My career began in 2002 as an English language teacher at the school and college level. Later, I held English lecturer and then Assistant Professor positions at the University of Malakand from 2004 to 2014. From 2014 to 2016 I acted as Assistant Professor at the University of Swat. I spent a memorable time in Aotearoa New Zealand from early 2016 to early 2020 where I earned my doctoral degree from the Faculty of Arts at the University of Auckland/*Te Whare Wānanga o Tāmaki Makaurau*.

Outside of academia, I have participated in youth development especially through supporting de-radicalization and intercultural harmony. Women empowerment has been the focus of my writing and activism to contribute towards social equity and change.

Research | Current

- Sociolinguistics
- Discourse analysis
- Pragmatics and speech act theory
- Multilingual ecologies
- Language and identity
- English language teachers' professional development
- Literary criticism (critical and social constructionist perspectives)

I am currently working on exploring intersections between languages in multilingual ecologies in the context of Pakistan. I am interested in the implication of social linguistic practices in multilingual societies and how the EFL classroom can benefit from these practices.

My book chapter explores Language-in-Education Policy (LEP) in the multilingual context of Pakistan. It focuses on what can we learn from social linguistic practices that can guide an effective plurilingual policy. A key focus of my research is social justice and equity in multilingual contexts.

My research interest in English literature and comparative literary analyses focuses on analyzing any interface between literary products (poetry, fiction, drama etc.) and the larger social structures (discourses, institutions, politics etc.). I am interested in literary research analyses literature as a social product and uses it for initiating, informing, and promoting personal growth and social change.

I would gladly respond to enquiries from research students interested in undertaking research in any of above-mentioned areas.

Teaching | Current

- Introduction to literary studies
- Short fictional narratives
- Sociolinguistics
- Discourse analysis
- English for Specific Purposes (ESP)
- Pragmatics

National/International Collaborations

- **British Council Pakistan**
Consultant English Language Teachers' Trainer in Pakistan (Dec 2011 to Feb 2016)
- **American Consulate in Pakistan**
English Language Teachers' Trainer in Pakistan (March 2013 to Feb 2016)
- **American Gov. Grant to Visit US for Professional Development**
Avalied US government grant to attend International TESOL Convention 2013 in Dallas, Texas, USA and attend certificate course on English language teaching management with TESOL International Association
- **Revamping Undergraduate Education – HEC and US Embassy in Pakistan** (Ongoing)
I am part of a team of Pakistani and US professors who are producing the English Expository courses as part of a nation-wide revamping project that will be implemented in Pakistani universities in the fall semester of 2021.

Professional Certifications

- **Higher Education Commission of Pakistan**
Certificate in Computer Assisted Language Learning (CALL), 2013.
- **Higher Education Commission of Pakistan**
Certificate of appreciation for establishing Self-Access Center for self-directed professional development of teachers, 2013.
- **ELT Leadership Management Certificate**
TESOL International Association, 2013.
- **USAID and British Council, Pre-Service Teachers Training Program**
Two workshops conducted as Trainer of Trainers (ToT) for Pre-service College Teachers in Abbottabad and Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Pakistan, 2013.
- **Master teacher trainer, British Council, Pakistan**
Transforming English Language Skills Program Master Trainer, 2012.
- **International Resource Person Course on Research Training Methods for Teachers Professional Development**
Conducted by Higher Education Commission and British Council, Pakistan. International Resource Person: Dr Simon Borg, University of Leeds, UK. 2012.

Authorship

Member of authors' team for the British Council to develop English for Academic Purposes (EAP) modules for the project Transforming English Language Skills (TELS), Pakistan
<https://www.britishcouncil.pk/programmes/education/higher-education>

Trainings Conducted

- Two-days training of college faculty members in *Research Report Writing Skills in Teacher Research*, conducted in HETTA (Higher Education Teachers' Training Academy), Peshawar, Pakistan, March 2015.
- One-week workshop on *Language Skills and Professional Development* of faculty members of colleges affiliated with TEVTA (Education and Vocational Training Authority), Sukkur, Pakistan. Training conducted on behalf of the British Council, Pakistan as training consultant, March 2015.
- One-week workshop on *Language Skills and Professional Development* of faculty members of Sindh Madrassat-ul-Islam University (SMIU), Karachi, Pakistan. Training conducted on behalf of the British Council, Pakistan as training consultant, Jan 2015.
- *Communication Skills for English Language Teachers*, at Lincoln Corner, University of Peshawar organized by SPELT (Society of Pakistan English Language Teachers), Peshawar Chapter, KP, Pakistan, Sep 2013.
- Two-day sessions on *Communication Skills* for University Teachers in Shaheed BB University, Dir Upper as part of one-month Professional Competency Enhancement Program for Teachers. (PCEPT), sponsored by the Higher Education Commission, Islamabad, May 2013.

Conferences Attended

- Prospects of Learner Autonomy in EFL Classes. Paper presentation at 29th SPELT International Conference on ELT in Islamabad. Conference Theme: "Surfing the ELT Wave: New Ways for a New Generation", Nov 2013.
- Towards Student-Centered Language Teaching in Higher Education in Pakistan. Paper presentation at SPELT One-Day International Conference on ELT, Abbottabad Chapter, Pakistan. Conference Theme: The Challenge of Change in ELT. Sep 2013.
- Participated in TESOL Annual International Convention, Texas, USA. March 2013
- "Untrodden Regions of the Mind:" Anima Archetype and Creativity in Keats's 'Ode to Psyche'. Paper presented at L3 International Conference on Language, Literature and Linguistics, Singapore, organized by Global Science and Technology Forum, Singapore. July 2012.
- Participated in the First International Conference on Promotion of Research in Social Sciences in Public Sector Universities in Pakistan, organized by the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan, April 2011.

Professional Affiliations

- TESOL International Association, USA
 - TESOL Arabia, UAE
 - PakTESOL, Pakistan
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