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Educational Qualification:

DEGREE	SUBJECT	COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY & PLACE	YEAR COMPLETED
Ph.D	English Language Teaching	MKU, Madurai	2009
PGDCE	Communicative English	University of Hyderabad	2006
PGDHE	Higher Education	IGNOU, Delhi	2001
PGDTE	Teaching of English	CIEFL (EFLU) Hyderabad	1993
MPhil	English Language and literature	St. Joseph's College/Bharathidasan University, Trichy	1985
M.A	English	St. Joseph's College/Bharathidasan University, Trichy	1985
B.A	English	TBML College, Poraiyar, University of Madras	1983

Specialisation in Teaching:

- English Language Teaching Linguistics,
- Literary Criticism & Theories

Specialisation in Research: English Language Teaching

Research Interests: English Language Teaching

Administrative /Academic Position/s (held / currently holding):

Positions held / currently holding	Year - From (month/year) To month/year
Coordinator, Steering Committee, NAAC	September 2013 to date
Head (UG)	1 June 2013 to date
Dean, Curriculum Development & Research	1 June 2013 to date
Elected member, governing council of The American College	1999-2001 & 2010-2012
Elected Member, Academic Council of MK University	Two Consecutive terms from 1997 – 2003
Faculty Secretary	2004 – 2005
President, English Literary Association, The American College	Four Terms

Publications:

Books:

1. “Speaking skills” section of Functional English (1992)
2. Conversational Skills (June,2014)
3. Reading and Writing Skills (November,2014)

Publications of Articles in National/International Journals/Books since

2011

1. (2011). Materials, medium, and language polices in India. **The English Classroom**, 13.1, **45-56**.
2. (2012). Testing English language skills: changes and challenges. **Pedagogue**, 1, 76-87. **ISBN:97881 89843 496**
3. (2012). Re-thinking English studies in India. **ACJELL**, 1: 21-29. **ISSN 2278 876X**
4. (2012) Teaching of English language and literature: a postcolonial interrogation. In **Postcolonial Literatures: Multiple Perspectives**. Madurai: Madura College. Pp.112-122.

5. (2012). Is Teaching of English Language and Literature in India a Perpetuation of Literary Colonialism? **JELLS**, 1.3: 19-25. <http://www.ijells.com/vol-1-issue-3-of-ijells-october-2012/> ISSN 2278 0742 **Impact Factor: 1.021**
6. (2012). Lang-Lit controversy: Pedagogic pandemonium. **English Language and Literature: Across Cultures**. Vol. III. Palayamkottai: St. John's College, pp.1-15. ISBN: 978-81-923897-0-7
7. (2013). Efficacy and Feasibility of Project-based Learning and Portfolios Assessment in ELT: A Study in the Indian Context. **The Modern Journal of Applied Linguistics – Special Issue**, 1-7. ISSN 0974-8741. (<http://www.mjal.org/Journal/hindustan-university.pdf>) as well as in Print.
8. (2013). ESL Teachers as Change Agents: an Analysis of Pedagogical Facts and Fallacies. **Journal of English Language Teachers' Interaction Forum**, IV.1 (Jan-March): 11-18. ISSN 2230-7710
9. (2013) Paradigm Shift in English Language Learning from Textbook to Facebook. **Teaching of English: Experiences and Experiments**. (Eds.) P. Bhaskaran Nair & Panch Ramalingam. Puducherry: Puducherry Cooperative Book Society. pp. 115-124.
10. (2013). Once a Teacher, Always a Learner: A Study in Professional Development of ESL. **New Orientations in English Literature and Language Teaching**, Vol.1: 63-71.
11. (2013). Taminglish: A Study in Social Psychology of the Tamils. In Neelam Tikkha (Ed.). **The Moment of Truth: A Multidisciplinary Critical International Perspective** [pp.47-63] Ahmadabad: CF International. ISBN 81-86067-11-6.
12. (2013). Technology as a Source of Sustained Interest and Motivation for Interactive English Classroom. **Forum for Musings: the JNTUH Journal of English Studies**, VII.1 (March): 173-195. ISSN 2231-0266

13. (2013). What fails English as the Dream Language of Rural India? **Sino-US English Teaching**, 10.5 (May): 352-357. **ISSN 1539-8072 (Print) & ISSN 1935-9675 (Online)**
14. (2013). Use of L1 as a strategy for acquisition of English in the bilingual Indian context. **ACJELL**, 2: 133-141. **ISSN 2278 876X**
15. (2013). Learner autonomy and attribution: A paradigm shift in ELT in India. **Sino-US English Teaching**, 10.8 (August): 583-92. **ISSN 1539-8072 (Print) & ISSN 1935-9675 (Online)**
16. (2013). Re-placing the ESP syndrome: Learner-response to texts in GE class. **Journal of English Language Teachers' Interaction Forum**, 14.3 (July-September): 18-24. **ISSN 2230-7710**.
17. (2013 Oct). Rural Learners of English: Needs and Challenges. In **Where I Met My Horizon: A Multidisciplinary Critical International Perspective**. Ed. Neelam Tikkha (pp.14-26). Nagpur: Confidence Foundation. ISBN:81-86067-13-2
18. (2013 Oct). Perceptions and Misconceptions of Literary Theories: An Analysis of Pedagogical Challenges in ESL Classrooms in India. In **Where I Met My Horizon: A Multidisciplinary Critical International Perspective**. Ed. Neelam Tikkha (pp.58-72). Nagpur: Confidence Foundation. ISBN:81-86067-13-2
19. (2013 Dec.). Critical Thinking in English Language Acquisition: Role of the Teacher. **Journal of English Language Teachers' Interaction Forum**, 14.4 (Oct.-December): 44-50. **ISSN 2230-7710**.
20. (2013 Dec.). Dialogic/Critical Pedagogy for the 21st Century Employable Learners. **Eclectic Representations**, ISSN 2231 430X 3.2: 81-94.
21. (2014 April). Grammar Teaching for Grammar's Sake or for Communication? **Language in India** www.languageinindia.com ISSN 1930-2940. 14.4: 80-87.

22. (2014 Jan-March). Why Can't/Don't My Students Read? [The English Research Express \(The International Journal of English Language and Literature\)](#), 2.5 Part II: 251-262. **Impact Factor: 0.746**
23. (2014 April). Who can be an ESP Practitioner? www.ijells.com 3.1: 118-22 ISSN 2278 0742. **Impact Factor: 1.021**
24. (2014 May). Standard Written English for Science Research: Challenges. Ed. Neelam G. Tikkha [Pageant](#), [pp.1-5] Ahmadabad: CF International.
25. (2014 May). Why can't/don't my students read? [International Journal on Studies in English Language and Literature \(Academics' Research Center\)](#) www.arcjournals.org 2.5: 66-73 **Impact Factor: 3.537 SJIF Morocco**
26. (2014 June). Who is the Indian Learner of English? A Study in Learner Profile [International Journal of English Language, Literature & Humanities](#), II.ii: 232-241. ISSN 2321-7065. **Impact Factor: 2.317**
27. (2014 July). Why Should Indians Learn English? A DNA Analysis of Objectives [International Journal of English Literature, Language & Skills](#), 3.2: 213-218. **Impact Factor: 1.021**
28. (2014 August). What gives Indian users of English 'foreign accent'? [Langlit: An International Peer Reviewed Open Access Journal](#), 1.1: 518-523. ISSN 2349-5189
29. (2014 August-Sept.) Role of L1 in Promotion of English language Learning [International Multi Journal: A Peer Reviewed Refereed e-journal](#), 1.1: 1-6. ISBN 81-86067-20-5
30. (Sept. 2014) Role of L1 in Promotion of English Language Learning. In Neelam G. Tikkha (Ed.) **Where the Sky is the Limit!** [pp.1-6]. Ahmedabad: CF International. ISBN: 81-86067-19-1

Publication in the Proceedings of the Conferences

1. (2010). Research potentials of English studies as a high-end profession. Proceedings of a two day UGC sponsored national seminar at SFR College, Sivakasi, TN, **3-7**.
2. (2011). English: the empowering language of the rural masses and strategies for realising their dreams. Proceedings of a two day UGC sponsored national seminar at ANJA College, Sivakasi, TN, **50-58. ISBN: 938048723-4**
3. (2012). Teachers' efficiency and learners' proficiency. Proceedings of a two day international conference on Professional English at Vel Tech University, Chennai, **578-81**.
4. (2012). English language teacher as English language learner: a study in professional development. Proceedings of a two day national seminar on Technology Integrated Language Teaching at B.S. Abdul Rahman University, Chennai, **142-52. ISBN: 978-81-923661-0-4**
5. (2012). **From textbook to facebook: learner strategies of English language acquisition**. Proceedings of a two day national conference on Developing Scenario in Applied Sciences and Communicative English at Kumaruguru College of Technology, Coimbatore, **E45-E49. ISBN:978-93-80716-46-6**
6. (2012). **Demand-deficit as a challenge of the English classroom in India**. Proceedings of the 7th International and 43rd Annual ELT@I Conference on The English Classroom—Experiments and Experiences at Velammal Engineering College, Chennai. **5-10. ISBN 978-93-80757-91-9**.
7. (2014 Jan.). English as 'THE' Publication Language of Science Research: Problems & Prospects. Proceedings of the National Conference on "Trends in English for Science & Technology with Special Focus on Technical Writing, at Sathyabama University, Chennai, **4-7. ISBN 978-93-83409-03-7**

8. **(2014 Jan.)** Employability Skills through Collaborative Learning: An Exploratory Study. Proceedings of the UGC Sponsored International Conference on Teaching English for Employability (TEE 2013), at Annammal College, Tuticorin, **89-92. ISBN 978-81-923842-1-4**
9. **(2014 April)** Can English Language Classes Promote Employability Skills? Proceedings of the National Conference on English for Employability (NCEE 2014) on 17 April 2014, in association with University of Cambridge, ESOL Examination at Vel Tech University, Chennai.

Papers presented at International / National Seminars/Conferences since

2010

1. **(2010 Dec.). Globalisation as a catalyst to the growth of Modern Tamil.** Paper presented at a Two Day UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Globalisation and Marginalisation at Vellalar College for Women, Erode on 9 & 10.
2. **(2010 Dec.). Research potentials of English studies as a high-end profession** (adjusted as the best paper). Paper presented at a Two Day UGC sponsored National Seminar on Occupational English at SFR College for Women, Sivakasi on 15 & 16.
3. **(2010 Dec.). English: the empowering language of the rural masses and strategies for realising their dreams.** Presented as key-note address at a Two Day UGC sponsored National Seminar on Issues and Challenges in teaching English to rural students at Ayya Nadar Janaki Ammal College, Sivakasi on 20 & 21.
4. **(2011 Jan.). Learners' success in learning: an index of teachers' success in teaching.** Paper presented at a Two Day UGC sponsored National Seminar on Commutainment at EMG Yadava Women's College, Madurai on 7 and 8.

5. (2011 Feb.). **Materials, medium, and language polices in India**. Paper presented at a Three Day National Seminar on Opportunities, options and challenges in English language education: methods, materials and evaluation at Regional Institute of English, South India, Bangalore during 23-25.
6. (2011 Mar.). **Psychology of learners towards L2 acquisition**. Paper presented at a One Day National Seminar on Incorporation of Learner-Centred Practice in Teaching of English Globally at ULTRA College of Engineering and Technology on 18.
7. (2011 Sept.). **Raison detre and leitmotif of Commonwealth Literature**. Presented as valedictory address at a One Day National Seminar on Commonwealth Literature: a strategic survey of the multicultural voices in the contemporary novels at MTN College, Madurai on 30.
8. (2011 Dec.). **Literary theories: perceptions and misconceptions**. Paper submitted at a Two Day UGC sponsored National Seminar on Literary Theory at Fatima College, Madurai on 16 & 17.
9. (2011 Dec.). **Fb and email as commutainment strategy for learning English**. Paper presented at a Three Day **International** Conference on English Grammar (ICEG 2011) at Bannari Amman Institute of Technology, Sathiyamangalam during 28-30.
10. (2012 Jan.). **Teaching of English language and literature: a postcolonial interrogation**. Paper presented at a One Day UGC sponsored National Seminar on Postcolonial Literature at Madura College, Madurai on 11.
11. (2012 Jan.). **Taminglish: code-mixing/-switching in Tamil/English discourse**. Paper presented at a One Day National Seminar at JAMESSM, Nagerkovil on 21.
12. (2012 Feb.). **Teachers' efficiency and learners' proficiency**. Paper presented at a Two Day **International** Conference on Professional English (ICOPE 2012) at Vel Tech University, Chennai on 15 & 16.

13. (2012 Feb.). **Testing English language skills: changes and challenges.** Paper presented at a One Day National Conference on Reflections and Innovations on ELT at Tertiary Level at St. Joseph's College, Trichy on 2.
14. (2012 Mar.). **English language teacher as English language learner: a study in professional development.** Paper presented at a Two Day National Seminar on Technology Integrated Language Teaching (TILT 2012) at B.S. Abdul Rahman University, Chennai on 1 & 2.
15. (2012 Mar.). **From textbook to facebook: English language learning strategy.** Paper presented at a Two Day National Conference on Developing Scenario in Applied Sciences and Communicative English (Confluence 2012) at Kumaraguru College of Technology, Coimbatore on 2 & 3.
16. (2012 Mar.). **English literature teaching: acquisition of literary competence.** Plenary paper presented as a Resource person at a Two Day UGC sponsored National Seminar on Teaching of English literature at Sathakathulla Appa College, Tirunelveli on 20 and 21.
17. (2012 Apr.). **Lang-lit dichotomy: pedagogic pandemonium.** Paper presented at a Two Day National Conference on English language and literature: across cultures at St John's College, Tirunelveli on 2 and 3.
18. (2012 July). **Multiple realities of English studies in India.** Paper presented at a One Day **International Seminar** on Literature and English Literature Teaching at SRN Adarsh College, Bangalore on Friday 6.
19. (2012 July). **Demand-supply deficit as a challenge of the English classroom in India.** Paper presented at a Three Day **International** Conference on English Classroom: Experiments and Experiences at Velammal Engineering College, Chennai from Thursday 19 to Saturday 21.

20. (2012 Sept.). **(Reader) Learner-response to literature in language class.** Paper presented at a Three Day **International** Conference on Literary Studies: Current Trends and Concurrent Challenges at Thassim Beevi Abdul Kader College for Women, Kilakarai from Friday 21 to Sunday 23.
21. (2012 Oct.). **Can technology provide panacea for all the ills in methods of teaching English in the Indian context?** Paper presented at a Two Day **National** Conference on The Frontiers of English Literature & The Patterns of English Language Teaching at Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Technology, Hyderabad on 9 & 10.
22. (2013 Jan.). **Power and Terror of English Grammar.** Paper presented at a Three Day **International** Congress on English Grammar, VIT, Vellore from 3 to 5.
23. (2013 Jan.). **Efficacy and Feasibility of Project-based Learning and Portfolios Assessment in ELT: A Study in the Indian Context.** Paper Presented at a Two Day **National** Seminar-cum-Workshop on Testing and Evaluation of Language Skills, Hindustan University on 22 & 23.
24. (2013 Feb.). **Who is the Indian Learner of English?** Paper presented at a Two Day **National** Conference on A Paradigmatic Shift in ELT: Empowerment of the English Classroom, Vasavi College of Engineering, Hyderabad on 1 & 2.
25. (2013 Mar.). **English Language Acquisition: A Study in Learner Autonomy and Attribution** Paper presented at a Two Day National Conference on A Paradigm Shift in English Language Teaching and Testing: A Literary/Linguistic Approach, B.S. Abdur Rahman University, Chennai on 14-15.
26. (2013 Mar.). **Code-Switching as a Strategy for Acquisition of English in the Bilingual Indian Context.** Paper Presented at a Three Day **Third International** English Language Teacher Educator Conference, Hyderabad International Convention Centre, Hyderabad from 16 to 18.

27. (2013 Mar.). **Online Chatting as a Third Medium of Communication in English.**
Paper Presented at a Two Day **National** Seminar on English in the Classroom: The Science of Communication, Vikrama Simhapuri University, Nellore on 23-24.
28. (2013 Mar.). **What's the need of the hour: Literal English or Literary English?**
Paper presented at a One Day International Conference on Pragmatic Facets of English Language Teaching, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai on 27.
29. (2013 July). **Rural Learners of English: Needs and Challenges.** Paper presented at a Three Day International conference on 21 Century Learners—Learning Styles & Strategies, SRM University, Chennai, 18-20.
30. (2013 Oct.). **Creative Thinking as Specific Outcome of English Language Learning.** Paper presented at a Two Day National Conference on Instructional Methods and Materials in ELT, B.S. Abdur Rahman University, Chennai, 10 & 11.
31. (2013 Oct.). **Humanities vs. Sciences: Role of Literature for Young Technocrats.**
National Conference on Rethinking the Role of Humanities in Technical Education: Pedagogies and Possibilities, BITS, Hyderabad, 18-19.
32. (2013 Nov.) **Employability skills through collaborative learning: an exploratory study.** Paper presented at a Two Day International Conference on Teaching English for Employability, Annamal College of Education, Tuticorin, 21-22 Nov.
33. (2013 Dec.) **Critical Thinking in English Language Acquisition: Role of the Teacher.** Three Day National Conference on Outcome Based Language Learning, Hindustan University, Chennai, 4-6 Dec.
34. (2014 Jan.) **Grammar Teaching for Grammar's Sake or for Communication.** Three Day International Congress on English Grammar, Sri Ramakrishna Engineering College, Coimbatore, 23-25 Jan.

35. (2014 Jan). **English as 'THE' Publication Language of Science Research: Problems & Prospects**. One Day National Conference on Trends in English for Science & Technology, Sathyabama University, 29 Jan.
36. (2014 Feb.). **Why Don't/Can't My Students Read?** Two Day 4th National Conference on ELT: Cultivating the Reading Skill: A Classroom Challenge, ELT Institute of Symbiosis (ELTIS), Pune, 7 & 8 Feb.
37. (2014 Feb). Use of Technology in English Classroom. A One Day UGC Sponsored National Workshop. FGGC, Bangalore, 4 March.
38. (2014 March). **Teaching ESP: Need for Teacher Development**. Two Day National Seminar on English for Specific Purposes: A Reappraisal, Anna University, Chennai, 7 & 8 March.
39. (2014 March). **TTT vs. STT: A Paradigm Shift**. One Day National Conference on Communication Skills for Academic Excellence and Career Development, PVPSIT, Vijayawada, 28 March.
40. (2014 April). **Facebook for Inclusive and Empowering English Language Learning**. One Day National Seminar on English Language Teaching in Connect with Digital Technology—innovative classroom strategies for the GEN Y Student. VIT, Chennai, 12 April.
41. (2014 April). **Can English Language Classes Promote Employability Skills?** One Day National Conference on English for Employability, Vel Tech. University, Chennai, in association with University of Cambridge, ESOL Examination on 17 April.
42. (2014 May). **What is Parent's Attitude toward English as a Means of Sustainable Development?** Two Day International Conference on Role of ELT in Education for Sustainable Development, Amity University, Lucknow in association with RELO on 24 & 25.

43. (2014 June). **Why should Indians learn English? A Revisit to Objectives** Two Day UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Strengthening English Language & Learning: Issues and Challenges, Kakhitya Govt. College, Warangal on 12 & 13.
44. (2014 July). **What gives Indian Users of English ‘foreign accent’?** Two Day UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Challenges in Teaching English as a Second Language to Vernacular Students, C.K.M. Arts & Science College, Warangal on 25 & 26.
45. (2014 August). **Can the Use of L1 Promote English Language Learning?** Three Day 9th International Conference on English from Classes to Masses at VGU, Jaipur from 21-23
46. (2014 Sept.). **Why Should I be a Reflective Practitioner of English Language Teaching?** Two Day National Conference on Readings Perceptions & Sensitivities at SRM University, Chennai on 22 & 23
47. (2014 Oct.). **What is the function of language assessment: A Study in teacher/learner attitude?** Two Day UGC Sponsored National Conference on Applied Linguistics at APS College of Commerce, Bangalore on 13 & 14
48. (2014 Oct.). Two Day Research Oriented Seminar: Perspectives 2014 at Amirta School of Arts and Sciences, Kochi on 10 & 11.
49. (2014 Nov.) **Should English Language Teachers be Necessarily Curriculum Designers?** Two Day International Conference on Trends & Innovations in Language Teaching: Teacher Cognition and Language Education (TILT 2014) at Sathyabama University on 14 & 15.
50. (2014 Dec.) **Macaulay’s English Education Policy: A Postcolonial Response** Two Day National Conference on Status and Prospects of English in the Digital Era at Tamil Nadu Open University on 19 & 20.

51. (2014 Dec.) **Why Should GE Classes Care for Literature?** ELTIF International Conference at Mahe from 26-28.

Chairperson of technical sessions/panellist at State/National Seminars

1. One Day seminar on **ELT: Present Trends and Future Directions** at Mannar Thirumalai Naickar College, Madurai on 25 September 2010.
2. Two Day seminar on **Globalisation and Marginalization** at Vellalar College for Women, Erode on 9 & 10 December 2010
3. Two day seminar on **Issues and Challenges in teaching English to rural students** at ANJA College, Sivakasi on 20 & 21 December 2010
4. Two Day Workshop on **Communitainment** at EMG Yadava Women's College, Madurai 7 and 8 January 2011
5. One Day seminar on **Commonwealth Literature: a strategic survey of the multicultural voices in the contemporary novels** at Mannan Thirumalai Naicker College, Madurai 30 September 2011.
6. One Day National Conference on **Reflections and Innovations on ELT at Tertiary Level** at St. Joseph's College, Trichy on 24 February 2012.
7. Two Day National Seminar on **Teaching of English literature** at Sathakathulla Appa College, Tirunelveli on 20 and 21 March 2012.
8. Two Day National Conference on **The Frontiers of English Literature & The Patterns of English Language Teaching** at MGIT, Hyderabad on 9 & 10 Nov. 2012.
9. Two Day National Seminar-cum-Workshop on **Testing and Evaluation of Language Skills**, Hindustan University on 22 & 23, Jan 2013.

10. Two Day National Conference on **A Paradigmatic Shift in ELT: Empowerment of the English Classroom**, Vasavi College of Engineering, Hyderabad on 1 & 2. Feb. 2013.
11. Panelist on “Making ELT interesting & exciting” at a Two Day National Conference on A Paradigm Shift in English Language Teaching and Testing: A Literary/Linguistic Approach, B.S. Abdur Rahman University, Chennai on 14-15, March 2013.
12. Two Day **National** Seminar on English in the Classroom: The Science of Communication, Vikrama Simhapuri University, Nellore on 23-24, March 2013.
13. One Day **International** Conference on Pragmatic Facets of English Language Teaching, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai on 27, March 2013.
14. One Day UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Indian Writing in English: A Literary Uprising, MTN College, Madurai, 28 Sept. 2013
15. Two Day National Conference on Rethinking the Role of Humanities in Technical Education: Pedagogies and Possibilities”, BITS, Pilani-Hyderabad Campus on 18 & 19 Oct 2013.
16. Two Day International Conference on Teaching English for Employability, Annamal College of Education, Tuticorin, 21-22 Nov. 2013
17. Three Day National Conference on Outcome Based Language Learning, Hindustan University, Chennai, 4-6 Dec. 2013.
18. One National Conference on Trends in English for Science & Technology, Sathyabama University, Chennai, 29 Jan. 2014.
19. Panelist on “Axing Writer’s Block”: Are we on the Right Track? One Day National Conference on Trends in English on Science & Technology (TEST 14), Sathyabama University, Chennai 29 Jan. 2014.

20. 4th National Conference on ELT: Cultivating the Reading Skill: A Classroom Challenge, ELT Institute of Symbiosis, Pune on 7 & * February 2014.
21. One Day National Conference on Communication Skills for Academic Excellence and Career Development, PVPSIT, Vijayawada on 28 March 2014.
22. Two Day International Conference on Role of ELT in Education for Sustainable Development, Amity University, Lucknow in association with RELO on 24 & 25 May 2014.
23. Two Day UGC sponsored National Seminar on Strengthening English Language & Learning: Issues and Challenges, Kakhitya Govt. College, Warangal on 12 & 13.
24. Two Day UGC sponsored National Seminar on Challenges in Teaching English as a Second Language to Vernacular Students, CKM Arts & Science College, Warangal on 25 & 26 July 2014.
25. Two Day International Conference on Trends & Innovations in Language Teaching: Teacher Cognition and Language Education (TILT 2014) at Sathyabama University on 14 & 15 November 2014.

Awards

1. Best Paper for **Research potentials of English studies as a high-end profession** presented at a Two Day UGC sponsored National Seminar on Occupational English at SFR College for Women, Sivakasi on 15 & 16 Dec. 2010.
2. Best Participant at a Three Day National Conference on Outcome Based Education: a Road to Future (OBERF'13) from 4-6 Dec. 2013 at Hindustan University, Chennai.
3. Second Best Paper for **“Why Don't/Can't My students Read?”** presented at a Two Day 4th National Conference on ELT: Cultivating the Reading Skill: A Classroom Challenge, ELT Institute of Symbiosis, Pune on 7 & 8 Feb. 2014.
4. Reviewer for Sino-US English Teaching Journal- 2013-14

Membership in Professional Bodies

1. Short term member in English Language Teachers Association of India (**ELTAI**)
2012-15/20069217
2. Short term member in English Language Teachers' Interaction Forum (**ELTIF**) 2012-
15/
3. Member, Editorial Advisory Board, ANJAC Journal of Humanities and Social
Sciences.
4. Member, ELTAI Computer Technology Special Interest Group (SIG) 6 Jan 2013
onwards
5. Member, ELTAI Literature Special Interest Group (SIG): A virtual group of
professors and research scholars of English Literature 6 Jan 2013 onwards. 451
6. Head, Tamil Nadu region of Confidence Foundation Educator's Trainer's
Researcher's Association – Global (CFTRA-Global). Feb. 2013 onwards

Plenary Speaker/panelist

1. (10 & 11 Oct. 2013). Instructional Methods. BS. Abdur Rahman University, Chennai.
2. (12 April 2014). ELT in the 21st Century. VIT-Chennai.
3. (4-6 Dec. 2013). Outcome Based Education-A Road to the Future (OBERF '13).
Hindustan University, Chennai.
4. (29 Jan 2014). Axing the Writer's Block at One Day National Conference on Trends
in English for Science & Technology, Sathyabama University, Chennai
5. (12 & 13 June 2014) Should the English Teacher shed his old self and be innovative
and interactive for Continuous Professional Development? at a Two Day UGC
Sponsored National Seminar on Strengthening English Language & Learning: Issues
and Challenges, Kakhitya Govt. College, Warangal

6. (25 & 26 July 2014) Reflective Teaching for Professional Development at a Two Day UGC sponsored National Seminar on Challenges in Teaching English as a Second Language to Vernacular Students, CKM Arts & Science College, Warangal.

Present/past Membership of the Academic/Administrative Bodies

1. Elected Member of the Academic Council of Madurai Kamaraj University **two consecutive times** (1997-2003)
2. Member of Board of Studies in English at Government Meetakshi College for Women for **two terms**
3. Member of Board of Studies in English at TBAK College for Women, Keelakarai for **a term**
4. Member of Board of Studies in English at SFR College for Women, Sivakasi for **a term**
5. Member of Board of Studies in English at ANJA College, Sivakasi for **a term**
6. Member of Board of Studies in English at EMG Yadava College, Madurai for **a term**
7. University Nominee for Board of Studies in English at Fatima College, Madurai for **a term** from
8. Member, Expert Committee on English for NACC at Fatima College, Madurai
9. Elected Faculty Representative as member of the Governing Council of the American College for **two terms** (1999-2001) and (2010-2012)
10. President, English Literary Association, The American College, for **four terms**.
11. Subject Expert in BOS in English (PG) at ANJA College, Sivakasi (2012-2014)
12. University Nominee for Board of Studies in English at SFR College for Women, Sivakasi for a term from 28.05.2013 to 27.05.2015.
13. Subject Expert in BOS (PG) at EMG Yadava College for Women, Madurai for a term from 2013 to 2015

14. Member, BOS in English at the Department of English, Madurai Kamaraj University
for a term from 2013-15

15. Subject Expert in BOS in English at VVV College for Women, Virudhunagar from
2013-15

Meetings Attended

26.12.2013: PG Board of Studies at EMG Yadava Women's College as Subject Expert

09.06.2014: Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) conducted by TANSICHE at
Loyola College

16.06.2014 Appointments Committee as University Nominee/Subject Expert at MTN
College

07.07.2014: Appointments Committee as University Nominee/Subject Expert at Vivekanda
College, Sholanvanthan

04.08.2014: Appointments Committee as University Nominee/Subject Expert at MTN
College

Guide & Supervisor for PhD research

S.No	Name	Univ & Reg. No	Date of viva/DOR	Title
1	S. Arockia Nirmal Dorothy	Madurai Kamaraj & P8768	Awaiting	Confiscating History in Fiction: A Study of the Select Works of Michael Ondaatje and Shyam Selvadurai
2	S. Parvathavarthini	Madurai Kamaraj & P3289	30.9.2013	English Language Learning by Engineering Colelge students: A Study in Metacognition
3	B. Vetrivel	Madurai Kamaraj & P3335	05.10.2013	English Proficiency of Government School Teachers: A Study in Teacher Attitudes
4	B. Anita Virgin	Madurai Kamaraj & P3330	05.10.2013	Listening Skills for Communication: A Study in Problems and Prospects
5	Susan Mathew	Madurai Kamaraj & P3312	05.10.2013	A Sociolinguistic Analysis of the Impact of Transliterated Expression in Print ADs
6	J. Jehoson Jiresh	Madurai Kamaraj &	28.02.2014	Acquisition of Speaking skills through Collaborative Learning

		P3490		
7	S. Princely Samuel	Bharathiar University	1 Jan 2013	Evolution of Young Adult Fiction in Indian Writing in English
8	V. Malar	Bharathiar University	1 Jan 2013	Teaching of English Language Skills: An Integrated Approach
9	E. Suresh	Bharathiar Univ. & PhD-CB-DEC2013-0507	1 Jan 2014	Existential Challenges of the subaltern in Amitav Ghosh's select novels
10	M. Malini	Bharathiar Univ. & PhD-CB-DEC2013-0483	1 Jan 2014	Multi-media Strategy of Speaking Skills: Material Preparation
11	A. Ukkirapandian	Bharathiar Univ	1 Jan 2014	Chetan Bhagat & Vairamuthu: A Comparative Study
12	B. Rathika	MKU P3566	12.04.2014	Youth Themes in the works of Preeti Shenoy, Chetan Bhagat & Ravinder Singh

MPhil Scholars guided

S.No	Name	Title	Year	Univ/College
1	Parvathavarthini, S.	English Words in Tamil Speech: a Study	2004	Madurai Kamaraj
2	Movendhran, M.	Translation of select stories of Sujatha into English.	2006	Madurai Kamaraj
3	Vijay, G.	Testing and Evaluation of Part II English of Madurai Kamaraj University.	2006	American College
4	Jose, M.	V. S. Naipaul's shifting attitudes to India: a study of his select works.	2007	Madurai Kamaraj
5	Jacquiline, S. Emerald.	CALL/CALT: a Feasibility Study in Indian context	2007	American College
6	Smitha, Raji. S.	Writer as an activist: a study of Arundhati Roy's essays.	2007	American College
7	Jessie, A.	Postcolonial attitudes toward English studies in colleges in Madurai.	2008	American College
8	Christabel,	Translation of short stories of Vikraman into English.	2008	Madurai Kamaraj
9	Sumathi, J.	Translation of select short stories of G. Thilagavathy in English.	2008	Madurai Kamaraj
10	Vetrivel, B.	English translation of select short stories from Maraivaai Sona Kathaikal by Ki Raja Narayanan and Kazhaniyuraan.	2009	Madurai Kamaraj
11	Amin, R. Noorul.	English translation of select folktales in Tamil.	2009	Madurai Kamaraj
12	Sudha, A. Deva.	Ethnic conflict in the writings of Regi Siriwardena, Shyam Selvadurai, and	2010	American College

		Shobasakthi		
13	Bincey, M.	Activity Based Learning in learning Grammar	2010	American College
14	Gunaseeli, W. Jean Ida.	Use of English in judiciary in Tamil Nadu: a study in politics of language	2011	American College
15	Mythili, K.	The role of ICT in ELT: an assessment	2011	American College
16	Princely, Samuel.	Acquisition of Reading Skills at Undergraduate level: a Longitudinal Analysis	2012	American College
17	Rajan, Immanuel.	English text books under uniform system of school education scheme	2012	American College
18	Ukkirapandian, K.	ELT Policies in India: a SWOT analysis	2012	American College
19	Malar, V.	Translations of Select Essays of Irai Anbu from Tamil to English.	2012	Madurai Kamaraj
20	Sowmya	Validity of CLT in India: teachers' perspective	2013	American College
21	Jiresh, Jehoson, J.	Enhancement of Speaking Skills through Music.	2013	American College
22	Ishwarya, S.	Tamilized English: A Study in Assimilatory Processes and Patterns.	2013	American College
23	Samuel, R. Allen D.	Computer Assisted Language Teaching: a Study in Prospects and problems	2013	Madurai Kamaraj
24	Benitez, Joseph E. Ahiman.	Vikas Swarup's Novels: A Study in Narratology	2013	American College
25	A. Dinesh	Collaborative & Cooperative Learning for Skills Development	2014	American College
26	Vinodhini		2014	American College
27	Sathya Krishan Sundar, N	Promotion of Speaking Skills through Learner Autonomy	2014	American College
28	Bharani	Strategies of Teaching Listening Skills at Upper Primary Level	2014	American College
29	R. Raja	Role of Newspapers in Acquisition of Reading Skills	2014	American College
30	Renuga		2014	American College

In-service Courses Attended

- Jan/Feb 1988: Non-violence from 20 Jan. to 2 Feb at the Department of Gandhian Studies and Ramalinga Philosophy, Madurai Kamaraj University.
- June 2013: Certificate Course in Soft Skills from 10 to 15 (50 hours) at Osmania University Centre for International Programmes, Hyderabad.
- Dec.2013: Cambridge English Teacher Support Program on 13 & 14 Dec. 2013 at Vickram College of Engineering

Invited Talks on Communication/Pronunciation Skills/English in the 21st

Century/Literary Theories

1. Fatima College
2. Wakf Board College
3. Mannar Thirumalai Naiackar College
4. Meenakshi Govt College for Women
5. EMG Yadava College for women
6. AKD Dharma Raja Women's College, Rajapalayam
7. TBAK College for Women, Kilakarai
8. Ramanathan Umayal College for Women, Karaikudi
9. Annai Matha College of Engineering Namakkal
10. KLN College of Information & Technology, Madurai
11. Ultra College of Engineering for Women, Madurai
12. Annapackiam College for Women, Periyakulam
13. Sri Adi Chuchanagiri Women's College, Cumbum
14. One Day UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Indian Writing in English: A Literary Uprising, MTN College, Madurai, 28 Sept. 2013
15. Two Day National Conference on Rethinking the Role of Humanities in Technical Education: Pedagogies and Possibilities", BITS, Pilani-Hyderabad Campus on 18 & 19 Oct 2013.
16. (27 Aug 2014) Research Skills. Govt Meenakshi College for Women, Madurai
17. (10 Sept. 2014) Introduction to Research, Reading and Interpretations, & English in the 21st Century, SFR College for Women, Sivakasi
18. (18 Sept. 2014) Endowment Lecture on Literary Theories: Confessions & Confusions at St Joseph's College, Trichy.
19. (25 Oct. 2014) English in the twenty first century. Jayaraj Annapackiam College for Women, Periyakulam.
20. (29 Oct. 2014) Character of English. Tamil Nadu Theological Seminary, Madurai
21. (26 Nov 2014) Reading Habits & Sentence Skills. Vivekananda College, Tiruvedakam, Madurai 625 214.

