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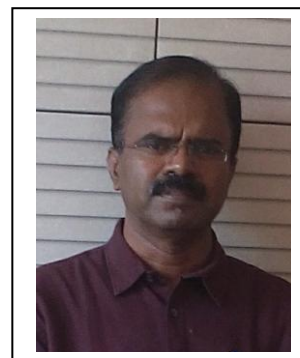
Designation: Associate Professor & HEAD i/c (UG,PG & Research)

Department: English

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Educational Qualification:

Degree	Subject	College / University & Place	Year Completed
PhD	English	MKU, Madurai	2013
M.A.	Philosophy & Religion	DDE, MKU	2012
Certificate	German Language	Tamilnadu Theological Seminary (MKU)	2010
M.Phil.	English	St. Joseph's College, Trichy	1988
M.A.	English	Department of English (MKU)	1987
B.A	English	G.T.N. Arts College, Dindigul	1985

Specialisation in Teaching: Drama, Literary Criticism, Film Studies

Specialisation in Research: Philosophy & Phraseology

Research Interests: Lincoln Studies

Other Work Experience:

Designation	Institution / Company	Year - From (month/year) To (month/year)
Lecturer	G.T.N. Arts College, Dindigul	1989 (9 months)
Lecturer	The American College	1989-'90 (6 months)
Teaching Associate / Lecturer	The American College	June 1991-20/12/1999

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

Positions held / currently holding	Year - From (month/year) To month/year)
Governing Council Member	June 2006 to May 2010; June 2014 to May 2016
Faculty Secretary	2002-2003
Senatus Member	2001-2003
Autonomy Coordinator	July 1997 to July 2006
Staff Adviser for Student Forum	June 1998 to December 2006
Hall Superintendent	Dec 1989- May1990; 1991to 1995

Membership in Professional Bodies:

- English Language Teachers' Association of India (ELTAI), Chennai
- Have been a subject expert on the Boards of Studies of Sri Meenakshi Government Arts College for Women, MDU, M.T.N. College, MDU and G.T.N. Arts College, Dindigul.

Publications:

Books: -Nil-

Articles Published in International Journals:

1. "Humor in Depicting Apostles of Jesus and Disciples of Paramartha Guru", *Research Journal of English Language and Literature*, Vol.7, Issue 3 (July-Sep **2019**): 361-367. Electronic. ISSN:2321-3108
2. "Anticipating Christ in Plato's Socrates", *Eclectic Representations*, Vol 6, Issue1 (Jan **2016**):83-90. Print. ISSN:2231-430X
3. "Idioms: Reading the Unread", *Eclectic Representations*, Vol. 5, Issue1 (Jan **2015**):102-109. Print. ISSN:2231-430X
4. "Idioms and the Commonality of Human Experience", *Eclectic Representations*, Vol.4, Issue 1 (June **2014**):72-90. Print. ISSN:2231-430X
5. "Idioms as Vehicles of the Existential Angst", *American College Journal of English Language and Literature*, 2 (**2013**): 142-147. Print. ISSN 2278-876X
6. "Idioms and Proverbs: A Philosophical Standoff", *The Journal for English Language and Literary Studies*, Vol. II, Issue ii (April-June **2012**) 43-50. Electronic. ISSN (2249 – 216X) Cited by:
 - Shobe, Elizabeth R. "Independent and Collaborative Contributions of the Cerebral Hemispheres to Emotional Processing," *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience*, 8:230 (2014) doi.org/10.3389/fnhum.2014.00230
7. "Abraham Lincoln's Reputation among the Tamils of South India: A Professional and Personal Influence" in *Creative Breakthroughs in Leadership: James Madison, Abraham Lincoln, and Mahatma Gandhi*, ed. Pederson, William D., and Frank J. Williams, Pencraft (**2007**): 279-292. ISBN:81-85753-85-7 *

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- Lal, Vinay. “Defining a legacy: Lincoln in the National Imaginary of India.” *The Global Lincoln*, ed. Carwardine, Richard and Jay Sexton, OUP (2011), 172-189. ISBN-10: 019537911X
- Watson, Robert P., et al, editors. *Lincoln’s Enduring Legacy: Perspectives from Great Thinkers, Great Leaders*, Lexington Books, (2010), 29. ISBN-10: 073914989X

Articles published in National Journals: -Nil-

Conference / Seminar Presentations:

- “Idioms: Reading the Unread” at the First International Conference on “Pragmatic Facets of English Language Teaching”, Dept. English Language Studies, MKU, Madurai--2013.
- “Thinking Territory: Affect and Attachment in Tamil Cinema” at the Ninth International Conference, Forum on Contemporary Theory, Goa—December 2007.
- “Lincoln’s Legacy among the Tamils” at the Ninth International Conference, Forum on Contemporary Theory, Udaipur, Rajasthan—December 2006.
- “Rigidity Vs Flexibility: Idioms in a Multilingual Context” at the World Congress on “World Languages in Multilingual Contexts”, CIEFL, Hyderabad—Jan 2001.
- “Linguistic Uniformity as the Strength of the American Nation” at the Annual Workshop of the South Indian American Studies Network, Chennai—August 2000.

Lectures / Talks given:

Delivered a few (6) lectures at colleges in and around Madurai

Awards / Fellowships: -Nil-

Doctoral Students:

Completed: -Nil-

Ongoing: -03-

Name of the Student	Title of the Thesis
Ms. A.J. Glory Gursheth	“English Translations by Lakshmi Holstrom, Usha Rajagopalan, and C.T.Indra: A Psychological Study”
Ms. D. Archana	“New Aestheticism: A Study of Select Postmodern Indian Women Novelists”
Ms. J. Princy	“Politics of Oppression: A Comparative Study in Select Novels of Richard Wright and Perumal Murugan”

UGC Sponsored Major Projects: -Nil-

UGC Sponsored Minor Project: -Nil-

Overseas Academic Visits: -Nil-

Other Activities / Academic Credentials:

- Wrote a full length play “In the Name of God” in seven scenes that was staged by the Department of English in February 1994.
