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Objective

To perpetuate learning through an attractive teaching position.

Qualification

2019

PhD in English from International Islamic University, Islamabad, Pakistan.

2013 – 2014

MA TEF/SL with Merit from University of Birmingham, United Kingdom.

2007 - 2010

M.Phil in English with First Class First Div. from International Islamic University, Islamabad, Pakistan.

1999 - 2001

MA in English with First Class First Div. from Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan.

February, 1998 - June, 1998

Diploma in English Language from National Institute of Modern Languages, Islamabad, Pakistan.

Teaching Experience

2007- to-date

I am Assistant Professor in English at International Islamic University, Islamabad, Pakistan. I teach mostly on modules in General Linguistics, Phonetics and Phonology,

Morphology, Syntax, Sociolinguistics, Stylistics, Educational Psychology and Assessment in Language Learning and Teaching. I also teach in the ELT Wing of the Department.

September 2023 – to-date

Teaching as a Visiting Faculty at Quaid e Azam University, Islamabad

August, 2006 -- September, 2007

Taught English as a Foreign/Second Language as an EF/SL Lecturer at National University of Modern Languages, Islamabad, Pakistan.

2008 – 2017

September 2022 – June 2023

Taught at SZABIST, Islamabad as a Visiting Faculty

October, 2005 -- February, 2007

Worked as an English Language Teacher at The City School, Capital Campus, Islamabad, Pakistan.

February, 2004 -- October, 2005

Served as an English Language Instructor at Iqra centre for Technical Education, International Islamic University, Islamabad, Pakistan.

Overseas Teaching Experience

September, 2002 - September, 2003

Worked as an English Language Teacher at Intermediate and Secondary School, Dah'baan, Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Administrative Experience

June 2022 – June 30, 2025

Worked as Incharge (M/F Programs) at Department of English, International Islamic University Islamabad, Pakistan.

July 2018 -- June 2022

Worked as Coordinator Undergrad. Studies (MC) at Department of English, International Islamic University, Islamabad, Pakistan.

2015 – 2019

Worked as Focal Person (QEC) at Department of English, International Islamic University, Islamabad, Pakistan.

Publications

Raja, A. M. & Ahmad, M. I. (2020). Exploring PD Practices of ELTs Working in Federal-Capital Universities of Pakistan. *The Dialogue*, 15(1), pp. 164-175.

Raja, A. M. (2022). Gender Differences in English Language Teachers' Professional Development in Pakistan. *Journal of Contemporary Poetics*, 6(1), pp. 73-90.

Ahmad, I., Raja, A. M. & Shah, M. M. (2022). Combating Islamophobia: A Transitivity Analysis of Selected Muslim Leaders' UNGA Speeches. *NUML Journal of Critical Inquiry*, 20(1), pp. 31 – 48.

Abbas, G., Raja, A. M., & Shah, M. M. (2022). Designing a Needs-Based Technical Writing Course for Engineering Students: A study of Bachelor-Level Male Students at IIUI. *Asian Journal of Academic Research*, 3(1), pp. 50 – 60.

Gill, F. & Raja, A. M. (2023). Corpus Analysis of Fear Syndromic Language of Media: Corona Transmogrification (New Covid-2) Perspective. *Pakistan Journal of Society, Education and Language*, 9(2), pp. 520 – 535.

Khalid, A. & Raja, A. M. (2023). Self Assessment as a Tool for Improved Writing in an ESL Context: An Approach toward Action Research. *Asian Journal of Academic Research*, 4(3), pp. 26 – 37.

Raja, A. M. & Gill, F. (2023). Comparative Analysis of Multi-Strategic Assessment Predictors in Reading Comprehension: A Case Study of Pakistani Advanced EFL Learners. *Sublime Haro Journal of Academic Research*, 5(2). pp. 59 – 71.

Khan, M. O. A, Mahmood, A. & Raja, A. M. (2023). Phonological Adaptation of English Loanwords in Khowar: An Optimality Analysis. *Research Journal of Language and Literary Studies*, 3(2), pp. 30 - 68.

Khan, M. O. A, Mahmood, A. & Raja, A. M. (2024). Vowel Adjustment in Khowar: A Phonological Analysis of English Loan Words. *International Journal of Contemporary Issues in Social Sciences*, 3(1), pp. 1359 - 1382

Gill, F. & Raja, A. M. (2024). A War of Supremacy Deciphering Peace and Security Stratagems in Pakistani and Indian Prime Ministers' Discourses: A Critical Analysis. *Pakistan Languages and Humanities Review*, 8(3), 585-600.

Projects

A project entitled "Enhancing Pak-US Partnership: Faculty Training and Development" under **IIU-UNCW Fellow-University Partnership Grant Project** with USEFP from May 2023 till October, 2023.

A project entitled **"Fulbright Specialist Project"** with USEFP from February 8, 2025 till March 14, 2025

Supervision of MS/PhD Theses

PhD Theses

- M. Zeeshan Akram, PhD English. “An Acoustic Phonetic Account of Epenthesis in Pakistani English” (Research in progress).
- Faiz Ur Rehaman Gill, PhD English. “A Corpus-based Critical Linguistic Analysis of Resistant Discourses” (Research in progress).
- Muhammad Safdar, PhD English. “Enhancing Lexical Coverage: An Evaluation of English Language Vocabulary Apps for EFL Learners” (Research in progress).
- Israr Ahmad, PhD English. “Politeness Strategies and Self-Doubt: A Pragmatic Study of the Liking Gap in Second Language Learners” (Research in Progress)

MS Theses

- Muhammad Israr, MS English. “Combating Islamophobia: A Transitivity Analysis of Selected Muslim Leaders’ UNGA Speeches” (Degree Awarded).
- Muhammad Talha, MS English. “A Rhetorical Analysis of Research Article Introductions in Pakistani Journals” (Degree Awarded).
- Sajid Ullah, MS English. “ “ (Degree Awarded).
- Nasr Ul Haq, MS English. “ “ (Degree Awarded).
- Muahammad Salman, MS English. “ “ (Viva Pending)
- Hussain Bakhsh, MS English. “ “ (Viva awaited)
- Muhammad Zubair, MS English. “ “ (Viva awaited)
- Kashif Iqbal, MS English. “ “ (Research in Progress)

Workshops/Conferences Attended

· Panel discussion on *Creating Space for Everyone: Inclusive Practices in Action* in the South Asia TeachingEnglish Online Conference 2025 (July 17, 2025)

· Webinar on *Dyslexia and Inclusive Language Teaching* in the South Asia TeachingEnglish Online Conference 2025 (July 17, 2025)

· ELTR (English Language Teaching Reforms), Phase II HEC’s (Higher Education Commission’s) One Month (January 02 – February 03, 2012) Course on *English for Specific Purposes (ESP)*.

· FJWU’s (Fatima Jinnah Women University’s) Two-Day (July 10 – July 11) workshop, organized under HEC/BC (British Council) Link, in collaboration with University of Birmingham on *Research Methodology for Bilingual Research*.

· IIUI’s (International Islamic University, Islamabad) One Week (held in summer 2007) Workshop on *Training the Teachers and Training Methods*.

· IIUI’s Six-Day Workshop, organized under HEC/BC Link, in collaboration with University of Wales, Newport UK on *Materials Development in ELT*.

· SPELTs’ (Society of Pakistan English Language Teachers) 21st Three Days (September 16 – September 18, 2005) International ELT conference on *Teaching Learning, Learning Teaching*.

Interests

Playing cricket, visiting different places and reading books.

Languages

English, Urdu, Punjabi and a little bit of Arabic.