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EDUCATION

- 2015 **PhD** Cardiff University, Wales, UK
Dissertation: *Does memorization without comprehension result in language learning?*
- 2011 **MA** Cardiff University, Wales, UK
Dissertation: *A genre analysis of job application letters written by British University students*
- 2001 **MA** University of Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan
Major: English Literature; **Minor:** Linguistics
- 1999 **BA (Hons.) (Distinction)** University of Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan
Major: English Literature; **Minor:** English Language; Arabic Language; Social and Religious Studies
- 1996 **HSSC** B.I.S.E. Islam Abad, Pakistan
- 1994 **SSC** B.I.S.E. Islam Abad, Pakistan

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sept 2015 to date
Language and Linguistics
University of Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan

Mar 2013-Dec 2015
Introduction to Language
Cardiff University, UK

Oct 2012-Dec 2013
Introduction to Language and Society
Cardiff University, UK

Jan 2004-Oct 2010

History of English Literature

University of Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan

Apr 2008-Aug 2010

English Proficiency course

University of Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan

(2009)

English for Teaching, Teaching for English (ETTE)

A British Council project aimed at improving and strengthening English teachers' performance in the classroom

PROFESSIONAL & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

(2014)

Learning to Teach in Higher Education

Diploma in Teaching from Cardiff University

Member of Higher Education Academy (HEA), UK

I am a freelance translator, and a trained **IELTS** teacher.

(2004-2005) Assistant Warden Hostel-1, University of Peshawar

(2009-2010) Staff Proctor, University of Peshawar

CONFERENCES

1. "The effect of memorization on language learning." Annual PGR Conference, 29-30 May 2014, Cardiff University
2. "Does memorization without comprehension give foreign language learners a foothold into the language?" The Formulaic Language Research Network (FLaRN) Conference, 14-16 July 2014, Swansea University, Swansea, UK
3. Presented a poster at The Formulaic Language Research Network (FLaRN), Conference 28-30 March, 2012 at Tilburg University, Netherlands
4. "Quran memorization and the learning of Classical Arabic: a methodological framework." Lexical Studies Research Network Conference, Gregynog, Wales, UK 19-22 March 2013
5. "Memorizing a Lengthy Text in a Foreign Language" 19 March 2015 at Chapter Arts Centre Cardiff, Wales, UK.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Second Language Acquisition
Formulaic Language
Psycholinguistics
Sociolinguistics
Stylistics
Systemic Functional Linguistics

I am particularly interested in supervising MPhil and PhD students in areas related to second language learning, and stylistics. I am currently supervising two MPhil students.

LANGUAGES

Pashto
English
Urdu
Arabic