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Career Objective

Seeking a challenging and rewarding position in an expanding and reputable educational organization where I can leverage my creativity and skills. Committed to utilizing my training, research and management expertise to contribute to the latest approaches in English Language Teaching (ELT) and furthering professional development. Aspiring to participate in and contribute to advancements in the field, while continuously enhancing research and knowledge acquisition skills to positively impact education and global knowledge.

Education (all certificates are available upon request)

- **Ph.D. in English Language Teaching & Teacher Training**
Helwan & October 6th Universities, Cairo (2022).
- **Master's Degree in TESOL**
The University of Edinburgh, UK (2015).
- **DELTA Holder**
International House, London (Module 1, 30/1/2018).
- **Assessment Design and Item Writing**
Norwich Institute for Language Teaching (NILE), November 2017.
- **Cambridge Trainer of Trainers Diploma**
Cambridge University Press (2016-2017).
- **IELTS Train the Trainer**
British Council (March 2017).
- **Learning Oriented Assessment Course**
Cambridge University (April 2016).
- **Teaching English to Adults Diploma**
Oxford Teacher's Academy (2011).
- **TEFL Advanced Diploma**
Cambridge Training College, Britain (2008).
- **Bachelor's Degree in TEFL**
Al-Zahra University, 2000.

Work Experience

➤ ***Senior lecturer and academic coordinator, Modern Colleges of Business and Science, Muscat, Oman (October 2022 -Present)***

- Teaching English language courses to the foundation year students.
- Coordinating the Intermediate level
- Creating all course assessment and evaluation tools for the taught courses.
- Training new teachers
- Leading, guiding, and observing a group of 10-30 teachers.

➤ ***Deputy Director & Head of Professional Development Unit, Center of Professional Excellence in ELT, KAU. (December 2021 – October 2022)***

- Oversee and manage the design, creation and implementation of the Centre of Professional Excellence in ELT (CPELT) with the aim of offering a range of development techniques (mentoring, webinars, conferences, Teaching Excellence Teams) providing a more bottom-up and effective approach to professional development for teachers, both at the university and nationwide.
- Creating the mission, vision, goals, values and the center units and structure.
- Liaise with EFL professionals around the world to organize an international conference on best practices (due to be held in December).
- Deliver a number of training workshops to teachers within the university.
- Design and create a course and assessment criteria as a potential competitor to the Cambridge CELTA.
- Design and create barrier tests for inclusion within the recruitment process for teachers.
- Creating the center's professional development framework, principles of PD, teacher, and teaching framework.
- Interviewing and selecting team members and heads of units.
- Creating training offerings and content.
- Creating and developing partnerships with educational institutions in KSA to provide teacher training programs for their teaching staff.
- Manage professional development for all teaching staff at the university and nationwide.

➤ ***Educational Consultant and Teacher Trainer, Cambridge University Press (June 2019- December 2021)***

- Promoting sales in education and ELT in Riyadh and the Eastern region of Saudi Arabia.
- Managing and training Cambridge distributing companies.
- Managing MOE approvals for both enrichment and replacement approvals for all Cambridge courses.

- Providing both product-focused and methodology training to all Universities and Higher Education institutions in KSA and MENA region.
- MENA champion and the main trainer of all digital course components and Cambridge platforms (C1, CLMS, Cambridge Elevate and Cambridge Go)

➤ ***ELTAD Instructor, Master Degree in Education Program Instructor, Master English & the University of Derby, UK for two years (2018 & 2019)***

- Teaching English Language Teaching Advanced Diploma (ELTAD) for the selected TESOL master's degree candidates with the University of Derby, UK for two years (2018 & 2019).
- Conducting classroom observations to candidates and providing feedback to the University of Derby as part of the program evaluation.

➤ ***Head of Professional Development Unit, King Abdul-Aziz University, Jeddah, KSA. (From January 2010 to June 2019)***

- Head of Professional Development Unit
- Teacher trainer and Professional Development coordinator (Providing regular training for teaching staff)
- ESL instructor.
- Teacher Mentor
- Professional Development Specialist
- Member of the recruitment committee.
- Participated in the accreditation committee
- Test development committee member
- Online EMES/CENTRA/ Blackboard instructor
- ESL Researcher

➤ ***Teacher trainer, Professional Academy for Teachers, Ministry of Education, Egypt. (From May 2009 to Jan 2010)***

- Teacher trainer (training EFL/ESL teachers in public schools in Egypt)

➤ ***Interpreter, Edinburgh, UK. Worked as a part-timer for Global Language Translating Agency. (From September 2008 to May 2009)***

- Arabic Language tutor.
- ESL one to one tutor.
- Arabic to English and English to Arabic Court interpreter.

➤ ***ESL Instructor, BMT Academy, downtown, Cairo, Egypt: (From April 2007 to August 2008)***

- ESL instructor.

- IELTS Preparation Course Teacher.
- TOEFL Preparation Course Teacher.
- Conversation Course Teacher.
- ESP Teacher.

➤ ***ESP Instructor, Tourism Occupational Training, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia - (November, 2006)***

- ESP trainer (English for Tourism).
- Teaching The Cutting Edge Intermediate and Upper-intermediate levels
- Providing training to the Supreme Commission for Tourism employees in Saudi Arabia.

➤ ***ESL Instructor, Al-Jazeera International Academy, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia: (From July 9th, 2005 to April 8th, 2007)***

- ESL instructor
- ESP teacher
- Teaching the American Diploma.
- TOEFL Preparation.
- Conversation Courses.

➤ ***ESL Instructor, Bright Minds institute for Languages, Cairo, Egypt (From September, 2000 to June, 2005)***

- Teaching Business English Courses.
- Teaching General English Courses.
- Teaching Conversation Courses.

Research & Publications

- Published a book on Blended Learning. My book is available for sale on Amazon <https://www.amazon.com/Introducing-Blended-Learning-Egyptian-context/dp/3330855258?fbclid=IwAR0AiMUjd-VAL6r16ZIt6Dr3MJuecxdzXoPbdNHeOewwIC9zOVkcGg0oQO4>
- Paper in Helwan University magazine on Jan 2022 entitled “The Effectiveness of an Online Teacher Training Program in Developing EFL Preparatory School Teachers’ pedagogical and Linguistic Skills”.
- Paper in October 6th magazine on Feb 2022 entitled “ The Influence of an Online Teacher Training Program on Improving EFL Preparatory School Teachers’ Attitudes towards Online Teacher Training”..

Courses and Training Programs (Certificates are available upon request)

- Evaluating and Correcting Learners, April 2016 (Cambridge University).
- Introduction to Blended Learning, April 2016 (Cambridge University)

- Teaching Vocabulary and Pronunciation, February 2016 (Cambridge University)
- Teaching Grammar, December 2015 (Cambridge University)
- Teaching Writing, December 2015 (Cambridge University)
- Lesson Planning and Classroom Management, October 2015 (Cambridge University)
- Teaching IELTS: Band 7+, May 2015 (London Teacher Training College)
- Blackboard Essential Training E-Learning, April 2014 (E-Learning and Distance Education Deanship, King Abdulaziz University)
- Teaching English to Adults, 2011 (Oxford Teacher Academy)
- IELTS Train the Trainer (The British Council, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia)
- Advanced Diploma in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL), February 2008 (Cambridge Training College, UK).
- I also attended numerous workshops in the field of EFL/ELT/ESL.

Conference presentations, Workshops and Training Programs Presented

- Keynote speaker, Innovation in ELT Conference, Ministry of Youth, Cairo, Egypt, July 27th, 2004. Presentation titled “ **Empowering Educators: Navigating Challenges and Embracing Opportunities in Professional Development for Language Teachers**”
- Presenter at The University of Nizwa 1st Annual English Language Teaching Conference, April 21st 2024, Oman. Presentation titled “ **Advancing English Language Teacher Professional Development in Oman: Strategies for Effective Implementation**”
- University of Technology and Applied Science (UTAS), Muscat, Oman. 5th ELTPD Forum, Plenary speaker January 21st, 2024. “**Hand-on Mastry: The Practical Art of Item Writing**”
- Keynote speaker, King Abdelaziz University Annual Conference, May 2019. Presentation title “ **Latest Trends in Teacher’s Competences: Measuring Where You Are**”.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uNm1Cf1VWYU&t=737s>
- Keynote Speaker, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Association in Language Teaching, 2018. Presentation Title “**Emerging Technologies in ELT: New Classroom Aid**”.
- Presenter at Oman 21st International ELT Conference 8 – 9 March 2023, Sultan Qaboos University. Title of Presentation “**Schema Theory Applications and Limitations: Helping Students Become Better Readers**”.
- Keynote Speaker, The Online International Conference of Batna University, Algeria, May 4th, 2023. Title of Presentation “Digital **Transformation and the Effectiveness of EAssessment in EFL/ESL Classrooms**”.
- Keynote Speaker, 3rd International Virtual Conference On English Language and Literature, Jinnah University, Pakistan, August 2023. Presentation title “**Empowering the Exhausted Horse: Learner Autonomy in EFL/ESL Classroom**”.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CDkvAL6_5eY
- Plenary Speaker at The Innovation in ELT Conference in the Egyptian Context, organized by the Ministry of Youth, Egypt on August 5th, 2023. Title of the Presentation "Unleashing the Power of Schema: Enhancing ELT Classroom for Optimal Learning"
- Plenary Speaker at the First Online TESOL Oman Conference, organized by SQU on June 13th, 2023. The title of the presentation "Unlocking Minds, Empowering Omani Language Learners with Critical Thinking Skills"

- As a head of the Professional Development Unit at KAU, I was giving weakly presentations based on the observations and teachers' needs.
- In CUP, I was mainly a trainer for all Higher Education institutions (Baha Uni, TVTC, University of Oman, Sharjah Uni, Bayan Colleges in Oman, Princeton colleges, SNCA, KAU, Taif Uni are just examples of institutions I gave training to) in KSA and sometimes in MENA when needed.
- Workshops entitled (Helping ELI Students Become Better Readers: Schema Theory Applications and Limitations) to KAU Teaching Staff, January 2014 (English Language Institute, KAU) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QHIOZzohqew>
- Workshops entitled (Designing Effective Warm Ups: Activities for EFL/ESL Classes) to KAU Teaching Staff, January 2015 (English Language Institute, KAU) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8vZJ-EI-Xbl>
- A workshop entitled (Learner Autonomy in EFL/ESL Classrooms), May 2015 (English Language Institute, KAU) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kKh0cZchwSE>
- (Teaching Grammar) workshop as part of Cambridge training program presented to King Abdulaziz University teaching staff by Cambridge University Press, June 2016.
- (Effective Work with Pair, Group and Large Numbers) A workshop prepared by Cambridge university press and presented by me as a certified Cambridge trainer. Delivered on the December 14th 2016 to the teaching staff at the English Language Institute, KAU. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-UKtTHSH7rE&t=24s>
- (Classroom Observations: Understanding the Nature and Procedures) Delivered on the January 16th 2017 to the teaching staff at the English Language Institute, KAU. <https://youtu.be/PgoXO37vc4E>
- The above mentioned are the ones uploaded on YouTube. There are tens of other workshops (it's my responsibility to deliver weekly training to the academic staff) provided to King Abdulaziz University staff as a teacher trainer and Professional Development Coordinator.

Skills

- Experienced Cambridge certified teacher trainer (1 year in Egypt and 4 in KSA)
- Organizing and planning professional development events, such as conferences and symposiums. (Annual KSAALT conference committee member, organized several symposiums at KAU)
- Very good knowledge of using computer technology and the internet.
- Good communication and management skills in the field of TESOL.
- Good command of using language labs as a previous lab lecturer.
- Very good user of IT facilities and other teaching supporting techniques, such as smart boards, data shows, overhead projectors, etc.
- Supervision skills as a previous supervisor at BMT Academy, Cairo, Egypt.
- Good experience in test designing, correcting and course evaluation.
- Good knowledge and experience of teacher training and microteaching.
- Conducting research in the field of ESL teaching
- Very good knowledge of Teacher evaluation and mentoring.

Personal Data

Date of Birth : August 1st, 1977.
Place of Birth : Cairo, Egypt
Nationality : Egyptian
Military : Exempted
Marital Status : Married
Passport number: A24922090

Interests / hobbies:

- Watching and playing soccer.
- Traveling, diving and camping.

Notes

I confirm that I'm a **native-like speaker of English**, and that I'm able to render training, teaching, supervision and research services in academic institutions.

References

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