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### **Academic Achievement**

- October 2014, MA Translation Studies, Aston University, Birmingham, United Kingdom.
- June 2012, Certificate of Higher Education (English for Postgraduate Studies Program), Aston University, Birmingham, United Kingdom.

### **Modules:**

- Advanced Grammar and Lexis
  - English for Academic Study
  - English for Specific Academic Purposes
  - Research Methods
  - Communicating in Small Groups
  - Introduction to British Systems and Institutions
  - IELTS Preparation
  - Extensive Reading
  - Analytical and Critical Thinking Skills
  - Pronunciation
- 2004 – 2008, BA Translation, Grade: Very Good (83.49%), Salahaddin University-Erbil

### **Teaching Experience**

- September 2021- July 2022, Taught Academic Writing to Fourth-Year Students at English Department, College of Basic Education, Salahaddin University-Erbil.
- September 2019- February 2020, Taught Morphosyntax to Third-Year Students at English Department, College of Basic Education, Salahaddin University-Erbil.
- September 2019- February 2020, Taught General English First-Year Students at Mathematics Department and Arabic Department, College of Basic Education,

Salahaddin University-Erbil.

- September 2018 – July 2019, Taught Research Methods and Advanced Conversation to Fourth-Year Students at English Department, College of Education, Salahaddin University, Erbil.
- November 2017 – July 2018, Taught English Grammar to First-Year Students at English Department, College of Education, Salahaddin University, Erbil.
- November 2017 – July 2018, Taught English Advanced Conversation to Third-Year Students at English Department, College of Education, Salahaddin University, Erbil.
- December 2014 – September 2017, Taught General English to the First-Year Students at Software and Informatics Engineering Department, College of Engineering, Salahaddin University, Erbil.
- December 6th 2016 – January 31st 2017, Taught General English to the First-Year Students at Electrical Engineering Department, College of Engineering, Salahaddin University, Erbil.
- July 2016 – August 2016, Taught English language speaking skills (30 hours) for beginners, Lebanese-French University, Erbil.

## **Training Courses**

- February 2015, Gained Certificate of Teaching Methods Course, at Continuing Education Directorate, Salahaddin University-Erbil.
- November 16th 2014, attended at One-Day Teacher Training Program, at Salahaddin University Social and Cultural Centre in Erbil
- April 6th until May 27th, 2010, successfully completed an Advanced Conversation Class at AMIDEAST, Ankawa.

## **Work Experience**

- April 2015 – March 2017, Worked as IELTS Invigilator at British Council-Erbil.
- January until February 2015, Worked as Editor for the Reporter (issue 6), which is published by the office of Vice President of Salahaddin University for Scientific Affairs and Postgraduate Studies.

- July 2014 – January 2015, Translator, Office of President, Salahaddin University, Erbil.
- April 2009 – September 2011, Assistant Translator, Office of President, Salahaddin University, Erbil.

## **Workshops and Conferences**

- 22-25 March 2022, Attended the TESOL 2022 International Convention & English Language Expo Hybrid (online conference), Pittsburgh, PA, USA.
- 20-21 September 2015, Participated at Iraqi Kurdistan Rural University Partnership Program (IKRUPP) End of Program Conference at Ankawa Royal Hotel, Erbil on:
  - Class Observation and Teaching Effectiveness, Presented by Avan Aziz & Shilan Hama Sur (Sulaimani)
  - Using Technology in Teaching Reading and Listening Skills Together, Presented by Ivan Murad (Zakho)
  - Using the E-Portfolio for Self-Directed Learning, Presented by Sarwa Abdulghafoor, Saman Salah, and Nehad Faisal (Soran)
  - Lesson Planning, Presented by Sabah Haji (Zakho) Using “Peer Instruction” in English Language Classes, Presented by Hemn Karim (Garmian)
  - Learners’ Needs Analysis in the EFL Classroom, Presented by Salah Salih (Koya)
- 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017, Attended a workshop about entrepreneurship and innovation in Erbil, Kurdistan University-Hawler.
- 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> August 2017, Attended a join conference entitled "Capacity Building in Teacher Education and Research", at Social and Culture Center of Salahaddin University-Erbil.
- 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018, Attended a conference on 9th International Visible Conference on Education Sciences and Applied Linguistics (VESAL 2018), Ishik

University, Erbil.

## Volunteering Experience

- 12th August 2017, worked as Head of Hall Management for International Youth Day, NYN Organization, Erbil Rotana Hotel, Erbil.
- 3rd November 2017, worked as Event Manager for TEDxNishtimanWomen conference, NYN Organization, Saad Abdullah Hall, Erbil.
- 13th until 16th March 2017, Taught **IELTS test tips and techniques** (12 hours) for Postgraduate Studies candidates, AGA Organization, Erbil.

- **Course Developer and Deliverer of Free English Language and Career Development (FELCD) course**

College of Engineering, Salahaddin University-Erbil

Dates volunteered; Oct 2016 – Dec 2016 (48 hours)

The main course subjects:

Writing email (its types, structure language)

Writing CV

Job Interview skills

Business and general English language functions

Avoiding Plagiarism

Time management and setting plans

Body language and gestures

Communication skills (meetings, conferences, workshops)

Ice breakers

English language speaking and writing skills

- **Founder and Supervisor of Freshers' Week program**

Software and Informatics Engineering Department, College of Engineering, Salahaddin University-Erbil

Dates volunteered; Jun 2015 – Dec 2015

