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Academic Qualification

MA English, PG Diploma in Communication & Journalism

Area of Interest/Specialization

Literary Theory, Historical Fiction, Narratology

Teaching Experience (as on 31.03.2021) : 5 Years

Details of Major or Minor Projects

Nil

Administrative / Official Responsibilities

Office team member, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (2016-18).

Member of College Calendar Revision Committee during the year 2016-17.

Member of College Union Election Committee during the year 2019-20.

Academic Positions

Attended as Resource Person at the Workshop on Syllabus Revision for the Undergraduate Programme under CBCS System organized by Board of Studies in English (Pass), University of Kerala held at institute of English, university of Kerala on 14 & 15 November 2018.

Question Paper Setter at Fatima Matha National College (Autonomous) Kollam during 2018-19 and 2020-21.

Awards and Accolades

Nil

Seminar / Conference organized

Organized an International Colloquium on Literature, Theory and the History of Ideas on 3,4 & 5 October 2018, supported by the Kerala State Higher Education Council.

Training Courses attended

Completed a Five Day Online Faculty Development Programme on “Critical Theories and their Contemporary Trajectories in Humanities” from 12th to 16th May 2020 conducted by the Department of English, Rajiv Gandhi University, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh.

Seminar / Conference attended

☞ International Symposium on Cultural Studies: Theorizing Praxis organized by the Institute of English, University of Kerala on 11 October 2018.

☞ International Seminar on Forest & Literature. 24 & 25 February, 2017. Association for Cultural & Scientific Research & Women’s Study Centre, Cochin University of Science & Technology.

☞ National Higher Education Conference on “The Dissolution of UGC: Perils and Consequences” organized by the Kerala State Higher Education Council on 7 & 8 August 2018.

☞ National Seminar on Contemporary Visual Culture & the Politics of Images. 8 January 2018. Department of English, University College, Thiruvananthapuram.

☞ National Seminar on Kerala: Arabic Language and Literature organized by Department of Arabic, M S.M. College Kayamkulam on 07 January 2020.

☞ Multidisciplinary National Seminar on Canadian kaleidoscope: A Fascinating Perspective for the Prospective Emigrant organized by Department of English, M.S.M. College Kayamkulam in association with the UGC Area Study centre for Canadian Studies, university of Kerala on 8 December 2017.

☞ National Seminar on Voices from Borderlands: Emerging Literatures, Ignored Voices, Silenced Uproars and Evolving Theoretical Perspectives organized by Department of English. St.

Stephen's College, Pathanapuram on 15 and 16 October 2015.

📖 National Bi-Lingual Seminar on Post-Modern Theories organized by Kerala State Institute of Languages and Asan Memorial Association, Kayikkara on 4 May 2015.

📖 P.K. Rajan Memorial Seminar on Literary Theory organized by Institute of Distance Education, University of Kerala on 1 April 2015.

📖 Seminar on Current Trends in literary Studies: Cross-cultural Debates organized by E-Prof on 21 August 2015.

Social Media Links

LinkedIn id: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/arshad-ahammad-a-2495a4195>

International Journal Publications

Nil

National Journal Publications

“Shame, Sin and the Collective Psyche: Issues of Pak Femininity in Qaisra Shahraz’s Typhoon.”
Littercrit 78. 40 (2014): ISSN 0970-8049, pp. 82-91. .

“Novelising the History of Malayali Diaspora: M. Mukundan’s Pravasam as a Chronicle of Exile.” Atlantic Literary Review 19. 1 (2018). ISSN 0972-3269, pp. 74-81.

“Holmesian Reverberations: A Critique of the Paradigm Shift in Investigative-Suspense Thriller Movies in Malayalam”. Innovative Thoughts 1.6 (2014): ISSN 2321-5453, pp. 60-62.

Book Chapter Publications

“Narrating the Glorious Past: A Study of the Exploitation and Distortion of Early Religious History in Mappila Literature.” Linguistic Magnitude of Mappila Malayalam, edited by S.A Shanavas and Ubaid V.P.C, Department of Linguistics, University of Kerala, 2014.ISBN 978-8193091609. pp. 131-36.

“Matham, Charithram, Raashtreeyam: Adhikaaram Benyaminte Novelukalil” (“Religion, History and Politics: Power in Benjamin’s Novels”). Benyaminte Novel Lokam, edited by Karthika S. B., D.C. Books, 2020, ISBN 978-93-5390-236-0, pp. 81-88.

“Food as Cause and Cure of Conflicts: A Cultural Reading of Ustad Hotel.” Re-‘tracking’ the Celluloid: History, Politics and Popular Culture in Films, edited by Anjana, J and Ranjith Krishnan K. R. Department of English, N.S.S College, 2014. Pp. 88-91. (Co-author)

“Intra-Communal Dereliction of the Subaltern: A Parallel Reading of the Autobiographies of Bama and Seleena Prakkanam.” Moving the Centre: Dalit and Black Literatures. Department of English, T.K.M College of Arts & Science, Kollam, March 2016, ISBN 978-93-81423-31-8. pp. 12-16.

“Navathalamura Cinema: Bhashayum Kaazhchayum”. Language and Grammar of Cinema, Department of Malayalam, N.S.S College, Pandalam. October 2016, ISBN 978-81-928481-1-3. Pp. 310-316. (Co-author)

“A Beautiful Blend: the Perfect Man and the Ideal Messenger.” Phenomenal Leader. Edited by Dr. Abida Farooqui.. Xpress Publishing. 2020. ISBN 978-1-64951-277-2, Pp. 133-37.

International Conference Publications

Paper Presentations:

- “Dimensions of Humour in Contemporary Television Political Satires.” International Conference on Humour: Texts, Contexts, December 6-8, 2013. Littcrit & UGC Area Study Centre for Canadian Studies, University of Kerala.
- “Epistemology and Education: Contemporary Reflections on the Ghazalian Thought.” International Colloquium on Creative Teaching and Learning in Higher Education. 12, 13 & 14 December 2017. Department of English, Sullamussalam Science College, Areecode, Malappuram.

- “Deconceptualizing Concepts: Munnariyippu as a Critique of Freedom and Truth.” Singularities International Conference on Truth. 29, 30 & 31 January 2019. Department of English, KAHM Unity Women’s College, Manjeri.

National Conference Publications

“Ironical Overtones: Celebrating the ‘Gulf’ Between Hope and Reality In Benyamin’s Goat Days.” Proceedings of the National Seminar on Themes and Theories in English Literature, edited by Krishnakumar V and Govind R. Kayamkulam: Department of English, M.S.M College, 2013. ISBN 978-81-927671-0-9. Pp. 150-53.

Paper Presentations:

- “Presentness of the Past: A Neo-Historicist Reading of Jurji Zaidan’s The Caliph’s Heirs.” National Seminar on Reading Literature in the Contemporary Critical Paradigm, August 13, 14, 2013. Department of English, Bishop Moore College, Mavelikara.
- “Interpreting the Interventions: Contributions of Muttanisseril Koykkutti Moulavi and P. T. Kunju Muhammed on Contemporary Islamic Religious and political thought.” National Seminar on Religion, Politics and Economy in Modern Kerala – Identifying the Role of Muslims, February 24 & 25 , 2014. Department of Islamic History, T.K. M. College of Arts & Science, Kollam.
- “Social Issues and the Environment.” Symposium on Environmental Studies. 9 March 2016. M.S.M. College, Kayamkulam.
- “Writing as Rereading: An Analysis of Gayathri Jayakumar’s poem “Paradise (is Better) Lost.”” National Seminar on Reading Literature Beyond Curricular Confines. 24, 25 November 2016.
- “Drisyam: A Crime Thriller Moulded in the Anti-detective Tradition.” National Seminar on Crime Culture: Mediating Criminality in Literature, Films and Media. 16 December 2016. Department of English, Baselius College, Kottayam.
- “Transforming Trends: Issues and Prospects in Malayalam Cinema.” National Seminar on ‘Cinemayude Vyakaranam.’ 17. 18 & 19 December 2018. Department of Malayalam and English, N.M.S. M. Government College, Kalpetta.
- “Contextualizing (Religious) History: A Re-reading of Khaled Hosseini’s The Kite

Runner.” National Seminar on Transgressing the Boundaries: Literature and History. 19. 20 & 21 December 2018. Department of English, Govt. College, Mananthavady.

Workshops Attended

Attended One week Workshop on Epistemological Shifts & Research in Humanities conducted by the Kerala State Higher Education Council from 11-17 February 2018.

Completed a Three-day Workshop on “Mapping Digital Humanities Practices in/on India: Access, Tools and Criticism.” From 16 Oct. 2020 to 18 Oct. 2020 organised by the Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, in collaboration with IIT Indore and DHARTI (Digital Humanities Alliance for Research and Teaching).

Completed a One Week E-Learning Workshop on “Language, Literature and Theory” from 15th to 21st May 2020 conducted by the Department of English and Cultural Studies, Panjab University

Completed the five day online hands-on workshop on “Using Google Classroom: Effective Teaching Techniques” from 27 April to 1 May 2020 conducted by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), St. Gregorios College, Kottarakara, Kerala.

Other Publications

Edited a book "Literature, Theory and the History of Ideas: An Updated Compendium", published by Cambridge Scholars Publishing, UK. ISBN 978-1-5275-6991-1

Acted as Guest Editor of the December 2019 issue of Littcrit, a UGC approved journal (UGC Care List: Arts & Humanities, 161).

Other Relevant information

Nil

Additional Resources

- Delivered a series of online lectures on Syncretism of Classical Western Philosophy and the Islamic Political Thought, organized by the Department of Political Science, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, from 14 September 2020 to 16 September 2020.

Sessions Chaired in Seminars/Conferences

- International Colloquium on Creative Teaching and Learning in Higher Education. 12, 13 & 14 December 2017. Department of English, Sullamussalam Science College, Areecode, Malappuram.
- National Seminar on ‘Cinemayude Vyakaranam.’ (Grammar of Cinema) 17, 18 & 19 December 2018. Department of Languages, N.M.S. M. Government College, Kalpetta, Wayanadu.
- Acted as interlocutor in On the Climate of History: An E- Interactive Eve with Prof. Dipesh Chakrabarty organised by the Department of English, M. S. M. College, Kayamkulam, Kerala, on 25 September 2020.

Newspaper Articles:

“Aisha: Vishwaasathinte Charithrakari [Aisha: the Historian of Faith].” Rev. of Mother of the Believers, by Kamran Pasha. Njaayar Prabhatham (Sunday edition of Suprabhatham daily) 28 June 2015: 2.

“Ibn Khaldunum Samghabodha Sindanthavum (Ibn Khaldun and the Theory of Solidarity).” Njaayar Prabhatham 26 July 2015: 2.

“Baker Streetile Mahamaanthrikan (The Great Magician of Baker Street, a write-up on Sherlock

Holmes).” Njaayar Prabhatham 06 September 2015: 2.