Azlifa Ahmed

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Personal Information

Nationality: MALDIVIAN

Date of Birth: November 15, 1974

Career History

Sep 2007 – to date English Language Lecturer

Foundation Department,

Qatar University

Responsibilities:

• Teaching English as a Second Language.

• Development of teaching material.

Committee Work:

• Student Services Committee

o Produce and present language games

Testing Committee

- o Reviewing of TAM
- o Reviewing of exams

Writing exams

Dec 2001 – to date Cambridge Oral Examiner for:

PET, KET, FCE, CAE, CPE

Responsibilities:

Administer oral examinations set by the <u>University of Cambridge</u>. These oral examinations
are compulsory components of these <u>University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations</u> that are
conducted and assessed by Cambridge certified oral examiners.

Nov 2005 – Sep 2007 Lecturer Gr 2

Faculty of Education,

Maldives College of Higher Education (MCHE).

Responsibilities:

- Overseeing and coordination of Linguistics subjects taught at the Faculty of Education, MCHE.
- Teaching Linguistics subjects (General Introduction to Linguistics, Phonetics and Phonology for Language Teachers, Syntax and Semantics, Discourse and Pragmatics) in both English and Dhivehi.
- Teaching Applied Linguistics subjects (Assessment and Evaluation in Language Teaching)
- Teaching pedagogical subjects (Teaching Language through Literature)
- Development of curricula and resources for the subjects taught.
- Preparation, administration and evaluation of assessment tasks for subjects taught.

May 2001 – Nov 2005 Lecturer Gr 1

Faculty of Education,

Maldives College of Higher Education (MCHE).

Responsibilities:

- Teaching Linguistics subjects (General Introduction to Linguistics, Phonetics and Phonology for Language Teachers, Syntax and Semantics, Discourse and Pragmatics) in both English and Dhivehi.
- Teaching General English (ESL)
- Development of curricula and resources for the subjects taught.
- Preparation, administration and evaluation of assessment tasks for subjects taught.

July 2004 – Nov 2004 Tutor (Introduction to Linguistics)

Faculty of Linguistics and Applied Linguistics,

The University of Melbourne.

Responsibilities:

- Tutoring undergraduate students (Introduction to Linguistics)
- Marking students' assessment tasks

Aug 2002 English Language Instructor (Bridging Courses)

Faculty of Health Sciences,

Maldives College of Higher Education (MCHE).

Responsibilities:

- Teaching General and Academic English
- Development of curricula and resources for the subjects taught.
- Preparation, administration and evaluation of assessment tasks for subjects taught.
- Coordination and overseeing of General and Academic English subjects

Jun 2001 – Nov 2001 English Language Instructor (Enrichment Courses)

Faculty of Health Sciences,

Maldives College of Higher Education (MCHE).

Responsibilities:

- Teaching General English (ESL)
- Development of curricula and resources for General English (ESL).
- Preparation, administration and evaluation of assessment tasks General English (ESL).

Feb 2001 – Apr 2001 Head of Department – English

Baa Atoll Education Centre

Maldives

Responsibilities:

- Development of resources for teaching ESL and English Literature
- Coordinating and overseeing teaching of ESL
- Organizing and conducting staff development workshops for Department staff

Feb 2000 - Apr 2001

Secondary English Language/Literature Teacher

Baa Atoll Education Centre

Responsibilities:

- Teaching English Language (ESL) and English Literature
- Preparing students for the GCE O/L examinations
- Development of resources for teaching ESL and English Literature

1996

 $English\ Language\ Subject\ Coordinator-grade\ 6$

Majeediyya School

Responsibilities:

- Development of resources for teaching ESL
- Coordinating and overseeing teaching of ESL

1993 - 1996

English Language Teacher

Majeediyya School

Responsibilities:

- Teaching English Language (ESL)
- Development of resources for teaching ESL at grade 6

Jan - May 1996

English Language Instructor for Customs officers

Maldives Customs Services

Responsibilities:

- Development of unit of work (including all resources)
- Teaching ESL to adults (employees of Maldives Customs Services)

1991 - 1993

English Language Teacher

Maafannu Madharusaa

Responsibilities:

• Teaching English Language (ESL) grade 6

Education and Training

2003 – 2004	Master of Arts in Applied Linguistics <u>University of Melbourne</u> , Melbourne, Australia
1997 – 1999	Bachelor of Education (Education; Literature & Language) <u>The University of the South Pacific</u> , Suva, Fiji
1996 – 1996	Certificate of Teaching (Middle School) English and Social Studies. Institute for Teacher Education, Male', Republic of Maldives
1994	Cambridge Examination in English for Language Teachers (level I)
1993 – 1994	
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1992 - 1993	Cambridge Examination in English for Language Teachers (level II) Certificate of Proficiency in English (University of Cambridge)

Awards/Achievements

2005	(Maldives) President's Award Achievement of outstanding results at an overseas institute
1999	Gold Medal – outstanding graduating student with a major in Education. The University of the South Pacific, Suva, Fiji
1999	Gold Medal – outstanding graduating student with a major in Linguistics The University of the South Pacific, Suva, Fiji
1996	First Place – Certificate of Teaching (Middle School) English and Social studies Institute of Teacher Education, Male', Republic of Maldives

Memberships

TESOL

TESOL Arabia

The University of Melbourne Alumni

Publications

Dec 2005	Effect of Background Knowledge on Performance on ESL Listening
	Comprehension Tests (Adapted from thesis for MA Applied Linguistics at
	the University of Melbourne, Australia)
	Fanaaru 2005. Vol. No.

Apr 2004	Rev. of <u>Planning aims and objectives in language programs</u> by Jack C Richards: RELC Portfolio Series (No. 5) Prospectus: An Australian Journal of TESOL. Vol. 19, No. 1
Apr 2004	Rev. of <u>Planning lessons for a reading class</u> by Thomas F C Farrell: RELC Portfolio Series (No. 6) <i>Prospectus: An Australian Journal of TESOL</i> . Vol. 19, No. 1
Apr 2004	Rev. of <u>Action research in Action</u> Edited by Gregory Hadley: RELC Portfolio Series (No. 8) Prospectus: An Australian Journal of TESOL. Vol. 19, No. 1

Conferences / Workshops

Mar 2010	Re-fuelling the fun in ESL/EFL Classrooms TESOL Arabia 2010
2010	Livening up MS PowerPoint Presentations QU Professional Development Workshop
2008	Language Games QU Professional Development Workshop

Other Experiences

2006 – to date	Development/writing/editing and publishing of personal website featuring lecture notes, resources and research in applied linguistics, both in Dhivehi and English Languages (www.azlifa.com)
2005 – to date	Developing/writing/editing content for www.mymaldives.com
2001 – to date	Writing/recording of educational radio programmes for teachers
2003 – to date	Translation of documents (freelance) from English to Dhivehi and vice versa for various persons/organizations (including UNDP, Australian Red Cross & Maldives Government Ministries)
2002	Compilation of the Operating Procedures for Blood Donation in Regional Hospitals Under contract with Indhira Gandhi Memorial Hospital
2002	Compilation of the Standard Operating Procedures for Blood Donation in Regional Hospitals Under contract with Indhira Gandhi Memorial Hospital
2001	Translation of Terms of Sales for Unicorn Products Under contract with Simdi Company
1994 – 1996	Translation of documents (on a freelance basis) for Voluntary Services Organization (VSO) from English to Dhivehi and vice versa