

Sofia Hussain

Current Position: Assistant Professor (BPS-19)

Department: Department of English (Female Campus)

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Academic Qualification

PhD (English):Thesis in progress: International Islamic University Islamabad, Pakistan.

M.Phil. (English):International Islamic University Islamabad, Pakistan.

M. A (English): International Islamic University Islamabad, Pakistan.

Scholarships/Awards

M.A: (Distinction) 1st Position Scholarship

M.Phil. :(Distinction) 1st Position Scholarship

Best Student Award (2003) IIUI

Fellowship

Completed a three-week fellowship at the University of North Carolina, Wilmington (UNCW), USA, May 2016

Work Experience

Visiting Lecturer: Department of English (IIUI):2004 - 2006

Lecturer (Regular): Department of English (IIUI): 2006 –January 2016

Assistant Professor:Department of English (IIUI):February 2016 – to date

Administrative Responsibilities (Department of English)

Coordinator (BS): September 2018 – to date

Focal Person (English Department) Alumni Committee: October 2018- to date

Coordinator, Under-Grad Degree Programs: 2010 – 2013

Coordinator, Cultural Week, Female Campus, IIUI, 2013

Member: Departmental Research Committee

Member: Admission Committee

Member: Course Exemption Committee

Member (Executive Committee): Core Committee Member, Critical Thinking Forum (CTF), International Islamic University Islamabad, Pakistan

Field of Specialization/Courses taught at Graduate/Post-graduate Level

Contemporary Short Fiction (MS English)

Pakistani Literature in English

Comparative Literature

Modern Literature (Poetry, Drama, & Fiction)

Post-War Literature

Research Interests

Pakistani Literature in English, South Asian Fiction, Feminist Literary Studies, Feminist/ Eco-feminist/ Critical Pedagogies, Comparative Literature

Research Publications

1. Yaqoob, M., Sayyid, A. & Hussain, S. (2013) "Anger and Revolt in Contemporary Pakistani Fiction in English: A Nietzschean Critique". NUML Journal of Critical Inquiry. National University of Modern Languages, Islamabad. Pakistan. Vol. 11(I). pp. 38-57.

(Available online: <http://numl.edu.pk/QEC-Docs/Final%20Doc.pdf>)

2. Yaqoob, M. & Hussain, S. (2012). "Changing Images of Pakistani Women in Kamila Shamsie's *Salt and Saffron* and *Broken Verses*" Journal of Gender and Social Issues. Fatima Jinnah Women University, Rawalpindi, Pakistan. Vol. II. No. 2. pp.1-19.
3. Co-authored **04 Modules/Books**(published by British Council & Higher Education Commission of Pakistan, HEC (**Selected as an author** by British Council, Pakistan and HEC for "Transforming English Language Skills TELS Programme"2012)
 1. English for Academic Purposes
 2. English for Employment
 3. Professional Development for Teaching through the Medium of English
 4. Master Trainer's Manual

Book Chapter

1. "Progressive Writers' Movement" in *Muslim Women Writers of the Subcontinent (1880-1960)*. 2014. Ed. by. Yaqoob, M. & Hussain, S. Emel Publishing. Islamabad.

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1. *Muslim Women Writers of the Subcontinent (1880-1960)*. 2014. Ed. by. Yaqoob, M. & Hussain, S. Emel Publishing. Islamabad.
2. Hussain, Sofia. (2011). *Women, Tradition and Transformation: A Feminist Reading of Kamila Shamsie's Fiction*. Lap Lambert Academic Publishing. Germany.

Book Reviews

1. Review of the novel *Adhe Adhoore Khawab* by Dr. Shahid Siddiqui. 2014
2. Review of *Education Policies in Pakistan: Policies, Projections and Practices* by Dr. Shahid Siddiqui. Oxford University Press. 2016. Published in The Nation. March 2017.

Conference/Seminar/Workshop Presentations

1. Paper titled "Social Media and Fetishization of the Female Figure: A Feminist Analysis of the Qandeel Baloch Affair" presented at International Conference organized by IIUI – UNCW, October, 2017.
2. Conducted a workshop titled "Role of Critical Thinking in Peace- Building" at the International Peace Building Conference held in August 2017, organized by PUAN-US Alumni Network, Islamabad.
3. Paper titled "Teaching Fiction through Eco-Pedagogical Paradigms" presented at International Conference on Women, Environment, and Environmental Justice (ICWEEJ) organized by Critical Thinking Forum, IIUI. December 2016.
4. Paper titled "Narrating History and Politics from the Margins in Post-Colonial Novel: A Comparative Study of Kamila Shamsie and Arundhati Roy's Fiction" presented at International Conference, "The New Global City: Presenting and Translating Cultures within a Worldwide Citizenry, May 12-14th, 2016, at the University of North Carolina Wilmington, USA.
5. Paper titled "Women's Consciousness-Raising through Feminist Pedagogy" presented at the Two-day Interdisciplinary Conference "Consciousness-Raising of Pakistani Women: Negotiating Differences and Building Alliances". Organized by Critical Thinking Forum (IIUI). December 2015.
6. Paper titled "Muslim Female Literary Voices of the Subcontinent (1880-1950)" presented at the conference organized by The Marginalized Mainstream, 2014, Senate House, University of London.
7. Paper titled ""Telling the Untold Tales of Women's Hearts: A Study of Fiction in English by Pakistani and Indian Women Authors" presented at the conference organized by The Marginalized Mainstream, November 2012, Senate House, University of London.
8. Paper presented at Two-Day International Interdisciplinary Conference: "Representation of Women in Media and Literature", May 2012, organized by International Islamic University Islamabad Pakistan and Fatima Jinnah Women University Rawalpindi.
9. Paper presented at I-SAPS-HEC Colloquium on "Apathy and Anger" 2011, Organized by Higher Education Commission (HEC) Islamabad

10. Paper presented at Two-Day International Interdisciplinary Conference “Women Universities as Agents of Change” November 2010, Organized by International Islamic University Islamabad Pakistan
11. Paper presented at ELT Teachers’ Training Workshop March 2010, International Islamic University Islamabad Pakistan
12. Presented a paper at SPELT (Society of Pakistani English Language Teachers), International Conference, Islamabad, 2010.
13. Presented a paper at SPELT (Society of Pakistani English Language Teachers), International Conference, Islamabad, 2008.
14. Presented a paper at SPELT (Society of Pakistani English Language Teachers), International Conference, Islamabad, 2007.

Research Projects

1. **Project Assistant** of Research Project titled “Consciousness Raising of Pakistani Women on Contemporary Academic and Social Issues” carried out by Critical Thinking Forum (IIUI) (2015-2018).
2. **Assistant Researcher** of the Research Project “Task Based Learning and the Role of Context: A Comparative Study” carried out in collaboration with University of Wales, UK (August 2007- September 2008 (Phase II, 2011-2012). The Project was carried out by Dr. Munazza Yaqoob, Chairperson, Department of English, International Islamic University Islamabad and Dr. Jenifer Cann, University of Wales, London.

Panel Discussions/ Talks/Participation in Exchange Programs

1. Participated in Panel Discussions in London, UK. August 2017 as a participant of an Exchange Program organized by Critical Thinking Forum (CTF), IIUI.
2. Participated in five (05) Panel Discussions on topics such as “Seeing Each Other: Breaking Stereotypes”, “Media Portrayals of Pakistani and American Women”, “Religion and Peace: The Role of Pakistani Women” in Los Angeles, California, USA.

July 2016 as a participant of an Exchange Program organized by Critical Thinking Forum (CTF), IIUI.

3. Attended a two-week Exchange Program for Teachers at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., and College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia, USA. 2014, Organized by Iqbal International Institute for Research and Dialogue, IRD, IIUI.