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Education:

AESTHINT15: Rhetoric: The Art of Persuasive Writing and Public Speaking, an online course from Harvard University, July 4, 2020.

Ph. D. in English - Department of English, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, January 2017; was awarded a fellowship by The Centre of Comparative Language, Literature and Culture, GNDU, Amritsar

UGC-NET (English) - June, 2012

M.A. (English) - Panjab University, Chandigarh, 2003

PGDCA - Panjab University, Chandigarh, 2000

M.A. (Economics)- Panjab University, Chandigarh, 1999

B.Ed.- Panjab University, Chandigarh, 1996

B.A.- Panjab University, Chandigarh, 1995

10+2- P.S.E.B. Mohali, 1992

Matriculation- P.S.E.B. Mohali, 1990

Area of Research: Indian Writings

Teaching Experience:

1. Assistant Professor in English, Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar—since July, 2013
2. Part-time Lecturer-in-English, School for Punjabi Studies, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar—Second semester (2012-13)
3. Part-time Lecturer-in-English at Departments of Physics, Chemistry, Architecture and Guru Ramdass School of Planning, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar— First semester (2011-12)
4. Part-time Lecturer-in-English at Department of Physics and Department of Architecture, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar— Two semesters (2010-11)
5. Lecturer-in-English on Ad hoc basis at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar— from 01/08/2006 to 28/02/2007, from 02/07/2007 to 29/02/2008, and from 16/07/08 to 28/02/09
6. Guest Lecturer in English at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar—from 01/11/2005 to 28/02/2006
7. Coordinator, Short Term Courses, and Faculty, English Speaking Course at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar—01/08/2005 to 31/10/2005

FDP Attended:

- G.O.C.— Panjab University, Chandigarh (09-12-2015 to 05-01-2016)
- R. C.— University of Delhi, Delhi (28-11-2017 to 19-12-2017)
- FDP— A Two Week Online FDP on “Learning Advanced E-tools for MOOCs Development and Research” Sep. 01-14, 2020, organised by MHRD, PMMMMNMTT, Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, Uni. of Delhi and Motilal Nehru College (E), Uni. Of Delhi.

- An online FDP on “A Framework to Develop massive Open Online Course” organised by the ICT Cell, Guru Nanak College, Muktsar, on June 18, 2021.

Services as Resource Person:

- Delivered lectures in Teacher Training Programmes (2006) at District Institute of Education and Training, Muktsar
- Delivered a lecture on “Unequal Distribution of Labour between Genders” in a district level seminar organized by Chief Medical Officer, Sri Muktsar Sahib on 13-10-2017 under *Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Abhiyan*
- Delivered a special lecture on “Approaching Literature through Textbooks” at DAV College, Abohar on 16-11-2018
- Delivered a talk on “Towards Enhancing Language Skills: With Special Reference to English” to the teachers of Y. S. Public Sen. Sec. School, Thandewala, Sri Muktsar Sahib on 07-05-2019
- Had been one of the resource persons at the Capacity Building Workshop for Non-Teaching staff organised by P.G. Department of Commerce under the aegis of IQAC at GNC, Muktsar on 15-08-2020. Held an interactive session on Soft Skills and Career Growth.
- Delivered keynote address on the topic “Multiple Indias: Facets of Indian Fiction in English and Bhasha” in a webinar on the theme *Contemporary Indian Literature*, organised by Kannur University, Dr. P.K.Rajan Memorial Campus, Nileshwar, Kasargod, on 02-12-2020.
- Delivered a talk on “Methodology of Teaching Languages: Mother Tongue and Foreign” to the faculty of Wisdom World School (ICSE), Thandewala, Sri Muktsar Sahib on 27-01-2021.
- Delivered a talk on “Soft Skills Development: Business Communications” on 08-02-2021 in Women Entrepreneurship Development Programme (WEDP) sponsored by Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India organised at Guru Nanak College, Muktsar from 01-02-2021 to 02-03-2021.

Services as Subject Expert:

- Set a part of Question Paper of PTET in October, 2015 for Punjab School Education Board, SAS Nagar, Punjab
- Was the subject expert in an interview conducted for the appointment of Guest Faculty (English) for UG courses at Punjabi University Neighbourhood Campus, Jaitu (Faridkot), Punjab on 31-01-2019
- Evaluated, as an external examiner, an extended abstract of a proposed Ph.D. thesis from Faculty of Arts, Guru Kashi University, Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda, Punjab in June 2019
- Was the subject expert in an interview conducted for the appointment of Guest Faculty (English) for UG courses at Punjabi University Neighbourhood Campus, Jaitu (Faridkot), Punjab on 17-08-2019
- Was the expert to conduct the final viva-voce of a Ph.D. Pre-Submission at UCBS&H, Guru Kashi University, Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda, Punjab on 17-12- 2019.
- Evaluated, as an external examiner, an M. Phil. English dissertation from Guru Kashi University, Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda, Punjab. Report submitted on 24-01-2020.
- Evaluated, as an external examiner, a Ph.D. English thesis from Guru Kashi University, Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda, Punjab. Report submitted on 18-08-2020.
- Was the expert to conduct the final online viva-voce of a Ph.D. (English), Guru Kashi University, Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda, Punjab on 17-09- 2020.
- Reviewed two papers of GNA Journal of Management and Technology, A Multi-disciplinary Journal (ISSN-0974-5726), GNA University, Phagwara, Punjab. (June, 2021)

Publications:

Research Papers in Peer-reviewed Journals (International):

Neeta Kumari. "Translation: A Benediction with Constraints." *The Criterion: An International Journal in English* (ISSN 0976-8165) Vol.5 Issue 6 December 2014. 149-151. Web.

---. "Mahesh Dattani's *Final Solutions*: A Play about the Contemporary Communal Horror." *Contemporary Research in India* (ISSN 2231-2137). Vol. 2, Issue 4, December 2012. 60-62. Print.

---. "*Maila Aanchal*: An Enduring Image of Rural India." *Contemporary Research in India* (ISSN 2231-2137). Vol. 2, Issue 3, September 2012. 128-130. Print.

Chapters in Edited Books:

Neeta Kumari. "Reflections of Rural Punjab in the Confluence of History and Literature: Reading of Gurdial Singh's *Unhoye*." *Creative Zones: Critical Observations on English Literature* (ISBN 978-93-82246-52-7). Ed. Mandeep Sanehi. Chandigarh: Unistar Publications, 2013. 13-18. Print.

Neeta Kumari. "Representation of Rise of Nationalism in *Maila Aanchal*: Deconstructing the Received History's Claim." *Historical Researches: Theory and Practices* (ISBN 978-81-925005-7-7). Ed. Rewant Vikram Singh. Mumbai: Department of History, Maharishi Dayanand College of Arts, Science and Commerce, 2018. 89-95. Print.

Article in Magazine:

Neeta Goyal, Dr. "*Jantak ate Niji Nivesh: Kaumi Sikhiya Niti dian Uljhanan*". Sahi Buniyad (Rashtri Sikhiya Niti Vishesh Ank) October-December, 2019. Bathinda: Teachers' Home Trust, 2019. Vol. 3 Pg. 59-61. Print. (Punjabi) (Sahi Buniyad is registered with the Registrar of Newspaper for India, New Delhi at Pun Pu No. 3273/19/2000-TC)

Articles in Newspaper:

Neeta Goyal, Dr. "*Virodh Di Kavita Te Hond Da Daava*" (Poetry of Protest and Existential Assertion). *Punjabi Tribune*. 17 March 2019. Pg.5. Print.

Neeta Goyal, Dr. "*Manukkhi Haqq ate Aurtan*" (Human Rights and Women). *Punjabi Tribune*. 04 June 2019. Pg.6. Print.

Neeta Goyal, Dr. “*Jantak ate Niji Nivesh: Kaumi Sikhiya Niti dian Uljhanan*” (Public and Private Investment: Confusions in National Education Policy). Punjabi Tribune. 23 August 2019. Pg.7. Print.

Neeta Goyal, Dr. “*Parvasi Dost De Naan Khat*” (Letter to a Migrated Friend). Punjabi Tribune. 10 September 2019. Pg.7. Print.

Neeta Goyal, Dr. “*Os Bohar Ne Puchhiya Si*” (That Banyan Had Asked). Punjabi Tribune. 13 October 2019, *Dastak*: Pg. 4. Print.

Neeta Goyal, Dr. “*Gam Khaan Di Jaach*” (The Knack of Bearing Pain). Punjabi Tribune. 6 November 2019. Pg.6. Print.

Poems in Newspaper:

Neeta Goyal, Dr. “*Test Track*”. Punjabi Tribune. 23 June 2019, *Dastak*: Pg. 3. Print.

Neeta Goyal, Dr. “*Vyas Putri*” (Daughter of Vyas). Punjabi Tribune. 23 June 2019, *Dastak*: Pg. 3. Print. Trans. of *Vyas Putri* (Hindi) by Rashmi Bajaj. Web.

Neeta Goyal, Dr. “*Kaun?*” (Who?). Punjabi Tribune. 28 July 2019, *Dastak*: Pg. 3. Print.

Neeta Goyal, Dr. “*Virasat*” (Legacy). Punjabi Tribune. 28 July 2019, *Dastak*: Pg. 3. Print.

My Youtube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmkdsb7IZZnCqo-0EO3UxLw>

Seminars Organised:

1. Convened a one-day state level seminar on School Education in National Education Policy-2019 at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar on November 26, 2019.

Paper Presentations in National/International seminars and conferences:

1. Presented a paper titled “Civilization and Human Life: Existential Dilemma” in an international Conference on *Changing Paradigms on Individual and Society: Conflicts, Negotiations and Growth* organised by Department of English & Department of Psychology, DAV University, Jalandhar on March 31, 2021.
2. Presented a paper titled “Fruits of Migration: Seeing Punjabi Diaspora through its Stories” in a National Seminar on *Displacement and Diaspora: Indian Literary Response* organised by Department of Modern Indian Languages and Literary Studies, University of Delhi, Delhi on February 5-6, 2020.
3. Presented a paper titled “Deconstructing the Discourse of *Swaraj*—Reflections from Some Bhasha Texts” in the two-day national seminar on *Towards Indian Theory/Theories of Cultural Studies* organized by Department of English and Cultural Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh on March 14-15, 2019.
4. Presented a paper titled “Mahasweta Devi’s Pterodactyl, Puran Sahay o Pirtha: A Study in Tribal Situation in India vis-à-vis Post-Truth Politics” in the two-day national seminar on *Media and Alternative Mediums: An Exploration of The Post-Truth Phenomenon* organized by Panjab University Rural Centre, Kauni, Sri Muktsar Sahib on April 11-12, 2018.
5. Presented a paper titled “Representation of Rise of Nationalism in *Maila Aanchal: Deconstructing the Received History’s Claim*” in *International Youth History Congress-2018* held on February 26, 2018 at Maharshi Dayanand College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Mumbai.
6. Presented a paper titled “Research and Extension Activities in Colleges” in CDC, PU, Chandigarh sponsored National seminar on *NAAC Accreditation: Methodology, Processes, and Problems* on March 29, 2016 at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar.
7. Presented a paper titled “Translation: A Benediction with Constraints” in an international seminar on *Cross Cultural Nuances* at Kanya Maha Vidyalaya, Jalandhar, Punjab, India on October 30-31, 2014.

8. Presented a paper titled “Radicalising the Discourses of Novel and History: A Reading of the Select Fiction of Gurdial Singh” in the international seminar on *Reading/Understanding Fiction in the Contemporary Times* by Department of English, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi on March 05-06, 2014.
9. Presented a paper titled “Violence in the Garb of Development: Mahashweta Devi’s *Pterodactyl, Puran Sahay and Pirtha*” in the national seminar on *Contextualising and Reorienting Violence and its Spaces in a Postmodern, Globalised World Order* organized by Lovely School of Arts and Languages, Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab on December 07, 2013.
10. Presented a paper titled “Socio-Economic Situations and Existential Dilemmas: A Study of Gurdial Singh’s *Unhoye* and Mahashweta Devi’s *Pterodactyl*” in the national seminar on *Comparative Study of Languages and Literature* organized by Department of Sanskrit, Pali and Prakrit, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar on September 27-28, 2013.
11. Presented a paper titled “Reflections of Rural Punjab in the Confluence of History and Literature: A Reading of Gurdial Singh’s *Unhoye*” in the UGC sponsored national seminar on *History, Literature and Punjabi Society* organized by Department of History, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar on September 19-20, 2012.
12. Presented a paper titled “Existentialist Assertion in the Poetry of Protest: Faiz and Paash” in the national seminar on *Prophetic Visions and Voices in Poetry: Writing Self and the World* organized by Department of English, Punjabi University, Patiala on March 29-30, 2012.
13. Presented a paper titled “Multiple Indias: Facets of Indian Fiction in English and Bhasha” in the UGC sponsored national seminar on *Prospects of Indian Writing in English: Issues and Expressions* organized by Dev Samaj College for Women, Ferozepur City on February 24, 2012.
14. Presented a paper titled “Mahesh Dattani’s Vision of Drama” in the national seminar on *Reassessing World Drama: Visions, Experiments and Traditions* by Department of English, Punjabi University, Patiala on February 17-18, 2011.

15. Presented a paper titled “Mahesh Dattani’s *Final Solutions: A Play about Contemporary Communal Horror*” in the UGC sponsored national seminar on *Social Realism and Moral Concerns in Modern Drama* organized by G.H.G. Khalsa College, Gurusar Sadhar, Distt. Ludhiana on January 28-29, 2011.
16. Presented a paper titled “Swami Dayanand’s Political Ideology: A Cure for Contemporary Indian Polity” in the UGC sponsored national seminar on *Political Ideas of Swami Dayanand: Impact and Relevance in 21st Century India* organized by Radha Krishan Arya College, Nawanshahar on February 24, 2009.
17. Presented a paper titled “Domestic Violence: Social and Psychological Aspects” in a national seminar on *Domestic Violence Against Women* held by Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar in collaboration with ICSSR, Chandigarh on March 18, 2008.
18. Presented a paper titled “Human Life and Cultural Themes: Existential Dilemma” in the seminar on *Consciousness, Culture and Creativity: Indian and Western Perspective* at Department of Philosophy, Panjab University, Chandigarh on December 4-5, 2007.
19. Presented a paper titled “Rhetoric of Women Participations in Panchayati Raj Institutions” in a national seminar on *Engendering Panchayati Raj* held at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar in collaboration with ICSSR, Chandigarh on March 03, 2007.
20. Presented a paper titled “Social and Political Philosophy” at 2nd Annual Conference of Bhartiya Mahila Darshnika Parishad held under the auspices of Panjab University, Chandigarh on February 1-2, 2007.
21. Presented a paper titled “Human Rights and Gender Justice” in the UGC sponsored national seminar on *Ethical Dimensions of Human Rights: Perspective for Civil Society and Democracy* organized by Government Ranbir College, Sangrur on December 1-2, 2006.
22. Presented a paper titled “Culture, Gender and Human Rights” in the UGC sponsored national seminar on *Awareness and Promotion of Human Rights* organized by D.A.V. College for Women, Ferozepur Cantt. on November 10-11, 2006.

Participation in Literary Programmes:

1. Read a self-translated poem “Vyas Putri” (translated from a Hindi poem of the same title by Rashmi Bajaj) in Majha House Poetry Symposium, on 22-04-2020, in an online session.
2. Read a self-composed story “Os Bohar Ne Puchhiya Si” (Punjabi) (That Banyan Had Asked) in Once Upon a Story — a Majha House, Amritsar initiative on 25-07-2020, in an online session for the audience across the world.

Workshops/National/International Seminars Attended:

1. Attended an international webinar on “*Sri Guru Arjan Dev Ji Di Shahidi: Puratan Srotaan De Havale Naal*” organised by P.G. Dept. of History, Guru Nanak College, Muktsar on 01-07-2021.
2. Attended a National webinar on “*Guru Teg Bahadur Ji: Jeevan-Darshan ate Bani*” organised by Guru Nanak College, Muktsar on 07-08-2020.
3. Attended a National webinar on “Psychological Effects of COVID-19 on Adults and Children” organised by P.G. Department of Punjabi, Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar on 23-05-2020.
4. Attended an International webinar on “Challenges of COVID-19 for Economy and Economic Policy” organised by P.G. Department of Commerce, Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar on 15-05-2020.
5. A three-day workshop on Community Radio Awareness sponsored by Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, and organised by SMART (Seeking Modern Applications for Real Transformation) at Hotel Hometel, Chandigarh on 06-08 January, 2020. Visited Radio Jyotirgamay, a CRS (Community Radio Station) in PU, CHD campus during the workshop.
6. A two-day academic conference on the Draft of National Education Policy-2019, organised jointly by Jai Punjab Forum and Lyallpur Khalsa College for Women, Jalandhar at Lyallpur Khalsa College for Women, Jalandhar on June 29-30, 2019.

7. A workshop by NAAC, Bengaluru on *Revised Accreditation Format (RAF)* at Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar on October 12, 2018.
8. An academic workshop on *Effective Teaching: Methodologies and Responsibilities* sponsored by Aatam Pragas Social Welfare Council, Ludhiana at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar on 31 January, 2015.
9. A UGC sponsored workshop cum seminar on *Building a Play* at Apeejay College of Fine Arts, Jalandhar on 4-5 March, 2011.
10. A UGC sponsored national seminar on *Art, Culture and Theory—Mapping the Transition from Modernism to Postmodernism* at Govt. Brijindra College, Faridkot on 3-4 February, 2011.
11. A national seminar on *Towards Wellness* at Bawa Nihal Singh B.Ed. College, Muktsar on 22 May, 2009.
12. A state level seminar on *Naari Vadi Vimarsh: Vivid Pariprekshya* sponsored by College Development Council, Panjab University, Chandigarh at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar on 10 March, 2009.
13. An ICSSR, Chandigarh sponsored national seminar on *Sociological Study of Punjabi Novel* at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar on 13 February, 2009.
14. A UGC sponsored national seminar on *World Scientists Warning to Humanity* at Dev Samaj College for Women, Ferozpur City on 24 March, 2007.
15. College Development Council, Panjab University, Chandigarh sponsored seminar on *Globalisation of Higher Education* on 9 February, 2007 at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar.
16. UGC sponsored international seminar on *Indo-Pak Relations: Strengthening the Ties* on 18-19 November, 2006 at Govind National College, Narangwal, Ludhiana.
17. ICSSR, Chandigarh sponsored national seminar on *Terrorism a Threat to Indian Nation State* on 21-22 February, 2006 at Guru Nanak College for Girls, Muktsar.
