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### **OBJECTIVE**

**To excel in my career as a successful academic while creating and disseminating knowledge which would make my country a better place.**

### **PERSONAL PROFILE**

Date of Birth` : 24<sup>th</sup> February 1976

Sex : Female

Civil Status : Married

Nationality : Sri Lankan

### **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS**

- Doctoral Candidate – Faculty of Graduate Studies- **University of Colombo.**
- Master of Applied Linguistics – **University of Newcastle, Australia.**
- Master of Arts in Linguistics -**University of Kelaniya.**
- Bachelor of Arts Special Degree (English) - Upper Division Class -**University of Sri Jayewardenepura.**
- Teacher Training Course in Critical Thinking for English Language Teaching-**Oregon University, United States of America.**

- Certificate Course in Teaching in Higher Education -**University of Sri Jayewardenepura.**

## **RESEARCH PAPERS**

- ‘Standard Vs nonstandard use of language found in Emails used for business communication’ – Vidyodaya Journal - 2011
- ‘Language Anxiety and Learner Performance’- International Research Conference on Humanities and Social Sciences convened by the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Sri Jayewardenepura - 2012.
- ‘Cultural Displacement Vs Language Displacement: Representation of Cultural Displacement in Jhumpa Lahiri’s The Namesake and Kiran Desai’s The Inheritance of Loss - International Symposium convened by the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka - 2013
- ‘L1 deficiency, Language Anxiety and L2 Achievement; The Debate’ co-authored by Professor Ronald Laura - Autumn Conference convened by the School of Education, University of Newcastle, Australia – 2014
- ‘Language Anxiety and Learner Performance among Undergraduates at the University of Sri Jayewardenepura’ co-authored by Professor Ronald Laura, - the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference proceedings of the Higher Degree Research Student Conference organized by the University of New South Wales, Australia - 2014.
- ‘L1 deficiency, L2 acquisition, Language anxiety and Learner Performance among Undergraduates at the University of Sri Jayewardenepura’ – The second annual research symposium organized by the National Centre for Higher Studies for Humanities and Social Sciences (NCAS) - 2015.
- ‘Are Girls Better Learners than Boys? An Analysis of Gender Imbalance in Higher Education in Sri Lanka’ at the International conference organized by the Science Foundation -2015
- ‘Impact of Language Anxiety on learner performance among university undergraduates - Annual Research Sessions, Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Colombo- 2015
- ‘The Effect of Cultural Stereotyping on Teaching and Learning English as a Second Language: A case study on the University of Sri Jayewardenepura - International Research Conference on Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Sri Jayewardenepura – 2015
- ‘Cartoons, Stereotypes and Beyond’ fifth International Conference on Humanities and Social Sciences, convened by the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Sri Jayewardenepura 2016

- A short story translated into English from Sinhala published in *A Lankan Mosaic – Translations of Sinhala and Tamil Short stories*, The Gratiaen Trust 2002

### **TEACHING 2015-2016**

- Introduction to English Language and English Grammar
- Medieval to Augustan Literature
- Introduction to TESL
- Pedagogical Theory and Practice
- Critical Reading and Writing

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

- Senior Lecturer – Department of English, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Sri Jayewardenepura. (From 2005 to date)
- Visiting Lecturer on the Diploma Program for English Teachers conducted by the Department of English, University of Sri Jayewardenepura. (2005)
- Resource person for the course conducted for the applicants of the Cambridge Exams Teaching Knowledge Test (TKT) by the Academy of English and Drama, Colombo. (2006)
- Visiting lecturer on Intensive English course ‘English for Employment’ conducted by the Department of English, University of Sri Jayewardenepura. (2006)
- Chief Examiner of the G.C.E Advanced Level Examination 2007, 2008 2009 and as a Co-Controlling chief in 2016 for the General English paper.