

Resume

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Present Designation:

Assistant Professor (S. S.), Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar

Discipline:

English Literature

Areas of Research Interest:

Postcolonial Literatures and Theories, Contemporary Indian English Literature, Literary and Cultural Theory, Modern and Postmodern English Literature, Arabic and Middle Eastern Literatures, Cinematic Adaptations of Literature

Academic Background:

1. GSLET (English) (2002), UGC, New Delhi.
2. M. A. (English) (58.5%, 1998), Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar.
3. B. A. (English) (57.3%, 1996), The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara.
4. HSC (Science) (50.25%, 1992), GSEB, Gandhinagar.
5. SSC (Science) (72.14%, 1990), GSEB, Gandhinagar.

Total Teaching Experience: 15 Years

Current Teaching Position:

Assistant Professor of English (Senior Scale), Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar (from September 2009 onwards)

Teaching Positions Held:

1. Assistant Professor of English, Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar (from 27 March 2003 to September 2009).
2. Lecturer in English, Government College, Ahwa-Dangs (from Nov. 2001 to Mar. 2003).

3. Ad-hoc Lecturer in English, Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar (from Oct. 2000 to Mar. 2001).
4. Visiting Lecturer in English (Full-time), Government College, Daman (UT) (from Dec. 1999 to Apr. 2000).
5. Visiting Lecturer in English (Part-time), Government College, Ahwa-Dangs (from Nov. 1998 to Nov. 1999).

Other Professional Achievements:

1. Selected by Gujarat Public Service Commission (GPSC) for the post of a Lecturer (GES; Class II) in the Government Arts & Commerce Colleges run by Department of Education; Government of Gujarat. This selection had been done through written examination as well as personal interview. On the basis of this selection I was appointed as a lecture in English, Government Arts & Commerce College, Ahwa-Dangs in November, 2001.
2. Appeared in the Competitive Examination for administrative posts (GAS; Class I & II), conducted by Gujarat Public Service Commission (GPSC). Cleared Preliminary examination (August 2001) as well as the Main Written Examination (July 2002).

Research Publications:

Articles:

1. “The Diasporisation of Urdu Ghazal in U. S. A.” in *Indian Diaspora and Its Contribution: India and Abroad* (2013), Ed. Prof. Hiteshkumar N. Patel, UGC sponsored Centre for Indian Diaspora, Sardar Patel University Press, Vallabh Vidyanagar. (ISBN: 978-93-81386-33-0). Pp. 85–92.
2. “Shifting Terrains: Minority Identity, Majoritarian Community and Secular Ethos in Indian English Fiction”, *Prajñā: Journal of Humanities, Social Sciences and Business Administration*, Vol.15, 2013, Sardar Patel University Press, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Pp. 44–60.
3. “Agha Shahid Ali: The Poet of Diasporic Experience” in *Indian Diaspora in Various Perspectives* (2013), Ed. Prof. Hiteshkumar N. Patel, UGC sponsored Centre for Indian Diaspora, Sardar Patel University Press, Vallabh Vidyanagar. (ISBN: 978-93-81386-22-4). Pp. 134–142.
4. “Salman Rushdie and Cultural Translation: A Bhabhaian Reading of *Midnight’s Children*” in *Translation Studies: Contemporary Perspectives on Postcolonial Subaltern Translations* (2012), Viva Books Private Ltd., New Delhi. (ISBN: 978-8130920528) Pp. 79–99.
5. “*Flaubert’s Parrot*: Postmodern Historiography/Historiographic Metafiction”, *Prajñā: Journal of Humanities, Social Sciences and Business Administration*, Vol.14, 2012, Sardar Patel University Press, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Pp. 37–42.

6. "A. K. Ramanujan: The Postcolonial Poetic Self as the Site of Cultural Fissions", *Prajñā: Journal of Humanities, Social Sciences and Business Administration*, Vol.13, 2011, Sardar Patel University Press, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Pp. 35–44.
7. "Pinter and Politics", *Prajñā: Journal of Humanities, Social Sciences and Business Administration*, Vol.12, 2007, Sardar Patel University Press, Vallabh Vidyanagar, Pp. 12–16.

Academic Participation and Paper Presentation:

International Conferences/Seminars/Symposia:

1. Participated and presented a paper on "The Diasporisation of Urdu Ghazal in U. S. A." in UGC Sponsored International Seminar on "Diaspora and Its Contribution: India and Abroad" organised by the Centre for Indian Diaspora, Department of Sociology, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 17–18 September, 2013.
2. Participated and presented a paper on "Agha Shahid Ali: The Poet of Diasporic Experience" in UGC Sponsored International Seminar on "Indian Diaspora in Various Perspectives" organised by the Centre for Indian Diaspora, Department of Sociology, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 11–12 March, 2013.
3. Participated in the International Symposium on "Postmodernism in Canadian Fiction" organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar and sponsored by Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, Ottawa/New Delhi on 21 January, 2006.

National Conferences/Seminars/Symposia/Workshops/Conventions:

1. Participated and presented a paper on "Queer Shakespeare: A Gender(ed) Reading of *King Lear*" in UGC sponsored Two day National Conference on "Rethinking and reframing Shakespeare and the Renaissance" organised by Department of English, Hemchandracharya North Gujarat University, Patan during 26–27 March, 2016.
2. Participated in the Second Two-Day National Round-Table on "Literary Representation of Social Change in Novels and Plays in Gujarati, Hindi and Indian English Literatures from 1971 to 2013" under UGC SAP-DRS (Phase-II) organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 21–22 February, 2014.
3. Participated and presented a paper on "Shifting Terrains: Minority Identity, Majoritarian Community and Secular Ethos in Indian English Fiction" in the UGC sponsored National Seminar on "Community, Culture and Literature in Post-Independence India" organised by Shri P N Pandya Arts, M P Pandya Science and Smt D P Pandya Commerce College, Lunawada during 31 January to 01 February, 2013.
4. Participated in the First Two-Day National Round-Table on "Literary Representation of Social Change in Novels and Plays in Gujarati, Hindi and Indian English Literatures from

2003 to 2013” under UGC SAP-DRS (Phase-II) organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 18–19 March, 2013.

5. Attended the 47th Gujarati Sahitya Parishad Convention held at N. S. Patel Arts College, Anand during 24–26 December, 2013.
6. Participated in the 57th National All India English Teachers’ Conference (AIETC) on “Emerging Areas in English Studies” organised jointly by Association for English Studies of India (AESI) and Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 21–23 December, 2012.
7. Participated in the Third Three-Day National Seminar on “Literary Representation of Social Change in the Novels and Plays published in Gujarati, Hindi and Indian English Literatures between 1993 and 2002” under UGC SAP-DRS (Phase-II) organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 24–26 February, 2012.
8. Participated in the Second Three-Day National Seminar on “Literary Representation of Social Change in the Novels and Plays published in Gujarati, Hindi and Indian English Literatures between 1982 and 1992” under UGC SAP-DRS (Phase-II) organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar from from 28 to 30 January 2011.
9. Participated in the First Three-Day National Seminar on “Literary Representation of Social Change in the Novels and Plays published in Gujarati, Hindi and Indian English Literatures between 1971 and 1981” under UGC SAP-DRS (Phase-II) organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar from 26 to 28 February 2010.
10. Participated in the National Seminar on “From Literature to Cinema: A Creative Metamorphosis” organised jointly by U T S Mahila Arts College, Nadiad and Sahitya Akademi, Gandhinagar during 04–05 December, 2010.
11. Participated in the National Seminar on “Ideology of Community-Culture in India after 1970” under UGC SAP-DRS (Phase-I) organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 18–19 February, 2008.
12. Participated and presented a joint paper on “South Asian Diaspora: the Novels of Rohinton Mistry, Michael Ondaatje and M G Vassanji” in the National Workshop on “Information Science, Research Methodology and Future of Canadian Studies” organised by James Reaney Canadian Study Centre, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad & sponsored by External Affairs Ministry through Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, Ottawa/New Delhi during 18–20 March, 2007.
13. Participated and assisted in editing and proof-reading in the National Workshop on “*Parmarth*: Encyclopedia of Hinduism” organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 26 February to 03 March, 2007.

14. Participated and prepared a detailed report on the proceedings of the State Level Seminar on “Problems and Prospects of the Present Examination System” organised by Examination Reform Unit (ERU), Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar on 08 February, 2007.
15. Participated in the National Seminar on “Community, Culture and Ideology in Modern Indian Drama” under UGC SAP-DRS (Phase-I) organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 02–04 February, 2007.
16. Participated and presented a paper on ‘Pinter and Politics’ in the 51st National All India English Teachers’ Conference (AIETC) on “New Literatures in English” organised jointly by The Indian Association for English Studies (IAES) and Department of English, Shivaji University, Kolhapur during 27–29 December, 2006.
17. Participated in the National Seminar on ““Literary Representation of Community, Culture and Ideology: Study of Post-1970 Representative Gujarati, Hindi and Indian English Poetry” under UGC SAP-DRS (Phase-I) organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 22–24 September, 2005.
18. Participated in the National Seminar on “Reconstructing the Nation in the Era of Globalisation” organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar and sponsored by Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, Ottawa/New Delhi during 11–12 March, 2005.
19. Participated in the National Seminar on “Literary Representation of Community, Culture and Ideology: Study of Post-1970 Representative Gujarati, Hindi and Indian English Fiction” under UGC SAP-DRS (Phase-I) organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 29–31 December, 2004.
20. Participated in the National Seminar on “Towards World Unity” under the A B Patel Endowment Lecture Scheme organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar on 25 February, 2004.
21. Participated in the National Symposium on “Multiculturalism: Canada and India” organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar and sponsored by Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, Ottawa/New Delhi during 20 January, 2004.

State-Level Seminars/Workshops:

1. Participated in the State-Level Workshop on “e-Content Development (NME–ICT)” organised by Internal Quality Assurance Cell, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar and sponsored by Knowledge Consortium of Gujarat (KCG) on 21 August, 2010.

2. Participated in the State-Level Seminar-cum-Workshop on “Teaching of English Language and Literature” organised by Alumni Association of Department of English, Sardar Patel University (AADESPU), Vallabh Vidyanagar during 04–05 October, 2005.
3. Participated in the UGC-Sponsored State-Level Seminar on “Govardhanram Tripathi – A Revaluation” organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar during 18–19 January, 2004.

UGC-ASC Orientation and Refresher Courses Attended:

1. UGC sponsored Four-Week Orientation Course organised by the Academic Staff College, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, during 27 August to 21 September, 2007.
2. UGC sponsored Three-Week Refresher Course organised by the Academic Staff College, University of Mumbai, Mumbai, during 10–29 November, 2008.
3. UGC sponsored Three-Week Refresher Course organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar, during 01–21 June, 2001.
4. UGC sponsored Three-Week Refresher Course organised by Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar, during 02–19 November, 2000.
5. IGNOU sponsored One Day Orientation Programme for Academic Counsellors organised by the IGNOU Study Centre, Government College, Daman (U. T.) on 26 March, 2000.

Invited Guest Lectures:

1. On “T. S. Eliot’s Poetry” at C. & S. H. Desai Arts & L. K. L. Doshi Commerce College, Balasinor on 23 January, 2012.
2. On “Samuel Beckett’s *Waiting for Godot*” at N. A. T. V. Patel Arts College, Vallabh Vidyanagar.
3. On “T. S. Eliot’s *The Waste Land*” at N. A. T. V. Patel Arts College, Vallabh Vidyanagar.

Membership:

1. Member, Board of Studies in English and Other Modern European Literatures, Faculty of Arts, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar.
2. Treasurer and Life-Member, AADESPU (Alumni Association of Department of English, Sardar Patel University) Vallabh Vidyanagar.
3. Member, UGC SAP-DRS Research Project on “*Representations of Community, Culture and Ideology in Post 1970s Gujarati, Hindi and Indian English Literature*”, Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar, India.

4. Co-Editor, *Sheel Shrutam*, the monthly newsletter of Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar.
5. Convener, The Rotary Club Debating Competition in English, Department of English, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar.
6. Member, SPUTA (Sardar Patel University Teachers' Association), Vallabh Vidyanagar.

Information on Extra & Co-curricular Activities:

1. Supported the department in extra and co-curricular activities such as organising cultural functions, youth festivals and drama competitions. Organised, conducted and compeered the Debate Competition annually, as the Convener of The Rotary Club Debating Competition in English. Maintained the accounts and finances of the Alumni Association of Department of English, Sardar Patel University as the Treasure of this association. Assisted this association in conducting academic programmes such as workshops, symposia and seminars regularly for the benefits of its alumni.
2. Rendered services as Reporter during university functions such as seminars, conferences and the Convocation Functions. Assisted the Department and the university in preparing various documents and records such as University Annual Report, Departmental and University Profile for UGC, NAAC and other funding and supervising agencies.
