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Educational Qualification:

- April 2025 Submitted Thesis for the award of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) to Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai – Viva Voce Awaited
- April 2004 Completed Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) in English at the SFRC College for Women, Sivakasi with 69% marks.
- April 2003 Completed Master of Arts in English at The American College (Autonomous), Madurai with 68% marks.
- April 2000 Completed Bachelor of Arts in English at the SFRC College for Women, Sivakasi with 71% marks.

Work Experience:

- Since March 2006 Working as Assistant Professor of English at the Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- June 2003–October 2004 Worked as Part-time Lecturer in English at the SFRC College for Women, Sivakasi.

Additional Qualification:

- August 2023 Completed a 14-day Refresher Course in English conducted by the UGC-HRDC, Pondicherry University.
- Feb. 2022 Completed Online Course on “Peace Education: Designing Pedagogies for Change” conducted by Mindanao Peacebuilding Institute, Philippines and United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia, Hong Kong.
- Feb. 2022 Completed Online Course on “Interreligious Cooperation for Peace” organized by Globethics, Geneva.
- October 2021 Completed a 14-day Refresher Course in English, organized by UGC-HRDC, University of Mumbai.
- October 2020 Completed Course on “New Models of Education: Using Digital Tools in Higher Education” organized by Christ University, Bangalore and United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia.
- May-June 2018 Completed the three-week Orientation Programme, organized by the UGC-HRDC, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.
- October 2014 Completed the three-month online course Methodology for TESOL conducted by the Univ. of Maryland, Baltimore County, USA – arranged by Govt. of USA

Dec. 2014 Completed the online course Professional Writing for Teachers conducted by the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, USA – arranged by the Federal Government of USA

Academic Honours:

Nov. 2012 Qualified in the National Eligibility Test for Lectureship (UGC-NET) conducted by the UGC in June 2012.

October 2012 Qualified in the State Eligibility Test for Lectureship (SET) 2012 conducted by the Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

April 2000 Awarded University Gold Medal for I Rank in Part III – Major by the Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai

April 2000 Awarded University Gold Medal and Sri M. Bhaktavachalam 69th Birthday Commemoration Prize for I Rank in Part II – English by the Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai

M.Phil. Dissertation:

Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice* and Wesker's *The Merchant*: A Comparative Study – SFR College for Women, Sivakasi, April 2004.

Doctoral Research:

Submitted Ph.D. thesis on the topic "Social Exclusion in the Novels of Manju Kapur" to the Madurai Kamaraj University, April 2025, under the guidance of Dr. A. Arjunan, Head (Rtd), Dept. of English, MTN College, Madurai.

Visits Abroad:

October 2024 Participated in the 2024 Annual Meetings of the Service Learning Asia Network, organized by the Singapore University of Social Sciences, Singapore.

July 2023 Participated in the 2023 Meeting of Executive Committee of the Association of Christian Colleges and Universities in Asia at Chung Yuan Christian University, Taipei, Taiwan.

March 2019 Participated as an Invited Speaker in the International Service-Learning Conference 2019, organized by the International Christian University, Tokyo, Japan.

April 2018 Participated in the 2018 International Conference for Christian Educators, organized by Bethlehem Tertiary Institute at Tauranga, New Zealand.

May-June 2013 Completed three week-long courses at the Annual Peacebuilding Training, organized by the Mindanao Peacebuilding Institute, Davao City, Philippines.

Voluntary Work:

2009-2011 Taught language skills to the underprivileged students at Sudar Foundation, Madurai

Conferences Attended/Papers Presented/Talks Delivered:

- July 2023 Participated in the 9th Asia-Pacific Regional Conference on Service Learning at Christ University, Bangalore and presented a paper titled "Incorporating Sustainable Development Goals into Service Learning Curriculum: A Study Based at Lady Doak College".
- Jan. 2022 Attended Faculty Development Programme on Literary Theory organized by PSGR Krishnammal College for Women, Coimbatore.
- October 2021 Delivered an Invited Talk on "Dreaming – the Kalam Way" organized by the National Service Scheme (NSS), Jayaraj Annapackiam College for Women, Periyakulam.
- Jan. 2021 Participated in the International Conference on Feminism, Culture, Language and Technology Impact 2021, organized by IMRF Institute Of Higher Education & Research, Vijayawada and presented a paper titled "Social Exclusion in Manju Kapur's *Home*".
- Feb. 2019 Participated in the Seminar on Trauma Narratives, organized by Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- Feb. 2019 Participated in the Regional Workshop on ICT Tools for English Language Teaching and Learning, organized by Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- Jan. 2016 Delivered a guest lecture on the topic Impact of Renaissance on English Literature at Hayagreeva College, Dindigul.
- Feb. 2015 Delivered a Guest Lecture on the topic "Renaissance and Reformation Period from the Social History of England" at Madurai Institute of Social Sciences, Madurai.
- August 2014 Participated in the UGC Sponsored National Seminar on ICT in Making A Healthy Information Society, organized by the Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada and presented a paper title "ICT and Learner Autonomy".
- Sept. 2013 Participated in the UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Indian Writing in English: A Literary Uprising, organized by Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, Madurai and presented a paper titled "Nonlinear Narratives in Manju Kapur's *Difficult Daughters*".
- March 2012 Participated in the UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Post- Independence Indian Writing in English: Theory and Praxis, organized by the Madras Christian College, Chennai and presented a paper titled "Gender in Manju Kapur's *Home*".

- March 2012 Participated in the National Seminar on Indian Writing in English, organized by the VHNSN College, Virudhunagar and presented a paper titled "The Many Homes in Manju Kapur's *Home*".
- January 2012 Participated in International Conference on Science, Society and Sustainability, organized by the Lady Doak College.
- August 2009 Participated in the UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Portrayal of Gender Discrimination in Postcolonial Literature, organized by the Jayaraj Annappaikiam College, Periyakulam and presented a paper titled "Gender Discrimination in Manju Kapur's *Home*"
- Feb. 2008 Participated in the UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Literary Theories, organized by the Lady Doak College.
- Dec. 2007 Participated in the UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Nature in Literature, organized by the Bishop Heber College, Trichy and presented a paper titled "Poetic Ecologies: A Study of Coleridge's *The Rime of the Ancient Mariner* and Daruwalla's "Death of a Bird"."

Publications:

- March 2025 Published book chapter titled "Empowering Voices: The Transformative Power of Inclusive Decision Making" in *Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions*, edited by J.P. Francis Divakar, R. Belinda, and G. Aruna Abirami, published by Madras Christian College, pp. 64-81.
- Oct. 2020 Published article titled "Recreating Memory through Narrative Strategies: A Study of Manju Kapur's *Difficult Daughters*" in *The Expression*, Vol.6; No.5; pp.80-84.

Workshops/Training Programmes Attended:

- Feb. 2024 Attended a Capacity Building Workshop on Psychosocial Support in Emergencies, conducted by the Centre for Peace Praxis, Christ University, Bangalore.
- March 2023 Attended a Workshop on NIRF Methodology and Measures to Improve in Ranking, organized by IQAC, Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- March 2023 Attended a Three-Day Service Learning Workshop on Participatory Learning and Evaluation, organized by United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia and Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- March 2023 Attended a Workshop on Effective Manuscript Writing organized by Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- August 2022 Attended a Two-Day Capacity Building Workshop for Faculty on Sustainable Development Goals and Community Based Participatory Research through Service Learning, sponsored by United Board for Christian Higher Education in

- Asia, organized by Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- May 2022 Participated in the Two-day In Service Teacher Training Programme organized by the Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education at MVM College, Dindigul.
- Nov. 2019 Participated in the Faraday Institute Course on Science and Christian Faith, organized by the Faraday Institute for Science and Religion at Madurai.
- March 2016 Participated in the Intercollegiate Faculty Workshop on Pedagogy of Women's Studies, organized by the Centre for Women's Studies, Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- June 2015 Participated in the three-day Workshop on Counselling Skills, organized by Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- January 2015 Participated in the One-day Regional Seminar on Comparative Literature, organized by Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- January 2015 Attended the Advanced Leadership Seminar for Pastors and Leaders, organized by the Institute of Advanced Christian Studies, Madras Christian College, Chennai.
- Sept. 2014 Participated in the Workshop on Working with Large and Mixed Ability Classes, organized by RELO, US Consulate, Chennai and Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- July 2014 Participated in the Seminar on UN Women – Relevance to Indian Women, organized by the Centre for Women's Studies, Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- Feb. 2014 Attended a One-day Orientation for NSS Programme Officers conducted by Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai.
- October 2013 Attended the Seven days NSS Programme Officers Orientation Programme conducted by NSSEmpanelled Training Institution, Avinashilingam Deemed University, Coimbatore.
- June 2013 Attended a One-day Training Programme on Communicative English, organized by Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- June 2013 Attended a One-day Workshop on Core Level Teaching, conducted by Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- March 2013 Attended a One-day Training Programme on Managing the Teaching and Learning Process, organized by the Department of English, Lady Doak College.
- Dec. 2012 Attended a One-day Workshop on English Language Teaching, organized by the British Council, Chennai.
- Sep.-Dec. 2012 Attended the Training Programmes on Student Centred Learning organized by Dr. Cynthia Dettman, Fulbright Visiting Professor, USA at LDC.
- October 2012 Attended a One-day Faculty Workshop on Gender Audit, organized by the Centre for Women's Studies, Lady Doak College.
- October 2012 Attended a Two-day UBCHEAS Sponsored Workshop on Interfaith Relations, organized by the Centre for Religion and Interfaith Relations, LDC.

- June 2012 Attended a Two-day Workshop for Young Lecturers of Christian Colleges in India towards Developing Foundational Leadership, organized by the All India Association for Christian Higher Education (AIACHE) at Arul Anandar College.
- Jan. 2012 Participated in the International Conference on Science, Society and Sustainability, organized by Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- June 2011 Attended a Four-day Workshop on Being an Effective Teacher, organized by the Centre for Human Resources Development, Lady Doak College.
- June 2011 Attended a Two-day Master Training Programme on Skill Edge – Essentials of Language and Grammar, organized by ICT Academy of Tamil Nadu at MEPCO SCHLENK Engineering College, Sivakasi
- March 2011 Attended a Workshop on My Journey to Leadership organized by Women's Study Centre, Madurai Kamaraj University, AMAcademy, Madurai and Centre for Women's Studies, Lady Doak College.
- January 2011 Attended a State level Workshop on Women in Political Participation, organized by the Centre for Women's Studies, Lady Doak College.
- Sept. 2010 Attended a One Day Training on Teaching of English for Part II Students of the Intermediate and Basic Levels, organized by the Department of English, LDC.
- Feb. 2010 Attended a One-day Seminar on Teaching Women's Studies, organized by the Centre for Women's Studies, Lady Doak College.
- Feb. 2008 Participated in the National Seminar on Literary Theories, organized by Lady Doak College, Madurai.
- June 2006 Attended a 10-day Workshop on Being an Effective Teacher, organized by the Centre for Human Resources Development, Lady Doak College.
- August 2004 Participated in the UGC-Sponsored two-day Regional Seminar on Women Writers: World View, organized by the SFR College for Women, Sivakasi.

Additional Responsibilities at the Lady Doak College:

Coordinator, International Study Centre, Since 2017

Staff-in-charge, Board of Studies, since 2019

Department Secretary, since 2022

Staff-in-charge, Kids Choir – 2014 & 2016

Staff-member, International Study Centre, 2015–2017

Programme Officer - NSS, 2013-14, 2014-15

Staff-in-charge-College Calendar, 2013-14, 2014-15

Staff-in-charge-NSS, 2011-12, 2012-13

Member- Centre for Women's Studies, 2010-2014

Co-Convener-English Literary Association (Arcadia), 2011-12, 2012-13 Member -

Calendar Committee, 2012-13

Member-Quiz and Current Affairs Club, 2012-13

Staff-in-charge - Department Alumni Cell, 2010-12

Additional Staff-in-charge-Centre for Music, 2006-07

Staff-in-charge-Short Term Course on Flower Making, 2006-07

Programmes organized/co-organized:

- Since July 2017 Organizing International Service-Learning Programme for Japanese and participants from other countries
- January 2014 Organized NSS Seven Day Camp at ManiyANJI, Madurai Dt. for the National Service Scheme
- Feb. 2013 Co-organized NSS Seven Day Camp at Kathakinaru, Madurai Dt.
- Sept. 2012 Co-organized Arcadia 2012 – intercollegiate literary festival on the theme “Charles Dickens”.
- January 2012 Co-organized NSS Seven Day Camp at Alathur, Madurai Dt.
- Sept. 2011 Co-organized Arcadia 2011 – intercollegiate literary festival on the theme “Women Writing”.

Academic Responsibilities (External):

External Examiner at The American College, Madurai; Fatima College, Madurai; and Ayya Nadar Janaki Ammal College, Sivakasi.

External Member in the Board of Studies in English at S.F.R. College for Women, Sivakasi.