

CAREER OBJECTIVE

My objective is to utilize my potential and abilities in teaching and research at an institution that focuses on improving academic quality in higher education. The position I would look for may also include administrative/managerial support to academia, government, and/or an institution involved in higher education in Pakistan. The organization I am looking for to work with should provide appropriate opportunities regarding career development.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

— Lecturer September 25, 2023–Present	<i>Department of Social Sciences, Iqra University, Islamabad Campus</i> Courses Taught: Functional English, Communication Skills, Academic Writing, Expository Writing, and Introduction to Linguistics
— Research Assistant September 01, 2022 – September 24, 2023	<i>Department of English, Air University, Islamabad</i> Worked as Full-time Research Assistant (equivalent to Lecturer) for NRP Project titled “Training Prospective/Novice English Teachers to Integrate Technology”
— Visiting Faculty Member September 13, 2022 – May 29, 2023	<i>Air University, Islamabad</i> Courses Taught: Functional English, Communication Skills, Technical Report Writing

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION

— PhD Linguistics 2024 – Present	<i>Air University, Islamabad</i> GPA: 3.58/4.00 (First Semester) Major Courses: Discourse, Text and Power, Advanced Grammatical Models, Latest Trends in ELT, and Corpus Linguistics
— MPhil Linguistics 2020 - 2022	<i>Air University, Islamabad</i> GPA: 3.69/4.00 Major Courses: Language Teaching: Theory, Research, and Practice, Sociolinguistics, and Academic Writing Thesis Title: Effects of Biliteracy on the Development of English Language Writing Skills: A Mixed-method Study Distinction: Gold Medal
— MA English Language Teaching (ELT) 2018 - 2020	<i>National University of Modern Languages (NUML), Islamabad</i> GPA: 3.94/4.00 Major Courses: English Language Teaching Methods, Teaching of Vocabulary and Grammar, Teaching of Literacy Skills, and Discourse Analysis Distinction: Gold Medal

RESEARCH INTERESTS & PUBLICATIONS

- Bilitery, Bilingual Education, and Translanguaging
- Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL)
- Second Language Acquisition (SLA)
- Irshad, S., Azim, U. W., & Azim, R. (2024). Implementing Hornberger's Bilitery Continua Model in Pakistani higher education: Challenges and opportunities. *Journal of Applied Linguistics and TESOL (JALT)*, 7(4), 1530-1544.

CONFERENCE PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- Azim, U. W., & Irshad, S. (2021, September). *Comparative appraisal analysis of Trump and Biden's inaugural speeches: Attitude towards Muslims*. Paper presented at 30th European Systemic Functional Linguistics Conference, United Kingdom.
- Azim, U. W., & Irshad, S. (2021, November). *Emotional Intelligence in a virtual setup of English language teaching and learning*. Paper presented at 7th International Conference of the Linguistic Association of Pakistan (ICLAP), Pakistan.

CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/WEBINARS ATTENDED

- 30th European Systemic Functional Linguistics Conference (Online), September 15-16, 2021
(Organized by Sheffield Hallam University, United Kingdom)
- 7th International Conference of the Linguistic Association of Pakistan (ICLAP) 2021, November 10-12, 2021
(Organized by University of Sargodha)
- TechHighEd (Smart Higher Education): Trainings, Transformations, Traps, 5th Two-day International Conference (Online), February 23-24, 2022
(Organized by Faculty of Social Sciences, Air University, Islamabad)
- 4-Day Training on Tech Inclusive ELT: Bridging Divides to Foster Learning (September 5-8, 2023)
(Organized by Faculty of Social Sciences, Air University, Islamabad)
- TechHighEd-II: Digitization of Teaching and Learning English (Two-Day International Conference (Onsite and Online)), November 21-22, 2023
(Organized by Faculty of Social Sciences, Air University, Islamabad)

REFERENCES

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