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AREAS OF INTEREST:

Decoloniality, Indigenization of Knowledge, Institutionalization of Literary Study, Postcolonial Literature and Theory, Literature and Ideology, Epistemic hegemony, Artificial Intelligence and the Humanities

EDUCATION:

▪ **Ph.D.**

Thesis: *Institutionalization of English Literature in Pakistan.*

University of the Punjab (2020)

• Supervisors:

Prof. Dr. Amra Raza, Chair, Dept. of Eng. Lang. and Lit. University of the Punjab;

Prof. Dr. Suman Gupta, Chair Department of English and Cultural History, Open University, UK.

- **M.Phil** (English Literature), University of the Punjab, Lahore (January 2004-2005)
- **M.A.** (English Literature) The Islamia University of Bahawalpur (September 1998-September 2000)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

- Assistant Professor, Department of English Language and Literature, **University of the Punjab**, Lahore. (Jan 7, 2014 to date)
- Lecturer, Department of English Language and Literature, **GC University, Lahore.** (Sep, 2006 to January 6, 2014)
- Lecturer, College of Information Technology, **University of the Punjab**, Lahore (Mar 2004- Aug 2006)
- Lecturer, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, **University of Engineering & Technology, Lahore.** (Aug 2002-Jan 2004)

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS:

- Waheed, Faryal and Shahzeb Khan. **Deep Ecology and the Rhetoric of Critical Dystopia in Piers Torday's The Last Wild.** *Pakistan Social Sciences Review.* Vol. 5. No. 1. 2021.
- Aamir, Dania and Shahzeb Khan. **Transgenerational Trauma and Postmemorial Atonement: A Case Study of Uzma Aslam Khan's The Miraculous True History of Nomi Ali.** Vol. 7 No. 1. 2021

- Nasir, Muhammad and Shahzeb Khan. **Indigenizing Marxism: Resistance, Poetry and Bonded Labour in Pakistan.** *Journal of the Research Society of Pakistan.* Vol. 58 No. 1. 2021
- Khan, Shahzeb and Azka Zia. **Hegemonizing Minds through Life Writing: The Case of English Men of Letters as an Imperial Text.** *Journal of the Punjab University Historical Society.* Vol. 34. No.1. 2021
- Shoaib, Muhammad. Sobia Mubarik and Shahzeb Khan. **Towards Ecopedagogy: A Fiction-based Approach to the Teaching and Learning of the Environment.** *Bulletin of Education and Research.* Vol.42. No.3. 2020.
- Khan, Shahzeb and Amra Raza. **Influencing the ‘Plastic Mind’ Catechetics of Imperialism in Instituting English Literary Studies in British Punjab.** *Academic Journal of social Sciences.* Vol. 4 No.4. 2020
- Khan, Shahzeb and Waqas Yousaf. **Politics of Representation in Raza Rabbani’s Invisible People.** *Journal of Politics and International Studies.* Vol. 6. No.2, 2020.
- Pasha, Zainab Nasim and Shahzeb Khan. **“Chinese Literature in Pakistani Universities: Prospects, Perspectives, and Safeguards against Cultural Imperialism.”** *Pakistan Vision.* Vol.21.No.2, 2020.
- Khan, Shahzeb. Amra Raza. **“To Terrify and Harmonize: On the Need of Historicizing the Emergence of the ‘fatal discipline’ in Pakistan.”** *Academic Journal of Social Sciences.* Vol. 4. No. 2, 2020.
- Khan, Shahzeb. Amra Raza. **“(De)Coloniality in Research: A Case Study of English Literary Humanities in Pakistan.”** *Journal of Research (Humanities)* Vol. LVI. No. 1, 2020.
- Khan, Shahzeb. Amra Raza. **“Dialogic Construction of Syncretic Identity in Derek Walcott’s Select Plays.”** *Journal of Research (Humanities)* Vol. LV. January 2019.
- Hamid, Sahar and Shahzeb Khan. **“Beauty out of Chaos: A Parallel Study of Pakistan’s Trauma Art and Literature.”** *Journal of Research (Humanities).* Vol. LIV. January 2018.
- Zakia Reshid and Shahzeb Khan. **“Neoliberal Epistemology in Pakistani Anglophone Fiction.”** *South Asian Studies.* Vol 32. No 2. Jul-Dec 2017.
- Khan, Shahzeb. Amra Raza. **“Creative Salvage of Self: Derek Walcott’s Symbiosis of the Self and the Other.”** *Bazyaft.* Vol 30. Jan-June 2017.
- Khan, Shahzeb. **“Pedagogy of Alienation: Epistemic Hegemony of the Mental Space and Fatal Fault Lines in the National Space.”** *South Asian Studies.* Vol 31. No 1. Jan-Jun 2016.

TEXTBOOK

- ***Introduction to Literary Studies: A Textbook for Pakistani Students.*** Ed. Shahzeb Khan. National Institute of Apex Studies. [NIAS]. Lahore. 2021.

CONFERENCE PAPERS:

- *Risks of Artificial Intelligence: Surveillance Capitalism and Digital Imperialism.* Nishat Hotel, Gulberg, Lahore. International Conference on Islamic Ethics and Artificial Intelligence. Organized by IT University, Lahore; funded by Facebook. December 20-21, 2021.
- *Claiming Decoloniality: A Survey of Discursive Battles at Appropriation.* [On Invitation]. International conference on "Colonialism and De-colonialism: Understanding the Patterns of Migration & Oppression from Past to Present. Berlin, Germany. Organized by: Friedrich-Naumann-Foundation (FNF) of Free Democratic Party of Germany. [Online Participation]. November 7 to 9, 2021. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-bkqYA_3jgU
- *Towards a Decolonial Dialogue with Transgender.* Presented at the 49th Annual North East Modern Language Association (NeMLA) Conference at Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA. April 12-15, 2018.
- *Literature of England in Pakistan and the Question of Occluded Ontology @ ICPWE's 2nd Intl. Conference on Pakistani Anglophone Literature.* April 15 and 16 2018 at Kinnaird College, Lahore.
- *Fantastic Beasts of Our Past and How to tackle them with English Literature.* Presented at 1st Intl. Conf. of Faculty of Humanities, FCCU: "Locating the Transcultural Humanities in Pakistan/South Asia. Oct 13-15, 2017, Lahore, Pakistan.
- *Caught in the Cultural Vortex: Resisting Alienation and Enabling Subjectivities.* Presented at Two-Day Intl. Conference on Critical Social Sciences and Humanities at Lincoln's Center, Intl. Islamic University, Islamabad, Pakistan. September 14-15, 2017.
- *Deeper Contexts of English Literary Study in Pakistan.* 1st National Symposium on Culture, Society and Literature (NSLCS). Department of English Language and Literature. Lahore Garrison University, Lahore, Pakistan. May 16, 2017
- *The Visible Invisible in the Pre-postcolonial: Towards an Epistemic Reprioritization.* Presented at the 17th Annual South Asian Literary Association Conference at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA. Jan 2-4, 2017.
- *Re-philosophizing English Literature in Pakistan.* National Seminar on Interdisciplinary Role of Philosophy organized by Department of Philosophy and Interdisciplinary Studies, GC University Lahore. April 20, 2016.
- *Pedagogy of Alienation: Epistemic Hegemony of the Mental Space and Fatal Fault Lines in the National Space.* Presented at the 16th Annual South Asian Literary Association Conference at Austin, Texas. USA January 4-6 2016

- *Administering Literary Poison: The Dangers of Teaching English Literature in Exclusivity*. Presented at 3rd Annual Social Science Conference at Lahore School of Economics. Lahore. 2nd and 3rd of April 2015.
- *Guarded Narrative Space in Mohsin Hamid's Mothsmoke* presented at 15th Annual SALA Conference: Beyond Borders, Boundaries and Margins. 6th and 7th January, 2015. The Listel Hotel, Robson Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.
- *Literary Theory in Pakistan: Towards a Reconceptualization* (April 14, 2014) presented at FICLL 2014 Modern and Contemporary Literature, Language and Culture. April 14 to April 16 2014. Department of English Language and Literature, GC University, Lahore.
- *Reading Politics between the Lines: A Study of Mohsin Hamid's Mothsmoke* (September 14, 2014) presented at 30th SPELT International Conference, Islamabad.

EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE:

- Associate Editor/ Secretary, Editorial Board, Journal of Research (Humanities), HEC Recognized Journal published by the Department of English Language and Literature, University of the Punjab. (2014 – December 2020/ December 2021 to Present)
- Member, Editorial Committee, EXPLORATIONS (GC University's English Literature's Research Journal). 2010 – 2012

INVITED TALKS:

- *"I think where I am": Delinking Philosophy from Coloniality. On World Philosophy Day, November 18, 2021.* School of Communication Studies. University of the Punjab.
- BookTalk: *Exterminate all the Brutes* by Sven Lindquist. Punjab University Library BookClub. August 11, 2021.
- "Decolonizing the Humanities in Pakistan" organized by University of Exeter, UK as part of the Philosophy in the Islamic World. July 5th, 2021.
- BookTalk: *Jadeediat aur Nauabadiat: Urdu Adab mein Jadeediat, Europi Jadeediat or NauAbadiati Jadeediat*. 2021. Punjab University Library BookClub. June 2nd, 2021.
- On *Exterminate all the Brutes*. Organized by Habib University, Karachi; University of Exeter, UK. Webinar on May 17th, 2021.
- On Nasir Abbas Nayyar's book *Coloniality, Modernity, and Urdu Literature* (2020). February 10, 2021. Punjab University Oriental College.
- BookTalk: *The Age of Surveillance Capitalism* by Shoshana Zuboff (2018). Presented at the Punjab University Library BookClub. February 3rd, 2021.
- *Colonial Matrix of Power and the Myth of Sovereignty*. Delivered to Students of Public Policy, Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad. December 2nd, 2020.

- *Philosophizing Indigeneity and Indigenization* at 418th meeting of the Islamic Philosophical Association. Lahore Gymkhana. *February 12, 2020*
- TEDxTalk: ***Decolonizing Memory***: July 27th, 2018 at the Ali Auditorium in Lahore.
- *Locating Ourselves in Philosophy of Literature and Literature of Philosophy*. Department of Philosophy, GC University Lahore. December 18, 2015.
- *Language, Communication and Deception*. Department of Mass Communication, FCC (A Chartered University). Lahore. March 27, 2013.
- *History and Identity: The interplay that defines our present*. Institute of Administrative Sciences, University of the Punjab. Lahore. July 6, 2010.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES/ BOOK REVIEWS:

- Biased Barriers: (Book Review). *Taking Back Philosophy: A Multicultural Manifesto* by Bryan W. Van Norden. Books and Authors (**Dawn**). June 15, 2018
- English Literature and ‘the elegance of deceit.’ (**The News**). December 31, 2017.
- A Ravian Remembers. (Book Review). Books and Authors (**Dawn**) *Against All Odds: Institution Building in the Real World*. August 27, 2017.
- The Corporate Factor in Arab Revolutions (**Dawn**) Feb 27, 2011.
- How the British Influenced Indian Culture (**Dawn**) Dec 25, 2010.
- Theorizing Politics of Change (**Dawn**) Feb. 21, 2010.
- An identity with genes of discord (**Dawn**) Nov. 22, 2009.
- Time to re-examine our history (**Dawn**) June 28, 2009.
- Mixing charity with jihad (**Dawn**) Dec 27, 2008.
- Indigenising Knowledge (**Dawn**) May 31, 2008.
- The unfinished decolonization of our society (**Dawn**) Feb 09, 2008.
- Our colonial-era bureaucracy (**Dawn**) Oct 06, 2007.
- Recalling Sindhi’s dream (**Dawn**) Sep 08, 2007.
- It’s time to decolonize our minds (**Dawn**) June 16, 2007.
- Dalrymple’s intellectual dishonesty (**Dawn**) May 26, 2007.
- Mutiny at Lahore in 1857 (**Dawn**) May 13, 2007

CONSULTANCY:

⇒ Language Consultant “Web Interface Localization: Guidelines and Conventions Project”

in an ICT funded project based at University of Management and Technology's Interaction Design Centre. A detailed report was submitted to the National Information and Communication Technology's Research and Development Wing.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

- Member, South Asian Literary Association. 2015 to 2017.
- Member, North East Modern Language Association, USA. 2018-2019
- Member, Modern Language Association, USA. 2018-2019
