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Summary

My life philosophy

As a person who benefited from the free education of Sri Lanka, I have responsibility to commit myself to the service of my country through my skills and talents. Therefore I am determined to be a social entrepreneur who would create job opportunities, working force and uphold our national values.

My teaching philosophy

I want to make people who have capacity to take life challenges while creating innovation based culture by experiencing and experimenting through student supportive learning environment which is surrounded by active learning methods and strategies.

Education

University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka

Full time PhD Student, Faculty of Engineering – Sustainable Fashion

University of Surrey, United Kingdom

Visiting PhD researcher, Center for Environment and Sustainability

University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka

Bachelor of Design in Fashion Design and Product Development

1st Class Honours

D.S. Senanayaka College Colombo, Sri Lanka

General Certificate in Education - Advanced Level

Chemistry – Very good Pass

Physics – Credit pass

Combined mathematics – Credit Pass

General English – very good Pass

Professional Qualifications

Staff and Educational Development Association, United Kingdom

Certificate in Teaching in Higher Education - Received the accreditation July 2017

Staff Development Center, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

Certificate in Teaching in Higher Education 2016

National Youth Services Council, Lalith Athulathmudali Vocational Training Center, Sri Lanka

Certificate in Clothing Technology and Management – 2009

International Olympic Council – Olympic Solidarity and NOC Sri Lanka

Sports Administrators Course – 2017

Professional Experience

Lecturer at University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka

June 2014 - Present

Academic Responsibilities

Fashion design and product development Degree Programme

- Year 01 Foundation Studies, Visual Studies, Design realization in fashion/textiles, Learning Portfolio, CAD
- Year 02 Design realization in fashion/textiles, Learning portfolio, Computer aided pattern making
- Year 03 Fashion Industry Investigative Study (Research)
- Year 04 –Concept Development, Design Development and Problem Solving of final major project in Fashion/Textile

B.Sc Textile Engineering Degree Programme

Semester 05 - CAD for Apparel

Conducting Short courses

Pattern Design and Apparel

Quality Management for apparel Manufacture - Design and Development process

Other responsibilities

Year 04 Co-coordinator (2017)

Coordinator of fostering programme for year 02 students

Organizer of annual Graduation Fashion Show

Graphic Designer of University News letter

Year 01 assistant coordinator

Consultant - Sustaining and Nurturing Rural Agro-Industrial Social Enterprises (SUNRISE) project, Oxfam International, Sri Lanka, December 2017

Completed a situational analysis of Handloom weavers in Batticaloa and designed a strategic development plan with curriculum to develop the handloom industry in Batticaloa

Visiting lecturer at University College, University of Vocational training, Sri Lanka May 2015 –December 2015

Concept development

Concept Innovation Executive at Innovation team, MAS Active trading Private limited March 2013- June 2014

Creating and developing new concepts for international brands such as NIKE, Columbia, H&M, G star...etc.

Working with new machinery innovations, concepts and developments

Third Generation Bonding Specialist

Intern at Product Development Center, MAS Active Trading private Limited September 2009- May 2010

Worked with

Nike and Columbia development teams

Nirmaana Design and Innovation teams

CAD -CAM [Gerber] team

Printing, embroidery and bonding teams

Merchandizing, Industrial engineering and sourcing teams

Other Professional Engagement

Modern Pentathlon Federation of Sri Lanka

Assistant Secretary - 2017 to present

Ministry of Sustainable Development and Wild life, Sri Lanka

Member of the academic pool for sustainable development- 2016 to present

University of Moratuwa Toastmasters Club

President – 2016/17 Treasurer – 2015/16

Department of Textiles, Ministry of Industries, Sri Lanka

Judge- National Handloom competition 2014, 2015, 2016

Department of Textiles, North Western Province, Sri Lanka

Conducted a workshop to re-energize hand loom industry in North Western Province by improving innovation based design process -2017

Ministry of Industries- Western Province, Sri Lanka

Conducted a workshop to identify customers to develop consumer based creative thinking process for commercial hand-loom designing -2017

Facilitated a workshop on new trends in handloom industry2016

Ministry of Industries- Central Province, Sri Lanka

Conducted a workshop to explore existing customers to develop creative thinking process of commercial hand-loom designing -2017

Facilitated a workshop on new trends in hand loom industry- 2016

Sri Lanka Institute of Textile & Apparel, Sri Lanka

Member of evaluation panel 2017

Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs - Small Enterprise Development Division

Conducted a workshop for small scale apparel entrepreneurs in Colombo district on the topic of " An Introduction to be a professional fashion designer and identifying market trends" – 2016

Sri Lanka Institute of Advanced Technological Education

Member of Judging Panel for the competition of ENZEAL-2016

The Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission, Sri Lanka

Conducted a workshop for evaluators on the topic of "How to improve Attitudes, Skills and efficiency of a professional fashion designer and fashion industry related job market and its trends" 2016

Ministry of Industries- Southern Province, Sri Lanka

Facilitated a workshop on new trends in handloom industry – 2016

Singer Fashion Academy, Sri Lanka

Judge - Singer Fashion Academy fashion show 2016, 2017

Chokalatte Mother and Daughter Fashion show

Facilitate workshops for Semi Finalists 2015, 2016

Volunteer Engagement

Modern Pentathlon Federation of Sri Lanka and Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne

Worked as an official at Laser Run City Tour 2017

United Nations Youth Advisory Panel Sri Lanka

Entrepreneurship Representative 2014 - 2016

United Nations International Youth Day 2012

Member Mosaic Design Team

ICC Cricket world cup 2011

Member of venue enhancements team

Ministry of Buddhism, Sri Lanka

Dhamma School teacher 2007 to present

Sri Lanka Police

Convener - Civil Defensive Committee, Piliyandala - 2008 to 2009

Honors and Awards

Outstanding Designer brand award 2013

Graduation Fashion Show 2013, University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka

Top 03 Finalists – Emerging Designer

Sri Lanka Fashion and Apparel Awards 2013

The Bright Spark 2013

HSBC Colombo Fashion Week 2013

Winner

"Elixier 2013 - Design For Change" Fashion contest

Class Prize in Physics 2007

D.S.Senanayake College Colombo, Sri Lanka

Best Results - General Certificate in Education - Ordinary Level

Asoka Vidyalaya, Colombo, Sri Lanka

Fashion and textile Skills

Innovative idea creation

Active wear design and developing

Fashion forecasting Creative pattern making

V stitcher 4.6 3D modeling Software

Textile designing (Knitting and Woven)

Fashion marketing

Concept and product developing CAD CAM [Gerber] pattern making

Bonding and seams

Computer, Graphics and Video editing Skills

Microsoft Office 2010, 2007, 2003

Computer Hardware Engineering – Diploma level

Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, Indesign, Premiere, Coral Draw Sony Screen blast movie Studio and Sony Acid Music studio

Research Publications

- Feasibility Studies on Contact Dermatitis Buffering Textile Finish Using Certain Plant Natural Products
 - Published at 19th Engineering research symposium -2013, Faculty of Engineering, University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka
- Skin Friendly Fabric with Biophytum Reinwardtii and Thespecia Populnea plants
 Published at Peradeniya university international research session 2014 18th Volume
- Developing a Textile Colour range by using skin health boosting natural herbs
 Abstract published at 2nd international conference on Apparel, Textiles and Fashion Design 2017
- Effectiveness of holistic and analytical assessments in assessing student performances in creative subjects: Student and examiner perceptions
 - 13th SDC-SLAIHEE Higher Education Conference 2017, Sri Lanka Association for Improving Higher Education Effectiveness
- A situational analysis of converting post-industrial textile waste into non wovens in Sri Lankan intimates and active wear apparel sector
 - International conference on the apparel industry: Productivity Improvement, Disruptive Innovation and Leadership 2018

Fashion Publications

- Appeared an outfit in Celebrity Calendar 2016
- Conducted an Investigative news about Sri Lankan Kids wear market at Independent Television Network- 2015
- Showcased a collection at Wedding Show 2015 which is held at BMICH Colombo, February 2015
- Showcased a collection at Runner Way 2014 International Fashion show which is held at hotel Hilton, April 2014
- Showcased a collection at Sustainable fashion runner way of Sri Lanka Design Festival 2013
- Showcased alcohol and drug prevention collection at the "Elixier"- design for change fashion show, organized by Alcohol and Drug information center and CMB Volunteers, which was held on 9th March 2013 at Park Street mews, Colombo
- Selected as a "Bright Spark" at the HSBC Colombo Fashion Week 2013 and showcased the Graduation Collection at Hotel Hilton on 5th April
- Created own fashion label "Generation i" for final year project and designed herbal treated lifestyle active wear garment range which is included Anti bacterial, clothing dermatitis free, breast cancer buffering and increasing skin health properties.
- Displayed one a collections at Model and Designer of the year 2011 fashion show held at Hotel Galadhari, Colombo
- Two Designs were displayed in President's 2nd oaths celebration Fashion Show held at Independent Square, Sri Lanka, 2010
- Displayed an outfit in silver jubilee inauguration ceremony of Department of Textile and Clothing technology, University of Moratuwa, 2010

Ongoing Research Interests

Sustainable Fashion

Education improvements in creative education sector

Sri Lankan Traditional textile bases

Fashion and Textile Innovations

Wearable Technologies

Active wear

Well-being apparels

Referees

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