

OSANKA HANSINI RATHNASIRI

PROFILE

I am a lecturer in English, a postgraduate student in TESL (Teaching English as a Second Language), and a graduate in Linguistics who is driven by the stimulus for achieving the highest standard possible at any professional endeavour. My passion for exploring knowledge in the areas of ESP (English for Specific Purposes), TESL, and Linguistics has always made me pursue avenues of professional development growing as an academic striving for excellence, both for the enhancement of the institution and its learners as well as my own satisfaction.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Oct. 2016 – Present	LECTURER (PROBATIONARY) Department of Languages University of Moratuwa
Feb. 2019 – Present	VISITING LECTURER IN LINGUISTICS Department of Language Studies University of Vocational Technology
November, 2017 – Present	EXAMINER (SPEECH) <i>(For Executive Level English Exams)</i> The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka
April 2017 – November 2018	VISITING LECTURER IN ENGLISH Department of Languages General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University
August 2016 – Sept. 2016	VISITING LECTURER IN ENGLISH English Unit, Faculty of Engineering Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology
May, 2016 – Sept. 2016	VISITING LECTURER IN ENGLISH English Language Teaching Unit Faculty of Arts, University of Colombo

LANGUAGES

Excellent command in both written and spoken **Sinhalese and English**

Other languages:

- French
- Tamil

SKILLS

Personal:

- Detail-oriented
- Highly organized and motivated
- Excellent presentation skills
- Effective communication and interpersonal skills

Professional:

- English for Specific (Academic/Professional) Purposes
- Technology for language teaching
- Curriculum and material development

Computer:

- Excellent IT skills
- Learning Management Systems

ACADEMIC/RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Teaching ESP/EAP
- Learner/teacher identities and ideologies
- Technology in ELT
- Blended teaching/learning
- Sri Lankan English

PERSONAL INFO

Date of Birth: 20 May, 1988

Nationality: Sri Lankan

Permanent address: (for correspondence) - 'RukSewana', Madiha-Kanattagoda Road, Madiha, Matara, Sri Lanka

TEMPORARY LECTURER IN ENGLISH
English Language Unit, Faculty of Medicine
University of Kelaniya

LECTURER IN ENGLISH
BCAS Campus

VISITING LECTURER IN ENGLISH
English Language Unit, Faculty of Medicine
University of Kelaniya

2015 – present **Master of Arts in Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL)**

Postgraduate Institute of English (PGIE), Open University of Sri Lanka

Subjects : Applied Linguistics, Sociolinguistics, Psycholinguistics,
Teaching Grammar and the Four Skills, English for Specific Purposes,
Technology in English Language Teaching, Curriculum and Materials
Design, Testing and Evaluation

2008 – 2013 **Bachelor of Arts (First Class Honours)**

University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka

Major: Linguistics (English medium)

Minor: English Language and Literature, Translation Methods, French

2007 **G.C.E. Advanced Level, St. Thomas' Girls' High School, Matara**

English	:	C	Business Statistics	:	A
French	:	A	General English	:	A

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

2018 – 2019	<p>Certificate in Teaching in Higher Education, (CTHE)</p> <p>Staff Development Centre, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka</p> <p>Staff and Educational Development Association (SEDA), the United Kingdom</p>
2014 – 2015	<p>Teaching Knowledge Test (TKT), Cambridge ESOL Examinations, UK</p> <p>TKT: Module 1 - Language and background to language learning and teaching – Band 4</p> <p>TKT: Module 2 - Lesson planning and use of resources for language teaching – Band 4</p> <p>TKT: Module 3 - Managing the teaching and learning process – Band 4</p>

RESEARCH

- 2019 **Possibilities and Perceptions: Use of Google Classroom and Zeetings for English for Academic Purposes** (in progress)
- 2017 **Exploring L2 Learner English Speaker-selves: a narrative case study on identity, ideology, and investment** – Thesis, Master of Arts in TESL
Postgraduate Institute of English (PGIE), Open University of Sri Lanka (OUSL)
(Dissertation writing in progress)
- 2017 **Using TED-Ed videos to enhance listening comprehension of ESP undergraduate learners: a pilot study** - Abstract published and presented at the 9th International SLELTA Conference, National Institute of Education, February 2017
- 2014 **An Overview of Multiple Perspectives on Linguistic Rights of Sri Lankan Undergraduates**
(with W.G.J.P. Lakshani) Abstract published in the booklet of abstracts of Research Symposium, Faculty of Graduate Studies, University of Kelaniya
- 2012 - 2013 **A Comparative Study on the Pronunciation Differences among the Standard British, Standard American, and Standard Sri Lankan Englishes**
(unpublished undergraduate thesis)
Department of Linguistics, Faculty of Humanities, University of Kelaniya, March 2013

MEMBERSHIPS

- 2018 - present **SLAIHEE**
Sri Lanka Association for Improving Higher Education Effectiveness
- 2017 – 2018 **SLELTA**
Sri Lanka English Language Teachers' Association

OTHER

- 2018 **Short Course on Qualitative Data Analysis** – *Successful completion*
Postgraduate Institute of English, Open University of Sri Lanka

REFERENCES

Referee 01: *(Professional)*

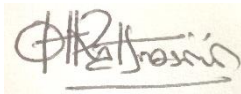
Professor Janaki Hewavisenthi,
Former Head,
English Language Unit,
Faculty of Medicine,
University of Kelaniya,
Ragama,
071 4743637
jhewavisenthi@yahoo.co.uk

Referee 02: *(Academic)*

Dr. Hemamala Ratwatte,
(Former Director, PGIE)
Senior Lecturer,
Department of Language Studies,
Open University of Sri Lanka,
Nawala,
Nugegoda,
hratw@ou.ac.lk

I hereby certify that the above information provided by me is true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:



Date: 01/08/2019