

## Dr Lamyia AlKooheji

An Assistant Professor at the Department of English Language and Literature, University of Bahrain. A freelance writer, author and trainer. Has experience in tertiary teaching, research, and PhD and Masters' degree in Linguistics. Combines a focus on student achievement with a passion for scholarly work, focused on teaching and learning innovation through educational technology. Driven to succeed with the ability to influence people and initiate change. Deeply invested in quality teaching at all levels.

### Core Skills

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- Strong public speaking
- High level research skills
- Academic and creative writing
- Student mentoring
- Communicating complex ideas
- Management of material resources
- Learning strategies
- Quality control analysis
- Academic committees
- Curriculum development
- Problem solving

### Career History

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Mar 2013 – Aug 2019	Assistant Professor, Department of English Language and Literature, College of Art, University of Bahrain
Sept 2014- May 2015	Director, Centre for General Studies, the Royal University for Women, Bahrain
Sept 2003 – Mar 2013	Graduate assistant, Department of English Language and Literature, College of Art, University of Bahrain
Sept 2000 – Nov 2003	Graduate assistant Department of English Language and Literature, College of Art, University of Bahrain

## Education

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- 2013                    PhD in Linguistics from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. Grade obtained B, first of my batch (Thesis title: Discursive Strategies Used by the Political Parties at the Bahraini Council of Representatives)
- Dec. 2003            Master Degree in Applied Linguistics from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. Grade obtained B+ (first of the batch)
- Jan. 2000            Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in English Language- Minor French Language from the University of Bahrain, Overall GPA 3.33 (B+)
- Mar. 2000            DELF 1er Degrée Diploma (A1, A2, A3 and A4), Diplome d'Etudes de Langue Francias, (First degree in French Language Studies Diploma)
- Jun. 1994            Secondary Certificate from Khawla Secondary School, Science section

## University Courses Taught

General language courses, advance grammar, general reading and writing courses, essay writing courses, academic writing and research courses, linguistics, sociolinguistics, English for specific purposes (English for IT and English for Science), Advanced grammar for English-major students.

## Publications, Productions and Rewards

- 2 May 2018        won a prize in the category of sports medicine research in Nasser bin Hamad Award for Scientific Research in its Second Edition; research co-written with Reema Yusuf and Dr. Abdul Ghani Al-Hattami, entitled "An Overview of Mixed Martial Arts in Bahrain with Focus on Injuries during Training and the Use of Preventive Measures".
- Sept. 2018        'Learning Styles Preferences among College Students', Co-authored with Dr. Abdulghani Al-Hattami. in International Education Studies 11(10):50-63 • September 2018. DOI: 10.5539/ies.v11n10p50
- Jan. 2018        'Learning Style Preferences among College Students: What Really Matters?' Paper presented at The 9th International Conference on Language, Education and Innovation, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. (Presented by the Co-author Dr. Abdulghani Al-Hattami, from Bahrain Teacher College, University of Bahrain.

### Publications, Productions and Rewards

- Dec. 2017 Discourse and Identity Formation: Parliamentary Debates in Bahrain, co-authored with Dr. Chitra Sinha, John Benjamins Publications, Amsterdam <https://benjamins.com/#catalog/books/dapsac.73>
- Sept 2018 'Learning Style Preferences among College Students' . International Education Studies. Vol. 11 : 10, pp. 50-63. co-authored with Dr. Abdulghani Al-Hattami
- August 2018 Connectivity 1: English Language for Information Technology. Self-published.
- July 2018 رحانج, Bila Janah. a novel (in Arabic). Arabic Scientific Publishers, Beirut, Lebanon.
- May 2017 Writing the script and directing the opening movie of a Panel Discussion on Advancing Equality and Empowerment of Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math),” held at the University of Bahrain under the patronage of Ms. Hala Al-Ansari, General Secretary, Supreme Council for Women. Link to video is [HERE](#)
- Jan. 2017 اشور د رتفد نم تايئاوشوع 'ashwa-iyat min daftar doctora rasha. a novelette (in Arabic). Arab Science Publications, Beirut, Lebanon.
- 2016 'Political Wit in the Bahraini Council of Representatives: An Ideological Struggle.' Issues in Political Discourse Analysis. Volume 4 Issue 2, pp. 155-170.
- In-press 'Identity Perception of Pakistani and Balochi Minorities at State Schools in Bahrain in Association with (Implicit) Language Policy'. Current Issues in Language Planning (CILP). (forthcoming ).

### Delivered Workshops and Talks

- Dec. 2017 -2018 A blended-learning workshop on novel writing at the University of Bahrain; the final number of students who completed the workshop was seven students, some writing in Arabic and others in English. Three two-hour lectures' email exchanges, one-to-one meetings to discuss progress, and a shared Drive doc to share extracts of writing and receive feedback and suggestions from group and mentor. Beside various chapters received from a total of seven participants (all were edited and commented on in a group shared document), three of the participants submitted completed novel manuscripts in English, word count ranged between +6K and +8k words.

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- 14, 21 & 31 Oct. 2018 Delivered a second series of lectures (a total of six hours) on project writing to senior architecture students as part of a series of lectures organized by the Department of Architecture at the University of Bahrain, Bahrain, in preparation of them for senior project writing.
- 24 Mar. 2018 Delivered a 3-hour workshop in Arabic entitled "Principles of Story Writing", addressed to children between 10 and 15 in House of Stories, operating under the Ministry of Justice, Islamic Affairs and Endowment, Bahrain
- 27 Nov. 2017- Dec. 2018 A workshop on writing a novel, started with delivering three sessions (each two hours long), open to university students, University of Bahrain, followed by communicating online (lectures, videos, blog, email exchange, shared Word docs) with participants to complete their first draft of novel or novella in either Arabic or English. A total of six novels were completed, four in English and two in Arabic.
- 27 Oct., 4 & 18 Nov. 2017 Delivered a series of lectures (a total of six hours) on academic writing to senior architecture students as part of a series of lectures organized by the Department of Architecture at the University of Bahrain, Bahrain, in preparation of them for senior project writing
- Feb-May 2017 Member of First Woman Forum committee, contributed to organizing a Panel Discussion on Advancing Equality and Empowerment of Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math," at the University of Bahrain, which took place on 8 May 2017 under the patronage of Ms. Hala Al Ansari, General Secretary, Supreme Council for Woman, Bahrain. Main responsibilities: screenwriting and directing opening film and preparing speakers short bio presentations.
- 5 Aug 2016 Presented a speak entitled 'Framing and Reframing: Create Your Story' in Mawane Majlis (preparatory sessions on creating a city architectural archive), organized by Mawane, Bahrain.
- Nov 2015 Delivered a total of seven hour workshops on 'Tips from French Children Don't Throw Food book', to a group of mothers, Bahrain
- Mar. 2014 Hosted live in the radio talk show "Nabedh Al Shabaab" on Bahrain Radio, Language and Bahrain Identity. Hosted by Al Banna and Sabeeka.
- Aug 2014 Interviewed on Bahrain Radio, discussion on PhD Thesis on a radio show 'Utroohat', hosted by Dr. Suhair Al Muhannandi.
- Mar. 2014 Delivered an intensive two-hour workshop on "Editing and Proofreading Skills for English Language Major Students", Dept. Of English Language and Literature, University of Bahrain
- Nov. 2013 Delivered a three-hour workshop on Organising Priorities "Enforcing Discipline Through Choosing Your Words" to teachers of primary level at Kanoo International School, Bahrain in 3rd Abdul Rahman Kanoo International School (ARKIS) Conference

### Delivered Workshops and Talks

- Nov. 2013 Delivered a two-hour lecture (in Arabic) entitled "Skills of Successful Conversation" to students at Al Ma'arif, Intermediate School, Riffa, Bahrain
- Sept 2013 Hosted talk by journalist and TV presenter Shaer in "Kalima Akheerah" talk show (in Arabic). Topic discussed: discursive strategies used in political language to convey a political party's ideology
- Oct. 2012 Delivered a workshop on Organising Priorities (in Arabic) to the administrative team of Kanoo International School, Bahrain in 1st Abdul Rahman Kanoo International School (ARKIS) Conference
- Apr. 96- Carried out several public interviews and published articles in Akhbaar Al-Khaleej, local newspaper in Bahrain  
Aug. 1997

### Training

- 24&26 Feb 2015 Ta'seel staff development workshop in NQF Mapping, delivered by Ms. Margaret Cameron, conducted at the Royal University for Women, Bahrain
- 20 Mar 2015 Capacity building workshop on ILOs and PILOs (Learning Outcomes), delivered by Dr. Bassam & Dr. Tajj, conducted at the Royal University for Women, Bahrain
- 3 Mar. 2010 "Writing the PhD Thesis", Transferable Skills Program, University of Edinburgh, UK
- 11 Nov 2009 "Preparing a Business Plan", Transferable Skills Program, University of Edinburgh, UK
- 4 Nov 2009 "PR, Marketing, and Market Assessment", Transferable Skills Program, University of Edinburgh, UK
- 8 May 2009 "Proof Reading", Transferable Skills Program, University of Edinburgh, UK
- 5 Feb 2009 "Accessing University Resources from Home", Transferable Skills Program, University of Edinburgh, UK
- 5 Feb 2009 "Preparing and Printing Large Form Posters", Transferable Skills Program, University of Edinburgh, UK
- 3 Feb 2009 "Writing a Document with LaTeX", Transferable Skills Program, University of Edinburgh, UK
- 28 Jan 2009 "Web Publishing (Nvu)", 28 Transferable Skills Program, University of Edinburgh, UK
- 19 Nov 2008 "Linking Fieldwork Experiences", Transferable Skills Program, University of Edinburgh, UK
- 7 March 2008 "Writing for Research Students in the Social Sciences", University of Leeds, Leeds, UK
- 19 Nov 2007 "Managing Your Supervisor", University of Leeds, Leeds, UK
- 5 Nov 2007 "Planning Your Personal Training and Development", University of Leeds, Leeds, UK
- 2 Nov 2007 "Making the Most of Your Research and Keeping it Safe", University of Leeds, Leeds, UK

## Training

- 26 Oct 2007 "Starting Your Research Degree: Arts and Social Sciences", University of Leeds, Leeds, UK
- Oct 2007 "A Balancing Act: Dealing with the Stress of Doing a Research Degree", University of Leeds, UK
- Jul- Aug 2002 An Introduction to the NLP
- June 2001 Attended a workshop "Setting Goals and Achieving them", conducted by the Alumni Club of UoB
- Oct -Nov 2000 "Speech Craft Workshop" (16 hours), conducted by Manama Toastmaster Club, Bahrain
- 1-5 Dec. 1999 "Achievers: Leadership and Personality Development Training Workshop" (20 hours), conducted by Advanced Institute of Management
- Nov. 1997 Attended a course in "Script Writing I" at Idea Gallery- Discovery Unlimited, Manama
- Nov. 1997 Attended a course in "Fiction Writing" at Idea Gallery- Discovery Unlimited
- Jul. 1997 Intensive course in "French Language" at Le Centre de Linguistique Appliquée (CLA) in Besançon, France, Level: intermediate 2
- Nov. 1997
- Jan. 1996 "Business and Practical Administration" course; Ministry of Education - Adult Education Directorate, (60 hours), grade obtained 89%

## Memberships

- Sept. 2016- March 2017 A member of the First Woman Symposium Committee (an ad hoc committee under the Equal Opportunity Committee at the University of Bahrain)
- Feb. 2000- Jan 200 Administrative member of the Alumni Club of the University of Bahrain
- Sept. 1999- Feb. 2000 President of the College of Arts Society at the University of Bahrain (the first female President of a college society at the University of Bahrain)

## Languages

President of the College of Arts Society at the University of Bahrain (the first female President of a college society at the University of Bahrain)



## References

### **PhD Supervisor**

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