## CV

# Bio of Lamia Al Ani

### **Personal Details & Contact**

Name: Lamia Abdulla Alani Date of birth: 20/10/1952 Place of birth: Baghdad

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#### **Education**

Graduated in 1974 with a B.A. in English language & Literature / University of Baghdad/ Department of English with effect of "very good"

Graduated in 1978 with an M.A. in English language & Linguistics / University of Baghdad in Collaboration with Lancaster University /UK. with effect of "very good"

#### **Academic Career (1979 - 2020)**

1979 -1981: Teaching staff member at Basrah University. Teaching composition/ grammar/Comprehension and comparative linguistics to undergraduate students

1981- 1993: Instructor at Baghdad University / College of Education. Teaching grammar/ essay writing & text reading to undergraduate students.

1993- 2010 : Assistant professor at Baghdad University / College of Education teaching postgraduate students ( Morphology/ Syntax & Semantics ) in addition to undergraduate students

2006: Teaching Psycholinguistics and Discourse analysis to postgraduate students at the department of English / University of Koya / Kurdstan.

2007-2008 A part time instructor at the Department of English at Petra University, Jordan preparing Syllabus and English teaching materials at the Department of Journalism during the summer course.

2018 : Resumed teaching at Al Mansoor College / Department of English  $\,$  ( teaching grammar and linguistics  $\,$ ) .

2019-2020: Teaching both undergraduate and postgraduate students at the Department of English ,College of Education for Women .

2020 -2021: Head of English Department at Al Farahidi University.

## **Various Academic Accomplishments:**

1993 -1994 : completed two M.A. courses at UIA (Universitaire INstelling Antwerpen /



**Department of Philology:** 

- a. Topics in Cognitive Grammar (30 hrs )
- b. The English Progressive in Diachronic perspective (30hrs) with a degree of "Distinction"

2008: Doing research at Amman Arab University for Higher Studies on my Sabbatical year entitled "The Resourceful Teacher".

2010: I did a 3-month volunteer work with an Iraqi institution in collaboration with American supervisors to prepare graduates for scholarships in the USA.I also worked as a member in committees to interview Iraqi candidates with different specializations before joining postgraduate programs in the U.S.A.

 $1988-\ 2010: -supervising\ numerous\ dissertations\ in\ Linguistics, Semantics\ , Stylistics\ and\ Pragmatics\ at\ the\ University\ of\ Baghdad\ /\ departments\ of\ English\ at\ different\ colleges\ and\ Almustansiryya\ University\ .$ 

- Member of many postgraduate discussion panels at Baghdad and Almustansiryya universities .

## **Publications**

Published a number of papers in specialized Academic Bulletins at both Baghdad and Al Mustansiryya universities:

- 1. Degree Intensifiers in English and Arabic : A contrastive Study
- 2. Common mistakes Advanced Students Make in Essay Writing
- 3. A Stylistic Analysis of Samuel Beckett's Not I
- 4. Teaching Stageberg's Grammar of English to Senior Students at the Department of English / College of Education, Ibn Rushid
- 5. Modifiers in English and Arabic: A Contrastive Study
- 6. Integrating the Arabic Culture in Teaching English as a Foreign Language
- 7. Verbs of Senses : A Cognitive Approach
- 8. Metaphorical Mapping of "Anger" in English and Standard Arabic
- 9. The Resourceful Teacher

## **Unpublished work**

- 1. A paper presented online at the webinar held by "The Iraqi Women Humanities Scholars" entitled "The Conversational Styles of women and Men: A sociolinguistic Approach"
- 2. A paper in progress "Food in Arabic and Iraqi literature".
- 3. A paper in progress "Iraqi women playwrights: A case Study "
- 4. Preparing a summary in both English and Arabic of 50 books and articles (Published by war concerned people ) for a guide on Iraq War in 2003 to be published soon .

## **Translations**

- 1. A book entitled **How Not to Die** by Michael Greger, to be published soon
- 2. Three articles in Foreign Culture Magazine
- 3. A Ph.D. dissertation to be rendered as a book (in progress) entitled <u>Social</u> Enterprises as a Key driver of the UN Sustainable development goals.

## Other types of teaching

2005: Teaching Arabic to Belgian students at Antwerp Institute for teaching Foreign languages

1995-2003: Teaching Everyday English at the Iraqi Cultural Institute, I ELTS test ments city run by the British Council entitled 'Multinational Summer School On the teaching of English as a foreign language ".

1980: Attended an IDELTI conference in Baghdad and presented a paper

1981: Attended a course on "Teaching English as foreign language at Leeds University /UK

2004: Attended a course entitled "English Language Teaching" at Liverpool University/UK 2008: Attended workshops held at the British Council in Amman on the following topics:

- a. English language Teaching contact schemes (ELTecs)
- b. Teaching & Testing speaking
- c. Managing Challenging Students

2008: Attended a workshop at the British Council: English Language Tecahing, contacts scheme.

2008 : ESL Initiatives Workshop at the University of Baghdad run by Beverly Hall and Sandra Davis

2009: Attended the conference run by the American Embassy in Lebanon on Human Rights entitled "Putting Human Rights Values into Action"

2009: Attended a workshop run by the American Embassy in Baghdad entitled "ESL Initiative "AED.

2009: Attended a conference entitled "January Teaching Conference "run by the U.S Department of State.

2008 : ESL Initiatives Workshop at the University of Baghdad run by Beverly Hall and Sandra Davis

2012 : Attended a course run by HSBC : Business Continuity Awareness Training Programe .

2018 : A member of the Editorial Board for OPAS Journal of English language and Literature

Participating in e-Webinar run by Iraq Women Humanities Scholars – a paper entitled "The Conversational Style of Women & Men: A Socio-linguistic Approach"

# **Thanking letters**

- 1. From The Higher Committee for Education Development
- 2. Higher Studies Admission Committee
- 3. Ministry of Trade (English Teaching Courses)
- 4. A great number of thanking letters from the College of Education / Ibn Rushid
- 5. A thanking letter from HSBC Bank for building Human Resources Infrastructure in Dar Essalam Bank for the first time .
- 6. A thanking letter from University of Baghdad for participation in the preparation of the competition Exam of Higher studies.

#### **Awards**

Awarded the Iraqia University shield for teaching achievements .

Awarded the Iraqi Translators Association Honorary medal for translation and academic achievements

#### **Banking Career (2010 – 2013)**

### 2010 – 2013: Head of HR at HSBC / Dar Essalam Bank (DES) in Baghdad

- Built HR infrastructure in DES "from scratch".
- Worked with DES management and Regional HR to develop more robust HR processes in Iraq concerning "Recruitment" and "Learning and Development".
- With the support from Regional HR, built the required Group-standard procedures and processes.
- Improved DES HR Policy to be in line with HSBC values and principles.
- Improved DES staff talent through continuous communications and face to face meetings.
- Drove and supported Regional HSBC in implementing Broad Banding for the first time in DES.
- Continued to support the development of a strong performance management culture in line with the region.
- Communicated results and established an action plan for the Global People Survey (GBS).
- Established criteria to attract, recruit and retain the best staff for DES.
- Ran Business English courses for the staff to help them improve their e-mail communication and writing.

- Established a quarterly recognition scheme "Champion of the Season" to motivate the staff and in this way improving the staff engagement.
- Supported staff in e-mandatory courses by translating the materials into Arabic where necessary.
- Managed redundancy for the closure of 5 branches in Iraq with minimum guidance from the sub-regional team.

 $2014-2017\mbox{:}$  Head of HR at NBK / Credit Bank of Iraq

Practicing almost the same activities above

## Areas of strength

- Hard worker and diligent.
- Keen to learn and develop both personally and professionally to reach the same level of the experienced peers in other MENA countries.
- Able to energize and mobilize people quickly.
- Motivated to achieve deadlines and complete tasks as required.
- Computer skills: Word, Excel, Outlook and PowerPoint.