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ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Seasoned academic professional with 18 years of teaching, research, and academic leadership experience, specializing in Indian Writing in English, Gender Studies, Trauma Studies, and English Language Teaching (ELT). Proven expertise in curriculum delivery, faculty development, research mentoring, and interdisciplinary pedagogy, with increasing engagement in 21st-century skills, outcome-based education, and technology-enabled learning. Adept at aligning humanities education with business communication, leadership training, and managerial competence,

CURRENT POSITION

Associate Professor of English

Department of English

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- **Ph.D. in English** (2017–2021) – Bharathidasan University
 - **M.Phil. in English** (2008–2009) – Vinayaga Mission University
 - **M.A. in English** (2006–2008) – Alagappa University
 - **B.A. in English** (1996–1999) – Madras Christian College
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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

- Indian Writing in English
 - Gender, Feminism & Trauma Studies
 - English Language Teaching (ELT)
 - Academic Writing & Research Methodology
 - Interdisciplinary Humanities for Management Education
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TEACHING EXPERTISE

Undergraduate Courses

- American Literature
- Indian Writing in English
- Literary Forms & Criticism
- Drama & One-Act Plays
- Developing Language & Communication Skills

Postgraduate Courses

- Language and Linguistics
 - Research Methodology
 - New Literatures
 - Modern Literature
 - Advanced American Literature
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RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS (SELECT)

- *Quest for Identity in Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni's Oleander Girl* – Wesleyan Journal of Research (Impact Factor: 6.7)
 - *Trauma of Women in Before We Visit the Goddess* – Journal of Oriental Research (Impact Factor: 7.193)
 - *Trending New Paths – New Women in Githa Hariharan's The Thousand Faces of Night*
 - *The Little Girl and the Chick* – True Dreamster Press (2024)
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INTERNATIONAL & NATIONAL CONFERENCE PAPERS

- Psychological & Insidious Trauma of Women in Divakaruni's Fiction – International Conferences (2024)
 - Gender Inequality in *Difficult Daughters* – National Conference
 - Communication Skills & LSRW – National Seminar
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ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP & RESOURCE PERSON ROLES

- Subject Expert & Resource Person, SCERT – Government of Tamil Nadu (2026)
 - Chairperson, International Conference on Language & Literature (2024)
 - Resource Person, Train-the-Trainer Orientation Programme (2024)
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FACULTY DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING

- NPTEL: *Indian Fiction in English*
 - ARPIT: ELT
 - FDP on Outcome-Based Education
 - National Workshop: *From Chalkboards to Chatbots*
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LANGUAGES

Tamil | English | Hindi

ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENT

- Webinars Attended: 56+ (National & International)
 - Strong engagement in faculty training, mentoring, and curriculum enhancement
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Subject
Application for Faculty Position – Communication Studies – reg.

Respected Rev. Father,

I am writing to apply for a faculty position in the area of Communication Studies at your esteemed Business School. With over 18 years of academic experience as an Associate Professor of English, I bring a strong combination of teaching excellence, research orientation, and academic leadership that aligns well with the interdisciplinary ethos of management education.

I hold a Ph.D. in English and specialize in Indian Writing in English, Gender Studies, Trauma Studies, and English Language Teaching, with a growing focus on professional skills, and outcome-based education. My teaching experience spans undergraduate and postgraduate levels, where I have consistently worked to bridge literary studies with real-world communication, leadership, and analytical skills essential for future managers. I am particularly interested in contributing to a business school environment where critical thinking, ethical leadership, communication competence, and interdisciplinary learning are central to student development. I am confident that my academic background, mentoring ability, and passion for innovative pedagogy would add value to your institution.

I would welcome if the opportunity is given to my experience and vision to support your academic mission.

Thank you

Yours sincerely,
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