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Experience

PHAROS University in Alexandria (PUA)

June 2020 - Present

Educational Consultant and Academic Director

Responsible for supervising existing curricula and analyzing teaching resources and methods - consultation entails analyzing and monitoring the teachers' academic performance, approving instructional materials and assessment tools including exams, and counseling and mentoring the teaching staff

Director of the English Language Centre

July 2013 - June 2020

Responsible for the academic and administrative operations of the English language programs: undergraduate English programs and ESP programs - Head of the Curriculum Design Unit, Professional Development Unit and Testing Unit

NILE DELTA Module 2 TP Tutor

Responsible for giving guidance and support for the internal LSA Lesson Plans/Lessons, marking the internal LSA Lesson Plans/Lessons, observing the Diagnostic Lesson at the beginning of the course and liaising with NILE's online tutor

CELTA Centre Manager

Responsible for running 6 CELTAs a year, vetting applications, interviewing candidates, marketing and advertising the courses, and tutoring

Online Teacher Trainer

Responsible for the online teacher-training programme for PUA language teachers, coordinators and exam item writers

CELTA Tutor (F2F and online)

Main and Assistant Course Tutor at EG211 located at PUA English Language Centre

International House Cairo (IH Cairo)

July 2021 - Jan 2022

Training and Educational Development Consultant

Responsible for the academic management, teacher training programmes and partnerships and business development

Norwich Institute for Language Education (NILE), UK 2019-Present

July

NILE Consultant Trainer

Teaching House- Boston, USA

August and November 2020- Present

CELTA Online Course Tutor

Grade Centre- Kiev, Ukraine

July 2020

CELTA Online Course Tutor

Reach Out Academy – Cairo, Egypt

June 2020

CELTA Online TP Tutor

Teaching House – Washington DC, USA

February 2019 and November 2018

F2F CELTA Assistant Course Tutor

IH Galway- Galway, Ireland
F2F CELTA Assistant Course Tutor

July 2019 and August 2018

IH Dammam- Dammam, KSA
Online CELTA Assistant Course Tutor

August 2019

NILE/ EAQUALS
Language tests and material review consultant

April 2019

Journal of Education and Learning EduLearn **2016-Present**
Program committee member and reviewer of manuscripts
Reviews abstracts related to education and language learning

AMIDEAST, America-Mideast Educational And Training Services, INC **July 2007-June 2013**
ETS Certified TOEIC Trainer: trained teachers to prepare students for the TOEIC exams
Teacher Trainer: developed workshops material, and conducted the Testing and Assessment Training
Workshop, Speaking Workshop, and Customer Service Workshop
MOODLE Course Designer: developed iBT TOEFL Practice Courses on MOODLE
Test Preparation Instructor: prepared students for the TOEIC, TOEFL, GMAT, and IELTS exams
ESL Instructor: taught ESL programs as part of the US State Department grants programs
Curriculum Developer and Material Designer: developed ESP workshop material for diplomats, tourism, financiers and administrators; Business Writing for corporates and EAP for university students
Business English Instructor: taught Business Writing to a group of production manager
EAP and ESP University Instructor: taught Academic Writing to the Faculty of Dentistry, and ESP to the Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Law, and Faculty of Science

GERHART Center- American University of Cairo **January 2005-July 2007**
ESP instructor: taught campus security as part of the Campus literacy program

Riada Language School- Alexandria, Egypt **Sept. 2004-Sept. 2006**
ESL Instructor: implemented the writing lab project and supervised the IEarn (International Education and Resource Network) projects- trained preparatory teachers on writing rubrics and integrating media in class

Arab Academy for Science & Technology- Alexandria, Egypt **Sept. 1999-Sept. 2004**
ESL Coordinator and Teacher Trainer: supervised ESL instructors teaching General English adult courses

Education

Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN **Bachelor of Arts, 1993**
Major: English Literature **GPA:** 3.46/4.00
Worked as a data entry specialist at Purdue University Financial Aid office, 1992

American University of Cairo, Egypt **Master of Arts, 2008**
Major: TEFL- Teaching English as a Foreign Language **GPA:** 3.9/4.00
Practicum: taught campus employees as part of the Campus literacy program and worked part time at the AUC Writing Center, 2007

Department of Continuing Education, University of Oxford, Summer 2010
Intensive English Language Teacher Training Program, Exeter College
TESOL International Association, 2013
Leadership Development Certificate Program

Events and Independent Courses

- Presented with Sandy Millin, Teaching House, **January 2022**
- Presented in ELT 8th Annual Online Conference, **February 2022**
- Presented in the Cambridge English Teaching Awards Symposium, **December 2021**
- Presented in IH London Future of Training Online Conference, **November 2021**
- Presented in IH Kyiv Teacher's Day Online, **October 2021**
- Presented in 4th International Conference on Advanced Research in Teaching and Education (ICATE), Budapest, **August 2021**
- Presented in the 54th IATEFL International Conference, **June 2021**
- Presented in IATEFL LAMSIG Festival of Ideas, **March 2021**
- Presented in ELT 7th Annual Online Conference, **February 2021**
- Presented in MERI College's Online Faculty Development Program, India **July 2020**
- Presented in ELT Management panel as part of NILE's Insight, **June 2020**
- Presented in ELT Ireland, **February 2020** and ELT Summer Talk, **June 2020**
- Presented in IATEFL- Hungary conference, **October 2019**
- Completed a course in Teaching English Online, Cambridge Language Assessment, **May 2019**
- Presented in the 4th Ireland ELT Conference, **February 2018**
- Completed NILE Online Tutors Course, **June 2018**
- Organized international ELT symposiums and teacher training workshops, Pharos University in Alexandria **2016, 2017**
- Presented in the IATEFL LTSIG, ELT Ireland & MEI 4th digital ELT conference, Dublin, **Oct/Nov 2015**
- Presented in the 5th World Conference on Learning, Teaching and Educational Leadership (WCLTA) in Prague, **2014**
- Attended sessions in Coaching to Higher Performance, Vancouver Community College, BC **2013**
- Attended sessions in Emotional Intelligence for Smart Leaders, University of British Columbia, BC **2013**
- Is a member of IATEFL, ELT Ireland and TESOL International Association, **2013**
- Attended ETS Propell TOEIC Workshop and became a certified TOEIC trainer, Greece **2013**
- Was a member of the BLWG, a work group established to examine the current and prospective use of blended learning in the English language courses at AMIDEAST training facilities, Middle East and North Africa **2012**
- Completed the Oxford University English Language Teachers' Summer Seminar- Exeter College, Oxford the UK **2010**
- Attended the GRE preparation course at The University of Maryland, Baltimore County, Maryland **2008**
- Presented TEFL Outside Academia- Challenges, Strategies and Solutions, Egyptesol, Cairo **2007**

Awards and Honors

American University of Cairo, Egypt

2006- 2008

Awarded Graduate Merit Fellowship by the School of Humanities and Social Sciences

Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA

1991- 1993

Awarded Merit scholarship, and Tutor Teaching Award in the English Writing lab

Awarded Purdue University Scholarship for distinguished students, and Federal College Work- Study Award

Publications and Conference Presentations

El Gazette, February 2022

https://elgazette.com/elg_archive/ELG2202/mobile/index.html

Humanising Language Teaching by Pilgrims, 2020

June 2020 Edition- June 2020 - Year 22 - Issue 3- ISSN 1755-9715
http://www.hltmag.co.uk/june2020/one-size_does-not-fit-all

Procedia - Social and Behavioral Sciences, 2015

Abeer Ali Okaz. Integrating Blended Learning in Higher Education". Social and Behavioral Sciences 2015;186, 600-603, <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1877042815023460>

Digital ELT Ireland Technology & Pedagogy in Practice, 2015

Presented a paper titled: "The instructional benefits of using online tools and apps in second language undergraduate classes", <http://www.digital-elt.eu/speakers/abeer-okaz/>

5th World Conference on Learning, Teaching and Educational Leadership, Prague (WCLTA-2014) Presented a paper titled: "Integrating Blended Learning In Higher Education", http://www.worldeducationcenter.eu/new/public/conferences/3/schedConfs/24/program-en_US.pdf

Teaching with Technology, 2013

Abeer Ali Okaz. Recycling Lesson Plan. Teaching English with Technology 2013; 3(3), 65-70, <http://www.tewtjournal.org>

TESOL International Association, 2013

Abeer Ali Okaz, Farm Animals Lesson Plan. TESOL International Association 2013
<http://www.tesol.org/read-and-publish>

References

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ELT consultant and trainer and Past president of IATEFL
Past director of the International Teacher Training Institute at International House in Hastings
Series editor of the Macmillan Books for Teachers and Author of Sound Foundations: Learning and Teaching Pronunciation

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