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BIOSKETCH:

Dr. Poonam Vyas is a Post- Doctoral Fellow from the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi. Ph.D. from Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani, on the topic “A Comparative Study of Traditional and Multimedia Supported Techniques for Imparting Communication Skills at the Tertiary Level”. A Master’s in English Literature from the University of Rajasthan. She has been awarded Project Fellowship of the University Grant Commission (UGC) to work on UGC sponsored Major Research Project for two years. She is an avid researcher and has been working in the fields of Professional Communication, Applied Linguistics, Sociolinguistics, Pedagogy, and the Use of ICT in Teaching and Learning. Dr. Vyas has more than 13 years of experience in teaching, research, and training. She has served as a faculty and researcher for the institutes like BITS, Pilani, Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT), Jaipur, Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Kota, and JK Lakshmipat University (JKLU), Jaipur. Among several academic assignments, Dr. Vyas has handled publications, newsletter, and annual report. She has conducted training and workshops for various academic institutions and industries like Hindustan Zinc LTD., Udaipur, Rajasthan, Bharat Aluminum Company LTD, etc. As a resource person, she has delivered lectures on Communication skills, Soft Skills, Technical Writing, and Academic Writing at Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology, Udaipur, College of Agriculture, Jodhpur, College of Agriculture, Sumerpur, College of Veterinary and Animal Science, Udaipur under the ICAR and World Bank Funded Projects.

Dr. Vyas has published 13 research papers in national and international journals: the areas include ‘ICT in Teaching and Learning’ ‘Non-Verbal Communication’, ‘Sociolinguistics’, ‘Intercultural Communication’, and ‘Public Speaking Anxiety’. Two recent research papers have been published in Scopus indexed journals like *Taylor & Francis- Journal of Education*

for Teaching *and The Electronic Journal of Teaching English as a Second Language*. She has also presented 26 research papers at national and international conferences and seminars.

EDUCATION:

- Post-Doctoral Fellow, Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, “Factors Causing Communication Barriers among Tribal Secondary School Students” in Rajasthan, 2021
- Ph.D. from Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani, Rajasthan, “A Comparative Study of Traditional and Multimedia Supported Techniques for Imparting Communication Skills at the Tertiary Level”, 2014
- Master of Arts (English Literature), University of Rajasthan, Jaipur, 2007
- Bachelor of Arts, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur, Rajasthan, 2005

Online Certification Course

- NPTEL Online Certification Course on Developing Soft Skills and Personality from *India Institute of Technology, Kanpur*, July to September 2016 (20 hours course)

AREA OF INTEREST AND RESEARCH

- Business Communication
- Effective Public Speaking
- Soft Skills
- Innovative Classroom Pedagogy
- Use of ICT in Teaching and Learning
- Sociolinguistics
- English Language Teaching (ELT)

TEACHING COURSES AND NEW COURSES DEVELOPED

- Business Communication
- Self-Development and Behavioral Skills (New Course Developed)
- Business Writing
- Human Values and Effective Communication
- Effective Public Speaking
- Technical Report Writing
- Fundamentals of Communication (New Course Developed)
- Articulation and Elocution (New Course Developed)
- Critical Interpretation of Literature and Cinema (New Course Developed)
- English Language Skills
- Language Lab Practice (New Course Developed)

EXPERIENCE

- Post-Doctoral Fellow, Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, affiliating institute -Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani (2019-2021).
- Assistant Professor, JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, India, May 2016- June 2019.
- Guest Faculty, Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT), Jaipur, Rajasthan, August 2014- May 2015, January 2016-May 2016.
- Research Scholar and Teaching Assistant, Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani, Rajasthan, August 2007 – May 2014.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS

- Member, Research Progress Committee, JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur. June 2016- June 2019.
- Member, Media Club, JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, June 2016- June 2019.
- Chairperson, Diary of Events, JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, June 2016- June 2019.

Academic Events Organized

- National Level Debate Competition on the topic “Is Skill Development More Important than Academic Achievement at Work Place?” at JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, 12 January 2017.
- National Quiz Contest ‘India Intelligence Contest’ organized by JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur on 20th September 2017.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION AND BOARD PARTICIPATION

- Member, Board of Studies (Applied Science and Humanities), JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, (June 2016- June 2019)

RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS

- Post-Doctoral Fellow, Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) New Delhi, affiliating institute -Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani. (2019-2021)
- Project Fellowship of University Grant Commission (UGC), April 2010- March 2012 for UGC Major Research Project.
- Institute Fellowship of Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani in the academic years 2007-2009 and 2012-2013 for the Ph.D. degree.

- Best Conference Paper Award for ‘Startups in India: Challenges and Opportunities, “6th International Conference on Green, Growth, Globalization, Governance & GST: Challenges & Opportunities”, JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, February 2-4, 2018

RESEARCH FUNDING AND CONSULTING

- Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, “Factors Causing Communication Barriers among Tribal Secondary School Students in Rajasthan”, 2019-2021, Research Grant, Rs. 8 Lakh. (Post-Doctoral Fellow)
- University Grants Commission (UGC), “Developing Teaching Modules for English Learning through Multimedia Technology for Rural Children from Class IV- VIII”, 2010-2012, Research Grant, Rs. 4 Lakh. (Project-Fellow)

RESEARCH PAPERS AND WORKING PAPERS

- Sharma S. & Vyas P. (2021). Enhancing Non-Verbal Communication in Online Classes: A Conceptual Framework. *Journal of Education for Teaching*. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/02607476.2021.2011166> (Taylor & Francis, Q1 ranked, SCOPUS, ProQuest, EBSCOhost Indexed).
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2022). Socio-Demographic and Psychological Predictors of Second Language Achievement: A Systematic Review. *The Electronic Journal of Teaching English as a Second Language, TESL-EJ*. 26.1. (Q2 ranked, SCOPUS, LLBA, ERIC, and EBSCO Indexed)
- Sharma, S. & Vyas P. (2011). Enhancing Employability through Technology Application. *International Journal of Business Management and Research*. 1.1: 24-31. (ISSN: 2249-2143) Print. (Copernicus Indexed)
- Sharma, S. & Vyas P. (2011). Enhancing Teaching in Rural India by Technology Intervention. *International Journal of Research in Computer Application & Management*. 1.3: 11-17. (ISSN 2231- 1009) Visit: <http://ijrcm.org.in/uploaddata/21304815865.pdf> (Crossref, DRJI, Cite factor Indexed)
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2014). A Study on the Efficacy of PowerPoint for Writing Instruction. *International Journal of Instructional Technology and Distance Learning*. 11.8: 29- 42. (ISSN 1550-6908).
- Vyas, P. & Sangeeta Sharma. Communication Challenges in International Milieu. *International Journal of Communication (A Review of Cognition, Culture & Communication)*. 25.1-2 :183- 196. (ISSN: 0975-640X).

- Sharma, S & Vyas P. (2015). Communication Skills for Engineering Professionals. *International Journal of Humanities in Technical Education*. 1.1 (ISSN 2454-8537) Visit: <https://ijhte.marwadieducation.edu.in/paper9.html>.
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2012) Educational Technology: Need, Nature and Scope in Language Teaching and Learning in India. *Voices of Interdisciplinary Critical Explorations*. 2.2: 94-102. (ISSN 2230-875X). Print.
- Vyas, P. and Sharma S. (2012). Augmenting Learner Autonomy through Information and Communication Technology (ICT). *Spark International Online Journal*. 4.7: 85-94. (ISSN 0975 - 7929)

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- Bhatia M, Singh U., Vyas P. Assessing the Influence of Perceived Stress on the Academic Performance of Management Students during COVID-19 Outbreak.
- Vyas P., Singh U., Bhatia M. An Exploration of Speaking-in-Class Anxiety with School Students.
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. Impact of Socio-Cultural Capital on the Students' Language Performance.

BOOKS, CHAPTERS, AND TECHNICAL REPORTS

Book Chapter-

- Vyas, P, & Sharma S. (2018). Measuring the Effectiveness of Traditional and Multimedia Supported Techniques for Imparting Communication Skills among the Learners. In S. Sharma, S. Shekhawat A. & Yadav (Eds.), *Media, Culture and Ethics* (pp. 188-195), New Delhi: Macmillan Publication. (ISBN: 9789387687196).
- Sharma S. & Vyas P. (2012). Communication: The Omphalus of the Curriculum of Technical Education. In S. Dutta, N. Mehta & S. Chakravorty (Eds.), *Science, Technology and Development Communication*. (pp. 115-122) New Delhi: Mudranik Technologies Pvt. Ltd. (ISBN: 9788192117898).
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2014). Intercultural Communication at Workplace. In P. Kumar & R. Ranjan (Eds.), *Contributing Sustainability*. (pp.220-227). New Delhi: Victorious Publishers (India), (ISBN: 9789384224080).
- Vyas, P. and Raman R. (2009). Decision Making: A Mandatory Skill at Workplace. In M. Raman et. al. (Eds.), *Soft Skills: Cornerstone of Professional Success*. (pp. 359-366). New Delhi: Jain Brothers, (ISBN: 0975-0924).

EDITORIAL POSITIONS AND REVIEWS

- Chief Editor, Annual Report, JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur. (June 2016-June 2019)
- Chief Editor, Pratibimb, Quarterly News Letter, JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur. (June 2016-June 2019)
- Associate Editor, SHODH-AMRIT: JKLU Research Journal of Engineering & Management, JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur. (Jan 2017-June 2019)

CONFERENCE, SEMINAR PAPER, AND PRESENTATIONS

- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2020, March). Communication Barriers Faced by Tribal Secondary School Students in Rajasthan, presented in *TEQIP-III sponsored National Conference on Sustainable Development Goals: The Way Forward Towards Quality Education (G:4), Gender Equality (G:5); Affordable and Clean Energy (G:7) in India*, jointly organized by MNIT, Jaipur & NIT Uttarakhand, 20 March 2020.
- Vyas, P. & Maheswari S. (2019, February). Integrating Technology in the Classroom to Enhance Collaborative Learning, presented in International Conference on Innovations in Technology and Management for Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) organized by JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, India.
- Vyas, P. & Sharma B. (2019, February). Impact of Social Media on Interpersonal Communication Patterns: A Study of Engineering Graduates, presented in International Conference on Innovations in Technology and Management for Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) organized by JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur, India.
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2018, February). Measuring the Effectiveness of Traditional and Multimedia Supported Techniques for Imparting Communication Skills among the Learners, presented in International Conference On Media, Culture, and Ethics, organised by BITS, Pilani, Rajasthan, India.
- Banerjee, A. & Vyas P. (2018, February). Integrating ICT in the Classroom: Students' and Teachers' Perspectives, presented in the 6th International Conference on Green, Growth, Globalization, Governance & GST: Challenges & Opportunities, organised by JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur.
- Mudaliar, S., Saxena A. & Vyas P. (2018, February). Startups in India: Challenges and Opportunities, presented in the 6th International Conference on Green, Growth, Globalization, Governance & GST: Challenges & Opportunities, organized by JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur.
- Vyas, P. & Nebhnani R. (2017, March). A Study on Learner's Perception of Massive Open Online Courses, presented in the National Conference on Globalization, Communication, Technology and the Teaching of English, organized by SKIT Jaipur.

- Bansal A. & Vyas P. Engineering Ethics: A Study of Undergraduate Engineering Students, presented in the National Conference on Globalization, Communication, Technology and the Teaching of English, organized by SKIT Jaipur.
- Vyas, P. (2016, March). Workplace Communication: A Need Analysis of the Corporate World, presented at the International Conference on Innovation in Engineering, Humanities and Management (ICIEJHM-16) organized by Sobhasaria Group of Institutions, Sikar, Rajasthan.
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2013, May). The Importance of English Language in Tourism Industry, presented at the International Conference on Tourism and Hospitality Industry: Modern State, problems and perspectives, organized by CMTHS, HNB Garhwal Central University, Srinagar.
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2013, March). Communication Challenges in International Milieu, presented at the International Business School Conference IBSCON organized by Amity International Business School, Amity University, Noida.
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2012, October). Innovative Teaching Practices through Web 2.0 Technologies, presented in the International Conference on Interfacing Language, Culture and Technology organized by the Department of Humanities and Languages, BITS Pilani.
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2012, January). Measuring the Efficacy of Constructivist Multimedia Learning Environment: A BITS Pilani Approach, presented in the Ninth AIMS International Conference on Management (AIMS-9) organized by AIMS International Flame, Pune.
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2010, December). Translation: Procedures and Problems with special reference to Munsii Premchand's story Nasha, presented in the International Conference on Role of Translation in Nation Building, Nationalism and Supra-Nationalism organized by Instituto Cervantes, New Delhi.
- Sharma, S. & Vyas P. (2010, March). Enhancing Employability through Technology Application, presented at the International Conference on Technology & Business Management organized by the Institute of Management Technology (IMT), Dubai.
- Vyas, P. & Sharma S. (2009, November). Multimedia and Constructivist Approach of Learning, presented in the International Conference on Speak Volumes: Promoting Communication in the English Language Class organized by ELTAI Jaipur Chapter at MGD Girls' School, Jaipur.
- Vyas, P. & Raman M. (2008, Septmeber). Decision Making: A Mandatory Skill at Workplace, presented at the International Conference on Soft Skills Development Strategies: Corporate and Academia Perspective organized by BITS, Pilani.

- Vyas, P. (2014, September). Communication Skills to Develop Relationships in Tourism Industry, presented in the One Day National Seminar on Inclusive Drive Engine of Community-based Ecotourism in the Mountainous Himalayas: Guidelines, Policy Perspectives, and Development Indicators organized by CMTHS, H. N. B. Garhwal University (A Central University), Srinagar Garhwal, Uttarakhand.
- Vyas, P. (2008, December). Computer: An Aid for English Language Teaching., presented in the All India English Teachers Conference organized by the Department of English, Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, Haridwar.
- Sharma, S. & Vyas P. (2012, April). Communication: the Omphalus of the Curriculum of Technical Education, presented in the National workshop on Science, Technology and Development Communication organized by Birla Institute of Technology (BIT) Noida.

Short Term Course (STC) Attended

- Short Term Course on "Research Tools, Techniques and Software Application for Quality Research." Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Roorkee, 13-17 June 2016.

Workshop Attended

- Workshop on "WOW at Work" creating a pleasant and productive environment, organized by FICCI Rajasthan State Council at Hotel Om Tower, Church Road, M I Road, Jaipur, May 17, 2017.
- Workshop on "Introducing Teachers to Multimedia Pedagogy in Schools", Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani, March 24, 2012.
- Workshop on "Common Errors in English", Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani, April 27, 2012.
- Workshop on "The Art and Science of Identifying Research Problems and Writing Research Proposals for Research Grants" BITS, Pilani, 16 November 2009.
- Workshop on "Documentary and Short Film Making" BITS, Pilani, 1-2 November 2008.

MDP SESSIONS, WORKSHOPS, AND TECHNICAL LECTURES

- Professional Communication, lectures, Hindustan Zinc LTD., Udaipur, Rajasthan, June- July 2010
- Professional Communication, lectures, Bharat Aluminum Company LTD., Korba. Madhya Pradesh, June- July 2010

- Academic Writing, workshop under SC-SP Project funded by The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), New Delhi, at College of Agriculture, Agriculture University, Jodhpur, 15- 20 March 2021
- Academic Writing, workshop under SC-SP Project funded by ICAR, New Delhi at College of Agriculture, Sumerpur, Agriculture University, Jodhpur, 22-27 March 2021
- Academic Writing and Presentation Skills (online session) workshop under SC-SP Project funded by ICAR, New Delhi at Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology, Udaipur (Rajasthan), 5- 16 August 2021.
- Technical Writing and Presentation Skills, workshop under SC-SP Project funded by ICAR, New Delhi at The College of Veterinary and Animal Science, Navania, Vallabhnagar, Udaipur, RAJUVAS, Bikaner, 23-26 Feb 2022.
- Technical Writing and Presentation Skills, workshop under SC-SP Project funded by ICAR, New Delhi at Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology, Udaipur (Rajasthan), 3 - 16 March 2022.