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## Education

- **2001 – 2006** Ph.D. in English (Linguistics / Rhetoric & Composition), May 2006, Arizona State University (ASU), Tempe, Arizona, USA
- **1999 – 2001** M.A. in Teaching English as a Second Language (MTESL), May 2001, Arizona State University (ASU), Tempe, Arizona, USA
- **1993 – 1996** B.A. in English, King Abdulaziz University (KAU), Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

## Employment history

- **Jul. 2010 – present** Vice-Dean for Development at the English Language Institute, King Abdulaziz University, Saudi Arabia
- **Dec. 2014 – present** Associate Professor of Linguistics (Rhetoric & Composition), Department of European Languages and Literatures, College of Arts and Humanities and the English Language Institute, King Abdulaziz University, Saudi Arabia
- **Apr. 2006 – Dec. 2014** Assistant Professor of Linguistics (Rhetoric & Composition), Department of European Languages and Literatures, College of Arts and Humanities and the English Language Institute, King Abdulaziz University, Saudi Arabia
- **Jul. 2007 – Jul. 2010** Supervisor of External Affairs at the English Language Institute, King Abdulaziz University, Saudi Arabia
- **Jun. 2006 – Jun. 2011** Editorial Board Supervisor at the Saudi Gazette Newspaper, first English language daily in Saudi Arabia
- **Mar. 2001 – Mar. 2002** Program Coordinator and Instructor at the American English and Culture Program AECF at Arizona State University, USA
- **Dec. 1997 – Jan. 2000** Teaching Assistant of English, Department of European Languages and Literatures, College of Arts and Humanities, King Abdulaziz University, Saudi Arabia
- **Jun. 1997 – Jan. 2000** Instructor of English at various language schools in Jeddah, including Saudi Arabian Airlines English Language Center

- **Jun. 1996 – Jan. 2000** Reporter for Saudi TV Channel 2
- **Aug. 1996 – Dec. 1997** Translator at the Private Office of His Royal Highness Governor of Makkah, Saudi Arabia

### Professional memberships

- **2014 – present** Member and site reviewer of the US-based Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA)
- **2014 – present** Member of the Linguistic Society of America
- **2013 – present** Chair and organizer, Linguistics in Arabia Conference, KAU
- **2013** Member of the Free Linguistics Conference, Sydney University
- **2012 – present** Member of TESOL Convention, the United States
- **2010 – present** Member of TESOL Arabia, Dubai, UAE
- **2012** Member of Oman International ELT, Muscat, Oman
- **2009** Member of IATEFL, Harrogate, UK

### Professional activities

- Content reviewer and syllabus advisor of Pearson ELT's English language textbooks (GCC editions)
- Reviewer of the Learning Outcomes for English Departments in Saudi universities, the National Assessment Center in Higher Education, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Feb. 2015
- Workshop delivery, "Connection: Strategic Planning and EFQM in Military" Feb. 2015
- Quality Management Reviewer, Ministry of Endowment, Kuwait, Nov. 2014
- Workshop attendance, Strategic Planning at Universities, King Abdulaziz University, 2013
- Conference participation, the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Free Linguistics Conference, Hong Kong, 2013
- Exhibition attendance, Higher Education Exhibition, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 2012
- Conference participation, Taiba University ELC Conference Madina, Saudi Arabia, 2011
- Workshop attendance, Management and Implementation of Self-Study for Institutional Accreditation Course by the National Commission for Academic Accreditation and Assessment, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 2011
- Course participation, Oxford Teachers' Academy training courses at King Abdulaziz University, 2010 – present
- Workshop attendance, "The European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM): Assessor Training Course", Brussels, Belgium, 2009
- Courses and workshops attendance in the Center for University Training at King Abdulaziz University, 2008 – present

### Academic/Admin. Committees

- **2015 – present** Member of the Language in the School Curriculum Committee (LiSC), Linguistic Society of America, USA
- **2015 – present** Member of the Linguistics in Higher Education Committee (LiHEC), Linguistic Society of America, USA
- **2014 – present** Member of the Review Team of English Departments Learning Outcomes

- **2014 – present** Member of the KAU Foundation Year Virtual Environment Committee
- **2014 – present** Member of the KAU Foundation Year Review Committee
- **2014 – present** Member of the KAU Executive Academic Accreditation Committee
- **2014 – present** Chairman of the ELI Curriculum and Assessment Committee, KAU
- **2014 – present** Member of the ELI Teacher Performance and Evaluation Committee
- **2014 – present** Chairman of the ELI Academic Development Committee
- **2014 – present** Chairman of the ELI Quality Applications Committee
- **2014 – present** Chairman of the ELI Professional Development Committee
- **2014 – present** Chairman of the ELI Strategic Plan Committee
- **2013 – present** Secretary of the English Language Institute Council, KAU
- **2013 – present** Member of KAU NCAAA Academic Accreditation Committee
- **2010 – present** Member of the ELI Foundation Year Qualifying Students Program Committee
- **2010 – present** Member of the ELI Foundation Year External Students Program Committee
- **2010 – present** Member of the ELI MA TESOL Program Committee, KAU
- **2010 – present** Chairman of the ELI Academic Accreditation Committee, KAU
- **2010 – 2013** Member of the Assessment Committee at the English Language Institute, KAU
- **2010 – 2013** Chairman of the ELI Curriculum Committee, KAU
- **2010 – 2013** Chairman of the ELI Teacher Performance and Evaluation Committee, KAU
- **2009** Member of the ELI MA Linguistics Program Committee at the Department of European Languages and Literatures, College of Arts and Humanities, KAU
- **2008 – 2010** Member of the Foundation Year External Students Program Committee at the Deanship of Admissions and Registration, KAU

## Professional presentations

- **Writing Learning Outcomes for Academic Programs**  
*Teaching and Learning Dimensions in Strategic Planning Symposium, KAU, 2015*
- **Linguistics in Arabia Conference: Looking forward**  
*The 1<sup>st</sup> Linguistics in Arabia Conference, KAU, 2013*
- **The Integration of technology in ESL classrooms in Saudi Public Schools**  
*Seminar for MA Linguistics students, KAU, 2013*
- **Listening in Beginner Language Course: the Gathering Storm in the Saudi Context**  
*The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Free Linguistics Conference, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong, 2013*
- **Coping with Professional Development at English Language Schools**  
*The 1<sup>st</sup> English Language Teaching Symposium at the English Language Institute, KAU, 2012*
- **Breaking the Mold with English Language Program for Foundation Year: Why and How the ELI Changed from a Semester Program to a Modular Program**  
*TU ELC Conference 2011, Inside the Saudi Preparatory Year English Program: The Future and Beyond, Taiba University, Saudi Arabia, 2011*

## Research activities

### Published:

- Shah, S. R. & Al-Bargi, A. Research Paradigms: *Researcher's Worldview, Theoretical Frameworks and Study Design*. Arab World English Journal 2013; 4 (4): 252-264.
- Al-Bargi, A. *Listening in Beginner Language Courses: The Gathering Storm in the Saudi Context*. Life Science Journal 2013; 10 (4): 3580-3584.
- Asghar, J. & Al-Bargi, A. *Read between the Lines: A Critical Approach to Reading of Literary Texts at Tertiary Level*. Arab World English Journal 2014; 5 (1): 180-196
- Abdul Rehman, A. & Al-Bargi, A. *Teachers' Perspectives on Post Observation Conferences: A Study at a Saudi Arabian University*. Theory and Practice in Language Studies. 2014; 4 (8): 1558-1568.
- Al-Bargi, A. *Utilizing Higher Cognitive Skills in Research Critiques: Analysis and Evaluation of Research Studies in Applied Linguistics / TESOL*. International Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences 2014; 4 (8): ٨١-٨٦.
- Shah, S & Al-Bargi, A. *The Use of Lingua Franca Core: A Classroom Based Study on Saudi EFL Learners' Pronunciation*. Language, Individual & Society. 2014; 8: 476-498.

### In progress:

- Al-Bargi, A & Walsh, S. *Novice Teacher Cognitions of Classroom Interactional Competence*
- Al-Bargi, A & Walsh, S. *Developing Interactional Competence in Novice Teachers: A Comparative Study*
- Al-Bargi, A & Walsh, S. *Creating 'Space for Learning': A Case Study of Novice Teachers*

## Teaching activities

### Undergraduate courses at the European Languages Department/English:

LANE 211 Listening/Speaking 1

LANE 212 Reading 1

LANE 213 Writing 1

LANE 214 Listening/Speaking 2

LANE 215 Reading 2

LANE 216 Writing 2

LANE 321 Introduction to Linguistics

LANE 423 Applied Linguistics

LANE 424 Seminar in Linguistics

### Graduate courses at the European Languages Department/English (MA Linguistics):

LANE 603 Language and Technology

LANE 623 Discourse Analysis

LANE 698 Research Project in Linguistics

### Graduate courses at the English Language Institute (MA TESOL):

ELI 601 TESOL Methods

ELI 202 ESL Curriculum Design

ELI 603 Classroom Discourse