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## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Under-Graduate	e: 17 years
Post Graduate	: 5 years
M. Phil	: 5 years
Ph.D	: 11 years

## AREA OF SPECIALISATION

- American Literature
- Gender Studies
- Literary Theories

## PROFILE

#### ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION

#### **Doctoral Research**

University : Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal. Title : Racism and Gender Issues Embedded in the select works of Pearl S. Buck Year : 2011

Master of Philosophy

University : Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal. Title : From Trauma to Triumph: An Analysis of Pearl S. Buck's Imperial Woman and Letter

From Peking Year : 2002

**Post-Graduation** University : Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal. Year : 2001

Under Graduation University : Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai. Year : 1999

#### **RESEARCH GUIDANCE**

Ph. D.: Awarded – 7 Ongoing – 5

M. Phil: Awarded - 18

#### PUBLICATIONS

1. Pain of War Revealed by Pearl S. Buck - KAAS on December 2008.

2. **Pearl S. Buck's Views on Women's Education – Research Highlights,** Vol.19, No. 1 Jan, 2009- Quarterly Journal of Avinashilingam University for Women, Coimbatore.

3. **Concubine Culture in the works of Pearl S. Buck – Research Highlights,** Vol.20, No. 2 April, 2010- Quarterly Journal of Avinashilingam University for Women, Coimbatore.

**4. Rabindranath Tagore and Women's Emancipation -**Sri Venkateswara College of Education, Peravurani, Thanjavur. (**ISBN 978-93-80481-09-8**)

5. Pearl S. Buck- A Cultural Coordinator Sarah Tucker College, Tirunelveli. (ISBN 978-93-5067-748-3)

**6. Robert Browning-A Legendary Writer of Dramatic Monologue** Alagappa Govt. Arts College, Karaikudi. (**ISBN 978-81-910738-4-3**)

7. Immigration and Identity in Bharathi Mukherjee's Jasmine, Madura College.

8. Feminist Rudiments in God of Small Things, Sree Sevugan Annamalai College.

9. Mother-Daughter Relationship in Jamaica Kincaid's Girl, Virudhunagar Hindu Nadars' Senthilkumara Nadar College, 978-93-81723-34-0.

10. Clothes as an Identity in Chitra Baneerjee's Arranged Marriage, S. F. R College for Women, 978-81-925642-2-7.

11. James Baldwin's Go Tell It on the Mountain: A Study of Afro-American Writing Fourth World Literature: The Voice of the Marginalized, 938539939-x

12. Woman as a Commodity: A Study of Mahasweta Devi's The Glory of Sri Sri Ganesh Innovative Methods in Teaching English Language and Literature, 978-81-928690-8-715.

13. Cultural Dilemmas and Displacements in Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni's The Vine of Desire, ROOTS, September 2016, 2349-8684, Vol.3/ Spl. Issue 9, 0.811, UGC Care List.

14. Black Women Liberation through sisterhood in Color Purple, Mannar Scroll, April 2017, Vol.4/ Special Issue 1, 2.95.

15. The Blues of Two Black Plays by James Baldwin, Mannar Scroll, October, 2017, 2321 –

788X, Vol.5/ Spl. Issue 5, 1.5496, UGC Care List 42960.

16. Deconstructive reading of Alice Walker's Possessing the secret of joy, ACJELL, July,2016, 1725- 2278 876X.

17. Diasporic Consciousness and Concerns in Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni's Sister of my Heart, ROOTS, July 2017, 2349-8684, 3.487, UGC Care List 48991.

18. Black woman's thrive in achieving her uniqueness in Alice Walker's *Meridian*, BODHI, February 2018, 2456-5571, Vol.2 / Spl. Issue 1, 1.014, UGC Care List 44274.

19. Efficacious format of language and patriarchal supremacy in Alice Walker's Meridian,

Green Shine, February 2018, 978-93-5300-152-0.

20. Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni: A Voice of Diaspora, Green Shine, February 2018, 978-93-5300-152-0.

21. Freety attitudes in Alice Walker's *Possessing the secret of joy*, Paavai, March 2018, 987-81-7735-898-8.

**22.** Alice Walker: A Flexile writer of Racial and Gender issues throughout the world, BODHI, March 2018, 456-5571, Vol.2/ Spl. Issue 1, 2.135, UGC Care List 44274.

23. Black Faces of the Whites in James Baldwin's Select Works, Literary Endeavour, Feb 2019, 0976-299X, UGC Care List.

24. **Obsession of Native Culture in Ravinder Singh"s I too had a Love Story**, Shanlax Publications, February 2023, 978-81-19042-19-7.

#### **Chapters in Books**

1. "A Glimpse of Intersectional Feminist Writers in the 21st Century" (INTERSECTIONAL FEMINISM: CROSSROADS OF EMPOWERING DIFFERENCES), Author's Press, India, 978-93-90891-37-5 May 2021

## **Projects:**

**1.** Institutional Funded project titled ;The Welfare of the Psychological Well-being with reference to *Pavillion of Women*'

#### Papers presented in Conferences/Seminars

 Presented a paper on Pearl S. Buck's Social Commitment Revealed in her works in the UGC Sponsored International Conference on Researching for Transforming the Society on February 18-19, 2008 at Mother Teresa Women's University Research & Extension Centre, Chennai.

2. Presented a paper on **Pearl S. Buck's Views on Women's Education** in the UGC Sponsored International Conference- INCOFED 2008 on Higher Education and Globalization: Prospects and Challenges on February 23-24, 2008 at Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal.

3. Presented a paper on **Pain of War Revealed by Pearl S. Buck** in the International Conference of KAAS on December 5-6, 2008 at Women's Christian College, Nagercoil.

4. Presented a paper on **Rabindranath Tagore and Women's Emancipation** at the International Conference on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2011 at Sri Venkateswara College of Education, Thanjavur.

5. Presented a paper on **Immigration and Identity in Bharati Mukherjee's 'Jasmine'** in the UGC sponsored National Level Seminar on Postcolonial Literature on 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2012 at The Madura College, Madurai.

6. Presented a paper on The Total Alienation of Women and Culture in Margaret Atwood's
'Surfacing' on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2011 at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, Madurai.

7. Presented a paper on **Pearl S. Buck- A Cultural Coordinator** at the International Conference on World Women Writers on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012 at Sarah Tucker College, Tirunelveli.

8. Presented a paper on **Robert Browning-A Legendary Writer of Dramatic Monologue** in the UGC Sponsored National Seminar on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2012 at Alagappa Govt. Arts College, Karaikudi.

9. Presented a paper on **Margaret Atwood's The Edible Woman : A Feministic Reading** in the International Seminar on New English Literature organised by Aditanar College of Arts and Science, Tiruchendur, on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> February 2013.

10. Presented a paper on **Feminist Reading of Mahasweta Devi's 'Mother of 1084'** in the National Conference on "Trends in Alternative Literature" held at Sermathai Vasan College for Women, Madurai, on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

11. Presented a paper on **Feminist Rudiments in God of Small Things** in the National Conference on The Literature of the Marginalized held at Sree Sevugan Annamalai College, Devakottai, on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2014,

12. Presented a paper on **Quest for Roots in Bharathi Mukherjee's 'Desirable Daughters'**, in the National Conference on Postcolonial Literature held at Madura College, Madurai, on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012.

13. Presented a paper on **Mother-Daughter Relationship in Jamaica Kincaid's Girl,** in the International Seminar on Commonwealth Literature in English organised by Virudhunagar Hindu Nadars' Senthilkumara Nadar College on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

14. Presented a paper on **Identity Crisis in Mahasweta Devi's Mother of 1084** at the National Conference on National Binary Elements in Postcolonial Literatures held at Saraswathi Narayanan College, Madurai, on 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015.

15. Presented a paper on James Baldwin's Go Tell It on the Mountain: A Study of Afro-American Writing in the National Seminar Fourth World Literature: The Voice of the Marginalized organised by the Department of English, Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2015.

16. Presented a paper on Woman as a Commodity: A Study of Mahasweta Devi's The Glory of Sri Sri Ganesh in the International Seminar Innovative Methods in Teaching English Language and Literature organised by the Department of English, Idhaya College for Women on 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015.

17. Presented a paper on **Black woman's thrive in achieving her uniqueness in Alice Walker's Meridian,** at the International Conference on English Language and Literature held at Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018.

18. Presented a paper on **Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni: A Voice of Diaspora** in the National Conference on English Language Teaching and Literature held at Sethu Institute of Technology, Madurai, on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

19. Presented a paper on **Efficacious format of language and patriarchal supremacy in Alice Walker's** *Meridian*, at the National Conference on Emerging Trends in English Language Teaching and Literature held at Sethu Institute of Technology on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018. 20. Presented a paper on **Comprehensive Study of Impressive Characters in Alice Walker's Fiction**, at the International Conference on Culture and Literature: Convergence & Divergence held at Thiruvalluvar University on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

#### Conferences/Seminars/Workshops/ FDPs Attended

 Participated in the UGC-sponsored Workshop on Capacity Building Of Women Managers In Higher Education from 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at Centre for Women's Studies, Lady Doak College, Madurai.

2. Participated in the State level Seminar on English Language Teaching: Present Trends and Future Directions held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2010.

3. Participated in the State Level Workshop on **The Use of Literature and Theatre for English Proficiency** held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

4. Participated in the International Workshop on **Communicating the Third Space: A Special Reference to African Literature** held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

5. Participated in the State Level Workshop on Post Colonial Aura and The Celebration of the
'Other' held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

6. Participated in the International Conference on **Literary Theories**, held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

7. Participated in the State Level Faculty Development Programme on **E-Learning, E-Content Development,** held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

8. Participated in the State Level Faculty Development Programme **on Online Teaching, Learning and Assessment Using MOOC Platform, Open Educational Resources and Educational Tools** held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

9. Participated in the State Level Faculty Development Programme on **e–Content Development and Digital Tools** held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2018.

10. Participated in the State Level Workshop on **MOOCs through SWAYAM**, held at Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

11. Participated in the State Level UGC Workshop on **EAT Module**, held at Loyola College, Chennai, on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

Participated in the State Level Faculty Development Programme on Promotion of API & CAS
 Filing held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019.

13. Participated in the State Level Faculty Development Programme on Faculty Development Programme – Training and Production Workshop on Prospects of Outcome Based Curriculum Development, held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

**14.** Participated in the National Workshop on **ICT Enablement in Higher Education Institutions** organised by Mastersoft ERP Solutions Pvt. Ltd., Nagpur, on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2019.

15. Participated in the National **UGC Training on Evaluation Reforms** at the University of Hyderabad on 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

16. Participated in the State Level **Capacity Building Programme on Outcome-Based Education**, held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2019.

17. Participated in the State Level Workshop on Research Writing and Publications: Theory and
 Practice at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

18. Participated in the State Level Faculty Development Programme on Faculty Development Programme on **Promotion of API Score and Career Advancement Scheme**, held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020.

19. Participated in the State Level Faculty Development Programme on Faculty Development Programme on **21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills**, held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

20. Participated in the State Level Faculty Development Programme on **Quality Assurance and Sustenance in Higher Education**, held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

21. Participated in the National **Faculty Enrichment Programme**, held at Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on from 13<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

22. Participated in the Online Faculty Development Programme on **Project Proposals for Funding Agencies- Preparation & Submission Protocol**, organised by Patrician College of Arts and Science, Chennai, on 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020. 23. Participated in the Online Webinar on **Quality Metrics in Higher Education**, organised by the IQAC, Sadakathullah Appa College UGC PARAMARSH scheme, on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2020.

24. Participated in the Online English Literature Quiz, from 20<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

25. Participated in the Online Webinar on **Bio Diversity**, organised by the ECO Club, Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020.

26. Participated in the Webinar for Mentee Institutions under the UGC PARAMARSH scheme on the topic '**SSR Preparation**', organised by Internal Quality Assurance Cell, The Standard Fireworks Rajaratnam College for Women, Sivakasi, from 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

27. Participated in the Online Webinar on Enrichment Programme on Franchising the Way Forward, organised by the Department of Business Administration, Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

28. Participated in the Webinar for Mentee Institutions under UGC PARAMARSH scheme on the topic 'NAAC Accrediation Process- Do's and Don't's', organised by Internal Quality Assurance Cell, The Standard Fireworks Rajaratnam College for Women, Sivakasi, on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

29. Participated in the Online Workshop on **Digital Marketing Tools for 21<sup>st</sup> Century**, organised by the Department of Business Administration, Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

30. Participated in the Webinar '**Free Statistical Tool for Research Data Analysis and Research Publication with Special Reference to Citation, Impact Factor and h Index'Library**, organised by Jayaraj Annapackiam College for Women, (Autonomous), Periyakulam, on 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2020.

31. Participated in the Webinar '**Triage Crisis & Universal Remedy- Covid 19, A Perspective**', organised by the National Service Scheme, Jayaraj Annapackiam College for Women (Autonomous), Periyakulam, on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2020.

32. Participated in the Live Faculty Development Programme (webinar) on "**Future of Examinations: Bloom's Taxonomy and Multiple Assessment Tools**", organised by G. T. N. Arts College (Autonomous), Dindigul, on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

33. Participated in the Online Workshop on Research Methodology, organised by N.A.S.P.G.
College, Meerut & IGNOU Regional Centre, Noida, from 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

34. Participated in the Silver Jubilee National Webinar on **Detective Fiction: An Overview**, organised by Department of English in association with Internal Quality Assurance Cell [IQAC], Sri Akilandeswari Women's College, Wandiwash, on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

35. Participated in the E-Conference on **Contemporary Research Trends in Language**, **Literature and Interdisciplinary Studies, organised by** S.A.S.GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE NARAYANAPURAM, Andhra Pradesh, on 27th June 2020.

36. Participated in the Online Webinar on **Examination Reforms and Stress Management during Pandemic and Post Pandemic,** organised by Nijampur Jaitane Shikshan Prasarak Mandal's Adarsh college of Arts, Nijampur-Jaitane, Tal. Sakri, Dist. Dhule, on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

37. Participated in the National e-Workshop on Designing e-content for English Language and Literature, organiswed by Dept. of English, Arts, Commerce & Science College, Lanja, on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

38. Participated in the Online National Webinar on **Financial Literacy for Women** organised by Dayanand Arya Kanya Mahavidhyalaya, Maharastra on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

**39.** Participated in the Online National Webinar on **Re-Imagining Politics in a Post Covid World** organised by Dayanand Arya Kanya Mahavidhyalaya, Maharastra on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020.

40. Participated in the Seven Day International Online Workshop on English Language Teaching and Literature: Current Issues, Trends and Challenges organised by Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College from 8<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> July 2020.

41. Participated in the e-quiz on **Soft Skills** conducted by GPREC(A), Kurnool, AP on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

42. Participated in the Online National Webinar on **Cultural Studies and Spatial Turn** organised by Sree Kerela Varma College on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

43. Participated in the Online State level Webinar on **What is Postcolonialism?** organised by Sadakathullah Appa College on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021.

44. Participated in the Online National Webinar on **The Critical Difference**/ **The Differential Criticism** organised by Nesamony Memorial Christian College on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2010.

45. Participated in the Online National Webinar on **Translator's Task- Transition, Transmission** or ...? organised by Pandit Deendayal Energy University on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2022.

46. Participated in the Seven Day International Online Faculty Development Programme on **Research Methodology**, organised by SRM Institute of Science and Technology, from 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023 to 17<sup>th</sup> September 2023

47. Participated in the . in the **five-day national seminar on "Exploring Diverse Perspectives of Ecocriticism in the Anthropocene: Culture, Literature and Environmental Consciousness**" during **17th -21st October, 2023**, organized by the VIT-AP School of Social Sciences and Humanities, VIT-AP University, Andhra Pradesh, India.

## **Conferences/Seminars/Workshops Organized**

 Organised State Level Students Seminar Titled In Celebration of Rabindranath Tagore on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2011.

- 2. Organised MANNAR FEST-2013 (Intercollegiate Competition) on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2013
- 3. Organised Two Days International Conference **On Reminiscence Of the Revolutionary Reality Of African Literature** on 19<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

4. Organised Two Days International Workshop **on Literary Theories** on 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

#### **Book/Research Journals Edited**

- The Mannar Scroll A Multi-Disciplinary Peer Reviewed International Biannual Research Journal (ISSN: 2321-788X).
- Literary Endeavour- A Quarterly International Refereed Journal of English Language, Literature and Criticism. Special Issue- February 2019. (ISSN 0976-299X)

## **Invited Talks**

1. Delivered a Guest Lecture on **Women's Writing in English** at Senthamarai College of Arts and Science , Madurai on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2015.

2. Delivered Keynote address in State Level Seminar on **Portrayal of Human Trauma in Subaltern Studies and Dalit Literature** at St. Antony's College of Arts and Science for women, Dindigul, on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2016. Delivered inaugural address in the Inauguration of 'MEENLITZ' on 20th
 Century Modern Writers at Madurai Sivakasi Nadars Pioneer Meenakshi Women's
 College, Madurai, on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

4. Delivered a Guest Lecture on **American Literature** at Sourastra College, Madurai, on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

5. Delivered a speech in the Onine Webinar on **Critical Thinking and English Language Learning,** organised by Maharastra Udaygiri Mahavidyalay, Udgir & Swami Vivekanand Mahavidhyalay, Shirur, Tajband, on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

6. Delivered a speech in the Onine Webinar on **Language and Linguistics** organised by Government Arts College for Women, Ramanathapuram, on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

7. Delivered the inaugural address in the inauguration of **Women's Development Cell** at Theni Kamavar Arts and Science College on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

## **Refresher / Orientation Course.**

1. Attended UGC-sponsored **Orientation Programme** from 14<sup>th</sup> November 2007 to 11<sup>th</sup> December 2007, organised by Madurai Kamaraj University.

2. Attended UGC-sponsored **Refresher Course in English** from 27<sup>th</sup> May 2009 to 16<sup>th</sup> June 2009 organised by Pondichery University.

3. Attended UGC sponsored **Refresher Course in Literary Theory** from 30<sup>th</sup>October 2014 to 19<sup>th</sup>November 2014organised by Mysore University

4. Attended UGC sponsored **Refresher Course in Women's Studies** from 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2016 to 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2016 organised by Madurai Kamaraj University.

5. Attended MHRD sponsored **Short Term Course in Gender Sensitization** from 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019 to 21<sup>st</sup> December 2019

6.Participated in the one Week Faculty Development Programme on "SYSTEMATIC LITERATURE REVIEW AND META - ANALYSIS" organised by Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi from December 07- December 13, 2020.

7. Attended UGC sponsored **Refresher Course in English** from 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 to 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 organised by Bharathidasan University.

# Positions Held in MTN College

S. No	Name of the Activity	Period
1.	Examination Committee- Member	2008-2010
2.	Fine Arts Club -Convenor	2010-2011
3.	College Calender -Convenor	2011- 2013
4.	Press Committee - Convenor	2012-2013
5.	Women's Hostel Warden	2013- 2016
6.	Eliot Circle Association	2014-2015
7.	Dean for Research, UGC & University Affairs	2016- 2019
8.	NAAC Criterion II- Convenor	2017 - 2019
9.	Director, Community College	2018 - 2019
10.	Controller of Examination	2019- 2023
11.	Library Advisory Committee- Convenor	June 2023- Till Date