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EDUCATION

- MA, (Master of Art) Applied Linguistics and TESOL, Anglia Ruskin University, Cambridge, United Kingdom, 2010-12.
- BA, (Bachelor of Art) English Language and Literature, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2005-10.

WORKPLACES

- Eastern Mediterranean University, Cyprus. English Instructor. 2013-Present.
- The University of Central Lancashire, (British University), TESOL teacher. UCLan Cyprus. 2022- Present.
- Teaching English to China, UK English online. 2022-Present.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES

Cambridge University Courses

- CTT, Cambridge Train the Trainer. University of Cambridge. 2020. United Kingdom. 2019.
- DELTA, (Diploma in English Language Teaching to Adults), University of Cambridge, ESOL, United Kingdom, 2017- present (Module 3-Pass) in progress.
- TKT, Teaching Knowledge Test, University of Cambridge (ESOL), United Kingdom, 2010.
- Teaching English Online, (ESOL) Cambridge University English Assessment, United Kingdom, 2020.

Oxford University Courses

- Oxford Teachers' Academy-Teaching English to Adults, (three days intensive course) University of Oxford, 2015.
- Oxford Teachers' Academy- Assessment for Learning. University of Oxford, November, 2023.

British Council Courses

- Learning Technologies for the Classroom (LTEC Teacher training), (blended course) British Council, 2013.

Nile Norwich Courses

- Blended Learning in Language Education, instructed by Russell Stannard. NILE one-week intensive course, 2019.
- Advanced Language, Materials, and Methodology instructed by Johanna Stirling. NILE one-week intensive course, 2018.

International House London Courses

- Pronunciation and Teaching, 20-hour course, International House London. United Kingdom 2019.

Eastern Mediterranean University Courses

- Certificate of Training in English Language Teaching, EMU, (courses are taken as electives along with my department courses) 2010.
- Induction Program/Professional development program (Target setting, 3-option classroom observation, 2 peer observation, 1 video observation, workshops, PD sessions, and reflection report. Eastern Mediterranean University. 2017-18.
- Macmillian Training Course (Teaching with Macmillian English Campus), offered at Eastern Mediterranean University. 2016.

IELTS Teacher Development Courses

- IELTS Teacher Training Program, (Speaking and Writing) IDP IELTS Australia. 2019.
- Certificate in Teaching IELTS. London Teacher Training College. United Kingdom. 2020.

TOEFL Teacher Development Courses

- "TOEFL Worksop" 3 days Workshop deliverd by ETS TOEFL. March, 2021. Cyprus.

Teacher Training

- Cambridge Certified Trainer (Local tutor in Cyprus). I have been officially approved to deliver CELT-P and CELT-S courses by Cambridge University. 2020.
- DIPTT, (Diploma in Teacher Training), London Teacher Training College, United Kingdom, 2017.
- City and Guilds language consultant and delivering Level 2 diploma course in Culinary Skills in the Faculty of Tourism at Eastern Mediterranean University.

Webinars / Online Training attended

- "Developing effective classroom language of teachers with lower English Proficiency" presented by Gerhard Erasmus. IATEFL webinars. 2018.
- "Too many to talk- oral interaction in large classes" presented by Zarina Subhan Oxford University Press. Septemeber 2018.
- "The Forgotten Skill: Building Vocabulary for Spoken Production" presented by Kerstin Okubo. IATEFL webinars. October 2018.
- "Managing Language Education: Insight, Input and Ideas" presented by Richard Rossner, Ela Jarosz, and Mila Angelova" Oxford University Press. October 2018.
- "Excuse me, teacher, I need your help: Pragmatic Competence and Language Learning", presented by Anna Krulatz. Oxford University Press. October 2018.

- "Teaching English pronunciation for the real world" presented by Laura Patsko. Macmillan English webinar. November 2018.
- "Researching the classroom" presented by Martyn Clarke. Oxford University Press. November 20.
- "Revisions to A2 Key and B1 Preliminary from 2020" presented by Kathryn Davies and John Page. Cambridge English Assessment. Cambridge University.
- "What learning 5 languages have taught me about ELT" presented by Katie Harris. Macmillan English webinar. November 2018.
- "Bringing the world's winter folk tales alive in your students' imagination" presented by David Heathfield. IATEFL webinars.2018.
- "Fun with Phonics" presented by Charlotte Rance, Oxford University Press. December 2018.
- "To err is human: strategies for higher-level IELTS Speaking success" presented by Jamie Keddie. Cambridge University Press. December 2018.
- "Dealing with demotivation" presented by Nick Thorner, Oxford University Press. January 2019.
- "Promoting self-study for success in IELTS: Making the most of additional materials and flipping the classroom" presented by Lucy Passmore, Cambridge University Press. 2019.
- "To Speak or not to Speak" presented by Dave Spencer. Macmillan English webinar. February 2019.
- "The Value of Gamification for Language Learning" presented by Ollie Wood & Sarah Albrecht Cambridge English Assessment. Cambridge University. 2019.
- "The whys and hows: assessing 21st-century skills in the primary classroom" presented by Barbara Bangle. Oxford University Press. February 2019.
- "Helping learners build core vocabulary: The new Oxford word lists" presented by Julie Moore. Oxford University Press. February 2019.
- "Why do we need EAP word lists and what can we do with them" presented by Michael McCarthy. Oxford University Press. March 2019.
- "Immersive games and English Language Learning" presented by Amy Devine and Marianne Pickles. Cambridge English Assessment. Cambridge University. 2019.
- "CPD for Business and ESP English teachers a way forward" by Neil Bullock. Nile-Norwich. March 2019.
- "Motivating teenagers in exams classes" by Steve Taylore-Knowles. Macmillan English webinar. March 2019.
- "Making Online Teacher Development" by Johanna Stirling. Nile-Norwich. March 2019.
- "Word Perfect- The importance of recycling in vocabulary teaching" by David Spencer. Macmillan English webinar. April 2019.
- "Authenticity: turning theory into tasks and skills" Cambridge English Assessment. Cambridge University. May-2019.
- "Taking Notice as Teachers and Trainers" by Carole Robinsin". Nile-Norwich. May 2019.
- "The Cambridge English Approach to Item Writing", Cambridge Assessment English by Annie Broadhead and Nick Glasson. Cambridge University. July-2019.
- "Focus on vocabulary in speaking English for academic purposes" Cambridge University Press, presented by Averil Coxhead. October-2019.
- "Extending critical thinking past the text" Cambridge University Press, presented by James Dunn. October-2019.

- "An international approach to syllabus design for EAP courses" Cambridge University Press, presented by Rohanda Petree. October-2019.
- "Teaching HOT (Higher Order Thinking) reading skills: teaching summarising more effectively two strategies" Cambridge University Press, presented by Gaby Lawson. October-2019.
- "Using active listening skills to improve listening comprehension in expository discussion" Cambridge University Press, presented by Melissa Oldroyd. October-2019.
- "Plagiarism and academic literacy: What EAP teachers need to know" Cambridge University Press, presented by Diane Pecorari. October-2019.
- "How to help students develop strategies for giving more effective presentations" Cambridge University Press, presented by Diane Rachel Robinson. October-2019.
- "Academic writing-the challenges and solutions" Cambridge University Press, presented by Peter Lucantoni. October-2019.
- "What exams? How teaching exams support teacher development" Cambridge Assessment English. January-2020.
- "Flipping Your Language Classes-What can it do for your learners" by Russell Stannard. Nile, Norwich.
- "Blended Learning: From Theory to Practice" presented by Pete Sharma, Oxford University Press. March 2020.
- "Thinking Thoughtfully: Tips for Language Teacher Wellbeing" presented by Dr. Tammy Gregerson, Oxford University Press. March 2020.
- "Getting started with teaching English online" Cambridge Assessment English. April-2020.
- "Preparing your students for Cambridge English qualifications" Cambridge Assessment English. April-2020.
- "How to teach exam students online with Gold Experience 2nd Edition" Trainer: Billie Jago. Online Training. Pearson. April-2020.
- "Keeping University Students Engaged and Motivated" by Suzan Kotan. Pearson. April-2020.
- "Assessing Reading and Listening Online" by Victoria Pena and George Heritage. Cambridge Assessment English. June-2020.
- "Using Tasks in Language Teaching" by Rod Ellis. Cambridge Live Experience. September-2020.
- "Linguaskills: Flexible and accurate English testing to süit your University's needs" Cambridge Assessment English. May-2021
- "Getting Grammar off the Page" by Craig Thaine. Cambridge University Press. June-2021.
- "Modern Linguistics" by Stephan Krashen, Noam Chomsky. University Maulay. June-2021.'
- "Becoming an teacher: beyond training" by Alan Maley. British Council. May-2024

Online Web conferences/Panel Discussions attended

- IATEFL web conference "Finding yourself as a teacher" three days intensive web conference between the dates of 22 and 24 November. 2018.
- "Oxford ELTOC (English Language Teaching) two days intensive online web conference between the dates of 01-02 March. 2019.
- "Oxford ELTOC (English Language Teaching) two days intensive online web conference between the dates of 27-29 February. 2020.

- "Insight into ELT Management" One Hour Panel Discussion. Nile Insights. Nile Norwich. The UK. 30th June 2020.
- "Insights into Challenging Perspectives in ELT" by Maria Heron, Alan Pulverness, Rosa Aylett and Jason Skeet. One-Hour Panel Discussion.Nile-Norwich. March 2021.
- "English for Academic Purposes and Learning opportunities" Academic English Conference by Craig Thaine. Cambridge University Press and Cambridge English. October 2021.

Research Grants, Training Grants, and Scholarships

- European Scholarship for Turkish Cypriot Community (fully paid for MA), 2010. Cyprus.

- Oxford Teachers' Academy (OTA) full course fee was sponsored by Deniz Plaza and the course takes place at Lefke European University, 2015.

- Nile Course (Advanced Language, Materials and Methodology) and (Blended Learning in Language Education), sponsored by Deniz Plaza and took place at Eastern Mediterranean University.

ACADEMIC /TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Senior Instructor, English for Specific Purposes (ESP) in Faculty of Tourism; ENGL 107 Communication skills for tourism Industry) and ENGL 108 (Communication skills for culinary arts), GAST 437 (Communication Skills for Gastronomy and Culinary Arts), and THO-256 (Advanced English for Tourism) Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2016– Present
- Senior Instructor, English for Academic Purposes (EAP) in FL division; ENGL 191/192 and ENGL 181 (Academic reading and writing), Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2013– 2014
- Senior Instructor, General English teaching (GET) in EPS division; EPS 101 (beginner level), EPS 103 (Pre-intermediate level), and EPS 104 (intermediate level), Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2013– 2014
- Senior instructor, I am the course initiator and instructor of Gast 211 and 212 in helping students prepare for the City and Guilds exam.

COURSES TAUGHT

- DAU-Personel Affairs (teaching general English to EMU personal staff) Eastern Mediterranean University. 2015- Present.
- EMU International Summer School (IELTS teaching/Upper Intermediate level). Eastern Mediterranean University. 2014-Present.
- DAU-SEM Continuing Education Centre (Business English) Eastern Mediterranean University.
- EPS-101 (Beginner and Elementary Level) English Preparatory School. Eastern Mediterranean University
- EPS-103 (Pre-intermediate Level) English Preparatory School. Eastern Mediterranean University
- ENGL 191 (Academic English) Modern Languages Division. Eastern Mediterranean University
- EPS-104 (Intermediate Level) English Preparatory School. Eastern Mediterranean University
- ENGL-181 (Academic English) Modern Languages Division. Eastern Mediterranean University

- ENGL-107 (Communication skills for culinary arts) Faculty of Tourism. Eastern Mediterranean University
- ENGL-108 (Communication skills for culinary arts) Faculty of Tourism. Eastern Mediterranean University
- TENG-217 (English for Tourism and Recreation Industry) Faculty of Tourism. Mediterranean University
- GAST-437 (Communication Skills for Gastronomy and Culinary Arts). Mediterranean University
- THO-256 (Advanced English for Tourism) Faculty of Tourism. Mediterranean University
- B1 (Pre-int/Intermediate Level) English Preparatory School. Eastern Mediterranean University
- ENGL-192 (Academic English) Modern Languages Division. Eastern Mediterranean University
- GAST-211 (Professional Development in Culinary Arts I) Faculty of Tourism. Eastern Mediterranean University.
- GAST-212 (Professional Development in Culinary Arts II) Faculty of Tourism. Eastern Mediterranean University.
- CULA 209 and 210 (Professional Development in Culinary Arts I & II) Faculty of Tourism. Eastern Mediterranean University.
- DAU SEM (IELTS class) Continuing Education Centre-Eastern Mediterranean University.
- LEAD Project (European Commission financed) European Commission financed I taught General English to the students in Famagusta Culture Association 2019-2020.
- (DAU SEM) (European Commission financed) teaching English to Dikmen Municipality. 2020-21
- CELT-P Cambridge University teacher trainer at Istanbul Training Institute, training Primary school teachers. 2021-22.
- I worked as an ESP/EAP/IELTS/TOEFL and a Subject teaching (Science/History Medieval Britain) instructor and taught English to China, UKonlineEnglish. 2022.
- A1/A2/B1/B2/English Evening courses. The University of Central Lancashire, The British University of Cyprus, TESOL teacher.
- English for Engineering (Short Intensive Course)The University of Central Lancashire, The British University of Cyprus, TESOL teacher.
- FC1012 Academic Reading (English for foundation course). The University of Central Lancashire, The British University of Cyprus
- FC1013 Academic Writing. (English for foundation course). The University of Central Lancashire, The British University of Cyprus
- FC1014 Academic Vocabulary and Language. (English for foundation course). The University of Central Lancashire, The British University of Cyprus

CONFERENCES, CONGRESSES, WORKSHOPS, AND SYMPOSIUMS ATTENDED

- I attended the 2nd Annual ELT conference which was held at Girne American University.
- The 3rd international ELT conference was organized by the University of Eastern Mediterranean and Scott Thornbury was the major plenary speaker at the conference.
- The event *Linguistic Profiling* at the University of Cambridge was organized by the Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages. The exciting talk was given by Dr. Bert Vaux.

- The Dark 16th Century at the Senate Hall at the University of Cambridge. The literary scholar Colm Toibin delivered the 2010 Leslie Stephen Lecture on "*The Dark Sixteenth Century*"
- The mentoring sessions at English Preparatory School (EMU).
- The workshop is organized by Laura Woodward and this workshop aims to know how we can exploit Oxford Word Skills in class.
- 4th FLEPS Workshop Festival which was held by EMU.
- "*The Trends and New Directions in Language Teaching and Learning*" is presented by Thom Kiddle at Eastern Mediterranean University (2016)
- 1st TEFL Conference-Traps and Tweaks in Language Teaching by Paul Seligson at Lefke European University.
- The session was delivered by Rusell Stannard about flipped classrooms and is held at Eastern Mediterranean University.
- The seminar was offered by Peace Education with the collaboration of the British Council and the seminar is about *multiple intelligence, higher-order skills, and 7 different aspects of individual development*. The educational seminar was delivered by Cliff Perry.
- The seminar was delivered by Craig Thaine about *Tuning into Your Learners: Assessment and Evaluation in the Lesson* at Eastern Mediterranean University.
- The seminar was given by Tony Gurr on *Classroom Management* and it is offered by Eastern Mediterranean University.
- 9th T-Plus Event (The Inseparable Duo in Success: Curriculum & Teacher Training delivered at Eastern Mediterranean University.
- The seminar was given by Tony Prince (Director of NILE) on "Academic Culture and Critical Thinking-Academic Skills". It is offered by Eastern Mediterranean University.
- ICONFLE (International Conference on Foreign Language Education). It was organized by Eastern Mediterranean University and the plenary speaker was Penny Ur. (2017)
- The seminar was given by Alan Mackanzie on "How to Integrate Thinking Skills into English Language Teaching" offered by Eastern Mediterranean University and NILE.
- The seminar was given by Alan Pulverness on "Using Very Short Films in the Language Classroom" offered by Eastern Mediterranean University and NILE.
- The seminar was given by James Thomas on "Ten Things We Know About Vocabulary" offered by Eastern Mediterranean University and NILE.
- I attended a workshop on Authentic Activities in the EFL context which was offered by Eastern Mediterranean University.
- The seminar was given by Rod Bolitho on "Perspectives on Professional Development" offered by Eastern Mediterranean University and NILE.
- The workshop was given by Thom Kiddle on "Encouraging and Developing Productive Skills" offered by Eastern Mediterranean University and NILE.
- The seminar was held by Prof. Dr. M. Yasar Ozden on "Distance Education" in the Faculty of Tourism. Eastern Mediterranean University. January 2019.
- FLEPS 6th Workshop Festival "Fantastic teachers and here we found them" Eastern Mediterranean University. 2019
- The seminar was given by Tim Goodier on the "In-Class Action-Oriented Tasks and Assessment" Nile Norwich seminar and offered by Eastern Mediterranean University.2019.
- "Mastering IELTS Writing" by Philip Christofi. British Council Cyprus. February 2021.
- "TOEFL Worksop" 3 days Workshop deliverd by ETS TOEFL. March, 2021. Cyprus.

PUBLICATIONS

- Degirmencioglu, T. 2012. The Use of Instructional Technology and its Prevalence. The Lambert Publishing House, Germany.
- Degirmencioglu, T. 2013.The Complete Works in English Literature, Sentimental Discovery through Poetry, Novel and Gender Role. The Lambert Publishing House, Germany.
- Degirmencioglu, T. 2018. "increasing students' intrinsic motivation in academic essay writing in EAP context ". published at IATEFL SIG. at Eastern Mediterranean University, May 2018.

WORKSHOPS

- I delivered CV, Cover Letter, and personal statement writing workshops at Eastern Mediterranean University in May 2017.
- I delivered workshops on *Interview Techniques for Educational Purposes* at Eastern Mediterranean University, May 2018.
- I delivered a workshop (Teachers Research) on *increasing students' intrinsic motivation in academic essay writing in the EAP context* at Eastern Mediterranean University, in May 2018.
- I delivered an Edmodo training workshop to EAP teachers at Modern Language Division at Eastern Mediterranean University.
- I and Assist. Prof. Dr. Aysegul Salli delivered a four-day Edmodo training workshop to English Preparatory School teachers at Eastern Mediterranean University.
- I delivered a Cambridge CELT-P workshop on Language Awareness for Teaching (Word Stress and Intonation). Istanbul Training Institute. Istanbul.2021.
- I delivered a workshop *on Enhancing Assessment Types* at 9th EMU FLEPS Workshop festival, Eastern Mediterranean University, in May 2024.

RESEARCH/PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

- Educational Technology (Dissertation topic, MA)
- Teacher Training
- Syllabus & Material Design
- IELTS teaching
- English for Academic Purposes (EAP)
- English for Specific Purposes (ESP)
- Teacher Education

OTHER SERVICES

- I am one of the two presenters of the Graduation Ceremonies and EMU outstanding award ceremony, presenting the graduation/post-graduation ceremony and the Faculty of Medicine oath-taking ceremony in English. 2017 – 2019 at Eastern Mediterranean University.
- I am a teacher coordinator at EMU International Summer School, my chief duties are respectively to supervise teaching staff, prepare exams and deal with logistical affairs (registering students). 2016 –present.
- Tourism week organizer. Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Tourism. 2017- present.
- I am a presenter of "how to prepare *Curriculum Vitae, Cover Letter and Personal Statement" and* I deliver this workshop to all faculty students every year. I also

presented *"Interview Techniques for Educational Purpose"s*. EMU, Alumni Communication and Career Research Directorate. 2017- Present.

- Helping Faculty of Education interns to observe my class at Eastern Mediterranean University.
- I am a member of the *students' club committee, social activities and events organizing committee,* and *community relations committee* in the faculty of tourism at Eastern Mediterranean University.
- I also designed the Speaking Club course pack for International Summer School at Eastern Mediterranean University.
- I am the test writer (the placement test writer) at the international summer school students-Eastern Mediterranean University.
- I am a proofreader at the University of Central Lancashire (UCLan Cyprus) checking students' assignments from different departments.

TECHNOLOGY

- Expert user of Microsoft Office documents.
- Expert user of adobe connect.
- Expert user of Macintosh
- Expert user of Edmodo (certified trainer)
- Expert user of Snagit
- Expert user of Plickers, Edpuzzle, and Kahoot.
- Expert user of Googe Forms/slides/class/docs etc…
- Expert user of Microsoft Teams and Zoom.

REFEREES

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