

**GULF UNIVERSITY FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**ENGLISH DEPARTMENT**

**GELL 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference**

**21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2015**

**“Challenges of Teaching Foreign Language and Literature”**

Date	Venue	Time	Event	Name(s)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Hotel	9:00 am	Bus Pick up	
	W6-500	10:00 – 11:00 am	Opening Ceremony and Welcome	Dr. Ikram Elsherif (Chair, organizing committee) Dr. Piers Smith (Chair, English Dept.) Prof. Ali Ansari (Dean, CAS) Dr. Salah Alsharhan (VPAA) KFAS Representative
	W6-200	11:00 – 11:45 am	Poetry Reading	Poet James Sutherland-Smith
	W6-Hall	11:45 – 12:00 pm	Coffee break	
	W5-002	12:00 – 2:00 pm	Workshop: Creative Writing Poetry for University Teachers of English Studies Students	Poet James Sutherland-Smith

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Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	N5-003	12:00 – 1:30 pm	<p>Panel Presentation: What is Lost/Gained in Translation: Theory and Practice</p> <p>Panel Chair: Dr. Ivan Ivanov(GUST)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Translation and Its Complicity with the Ideology of a Native Language." Dr. Takayuki Yokota-Murakami. Osaka University, Japan</li> <li>• "The Translated Text between the Clash of Ideologies and the Transcendence of Thought." Dr. Eman El-Attar , College of Basic Education, Kuwait</li> <li>• "A Contrastive Study of Adverbials in Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) and English, with Special Reference to difficulties in Translation." Dr. Maha Al-Tagoury (GUST)</li> </ul>
	W1-153	12:00 – 1:30 pm	<p>Panel Presentation: Language Pedagogy</p> <p>Panel Chair: Dr. Marta Tryzna (GUST)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Instructional Strategies Amplifying Reading and Writing Gains for Kuwaiti Students." Dr. Janet Testerman and Dr. Kathleen Park (GUST)</li> <li>• "Kuwaiti University Students' Reading Habits and Attitudes." Dr. Inan Deniz Erguvan (GUST)</li> <li>• "Pragmemic Dialogicality in Academic Writing." Dr. Hussain Al-Sharoufi (GUST)</li> <li>• "Introducing Extensive Reading in Kuwaiti Culture at University Level: A Correlation." Dr. Abdulrahman AlShaheen (AUK)</li> </ul>
	W6-Hall	2:00 – 3:00 pm	LUNCH	

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Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	W6-200	3:00 – 4:00 pm	Keynote Speech: Western Cultural Imperialism in the Middle East and North Africa: A Historical Overview.	Prof. Robert Irwin, publisher, editor and senior research associate, London University
	W6-200	4:00 – 4:45 pm	Literary Reading	Dr. Keith Jardim, Creative Writer (GUST)
	W6-Hall	4:45 – 5:00 pm	Coffee Break	
	N5-204	5:00 – 6:30 pm	Panel Presentation: Literature and Global Citizenship  Panel Chair: Dr. Martin Rosenstock (GUST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "The Goals of Teaching Literature: Global Citizenship Beyond Borders." Dr. Abdul Saleem AlbulQader, Al Jouf University(KSA)</li> <li>• "The Goals of Teaching Literature: Literacy, Liberalism, Global Citizenship." Dr. Phani Kiran, Al Jouf University (KSA)</li> <li>• "The Novelist as Teacher in Chinua Achebe's <i>Things Falling Apart</i>." Dr. Al-Assad Omar, Dar Al Uloom University (KSA)</li> </ul>
	W5-204	5:00 – 6:30 pm	Panel Presentation: EFL Textbooks: Cultural Considerations  Panel Chair: Dr. Deniz Erguvan (GUST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Teaching EFL in Saudi Arabian Context: Textbooks and Culture." Dr. Abdullah Sa'ad Al Dera, Najran University (KSA)</li> <li>• "Winds of Change in Saudi Textbooks: A Cultural Perspective." Dr. Sayed Md. Golam Faruk, King Khalid University, KSA</li> <li>• "Developing a Masters of Education in Thailand." Dr. Robert Kirkpatrick(GUST)</li> </ul>

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	W6-Hall	7:00 – 8:30 pm	Opening Dinner	
		9:00 pm	Free Evening/bus pick up to hotel	

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Date	Venue	Time	Event	Name(s)
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Hotel	9:00 am	Bus Pick up	
	W6-200	10:00 – 11:00 am	Keynote Speech: Ethics in the Translating/ Interpreting Curriculum and Profession	Prof. Mona Baker, University of Manchester, UK
	W6-200	11:00 – 11:45 am	Literary Reading	Dr. Alan Clinton, Creative Writer (GUST) and Poet Jonny Farrow
	W6-Hall	11:45 – 12:00 pm	Coffee break	
	W5-104	12:00 – 2:00 pm	Workshop: Paraliteratures	Dr. Alan Clinton and Poet Jonny Farrow
	W1-153	12:00 – 2:00 pm	Panel Presentation: Linguistics and Meaning-Making  Panel Chair: Dr. Hussain Al-Sharoufi(GUST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Understanding Hypertextual Modalities Using Meaning-Making Strategies." Dr. Mudassar Mahmood Ahmad, COMSATS Institute of Information Technology, Pakistan</li> <li>• "Effects of Phonetic Context and Speaking Rate in Production of Voicing in Russian Obstruents." Dr. Vladimir Kulikov, Qatar University, Qatar</li> <li>• "The Communicative Aspects of English</li> </ul>

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Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April				<p>Medical Variety in Different Cultures." Dr. Abdullah A. AlKhuwailah, Jordan University for Science and Technology, Jordan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Why Speakers of Arabic Misuse English Articles: The Role of Semantic Universals." Dr. Marta Tryzna and Dr. Ivan Ivanov (GUST)</li> <li>• "A Pragmalinguistic Account of Interrogative Functions in Religious Discourse." Dr. Kamel Alsaadany (GUST)</li> </ul>
	N4-002	12:00 – 2:00 pm	<p>Panel Presentation: Language, Culture, and Media</p> <p>Panel Chair: Dr. Holly Pak (GUST)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "The Language of Negativity with Filipinos, Australians, Americans and Middle East Online News." Dr. Jennifer L. Edroso, Isabella State University, Philippines.</li> <li>• "Target-Language Culture as a Socially-Acquired Knowledge." Dr. Omar Azzoug and Ms. Fatima Brikca Bekkal, Tlemcen University, Algeria.</li> <li>• "The Impact of De-Anglicization Process on Home-Made ELT Textboks." Prof. Smail Bemoussat and Dr. Ghouti Hadjoui, Tlemcen University, Algeria</li> </ul>

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Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	W6-200	12:00 – 2:00 pm	Panel Presentation: Teaching Literature: Textuality, Crisis and Demystification  Panel Chair: Dr. Piers Smith (GUST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Tropes of ‘Crisis’ in Teaching Literature.” Dr. Gerald Naughton (GUST)</li> <li>• “Teaching Literature as ‘Textuality’.” Dr. Yulia Naughton (GUST)</li> <li>• “Heroes and Goddesses with a Thousand Faces: Demystification of Cultural Difference and Instructional Apprehensions” Dr. Ikram Elsherif (GUST)</li> <li>• "Teaching Shakespeare to Undergraduates – or the Myth of the Problem Play." Dr. Kim C. Sturgess, University of Qatar</li> </ul>
	W6-Hall	2:00 – 3:00 pm	LUNCH	
	W6-200	3:00 – 4:00 pm	Keynote Speech: In Praise of Exile	Dr. Costica Bradatan, Texas Tech University, USA
	W6-200	4:00 – 4:45 pm	Literary Reading	Jill Magi, MA, MFA, Creative Writer, New York University Abu Dhabi
	W6-Hall	4:45 – 5:00 pm	Coffee Break	
	N5-202	5:00 – 7:00 pm	Workshop: The Poem is Woven All Around: The Poet's Notebook, Research, and Citation.	Jill Magi, MA, MFA, Creative Writer, New York University Abu Dhabi

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	N5-203	5:00 – 6:30 pm	<p>Panel Presentation: Language Instruction, Culture and Identity</p> <p>Panel Chair: Dr. Ikram Elsherif (GUST)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How Constructs Relating to the Psychology of Creative Writing Can Be Utilized to Develop Teaching." Dr. Rosalind Buckton-Tucker, AUK</li> <li>• "English Language Learning and Identity in Kuwait." Dr. Holly Pak (GUST)</li> <li>• "Language, identity and Culture." Ms. Amel Bencharef, NAAMA University, Algeria</li> <li>• "Assessing the Impact of Western-Style Higher Education on GCC students' Intercultural Effectiveness." Dr. Fahad Al-Sumait and Dr. Marta Tryzna (GUST)</li> </ul>
	N5-204	5:00 – 6:30 pm	<p>Panel Presentation: Peace, Love and Understanding: Literature and Universality vs. Specificity</p> <p>Panel Chair: Dr. Yulia Naughton (GUST)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "World Peace and the Voice of Poetry: W. Wordsworth and R. Tagore." Dr. Muhammad Emdadul Huq, Nijran University, KSA</li> <li>• "Understanding Shakespeare." Dr. Piers M. Smith (GUST)</li> <li>• "Poetry: Love in any Language." Dr. Steven Schreiner, University of Missouri, St. Louis, USA and Rewa Zeinati, poet and founder/editor of Sukoon Magazine.</li> </ul>
	W6-Hall	6:30 – 7:00 pm	Coffee Break	
			7:30 pm	Free Evening/bus pick up to hotel

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Date	Venue	Time	Event	Name(s)
Thursday 23 <sup>nd</sup> April	Hotel	9:00 am	Bus Pick up	
	W6-200	10:00 – 11:00 am	Keynote Speech: Bilingual Advantages: Understanding and Using the Cognitive Gains of Bilingualism	Prof. Jason Rothman, University of Reading, UK
	W6-200	11:00 – 11:30 am	Coffee Break	
	W5-002	11:30 – 1:30 pm	Workshop: Implementation of CT Pedagogy	Dr. Haifa Alnofaie, Taif University, KSA
	W1-153	11:30 – 1:30 pm	Panel Presentation: Language Instruction, Environment and Culture  Panel Chair: Dr. Janet Testerman (GUST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "The Medium in the Message: Engaging Multimodal Meaning in Wired Kuwaiti Classrooms." Mr. Derek Parks, AUK</li> <li>• "Teaching Liberal Arts in the Gulf and Cultural Challenges." Dr. Inas Mahfouz, AUK</li> <li>• "Do the Expectations of Freshmen Enrolled in GCC Tertiary Institutions Align with the Expectations of Faculty?" Ms. Ann Newman(GUST)</li> </ul>
	N5-003	12:00 – 1:30 pm	Panel Presentation: Language Instruction at School Level  Panel Chair: Dr. Maha Al-Tagoury(GUST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Pre-writing Techniques in the Writing Process for L2 Classroom." Ms. Gulsah Geyimci, Beykent University, Turkey</li> <li>• "Teaching English Poetry: A Case Study of Secondary Schools in Kuwait." Ms. Saadia Mesti, University of Burami, Sultanate of Oman</li> </ul>
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	W6-Hall	1:30 – 2:30 pm	LUNCH	
		2:30 – 7:00 pm	Sightseeing tour	
	W6-Hall	7:30 – 9:30 pm	Dinner and Closing Ceremony	
		9:30 - 10:00 pm	Bus pick up to hotel	

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