

Dr Ravinarayan Chakrakodi



Name: Dr Ravinarayan Chakrakodi

Designation: Professor, Academic Head

Joining date: 21 May 2004

Qualifications: MA, MA TESOL (Lancaster University, UK), B Ed (IGNOU), PGDTE (CIEFL/EFL University), Ph D (Kannur University)

Experience in teaching and teacher education: More than 16 years

Subjects taught at RIESI:

1. Writing skills – Teaching writing in English as a second language, process approach , assessing writing, digital portfolios, writing research papers
2. Testing and Evaluation: Designing test papers, continuous assessment using formative and summative methods, portfolio assessment, online tools for assessment, rubrics and feedback
3. Teacher research: Exploratory Action Research, identifying classroom issues, framing research questions, data collection (qualitative and quantitative) and analysis tools and methods, sharing findings, writing research reports
4. Curriculum design and materials production: Trends and issues in English Language Studies, English for Specific Purposes (ESP), second language acquisition theories and practices, designing tasks and activities

A Brief Profile

Awards

British Council A. S. Hornby Fellowship for a one year study in UK, 2008-2009.

British Council A. S. Hornby Alumni Scholarship award to attend the IATEFL Conference in Manchester, UK, 2015

Publications (Books and chapters in edited books)

Chakrakodi, R. 2007. Portfolio Assessment of Teachers' Writing Abilities. In R. Matthew and K. Smith (eds). *Exploring Alternatives in Assessment*. Department of Education: Delhi University. 40-51.

Chakrakodi, R. 2012. Teacher Portfolios as a Powerful Tool for CPD. In R. Bolitho and A. Padwad (eds). *Continuing Professional Development: Lessons from India*. New Delhi: British Council. 47-57.

Chakrakodi, R. 2013. Portfolio Assessment: Do Teachers and Experts Speak the Same Language? In P.Powell-Davies (ed). *Assessing and Evaluating English Language Teacher Education, Teaching and Learning*. New Delhi: British Council. 81-95.

Chakrakodi, R. 2016. *Learn English Teach English: English Skills for Teachers*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Publications (Articles in journals)

Chakrakodi, R. 2010. Socio-cultural factors and second language acquisition. *Languaging: A Journal of Language Teaching and Language Studies*. 2: 119-140.

Chakrakodi, R. 2010. To Teach or Not to Teach Grammar?. *The English Classroom*. 12: 30-38.

Chakrakodi, R. 2010. Content-based Teaching of English. *Journal of ELTIF*. 1.3: 4-8.

Chakrakodi, R. 2010. In-service teacher portfolios: Participant views on assessment. *ELTED Journal*. Warwick: Warwick University. Vol 13: 15-26.

Chakrakodi, R. 2011. Teaching Writing: what really happens after the training?. *Languaging*. Vol 3: 83-106.

Chakrakodi, R. 2011. An Innovation in the Karnataka curriculum: teachers' perceptions. *The EFL Journal*. Vol 2 (2): 39-52.

Chakrakodi, R. 2011. Integrating content subjects into English: Some Possibilities. *English Teaching professional*. Vol 2 (2): 39-52.

Chakrakodi, R. 2012. Skewed Testing and Washback. *Forum for Teaching English Language and Literature (FORTELL)*. 23: 4-7.

Chakrakodi, R. (ed.) 2015. *Source book on Communication Skills in English*. DSERT, Bengaluru.

Chakrakodi, R. 2017. Monitoring Growth in Writing through Portfolios. *Forum for Teaching English Language and Literature (FORTELL)*. 35: 68-76.

Chakrakodi, R. 2017. English Language Empowerment Programme (ELEP) for Primary School Teachers: experiences of a cascade training programme. *The English Classroom*, 19 (1).

Chakrakodi, R. 2020. English medium sections in 1000 Government Schools: A Reality Check on the Pilot Study. *Forum for Teaching English Language and Literature (FORTELL)*. 40.

Presentations

Presenter, 'Classrooms around the world: Social Issues and Second Language Acquisition' 43rd Annual International IATEFL Conference and Exhibition, Cardiff 31st March – 4th April 2009.

Presenter, 'Language and Related Disciplines: Literature, Arts, Psychology, Education, Science and Technology' UGC Sponsored National Seminar on 'Understanding Language Functions and Study of Language: A Multidimensional Approach with Special Focus on English' organised by D R M Science College, Davanagere, 30th – 31st July, 2010.

Presenter, 'Teaching English: Designing Tasks and activities', One day state level workshop for English Lecturers organised by the Department of Post-Graduate Studies and Research in

English, Kuvempu University, D V S College of Arts and Science, Shivamogga and Orient Blackswan Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad, 11th August 2010.

Presenter, 'Innovation in English Language Education: the Case of Karnataka' First International Conference for English Language Teacher Educators jointly organized by British Council and The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad, 22 to 24 January 2011.

Presenter, 'Portfolio Assessment: Do Teachers and Experts Speak the Same language?' Second International Conference for English Language Teacher Educators jointly organized by British Council and The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad, 03 to 05 March 2012.

Resource Person, A One-day Workshop for the English Language Teachers of Davanagere University , 07 July 2012.

Key-note Speaker, 'Doing Research in ELT'. A two-day workshop organized by the Loyola College, Chennai.

Reviewer, Open Education Resources for English Language, Commonwealth of Learning, Canada.

Resource Person, Three-day workshop on English Language Proficiency Development organized by the Department of Education, Delhi University for the teachers of Delhi University Colleges, 09-11 August 2012.

Presenter, 'Jamaican Fragment: Using Video to Add a New Dimension to the Lesson' Fourth International Conference for English Language Teacher Educators (TEC14) jointly organized by the British Council and The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad, 21 to 23 February 2014.

Presenter, 'Innovation in the curriculum: Insiders' perspectives' Fifth International Conference for English Language Teacher Educators (TEC15) jointly organized by the British Council and The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad, February 2015.

Presenter, 'Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation : A Reality Check' 49th Annual International IATEFL Conference and Exhibition, Manchester 06 April – 10 April 2015.

Resource Person, 'A 10-day Capacity Building Workshop for Teacher Trainers' held at Centre for English Language Education, Ambedkar University, Delhi from 28 June to 05 July 2017

Presenter, Training English Teachers: Impact on Classrooms; National Seminar on English Language Education in India: Theory and Practice organised by the Centre for English language Studies, University of Hyderabad and ELTAI, Hyderabad Chapter. 09 and 10 March 2018.

Key Resource Person in a four-day workshop on ‘Review of ICT-based Materials and Mapping them to the Pre-service Curriculum’ organised by the SCERT, Bihar in association with the International Support Agency for SCERT, Bihar held at Patna from 15 to 18 March 2018.

Resource Person, Doing Research in the Classroom’. Refresher Course for Bangalore University Teachers.

Resource Person, Development of Exemplar activities based on learning Outcomes for language skills in English for Upper Primary Stage organised by Department of Education in Languages, NCERT, New Delhi from 21 to 25 January, 2019.

Resource Person, Developing a handbook for two-year B Ed course for the paper ‘Reading and Reflecting on Texts’ organised by the Inter University Centre for Teacher Education, Regional Institute of Education, Mysore. 25th and 26th July 2019.

Resource Person, Two-day content enrichment programme for PGTs (English) of JNVs of Bhopal, Hyderabad, Patna and Pune regions organised by Navodaya Leadership Institute, Goa. 2nd and 3rd December 2019.

Presenter, ‘Training teachers on doing classroom research: what next?’ 5th AINET International conference on ‘English in Multi-lingual Contexts’ held 10-11 January 2020)

Key Note Speaker, National Conference on ‘Emerging paradigms on Teaching English language, Literature and Translation’ organised by St Joseph’s Evening College, Bengaluru. 02 March 2020.

Research Activities

- Chief Investigator. *Problems and Concerns in the Implementation of Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation in the Government Schools of Karnataka*. Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and Regional Institute of English South India, Bengaluru. 2013-2015.
- Mentor, British Council Action Research Mentoring Scheme (ARMS), 2019-20.
- Member, Board of Examiners for Adjudication of doctoral thesis, Director of Research, University of Calicut
- Co-supervisor for an ELT research student at Presidency University, Bangalore

Webinars conducted

Presenter, *Recent Trends in ELT*. Oxford University Press. 23 May 2020.

Presenter, *Assessing Speaking*. State Council of Educational Research and Training. (SCERT). Andhra Pradesh. 18 June 2020.

Plenary speaker, *Writing teacher Reflections*. A two-day online conference organised by ELTA Telangana. 20th and 21st June 2020.

Presenter, *Activities for developing speaking skill*. State Council of Educational Research and Training. (SCERT). Andhra Pradesh. 23 June 2020.

Presenter, *Writing for Academic Purposes*, School of Library and Information Science, Central university of Gujarat, Gandhinagar. 25 June 2020

Presenter, *Research Possibilities in English language studies*. Department of English, Bangalore University. 11 July 2020.

Presenter, *Teacher Training in ELT: A Way Forward*, ELTAI, Chennai. 10 January 2021.

Other Professional Activities

- Worked as the Editor, *The English Classroom*, a biannual journal published by the Regional Institute of English Bangalore
- Guest Editor for a peer reviewed journal of Teaching English Language and Literature 'FORTELL'
- Chairperson, English Textbooks of Grade I (first language), Grade III (second language) and Grade VI (second language). Karnataka Textbook Society, Bangalore
- Member, Post-Graduate Board of Examiners for MA (English) of Bangalore University.
- Chairperson, Board of Examiners for 'Communication Skills in English' course. Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayatraj University, Gadag, Karnataka
- Member, Board for Professional English courses in Vishweshwaraiah University College of Engineering, Bangalore University
- Member, Board of Studies in English, St Philomena's College (Autonomous College of the University of Mysore), Mysore
- Member, State Resource Group for Quality Teacher Education, Government of Karnataka
- Developed modules and designed materials for online courses such as Post Graduate Diploma in English Language Teaching (PGDELT) and Diploma in English Communication (DIEC) offered by the RIESI
- Editorial Member, Global Education Review, Longbridge Publishing Company Ltd, Hong Kong.
- Member, Diploma in Education (D Ed) Curriculum Renewal Committee for English, Government of Karnataka
- Convener, Materials Development Committee for Diploma in Education (D Ed) English course, Government of Karnataka
- Member of Textbook Committee, Grade IX English second language course book, Karnataka Textbook Society, Bangalore
- Member, Expert committee for the production of Edusat Video films and radio lessons, DSERT, Karnataka
- Reviewer, Teacher Education through School-based Support (TESS India) Open Educational Resources.
- Completed, with distinction, a three-month online course on Teaching English to Young Learners offered by the University of Maryland Baltimore County, USA.
- Completed, with distinction, a three-month (January – March 2012) online course on EFL/ESL Assessment offered by the University of Maryland Baltimore County, USA.

- Contribute articles regularly to the Education supplement of ‘Deccan Herald’ English newspaper
- Designed curriculum and developed content for the VCDs on learning English at the primary (‘Hello English) and secondary schools (‘English Around Us) produced by the Regional Institute of English South India Bangalore
- Designed curriculum and developed content for the PGDELT and DIEC distance mode programmes offered by the RIESI
- Developed a variety of teacher training modules for primary and secondary levels (‘English Classroom’, ‘Passage to English’)
- Coordinated and taught on the ‘Communication Skills Development Programme’ for Assistant Professors of First Grade Colleges, Karnataka
- Worked as a panellist in many video conferencing programmes organised by the State Education Departments of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamilnadu and Telangana
- Attended consultative meetings, reviewed the 03-month certificate course for the capacity building of teachers of the Centre for English Language Education, Ambedkar University, Delhi
- Completed a three month course on ‘Becoming a better Teacher’ offered by the British Council
- Completed a 6 week’s online course on ‘Classroom-based Research’ (January – February 2018) offered by the Electronic Village Online (EVO)
- Completed a three month course on ‘Dyslexia and Foreign Language Teaching’ offered by Lancaster University
- Completed a three month course on ‘English in early Childhood’ offered by the British Council (February – March 2019)
- Worked as a Member of the selection panel for the appointment of Faculty for the Dept. of English at Gitam University, Bangalore
- Member of the selection panel for the appointment of Guest Faculty in English at Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (KSRDP) University, Gadag
- Acted as the Director In-charge, Regional Institute of English, Bengaluru from 22.11.2018 to 04.12.2018
- Working as the Administrative Officer (in charge), Regional Institute of English, Bengaluru from 07.04.2021 till date

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