

Ramanujan College

FACULTY PROFILE

FIRST NAME	Minakshi	MIDDLE NAME (if any)		PHOTOGRAPH (ATTACH BELOW) 
LAST NAME	Lahkar			
DEPARTMENT	English			
DESIGNATION	Professor			
GENDER	Female			
LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY	English, Assamese, Hindi, Bengali			
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EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:				
DEGREE	INSTITUTION		YEAR	
BA(Hons)	North Eastern Hill University (NEHU)		1986	
MA	University of Delhi		1988	
NET	UGC		1994	
PhD	Gauhati University		2008	

CAREER PROFILE: TEACHING EXPERIENCE

20 years

CAREER PROFILE: INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

4 years – Reserve Bank of India

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENTS: (List any administrative roles or responsibilities you have held)

TIC (Department of English) in 2009-10, 2015-16, 2019-20

AREAS OF INTEREST / SPECIALIZATION: (Highlight your specific areas of interest or fields of specialization within your subject area)

American Literature, ELT, Teaching Writing

SUBJECTS TAUGHT: (List all the subjects you have taught)

1. Indian Classical Literature
2. European classical Literature
3. 18th Century British Literature
4. 19th Century British literature
5. Post-Colonial Literature
6. Women's Writing
7. Popular Fiction
8. American literature
9. 20th Century Indian Writing
10. British Poetry & Drama: 17th and 18th Centuries
11. Indian Writing in English
12. Language, Literature & Culture
13. Individual & Society
14. Advanced English, 1A & 2A
15. Core English 1A & 2A
16. English Fluency I & II
17. English Language through Literature I & II
18. AECC English Communication
19. SEC Communication in Everyday Life

20. SEC Business Communication
21. SEC Creative Writing
22. SEC Personality Development & Communication
23. VAC Emotional Intelligence
24. VAC Social & Emotional Learning
25. GE Contemporary India: Women & Empowerment
26. GE Readings in Diversities & Literary Movements

COURSE DEVELOPMENT: (Mention any courses you have developed or contributed to designing)

Academic Writing in English for undergraduate students : course developed in association with Prof Veena Kapur and Prof Tasneem Shahnaaz for 2 rounds of courses conducted in 2023 and 2024 under the aegis of ILL, University of Delhi.

RESEARCH GUIDANCE: (Provide details on research supervision, indicating the number of doctoral and postgraduate students guided)

PUBLICATIONS PROFILE: RESEARCH PAPERS (List your published research papers, including the title, journal, and year)

1. “Deconstructing, Reconstructing Identities : Shashi Deshpande’s That Long Silence.” *The Journal of Contemporary Literature*, Vol. 5, Nos 1 & 2, January & July 2013. Pgs 41 – 49. ISSN: 0975-1637.
2. “Individual Ethics and Crony Capitalism.” *International Journal of Applied Ethics*, Vol. 2, 2013-2014. Pgs 109-118. ISSN 2321-2497.
3. ‘Teaching English Language Skills to Undergraduate Students.’ International Conference Proceedings of ‘The Impact of Social Changes on English Language and Literature (TISCEL 2014) An Overview of the Past 100 Years’ – Lingaya’s University, Faridabad. Pgs 134-138. ISBN: 978-81-924212-5-4.
4. “Financial Inclusion and Social Uplift: When Ethics meets Economics.” *International Journal of Applied Ethics*, Vol. 3, 2014-2015. Pgs 91 -101. ISSN 2321-2497.
5. “The Tormented Selves in Feminist Works – Jhumpa Lahiri’s The Lowland and Shashi Deshpande’s Small Remedies.” *The Journal of Contemporary Literature*, Vol. 6, No 2, August 2014. Pgs 1 – 8. ISSN: 0975-1637.
6. “Contested Realities: Text, Context in Bhimayana.” *The Journal of Contemporary Literature*, Vol. 9, No 1, January 2017. Pgs 79 – 86. ISSN: 0975-1637.
7. “Old Wine in a New Bottle: Using Traditional Methods in an Online Set-Up.” *Fortell*, Issue No.45, July 2022. Pgs 33-42. ISSN: Print 2229-6557, Online 2394-9244.
8. “ The Trauma of Familial Rape:A Study of Morrison, Walker, and Angelou” *Research Journal Of English (RJOE)*8(4), PP:43-48,2023, DOI:10.36993/RJOE.2023.8.4.48, ISSN 2456-2696.

9. "A Matriarch in Patriarchy: Gendered Ageism in Selvadurai's Funny Boy." *The Literary Herald*, Vol 9(3), 2023, pp 68-73. ISSN 2454-3365.
 10. "Mindmaps in the Literature Classroom: Building Self-Efficacy." *The Literary Herald*, Vol 9(3), 2023, pp 119-132. ISSN 2454-3365.
 11. "Gendered Ageism: A Study of Sunil Gangopadhyay's *Those Days*." *Re-Markings*, Vol. 23, No.1, March 2024, pp 104-110. ISSN 0972-611X
 12. "Strategic Handling: Language Teaching in an Undergraduate Multilingual Classroom." *Fortell*, Issue No.50, January 2025. Pgs 67-79. ISSN: Print 2229-6557, Online 2394-9244.
- Joint authorship:**
13. "Awareness of Consumer Rights: a Comparative Study" – Dr Kanwaljeet Singh, Dr Minakshi Lahkar, Ms Suchi Patti. *Ramanujan International Journal of Business and Research (RJIBR)*. Vol II, 2017. Pgs 75 – 84. ISSN: 2455 5959, UGC Listed Journal No. 48778.

PUBLICATIONS PROFILE: BOOK CHAPTERS (List your published book chapters, including the title, publisher, ISBN and year)

1. "From Innocence to Experience : *Chitra Bithika* to *Akashor Rang*." In Pori Hiloidari (Ed.) *Dr Gobinda Prasad Sarma: Person, Personality and Writings*. . Pgs. 592-600. ISBN: 978-93-81485-65-1. Guwahati: Jyoti Prakashan, 2013.
2. "A Return to Wholeness: Feminist Masculinity In Toni Morrison's *Home*". In Mukuta Borah (Ed.) *Unmasking Silence: Voices Heard and Unheard*. Pp. 54-62. ISBN: 976-61-952501-3-4. Jaipur: Aadi Publications, 2021.
3. "Deconstructing, Reconstructing Identities : Shashi Deshpande's *That Long Silence*." In A.N.Dwivedi (Ed.) *Shashi Deshpande's That Long Silence: Critical Studies*. Pp. 98-107. ISBN 978-81-269-2687-9. New Delhi: Atlantic Publishers & Distributors, 2018. Reprint 2023.

PUBLICATIONS PROFILE: OTHERS (Mention any other relevant publications details)

Edited Book (with Dr Prabuddh Ananda)

Voices of Marginalisation: Literary Records of Trauma. SLC India Publishers, 2023.

ISBN: 978-81-95613-81-6

CONFERENCE / WORKSHOPS/ REFRESHER/ FDP/ TRAINING ORGANIZED

1. UGC-sponsored Two-Day National Seminar on “Contemporary Narratives of Subversions” organised by the Dept of English, Ramanujan College, March, 2015 (member, organising committee)
2. UGC-sponsored Two-Day National Seminar on “Trauma: Memory and History in Literature” organised by the Dept of English, Ramanujan College, April, 2016. (Convenor)
3. Open House Discussion on NEP 2020, (NPST and NMM, Paras 5.2 and 15.11), on 16th December, 2021 organised by ILLL and NCTE. (Member, Organising Committee)
4. Organised two rounds of Academic Writing Programmes in Hindi and in English for Undergraduate students of the University of Delhi under the aegis of ILLL, University of Delhi. (February to April, 2023, February to March, 2024)

CREATION OF ICT MEDIATED TEACHING LEARNING PEDAGOGY AND CONTENT

CONFERENCE/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING ATTENDED AS FACULTY MEMBER

Workshops Attended

1. LLC-II, English, CPDHE, University of Delhi (3rd June – 5th June, 2013).
2. “English Language Acquisition – Different Methodologies” – Lingaya’s University, TISCEL. (February 7-8, 2014).
3. Applied Language Course - Translation and Interpreting. CPDHE, University of Delhi. (28th September, 2013)
4. “Gond Painting with artists Durgabai Vyam and Subhash Vyam,” Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi. (28th September, 2016).

Faculty Development Programmes

1. “Transforming Lifestyle Through Yoga Darshan and its Functional Modes,” TLC, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi.(20th November to 26th November, 2020).
2. “Advanced concepts for Developing MOOCS.”, TLC, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi.(2nd July to 17th July, 2020).
3. “ Entrepreneurship, Incubation and Innovation.” TLC, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi.(June 23rd to June 29th, 2020).
4. “Managing Online Classes and Co-Creating Moocs”, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi. (20th April to 6th May, 2020).
5. “Teachers, Teaching and Taught – Discovering New Meanings, Relationships and Purpose,” Ramanujan College, University of Delhi. (1st January to 7th January, 2020).
6. “Teaching Crime fiction: Texts and Methodologies,” ARSD College, University of Delhi.(16th October, 2017)
7. “English Language Teaching,” Gargi College, University of Delhi. (27 – 28th October, 2017)

8. Academic Leadership Programme for Academicians, CPDHE, University of Delhi (7th March – 9th March, 2022)
9. One Week Faculty Development Programme (Academic Research Writing) from 16/07/2022- 22/07/2022. TLC, Ramanujan College.

ORIENTATION & REFRESHER COURSES

1. Orientation Course

OR – 65, CPDHE, University of Delhi.(10th January 2011 to 7th February, 2011)

2. Refresher Courses

- a. 12th Refresher Course in English, UGC ASC, Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi.(23rd August, 2012 to 12th September, 2012)
- b. 11th Refresher Course in West Asian Studies (Interdisciplinary), UGC –HRDC, Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi (29th November to 19th December, 2018)
- c. ARPIT course on Gender/Women Studies offered by Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi. (Date of certificate: 29/5/19)
- d. Online Refresher Course in English Language Teaching offered by Gujarat University, Nairangpura, Ahmedabad. (Date of certificate: 29/5/19)
- e. Refresher Course on **Shrimad Bhagavad Gita: Enlightenment and Relevance** organized by BHĀRATAM - Bhārtīya Gyān Paraṁparā: Adhyayan, Adhyāpan Evam Anusandhān Kendra, in TLC, Ramanujan College, held from 22 December 2023 to 10 January 2024

INVITED LECTURES AS RESOURCE PERSON AND PAPER PRESENTATIONS:

1. Resource person in English for the **Online Orientation Cum Guidance Program for Common University Entrance Test (CUET) 2022** conducted under the aegis of Dean Student’s Welfare,in collaboration with Institute of Life Long Learning (ILLL), University of Delhi. Date of Session: Wednesday, 29th June, 2022.
2. Resource Person for Capacity Building Workshop on the topic: “Building Competency-based Questions” on 27th May, 2023 at Salwan Public School, Rajender Nagar, New Delhi.

Seminar Presentations:

3. Paper titled “The Quest for Identity in Black Feminist Writing.” – Manav Rachna International University Conference on ‘Quest for Identity in English Literature,’ November, 2013.
4. Paper titled “Teaching English Language Skills to Undergraduate Students.” International Conference on ‘The Impact of Social Changes on English Language and Literature (TISCEL 2014) An Overview of the Past 100 Years’ – Lingaya’s University, Faridabad – February, 2014.
5. Paper titled “Financial Inclusion and Social Uplift: When Ethics meets Economics” – INCOMECT 14, International Conference on

“Management Education and Corporate Transformation: the Ethical Underpinning”organised by Ramanujan College, Rawal Institute of Management and New Delhi YMCA on 27th and 28th March, 2014.

6. Paper titled “Strategies of Confrontation in Narratives of the City – A study of Shantaram, Maximum City and Behind the Beautiful Forevers” – Ramanujan College National (UGC-sponsored) seminar on ‘Contemporary Narratives of Subversions,’ March, 2015.

Conference Presentation

Talk titled “Teaching Academic Writing in a Virtual Multilingual Classroom” at the 4th Teaching English Writing in Higher Education Forum organised by The Department of Linguistics and Translation, College of Humanities & Sciences, Prince Sultan University, Saudi Arabia, held on Saturday, November 9th, 2024. (With Prof Veena Kapur & Prof Tasneem Shahnaaz).

RESEARCH PROJECTS (MAJOR GRANTS/RESEARCH COLLABORATION)

1. Innovation project of the University of Delhi – “Awareness of Consumer rights in Contemporary India – A Comparative Study of Backward Areas and Metropolitan Cities.”
October 2013 – March, 2015 – Interdisciplinary project in association with the Deptt of Commerce. Worked as co-investigator.
2. Writing Centre in ILLL, funded by ONGCF – co-coordinator. Conducted 2 rounds of Academic Writing Programmes in English and in Hindi each of 8-weeks in 2023 and 2024 for undergraduate students of colleges of the University of Delhi.

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS:

1. Pre-university (Science) – 7th in the university.
2. BA (Hons) Eng – 1st in the university.
3. MA (Eng) – 3rd in the university
4. 2nd best paper – INCOMECT 14, International Conference on “Management Education and Corporate Transformation: the Ethical Underpinning” organised by Ramanujan College, Rawal Institute of Management and New Delhi YMCA on 27th and 28th March, 2014.

ASSOCIATION WITH PROFESSIONAL BODIES:

Academic Fellow in Institute of Lifelong Learning (ILLL), University of Delhi (from May 2021)

OTHER ACTIVITIES: (Include any additional relevant activities or contributions not covered in the above sections.)