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Personal Details

Full Name: Ebenezer Breman Veerasingam
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Alma Mater: St. Michael's College, Batticaloa.

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EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- BA (English / Psychology / Journalism) Bangalore University, India | 2009 – 2012 | First Class
- MA (English with Communication Studies) Christ University, India | 2012 – 2014 | First Class

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

• ATCL (Associate, Trinity College London) - Performing (Speech & Drama) Trinity College London, UK | 2019 | Distinction

Teaching

• Staff Induction Programme | May 2017 | Eastern University, Sri Lanka.

Counseling

- Trained in Counseling for 3 months 02 January 2012 31 March 2012 At T. John College, Bangalore.
- Obtained on-field exposure and training at Cadabam's Psycho-Social Rehabilitation Centre, Bangalore.

Language Proficiency

- International English Language Testing Service (IELTS Academic) 7.5 | 07.07.2018
- English Distinction in Effective Communication Wendy Whatmore Academy, Sri Lanka.
- Completed Highest Graded Examinations in Speech and Drama Wendy Whatmore Academy, Sri Lanka.

TEACHING INTEREST

- Postcolonial Studies & Commonwealth Literature
- Modern Literature
- Sri Lankan Literature
- Classical Drama
- Language & Linguistics
- Language & Communication
- Phonetics
- Creative Writing

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Lecturer (Probationary) in English Studies (2016 Present) Department of Languages and Communication Studies, Faculty of Communication and Business Studies, Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka
- Visiting Lecturer in English Studies (2014 2016) Faculty of Arts and Culture / Faculty of Islamic and Arabic Studies/ Faculty of Engineering, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka
- Internship Online Writing (May 2013) At Citizen Matters – Online Journalism (<u>www.bangalore.citizenmatters.in</u>) - 240 hours of Exposure and Training - Tourism Writing and Online Journalism Ethics - Latest Techniques on Writing Methods in the Online Industry.
- National Youth Coordinator (2008 2009) The Youth Department of the Methodist Church, Sri Lanka

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS (SELECTED)

- President's Scout Award
 Scout from 1st Batticaloa-13th Sri Lanka Scout Troup | Sri Lanka Scout Association 2005
- National Best Actor Award Interschool English Drama Competitions, Sri Lanka – 2005
- Best All-round Student Award
 T. John College, Bangalore University, India 2012
- Best Performance in Academics Award
 T. John College, Bangalore University, India 2012
- Two-times Gold Medalist British Federation of Festivals for Music, Dance and Speech U.K. in Sri Lanka – 2000, 2001
- National Best Orator Awards
 - International Co-operative Day 2003
 - English Day Competitions 2005
- Outstanding Performance Awards at the Highest Graded Examinations. Wendy Whatmore Academy of Speech and Drama, Sri Lanka.
 - Best Performer Challenge Trophy years 2000, 2001, 2005.

POSITIONS HELD – INTERNATIONAL, NATIONAL & UNIVERSITY

Representations at International Level

- Member South Asian Conference of International Leadership Institute (ILI) Represented Sri Lanka at the South Asian Conference held in Hyderabad, India. (August 2007)
- Member South Asian Christian Youth Network (SACYN) Represented Sri Lanka at the Annual Conference held in Dubai; an Ethnographic Experience with the Labor Diaspora in the Middle East. (November 2014)

Positions Held at National Level

- Member Youth Parliament of Sri Lanka 2015
- Member Youth Parliamentary Committee on International Relations, Sri Lanka 2015

Positions Held at University

- Co-ordinator Aesthetic and Recreational Activities of Trincomalee Campus, EUSL. (2017 – 2018)
- Co-Secretary 2nd International Research Conference of Trincomalee Campus, EUSL, TRInCo-2017
- Co-ordinator
 'Sarasavi Prathiba' Inter University Cultural Competitions | Trincomalee Campus| 2019 |
- Student Counsellor Faculty of Communication and Business Studies, Trincomalee Campus, EUSL. (2017-2018)
- Sub Warden (Academic) Men's Hostel - Trincomalee Campus, EUSL.
- Member Sports Advisory Board, Trincomalee Campus, EUSL. 2017
- Member
 Board of Survey, Trincomalee Campus, EUSL. 2017
 Member, Organizing Committee
- Member Organizing Committee
 1st International Research Conference of Trincomalee Campus, EUSL, TRInCo-2016
- Person-in-Charge Annual Educational Tour, Faculty of Communication and Business Studies – 2016

RESEARCH

Research Interests

- Migration Studies & Diaspora Literature
- Postcolonial Studies & Commonwealth Literature
- South Asian Studies & Sri Lankan Literature
- Psychological Theories and Literature
- Poetry and Science
- International Relations and Literature
- Creative Writing in Higher Education

Dissertations

Submitted a Dissertation in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Award of the Degree of Master of Arts in English with Communication Studies, in the field of Diaspora Studies at Christ University, India. (March 2014)

"The Significance of Identity, Survival and Memories of Homeland in The Ethnic-Relationships of A Diasporic Community: Exploring Jean Arasanayagam's Story "The Journey."

Presentations at National and International Forums

- Presentation on "'Identity' of a Diasporic Community in the Process of Ethnic-Reconciliation: Exploring Jean Arasanayagam's "The Journey" at the 4th International Conference on Social Sciences- "Social Sciences: Towards a Sustainable and Prospective Future" organized by TIIKM with University of Sri Jayewardenepura and Faculty of Social Sciences, Universitas Negeri Semarang, Indonesia. (September 2017)
- Presentation on "Blogging in Creative Writing Class: Sharing Blog-Posts on Social Media as a Positive Reinforcement for Learners" at the International Conference on Global Education and E-Learning 2017 – "The Digital South and North: Spaces, Mobilities and Practices" organized by TIIKM with University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka. (October 2017)
- Presentation on "Approaching the Illegal Migrants Preferable" in the discussions and trainings on "South Asian Christian Diasporas: God's New Communities in Mission" at the South Asian Christian Youth Network's (SACYN) Annual Conference held in Dubai. The conference was also an Ethnographic Experience with the Labor Diaspora in the Middle East. (November 2014)
- Presented a Paper on Participatory Learning in English Language Classroom at the National Seminar on 'ELT in Higher Education: Exploring Learner Centered Approaches' organized by the Department of English, Christ University, India. (February 2013).

PUBLICATIONS

- Veerasingam, E.B. "Identity' of a Diasporic Community in the Process of Ethnic-Reconciliation: Exploring Jean Arasanayagam's "The Journey."" Book of Abstracts of 4th International Conference on Social Sciences (ICOSS 2017), Colombo, 21- 22 September 2017. Edited by Udayangani Premarathne, The International Institute of Knowledge Management (TIIKM), 2017, pp. 27. ISBN 978-955-4903-78-4.
- Veerasingam, E.B. "Blogging in Creative Writing Class: Sharing Blog-Posts on Social Media as a Positive Reinforcement for Learners." Book of Abstracts of International Conference on Global Education and E-Learning (GLOBED 2017), Colombo, 10-11 October 2017. Edited by Udayangani Premarathne, The International Institute of Knowledge Management (TIIKM), 2017, pp. 117. ISBN 978-955-4903-90-6.
- Veerasingam, E.B., Dananjaya, W.M.S. "The Projection of Subconscious through Symbolism: An Analysis of Mansfield's 'The Voyage." International Journal of Scientific and Research Publications, vol. 08, no. 11, Nov. 2018, pp. 683–687. ISSN 2250-3153, doi:10.29322/IJSRP.8.11.2018.p830
- Veerasingam, E. Breman. "Oriental Queen." Asian Signature, South Asian Cultural Exchange Projects, 17 June 2018,asiansignature.com/world-poetry/e-bremanveerasingam/. ISSN NO: 2456-1584.
- Veerasingam, Ebenezer Breman. "[Role of the Youth in Promoting National Unity and Ethnic Reconciliation]." A Report Compiled on the proceedings of the Sri Lanka Youth Parliament Debates. 3rd Youth Parliament, 1st Session, Vol. 03 (December 05, 2015) pp. 38-42. Colombo: Sri Lanka Youth Parliament Secretariat Publishing, 2015.
- Veerasingam, Ebenezer Breman. "Diaspora and Ethnic Unity." *Reformation 2017*, Jubilee Centre 2017, 31 Oct. 2017, reformation2017.org/2017/10/14/diaspora-ethnic-unity/.

Projects

• Co-Editor of *Spring Rhythms*

A Text book for Advanced Level English Learners. The book serves to be a kit for the students who have English as the second language. Including literary pieces form a variety of genres, the book also has exercises catering to the skills of listening, speaking, reading, writing, grammar and vocabulary. A Department of English, Christ University Project– November 2013.

• Co-Maker of *Ajji's Learning English*

Six Episodes of Short Educational Films for Children whose second language is English. The episodes contain topics which teach few important topics, using English language as a medium, such as Prepositions, Balanced Diet, Manners, Homonyms, Colours, Singular and Plurals. Composed an Original Music Score and Lyrics for the theme and introductory song of these episodes. The lyrics conveyed the theme and purpose of the films. Contributed towards the Cinematography of these episodes. An Initiative of M.A. (English with Communication Studies), Department of English, Christ University – February 2013

• Experimental Blogger

With an experimental blog in the field of Humanities and Social Sciences. This notes-hub explores the potential of blogging in the levels of Secondary and Higher Education. (E B Veerasingam – <u>www.ebvnotes.blogspot.com</u>)

Editorial Contributions

Member – Editorial Board. Abstracts of the Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka 2nd International Research Conference (TRInCo 2017). ISBN 978-955-1443-87-0

CONFERENCES/ ADDRESSES/ WORKSHOPS/ SEMINARS ATTENDED

- Participated in the Residential Workshop on Gender Equality and Equity at Hotel Thinnai, Jaffna, conducted by the Gender Equality and Equity Cell of the University Grants Commission, Sri Lanka. 11 16 March 2018.
- Attended the 4th International Conference on Social Sciences- "Social Sciences: Towards a Sustainable and Prospective Future" organized by TIIKM with University of Sri Jayewardenepura and Faculty of Social Sciences, Universitas Negeri Semarang, Indonesia. (September 2017).
- Attended the International Conference on Global Education and E-Learning 2017 "The Digital South and North: Spaces, Mobilities and Practices" organized by TIIKM with University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka. (October 2017).
- Attended the Honorable Address of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Mr. Ban Ki-moon on 'Sustaining Peace – Achieving Sustainable Development Goals', organized by the Lakshman Kadirgamar Institute for International Relations and Strategic Studies (LKIIRSS) at Hilton Hotel, Colombo. 02 September 2016.
- Participated in the Workshop on 'Student Counselling', conducted by the Staff Development Centre, Eastern University, Sri Lanka on 16 October 2016.
- Attended the Staff Outbound Training at Giritale Hotel, Giritale, Sri Lanka, organized by the Staff Development Centre, Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka. 23 25 April 2017.
- Participated in the 'Seminar on Sexual and Gender Based Violence', conducted by the Gender Equality and Equity Unit of the University Grants Commission, at Trincomalee Campus on 11 January 2017.
- Participated in the Workshop on 'Academic and Research Writing', conducted by the Staff Development Centre, Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka at Trincomalee Campus on 24.10.2017.

COMMUNITY INTERACTION AND SERVICE

Teaching

- Community Service Teaching Srujana Programme
 Was actively involved in a Community Service Project- Srujana Programme an initiative by the Department of English, Christ University, to teach English language to children in slum areas in the city of Bangalore. (L.R. Nagar, 2013 6 months project on Saturdays).
- English Literature Preparatory Training Conducted a seminar to the students of GCE O/L English Literature at Vincent Girls High School, Batticaloa, as a preparatory training for the examinations. October 2015.

Career Guidance

 Career Guidance Seminar – GCE O/L Students Conducted a seminar to the students of GCE O/L in Karadiyanaru Region, Batticaloa by introducing the options of fields of study (courses) available in the Sri Lankan University system for the students of Arts Stream. 2017.

INVITED LECTURES

• Invited by the Department of Languages, T. John College Campus (Bangalore University) for a Guest Lecture on "New Media and Blogging" on 15 February 2013 for the students of B.A. (Journalism).

VISITING APPOINTMENTS

- Intensive Training in English Language ELTU - South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – June 2014
- Introduction to English Literature
 For Undergraduates Specializing in Trilingual Studies, Department of Languages, Faculty of Arts & Culture,
 South Eastern University of Sri Lanka August 2014
- Poetry and Short Stories
 Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, Faculty of Engineering, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka August 2014
- Introduction to English Literature Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, Faculty of Engineering, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – August 2014
- Advanced Reading and Writing Department of Interdisciplinary Course Unit, Faculty of Islamic and Arabic Studies, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – February 2015
- Introduction to English Literature Department of Interdisciplinary Course Unit, Faculty of Islamic and Arabic Studies, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – February 2015
- Classical English Fiction For Undergraduates Specializing in Trilingual Studies, Department of Languages, Faculty of Arts & Culture, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – February 2015
- Modern English Grammar and Usage For Undergraduates Specializing in Trilingual Studies, Department of Languages, Faculty of Arts & Culture, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – February 2015
- Poetry and Short Stories
 Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, Faculty of Engineering, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka February 2015
- Introduction to English Literature Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, Faculty of Engineering, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – February 2015
- Language Structure and Applied Linguistics

Department of Interdisciplinary Course Unit, Faculty of Islamic and Arabic Studies, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – July 2015

- Poetry, Fiction and Drama Department of Interdisciplinary Course Unit, Faculty of Islamic and Arabic Studies, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – July 2015
- Introduction to English Language For Undergraduates Specializing in Trilingual Studies, Department of Languages, Faculty of Arts & Culture, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – July 2015
- The Theory and Practice of Translation in English For Undergraduates Specializing in Trilingual Studies, Faculty of Arts and Culture, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – July 2015
- Introduction to Literature Department of Interdisciplinary Course Unit, Faculty of Islamic and Arabic Studies, South Eastern University of Sri Lanka – January 2016
- General English Proficiency 1 (Inter-Faculty Service) Department of Computer Science, Faculty of Applied Sciences, Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka – January 2017
- Technical English 1 (Inter-Faculty Service) Department of Physical Science, Faculty of Applied Sciences, Trincomalee Campus, Eastern University, Sri Lanka – January 2017