**Curriculum Vitae**

**Azza El-Shebeenie**

Personal Details

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**Date and place of birth: March 18th, 1956**

 **Liverpool, UK**

**Marital status: Married**

**Personal Profile:**

I have been a teacher of Academic English Reading and Writing Skills for thirty five years. I am currently a Senior Instructor at the *Department of English Language Instruction* *(ELI)* at the American University in Cairo. I joined the ENGL 0210 program (formerly known as ENGL 100) in 1993 and have been with the program until the present. For the past five years (September 2011 - until the present) I have served as Program Director of ENGL 0210: *Academic English for the Liberal Arts*. I was previously a Lecturer at the English Department, Faculty of Arts, at Cairo University. I hold a PhD degree in English and Comparative Literature and have, over the years, acquired extensive experience in teaching language and academic Reading and Writing skills to Egyptian (non-native) students of English. At the English Department (Cairo University) I was Assistant Coordinator of the First Year Program (basically a Reading and Writing course for freshmen); this helped me develop an awareness of the problems/needs of Egyptian students in the areas of academic Reading and Writing and how to address them successfully. The years of experience have also been instrumental in helping me build good rapport skills and the ability to experiment with various methodologies. I am also skilled in the preparation of Teaching Materials for the use of both students and teachers, and over the years have compiled a large portfolio of classroom materials; in addition to being an experienced writer of tests and a competent teacher trainer.

 **Work History**

June 2016- September 2011 Program Director ENGL 0210: *Academic English for*

 *The Liberal Arts* (formerly known as ENGL 100:

 *Academic English for freshmen)*

 The Department of English Language Instruction (ELI)

 The American University in Cairo

2017 - 2012 Senior Instructor (ELI)

2011 – 1993         Instructor: Full time teacher - English 0210 program

 Core Seminar 200 tutor (2004-2001)

September 1993-February 1992

**Lecturer**

Department of English Language and Literature

Faculty of Arts - Cairo University

Assistant Coordinator of the First Year Program

Courses Taught:

Essay Writing (Third Year)

Essay and Translation (Fourth Year)

Translation (Third Year)

Comparative Literature (Third Year)

February 1992 – February 1984

**Assistant Lecturer**

 Department of English Language and Literature

 Faculty of Arts - Cairo University

 Courses Taught:

     General English and Introduction to Literature

 (Third/Fourth Year - German Department)

      General English and Introduction to Literature

 (Third Year – French Department)

      General English and Introduction to Essay Writing

 (First/Second Year – Faculty of Economics and

 Political Science)

      General English and Introduction to Essay Writing

 (First and Second Year - Faculty of Mass Comm.)

February 1984 - October 1977

 **Assistant Teacher**

 Department of English Language and Literature

 (Faculty of Arts - Cairo University)

 Courses Taught:      Introduction to Essay Writing (First Year)

  General Introduction to English Literature (First Year)

**Other Teaching / work-related Experience:**

1992-1990 English tutor at *Sadat Academy for Management Sciences*

 English tutor at *The National Council for Population Studies*

*(On part-time basis)*

 Courses taught: Academic Reading and Writing Skills for First and

 Second year students and for graduate employees

 1991-1989 Translator and sub-editor (freelance)

**Education**

May 1977- September 1973 Cairo University (Cairo - Egypt)

        PhD in English Literature (November 1991)

 MA in English Literature (April 1984)

      BA in English Language and Literature (May1977)

 May 1973 Victory College - Maadi (Cairo - Egypt)

General Certificate of Secondary Education

**Languages**

 Arabic (native)

 English (Excellent)

 French (Good)

**Publications**

Contributor to first and second edition of the ENGL 0210 Course textbook: Interactive Reading: A Discipline-Based Approach (3 editions) published by

 The American University in Cairo

**Workshops and Presentations**

“Putting Peer Work to Good Use in the Classroom” (AUC at BUE – September 2016)

“Improving the Content of Student Essays” (AUC at BUE – April 2015)

“The Works of Salwa Bakr: Egyptian Novelist and Short Story Writer”

(Lecture to Undergraduate Students in ALWT 321 - AUC - December 2014)

**Workshops and Presentations given at the ENGL 0210 Professional Development Workshops (held annually, in spring and fall) from 1994-2016:**

“Peer Power: Putting Peer Work to Good Use in the Classroom” (2016)

“Text Appeal: *Helping Students Acquire the Reading Habit*” (2015)

“The Dictionary in the Classroom: Rediscovering a Learning Tool” (2010)

“Essay Integration *Revisited*” (2009)

“Beginnings and Endings: Introductions and Conclusions in Student Essays” (2008)

“Reading Comprehension *Revisited*” (2007)

“Improving Content in Student Essays” (2006)

“Helping Students Become Autonomous Learners” (2005)

“Vocabulary Building” (2004)

“*The Wood and the Trees*: A New Approach to Summary Writing” (2003)

“The Library Project: A Seven Day Guide” (2002)

“Putting Pre-Reading Exercises to Good Use” (2001)

“A Closer Reading of the Text” (2000)

“Helping Students Expand their Vocabulary” (1999)

“Handicaps to Good Writing and How to Overcome Them” (1998)

“Editing an Essay or a Summary” (1997)

“*Let Them Choose Books*: Encouraging students to acquire the Reading Habit” (1996)

“Focus Free: An approach to improving focus in Student Essays” (1995)

“Synthesis: the Jigsaw Approach” (1994)

**Work In Progress:** The compilation of a Dictionary of popular motifs that recur in English and Arabic folk-tales

**Professional Service Contributions:**

 Member of Supplementary Materials Committee

(ENGL 0210)

  Member of Test Writing/Revision Committee

 (ENGL 0210)

 Member of Assessment Committee

 (ENGL 0210)

 Mentor of Student Teachers

   ELI representative on University Senate (2007-2009)

**Awards:**

**Distinguished Service Award** **for 25 years of Service to AUC** (May 2017)