SANAA AYASH

English Language Instructor | ESL Specialist | Academic Researcher

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SUMMARY

Passionate English Language Instructor currently completing dual master's degrees in English Language and Literature and in English Education, expected by Fall 2025. I have several years of experience teaching ESL to middle and secondary students at one of the prominent high schools in Lebanon, with a focus on communicative, student-centered learning.

I am also actively engaged in academic research. My goal is to bridge the gap between theory and practice and have recently completed a study on kinesthetic learning styles in ESL instruction, currently under preparation for publication. My teaching is guided by research, creativity, and a commitment to learner empowerment and academic excellence.

EDUCATION

- 2023-2025 (expected graduate Fall 2025)
 Master of Education (M.Ed.) in TESL (Teaching English as a Second Language) Lebanese International University
- 2022-2025 (expected graduate Fall 2025)
 Master of Arts (M.A.) in English Language and Literature Lebanese University
- 2022
 Teaching Diploma (T.D.) Lebanese University
- 2017-2021

 Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in English Language and Literature Lebanese University

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2022-2025

English Language Arts and EFL Instructor Amal Educational Institutions - Bilal Fahs High School

- Delivered English language instruction focusing on language acquisition and second language learning outcomes for middle and secondary students using task-based learning and scaffolding techniques
- Delivering workshops in the field of collaborative learning and effective teaching strategies
- Joining extracurricular activities related to English language with students

- 2017-2021

Private Teacher

ESL/EFL Instructor providing differentiated instruction and assessment for A1, A2, B1, B2, C1 and C2 learners with a focus on communicative language teaching - Academic Boost Center

- 2017-2020

Translator

Online translator at freelancer.com and upwork.com

KEY CERTIFICATES

- TESOL Professional Certificate, 2021-2022

(150-hour) (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) - Arizona State University (via Coursera)

- Comprehensive training across eight courses
- Final capstone with teaching practicum portfolio, ASU-verified certificate upon expert review
- Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) Certificate, Teacher Record, 2021 Focused on practical teaching techniques, student engagement strategies, cooperative learning, and adapting lessons for diverse language levels in online and in-person settings.
- 120-hour TEFL Course Certificate, TEFL Professional Development Institute, 2021 Completed comprehensive training in lesson planning, classroom management, grammar instruction, and teaching the four language skills to ESL learners.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

- Virtual Exchange Climate Justice Program (90-hour), CliVEx, 2025
 Attending weekly dialogue sessions and completing assignments and the Climate Action Project (Social Benefit Project) of the 10-week Virtual Exchange Climate Justice: From Inequality to Inclusion
- Cambridge Day Online Conference Cambridge University, 2024
- Family Engagement in Education (edX Verified Certificate), Harvard University on edX, 2021
- Shakespeare's Life and Work (edX Verified Certificate), Harvard University on edX. 2021
- The Art of Persuasive Writing and Public Speaking (edX Verified Certificate), Harvard University on edX, 2021
- AI in Education: Transforming Teaching and Learning, Lebanese American University, 2025

- Students Well-Being in Times of Crisis, Lebanese American University, 2025
- Exploring the Potential of Virtual Reality in Education, Lebanese American University, 2024

OTHER CERTIFICATES

2024

- Amal Educational Institution, Effect of Motivation on Students Workshop
- **Lebanese American University,** Igniting Minds: STEM Education Sparks Innovation and Exploration

2023

- **Amal Educational Institutions,** Educational Foundations and Principles: Challenges and Possibilities Workshop
- Amal Educational Institutions, AI in Education Workshop
- Amal Educational Institutions, Methods of Dealing with Students
- Amal Educational Institutions, Effective Communication Workshop

2022

- **British Council** Exploring Inclusive Pedagogies Webinar
- NAFSANYOUN Psychology of Teaching Webinar
- Cambridge University, Teaching vocabulary to B1 Preliminary for Schools Students Webinar
- Cambridge University, Developing and Assessing Speaking Skills Webinar

2021

- **Cambridge University**, boosting learners' reading skills: Practical ideas for busy teachers (A2 Key for Schools and B1 Preliminary for Schools) Webinar
- Cambridge University, Supporting your learners with listening for B2 First for Schools, C1 Advanced and C2 Proficiency Webinar.
- **EF SET**, Proficient C2 English Level certificate
- INJAZ Lebanon, Bridge of Opportunities BOO (WORK-READINESS SKILLS)
- Centre Mine, Understanding Your Journey with Personal Development Webinar
- Centre Mine, Career Tools Webinar
- Centre Mine, March 2021- E-job Webinar
- Centre Mine, Feedback and Project Development Webinar

2019

- Centre Mine, Effective Classroom Management Training

PUBLICATIONS

Research Paper: Transforming ESL Learning: The Impact of Kinesthetic Learning Style on 7th and 8th Graders' Engagement and Understanding of Subject Matter (ready for publishing, yet finding a suitable journal)

SKILLS

- Lesson Planning
- Curriculum Design and Development
- Classroom Management
- Communicative Language Teaching
- Differentiated Instruction
- Student Engagement Strategies
- Academic Writing Instruction
- English Language Proficiency
- Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods
- Data Collection and Analysis such as surveys and interviews
- Academic Research and Publication Writing
- APA 6th and 7th Edition Referencing
- Literature Review and Gap Identification
- Strong Written and Verbal Communication
- Public Speaking and Presentation
- Time Management and Organization
- Collaboration and Teamwork
- Self-Motivation and Continuous Learning