# **Department of English and Foreign Languages Faculty of Engineering and Technology SRM Institute of Science and Technology**

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## **6-day Faculty Development Programme**

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## **Resource Person**



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#### **About the Institution**

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# The Department Languages of English and Foreign Languages

The department was established in 1985 and offers English, German, Japanese, French, Chinese, Korean, and Spanish. The language department adequately supplements the skills acquired by students in their respective programmes and prepares them for a larger global audience. The department offers tailor-made courses not only for BTech—students but also for those majoring in the humanities, paramedicine, and medicine. Special certificate and diploma courses in English are also offered to students from countries like France, China, Korea, Afghanistan, Syria, the UK, Iraq, and Togo. The main focus of the department has always been innovative teaching and collaborative research, which has been the thrust behind the various MoUs.

#### **EFL Conclave**

The Department of English and Foreign Languages has built a forum called 'EFL Conclave.' to discover, discuss, and disseminate. It intends to discover by probing the depths of languages and literatures, to discuss future trends in teaching and research, and to disseminate knowledge across generations. The EFL Conclave looks forward to collaborating with all the research bodies and minds to enable quality research and discourse. The EFL Conclave's upcoming endeavours include TEDx talks, summits, book launches, verse slams, inclusive discussions, "lit-athons", "ling-athons", and many other innovative and sustainable ventures. It is committed to creating an empire of esprit de corps, and it firmly believes that the research fraternity, through collaborative efforts, will enrich, evolve, and emerge as a dynamic forum for fathoming wisdom.

#### **About the Resource Person**

Susana Gómez is a distinguished academician and educator with an extensive and impressive background in the field of language teaching and research. Holding a BA in English from the University of Valladolid, Spain, an MA in Applied Linguistics from the University of Essex, UK, an MA in Translation from the University of Valladolid, Spain, and a PhD in English Studies, which was awarded the best PhD at the University of Valladolid, her academic credentials are exceptional.

With a research focus on Second Language Teaching and Second Language Acquisition, Susana brings 25 years of experience as a language teacher to her role. Her teaching repertoire includes English as a Second Language (L2), English Language Teaching (ELT) methodology, Spanish as a L2, and Writing Research Projects. While her experience spans primarily undergraduate and postgraduate levels, she also has direct experience in primary and secondary education.

Susana is a prolific speaker at ESL conferences, having delivered over 150 sessions at national and international conferences worldwide. She has coordinated and participated in more than 25 research, innovation, and educational projects funded by national and international public institutions. Her contributions to newsletters, books, and specialized journals on SLA and EFL methodology are extensive, with over 100 publications to her name. She has also served as a consultant and referee for prominent organizations such as TESOL International, The Asian EFL Journal, The International Journal of Innovation in English Language Teaching and Research, English Australia, MEX-TESOL, and TESOL-SPAIN.

Her global experience is unparalleled, having spent time in over 25 international institutions from various educational levels and backgrounds across the USA, UK, Ireland, Germany, Portugal, France, Finland, Denmark, Greece, Italy, Romania, Bulgaria, Estonia, Lithuania, Slovenia, The Czech Republic, Poland, The Netherlands, Montenegro, Albania, Tunisia, Turkey, and Jamaica. This exposure has enriched her teaching career with diverse and valuable perspectives.

Susana holds 10 different teaching credentials (9 in Spain and one in the USA) and has been invited to work as a consultant in other international schools. She has also been a member of the Innovation and Education Executive Board at the University of Valladolid, where she evaluated teaching quality, assessed teaching innovation project applications, and organized teacher training.

In her daily teaching, Susana employs a learner-centered focus, incorporating ICT and soft skills to maximize student potential. Her commitment to excellence has consistently earned her the highest grades in teaching evaluations, and she has received several awards for her innovative teaching practices from the European Commission (2017) and The British Council (2020-2023).

"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education."

— Martin Luther King Jr.

### **SESSION SCHEDULE**

## Day 1: July 13, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM - 3:45 PM

**Event:** Talk on "Best Practices in Writing

Research Projects for Research Scholars"

**Location:** Language Resource Centre

## Day 3: July 15, 2024

Time: 10:30 AM - 12:00 Noon

Event: Interaction with Faculty members of

**EFL on Cross-Cultural Communication** 

## Day 4: July 16, 2024

Time: 10:15 AM - 11:45 AM

Event: Talk on "Al and Its Impact on

Teaching, Learning, and Research"

### Follow-up Event:

Time: 11:45 AM - 12:45 PM

Event: "Serenity and Strength: An Indian

Yoga Experience"

**Conducted by:** Dr. Sudhan, Yoga Expert from

the Directorate of Learning and Development,

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#### Day 5: July 17, 2024

Event: Cultural Exploration (General Holiday

for Muharram)

## Day 6: July 18, 2024

**Time:** 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

**Event:** Talk on "Technology Enhanced Language

Learning (TELL)"

#### Follow-up Event:

**Time:** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

**Event:** Deliberations on New Postgraduate

Program

Participants: Dr. Kavitha Nair L (Head and

Professor, Department of EFL), Dr. Gomez

### **Additional Activity:**

Time: 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Event: Temple Visit at Thiruvidaisoolam

Accompanied by: Dr. B. Monika Nair

#### Day 7: July 19, 2024

Time: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

**Event:** Faculty Presentations on "India's Unparalleled Diversity: A Journey Through Its Rich

Culture"

#### **Follow-up Event:**

Time: Afternoon

**Event:** One-on-One Discussions