

## Curriculum Vita

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Over twenty years of progressive leadership and management activities, significant accomplishments in directing efforts of diverse groups toward achievement of organizational and group goals, public service, university teaching, research administration, and initiatives with new technology.

### **Educational Background**

- Ph. D.            1998, Jackson State University  
 Department of Curriculum and Instruction  
 Concentration in Early Childhood Education and Literacy Education
- Ed. S.            1995, Jackson State University  
 Department of Curriculum and Instruction  
 Specialization in  
 Elementary Education and Early Childhood Education
- M.S.             1989, University of Southern Mississippi  
 Department of Family Life Studies  
 Specialization in Early Childhood Education
- B.S.             1988, University of Southern Mississippi  
 Department of Family Life Studies  
 Specialization in Early Childhood Education
- B.S.             1978, Visva-Bharati University  
 Specialization in South East Asian Literature

### **Professional Experience**

- 2010 – Present. Professor, Department of Early Childhood & Elem Education, Murray State University
- 2010- 2012 - College Head – White Residential College
- 2005-2009. Associate Professor, Department of Early Childhood & Elem Education, Murray State University
- 1999-2004. Assistant Professor, Department of Early Childhood & Elem Education, Murray State University

- 1998-1999. Assistant Professor, Division of Educational Studies, Cumberland University
- 1996-1998. Doctoral Assistant, School of Education, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, Jackson State University
- 1994-1995. Teacher, Early Years Children's Center, Institute for Child Development, Hattiesburg, Mississippi
- 1990-1993. Educational Assistant Coordinator, Head Start, Pinebelt Association for Community Enhancement, Inc., U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- 1988-1989. Graduate Assistant, Department of Family Life Studies, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi
- 1984-1987. Director, Kiddie Cottage Center for Child Development, Hattiesburg, Mississippi

### **Academic Rank and Discipline**

- Professor, Department of Early Childhood & Elem Education, Murray State University

### **Courses taught at the University level:**

#### Undergraduate

- Education as a Profession
- Strategies for Reading/Language Arts
- Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Difficulties
- Child Growth and Development
- Tests and Measurement
- Introduction to Education
- Practicum in Reading Instruction
- Language and Early Literacy for Early Childhood
- IECE Practicum
- Seminar in Leadership Development and Experiential Activities I or II
- Assessment and Strategies in Elementary Literacy

#### Graduate

- Research in Education
- Assessment of Reading/Literacy Development
- Research in Reading/Language Arts
- Assessment and Instruction of Children with Reading Difficulties
- Literacy Assessment

- Foundations of Literacy
- Research in Early Childhood Education
- IECE Practicum for Graduate Students
- Advanced Child Development
- Research in Children's Literature
- Research in Young Adult Literature

### **Research Interests**

Literacy development in young children, Early Childhood Education, Child Development, Assessment and Implementation of Intervention Programs for Students at Risk of Academic Failure, Strategies for Reading Assessment and Instruction, Classroom Reading Assessment, Emergent literacy, Constructivism, Reading Aloud, Reading Recovery, Computer-Based Literacy Instruction

### **Publications:**

#### **Refereed Journal Articles**

- Islam, C & Park, M. (2015). Preparing Teachers to Promote Culturally Relevant Teaching. Helping English Language Learners in the Classroom. *Multicultural Education*, 23 (1), 38-44
- Islam, C (2015). Incorporating Explicit Strategy Instruction and Co-Teaching Experiences in General Education Classrooms: Implications for Primary Level Literacy Instruction. Fall Issue of the *Journal for the Liberal Arts and Sciences*, 20 (1), 4-16
- Islam, C (2015). Literacy Tutors and Striving Readers: Enhancing Literacy through a Graduate Reading Methods Course. *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science*, 5 (7), 21-51
- Islam, C (2015). Effective Explicit Strategy Instruction and Co-Teaching Experiences in Teacher Education. *International Journal of Language and Linguistics*, 2 (1), 15-21
- Islam, C. (2014). Preparing Teachers to Work Effectively with English Language Learners: Developing Literacy in Second Language Learners. Fall Issue of the *Journal for the Liberal Arts and Sciences*, 19 (1), 52-69
- Islam, C. (2012). School Based Coaching: Effective Ways to Prepare and Support Literacy Coaches. *The Montana State Reading Journal*, International Reading Association, 3 (1), 16-26
- Islam, C. (2012). Using Literacy Blogs: A Community of Learners Reflecting on Their Learning. Spring Issue of the *Journal for the Liberal Arts and Sciences*, 16 (2), 60-68

- Gill, S. & Islam, C. (2011). Shared Reading Goes High-Tech. *The Reading Teacher*, 5(5), 106-113
- Islam, C. (2010). Using Literacy Blogs for Reflective Practice. *The Montana State Reading Journal*, International Reading Association, 29 (3), 40-48
- Islam, C. (2010). Implementing a Tutoring Program: Preventing Reading Difficulties in Young Children. Spring Issue of the *Journal for the Liberal Arts and Sciences*, 15 (2), 80-95
- Islam, C. (2009). Assessment and Remediation of Reading Difficulties: Instructing Children with Reading Problems. *The Arizona Reading Journal*, International Reading Association XXXVI (1), 20-26
- Islam, C. (2009). Do Supplemental Peer Tutoring Learning Strategies Affect Primary Students' Reading Achievement? *The Montana State Reading Journal*, International Reading Association, 25 (2), 14-22
- Islam, C. (2009). Incorporating Electronic Books into a Graduate Reading Methods Class: Improving the Comprehension of Students in Grades K-12. *Journal for the Liberal Arts and Sciences*, 13 (2), 85-91
- Islam, C. (2008). The Digital Talking Book: Bringing New Dimensions to Reading. *The Kentucky Journal of Excellence in College Teaching and Learning*, 6, 31-43.
- Islam, C. (2008). Teaching Comprehension and Word Recognition Strategies to Students with Reading Difficulties: Connecting to Strategic Reading. *The Montana State Reading Journal*, International Reading Association, 24 (2), 6-17
- Islam, C. & Shatzer, R. J. (2007). Case Study of a Struggling Reader: Reading Remediation Using Technology. *The Oklahoma Reader*, International Reading Association, 43 (1), 8-14
- Islam, C. (2007). Organizing for Effective Literacy Instruction. *The Montana State Reading Journal*, International Reading Association, 23 (2), 50-75
- Islam, C (2006) Teaching with Interactive Multimedia: Evolving into Promising Alternatives to Traditional Delivery Methods. *The Mississippi Reading Journal*, International Reading Association, 6 (1), 19-24
- Islam, C. & Holliday, D. (2006). Using Folklore to Understand Social Studies Concepts. *The Kentucky Middle School Journal* 7 (1), 61-65
- Islam, C (2004) Implementing Literacy Autobiography with Instructional Technology. *The Arizona Reading Journal*, International Reading Association, 3 (1) 44-62

- Islam, C. (2004). Making Reading Aloud Work: Graduate Students as Reading Instructor. *The Kentucky Journal of Excellence in College Teaching and Learning*, 2, 53-65
- Islam, C. (2004). An Overview of a Variety of Multimedia Applications to Engage Readers in Reading and Writing. *The Mississippi Reading Journal*, International Reading Association, 4(1), 6-12
- Islam, C. (2003). Incorporating Technology into a Graduate Diagnosis and Remediation Class. *The Reading Professor*, 26(1), 8-22
- Islam, C. Wasson, D. Niffenegger, J. Patterson, P. (2003). Assessing a Print-Rich Environment That Promotes Children's Learning in Reading and Writing. *Educational Awakening: Journal of Educational Science*, 2(1), (EAJES) Malaysia

### **Dissertations**

- Islam, C. (1998). *Relationships Among Early Childhood Educators' Beliefs, Knowledge Bases, and Practices Related to Early Literacy*. Unpublished Doctoral Dissertation
- Islam, C. (1995). *A Study of the Effects of Preschool Attendance on Later Achievement in Grade School*. Unpublished Specialist Thesis, Jackson State University

### **Books**

- Islam, C. (2007). *Literacy Leadership: Linking Theory, Best Practices, and Technology*. Kashbon Prokashon (Press), Bangla Academy, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- Islam, C. (2003). *Teaching Early Childhood and Elementary Education in the USA*. Agami Press, Dhaka, Bangladesh

### **Editorial**

- Islam, C. (2007). *The Socio-Cultural Study of Folklore*. Kashbon Prokashon (Press), Bangla Academy, Dhaka, Bangladesh

### **Conference Related Publication**

- Islam, C. (2003). *Helping Future Teachers Become Proficient in the Use of Instructional Technology*. Conference Proceedings. 2nd International Seminar on Learning and Motivation: Issues and Challenges in a Borderless World. Institute for Child and Adolescent Educational Advancement, School of Cognitive Sciences and Education, University Utara Malaysia, October 13-15, Penang, Malaysia

### **Refereed Presentations - International**

- Islam, C. (2009, July). Pre-service Teachers' Field-Based Experiences: Teaching Pre-service Teachers to Teach Literacy. The 16<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Reading. International Reading Association, 19-22, Braga, Portugal

- Islam, C. (2008, July). Using Multicultural Literature to Increase Reading Engagement and Comprehension for Elementary Students. The 22<sup>nd</sup> World Congress on Reading, International Reading Association, July 28- 31, San Jose, Costa Rica
- Islam, C. (2003, October). Helping Future Teachers Become Proficient in the Use of Instructional Technology. 2nd International Seminar on Learning and Motivation: Issues and Challenges in a Borderless World. Institute for Child and Adolescent Educational Advancement, School of Cognitive Sciences and Education, University Utara Malaysia, 13-15, Penang, Malaysia
- Islam, C. (2003, January). Computer-Based Instruction in the Teaching of Reading. 2003 Hawaii International Conference on Education, 7-10, Sheraton Waikiki Hotel in Honolulu
- Islam, C. and Hansen, J. (2002, October). Infusing Technology into Preservice Teacher Education. International Conference on the Challenge of Learning and Teaching in a Brave New World: Issues and Opportunities in Borderless Education, 14-16, Hatyai, Thailand
- Islam, C. (1999, December). Assessing Kindergarten Teachers' Beliefs about Literacy Learning and Classroom Practices. International Language in Education Conference, The University of Hong Kong, 17-19, Shatin N. T. Hong Kong

### **Refereed Presentations - National**

- Islam, C. (2016, March). Preparing Pre-service Teachers to Use Content-Area Literacy: Integrating Strategies for Struggling Readers. College Literacy & Learning Special Interest Group. The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Teaching Academic Survival and Success Conference, 20-23, Fort Lauderdale, Florida
- Islam, C. & Grant, C. (2016, July). Pre-service Teachers' Use of Content-Area Literacy Instructional Strategies: Integrating Literacy Knowledge and Practice for Struggling Readers. The Organization of Teacher Educators in Literacy (OTEL) Special Interest Group. The 61<sup>st</sup> International Literacy Association Annual Convention, July 9-11, Boston, Massachusetts
- Islam, C. (2015, July). Literacy Tutors to Support Striving Readers: Graduate Students in Literacy Making a Difference. The Organization of Teacher Educators in Reading (OTER) Special Interest Group. The 60<sup>th</sup> International Literacy Association Annual Convention, July 18-20, St. Louis, Missouri
- Islam, C. (2015, July). Literacy Tutors and Striving Readers: Instruction, Intervention, and Faculty Feedback. College Literacy & Learning Special Interest Group. The 60<sup>th</sup> International Literacy Association Annual Convention, July 18-20, St. Louis, Missouri
- Islam, C. (2014, May). Incorporating Explicit Strategy Instruction and Co-Teaching Experiences

- in Teacher Education: Benefits to Pre-Service Teachers and Suggestions for Teacher Educators. The Organization of Teacher Educators in Reading (OTER) Special Interest Group. The 59<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, May 9-12, New Orleans, Louisiana
- Islam, C. (2014, May). Incorporating Co-Teaching for Literacy in General Education Classrooms: Implications for Primary Level Literacy Instruction. College Literacy & Learning Special Interest Group. The 59<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, May 9-12, New Orleans, Louisiana
- Islam, C. (2013, April). Literacy Instruction and English Language Learners: Promoting Reflection and Action in Literacy Education for Teachers. The Organization of Teacher Educators in Reading (OTER) Special Interest Group. The 58<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, April 19 –22, San Antonio, Texas
- Islam, C. (2013, April). Culturally Conscious Pedagogy: Preparing Teachers Work Effectively with Students Learning English. College Literacy & Learning Special Interest Group. The 58<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, April 19 –22, San Antonio, Texas
- Islam, C. (2012, April). Literacy Coaches: A Focus on a Graduate Reading Methods Course. Organization of Teacher Educators of Reading Special Interest Group. The 57<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, April 29 –May 2, Chicago, Illinois
- Islam, C. (2012, April). The Literacy Specialist as Coach: Effective Ways to Prepare and Support Literacy Coaches. The College Literacy and Learning Special Interest Group. The 57<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, April 29 –May 2, Chicago, Illinois
- Islam, C. (2012, April). Diagnostic Teaching Methods: Recent Steps towards Implementing an Active Teaching and Learning Module in India and Bangladesh. IRA Global Literacy Project. The 57<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, April 29–May 2, Chicago, Illinois
- Islam, C. (2011, May). Special Interest Groups: Needs Assessment, Future Directions, and Training. The 56<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, May 8 -12, Orlando, Florida
- Islam, C. (2011, May). Using Literacy Blogs for Reflective Practice. College Literacy and Learning. The 56<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, May 8 -12, Orlando, Florida
- Islam, C. (2011, May). Reflective Blogging: Virtual World and Best Practices in Literacy Education. Organization of Teacher Educators in Reading. The 56<sup>th</sup> International Reading

- Association Annual Convention, May 8 -12, Orlando, Florida
- Islam, C. (2011, May). Critical Literacy Blog: A Community of Learners Reflecting on Their Learning. Technology in Literacy Education. The 56<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, May 8 -12, Orlando, Florida
- Islam, C. (2010, November). Reflective Blogging: Building Literacy Communities with an Online Class. The 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, 4-7, Omaha, Nebraska, November 4-7
- Islam, C. (2010, April). Special Interest Groups: Trends, Issues, and New Directions. The 55<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, April 25-28, Chicago, Illinois
- Islam, C. (2009, November). A Study of Pre-service Teachers: Elementary Students' Understanding of Effective Early Literacy Instruction. The 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, 4-8, Charlotte, North Carolina
- Islam, C. (2009, May). Research-based Literacy- Leadership through Professional Connection. The 54<sup>th</sup> International Reading Association Annual Convention, May 3-7 Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Islam, C. (2008, November). The Efficacy of a Supplemental Peer-Tutoring Reading Program. The 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference of the College Reading Association, 1-4, Sarasota, Florida
- Islam, C. (2007, November). Teaching Comprehension and Word Recognition Strategies to Students with Reading Difficulties: Connecting to Strategic Reading. The 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the College Reading Association, 1-4, Salt-Lake City, Utah
- Islam, C. (2006, October). Incorporating Electronic Books into a Graduate Reading Methods Class: Improving Reading Comprehension Instruction. The 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the College Reading Association, 26-29, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania
- Islam, C (2006, May). Navigating Electronic Books: An exploration of the Interactive Media on Reluctant Readers' Vocabulary and Story Comprehension. Professor of Reading Teacher Educators, International Reading Association, 3-6, Chicago, Illinois
- Islam, C. (2005, November). Utilizing the Read & Write Gold Computer Program to Support Struggling Readers and Writers. The forty-ninth Annual Conference of the College Reading Association, 4-6, Savannah, Georgia
- Islam, C. (2005, April). Case Study of a Struggling Reader: What Can We Learn About Working With Children from Low Literate Homes? 14<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Family Literacy. 25-27, Louisville, Kentucky



- Islam, C. (2005, May). Using the Read and Write Gold Computer Program with Reluctant Readers to Improve Reading Skills. Professor of Reading Teacher Educators, International Reading Association, 3-6, San Antonio, Texas
- Islam, C. (2004, October). Technology Programs to Enhance Comprehension. The forty-eighth Annual Conference of the College Reading Association, 28-30, Delray Beach, Florida
- Islam, C. (2004, May). Using Multimedia Applications Such As Interactive CD-ROMS, Videos, Internet, and Hypertext. 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, International Reading Association, 2-6, Reno-Tahoe, Nevada
- Islam, C. (2003, November). Implementing Literacy Autobiography with Instructional Technology. The forty-seventh Annual Conference of the College Reading Association, 30- November 1, Corpus Christi, Texas
- Islam, C. (2002, March). Multicultural Family Involvement in Early Childhood Education Program.  
Indiana Early Childhood Conference, 14-16, Indiana Convention Center, Indianapolis, Indiana
- Islam, C. (2000, February). A survey to measure teachers' literacy orientation. National Reading Recovery Conference, 5-8, Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, Ohio
- Islam, C. (1999, February). The Relationships Among First Grade, Kindergarten and Head Start Teachers' Beliefs, Knowledge Bases, and Practices Related to Early Literacy. National Reading Recovery Conference, 6-9, Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, Ohio
- Islam, C. (1997, May). The Effect of Story Retelling on Students' Comprehension of Narrative Text. 42nd Annual Convention of the International Reading Association, 4-9, Atlanta Convention Center, Atlanta, Georgia
- Islam, C. (1995, November). The Effects of Early Field Experiences on the Attitudes of Elementary Preservice Teachers. Thirty-Ninth Annual Conference of the College Reading Association, 2-5, Clearwater Beach, Florida

#### **Refereed Presentations – Regional and State**

- Islam, C. (2003, October). Discovering and Employing Multiple Means of Training Future Teachers to Use Technology. The Kentucky Association of Teacher Educators Fall Conference, Lexington, Four Points Sheraton Hotel, 3-4, Lexington, Kentucky
- Islam, C. (2003, September). Celebrating Diversity. The Western Kentucky Association for the

Education of Young Children 2003 Fall Institute. 13-15, Alexander Hall. Murray State University

Islam, C. and Hansen, J. (2002, September). Teaching Tomorrow's Teachers with Today's Technology. The Kentucky Association of Teacher Educators Fall Conference, Lexington, Barcelo Hotel, 27-28, Lexington, Kentucky

Islam, C. (2001, October). Teaching Children Tolerant Attitudes towards Islam, Muslim, and Arabs: Trading Fear and Anger for Knowledge and Understanding. Early Childhood Education Conference, 4-6, The University of Southern Indiana

Islam, C. (2001, November). The Korean Connection. International Education Week, Institute for International Studies, 15-16, Murray State University

Islam, C. (2001, March). Building Bridges with Multicultural Story Books. 2001 Indiana Early Childhood Conference, 15-16, Indiana Convention Center. Indianapolis, Indiana

Islam, C. (2000, October). Emergent Literacy in Early Education. Regional Association for the Education of Young Children. 21-22, The University of Southern Indiana, Indiana

Islam, C. (1997, October). The Relationship between Kindergarten Teachers' Theoretical Orientations to Reading and Pupil Control Ideology. The 3rd Annual Reading Recovery Early Literacy Conference, 12-15, Jackson State University

Islam, C. (1997, September). Development of Elementary Teachers' Theoretical Orientations Toward Reading and Their Attitudes About Students' Control in the State of Mississippi. The MCTE 1997 Fall Meeting, 16-17, Edison Walthall Hotel, Jackson, Mississippi

Islam, C. (1995, September). The Influence of Preservice Field Experiences on the Attitudes of Elementary Teachers. The Mid-South Educational Research Association, 15-16, Biloxi, Mississippi

### **Professional and Academic Association Membership**

International Reading Association, IRA

College Literacy and Learning, CLL, SIG, IRA

Technology in Literacy Education, TILE, SIG, IRA

Organizations of Teacher Educators in Reading, OTER, SIG, IRA

Kentucky Reading Association, KRA

The Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, ALER

Delta Kappa Gamma, DKG

### **Officer – Professional Organizations**

- President (2005- Present) - Murray Association of the International Reading Association, Responsibilities: Set goals for the chapter and for each member of the governing board, preside at all meetings and chapter activities, and provide supervision of chapter activities

**MACIRA has been named IRA's 2010-2011-2012-2013-2014-2015 Honor Council recipient**

- VP Membership (2000 – 2010) – Phi Delta Kappa, Murray Chapter 0180  
Responsibilities: Develop a comprehensive plan that includes assessment, recruitment, orientation, induction, retention, programming, communication, and recognition
- Vice-President (2004-2005) - Murray Association of the International Reading Association, Responsibilities: Set goals for each member of the governing board, provide leadership for the profession, provide leadership development for our members, promote professional fellowship, and foster creativity and academic excellence at all educational levels

**Professional Service**

**Editorial Service**

- 1993-Present. International Editor, University Campus, Modern Mansion, 53 Matijill BA/A, Dhaka, Bangladesh. Tel: 011-880-2-9560225

**Consulting Activities**

- 2011-2012 - Participated as a consultant in the “Diagnostics Teaching Module” project and served as a liaison between Save the Children organization and the International Reading Association. The preliminary recommendations for literacy improvement were research -based while the instructional approaches were selected from a number of western educational activities. Their selection for appropriateness and utility in Bangladesh primary schools were based on our first-hand observations in the rural schools as well as past observations of Bangladesh primary schools. Recommendations for implementation of the literacy approaches were based on our judgment, training, and experiences along with input from Bangladesh National Academy for Primary Education (NAPE) staff.
- 2009 – Present: Senior Education Consultant. In Association with the Senior Adviser to the Prime Minister, Mr. H.T. Imam, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh  
Responsibilities: Organize teacher education and training for qualitative improvement of primary and secondary education
- 2000 – Present. Senior Consultant, In Association with the World Bank and Pathmark Associates, ([pathmark@citechco.net](mailto:pathmark@citechco.net))  
Responsibilities: Design, facilitate, and conduct the training for school management committee members. Monitor and strengthen management, accountability, teacher education and training

**Selected International Service**

- 5/14/01 – 5/27/01 Discover Korea Program
- Participated at the Murray State University's Korean trip and developed a thematic unit
- The Korean Connection is a thematic unit designed to create a cultural connection

between the American and South Korean cultures

- 4/7/02 – 4/14/02 Conducted a workshop on early literacy practices at the University of Utara Malaysia, Alor Setar, Malaysia
- Description: The workshop focused on the roles of language to promote fluency in reading and writing. This presentation aimed to help educators conduct more powerful interactive reading and writing lessons, using both writing and reading strategies

### **Selected National Service**

- Appointed as a liaison between IRA and Save the Children US Organization 2011-2012
- Chair, Special Interest Groups Committee (2010-2011), International Reading Association, Appointed by the IRA President Dr. Patricia Edward to address the needs of those who are part of the IRA Special Interest Groups (SIG) and to serve as a liaison between SIG and the Board of Directors
- Executive Board (2006-2011). Professor of Reading Teachers Educators. International Reading Association
- Acting Chair (2008-2009)- International Reading Association, Professor of Reading Teacher Educator, Special Interest Group
- International Reading Association's Special Interest Groups Committee (2009-2010) Appointed by the IRA President-elect Dr. Katherine Au to address the needs of those who are part of the IRA Special Interest Groups (SIG) and to serve as a liaison between SIG and the Board of Directors
- International Reading Association's Special Interest Groups Committee (2008-2009). Appointed by the IRA President Dr. Barbara J. Walker to serve as a liaison between SIGs and the Board of Directors
- Program Co-Chair (2006-2009) – International Reading Association, Professor of Reading Teacher Educators
- Program Review Committee (2007-2009) – 53<sup>rd</sup>, 54<sup>th</sup>, & 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the International Reading Association
- Program Review Committee (2007-2008) – The 22<sup>nd</sup> World Congress on Reading, International Reading Association, San Jose, Costa Rica, July 28-31
- Editorial Review Board (2008-2009)- Peer Reviewer for the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers Yearbook
- Program Review Committee (2009-2012) – The Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers
- Editorial Review Board (2004-2005)- Peer Reviewer for the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers Yearbook
- Editorial Review Board (2010-2011)-Pearson Publishing Company
- **International Reading Association Award of Excellence, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012**

### **Selected Regional Service**

- Advisory Board, Membership (2006- 2008) – Phi Delta Kappa

### **Selected State Service**

- Editorial Review Board (2007-2010), The Kentucky Reading Journal
- Editor (2007-2010) – The Research Roundup, The Kentucky Reading Journal
- Advisory Board (2006 – Present) – Kentucky Reading Association
- Member, Kentucky Education Professional Standard Board (1999 – 2003), Content Area Program Review Committee, Kentucky Department of Education

### **Selected University Service Activities**

- Faculty Member 2013- Clark College
- MSU International Students Retention Committee 2011-2012
- MSU Commencement Committee 2011
- Member (2009-2010), The MSU Commission on Diversity and Inclusion, Appointed by President Randy Dunn
- Member (2000-2004), Blue Ribbon Task Force for Diversity  
The Blue Ribbon Task Force on Diversity was called into being by President Alexander
- Graduate student's research seminar and thesis defense (2010-2011). The Department of Chemistry and Watershed Studies Institute
- Member(2005-2010), CISR Research Committee
- Faculty member (1999-2016), White Residential College
- Team Captain (1998-2007), Hopkinsville High School Road Scholars Program

### **College Level**

#### **College of Education and Human Services**

- Institutional Report Team 2015 for COEHS for the CAEP Accreditation
- Graduate Studies Committee (2014-Present)
- Graduate Council (2014-Present)
- Member, Ad Hoc Curriculum Diversity Committee (2009-2010)
- Member, Graduate Program Reorganizations (2008-2009)
- Member, NCATE Standard IV Diversity Committee, Murray State University 1998-2010
- Collaborated with Morehead State University and Pikeville College (2002-2004) on the grant of the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development
- Member, Multicultural Committee, College of Education, The Dean's Lecture Series (1999-2010)
- Chair, (1998- 2006) Outstanding Faculty Research and Creative Activity Awards
- Teacher Educator, Kentucky Teacher Internship Program
- 1999-2003-Co-Chair NCATE Standard II Assessment Committee, Murray State University
- 1998-2000- Member NCATE Steering Committee, Cumberland University Task Force, Cumberland University

#### **Department Level**

- 2015 – Major contributor of the Literacy Specialist Endorsement P-12 Program Review

- 2013- Present, Member- Elementary PLC Committee
- 2005-Present, Reading Coordinator and Co-Coordinator, Early Childhood & Elementary Education
- 2008-2011, Member IAF Evaluation Committee
- 2005- Present, Member, Tenure Committee
- 2005-Present, Member, Promotion Committee
- 2003-2014, Member, Curriculum Development Committee
- 1999 – Present, ECE Graduate Reading Program Advisory Board
- 2003 – 2004, Chair, AD – HOC Copier Committee
- 2003 – Present, Author Continuous Assessment Survey, Reading & Writing
- 2001 – 2002, Major contributor of the development of the Masters Portfolio

### **MSU Presentations**

Islam, C. (2003, March). Globalization, MSU's 2nd Annual Multicultural, Class, and Gender Studies Conference: Translating Value into Action

Islam, C. (2002, March). Exemplary Reading Instruction Practices in Bangladesh, MSU International Reading Association

Islam, C. (2002, January). Female Leadership in Islam: A caricature, Globe Club Luncheon

Islam, C. (2001, November). The Korean Connection, International week, Institute for International Studies

Islam, C. (2001, October). Muslim countries must deal harshly with terrorists using Islam. Workshop, White College

Islam, C. (2001, October). Bangladesh: The Society and its Environment, EDU 303, Strategies of Teaching

### **Invited Presentations**

#### **Keynote Speaker**

Islam, C(2008, November). Multicultural Literacy: What Every Culturally Competent Individual Should Know. Delta Kappa Gamma, Calloway County, Murray, Kentucky

Islam, C. (2004, September). Bangladesh and the proper functioning of the democratic system. First United Methodist Church

Islam, C. (2002, May). Religion and Conflicting Visions of Literacy: Reading in Bangladeshi Community. Workshop, Murray Middle School

Islam, C. (2002, April). Discover Islam, Presbyterian Campus Ministry

- Islam, C. (2002, April). What are the five pillars of Islam? What is the Quran? Why does Islam often seem strange? Workshop, Calloway County Middle
- Islam, C. (2001, September). Understanding Islam and the Muslims. Workshop, Murray Elementary School
- Islam, C. (2001, October). What is Islam? Who are the Muslims? Do Islam and Christianity have different origins? Workshop, Ballard County Public School
- Islam, C. (2001, October). Meaning of Islam and Islamic Monotheism. Murray Rotary Club

### **Professional Development**

- Islam, C. (2014, May). Attended Professional Development session presented by Jan Miller Burkins and Cherelle Jones titled Common Core/State Standards. International Reading Association 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, May 9-12, New Orleans, Louisiana
- Islam, C. (2013, April). Attended Professional Development session presented by Jerry Zutell titled Addressing the Common Core State Standards: Effective Vocabulary Instruction to Enhance the Comprehension of Complex Texts. International Reading Association 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, April 19-22, San Antonio, Texas
- Islam, C. (2012, April). Attended Professional Development session presented by Ziemke Fastabend, titled The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Literacy Workshop- Using iPads to Promote Reading, Writing, and Collaboration in the Primary Classroom. International Reading Association 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, April 28- May 2, Chicago, Illinois
- Islam, C. (2011, May). Attended Professional Development session presented by Dr. Mary Ellen Vogt and Dr. Jana Echevarria, California State University, titled “ RTI for English Learners: Making It Happen. International Reading Association 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, May 8-12, Orlando, Florida
- Islam, C. (2010, November) Attended Professional Development session presented by Dr. Tara Joyce, titled “Supporting Literacy Coaches: What Helps?” The 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, November 4-7, Omaha, Nebraska
- Islam, C. (2010, May) Attended Professional Development session presented by Her Majesty Queen Rania Abdullah, Jordan, Keynote Speaker. International Reading Association 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, April 25 -28, Chicago, Illinois.
- Islam, C. (2010, May). Attended Professional Development session presented by Al Gore, Former Vice-President and Co-recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize. Keynote Speaker. International Reading Association 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, April 25 -28, Chicago,

Illinois.

Islam, C. (2009, July). Attended professional development session presented by Dr. Victoria Risko, titled "Research on reading teacher education: what have we learned?" Professors of Reading Teachers Educators. Special Interest Group. The 16<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Reading, July 19-22, Braga, Portugal

Islam, C(2009, May). Attended professional development session presented by Dr. Timothy Rasinski, titled "Whatever happened to the art of teaching reading?" Professors of Reading Teachers Educators. Special Interest Group. The 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Reading Association, May 3-7, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Islam, C (2008, November). Attended professional development session presented by Dr. Jacqueline K. Peck, titled "What's the Difference Anyway?: Conditions that Impact Outcomes of Literacy Tutoring." The 52nd Annual Conference of the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, 1-4, Sarasota, Florida

Islam, C (2008, November). Attended professional development session presented by Dr. Sherry Dee Garrett, titled "Trials and Tribulations of Transitioning through Technology: Creating an Online Course." The 52nd Annual Conference of the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, 1-4, Sarasota, Florida

Islam, C (2008, November). Attended professional development session presented by Dr. Laurie Elish-Piper & Dr. Susan K. L'Allier, titled "Evidenced-based Literacy Coaching Practices: A Promising Approach to Raising Student Reading Achievement." The 52nd Annual Conference of the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, 1-4, Sarasota, Florida

Islam, C (2007, November). Attended professional development session presented by Dr. Amy R. Hoffman, Dr. S. Kay Dunlap & Dr. Jeanne Jenkins, titled "DIBELS: Who, What, When, Where, and Why." The 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, 1-4, Salt-Lake City, Utah

Islam, C (2007, November). Attended professional development session presented by Dr. Barbara J. Reinken, titled "The Education of Graduate Reading Candidates as Literacy Coaches." The 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the Association of the Literacy Educators and Researchers, 1-4, Salt-Lake City, Utah

Islam, C (2007, November). Attended professional development session presented by Dr. Jack Cassidy, titled "What's Hot, What's Not; Literacy Trends and Issues for 2008." The 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers, 1-4, Salt-Lake City, Utah

### **Specialized Training**



- Using Chromebooks and Chrome: Apps and Extensions, 2015
- FEM Livetext Training for Coordinating Field Experiences, 2014
- Racer Mail and Classroom Equipment, 2013
- Google Personal Website 2012
- Digital Measure 2011
- Discover and Create Seminar on refining teacher education courses to infuse instructional **technology** mandated competencies, Kentucky Academy of Technology Education, Murray State University (2002-2012)
- Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board Certificate of Training, Kentucky Teacher Internship Program, Murray State University (2001)
- Certificate of Service (Ten Years), Murray State University, (2009)
- Regional Association for the Education of Young Children, Certificate of Training, University of Southern Indiana, USI Department of Teacher Education (2000)
- Certificate in Content Area Program Reviewer, Office of Teacher Education and Certification. Frankfort, Kentucky (1999)
- Audio Media Technology in Teacher Education Program, Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi (1998)
- Crime Victim Compensation Program, Department of Public Safety and Division of Public Safety Planning, State of Mississippi (1997)
- Transitions: Single Parent/Displaced Homemaker Programs, Pearl River Community College, Poplarville, Mississippi (1997)
- Teen Power: Building on the Tenacity of Teenagers, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and U.S. Department of Education in cooperation with Emory University Regional Training Center (1997)
- Creating Your Own Professional, Personal, and Social Destiny, Fourth Annual Mayor's Youth Conference, Hattiesburg, Mississippi (1997)
- Foster Parenting Counseling, Division of Family and Child Services, Department of Human Services, State of Mississippi, Forest County Department of Human Services (1997)
- Prevention of Teenage Pregnancies, Neighborhood Enhancement Educational Development, Inc. (N.E.E.D.) (1997)
- CDA Training, Certified CDA Instructor, Child Development Associate Credential (1997)
- Certificate of Merit for demonstrating powerful workshop presentation skills that can be used to achieve higher levels of professional excellence, Jackson State University (1996)
- Certificate in Achievement for outstanding cooperation and participation in Special Education, Jackson State University (1996)
- Certificate in Community Service Learning for dedicated and unselfish services on behalf of Head Start Children and Their Families, Head Start Directors Association (1993)
- Certificate in Child and Family Development, Certified MCES Home Economist, Mississippi State University (1992)
- Certificate of Participation in Mississippi Head Start Mainstreaming Conference in Working with Children with Disabilities (1991)

**Funded Grants****Principal Investigator/Project Director**

<b><u>Title</u></b>	<b><u>Funding Source</u></b>	<b><u>Funded Period</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Pre-service teachers	CISR Grant	2015-2016 \$1957.04	
perspectives and beliefs about co-teaching			
Encouraging ethnically diverse educators	COE Faculty Incentive Grants	2001 – 2002	\$1000

- Appointed as Project Director for principal investigator of funding sources by Neighborhood Enhancement Educational Development (N.E.E.D) Inc. (1997)
- Appointed to Research in Prevention of Teenage Pregnancy by the Board of Directors, Neighborhood Enhancement Educational Development (N.E.E.D) Inc. (1997)
- Neighborhood Educational Enhancement and Development, Family First Parent Resource Center, funded by the Mississippi Department of Human Services, Division of Family and Children's Services, Office of Family Preservation and Family Support Services, Seventh Floor, Suite 723, 750 North State Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39202, \$160,000
- Neighborhood Educational Enhancement and Development, Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act Formula Grants Programs, funded by the Division of Public Safety Planning Office of Justice Programs, 401, North West Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, P.O. Box 23039, Jackson, MS 39225, \$26,250
- Neighborhood Educational Enhancement and Development, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), funded by the Child Care and Development Block Grant, Office for Children and Youth Mississippi Department of Human Services \$170,562
- Neighborhood Educational Enhancement and Development, Teenage Pregnancy Reduction Projects, Emory University, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Region IV, \$250,000

**Honors and Recognitions**

- **2013- Recipient of the Dr. Charles and Marlene Johnson Outstanding Education Award.**
- Dean's Certificate of Appreciation, Murray State University 2007-2008, 2008-2009, 2010-2011

- Recipient of Academic Scholarship for Excellence, Jackson State University (1997)
- Honors College Graduate, Summa Cum Laude (1995)
- VIP Award, Mississippi Head Start Directors Association (1993)
- Recipient of Academic Scholarship for Excellence, University of Southern Mississippi (1989)
- Recipient of Merit Scholarship, University of Visva-Bharati, ISSR (International 1979 Student Scholarship for Academic Excellence), New Delhi, India (1974-1979)

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