

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: Dr Arun Kumar Dafraik
Designation: Assistant Professor of English
Academic Qualification: Ph D
Posting: Govt College Nerwa
Teaching Experience: 23 Years (UG and PG)

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS/ TRAINING PROGRAMMES

- ✚ Attended an *INDUCTION TRAINING PROGRAMME* for Assistant Professors held at SCERT, SOLAN w. e. f. 21st May to 2nd June 2012.
- ✚ Presented a paper entitled “A GALAXY OF DOOMED STRANDED WANDERERS IN THE CONTEMPORARY ERA” in the **National Conference on Current Issues and Challenges in the Contemporary World** organized by Rajiv Gandhi Govt Degree College Kotshera, Shimla w. e. f. 9th December to 11th December 2016.
- ✚ Published a paper entitled “THE THROES OF FLUX AND CHANGE IN RUDY WIEBE’S *THE TEMPTATIONS OF BIG BEAR*” in UGC Approved Peer Reviewed Refereed International Journal of English *LANGLIT* Vol. 2, Issue 4 published on 31st May 2016
- ✚ Published a paper entitled “Traumatized Cultural Encounters in Rudy Wiebe’s *The Temptations of Big Bear*” *THE CRITERION: An International Journal of English* Vol. 7, Issue 3 published on 6th May 201 ISSN NO. 0976-8165 pp. 352-361
- ✚ Presented a paper entitled “THE PSYCHOLOGY of GENDER DISCRIMINATION, SEXUAL POLITICS AND VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD” in the International Conference on **Opportunities and challenges of the 21st Century** organized by Rajiv Gandhi Govt Degree College Kotshera, Shimla w. e. f. 7th December to 9th December 2017.
- ✚ Presented a paper entitled “NATIVISM AND THE TRAUMATIC CULTURAL ENCOUNTERS IN RUDY WIEBE’S *THE TEMPTATIONS OF BIG BEAR*” in the National Conference on **Towards a New Cultural Dynamics: Critiquing and Emerging Trends in Himalayan Scape** organized by Govt Post Graduate College SEEMA, Rohru w. e. f. 9th October to 10th October 2017.
- ✚ Published a paper entitled “THE VIBRANT AND SOOTHING CHORDS OF ALMIGHTY’S MAGIC IN RUDY WIEBE’S *THE TEMPTATIONS OF BIG BEAR*” in *IMPACT: An International Journal of English (IJRHAL)* 40893 Vol.6, Issue 1 published in January 2018 Impact Factor: 3.6586 ISSN NO. 2321-8878.
- ✚ Published a paper entitled “THE TRAGIC TALE OF SINDI OBEROI-‘A ROOTLESS ROBOT’ IN ARUN JOSHI’S *THE FOREIGNER* in **TRANS STELLEER: An International Journal of English and Literature (IJEL)** Vol.6,

Issue 5 published in January 2018 Impact Factor: 4.5629 ISSN NO. 2249-8028 (online) 2249-6912 (Print) in October 2016.

- ✚ Published a paper entitled “THE PSYCHIC CATAclysm IN THE SOUL OF THE PROTAGONIST IN ARUN JOSHI’S *THE APPRENTICE*” in UGC Approved Peer Reviewed Refereed International Journal of English *GLIMPSES* Vol. 8, NO.1 published in December 2018(Suppl-II) ISSN 22509-0561.
- ✚ Published a paper entitled “THE JOURNEY OF THE PROTAGONIST FROM A MASTER FAKER TO A TRUTHFUL MAN in Arun Joshi’s *The Apprentice*” in UGC Approved Peer Reviewed Refereed International Journal of English *RUMINATIONS* Vol. 3, Issue 1 published in January 2019.
- ✚ Published a paper entitled “A PAINFUL SAGA OF “THE DOOMED STRANDED WANDERER IN ARUN JOSHI’S *THE STRANGE CASE OF BILLY BISWAS*” in *IMPACT: An International Journal of English and Literature (IJEL)* Vol.5 , Issue 3 published in March 2017 Impact Factor: ISSN NO. 2249-8028 (online) 2249-6912 (Print) in October 2016.
- ✚ Attended a virtual **Faculty Development Programme (FDP)** on *Ethics in Research and Teaching* organized by Govt College for Women, Parade Ground Jammu, Govt College Dhami and Cape Comorin Trust w.e.f. 21st April to 27th April 2021.
- ✚ Attended a one day International Webinar on **Conceptualizing Contemporaneity of Gandhi** organized on 25th August 2020 by Dept. of English Rajiv Gandhi University of Arunachal Pradesh in collaboration with Stanford University, US.
- ✚ **Got 3rd prize** for the best research paper entitled “*Nativism and The Traumatic Cultural Encounters in Rudy Wiebe’s The Temptations of Big Bear*” in the National Conference on **Towards a New Cultural Dynamics: Critiquing and Emerging Trends in Himalayan Scape** organized by Govt Post Graduate College Seema, Rohru w. e. f. 9th October to 10th October 2017.
- ✚ Attended a one week International **Virtual Faculty Development Programme (FDP)** on *Advanced Communication Skills and Digital Literacy in Profession* organized by Narsamma College of Arts, Science and Commerce Amravati Maharashtra in collaboration with Cape Comorin Trust w.e.f. 24st April to 30th April 2023.
- ✚ Attended a seven days Multidisciplinary **International Workshop** and acted as a **Moderator**.
- ✚ Worked as **Steering Committee Member** in an online Multidisciplinary online International Conference on **Education, Preventive Health, Employability and Digital Help** organized and hosted by Help India, SMS HP, Skill India at Hotel De Park, Shimla w.e.f. 23rd September to 25th September 2022.
- ✚ Attended an **Awareness/ Training program** under **National Intellectual Property Awareness Mission** on February 1, 2023 organized by Intellectual Property Office, India Rights.
- ✚ Attended 17th International 53rd Annual online Conference of ELTAI on **English for Global Citizenship: Multiple Teaching Acts and Learning**

Experiences held w.e.f. 11th October 2023 to 14th October 2023 hosted by the School of Liberal Arts, Uttaranchal University, Dehradun (UK).

- ✚ Awarded with prestigious **International Life Time Achievement Award** On 21st December, 2023 in an International Conference on **Communicating Health, Happiness and Longevity for Sustainable Growth** organized by Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), Himalayan Forest Research Institute (HFRI), Shimla, Govt College Anni, Kullu, Himachal Pradesh. w.e. f. 2nd December to 4th December, 2023
- ✚ Selected as a **Member of BOS/NEP Committee for Curriculum Framework (ENGLISH) for Undergraduate Programmes (NEP 2020)** in April 2024.
- ✚ Attended a one week International **Virtual Faculty Development Programme (FDP)** on *Decoding the NAAC Binary Accreditation Framework(10 Attributes)* organized by RVS Govt college Seema, Rohru in collaboration with Cape Comorin Trust w.e.f. 24th April to 30th April 2026.
- ✚ Spearheaded a one day International Webinar (ONLINE) on **Food- Planet-Health Awareness Session** organized by **NSS UNITS** of SGGSJ Govt Degree College Paonta Sahib (HP) on 11th November 2025.
- ✚ Participated in a one day International **Webinar** (ONLINE) on **Multilingual Assessment in Central Asian Context: Tasks & Translanguaging Strategies** organized by **English Language Teacher's Association of India (ELTAI)** on 29th June, 2025.
- ✚ Attended a one week International **Virtual Faculty Development Programme (FDP)** on *AI Visualization: Techniques and Tools for Research and Publication* jointly organized by **Harvest** an International Multidisciplinary and Multilingual Research Journal in collaboration with **Cape Comorin Trust** w.e.f. 24th June to 30th June 2025.
- ✚ Attended a **two week's Refresher Course** for Assistant Professors organized by Ramanujan College of Delhi University w. e. f. 6th July to 20th July 2023.
- ✚ Attended a **two week's Refresher Course in English and Foreign Language** sponsored by UGC for Assistant Professors organized by Academic Staff College H.P. University, Shimla w. e. f. w. e. f. 23rd August 2021 to 4th September 2021.
- ✚ Attended a one week international workshop on "*Indian Culture, Science and Traditions*" organized by HFRI Shimla w.e.f. 5th November to 11th November 2021
- ✚ Attended the 15th International and 51st Annual virtual Conference of ELTAI on **ELT in India: New Needs, New Demands, New Trends** held from 20th to 21st November and 27-28 November 2021 hosted by GLA University, Mathura, Pillai, Engineering College Maharashtra, Holy Cross College Tamilnadu, and Uttaranchal University, Dehradun (UK).
- ✚ Published a research Paper entitled "*Fierce Clash between the Dangerous Rival Voices and Conflicting European Tunes in Rudy Wiebe's Peace Shall Destroy Many*" in
- ✚ Published a chapter entitled "**Listening Skills**" in the book entitled **Soft Skills** edited by Rashmi Mehta and Dr Poonam Kimta published by Dixit Publishing House Jalandhar in February, 2023.

- ✚ Published a chapter entitled “Interview Skills” in the book entitled Soft Skills edited by Rashmi Mehta and Dr Poonam Kimta published by Dixit Publishing House Jalandhar in February, 2023.
- ✚ Member of English Language Teachers’ Association of India (ELTAI) till date.
- ✚ **Organizing secretary/ moderator in an International Conference**
- ✚ Honoured by Nehru Yuva Kendra, Nahan and Sh. Suresh Kashyap for carrying out awareness activities in district Sirmour.
- ✚ Organized a webinar on “Importance and Myths of Blood Donation on 5th August 2021 in PG College Paonta Sahib.
- ✚ Nominated Member of the committee appointed by the DC Nahan to select the best youth club in Distt. Sirmour in the year 2024.
- ✚ Received an **Award of Appreciation** from the **SDM Paonta Sahib** on the occasion of Independence Day Celebrations on 15th August 2025.
- ✚ Attended a one day International workshop on “AI and Full-Stack Development held on 24th July” organized by BCA, PGDCA and MBA in collaboration with IQAC and Alpha Technologies ,Mohali.

RESEARCH PAPERS IN CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS AND WEBINARS

- ✚ Published a paper entitled **“NECROMANCY IN DOCTOR FAUSTUS: UNVEILING THE DARK ALLURE OF FORBIDDEN KNOWLEDGE”** in Scholarly Open Access, UGC Approved, Peer Reviewed, and Refereed International Journal of English *International Journal of Creative Research Thoughts* **Vol. 11, Issue 7** published in 26 July 2023 Impact Factor: 7.97 ISSN NO. 2320-2882 (online) and (Print).
- ✚ Published a paper entitled **“Browning’s Beacon of Optimism: Unravelling the Philosophy of His Verses”** in Scholarly Open Access, UGC Approved, Peer Reviewed, and Refereed International Journal of English *International Journal for Multidisciplinary Research* **Vol., Issue** published in July 2023 Impact Factor: 7.97 ISSN NO. 2320-2882 (online) and (Print).
- ✚ Published a paper entitled **“Bhagvad Gita and Teachers as Mentors: Insights into Philosophical Guidance and Pedagogical Approaches”** in Scholarly Open Access, UGC Approved, Peer Reviewed, and Refereed *Asian Journal of Language and Culture Studies* **Vol. 6, Issue 3** published in September, 2023 Impact Factor: 7.97 ISSN NO. 2320-2882 (online) and (Print).
- ✚ Published a paper entitled **“Helen’s Kiss and Doomsday of Dr Faustus: The Final Illusion in Marlowe’s Tragedy”** in Scholarly Open Access, UGC Approved, Peer Reviewed, and Refereed International Journal of English *International Journal for English and Studies* **Vol.7, Issue 7,** published in 4th July 2025 Impact Factor: 8.175 ISSN NO. 2581-8333 (online) and (Print).
- ✚ Presented a research paper entitled **“Literary Pursuits of Eudaimonia: Reflections on Longevity in English Literature”** during a Multidisciplinary **International Conference** on “Communicating Health, Happiness and Longevity for Sustainable

Growth”..... organized by Govt Girls College Hamirpur, ICFRE (Himalayan Forest Research Institute, Shimla) in collaboration with I Tachyas Dubai, Skill Labs CHD from 2nd December 2023 to 4th December

- ✚ Published a paper entitled “**The Evolution of Love in Kalidas’s Abhijnana Shakuntalam** in Scholarly Open Access, UGC Approved, Peer Reviewed, and Refereed International Journal of English *International Journal for English and Studies* **Vol.7, Issue 7 (pp 126-130)** published in 4th July 2025 Impact Factor: 8.175 ISSN NO. 2581-8333 (online) and (Print).
- ✚ Presented a paper entitled “The Phases of Unfulfilment, Withdrawal and Return in Arun Joshi’s Apprentice” in an International Conference on “Making India Again as Word Leader: Future of Learning” held at Chitkara University (Punjab) w.e.f. 6th January to 8th January, 2020.
- ✚ Presented a research paper entitled “Literature, language and culture: Inculcating Intercultural Communicative Competence through Literature” during a Multidisciplinary **International Conference** on *Indian Culture, Science and Traditions* organized by ICFRE (Himalayan Forest Research Institute, Shimla, in collaboration with 24 Degree Colleges of HP and Haryana, from 13th November to 15th November 2021.
- ✚ Also acted as a **Moderator** (post lunch session on 14th November) during a Multidisciplinary **International Conference** on *Indian Culture, Science and Traditions* organized by ICFRE (Himalayan Forest Research Institute, Shimla, in collaboration with 24 Degree Colleges of HP and Haryana, from 13th November to 15th November 2021.
- ✚ Presented a paper entitled “Role of linguistics in Addressing Contemporary Social and Cultural Challenges” in a virtual International conference *Issues and Challenges in Contemporary World* GGC Hamirpur, GC Seema, ICFRE-HFRI Shimla, APJ University Shimla w.e.f. 8th Nov to 10th November, 2024.
- ✚ Attended an International Virtual Faculty Development Programme(FDP) **Tools and Techniques of AI in Future Research and Higher Education organized by** IQAC GDC Rajpura, Cape Comorin Trust, and Harvest Journal(1 Week) w.e.f. 24th September-30 September 2024.
- ✚ Pre- International workshop/conference on Issues and Challenges in the Contemporary world. 1 week (1st Nov-to 7th November, 2024 Cape Comorin Trust, GDC Seema/Rohru) and Harvest International Multidisciplinary Research Journal .
- ✚ Successfully completed a one week Hybrid Mode State Level Workshop on Applications of GIS”organized by the Dept. of Geography in collaboration with the IQAC, from 1st November 2025 to 7th November 2025.

BOOKS/CHAPTORS PUBLISHED

- ✚ Published a **book** entitled **Dixit’s Literature From Himachal** published by Dixit Publishing House Jalandhar in February, 2023.

- ✚ Published two chapters in ***Dixit Handbook of Soft Skills*** edited by Dr Ghanshyam Sharma and Dr Rashmvi Mehta published by Dixit Publishing house, Jalandhar (ISBN 978-93-84308-42-1)
- ✚ Published a chapter “Domestic Violence” (104-120) in a book ***Contemporary India: Women and Empowerment*** edited by Dr Rashmi Mehta and Dr Poonam Kimta published by Dixit Publishing House, Jalandhar 978-81-966299-5-3.
- ✚ Published a chapter “**Raw Wound(121-141) Contemporary India: Women and Empowerment 978-81-966299-5-3**
- ✚ Published a book entitled ***Business Communication*** published by Akaash Publishing House Rohtak (Haryana) in February, 2023.
- ✚ Published a book entitled ***Literary Cross Currents*** published by Akash Publishing House (ISBN- 978-93-91743-73-9) in February, 2023.
- ✚ Published a **novel** entitled ***Whispers of Solitude: The Enigmatic Realm of Twilight Angels*** (Published as e-book on Amazon Kindle on 15th January, 2024) published as Paperback printed by Mudranik Technologies Pvt. Ltd Bangaluru (available on Pothi.com, Flipkart and Amazon.com)
- ✚ Publish a book entitled “***Surviving in the Mosaic and the Melting Pot: Cultural identity in the Select Works of Saul Bellow and Rudy Wiebe***” in 2025 published by Publications, New Delhi.
- ✚ Publish a book entitled ***Dixit’s Literature From Himachal*** ISBN 978-81- July 2026688211-9-4 published by Dixit Publishing House, Jalandhar, 2026.

NOTES WRITTEN FOR ICDEOL, HPUNIVERSITY

✚ WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✚ Captained Himachal Pradesh University and Nagpur University Badminton Teams in 1997 and 1998.
- ✚ Acted as CAPTAIN of Govt College Sanjauli, Shimla Badminton Team twice.
- ✚ Represented Himachal Pradesh in Inter University Badminton Championships held at GNDU Amritsar in 1997.
- ✚ Represented NAGPUR University in Inter University Badminton Championships held at Nasik (Maharashtra) in 1998.
- ✚ Bagged third Position in Maharashtra State Inter-University Badminton Championship “ASHWAMEDH 1998” held in Aurangabad (Maharashtra).
- ✚ Won HP STATE School Championship Title in 1991.
- ✚ Selected to participate in NATIONAL SCHOOL Championship held at Aizawl, Mizoram in 1991.
- ✚ Winner of Senior State Badminton championship held at Shimla.

- ✚ Representing Govt College Shimla-6 got Second Position in HP University Inter College Badminton Championship held at Shimla in 1996.
- ✚ Winner of the school District Volleyball Championship with the Cash Prize of Rs. 10,000 won for the Senior Secondary School, Lathiani, Una (H.P)
- ✚ Winner of the Gold Medal in Himachal Olympic Sports Festival held at Bilaspur Himachal Pradesh in the Year 1997.
- ✚ Participated in National Masters Championship in Badminton held in Varodra, Gujrat in 2021.
- ✚ Won Gold Medal in the recently concluded H.P. State Masters Badminton Championship held at Paonta Sahib w.e.f. 9th - 10th December, 2023.
- ✚ Selected to represent Himachal Pradesh in National Masters Badminton Championship (45+ category) to be held in Nasik in the month of January, 2024.

NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (N.S.S.) **ACHIEVEMENTS AS PROGRAMME OFFICER**

- ✚ Worked as **NSS Programme Officer** for 12 years in three reputed colleges of Himachal Pradesh namely, Govt College of Excellence, **Paonta Sahib, Govt College Nerwa, and Govt Sanskrit College Nahan.**
- ✚ Under my guidance **Mukesh Bhardwaj** won **1st position in Declamation Contest organized by PG COLLEGE Seema, Rohru during NATIONAL INTEGRATION CAMP** held w.e.f. 6th October 2017 to 12th October 2017. 200 volunteers from different states of India participated in this camp.
- ✚ Under my mentorship **40 students** participated in NATIONAL INTEGRATION CAMP/ PRE RD PARADE/National YOUTH FESTIVALS/ Mega Camps, etc.
- ✚ Being a **NATIONAL and Inter- University badminton player**, I provided coaching to the players of Badminton teams at GC Nerwa and PG College Paonta Sahib.
- ✚ As Leader of the college cultural team, Govt. College Nerwa got **FIRST position twice in 2009 and 2016** and **SECOND position once in 2019** in HP University Youth Festival (Group 3 Dance).
- ✚ Attended and participated as Official and Contingent In charge in **STATE LEVEL MEGA NSS CAMP** held at JLN Govt. Degree College Haripur, Manali Distt. Kullu w. e. f. 13th December 2018 to 17th
- ✚ Attended and participated as Official and Contingent In charge of NSS Volunteers in **NATIONAL INTEGRATION CAMP (NIC)** held at Birla Institute of Technology(BIT) MESRA, **RANCHI (Jharkhand)** w. e. f. 14th December 2016 to 20th December 2016.
- ✚ Attended and participated as Official and Contingent In charge of NSS Volunteers in the **18th NATIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL** held at **Punjab Agriculture University, LUDHIANA (Punjab)** on the theme “National Youth

Convention on Youth for Drug Free World” w. e. f. 12th January 2014 to 16th January 2014.

- ✚ Attended and participated as **Official and Contingent In charge (NSS Volunteers of GC PAONTA Sahib) in NSS State MEGA Camp** held at Govt College Karsog, Mandi (H.P.) in 2019.
- ✚ **Contingent in charge of the NSS Volunteers who were a part of the Trekking Tour to CHURDHAAR** w.e.f.18th October 2011 to 21st October 2011 and worked tirelessly to construct a playground at the height of 13000 feet where it requires a lot of effort and time to reach. A **Commendation Certificate** has been issued by the CHURDHAR SEVA SAMITI, CHURDHAAR for achieving a new milestone in the field of social service.
- ✚ Attended and participated as **Official and Contingent In charge in STATE LEVEL MEGA NSS CAMP** held at Govt. Degree College Anni, Distt. Kullu w. e. f. 26th September 2016 to 2nd October 2016.
- ✚ Attended and participated as **Official and Contingent In charge of NSS Volunteers in NATIONAL INTEGRATION CAMP (NIC)** held at Govt. Post Graduate College Seema, Rohru Distt. Shimla w. e. f. 6th October 2017 to 12th October 2017.
- ✚ Attended a **seven day Training Orientation Course** for NSS Programme Officers held at H.P University, Shimla w. e. f. 11th June 2013 to 17th June 2013 organized by NSS Empanelled Training Institute (ETI), Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports Govt. of India.
- ✚ **One talented and versatile Volunteer** was selected to take part in North Zone PRE Republic Day Parade camp held at **Jaipur** w.e.f. 14th October to 23rd October 2024.
- ✚ **2 NSS Volunteers** from GC Paonta Sahib participated in **NATIONAL INTEGRATION CAMP (NIC)** held at Panipet (Haryana) w. e. f. 21th October 2024 to 27th October 2024.
- ✚ Our volunteers worked relentlessly during day and night to make **Jagannath Yatra** successful. A Commendation Certificate has been issued by the Jagannath Yatra Trust Paonta Sahib to the NSS Programme Officers and volunteers for rendering excellent services during the Yatra on 14th November 2024.
- ✚ **Programme Officer (NSS), and Member of BOS/NEP Committee for English Curriculum (HPU)** contributions have been recognized through **commendation** letters from **SDM Paonta Sahib, MC Paonta Sahib, Jagannath Seva Samiti, and the Principal, GC Paonta Sahib.**
- ✚ Under my leadership, (in 2024-25) **1 NSS volunteer** was selected for **North Zone Pre- RD Camp held at Jaipur**, **4 students** participated in **National Integration Camps held at Panipet (Haryana) and Chandigarh University** and **2 students** selected for state **Pre RD Camp.**

WORKS IN THE PIPELINE

🌈 The Historical Battle Of Survival And Supremacy Between Sanai And Pajaik