Dr. V.V.L.Usha Ramani Asst. Professor Dept. of Basic Sciences and Humanities GVPCEW Kommadi Visakhapatam

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**Work experience:** 21 years

At GVPCEW, along with teaching the prescribed curriculum, I am involved in

- Editing the college newsletter, Gayatri Sumam
- Editing the College's technical magazine, Techniyati
- One of the coordinators for the college's Literary and Cultural committee

At SVECW, Bhimavaram, apart from teaching, I also held the following positions:

- In house English trainer for Campus placements
- Designed and developed an audit course on **Technical Writing** for III B.Tech students
- Nodal Officer for the APSCHE-British Council pilot project of English Communication Skills: My duties included being the SPOC with officials from British council and APSCHE. 696 of our students have successfully completed the APTIS
- Coordinator of the Sexual Harassment Eradication Cell of the college created awareness programs for students and faculty on harassment in various walks of life.
- Coordinator of student clubs: Page Turners, a book reading club and Future India club- a quizzing club
- Editor of the Freshers' handbook for the past 4 years
- Trainer for the Business English Certificate, University of Cambridge UK.
- Coordinated and trained students for The Hindu E Plus Challenge, 2012 and 2014
- Coordinator, National Workshop on "Current Trends in English Language Teaching" Raghu Engineering College, February 26, 2014.

## Areas of expertise

The novel, African American literature, Russian Literature, Business English, language teaching for competitive examinations, activity based teaching is my forte

## Education

Andhra University Ph.D January, 2015

EFLU PGCTE(2013); (PGDTE 2016)

Andhra University M.Phil,1995

Andhra Pradesh Open University PG Diploma in Public Relations 1991

Andhra University M.A,1986 Andhra University B.A.,1984

#### **Dissertations:**

PhD: "From Feminism to Womanism: A Study of Gloria Naylor's Novels" directed by Prof.K.Nirupa Rani

M.Phil: "Theme of Guilt in Dostoevsky's *Crime and Punishment &The Brothers Karamazov*" directed by Prof. T. Padma

# **Academic Positions in Engineering Colleges**

Assistant Professor	GVP College of Engineering for Women since 2019 –till date	
Associate Professor	Shri Vishnu Engineering College for Women 2014-2019	
Associate Professor	Raghu Engineering College	2008-2014
Assistant Professor Assistant Professor Lecturer	ANITS COE,GITAM CMS,GITAM	2005-2008 2002-2005 2002-2004

### **Publications and Presentations**

Presented a paper "Matrix of Mothering: Mothers in Gloria Naylor's Novels" at the international seminar Negotiating socio-cultural Spaces: Rethinking Dynamics of Gender November 2018

Presented a paper "Breaking the Boundaries: Men in Gloria Naylor's *The Women of Brewster Place and The Men of Brewster Place*" at LLCSKR, Vignan University February 2015, published in Language in India 2017

Presented a paper on "Politics and the Plays of Harold Pinter" at the national seminar on **Rethinking Eight Nobel Laureates January 2013** 

A book chapter "Re-creating Passages of Healing in Gloria Naylor's *Mama Day*" in **Deterritorializing Diversities: Cultures, Literatures & Languages of the Indigenous** 

"Laying on of Hands in Gloria Naylor's *Mama Day*"-International Journal of English: Literature, Language &Skills April 2013, Volume 2 Issue 1

Presented a talk on "A Womanist Perspective on Gloria Naylor's Fiction" at **Forum on Contemporary Theory**, Baroda December, 2007

## Memberships:

Life member of Forum on Contemporary Theory, Baroda