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Professional summary

An accomplished and forward-thinking Senior Professor with over 29 years of academic, administrative, and research experience in higher education. Recognized for academic leadership, curriculum innovation, faculty development, and fostering an environment of academic excellence and integrity. Possesses a deep understanding of university governance, regulatory frameworks, and quality assurance systems, with proven expertise in policy formulation, accreditation processes, and institutional development. Committed to inclusive education, digital transformation, and sustainable development goals in higher education

Specialization and areas of expertise

Accounting & Finance, Human Resource Management
Academic Leadership, Governance and Management

Education

Degree	Institution	Year of Completion	Specialization	Division
D.Litt.	Madurai Kamaraj University	2025	Commerce	-
Ph.D.	University of Kerala	1998	Commerce	-

M.Phil.	University of Kerala	1998	Commerce	A Grade
M.Com.	Department of Commerce Commerce, University of Kerala	1991	Finance	First
B.Com.	Govt. Arts College Thiruvananthapuram	1989	Cost Accounting	First

Note: 1. Currently pursuing the final semester of the MBA programme (Online Mode) at Kurukshetra University, Haryana.

Training and academic visits abroad

Training/Visits	Institution	Period
National Workshop on Leadership Development for Deans of faculty & Heads of Department of Universities	National Institution of Educational Planning & Administration (NIEPA), New Delhi	Dec.2- 4, 2024
International Conference on Theory & Practice of Electronic Governance (ICEGOV2019)	United Nations University at RMIT University, Melbourne	April 3-5, 2019
National Workshop cum Orientation Programme on Leadership in Educational Administration for Academic Administrators in Universities & Colleges	National Institution of Educational Planning & Administration (NIEPA) New Delhi	July 24-26, 2019
International Conference on Environment & Humanity ECO REVOLUTION Colombo, Sri Lanka	Econeeds Foundation Sri Lanka	Aug 18-20, 2012

Teaching experience

29 years and 06 months; 13 years at Professor level

Position held	Institution	Duration	Years
Lecturer	The Cochin College Kochi (Affiliated to MG University, Kottayam)	01-07-1996 to 30-06-2005	9 years
Reader	The Cochin College Kochi (Affiliated to MG University, Kottayam)	01-07-2005 to 30-06-2008	3 years
Associate Professor	The Cochin College Kochi (Affiliated to MG University, Kottayam)	01-07-2008 to 02-01-2013	5 years

Professor	School of Distance Education University of Kerala	03-01-2013 to 02-01-2023	10 years
Senior Professor	Institute of Management in Kerala University of Kerala	03-01-2023 to present	3 years

Research experience: 27 years & 6 months

Position held	Institution	Duration	Years
Research guide	SH College Ernakulam	1998-2000	2 years
Research guide	Cochin College Kochi	2000-2013	13 years
Research guide	University of Kerala	2013-present	12 years

Experience in academic administration: 6 years

Position held	Institution	Duration	Years
Director	School of Distance Education, University of Kerala	09-05-2019 to 08-05-2022	3 years
Senior Professor and Head	Institute of Management in Kerala University of Kerala	04-01-2023 to present	2 years & 11 months
Dean (Management Studies) University of Kerala		08-08-2021 to 07-08-2023	2 years
Dean (Management Studies) University of Kerala)		08-08-2023 to 07-08-2025	2 years
Dean (Faculty of Commerce) MG University, Kottayam		22.07.2025 to Present	5 months
IQAC-Member	University of Kerala	12-03-2025 to Present	8 months

Contribution to corporate life of University/Statutory Bodies

Syndicate (Member)	MG University, Kottayam	21-11-2025 to Present	1.5 months
Senate (Member)	University of Kerala	24-09-2021 to 08-05-2022	8 months

Senate (Member)	University of Kerala	31-07-2023 to 07-08-2025	2 years
Chairman, NAAC Peer team	NAAC Bengaluru	2025-present	1 year
Academic Council (Member)	University of Kerala	09-05-2019 to 08-05-2022	3 years
Academic Council (Member)	University of Kerala	04-01-2023 to 03-01-2026	3 years
Academic Council (Member)	Sree Narayanaguru Open University	22-09-2022 to Present	3 years & 2 months
Academic Council (Member)	Fathimatha National College (Autonomous), Kollam	12-05-2025 to Present	7 months
Board of Studies (External Member)	Rajadhani Business school (Autonomous), Attingal Thiruvananthapuram	06-11-2025 to Present	3 months
Faculty of Management Studies (Member)	University of Kerala	16-06-2020 to 15-06-2023	3 years
Board of Studies-PG Management Studies (Member)	University of Kerala	2020-23	3 years
Board of Studies-PG (Management Studies (Member)	Sree Narayanaguru Open University	2023-25	3 years
Board of Studies (UG)	MG University, Kottayam	2014-17	3 years
Board of Studies (UG)	Maharajas College Ernakulum (Autonomous)	2015-18	3 years
Board of Studies (UG)	SH College, Thevara Ernakulum (Autonomous)	2016-19	3 years
Chairman, Doctoral Committee (Management Studies)	University of Kerala	2023-26	3 years
Member, RUSA-TSC	RUSA, SPD, Kerala	2016-20	4 years
Member (Governing Council)	TKM Institute of Management, Kollam	2022-present	3 years

Subject Expert (CAS Promotions)	University of Kerala	2019-present	6 years
Subject Expert (Faculty Appointment)	University of Kerala	2019-present	6 years
University nominee/ Subject/HE expert/(Principal Appointments)	University of Kerala	2021-present	4 years
Examiners/Chairman (PhD open defence)	Universities in Kerala and Outside	2020-present	5 years
Examination Chief Superintendent	School of Distance Education University of Kerala	2019-22	3 years
Chairman-B.Com. Degree Examination	School of Distance Education University of Kerala	2014-18	4 years
Chairman- MBA S4 Degree Examination	University of Kerala	2017-18	2 years
Chairman-CSS Examination- MBA programmes	University of Kerala	2023-2026	3 years
Member-SDE Monitoring Committee	University of Kerala	2017-19	2 years
Convener-SDE Monitoring Committee	University of Kerala	2019-22	3 years
Member, OBC Cell	University of Kerala	2021-present	4 years
Convenor-Admission Monitoring Committee- MBA Admissions, UIMs	University of Kerala	2023-present	2 years & 11 months
Convener-Admission Monitoring Committee- MBA Admissions, IMK	University of Kerala	2023-2026	3 years
Chairman- MBA CSS- Syllabus revision	University of Kerala	2024-25	1 month
Member, CSS admission Committee	University of Kerala	2025-present	1 year

Chairman- BBA CSS- Syllabus revision	University of Kerala	2024-25	1 month
General Secretary University of Kerala Alumni Association	University of Kerala	2021-present	4 years
Member, Library Advisory Committee	University of Kerala	2023-present	2 years
Member, Book Selection Committee	University of Kerala	2023-present	2 years
Member, CDOE	University of Kerala	2025-present	1 year
University Expert- Admissions to MBA programmes of affiliated colleges	University of Kerala	2019-present	6 years
Member- University Annual Report	University of Kerala	2019-present	5 years
Member, Academic Advisory Committee	MMTTC University of Kerala	2024-present	2 years
Member, IDP	University of Kerala	2024-present	1 year
Member, PM –USHA	University of Kerala	2024-present	1 year
NCC Officer (160 SD cadets)	The Cochin College Kochi, Kerala	2006-10	4 years

Publications/ Presentations/ Conferences

- No. of research papers published in International journals: **18**
- No. of research papers published in National journals: **55**
- No. of papers presented in International conferences: **20**
- No. of papers presented in National conferences: **26**
- No. of books authored/co-authored: **10**
- No. of books edited: **2**
- No. of training modules/study materials prepared: **20**
- Number of Seminars/Conferences/Workshops organized: **19**

Research projects/grants

Title of the project/ Grant	Funding agency	Position	Amount	Duration
Add-on Course on Banking Theory & Practice	UGC	Coordinator	700000	2009-12
Environmental Auditing in the Public and private Enterprises in Kerala (Research project-Minor)	UGC	Principal Investigator	30000	2007-09
Challenges and Opportunities in Spices Sector in Kerala (Research project-Major)	UGC	Principal Investigator	628700	2007-09
Best Practices, Opportunities and Challenges in Tourism Industry in Kerala (Research project-Major)	UGC	Principal Investigator	689075	2011-13
Tourism Marketing in Kerala: An Empirical Investigation of the Present Practices, its Effects and Challenges (Research project-Major)	UGC	Principal Investigator	745600	2013-15

Research guidance

- PG- Awarded: 250-plus
- M.Phil.-Awarded: 11
- Ph.D.- Awarded: 29 ; Ongoing: 8
- Post Doctorate completed: 01

Participation/ Involvement in higher education as visiting professor/resource person

- Visiting professor at Indian Maritime University, Cochin Campus during 2009-2013
- Resource person of MMTTCs of Kerala University, Thiruvananthapuram; Kannur University, Kannur; Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappally; Ramanujan college, New Delhi
- Resource person, session chair and panelist for the national and international seminars, and panel discussions held inside and outside the country

Innovative programmes developed

- Developed the scheme and syllabus for MBA (General), MBA (Travel and Tourism),

and MBA (Shipping and Logistics) programmes of University of Kerala (CSS) (during 2024-25)

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- Developed the scheme and syllabus for PG diploma in Business Analytics of University of Kerala
- Developed the scheme and syllabus for PG diploma in Supply Chain Management of University of Kerala
- Developed the Scheme and syllabus for Add-on Course on Banking Theory and Practices funded by UGC 2009-12.
- Prepared component 1- Governance under the Institutional Development Plan of the University of Kerala
- Prepared Sustainable Investment Policy document for the University of Kerala

Membership in Professional/Academic Bodies

- Senior member, Asia-Pacific Chemical, Biological & Environmental Engineering Society (CBEES), Hongkong (Membership No.100242)
- Senior member, International Association of Computer Science and Information Technology (IACSIT) Singapore (Membership No.80342563)
- Senior member, International Economics Development Research Centre (IEDRC), Hongkong (Membership No.10080082)
- Life member, India Accounting Association
- Life member, Indian Commerce Association
- Member-Editorial Advisory Board, MANTHAN: Journal of Commerce and Management, Journal Press India, New Delhi
- Reviewer, FIIB Business Review (EBR), Fortune Institute of International Business, New Delhi
- Member, Editorial Board, Contemporary Commerce Review, Double Blind Peer reviewed Annual Journal, Published by the Research Department of Commerce, The Cochin College, Kchi-2
- Reviewer, MANTHAN: Journal of Commerce and Management, Journal Press India, New Delhi
- Member, Editorial Board, DEK Researcher, Peer-reviewed Journal published by SDE, University of Kerala

- Chief Editor, Management Innovator, Bi-annual Peer Reviewed Research journal, Published by the Researchers' Forum of the Institute of Management in Kerala, University of Kerala

Consulting experience

- Consultant for the promotion of the officers of HLL Thiruvananthapuram
- Consultant for the recruitment and selection of Development Officers in Employability Centres, Government of Kerala

MoUs/ Academic collaborations

- Initiated for an MoU between IMK, University Kerala and Hawassa University, Ethiopia
- Initiated for an MoU between University of Kerala and SBIR Ban Corporate University, Moscow.

Select 10 research articles

Green Awareness As A Predictor Of Green Finance? What Are Their Roles In Predicting Environmental Sustainability? Journal of International Finance and Economics® (JIFE). ISSN 1555-6336 (ABDC Indexed). Vol. 24(3). September 2024

Mediating Role of Socio-Economic and Political Empowerment in Micro Credit Dispensation in the Indian Context. IASSI Quarterly-Contributions to Indian Social Science. ISSN: 0970-9061. Vol. 42, 2, April-June 2023.UGC-Care Listed

Key Success Factors for the e-Governance Initiatives Through Common Service Centres in India: An Empirical Study with Special Reference to Akshaya e-Kendras in Kerala. Indian Journal of Public Administration (ISSN / EISSN : 0019-5561 / 2457- 0222) by SAGE Publications. 8, October 2022. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00195561221123792>. UGC-CARE-(Group 1)

Financial Inclusion and Information Availability on Banking Products and Services. MANTHAN: Journal of Commerce and Management (ISSN: 2347-4440) (ICI indexed). Vol 8(2), July-December,2021, pp-67-83. <https://doi.org/10.17492/jpi.manthan.v8i2.822104>

Vocational Skills Training for Development: A Case study of the Community Development through Polytechnics Program. Journal of International Finance and Economics ISSN 1555-6336 (ABDC Indexed). Vol.21 (3).October 2021. pp-18-34. [dx.doi.org/10.18374/JIFE-21-3.2](https://doi.org/10.18374/JIFE-21-3.2)

Green Consumerism and Ecomark Scheme in India: A Review, Journal of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai, ISSN: 0972-0766, UGC-Care group-1, Vol.XCIV, No.2, 2021.pp1-11.

Review of Twenty Five Years of Studies on Green Finance Using Systematic Literature Review Approach. International Research Journal of Management Sociology & Humanities (IJRMSH)

Internationally Indexed Peer Reviewed & Refereed Journal, ISSN 2348 - 9359 (Print), Vol 12 Issue 11 [Year 2021] pp-115-129.

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[dx.doi.org/10.18374/JIFE-20-3.4](https://doi.org/10.18374/JIFE-20-3.4).

Service Quality of e-Governance Services through Common Service centres (CSQ- CSC) in India: A Study Using Structural Equation Modeling. Proceedings of the Special Collection. April 2019, ACM New York, NY, USA ISBN 978-1-4503- 6644-1/19/04.
<http://doi.org/10.1145/3326365.3326435>

DECLARATION

The particulars furnished above are correct and I have not concealed or misrepresented any facts in it. I am a person of good conduct and uphold principles of academic integrity.

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