BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT

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Yasser A. Al Tamimi, Associate Professor of linguistics, and Chair of Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at Alfaisal University in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, received his PhD in Linguistics in 2002 from the University of Reading, United Kingdom. Dr. Al Tamimi taught at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels a number of language and linguistic courses, including phonetics and phonology, morphology, sociolinguistics, psycholinguistics, pragmatics, in addition to applied linguistics in a number of universities in the UK, Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

His research interest covers a wide range of linguistic areas, with clear focus on phonetics and phonology. More specifically his many publications have addressed the following topics: Arabic-English voice dysfunction in laryngeal pathology, speaker's recognition, phonotactics of the Arabic complex coda, sonority principles, discourse analysis, phonological variations in East London English; in Southern British Standard; and in Jordanian Arabic, phonological theory and linguistically unconditioned variability, binomials in Arabic dialects, phonological awareness intervention, phonological awareness and word reading, Romanized Arabic e-messages, English curriculum development, communicative ability through interactive approaches, and Phonological features of Saudi names (among some other topics).

Al Tamimi assumed a number of academic responsibilities at the Hashemite University, including Head of Department of English Language and Literature (2003-2006), Director of Program for Literature and Cultural Studies (2003-2006), and he was the founder and the director of the university Language Center (2005- 2008). He was also elected Secretary and Publicity Officer for the Association of Professors of English Language, Literature and Translation at Arab Universities (APETAU) 2003-2006.

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