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## Ramin Yazdanpanah, PhD

### EDUCATION

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- 2017** PhD, Sociocultural & International Development Education Studies, Florida State University
- 2017** 200-hour TESOL Certificate: Developing an Online Teaching Program
- 2003-2004** Masters degree in Multilingual/Multicultural Education, TESOL Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida
- 2000-2001** Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Certified, Florida State University
- 2000-2001** Bachelor of Science in International Relations, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida
- 1998** Associate of Art Degree, Tallahassee Community College

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- 2018-Present** **Director, Adult ESOL Program Director**, Jefferson County School District
- 2018-Present** **Founder**, Full Circle Language Learning and Teaching
- 2017-2018** **English Language Fellow**, Vietnam, U.S. Department of State
- 2017-2017** **Chair ICIS-TESOL Interest Section**
- 2010-2017** **CIES-TEFL Certificate Program Coordinator and Head Instructor**. The Center for Intensive English Studies, Florida State University
- 2008-2010** **Assistant Director** at The Center for Intensive English Studies, Florida State University
- 2001-2017** **Instructor** at The Center for Intensive English Studies, Florida State University
- 2005-2007** **Teacher Trainer**, Flagler College, Tallahassee Florida
- 2002-2003** **Instructor**, International Institute of Languages, Madrid, Spain
- 2001** **Office Coordinator**, ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Department Leon County, Florida Public Schools

## PUBLISHED WORKS

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(Accepted for publication) Yazdanpanah, R. (2017). *Exploring and Expressing Culture through Project-Based Learning*. English Teaching Forum.

Yazdanpanah, R. (2017). *Intercultural Teacher Education through Cultural Synergy: Understanding Pre-Service English Language Teachers' Developing Intercultural Competence*. Dissertation, Doctorate of Philosophy, Florida State University.

Yazdanpanah, R. (2016). *Sparkling Cultural Synergy Through Intercultural Exchange*. InterCom Newsletter, ICIS, TESOL International.

<http://newsmanager.commpartners.com/tesolicis/issues/2016-10-26/2.html>

## PRESENTATIONS

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- 2019** Invited Keynote Speaker, Equity Through Advocacy. Northeast Florida TESOL, St. Augustine, Florida.
- 2019** Assessing Intercultural Competence. TESOL International Association Conference, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2019** Intercultural Development and Synergy in EFL/ESL Teacher Training. American Association for Applied Linguistics (AAAL), Atlanta, Georgia.
- 2018** Teaching and Applying Critical Thinking Skills: Lessons from the Classroom. ASEAN-ELT Conference. Melaka, Malaysia.
- 2018** Cultivating Intercultural Competence through Communicative Language Teaching and Cross-Cultural Media Projects. Thailand TESOL. Chiang Mai, Thailand.
- 2017** A Synergetic Approach to Cross-cultural Discussions for Communicative Language Development. Viet-TESOL. Thai Nguyen City, Vietnam
- 2016** Seeing the Elephant: Valuing Diverse Perspectives in Educational Contexts. Conference of the Comparative and International Education Society (CIES). Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- 2015** Expanding Intercultural Communication Competence in TESOL: Three Approaches from Higher Education Contexts. Society for Intercultural Education, Training and Research (SIETAR) Conference. Orlando, Florida.

- 2015** An Overview of U.S. University-Based TEFL Certificate Programs. TESOL International Convention and English Language Expo. Toronto, Canada.
- 2014** University-Based TEFL Certification Programs: Critical Analysis and Best Practices. TESOL International Association Conference, Portland, Oregon.
- 2012** [\*Lessons Learned: A comparative analysis of English as the medium of instruction in Turkey and Hong Kong\*](#), Comparative International Education Society. San Juan, Puerto Rico
- 2012** [\*Values to Action: Preparing College Students to be Positive Change Makers in the Global Society\*](#), Jon C. Dalton Institute on College Student Values. Tallahassee, Florida
- 2011** [\*Integrating Technology and the Internet for Production-based Activities\*](#), Sunshine State TESOL Conference. Jacksonville, Florida
- 2008** Master of Ceremony, 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Tolerance and Dialogue Dinner, Florida State University
- 2007** *Teaching ESL Students Pragmatics and Speech Acts*, International TESOL Conference. Seattle, Washington
- 2006** *American Interviews*, TESOL International Conference. Tampa, Florida

#### WORKSHOPS DELIVERED

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- Action Research: Reflection and Action in Practice
- Teaching and Applying Critical Thinking Skills: Lessons from the Classroom
- Building Language Learner Motivation In and Out of the Classroom
- Musical Crossroads: Exploring Language, History and Culture through the Music of America.
- Sparking Cultural Synergy Through Intercultural Exchange

#### ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- 2013** TESOL Program Reviewer for TESOL International Conference
- 2013** Consultant for English Summer Camp language at Koc University, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2012** Consultant for intensive English program at KUST University, Kurdistan, Iraq

## ADDITIONAL CONFERENCES ATTENDED

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- 2014** CA-TESOL Mini-conference – San Diego, California
- 2010** International TESOL Conference - New Orleans, Louisiana
- 2008** International NAFSA Conference – Los Angeles, California
- 2002** Florida TESOL Conference, West Palm Beach, Florida
- 1998** International Model United Nations Conference, New York City

## LANGUAGES

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- Spanish high-intermediate communicative proficiency

## PROFESSIONAL WEBSITES

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- <https://www.fullcirclelanguage.com>
- <https://www.linkedin.com/in/raminyaz>
- <https://www.mftrio.com>

## STUDENT PROJECTS

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Websites that display some of my students' past and current projects. Please visit the site and listen to some of the programs.

- <http://ciesworldvibevideos.blogspot.com>
- <http://thisibelieveesl.blogspot.com>
- <http://ciesworldvibe.podomatic.com>

## TRAVEL

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- Iran, Spain, Cuba, Netherlands, France, Morocco, Venezuela, Italy, Costa Rica, Canada, Turkey, Panama, Bolivia, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Vietnam, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia.

## INTERESTS/PASSIONS

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- Music and Cultural Performance: <https://www.mftrio.com>

## REFERENCES

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- Mrs. Diane Millar [millarDM@state.gov](mailto:millarDM@state.gov)
- Dr. Jeffrey Milligan [jmilligan@admin.fsu.edu](mailto:jmilligan@admin.fsu.edu)
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