

<b>INTRODUCING NEW STAFF MEMBERS: Ms. Shooq Altamimi</b>	
Name /RCSI appointment	We are pleased to welcome Ms. Shooq Altamimi to RCSI as Lecturer in English Language
Educational background	Shooq graduated with a Bachelor of Education form Bahrain Teachers College in 2013. After working in the education sector for a few years, Shooq joined Coventry University, where she completed a Master in English Language Teaching in 2016.
Summary of Career to date. (Max 100 words)	Following graduation with a Bachelor of Education from Bahrain Teachers College, Shooq began her career teaching English to young learners. Upon returning to university to pursue a postgraduate degree, Shooq held the position of student researcher, where she carried out research that informed curriculum & instruction decisions. After completing her degree from Coventry University, Shooq returned to Bahrain where she worked in teacher training at the Ministry of Education and developed the strategy and timeline for MOOC-based training. She collaborated with the British Council, Regional English Language Office at the US Embassy, and Bahrain Teachers College on several training initiatives.
Research interests and specialty (List up to 8)	Threshold concept Autonomy and critical thinking MOOCs Blended learning Flipped classrooms Reflective practices
Major accomplishments (100 words max)	Shooq worked on several international research projects in her subject specialism, including a telecollaborative research project with Coventry University in the UK and Bogazici University in Istanbul on teacher cognition. The research findings of her thesis were published in two handbooks, one of which was funded by Erasmus+.