

23 June 2021

Dr. Betsy Birmingham
Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

RE: Appointment of Dr. Abhijit Rao as External Adjunct Professor

Dear Dr. Birmingham,

At its June 23rd Department meeting, the Department of English approved Dr. Abhijit Rao as an External Adjunct Professor in the Department of English.

Dr. Rao received an MA in English North Dakota State University in 2005 and a PhD in Rhetoric and Professional Communication from Iowa State University in 2011. Currently the Academic Support Zone Coordinator at Lakehead, Dr. Rao has also taught courses at Lakehead for English, Computer Science, and Engineering. Prior to coming to Lakehead, Dr. Rao was the Director of Iowa State University's College of Business Communications Center for a decade, and taught various writing courses for the English Departments at Iowa State University and North Dakota State University.

As his CV indicates, Dr. Rao has received grants, published articles, and given conference presentations related to writing pedagogy, and pedagogy more generally. His expertise in writing pedagogy will be particularly valuable to the English Department as we seek to expand our writing program.

Please find attached a copy of his CV. If you require any further information, please let me know.

Yours,



Dr. Douglas Ivison
Associate Professor and Chair