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Xuan Thu Dang is currently a Doctor-of-Education student at the Education Faculty, La Trobe University, Melbourne, Australia.

Since his graduation from Hanoi University (HANU), Vietnam, in 1991, he has been actively involved in teaching and research in the discipline areas of English as a foreign language, technology in teaching & learning, and professional development for junior teachers at HANU.

From 2000 to 2009, Thu worked as the Academic Manager for a special English program designed for senior Government officials of Vietnam. Moreover, he provided intensive English training (mainly IELTS and TOEFL) for pre-departure students before they went abroad for their major studies in different disciplines.

Thu is an experienced trainer and author of translation and conference interpreting skills, working between two languages, i.e. English and Vietnamese. Since 2002 he has been regularly invited by the European Commission to work as senior conference interpreter, doing simultaneous interpreting for important working sessions for high-ranking delegations of the EU and Vietnam.

Thu has taken part in organisation of many conferences and seminars in Vietnam. In 2007 Thu was among the organisers from Hanoi University to host the (The Globalization and Localization in Computer-Assisted Language Learning) GloCALL Conference in Hanoi, Vietnam.

Last year Thu assisted a project in Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne, Australia, about using the ambient technologies to create classroom presence for children absent due to health reasons.

His current research interests include innovative use and best practices of ICT in teaching and learning languages.