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EDUCATION

University of Florida, Gainesville
Hough Graduate School of Business
MBA (April 2016)

Area of research interest: Women in Business; Leadership training

University of California, Berkeley

PhD (December 2003) in South and SE Asian Studies

- South and Southeast Asian political history, literary history, British commonwealth
- Designated Emphasis in Women, Gender, and Sexuality

University of Wisconsin, Madison & The University of Chicago

MA (May 1998) in Asian Languages and Cultures

- In residence at the University of Chicago, Department of South Asian Languages and Cultures funded by CIC Traveling Scholars Program (1997-1998)

Columbia University in the City of New York

BA (May 1994) in Women and Gender Studies, Comparative Literature, & Pre-Medicine

EMPLOYMENT

Teaching & Research

- Associate Professor, Women's Studies & Gender Research, University of Florida (2013-Present)
- Assistant Professor, Women's Studies & Gender Research, University of Florida (2007-2013)
- Assistant Professor, Women's and Gender Studies, The College of New Jersey (2004-2006)
- Instructor, Department of Women's Studies, San Francisco State University (2003)
- Teaching Assistant & Graduate Reader, Departments of Sociology, Women's Studies, and South/Southeast Asian Studies, University of California, Berkeley (1998-2003)

Administrative

- Graduate Program Director, Women's Studies & Gender Research (2011-Present)

INVENTION/BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

- Founder and CEO, *LeaderLync* (www.leaderlync.com)
- *LeaderLync.com* (Education technology leadership platform that measures and tracks student engagement on college campuses and prep-schools)
- UF# 15623, Invention Disclosure, Office of Technology Licensing
- Hatchery Program, UF Innovation Hub

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- *Bodies That Remember: Women's Indigenous Knowledge and Cosmopolitanism in South Asia*, Syracuse University Press, Gender and Globalization Series, 2011. 252 pages.
- *Mahadevi Varma: Political Essays on Women, Culture, and Nation* (Edited with an Introduction pp.1-26), New York: Cambria Press, 2010. 224 pages.

Translated Poems within this collection: “The World” (p.31), “Desire” (p.32), “Pride did not disappear” (p.33), “Friend, how can I make him mine?” (p.33), “I am your vina, I am also your melody” (p.34)

Translated Prose Essay within this collection: “My Childhood Days” (pp.37-42)

Book Reviews

- Anupama Mohan, *Utopias and the Village in South Asian Literatures*: London, Palgrave, 2011 in *Postcolonial Text*, 7:4 (2012). E-journal.
- Mahua Sarkar, *Visible Histories, Disappearing Women: Producing Muslim Womanhood in Late Colonial Bengal*: Durham, NC, and London: Duke University Press, 2008 in *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History*, 10:1 (2009). E-journal.
- Tony Ballantyne and Antoinette Burton, eds., *Bodies in Contact: Rethinking Colonial Encounters in World History*, Durham, NC, and London: Duke University Press, 2005 in *Itinerario: International Journal on the History of European Expansion and Global Interaction*, 30:1, 2006: 94-96.

Articles in Refereed Journals

- “Whither the Glass Ceiling: A Transnational Perspective on Women and Leadership in Emerging Market Economies” (forthcoming 2016 in *Seton Hall Journal of Diplomacy and International Relations*)
- “I can think, I can wait, I can fast”: Teaching Food Literature and Experiential Learning *Arts and Humanities in Higher Education 0(0)*, Sage Online, August 4, 2015: 0-12.
- “A Change in Aesthetics and the Aesthetics of Change: Premchand’s *Bazaar-e husn* (Marketplace of Bodies) and *Sevasadan* (House of Service)” *South Asian Review*, Volume 33, Number 2: 2012: n.pag.
- “East/West Encounters: ‘Indian’ Identity and Transnational Feminism in Manushi” *Feminist Media Studies* Volume 9, Issue 4, 2009: 461-471.
- “Engendering the Nation: Women, Islam, and Poetry in Pakistan” *Journal of International Women’s Studies*, Volume 11, Number 1, 2009: 208-224.

Blogs/Online Publications

- “Why we Need Women’s Studies and Gender Research”, *Indiaspora: Transforming the success of Indian Americans into meaningful impact worldwide*. March 16, 2015. Available at: <http://www.indiaspora.org/why-we-need-womens-studies-and-gender-research/>

Works-in-progress

Articles

- “Private and Communal Kitchens as Spaces for Rethinking Gender, Identity, and Political Rights”
- “Literary Representations of Empire: Sea of Poppies and Trafficking in the Bengal Presidency”

Book

- *Rethinking Domesticity and Social Capital in Women’s Community Based Organizations*

Commissioned translations

- *Next Item, Study Abroad in India* (2008), Documentary on UF’s Study Abroad Program in Dehradun, India
- Translator, *Bombay Eunuch* (2000), Winner of Jury Prize, Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, NYC

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Awards for Research

- MEAS-USAID Action Research Grant in Amman Jordan (Co-PI: 2012-2013), \$100,000
- Humanities Scholarship Enhancement Fund, University of Florida, 2011-2012, \$12,000
- J. William Fulbright Foundation Senior Research Fellowship, 2010-2011, \$40,000
- Humanities Scholarship Enhancement Fund, University of Florida, 2008-2009, \$10,000
- Office of the Dean & Vice-Provost Research Grant, The College of New Jersey, 2005, \$5000

- Support of Scholarly Activities, The College of New Jersey, 2004-2006, course release
- South and Southeast Asian Studies Travel Grant, UC Berkeley, 2003, \$10,000
- Chancellor's Dissertation Fellowship, UC Berkeley, 2002-2003, \$15,000
- Graduate Division Dean's Normative Time Grant, UC Berkeley, 2001-2002, \$8000
- American Institute of Pakistan Studies, 2001-2002 (could not undertake due to 9/11), \$8000
- American Institute of Indian Studies Language Fellowship, 2000-2001, \$35,000
- University of California Regents Fellowship, 1999-2000, \$15,000
- Title VI: Foreign Language Area Studies Grant for Urdu, 1998-2000, \$5000
- Title VI: Foreign Language Area Studies Grant for Hindi, 1997 Summer, \$5000

Awards for Programming

- Transnational and Global Studies Center Faculty Workshop (Co-PI: \$5,000), 2008-09
- Water, Religion, and Gender Equity in South Asia (Co-PI: \$35,000), 2007-08
- Center for Humanities in the Public Sphere (PI: \$5000), 2007

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS & PARTNERS

- National Center for Agricultural Research and Extension, Amman, Jordan with Dr. Samia Akroush and Asmahan Hattar (2012-2013)
- Café Associatif de la Commune de Marche d'Aligre and Slow Food Bastille, Paris, France with Marion Desmartin, Cecile Petitet, and Corinne Leveuf (2009-2011)
- GEMMA, European Commission Sponsored Gender and Migration Project, Paris, France with Dr. Monika Salzbrunn (2009-2010)
- Navdanya, Dehra-Dun, India with Dr. Vandana Shiva, Mr. Jeetpal Negi, and Mr. Darwan Singh Negi (2007-2010)

INVITED ACADEMIC LECTURES & CONFERENCE PAPERS

International

- "Future of Indian Leadership: Women and Technology Sector," (Washington DC, May 2015)
- "What the Body Remembers," (International Hindi-Urdu Conference, PIIRS, Princeton University, Princeton NJ, February 2015)
- "Kitchen Stories: Food, Domesticity, and Labor," (Oxford University, Oxford, England, October 28, 2014)
- Feminist Pre-conference (41st Annual South Asia Conference, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 17, 2013)
- Center for South Asia Research Invited Lecture, "Private and Communal Kitchens for Rethinking Gender, Identity, and Citizenship." (University of British Columbia, March 27, 2013)
- Punjabi Community Invited Seminar, "Cosmopolitanism and Vernacular Literature: The poems of Gagan Gill." (University of British Columbia, March 28, 2013)
- National Center for Agricultural Research and Extension/MEAS-USAID training lecture, "Building Social Capital among Women's Groups in Jordan." (March 4, 2013).
- Feminist Pre-conference (40th Annual South Asia Conference, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 22, 2011)
- Panel Discussant, "Recent Historiographical Interventions in the History of the Family in South Asia." (39th Annual South Asia Conference, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 16, 2010)
- Panel Chair & Discussant, "Translation in Colonial Space: Language and Colonization in South Asian Literary Culture." (39th Annual South Asian Conference, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 15, 2010)
- Paper Presentation, "Service Learning and Study Abroad." (Café Associatif de la Commune de Marche d'Aligre, Paris, France, April 28, 2010)
- Paper Presentation, "Private and Communal Kitchens as Spaces for Rethinking Gender, Identity, and Citizenship." (GEMMA/EHESS Conference on Representations of Migration in Public and Private Spaces, Reid Hall, Paris, France, April 26, 2010)

- Invited Seminar Paper, “Home and the World: Indian Women and Encounters with Transnational Feminism.” (*Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales* (EHESS), Salle des Artistes, Paris, France, January 22, 2010)
- Discussant, “Disjuncture and Difference in Feminist Transnational Practices.” (36th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 13, 2007)
- Panel Chair & Paper Presentation, “Subjective Space of City and Poetry: The Poems of Gagan Gill.” (34th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 8, 2005)
- Panel Chair & Paper Presentation, “East/West Encounters: “Indian Identity and Transnational Feminisms in *Manushi*.” (Association for Asian Studies, Chicago, April 2, 2005)

Domestic and Regional

- Paper Presentation, “What the Body Remembers: Women’s Poetry in Hindi and Urdu.” (South Asian Studies Association Annual Conference, University of Central Florida, April 2-5, 2009)
- Seminar Paper, “Indigenous Knowledge and Cosmopolitanism in South Asian Poetry.” (American Comparative Literature Association, Harvard University, March 26-29, 2009)
- Invited Keynote Paper, “Fostering Our Global Community.” (International Education Day, University of Florida, November 18, 2008)
- Paper Presentation, “Manifest Nature: Walt Whitman and the Romantic Movement in Hindi.” (Walt Whitman Symposium, The College of New Jersey, September 22, 2005)
- Paper Presentation, “Poets in Translation from India and Pakistan.” (Women’s Words, The College of New Jersey, March 23, 2005)
- Paper Presentation, “The Body Lacerated: The Poems and the Politics of Fahmida Riaz.” (18th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of California, Berkeley, February 14, 2003)
- Paper Presentation, “Writing Women, Writing Sexualities, Writing the Body.” Urdu Scholarship in a Transnational Perspective, Southern Asian Institute, Columbia University, September 29, 2001)
- Paper Presentation, “The Body of the Courtesan: A Contested Site.” (16th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of California, Berkeley, February 14, 1999)

TEACHING

Undergraduate

- What is the Good Life?, Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Women, Transnational Feminism, Rethinking Globalization, Gender and Food Politics

Graduate

- Advanced Feminist Theory, Feminist Challenges, Gender and Diaspora, Rethinking Globalization and Development

Study Abroad

- Honors Program in Paris, Spring Intensive in Paris, UF in India

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT & RECOGNITION OF TEACHING

- Online Excellence in Teaching Award (2016)
- College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Teacher of the Year Award (2012)
- Center for European Studies Course Development Grant (2012)
- CLAS Ambassador, International Educator of the Year Competition (2009)
- Internationalizing the Curriculum Award, UF International Center (2007)

GRADUATE COMMITTEES AND ADVISING

PhD

As Member

- In Progress Lennie Jones, Linguistics
- In Progress Lili Chen, Political Science
- In Progress Lina Benabdallah, Political Science
- In Progress Mariko Turk, English
- In Progress Davis Markus, Anthropology

- In Progress Marcus Briggs-Cloud, Natural Resource & Environment
- In Progress Dhanashree Thorat, English
- In Progress Yen Li Loh, English
- In Progress James Andrew Wilson, Religion
- May 2013 Christine Hanlon, Mass Communications
- May 2011 Jonathan Glover, English
- May 2010 Cortney Grubbs, English
- May 2008 Mohanalakshmi Phongsavan, English

MA

As Chair

- May 2016 Robert Baez, Women's Studies
- May 2015 Hina Shaikh, Women's Studies
- May 2014 Eric Chianese, Women's Studies
- May 2013 Kay Picart, Women's Studies & Law
- May 2013 Kelly Korman, Women's Studies
- May 2010 Meredith Kite, Women's Studies
- Dec 2009 Tanya Faublas, Women's Studies
- Dec 2008 Kathryn Turner, Women's Studies

As Member

- May 2014 Elisabet V. Liminyana Vico, Journalism
- May 2014 Cheyenne Rudolph, Fine Arts
- May 2014 Roselyn Almonte, Women's Studies
- May 2014 Karina Vado, Women's Studies
- Dec 2013 Taylor Spangler, Family, Youth & Community Sciences
- May 2013 Dhanashree Thorat, English
- May 2013 Ana Szogi, Center for Latin American Studies
- May 2013 Nathalia Hernandez-Ochoa, Women's Studies
- May 2012 Kristin Augustine, Development Practice
- May 2011 Garima Thakur, Fine Arts
- May 2009 Sanam Dolatshahi, Women's Studies
- May 2009 Lola Bovell, Women's Studies

Undergraduate

- Aug 2014 Amber Paoleomillio, Honors Thesis
- May 2014 Hannah Willard, Honors Thesis
- May 2013 Meg Cusack, Honors Thesis
- May 2012 Cara Kovacs, Honors Thesis
- 2011-2012 Maritza Moulite, University Scholars Program
- 2008-2009 Robert Kowalski, University Scholars Program

ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Service (Reviewer)

- Journals: *Postcolonial Text* (4), *Imagetext* (1)
- Manuscripts: McGraw Hill (2), Oxford University Press (2), Zed Press (2), ABDO Publishing (1)

Professional Service to the Field and Community

- President, Gainesville Chapter, Slow Food International (2012-Present)
- Reviewer, US Department of State Critical Language Fellowship, Hindi (2010-2011, 2013, 2014)
- Reviewer, US Department of State Critical Language Fellowship, Punjabi (2013, 2014)
- Selection Committee, US Department of State Critical Language Fellowship, Urdu (2011-Present)
- Candidate, Virtual Fellows Program, US Department of State (2014-present)

University Service

- HUM 2305 Steering Committee (2014-2016)

- CLAS Finance Committee (2013-Present)
- Faculty Advisor, Preview—New Student & Family Programs (2012, 2013, 2014 Summer)
- Advisory Board, African-American Studies (2011-Present)
- Advisory Board, Center for the Humanities & the Public Sphere (2011-Present)
- Advisory Board, Asian Pacific-Islander Affairs (2011-Present)
- Member, CLAS Speaker/Lecture Series Committee (2011)
- Member, India Working Group (2010-Present)
- Reviewer, International Center Student Scholarship (2008-2009)
- Faculty-in-Residence, Global Living-Learning Community (2007-2013)

College Service

- CLAS Teacher of the Year Committee (2014)
- CLAS Convocation, Dean's Panel (Summer 2012)
- Member, Humanities Scholarship Enhancement Fellowship (2011)
- Member & Affiliate Faculty, Center for the Study of Hindu Traditions (2006-Present)
- McNair Program Instructor & Mentor (2011)
- Mentor, Women's Leadership Council (2008-2010)
- First Year Experience: Common Reading Program (2008 Summer)

Department Service

- Graduate Coordinator (2011-Present)
- CWSGR Director, Search Committee (2013)
- Member, Events and Programming Committee, CWSGR (2010-Present)
- Member, NGO/PVO Day Organizing Committee (2011)
- Organizer and facilitator Gender Conversations Lecture Series (2009-2010)
- Member, Curriculum Committee, CWSGR (2006-2014)
- Member, Women's Studies Council (2006-Present)

PUBLIC TALKS & SERVICE PRESENTATIONS

- Women and Leadership, Seminar on Women in Naturals/Organic Industries, (Boulder, CO, May 20th, 2016)
- Women, Leadership and Professional Development Opportunities, (Princeton, NJ, 9, November 2015 & Philadelphia, PA, 10, November 2015)
- "Florida's Diversity and Disparities" ("Humanities and the Sunshine State: Exploring Florida's Past, Present, and Future," Gainesville, FL, 17 June, 2015)
- Service-Learning in the Humanities: A Workshop for Interested Instructors and Community Partners (2 February, 2015)
- U.S. Green Building Council's Heart of Florida Chapter, Sustainable Brew Public talk (13 November, 2013)
- U.S. Green Building Council's Heart of Florida Chapter, Green Caffeine Public talk (20 March, 2013)
- "Food Summit" Organizer and presenter, Yulee Global Programming in conjunction with the Center for Leadership and Service (18 April, 2013)
- "Bodies that Remember: Poems from India and Pakistan." Community lecture & public reading, Alachua County Public Library (25 April, 2012)
- "Asian American Identity, Gender, and Activism." Community lecture, Multicultural and Diversity Affairs Lunch Forum (27 March, 2012)
- "Gender and Development in South Asia." Guest Lecture, Gender and Development Seminar (19 March, 2012)
- "Mary Wollstonecraft and Gandhi." Roundtable on Mary Wollstonecraft's Legacies, University of Florida (24 Feb, 2012)
- "Gender and Food Security." Panel presentation, UF NGO/PVO Day (18 Nov, 2010)
- "Research Methods in Feminism." Guest lecture, Department of Mass Communications (13 October, 2009)

- “Gender, Globalization and the Writing Subject in South Asia.” Guest lecture, Department of Sociology (7 October, 2009)
- “Gandhi and Women.” Invited presentation for *Born Into Brothels* film screening, Randy Batista Gallery, Gainesville (2 October, 2009)
- “How to Act Locally While Thinking Globally.” Introductory Address, *Conference on Service Learning and Global Thinking* (22 April, 2009)
- “Gender and Educating Global Citizens.” Guest lecture, UF Medical School, Psychiatric-Medicine Residents (31 March, 2009)
- “Rethinking Globalization in India.” Invited panelist, Conference on Women and Sustainability (25 March, 2009)
- “East/West Encounters.” Guest Instructor, National Consortium of Teachers on Asia Seminar for K-12 teachers in the State of Florida (January, 2009)
- “An Introduction to Triveni Sangam: A Confluence of Classical Dance Forms.” Community lecture and host, PK Yonge Auditorium, Gainesville, FL (November, 2008)
- “Building Community around Study Abroad in India.” Gender Conversations Lecture Series (November, 2008)
- “Global Citizenship and Study Abroad.” Guest Lecture, Center for Women's Studies and Gender Research (October, 2008)
- “Water and Gender in India.” Public lecture, Harn Museum of Art (September, 2008)
- “Using Research Knowledge for Gender and Social Equity in Water Project.” Collaborative presentation with the Interdisciplinary Water Working Group (March, 2008)
- “Breast Stories: Mahasweta Devi and Tribal Rights in India.” Guest lecture, Department of Religion (November, 2007)
- “Mahadevi Varma and Gandhi.” Community lecture, Indian Cultural and Education Center, Gainesville (October, 2007)
- “American-Born Confused Desi.” Workshop facilitator, Southeast Regional Conference for Asian American Leaders (October, 2007)
- “A Part, Yet Apart: Coalition Building across Asian-American Communities.” Workshop facilitator (October, 2007)
- “Pink in the Black Border: Feminist Poetry from Pakistan.” Paper presentation, Gender Conversations Lecture Series (April, 2007)
- “Introduction to Devotional Literature in South India.” Public lecture and Host, Harn Museum of Art: An Andal Evening (January, 2007)

SERVICE AWARDS

- "A Girl's Place" Voted Best Campus Community Service Program of the Month (National Award, 2010)
- Faculty/Staff of the Month for Faculty-in-Residence Activities (National Award, 2010)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Political Science Association
- Association for Asian Studies
- Slow Food International