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EDUCATION

Ph.D. May 2020 University of Connecticut
M.A. May 2016 University of Connecticut
B.A. May 2014 University of Delaware

DISSERTATION

“Ruptured Belonging: Postcolonial Perspectives on Witnessing Violence”
Committee: Eleni Coundouriotis (Chair), Patrick Colm Hogan, Bhakti Shringarpure

REVIEW ESSAYS, BOOK REVIEWS, BLOG POSTS

“Nation as Parent in Netflix’s *Delhi Crime*.” Review of *Delhi Crime* (2019). *Warscapes magazine*. 30 May. 2019.
“The Politics of Beef in India.” Blog Post. *Warscapes magazine*. 12 November. 2015.
“On Dance, Desire, and Devadasis.” Review of *The Desire of the Moth*, by Champa Bilwakesh. *Warscapes magazine*. 6 July. 2015.
“Exploring Women’s Voices in a Memoir from Pakistan.” Review of *The Upstairs Wife: An Intimate History of Pakistan*, by Rafia Zakaria. *Warscapes magazine*. 8 Apr. 2015.

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, GRANTS

2019 Human Rights Institute Dissertation Writing Fellowship, University of Connecticut
2019 Modern Language Association (MLA) Summer Teaching Institute Fellow
2019 Northeast Modern Language Association (NeMLA) Travel Grant
2019 Dean’s Doctoral Student Travel Award, University of Connecticut
2018 Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, University of Connecticut
2018 Predoctoral Fellowship
2018 Provost’s Commendation for Teaching Excellence, University of Connecticut
2015 Provost’s Commendation for Teaching Excellence, University of Connecticut

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Panels Organized

2020 “Imagining the Nation through the Other: Anglophone/Postcolonial Relations”. Northeast Modern Language Association. Boston, Massachusetts, March 2020.

PAPERS PRESENTED

- 2020 “Rhetoric and Composition in Human Rights Narrative”. Modern Language Association. Seattle, Washington. January 9-12.
- 2019 “Witnessing Refugees in Khushwant Singh's *Train to Pakistan*”. Northeast Modern Language Association. Washington, D.C. March 21-24.
- 2017 “Nuancing the “refugee” Figure in Literature”. African Literature Association. New Haven, CT. June 14-17.
- 2017 “Terrorist Subjectivity and Contested Citizenship in Mani Ratnam’s *Dil Se* (1998)”. Northeast Modern Language Association. Baltimore, MD. March 23-26.
- 2016 “Collective Memories as Sites of Nationalist Discourse”. Humber College. Toronto, CA. October 28-29.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (Instructor of Record)

ENGL 2301W Global Anglophone Literatures	(3 sections; 19 students)
ENGL 1010 Seminar in Academic Writing (First Year Writing)	(5 sections; 22 students)
ENGL1011 Seminar in Writing through Literature	(1 section; 22 students)
ENGL 2011 Literary Study through Reading and Research (Honors)	(1 section; 18 students)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2019-current Founder and Co-Chair, Professional Development Graduate Reading Group, University of Connecticut
- 2018-current Founder and Co-Chair, Human Rights Graduate Reading Group, University of Connecticut
- 2018-current Graduate Mentor, Academic Achievement Center Graduate, University of Connecticut
- 2018-current Graduate Christian Fellowship Leader, University of Connecticut
- 2017-2018 Graduate Student Career Council, University of Connecticut
- 2016-current Professional Development, University of Connecticut
- 2014-2015 English Graduate Student Association, University of Connecticut

PROFESSIONAL AFFLIATIONS

Modern Language Association (MLA)
African Literature Association (ALA)
Northeast Modern Language Association (NeMLA)

LANGUAGES

Hindi: Native language
Spanish: Beginner

REFERENCES

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