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CURRICULUM VITAE

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2019 – Present** **Department of Ethnic Studies, University of Colorado Boulder**
Assistant Professor of Asian American Studies and Queer & Trans Studies
Associate Faculty, Women’s and Gender Studies
Faculty Affiliate, Center for Asian Studies, Center for Indigenous and Native
American Studies, and LGBTQ Studies Certificate
- 2017 –19** **Department of Women’s and Gender Studies, University of Massachusetts
Dartmouth**
Assistant Professor of Intersectional/ Postcolonial/Transnational Feminisms
Faculty Affiliate, Black Studies
- 2016 – 17** **Department of Women’s and Gender Studies, Northern Arizona University**
Visiting Lecturer of Transnational Feminisms & Sexualities

EDUCATION

- 2010 – 16** **PhD, Social and Political Thought, York University, Canada**
Dissertation Title: *“We’ll Sail Like Columbus”: Race, Indigeneity, Settler
Colonialism, and the Making of South Asian Diasporas in Canada*
***Winner of National Women’s Studies Association/University of Illinois
Press First Book Award 2018**
- 2007 – 10** **MA, Social and Political Thought, York University, Canada**
Major Research Paper Title: *Beyond Class: Rethinking Labour, Class, and
Politics*
- 2003 – 07** **BA(H), Economics & Development Studies, Queen’s University, Canada**

PUBLICATIONS

Edited Special Journal Issues

- 2015 *Feral Feminisms* (4)
“Complicities, Connections, and Struggles: Critical Transnational Feminist Analysis
of Settler Colonialism”, co-edited special guest issue with S. Patel and G. Moussa.
- 2014 *Sikh Formations: Religion, Culture, Theory* 10(1)
“Ghadar: A Living History”, special guest issue.

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

- 2020 *Interventions: International Journal of Postcolonial Studies* 22 (4)
“Hindu Nation and its Queers: Caste, Islamophobia, and De/coloniality in India” (eds. S.
Jivraj, S. Bakshi & S. Posocco), p: 464-480, invited by the editors. ***Article translated
and published in Malayalam by [Campus Alive](#)**

- 2019 *Journal of the Critical Ethnic Studies Association* 5 (1-2)
 “Making of “Model” South Asians on the Tar Sands: Intersections of Race, Caste, and Indigeneity” (eds. I. Day, J. Hu Pegues, D. Saranillio & M. Viola), p: 152-173.
- 2019 *Cultural Studies* 33 (3)
 ““Can You Get More American Than Native American?”: (Racialized) Drag Americans, Settler Colonialism, and *RuPaul’s Drag Race*” (eds. D. Da Costa & A. Da Costa), p: 480-501.
- 2016 *Feminist Studies* 42 (2)
 “Feminisms, Collaborations, Friendships: A Conversation”, co-authored with R. Nagar, Ö. Aslan, N. Hasan, O. Rahemtullah, and B. Uzun, p: 502-519.
- 2014 *WSQ: Women’s Studies Quarterly* 42 (3&4)
 “Pinkwatching Israel, Whitewashing Canada: Queer (Settler) Politics and Indigenous Colonization in Canada”, co-authored with M. C. Jackman, (eds. by S. Toor and S. Chandra), p: 195-210, invited by the editors.
- 2013 *Jindal Global Law Review* 4 (2)
 “Queering Conceptual Boundaries: Assembling Indigenous, Marxist, Postcolonial and Queer Perspectives”, co-authored with P. Ravecca, in special issue “Law, Culture and Queer Politics in Neoliberal Times” (eds. O. Sircar and D. Jain), p: 357-378.

Book Chapters

- 2020 *Routledge Handbook on Translation, Gender, and Feminism*
 “Trans/lating Queer, Annihilating Caste, Decolonizing Praxis,” co-authored with S. Bakshi, (eds. L. von Flotow, H. Kamal), Routledge Press, London, p: 336-344.
- 2019 *Charting Imperial Itineraries: Unmooring the Komagata Maru*
 “Brown Bodies, Borders, and Boats: Reading Tamil ‘Irregular Arrivants’ Through the History of the *Komagata Maru*”, co-authored with N. Hasan, S. Krishnamurti, O. Rahemtullah, and N. Vathsaladevi-Thiyagarajah, (eds. S. K. Bains, D. Bhandar, R. K. Dhamoon and R. Mawani), UBC Press, Vancouver, p: 121-140.
***Anthology received honorable mention from *The Canadian Studies Network* for the Best Edited Collection in 2020**
- 2017 *New Intimacies, Old Desires: Law, Culture & Queer Politics in Neoliberal Times*
 “Queer, Beyond Queer?”, co-authored with P. Ravecca, (eds. O. Sircar and D. Jain), Zubaan Books, New Delhi, p: 469-96.
- 2014 *Le Tiers-Monde postcolonial: Espoirs et désenchantements* [The Postcolonial Third World]
 “Whither Decolonization: Indigenous Realities, Postcolonial Myths”, (eds. M. Demers and P. Dramé), Les Presses de l’Université de Montréal, Montréal, p: 223-243.
- 2013 *Diasporic Choices*
 “Un/Settling Immigrants: Towards decolonizing immigrant-indigenous relationships”, (eds. R. S. Eid), Inter-Disciplinary Press, Oxford, p: 185-199.

Non-Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

- 2021 *Feminist Criminology*
 “Coloniality of White Feminism and Its Transphobia: A Comment on Burt”, invited by the Journal.
- 2019 *Feminist Studies* 45 (2-3)
 “Geographies of Occupation in South Asia”, co-authored with A. Zia, D. Misri, H. Kanjwal, M. Bhan, N. Ali, S. Ghosh, S. Varma, S. Mukherjee, and Z. Komal, p: 574-579.
- 2015 *Feral Feminisms* (4)
 “Guest Editorial”, co-authored with S. Patel and Ghaida Moussa, in special issue

- 2015 “Complicities, Connections and Struggles: Critical Transnational Feminist Analysis of Settler Colonialism” (eds. S. Patel, N. Upadhyay and G. Moussa), p: 5-19.
Feral Feminisms (4)
- 2015 “Interview with Zainab Amadahy”, co-authored with S. Patel and G. Moussa, in special issue “Complicities, Connections and Struggles: Critical Transnational Feminist Analysis of Settler Colonialism” (eds. S. Patel, N. Upadhyay and G. Moussa), p: 38-42.
Feral Feminisms (4)
- 2014 “Interview with Tiffany King”, co-authored with S. Patel and G. Moussa, in special issue “Complicities, Connections and Struggles: Critical Transnational Feminist Analysis of Settler Colonialism” (eds. S. Patel, N. Upadhyay and G. Moussa), p: 64-68.
Sikh Formations: Religion, Culture, Theory 10 (1)
- 2014 “Introduction - Ghadar Movement: A Living Legacy”, in special issue “Ghadar: A Living History” (ed. N. Upadhyay), p: 1-3.
Sikh Formations: Religion, Culture, Theory 10 (1)
- 2014 “Writing Ghadar’s History: Interview with Sohan Singh Pooni”, in special issue “Ghadar: A Living History” (ed. N. Upadhyay), p: 85-90.
Sikh Formations: Religion, Culture, Theory 9 (2)
- 2013 “Pernicious Continuities: Un/settling Violence, Race and Colonialism”, in special issue “Vulnerable Minorities II: Continuing Reflections on the Oak Creek Tragedy,” p: 263-268.
Kultur ve Siyasette Feminist Yaklasimler [Feminist Approaches in Culture & Politics] 14
- 2012 “Transotese Feminizmler ve Pratikler: Richa Nagar ile Roportaj” [“On Transnational Feminisms and Praxis: An Interview with Richa Nagar”], with Ö. Aslan, N. Hasan, O. Rahemtullah, and B. Uzun.
Kultur ve Siyasette Feminist Yaklasimler [Feminist Approaches in Culture & Politics] 13
- 2011 “Feminist İkilemler, Yazın Ve Yayıncılık: Urvashi Butalia İle Söyleşi” [“Feminist Dilemmas, Writings and Publishing: Interview with Urvashi Butalia”], with Ö. Aslan, D. Rajkumar, and B. Uzun.

Book Reviews

- 2020 *Open Textbook Library*
Review of [Introduction to Women, Gender, Sexuality Studies](#) eds. Miliann Kang, Donovan Lessard, Laura Heston, Sonny Nordmarker (2017)
- 2018 *GLQ: A Journal of Gay and Lesbian Studies*
“Theorizing State and Sexuality,” Review of *Sexual States: Governance and the Struggle Over the Antisodomy Law in India* by Jyoti Puri (2016), p: 384-87, invited by the journal

Works in Progress (Selected)

- In Progress *Indians on Indian Lands: Transnational Intersections of Race, Caste, and Indigeneity*
Book manuscript under advanced contract with University of Illinois Press

Public-facing Publications (Selected)

- 2021 [Boulder Weekly](#), “COVID Carnage in India: Politics of Hatred, Hindu Right, and Western Imperialism”
- 2021 [Boulder Weekly](#), “On Atlanta and Boulder Shootings: Abolitionist Visions” [invited piece]
- 2020 [Tilt West](#), “Trans Liberation & Colonial Erasures” [invited piece]

- 2018 [*Decolonizing Sexualities Network Blog*](#), “Queer Rights, Section 377, and Decolonizing Sexualities” [invited piece]
- 2014 [*Indo-Canadian Voice Online*](#), “Komagata Maru Centennial: To Remember, without forgetting”
- 2013 [*Q? Y? Art?*](#), “An Indian Summer”
- 2012 [*The Feminist Wire*](#), “On Being Terrorized and ‘Terrorist’”
- 2011 [*York University Free Press*](#), “The Real Indian in India: Contemporary Realities of Adivasis in Indian”
- 2010 *No Pride in Occupation*, three-part radio documentary co-produced with O. Rahemtullah
***Honorable Mention for Outstanding Achievements by 2011 NCRA Community Radio Awards**
- 2010 [*Countercurrents*](#), “Peepli [Live]: Peeping Live Through The Fake Realities On Screen”

Media Interviews, Quotes & Podcasts (Selected)

- 2020 [*The Good Refugee Podcast*](#), interviewed for “Am I the Asshole with Nishant Upadhyay”
- 2020 [*The National Interest*](#), quoted in “Addressing Racism in South Asian Canadian communities”
- 2020 [*Ms. Mayhem*](#), interviewed for “March 4 Trans Rights protest brings vibrance to Denver”
- 2018 [*The Torch*](#), interviewed for “Professor Nishant Upadhyay wins the 2018”
- 2017 [*The Lumberjack*](#), interviewed for “President Cheng’s policies concern faculty”
- 2016 [*Briarpatch Magazine*](#), interviewed for “Pinkwashing Settler Colonialism”

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL AWARDS & HONORS (Selected)

- 2021 Best Should Teach Gold Award, Center for Teaching & Learning, CU Boulder
- 2020 Staff Integrity Award, Center for Student Involvement, CU Boulder
- 2018 National Women’s Studies Association/University of Illinois Press First Book Prize (Co-Winner)
- 2016 York University Best Dissertation (Nominated)
- 2015 Hari Sharma Foundation Graduate Scholarship
- 2013 Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- 2012 York University Excellence in Teaching Award (Nominated)
- 2011 York University Excellence in Teaching Award (Nominated)
- 2011 Shastri Scholar Award
- 2010 Outstanding Achievements, NCRA Community Radio Awards 2011 (Honorable Mention)
- 2007 York University Graduate Award

GRANTS AND FUNDS (Selected)

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| 2021 | CU Boulder | Center for Humanities & the Arts Small Grant Program |
| 2020 | CU Boulder | Faculty Success Program Grant |
| 2020 | CU Boulder | Dean’s Fund for Excellence |
| 2018 | UMass Dartmouth | College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Travel Grant |
| 2018 | UMass Dartmouth | Office of Faculty Development Teaching Development Travel Grant |
| 2018 | UMass Dartmouth | Provost Departmental Seminar Series Fund |
| 2018 | UMass Dartmouth | Provost Travel Grant Award |
| 2018 | UMass Dartmouth | College of Arts and Sciences Dean Events Fund |
| 2018 | UMass Dartmouth | Office of Faculty Development Teaching Development Travel Grant |
| 2017 | UMass Dartmouth | College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Travel Grant |
| 2017 | Northern Arizona U | College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Travel Grant |
| 2016 | Northern Arizona U | College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Travel Grant |
| 2016 | York University | York Center for Asian Research Professional Development Fund |

2016	York University	CUPE 3903 Travel Grant
2015	York University	Ph.D. Completion Grant
2015	York University	York Center for Asian Research Professional Development Fund
2015	York University	Faculty of Graduate Studies Graduate Development Fund
2014	York University	Faculty of Graduate Studies Fieldwork Cost Fund
2014	York University	Faculty of Graduate Studies Research Cost Fund
2013	York University	Faculty of Graduate Studies Research Cost Fund
2013	York University	Faculty of Graduate Studies Fieldwork Cost Fund

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER

Graduate	Gender, Sexuality, and Coloniality Race, Sexuality, and Coloniality
Undergraduate	Beyond 2020: Queer and Trans BIPoC Liberation Visions, third year lecture Queer and Trans of Color Critiques, third year lecture Introduction to Asian American Studies, first year introduction

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS DARTMOUTH

Undergraduate	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies, first year introduction Identities: Gender, Race, Sexuality, first year introduction Introduction to Queer and Trans* Studies, second year introduction Feminist Research Methods, third year seminar Decolonizing Sexualities, third year seminar
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NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY

Graduate	Transnational Histories of Race, Gender, and Sexuality
Undergraduate	Women, Gender Identity, Race, and Ethnicity, first year introduction Introduction to Transnational Feminism, second year introduction Sexing the Global South: Transnational Perspectives, capstone seminar

YORK UNIVERSITY

Undergraduate	Introduction to South Asian Studies, second year introduction
Teaching Assistantships	Introduction to Sexuality Studies, first year tutorial Introduction to South Asian Studies, second year tutorial Education and Social Change, first year tutorial

STUDENT MENTORING

Ph.D. Primary Advisor, University of Colorado Boulder

1. Lau Malaver, Department of Ethnic Studies (co-advisor Dr. Seema Sohi), "Recovecos: Race, Time, and the Performance of Trans Embodiment," in progress

Ph.D. Committee Member, University of Colorado Boulder

1. Christine Zabala, School of Education, “The Role of Queer Literacies in a University’s Required Diversity Course,” defended March 2021
2. LeAnna Luney, Department of Ethnic Studies, “Coping to Survive the ‘Wild West’: Black College Womxn Navigating Gendered Racism,” defended May 2021
3. Jenean McGee, Department of Ethnic Studies, “The Darker Side of Surveillance Capitalism: The Datafication of African American Women,” in progress
4. Shawn O’Neal, Department of Ethnic Studies, “Audio Intersectionality: Challenging Heteropatriarchy Through Cultural Praxis,” in progress
5. Prakriti Mukherjee, Department of Geography, in progress
6. Beatriz Salazar, School of Education, in progress
7. Page Valentine Regan, School of Education, in progress
8. Erica Caasi, School of Education, in progress

Ph.D. Outside Committee Member

1. Fatima Jaffer, Interdisciplinary Studies Graduate Program, University of British Columbia, “Queer in the Shadows of Empire: How do queers *queer* politics in Vancouver, a metropolis on unceded occupied Coast Salish territories?,” in progress

B.A. Thesis Primary Advisor, University of Colorado Boulder

1. Violet Stoudt, Department of Ethnic Studies, in progress

B.A. Thesis Committee Member, University of Colorado Boulder

1. Mar Seminario, Department of Women & Gender Studies, Thesis: “Queering Reproductive Justice: Moving Beyond Public and Private Politics,” defended April 2021

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

Invited Academic Talks

- 2021 York University, Toronto Canada
[“They are just like the Adivasis”: *Other Indians* and Intersections of Race, Caste, & Indigeneity”](#)
- 2020 Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada
“Indians and Other Indians: Extractive Zones and Spaces of Complicities and Intimacies”
- 2020 Azim Premji University, Bangalore India
“Indians, *Other Indians*, and Colonial Intimacies”
- 2020 Metropolitan State University, Denver CO
“Trans Liberation in India”
- 2020 Washington University at St. Louis, St. Louis MO
“Saffron Gays and Hindutva”
- 2020 Department of Geography Colloquium, University of Colorado Boulder [cancelled due to COVID]
“Spaces of Intimacies and Complicities”
- 2020 Center for Asian Studies Brown Bag Series, University of Colorado Boulder
“Hindu Nation and its Queers”
- 2019 Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT
“Right-wing Hindu Diasporas and Settler Colonialism”
- 2018 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, MA

- “Complicities of Indian Diasporas”
 2018 Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ
 ““Can you get more American than Native American?”: Drag and settler colonialism in *RuPaul’s Drag Race*”
 2017 Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India
 “Indians on Indian Lands: Race, Indigeneity, and Settler Colonialism”
 2016 York University, Toronto, Canada
 “Desiring/Labouring Bodies: Punjabi Diasporas, Racialized Citizenship and Settler Colonialism”

Invited Panel & Roundtable Participation

- 2021 The Center for Media, Religion and Culture, CU Boulder
 “Epidemic Empire: Panel Discussion with Anjuli Fatima Raza Kolb”, panelist
 2021 Annual Asian American Studies Conference, Seattle WA
 “Indigeneity, ‘Transit of Empire’, and Asia” in the panel “Reimagining Indigenous-Asian Entanglements in the Transpacific”, presenter
 2021 Center for Teaching and Learning, CU Boulder
 “Emerging Masculinities”, panelist
 2020 University of Westminster, London, UK
[“#Homohindunationalism: Politics of Sexuality in the times of Majoritarianism in India”](#), panelist
 2018 National Women’s Studies Association Conference, Atlanta, GE
 “Imagining Decolonial/Unsettling Futures: Pedagogical Tactics, Challenges, and Transgressions in Queer and Trans* Studies Classes,” roundtable participant
 2017 National Women’s Studies Association Conference, in Baltimore, MD
 “Relearning Solidarities: Challenges from Dalit Feminisms”, Plenary Session, invited panelist
 2017 Annual American Studies Association Conference in Chicago, IL
 “Boycotting Settler Colonial Exceptionalism/Refusing Pedagogies of Settler Irresponsibility”, roundtable participant
 2017 Reimagining Creative Economy, University of Alberta, Calgary, Canada
 “Performing the Native: Racial Appropriations in RuPaul’s Drag Race”, invited panelist & discussant
 2017 Association of Asian American Studies Annual Meeting, Portland, OR
 “South Asians, Anti-Blackness, Settler Colonialism” in the roundtable “At the Crossroads of Anti-blackness and Settler Colonialism”, panelist
 2017 Association of Asian American Studies Annual Meeting, Portland, OR
 ““We have banned plastic bags”: Tar Sands, Environment, Racialized Complicities, and Settler Colonialism,” panelist
 2016 Association of Asian American Studies Annual Meeting, Miami, FL
 “Race, Caste, and Indigeneity: Rethinking South Asian Diasporas,” panelist
 2016 Engaging Caste in South Asian Diasporas, York University, Toronto, Canada
 “Epistemologies and Pedagogies of Caste”, roundtable
 2015 Annual Critical Approaches to South Asian Studies, York University, Toronto, Canada
 “Race and in the Classroom”, roundtable
 2014 Charting Imperial Itineraries, 1914-2014: University of Victoria, Victoria, Canada.
 “Theoretical and Epistemological Questions in Area Studies”, roundtable

Panel Organizer & Presenter

- 2021 Annual Asian American Studies Conference, Seattle WA
 “Roundtable Discussion on Quynh Nhu Le’s Unsettled Solidarities”, organizer and moderator
 2021 Department of Ethnic Studies, CU Boulder
[“Anti-Asian Violence, Silence, Race and Patriarchy”](#), organizer & moderator

- 2021 TRANSforming Gender, CU Boulder
[Trans and Non-Binary of Color Faculty Roundtable](#), organizer & participant
- 2020 Annual Native American and Indigenous Studies Conference, Toronto, ON [cancelled due to COVID]
 “Indigeneity and Settler Colonialism in Asia and NAIS Critiques”, organizer & participant
- 2018 48th Annual South Asian Studies Conference, Madison, WI
 “Decentering India,” roundtable organizer and participant
- 2018 Critical Ethnic Studies Conference, Vancouver, Canada
 “Contesting Creativity, Creative Contestations: Reimagining Possibilities under Multiple Colonialisms”, Roundtable
- 2018 Critical Ethnic Studies Conference, Vancouver, Canada
 “Hemispheric Asian American and Indigenous Relationalities: Keywords Towards Decolonizing Solidarities”, Roundtable
- 2018 Critical Ethnic Studies Conference, Vancouver, Canada
 “Disrupting Diasporic Hindutva Politics in North America”, Roundtable
- 2018 Annual Asian American Studies Conference, San Francisco, CA
 “Asian American Studies, Indigenous Epistemologies, and Unsettling Solidarity”, Roundtable
- 2017 Annual American Studies Association Conference in Chicago, IL
 “Disrupting Indic/India Studies” in the panel “Pedagogies Against Right-Wing Ideologies: Strategies in an Era of Trump, Modi, and Duterte”
- 2016 National Women’s Studies Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada
 “Unsettling Colonial Intimacies: Erotics, Violence, and Solidarities” in the panel “South Asian Feminists on Transnational Connections: Examining Questions of Race, Gender, Caste, and Indigeneity”
- 2016 Scarborough Fare: Global Foodways and Local Foods in a Transnational City, Toronto
 “Caste and Food in South Asian Diasporas” in the panel “Caste Politics of Food/Food Politics of Caste”
- 2014 Association of Asian American Studies Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA
 “Making of the South Asian Model Minority” in the panel “Locating Racialized Formations, Spaces and Bodies in the Workings of White Settler Colonialism”
- 2013 Critical Ethnic Studies Association Conference, Chicago, CA
 “Caste and the Diaspora: Notes on Invisibility of Caste within South Asian Diaspora” in the panel “Diasporic Narrations: Models, Myths, and Silences”
- 2013 Association of Asian American Studies Annual Meeting, Seattle, CA
 “Caste-d Diasporas” in the panel “Diasporic Myths and Silences”

Other Conference Presentations (Selected)

- 2019 Racial Orders, Racist States, Annual Amsterdam Center for Globalization Studies Conference, Netherlands
 “Hindu Right Diaspora and Racial/Settler Border Makings in the US”
- 2018 International Conference on Caste and Race, Amherst, MA
 “Race, Caste, and Settler Capitalism”
- 2018 Translation, Gender, And Feminism, Poznan, Poland
 “Trans/lating Queer, Annihilating Caste, Decolonizing Praxis”
- 2017 “Gender, Sexuality, Occupation” Feminist Pre-conference, 46th Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI.
 “From Turtle Island to Kashmir And Beyond: Methodologies Of/Against Occupations”
- 2016 Annual American Studies Association Conference, Denver, CO
 “Making Homes on Stolen Lands: Racialized Migrants, Complicities, and Pernicious Continuities
- 2016 4th Annual Critical Approaches to South Asian Studies, Toronto, Canada
 “Transnational Intersections of Caste, Race, and Indigeneity” (Session Chair)

- 2015 44th Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI
“Indians on Indian Lands: Colonial Encounters and Complicities” (Session Chair)
- 2015 Annual American Studies Association Conference, Toronto, Canada
“Theorizing Racial Silences in Settler Colonial Societies”
- 2015 7th Annual Native American and Indigenous Studies Conference, Washington, D.C.
“Colonial Regimes of Labour”
- 2015 Critical Ethnic Studies Association Conference, Toronto, Canada
“Regimes of Racialized Labour and Settler Colonialism”
- 2015 Decolonial Futures in South Asia and Beyond, Honolulu, HI
“Decolonial Diasporas on Stolen Lands? Labour, Race and Indigeneity”
- 2014 14th Annual Critical Race and Anticolonial Studies Conference, Edmonton, Canada
“Making of the South Asian ‘Model Minority’”
- 2013 Homonationalism and Pinkwashing Conference, New York, NY
“Whose Occupation Does Pinkwashing Obscure? Queer Politics and Indigenous Colonization in Canada” (co-author: M. C. Jackman)
- 2012 6th Annual Diasporas: Exploring Critical Issues, Oxford, UK
“Un/Settling Immigrants: Towards decolonizing immigrant-indigenous relationships”
- 2012 Demystifying the Urban: Borderlands of Canada and India, Kolkata, India
“Negotiating Urban Immigrant Relationships on Colonized Lands”
- 2011 Decolonization in the Third World: Challenges, Hopes and Limitations, Montreal, Canada
“Indigeneity in Postcolonial India: Is decolonization desirable and/or possible?”
- 2011 LGBT/Queer Studies: Toward Trans/national Scholarly and Activist Kinships, Madrid, Spain
“Opening the Politics of Queerness: Can Postcolonial, Marxist, and Queer Theory Talk? The Case of Queers against the Israeli Apartheid” (co-author: P. Ravecca)
- 2011 Engaging India: A Multidisciplinary Conference, Ottawa, Canada
“Teaching the “Nation”: Critical Reflections on Area Studies, Pedagogy and the University”
- 2011 Canadian Sociological Association, Fredericton, Canada
“Whither Decolonization: Indigenous Realities and Postcolonial Myths”

Invited Community & Non-Academic Speaking/Facilitation Engagements (Selected)

- 2021 Tasveer, Seattle, WA
[“South Asian and Palestinian Solidarity: Revisit Pinkwashing”](#), invited facilitator
- 2020 Trans Day of Remembrance, Denver, CO
[Invited Speaker](#)
- 2020 Denver Freedom Skool, Denver, CO
“Trans Abolitionist and Decolonial Visions”, invited workshop facilitator
- 2020 Mariposa & Althea Center, Denver, CO
[“Immigration is an LGBTQ Issue: Love Across the Borders”](#), invited speaker
- 2020 March 4 Trans Rights, Denver, CO
Invited Speaker
- 2020 JLF Boulder, CO
[“Equity in a System Driven by Inequity”](#), invited speaker
- 2019 A Space Gallery, Toronto, ON
“Who’s Home on Native Lands?: South Asians and their role as non-Indigenous treaty partners,”
invited to organize & facilitate a roundtable
- 2019 LGBTQ Film Series, New Bedford, MA
“Discussion on Moonlight”, invited speaker
- 2018 University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, Dartmouth, MA
“Black Feminism and Womanism”, invited facilitator & speaker
- 2017 Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ
“Resistance & Pedagogies”, Roundtable

- 2016 Annual Republic Day Panel, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada
“Post-Pathankot: India-Pakistan Relations”, Roundtable
- 2015 Brown Canada Summit 2020, Toronto, Canada
“Teaching Colonialism”, a plenary hosted by the Canadian Council for Serving South Asians
- 2015 Reflection on Race, Labour Strike, and CUPE 3903, Toronto, Canada
“Reflections on Race, Colonialism and Union ‘Success’”, Roundtable

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Peer Reviewer

- 2021 Reviewer for an application for the New Frontiers in Research Fund 2020 Transformation Competition, *Canada Research Coordinating Committee*
Peer reviewer, *Kalfou: A Journal of Comparative and Relational Ethnic Studies*
- 2020 Peer reviewer, *Journal for South Asian Studies*, *Journal for Historical Sociology*, *Journal of Asian American Studies*, *The Wenshan Review*, *Journal of Homosexuality*, *Ethnic and Racial Studies*
Chapter proposals reviewer, *Routledge Handbook* project
- 2019 Book manuscript reviewer for *Fernwood Publishing Canada*
Book proposal reviewer for *Routledge India*
Peer reviewer, *Interventions: International Journal of Postcolonial Studies*, *Settler Colonial Studies*
- 2018 Peer reviewer, *Journal for Feminist Studies*
- 2017 Peer reviewer, *Journal of Lesbian Studies*, *Socialist Studies*
- 2016 Peer reviewer, *Journal of Women’s History*, *Writing from Below*
- 2015 Peer reviewer, *International Feminist Journal of Politics*

University Service

University of Colorado Boulder (Selected)

- 2019 – 2020 Graduate Committee, Department of Ethnic Studies

UMass Dartmouth (Selected)

- 2018 – 2019 “Possibilities of Ethnic Studies in the Trump Era” Events Series, Co-organizer
- 2018 – 2019 Black Students Union, Faculty Advisor
- 2018 – 2019 Sylvia Rivera Living and Learning Community, Steering Committee Member
- 2017 – 2019 Women’s and Gender Studies Steering Committee Member
- 2017 – 2019 Women’s and Gender Studies Curriculum Committee Member
- 2017 – 2019 WGS Liaison & Event Co-organizer with Centre of Women, Gender, and Sexuality and the Frederick Douglass Unity House

Northern Arizona University (Selected)

- 2016 – 17 Women’s and Gender Studies Steering Committee
- 2016 – 17 Women’s and Gender Studies Speakers and Events Committee
- 2016 – 17 NAU Commission on Ethnic Diversity
- 2016 – 17 NAU LGBTQIA Commission

York University (Selected)

2012 – 16	South Asia Research Group, Founding Member & Executive Member
2015 – 16	Graduate Program in Social and Political Thought, Advisory Member
2014 – 15	Black, Indigenous, and People of Colour Caucus, CUPE 3903, Co-founder
2012 – 13	CUPE 3903 (TA Union), Vice President Unit 1
2011 – 12	South Asia Studies, Executive Committee Member
2008 – 09	Graduate Program in Social and Political Thought, MA Admissions Committee
2008 – 09	CUPE 3903 (TA Union), Bargaining Team Member

Conference and Workshop Organizing (York University, selected)

2016	Caste in the Diaspora
2016	Critical Approaches to South Asian Studies IV
2015	Critical Ethnic Studies Association Conference
2015	Critical Approaches to South Asian Studies III
2014 – 15	Pedagogy, Race, and Area Studies Speaker Series
2014	Critical Approaches to South Asian Studies II
2013 – 14	Asian Diaspora Speaker Series
2013	Critical Approaches to South Asian Studies I
2013	Ghadar Movement: A Living Legacy

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES (Current/Recent)

American Studies Association
Association of Asian American Studies
Critical Ethnic Studies Association
National Women's Studies Association
Native American and Indigenous Studies Association