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Educational Qualifications					
Degree	Institution				Year
PhD (English)	La Trobe University, Australia				2002
MPhil	DU				1996
MA	DU				1992
BA (Hons) English	DU				1990
Career Profile					
Administrative Assignments					
Areas of Interest / Specialization					

Postcolonial Literature and Theory; Indian Literature; Literary Gerontology; Families in Literature; Urban Cultures; Cosmopolitan Theory

Subjects Taught

Bhakti Literature (MA Part II)

Postcolonial Theory: An Introduction (M.Phil course)

Globalization, Cosmopolitanism and the Postcolonial Novel (M.Phil Course)

Imagined States (M.Phil Course)
Ageing in Literature (M.Phil Course)

Beyond Ethics: Critical Perspectives on Cosmopolitanism Now (M.Phil Course)

Research Guidance

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Publications Profile

Published work (last three years)

JOURNAL ARTICLES

'New Literatures: The Indian Subcontinent and Sri Lanka', *The Year's Work in English Studies*, 98 (2019), 1273–1283.

'New Literatures: The Indian Subcontinent and Sri Lanka', *The Year's Work in English Studies*, 97 (2018), 1275–1284.

'New Literatures: The Indian Subcontinent and Sri Lanka', *The Year's Work in English Studies*, 96 (2017), 1290–1299.

'Funda', short article in *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies*, 40.2 (2017): 308–310.

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

'No Time to Die: Illness, Ageing and Death in Three Short Stories from India', pp.305-320 in *Caring for Old Age: Perspectives from South Asia*, ed Christiane Brosius and Roberta Mandoki, Heidelberg: Heidelberg University Press, 2020.

'Aesthetics of Accommodation: Hand-Painted Signage and the Shaping of Public Spaces in India', with Ken Botnick. Pp 41-61 in *Transvisuality: The Cultural Dimension of Visuality*, ed Anders Michelsen and Frauke Wiegant and Tore Kristensen, Liverpool University Press, 2019.

'Ma Reads', trans. of H.R. Harnot's short story 'Ma Padhti Hai', Rpt pp 106-110 *S.R Harnot's Cats Talk* ed Khem Raj Sharma and Meenakshi F. Paul, Newcastle Upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2018.

Conference Organization/ Presentations (in the last three years)

- 28 Sept 2019, Invited participant to a brainstorming session to identify priority areas for India South Asia chapter of the World Humanities Report (WHR), commissioned by the International Council of Philosophy and the Human Sciences (CIPSH), in collaboration with UNESCO, and supported by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the Consortium of Humanities Centres and Institutes (CHCI), KREA University, Chennai.
- 12 Mar 2019, "Unfamiliar Ground: Gender, Family and Care in Contemporary Fiction", paper presented at a two day conference on *21*st century Indian Woman: Representations and Expressions, PGDAV college, Delhi University.

- 31 Jan 2019, "The Imagined Self: Migration, Care and the Attachment to Objects", paper presented at a two day conference on *Care, Migration, Gender: Ambivalent Interdependencies*, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany. [By Invitation]
- 18 Nov 2018, "In the Shadows of Cosmopolitanism: Agnes Heller and the Idea of Home", paper presented at a Conference on *Marxist Critical Theory in Eastern Europe*, University of Sichuan, Chengdu, China. [By Invitation]
- 15-17 Mar 2018, Convenor, Conference Organising Committee, World Literature: Postcolonial Perspectives.
- 21 Feb 2018, Keynote Lecture, 'Conspicuous Non-Consumption: Rethinking Agency in Contemporary Indian Fiction', and Resource Person for one day national seminar on "The Politics of Food: Representations and Practices", St Theresa's College, Ernakulum, Kerala.
- 12-18 Feb 2018, Resource Person, Sydney Summer School, Sydney, Australia.
- 6-9 Dec 2017, Co-organiser, International Winter School, Delhi University/ Potsdam University.
- 6-9 Dec 2017, Three Day seminar, with Professor Rajni Palriwala, on Intimacy and Care, Winter School, Delhi University. (Resource Person)
- 21 Sept 2017, "To everything there is a season': Some speculations about body and time in Indian Fiction", National Conference on Ageing, Ageism and Cultures, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India. [by invitation]

7 Jun 2017, "When Ripeness isn't all: Ageing and Death in Three Indian Short Stories", Guest				
Lecture, Department of English, Potsdam University, Germany.				
Research Projects (Major Grants/Research Collaboration)				
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Awards and Distinctions				
Association With Professional Bodies				
Institute of Postcolonial Studies, Melbourne, 1997–current				
Indian Association of Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies, Life				
Other Activities				

Signature of Faculty Member

