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Curriculum Vitae

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Born February 1976 in Miami, Florida

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS

Modern & Early Modern South Asia; Urban History; Indian Ocean; Transregional & Comparative History; Muslim World; British Empire; Sovereignty; Law & Crime; Borderlands; Persianate Studies

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2015–present Associate Professor of History, State University of New York, Stony Brook

2023 Faculty Fellow, Humanities Institute of Stony Brook

2007–2015 Assistant Professor of History, State University of New York, Stony Brook

2013–2014 Visiting Researcher, Institute for the Study of Muslim Societies & Civilizations, Boston Univ.

2011 Visiting Research Fellow, Graduate School Muslim Cultures & Societies, Freie Universität Berlin

2009–2010 Visiting Scholar, Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations, Harvard University

2005–2007 Tutor of History & Literature, Harvard University

2004–2005 Visiting Instructor of Religion, Southwestern University

## EDUCATION

2007 Ph.D., Harvard University. Dissertation: “Muslim Modern: Hyderabad State, 1883–1948.”

2003 A.M., Harvard University.

2000 M.A., University of Texas at Austin. Thesis: “Hindu–Muslim Hybridity and Cultural Difference: The Politics of History–Writing in Hyderabad, 1592–1948.”

1997 B.A., New College of Florida. Baccalaureate Honors Thesis: “Kafir and Mleccha: Historiographies of the Hindu–Muslim Encounter in the India Subcontinent.”

## PUBLICATIONS AND CURRENT RESEARCH

### Book

[\*Hyderabad, British India and the World: Muslim Networks and Minor Sovereignty, c. 1850–1950\*](#), Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2015 (SAARC edition, CUP–India, 2016; paperback, CUP, 2018).

### Journal Special Issue

Co-Editor (with Thomas Blom Hansen). [“Rethinking Sovereignty,”](#) *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* 40.3 (2020).

### Peer–Reviewed Articles

[“Beyond Colonial Urbanism: State Power, Global Connections, and Fragmented Land Regimes in Twentieth-Century Hyderabad City,”](#) Special Issue: “Princely Cities: Towards a New Urban History of South Asia, c. 1860–1960,” eds. Prashant Kidambi and Kate Boehme, 51.1 (2024).

[“Old Borderlands: Sovereignty and Autonomy in the Hyderabad Deccan, ca. 1800–2010,”](#) *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* 40.3 (2020).

[“Introduction: Rethinking Sovereignty, Colonial Empires, and Nation-States in South Asia and Beyond,”](#) *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* 40.3 (2020).

[“Documenting the World in Indo-Persianate and Imperial English: Idioms of Textual Authority in Hyderabad,”](#)

in Theme Issue: “Islamic Cultures of Documentation,” eds. James Pickett and Paolo Sartori, *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 63/5-6 (2019).

[“Territoriality in Motion: Waqf and Hyderabad State,”](#) in Special Issue: “Muslim Endowments in Asia,” eds. Amelia Fauzia, Till Mostowlansky, and Nurfadzilah Yahaya, *The Muslim World* 109.1 (2018).

[“Securing Empire’s Borderlands: Reflections from South Asia,”](#) in Special issue: “(In-)Securities across European Empires and beyond,” eds. Benedikt Stuchtey and Andrea Wiegeshoff, *Journal of Modern European History* 16.3 (2018).

[“Urbanist Expansions: Planner–Technocrats, Patrimonial Ethics and State Development in Hyderabad,”](#) in Special Section: “Beyond the Colonial City: Re-Evaluating the Urban History of India, 1920–1970,” eds. Douglas E. Haynes and Nikhil Rao, *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies* 36.3 (2013).

[“Frontier as Resource: Law, Crime and Sovereignty on the Margins of Empire,”](#) *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 55.2 (2013).

[“Colonial Urbanism and South Asian Cities: A Review Essay,”](#) *Social History* 36.4 (2011).

[“Property, Authority and Personal Law: Waqf in Colonial South Asia, c. 1900,”](#) *South Asia Research* 31.2 (2011).

“Waqf e attivismo giuridico musulmano nell’Asia meridionale coloniale all’inizio del Novecento” [Waqf and Muslim Legal Activism in Colonial South Asia, c. 1900], Special Issue, ed. Paolo Sartori, “Waqf, colonialismo e pluralismo giuridico nelle società musulmane,” [Waqf, Colonialism and Legal Pluralism in Muslim Societies] *Quaderni Storici* 44.132 (2009).

### **Chapter in Peer Reviewed Volume**

“Frontier as Resource: Law, Crime and Sovereignty on the Margins of Empire,” in [South Asian Borderlands: Mobility, History, Affect](#), edited by Farhana Ibrahim and Tanuja Kothiyal (Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2021), 234–270.

### **Public Scholarship, non–Peer Reviewed (select)**

“Afterword: Who does the Deccan belong to?,” in [Article Series on the Deccan Region](#), *The News Minute*, digital periodical covering Southern India, 10/2021

### **Current and Future Book Projects**

“Cities and Urbanism in the Indian Ocean World.” A short book (20,000-30,000 words) comprising thematic coverage of cities in the Indian Ocean world c. 1300 to the present from eastern Africa, the Arabian Peninsula, and Iran, to South and Southeast Asia. Under Contract for [Global Urban History, Elements Series, Cambridge University Press](#), late 2025.

“Fixing Urban Property: Development, Dispossession, and the Right to the City in Hyderabad, India.” An urban history of Hyderabad City in an era of the rapid expansion of built-up area, population, and urban footprint, c. 1910 to the present. Set against changing modes of urban development and capitalism, this book will examine multiple means of occupying and claiming urban land as property; track Hyderabad’s connections to other cities and places from provincial to global scales; and reflect on the ways these dynamics configure access to the city for different groups.

“Halcyon Worlds: Regimes of Difference in Early Modern Indian Ocean Cities.” An examination of representations and politics of urban cultural difference in early modern South Asia and the Indian Ocean world comprising city case studies drawn from Persianate and European language sources.

“A Founding Romance: Muslim–Hindu Love, Social Memory, and the Origins of Hyderabad City, c. 1590–2015.” A short book oriented to scholarly and popular readers on Hyderabad’s foundation story, wherein a Muslim king constructed his new capital as a tribute to his beloved, a local Hindu courtesan. The book will track its political valence and resonance in contemporaneous and subsequent state, elite and popular representations.

## SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

### Invited Lectures and Presentations

- “Fixing Urban Property: Dispossession & the Right to the City in Twentieth-Century Hyderabad,” South Asia Research Forum, Northwestern University, 3/2024.
- “Making Urban Property: Land Regimes, Capitalism, and Global Connections in Hyderabad City,” Faculty Fellows Lecture, Humanities Institute, SUNY–Stony Brook, 11/2023.
- Moderator of talk by Indivar Jonnalagadda (Miami University, Ohio), “Politics, Property and Planning in Global Hyderabad,” Khidki Deccan Conversations Series, 8/2023.
- “Rangarāng ‘Ālam: Mobility and Difference in Early Modern Surat,” *Port Cities and the Persianate*, Event V in the Association for the Study of Persianate Societies (ASPS) Virtual Events Series, 9/2021.
- “The Worlds of Hyderabad in a World of Cities,” *Hyderabad Deccan Gol Mez: A Round Table Series of Online Conversations*, Hosted by Hyderabad Urban Labs, 3/2021.
- “Muslim Internationalism in the Age of Empire,” *Islam and Moments of Global Connections*. Roundtable, Institute for Globalization Studies, SUNY–Stony Brook, 11/2020.
- “Halcyon Worlds: Writing People and Places in Early Modern South Asian Port Cities,” *Reading, Writing, and Picturing the Muslim Port City: Architecture and Urbanism around the Indian Ocean Littoral after 1500*, in *The Seas and The Mobility of Islamic Art*, Hamad bin Khalifa Symposium on Islamic Art, Doha, Qatar, 11/2019.
- Introduction Presenter, Session Moderator, and Panel Discussant, in *The Future of Tamil Studies*, Symposium, Humanities Institute, SUNY–Stony Brook, 9/2019.
- “Old Borderlands: Sovereignty and Autonomy in the Hyderabad Deccan, c. 1800–2010,” *Mediators at the Edges of Empire*, Inter–Asia Workshop, Yale University, 5/2019.
- “Urban Sovereignty, Property, and Global Flows in Asaf Jahi Hyderabad,” *Princely Cities: Towards a New Urban History of South Asia, c. 1860–1960*, Workshop, Centre for Urban History, University of Leicester, UK, 4/2019.
- “Third World Soccer from Above and Below: Sovereignty, Fandom and Citizenship,” *Beautiful Games? Putting the World Back in the World Cup*, Symposium, Institute for Public Knowledge, New York University, 6/2018.
- “A Counter-Cultural and Anti-Capitalist Academic Life: Tribute to a Mentor, my Uncle,” *John Beverley: The Urgency of Latin Americanism in Times of Conflictive Globalization*, International Conference, University of Pittsburgh, 3/2018.
- “Regimes of Difference and Ethnographic Writing in Early Modern Surat,” *Mobile Bodies: A Long View of the Peoples and Communities of Maritime Asia*, International Conference, SUNY–Binghamton, 11/2017.
- “Documenting the World in Indo-Persianate, Imperial English and Urdu: Idioms of Textual Authority in Hyderabad,” *Islamic Cultures of Documentation: Archives, Paperwork, and State Power in Eurasia*, International Symposium, University of Pittsburgh, 5/2017.
- “Minor Urbanism and the Social Terrain of South Asian Cities: A View from Hyderabad,” *Contestation in South Asian Cities*. Roundtable, Dhar India Studies Program, Indiana University, Bloomington, 4/2017.
- “African labor, mobility, and community in South Asia, c. 1500–2017,” *South Asia, Africa, and Indian Ocean Connections*. Roundtable, Charles B. Wang Center Galleries, SUNY–Stony Brook, 4/2017.
- “Endowing Land across Time, Space and Jurisdiction: Waqf and Hyderabad State,” *General Seminar*, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta, West Bengal, India, 3/2017.
- “The City Improvement Board and the Making of Twentieth-Century Hyderabad City,” *In the Belly of the Beast (a series of conversations about what it means to be urban in the 21st century)*, Hyderabad Urban Labs and Lamakaan, Hyderabad, Telengana, India, 3/2017.
- “Old Borderlands: Law, State, and Autonomy in the Hyderabad Deccan, c. 1800–2010,” *Faculty Seminar*, Centre for Historical Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, 3/2017.
- “Sovereignty and Muslim Statecraft: The Political and Social Worlds of Hyderabad State before and after 1948,” Department of Islamic Studies, Osmania University, Hyderabad, Telangana, India, 2/2017.

- “The Making and Dismantling of the Legal Framework of Sovereignty in Hyderabad, c. 1750–1950,” *Power, Resistance and Sovereignty in Princely South India (With special reference to the Transfer of Power)*, Prof. Achyuta Rao Memorial International Conference, Department of Studies in History, University of Mysore, Mysuru, India, 2/2017.
- “Securing Empire's Borderlands: Reflections on Mobility, Sovereignty, and Legal Regimes from South Asia,” *International History Workshop*, Center for International History, Columbia University, 1/2017.
- “Territoriality in Motion: Waqf and Hyderabad State,” *Muslim Endowments in Asia: Waqf, Charity and Circulations*, Workshop, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, 10/2016.
- “Deccani Letrados: Persianate and British Imperial Idioms of Textual Authority in Hyderabad,” *Persianate Cultures of Documentation (15th–20th Centuries)*, Conference, Institute of Iranian Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, Austria, 6/2016.
- “Introductory Comments: Historicizing South Asian Sovereignty beyond Colonialism and Nationalism,” *Shades of Sovereignty: Lineages of Authority and Social Order in South Asia*, Workshop, Stanford University, 5/2016.
- “Securing Empire's Borderlands: Mobility, Sovereignty, and Legal Regimes in South Asia and Beyond,” *Security and Empire*, International Conference, Department of History and Cultural Studies, Philipps–Universität Marburg, Germany, 3/2016.
- “Minor Sovereignities: Hyderabad Among States and Empires,” *History Department Colloquium*, Cornell University, 11/2014.
- “Of Court and Port: Regimes of Diversity in Early Modern South Asian Cities,” *Ifriqiyya*. Faculty Colloquium, Department of Middle Eastern, South Asian, and African Studies, Columbia University, 10/2013.
- “Of Port and Court: Reading Diversity in Perso-Islamic South Asian Cities,” *Reconsidering the Non–Muslim Other: Internal and External Religious Differentiation*, Workshop I in *Being Muslim: How Local Islam Overtakes Narratives of Exceptionalism*, Department of Religious Studies, Vanderbilt University, 9/2013.
- “Urban Sovereignty and Technocratic Patrimonialism in the Remaking of Hyderabad City,” *Vernacular Urbanism and the Provincial City in South Asia*, Humanities Center and Center for South Asia, Stanford University, 1/2013.
- “Improving Urbanism: Sanitation and Power in Hyderabad and Secunderabad,” *Islamic Law in Society Workshop*, Kevorkian Center for Near Eastern Studies, New York University, 5/2012.
- “Laws, States and Subalterns in Imperial Borderlands,” *After Subaltern Studies: Early Career South Asian Studies Workshop*, Princeton University, 4/2012.
- “Imperialism Inside/Out: Internal Borderlands and the Limits of Colonialism in South Asia,” *Borders and Borderlands: Contested Spaces Between States*, 15<sup>th</sup> Berlin Roundtables on Transnationality, Irmgard Coninx Foundation and Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung (WZB), Germany, 3/2012.
- “Cities, Urbanist Projects and Global Connections,” Workshop Convener, Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany, 6/2011.
- “Global Intellectual Networks and Hyderabad in the Colonial Era,” *Global Connections and South Asia Islam Workshop*, Ak Center for Global Islamic Studies, George Mason University, 5/2011.
- “Moglai Justice: Imperialism, Law, and the Making of the Hyderabad–Bombay Frontier,” *Islamic Law in Society Workshop*, Kevorkian Center for Near Eastern Studies, New York University, 5/2011.
- “At Large on the Hyderabad–Bombay Frontier,” *South Asia Across Disciplines*, Workshop, Harvard University, 11/2009.
- “Law, Crime and Sovereignty on the Hyderabad–Bombay Frontier,” *Initiative for the Historical Social Sciences*, Workshop, SUNY–Stony Brook, 10/2009.
- “Of Port and Court: Transnational Connections in Early Modern South Asia,” *Transnational Pasts*, Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, 4/2009.
- “Halcyon Worlds: Surat in the Eighteenth Century,” *The Eighteenth Century Cosmopolis: Global Cities and Citizens in the Age of Sail*, Conference, SUNY–Stony Brook Humanities Institute, 10/2008.
- “Islamism, Progress, Modernity: Political Ideas in South Asia and Beyond,” Invited Lecture, Department of Religious Studies, University of California, Riverside, 5/2008.

“British Secunderabad and the Making of Modern Hyderabad City,” Public Lecture, Alam Khundmiri Foundation and Vidyasagar Art Centre, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India, 6/2007.

“Colonial Knowledge in ‘Moglai’: Governing the Hyderabad–Bombay Frontier.” *Beyond Deconstruction: Engaging Colonial Knowledge*, King’s College, Cambridge University, UK, 10/2006.

“Islam and Ideology in ‘Indian India’: Princely Rule in the Hyderabad Deccan and Critique of British Colonialism,” *Symposium on Region and Regional Consciousness in India*, Arizona State University, 3/2004.

### **Conference Presentations**

“State Capitalist Cities: Global Concepts from Asian Urbanism.” in panel *Historical Comparisons and Asian Cities: Rethinking Global Urbanism from China and India*. Stretching the Limits of Global Urban History (Global Urban History Project), Berlin, Germany, 7/2025.

Discussant and Panel Chair, in panel *Race, Space and Segregation in the Colonial City*. American Historical Association meeting, New York City, 1/2025.

“Making and Unmaking Private Property in South Asia.” in panel *Land Rights and the Future of Property in India*. Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 11/2024.

“Land Regimes in Hyderabad City from State Capitalism to Liberalization: The A.P. Land Grabbing (Prohibition) Act, 1982–2016.” in panel *Land grabbing across urban and peri-urban areas*. International Conference on Global Land Grabbing (Land Deal Politics Initiative), Bogotá, Colombia, 3/2024.

“Property, Publics, and Planning in Post-WWII Hyderabad,” in panel *The Right to the City in Postcolonial India*. Urban History Association Biennial Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, 10/2023.

Roundtable Presenter, in panel *Roundtable: Cambridge Elements in Global Urban History*. Urban History Association Biennial Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, 10/2023.

Roundtable Presenter, in panel *Asian Sources of Urban Modernity*. Conference: “The State of Urban History: Past, Present, Future,” University of Leicester, UK, 7/2023.

Roundtable Presenter and Moderator, in panel *The Sources of Urban Modernity in Asia*. New York Conference on Asian Studies meeting, Syracuse, 10/2022.

Discussant and Panel Chair, in panel *Institutions and their Records: Tracing Modern Allahabad*. Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 10/2021.

Discussant and Panel Chair. Stony Brook History Graduate Student Association Conference: “Performances of Power: The Liminal Space between Knowledge and Ignorance,” Stony Brook, NY, 9/2021.

Discussant and Panel Chair, in panel *Colonial Projects*. Stony Brook History Graduate Student Association Conference: “Decolonial Histories: Imperialism, Resistance, & Liberation”, Stony Brook, NY, 9/2020.

Discussant and Panel Chair, in panel *Practices of Place-making in Modern South Asia*. Association for Asian Studies meeting, Boston, MA, 3/2020 (cancelled for pandemic).

Chair of Conceptual Framework Roundtable, Panel Discussant, and Joint Session Presenter, in Symposium *From Space into Property: Urban South Asia Symposium*, Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 10/2019.

Discussant and Panel Chair, in panel *Migration and Muslim Identity*. Stony Brook History Graduate Student Association Conference: “Movement and Migration”, Stony Brook, NY, 3/2019.

“Informality, Regulation, and Urban Publics in the Making of Hyderabad City,” in panel *Historical Perspectives on the Informal City in South Asia*. Urban History Association Biennial Conference, Columbia, SC, 10/2018.

Discussant and Chair, in panel *Cities in Flux: Urban Change and Economic Life across the Indian Ocean, 1890–1970*. Urban History Association Biennial Conference, Columbia, SC, 10/2018.

Roundtable Presenter, in panel *The Language of Secular History: Reflections on Urdu, Politics, Religion, and Nation in Modern South Asia in Memory of Kavita S. Datla (d. 2017)*. Association for Asian Studies meeting, Washington DC, 3/2018.

“Land Regimes, Histories, and the Urban Public in Twentieth–century Hyderabad City,” in Pre–Conference *Time and the Modern South Asian City*. Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI, 10/2017.

- “Obdurate Geographies: Hyderabad’s Borderlands,” in panel *Regimes of Making in the Borderlands of South Asia*. Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI, 10/2015.
- “Hyderabad’s Hinterlands: Regional and Global Frameworks in South Asian Urban History,” in panel *Beyond City Limits: Cities and Regions in South Asia*. Association for Asian Studies meeting, Chicago, 3/2015.
- “Royal Passions: Emotions, Bodies, and Sovereignty in the Qutb Shahi Deccan,” in panel *Emotional Styles: Seemly and Unseemly Passions in Indian Courtly Settings, 1550–1750*. American Historical Association meeting, New York City, 1/2015.
- “Minor Urbanism: Hyderabad as South Asian Secondary City,” in panel *Secondary Cities in South and Southeast Asia: Beyond Nation and Empire*. Urban History Association Biennial Conference, Philadelphia, 10/ 2014.
- “Diversities of Difference from Court to Port: Textual and Political Strategies in Early Modern South Asian Cities,” in panel *The Politics of Difference in Early Modern South Asia*. Association for Asian Studies meeting, San Diego, 3/2013.
- “Sovereignty, Land, and Planning in the Making of Urban Hyderabad,” in panel *Urban Land Regimes and the Modern South Asian City*. Association for Asian Studies meeting, Honolulu, 4/2011.
- “Moglai Justice: Colonial Illegalities on the Hyderabad–Bombay Frontier,” in panel *Law and Violence on the British Indian Frontier: Colonialism and Exceptional Jurisdiction* (co-sponsored by the North American Conference on British Studies). American Historical Association meeting, Boston, 1/2011.
- “Criminals and Crime in the Colonial Borderlands,” in panel *Laws for Outlaws: Crime and Social Practice in Modern South Asia*. Association for Asian Studies meeting, Chicago, 3/2009.
- “Twin Cities, Universal Visions: Modernizing Hyderabad and Secunderabad,” in panel *Beyond Colonial Urbanism: Cities in South Asia*. Urban History Association Biennial Conference, Houston, 11/ 2008.
- “Layered Sovereignty and Subaltern States: Nationalism and Other Global Visions,” in panel *Elites and Nationalism in Comparative Perspective*. European Social Science History Association meeting, Lisbon, Portugal, 2/2008.
- “Prince’s Progress: Modernization and Islamist Internationalism in Hyderabad,” in panel *Countervailing Connections: Islamicate Mobilities in Imperial Moments*. Association for Asian Studies meeting, Boston, 3/2007.
- “A Foundational Romance: Bhagmati and Qutb in Modern Hyderabad,” in panel *Fissures in the Imperial Narrative: Production and Consumption of Historical Memory in Colonial India*, Annual South Asia Conference, University of California–Berkeley, 2/2006.
- “Cosmopolitanism, Charminar to Chadarghat: Locating Urban Modernity in Late Princely Hyderabad City,” in panel *HistoriCities: Other Histories of South Asian Cities*. Association for Asian Studies meeting, Chicago, 4/2005.
- “From Dakani Difference to Princely Modernity: Genealogies of Regional Consciousness in Hyderabad,” in panel *Regional Historiographies in Late Pre–Colonial and Colonial South Asia*. Association for Asian Studies meeting, Washington, DC, 4/2002.
- “Writing Hindu–Muslim Hybridity: Nationalist Histories in Late Princely Hyderabad,” in panel *History, Memory, Community: Rethinking South Asian Regional Cultural History*, Annual South Asia Conference, University of California–Berkeley, 2/2001.

### **Conference Planning**

- The Right to the City in Postcolonial India*, Panel Organizer, Urban History Association Biennial Conference, Pittsburgh, PA, 10/2023.
- The Sources of Urban Modernity in Asia*, Roundtable Panel Organizer and Moderator. New York Conference on Asian Studies meeting, Syracuse, 10/2022.
- Hyderabad Deccan Gol Mez: A Round Table Series of Online Conversations*, Advisor and Interlocutor, Hosted by Hyderabad Urban Labs, 3-4/2021.
- From Space into Property: Urban South Asia Symposium*, Organizer and Co-Convener with Nikhil Rao and Rachel Sturman, Symposium, Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 10/2019.

[\*Shades of Sovereignty: Lineages of Authority and Social Order in South Asia\*](#), Workshop Organizer and Co-Convener with Thomas Blom Hansen, Stanford University, 5/2016.

*The Politics of Difference in Early Modern South Asia*, Panel Organizer, Association of Asian Studies meeting, San Diego, 3/2013.

*Law and Violence on the British Indian Frontier: Colonialism and Exceptional Jurisdiction* (co-sponsored by North American Conference on British Studies), Panel Organizer and Chair. American Historical Association meeting, Boston, 1/2011.

*Laws for Outlaws: Crime and Social Practice in Modern South Asia*, Panel Organizer and Chair, Association for Asian Studies meeting, Chicago, 3/2009.

*Countervailing Connections: Islamicate Mobilities in Imperial Moments*, Panel Organizer, Association for Asian Studies meeting, Boston, 3/2007.

## **GRANTS AND AWARDS**

2025 History Department Gene Lebovics Fund Award for Research & Conference Travel Support

2024 United University Professors/New York State Individual Development Award

2023 Faculty Fellow, Humanities Institute of Stony Brook

2019–20 Gardiner Fund Faculty Travel Grant, Department of History, SUNY–Stony Brook (returned)

2019–20 Stony Brook Mattoo Center for India Studies, Conference Travel Grant

2019–20 Dean's Humanities Research Grant, SUNY–Stony Brook

2018–19 President's Distinguished Travel Grant, SUNY–Stony Brook

2018–19 United University Professors/New York State Individual Development Award

2017–18 President's Distinguished Travel Grant, SUNY–Stony Brook

2017–18 Stony Brook Mattoo Center for India Studies, Conference Travel Grant

2017 Most Valuable Professor Award, Stony Brook Athletics

2017 Faculty in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Individual Research Grant

2011 Freie Universität Berlin, Visiting Research Fellowship

2010–11 United University Professors/New York State Individual Development Award

2009–10 SUNY–Stony Brook, Junior Research Assignment

2008–09 United University Professors/New York State Individual Development Award

2006–07 Harvard Graduate Society Dissertation Writing Fellowship

2005–06 Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin and U.S. National Humanities Center, Summer Institute

2002–03 Fulbright–Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellow (India, UK)

2000–03 Graduate Fellowship, Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations, Harvard University

2000 University of Texas–Austin, Summer Language Study Grant (Marathi)

1997–2000 Foreign Language Area Studies Fellow for South Asia, UT–Austin (Urdu)

1994–97 Florida Undergraduate Academic Scholars Fellow, New College

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION AND SERVICE**

Peer-reviewer of Books: Cambridge, Columbia, Stanford, Routledge

Peer-reviewer of Articles: *Annals of the American Academy of Geography*; *Comparative Studies in Society & History*; *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa, & the Middle East*; *Gender & History*; *History of the Present*; *India Review*; *Journal of Asian Studies*; *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History*; *Journal of Persianate Studies*; *Journal of the Economic & Social History of the Orient*; *Journal of Transport History*; *Law and History Review*; *Modern Asian Studies*; *Sagar: A South Asia Research Journal*; *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies*; *Urban History*

Peer-reviewer of Tenure and Promotion files (external)

Editorial Board: *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East* (2025– )

Board of Trustees Member (Elected): American Institution of Indian Studies (2022–2025)

Board of Directors Member (Elected): [Global Urban History Project](#) (2025–2027)

Reviewer: National Endowment for Humanities Fellowship competition

Advisor: [Khidki Collective](#) (public scholarship on India's Deccan region)

Member (periodic): American Historical Association, Association of Asian Studies, Society of the Advancement of the History of South Asia (AHA Affiliate), Urban History Association

### **UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE**

2024-present	Member, Executive Committee (Elected), History Department
2014-present	Member (and occasional Chair), Fulbright Campus Review Committee
2024-2025	Member, Search Committee, Modern Chinese History
2022-2024	Member, History Department Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Committee
2020-2022	Graduate Program Director, History Department
2017-2022	Member, History Department Graduate Committee
2020-2022	Member, Executive Committee (Ex-officio), History Department
2021-2022	Member, Search Committee, Transnational Global South History
2019-2021	Co-Chair, Search Committee, Swaminathan Endowed Professorship in Tamil Studies
2015-2020	Steering Committee, Initiative for Historical Social Sciences
2018-2019	Acting Member, History Department Futures Committee
Fall 2019	Advisory Board, Institute for Global Studies
Fall 2019	Member, Tamil Studies Symposium Organization Committee
2018-2019	Member, History Department Executive Committee
Fall 2018	Member, NEH Summer Stipend Application Evaluation Committee
2016-2017	Member, Data, Metrics, and Public Engagement Committee
Fall 2016	Member, Search Committee, Mattoo Chair in Classical Indian Studies
Fall 2016	Convener, History Graduate Student Workshop, "Navigating the Job Market"
2015-2016	Coordinator, Asia History Curriculum Redesign
2015-2016	Member, History Department Executive Committee
2012-2013	Member, Search Committee, African History
2011-2012	Member, History Department Strategic Committee
2010-2015	Chair, History Department Website Committee
2008-2015	History Department Webmaster
2007-2008	Initiator and Chair, Ad-Hoc History Department Website Redesign Committee

### **DISSERTATIONS ADVISED (PRIMARY ADVISOR)**

Aishani Gupta, "The Shrine's City: Pilgrimage, Politics, and the Making of Colonial Ajmer, 1857-1947"  
(Department of History, SUNY-Stony Brook, 2023)

Erica Mukherjee, "Soil, Water, and Steam: A Hydraulic History of Imperial Bengal, 1793-1854" (Department of History, SUNY-Stony Brook, 2019)

Donal Thomas, "Hybrid Knowledge in the Natural World of the Western Ghats: European Inroads to Indian Borderlands" (Department of History, SUNY-Stony Brook, in progress)

### **DISSERTATION COMMITTEES (SECONDARY READER OR EXTERNAL EXAMINER)**

Jocelyn Zimmerman, "George Bogle's "Fairy Dreams": Polygamy, Alterity and Enlightenment in the East India Company 'Discovery' Mission to Tibet, 1770-1777" (Department of History, SUNY-Stony Brook, 2023)

Charlotte Rossler, "Race Science on Tour: Scientific Communication in Provincial Urban Britain, 1830-1870" (Department of History, SUNY-Stony Brook, 2023)

Swathi Shivanand, "A Region in Time: The Underdevelopment of Twentieth-Century Hyderabad-Karnataka" (Centre for Historical Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, 2020)

C. Yamini Krishna, "Cinemasces of the City: A History of Cinema in Hyderabad" (Film Studies Department, English & Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad, India, 2019)

David Yee, "Divided Landscapes in the Mexican Metropolis: Housing and Segregation in Mexico City, 1940-



1976” (Department of History, SUNY–Stony Brook, 2019)

Elizabeth Sloan, “Welfare and Warfare: Social Action for Algerian Migrants in Metropolitan France During the Algerian War” (Department of History, SUNY–Stony Brook, 2012)

Timothy Nicholson, “Teaching Tanzania: Education and the Creation of Tanzania in a Cold War World” (Department of History, SUNY–Stony Brook, 2012)

## **LANGUAGES**

English (native)

Urdu–Hindi (reading and spoken, formal training to advanced level)

Persian (reading knowledge, some spoken, formal training to advanced level)

French, German (reading, some spoken, formal training for reading knowledge)

Spanish (some reading and spoken, no formal training)

Marathi and Sanskrit (some formal training, limited reading and spoken)