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# Curriculum Vitæ

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## **EDUCATION**

PhD	Religion	Columbia University	(anticipated) 2022
MPhil	Religion	Columbia University	2019
MA	Religion	Columbia University	2016
BA	Religion, Great Ideas	Carthage College	2013

# **CERTIFICATES**

2021	Center for Teaching and Learning: Foundational Track Completion	Columbia University
2020	South Asia Institute: Advanced Certificate	Columbia University

## LANGUAGES

English (native)

Hindi (fluent)

## COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIPS AND HONORS

2021	Columbia University IRCPL Dissertation Fellowship
2018	Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Award: Mathura, India AIIS Junior Research Fellowship (declined)
2017	AIIS Language Fellowship (Hindi): Jaipur, India Summer FLAS Fellowship (Hindi): Jaipur, India
2016	Summer FLAS Fellowship (Hindi): Jaipur, India
2015	Academic Year FLAS Fellowship (Hindi)
2014	Academic Year FLAS Fellowship (Hindi)
2013	Fulbright-Nehru Fellowship (ETA): New Delhi, India

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#### **PUBLICATIONS**

"COVID-19 First Responders: The Gayatri Pariwar and the Immune Ritual Body." *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, 89, no.3 (Sept. 2021): 1006-1038.

"Metabolic Living: Food, Fat, and the Absorption of Illness in India by Harris Solomon (Review)." *Global Public Health* 11, no.2 (2018): 318-19.

#### **CONFERENCES AND INVITED TALKS**

"Om Shanti Emojis: Three Facets of Digital Hinduism," Anthropology of Religion Unit and Religion, Media, and Culture Unit, American Academy of Religion, Online, December 5, 2020.

"Energy and Vibrations: The Logic of Transformation in the Gayatri Pariwar and the Brahma Kumaris," Public Health Workshop, Jalaharwal Nehru University, New Delhi, March 12, 2020.

"Zooming in on Mozoomdar: A Microhistory of Brahmo Belief," Religion in South Asia Section, American Academy of Religion, Denver, November 18, 2018.

Chair/Discussant, "Yoga and Politics: South Asia and Beyond," Madison South Asia Conference, October 12, 2018.

"The Creation of a Mahatma: Creative License in Ratnadeep Pictures' *Tulsidas* (1954)," Madison South Asia Conference, October 23, 2015.

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Academy of Religion (AAR)

International Exchange Alumni

#### TEACHING AND ACADEMIC SERVICE

Instructor of Record (New York University, 2022)

Spring 2022 | "Religions of India"

Lead Teaching Fellow (Center for Teaching and Learning, Columbia University, 2020-2021)

Teaching Assistant (Columbia University, 2018-2020)

Fall 2020 | "Introduction to Judaism"

Spring 2019 | "Millennium: Apocalypse and Utopia"

Fall 2018 | "East Asian Buddhism"

Spring 2018 | "Hinduism"

Research Assistant (Columbia University, 2018)

History of Diagnosing Cognitive Decline (Kavita Sivaramakrishnan, History)

Graduate Mentor (Columbia University, 2018)

Laidlaw Scholarship Program