

Curriculum Vitæ
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EDUCATION

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

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

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

- “COVID-19 First Responders: The Gayatri Pariwar and the Immune Ritual Body,” Hinduism Unit and Religion in South Asia Unit, American Academy of Religion, Online, November 20, 2021.
- “Honey Forest on a Hill: How the Brahma Kumaris Make a Pilgrimage Place,” Madison South Asia Conference, Online, October 22, 2021.
- “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**

Spring 2022 “Religions of India” New York University

Lead Teaching Fellow

2020-2021 Center for Teaching and Learning Columbia University

Teaching Assistant

Fall 2020	“Introduction to Judaism”	Barnard College
Spring 2019	“Millennium: Apocalypse and Utopia”	Barnard College
Fall 2018	“East Asian Buddhism”	Columbia University
Spring 2018	“Hinduism”	Barnard College

Research Assistant

2018 History of Diagnosing Cognitive Decline Columbia University
Kavita Sivaramakrishnan, History

Graduate Mentor

2018 Laidlaw Scholarship Program Columbia University