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Education:

- Ph.D. in Religious Studies. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. 2009.
- M.A. in Religious Studies. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. 2000.
- B.A. double major in Religious Studies and Philosophy. University of California at Davis. 1996.

Publications:

- “Possessing Knowledge: Spirit Possession and Institutional Constraints among the Brahma Kumaris.” Doctoral Dissertation, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. 2009.
- “Kriya Yoga: Media and Institutions.” Masters Thesis, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. 2000.
- “Domesticating Virtue.” Exhibition Catalogue, Ackland Museum. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. 2001.

Conference Presentations:

- “From Postmodernism to Comparison in Religious Studies.” North Carolina Association of Religious Studies. Chapel Hill, NC. 2001.
- "Globalization, Theory and Necessary Comparisons." Department of Religious Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Chapel Hill, NC. 2001.
- "The Brahma Kumaris: An Institution in Three Dimensions." North Carolina Association of Religious Studies: Chapel Hill, NC. 2000.

Courses Taught In-Person:

- “Sacred Texts and Traditions of South Asia.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2011.
- “Introduction to Philosophy.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2011.
- “Ethics.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2011.
- “Ethics.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2011.
- “English Composition I.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2011.
- “Introduction to Philosophy.” North Carolina Central University. Fall 2010.
- “Ethics.” North Carolina Central University. Fall 2010.
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- “Introduction to Philosophy.” North Carolina Central University. Summer 2010.
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- “Ethics.” North Carolina Central University. Summer 2010.
- “Ethics.” North Carolina Central University. Summer 2010.
- “Religions and the World.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2010.
- “Introduction to Philosophy.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2010.
- “Ethics.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2010.
- “English Composition II.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2010.
- “English Composition I.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2010.
- “English Composition II.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2010.
- “Introduction to Philosophy.” North Carolina Central University. Fall 2009.
- “Ethics.” North Carolina Central University. Fall 2009.
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- “English Composition I.” North Carolina Central University. Fall 2009.

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“Ethics.” North Carolina Central University. Summer 2009.

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“Religions and the World.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2009.

“English Composition II.” North Carolina Central University. Spring 2009.

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“Ethics.” North Carolina Central University. Fall 2008.

“Ethics.” North Carolina Central University. Fall 2008.

“English Composition I.” North Carolina Central University. Fall 2008.

“English Composition II.” North Carolina Central University. Fall 2008.

“Theory and Method in Religious Studies.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Summer 2007.

“Non-Western Religions.” University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Summer 2006.

“Non-Western Religions.” University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Summer 2006.

“Cultural Diversity.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Spring 2006.

“World Religions.” Guilford College. Summer 2005.

“World Religions.” Guilford College. Summer 2005.

“Asian Religions.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Fall 2004.

“Asian Religions.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Summer 2004.

Courses Taught Online:

“Asian Religions.” Carolina Courses Online at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Summer 2008.

“Asian Religions.” Carolina Courses Online at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Summer 2007.

“Asian Religions.” Carolina Courses Online at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Spring 2007.

“Asian Religions.” Carolina Courses Online at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Fall 2006.

“Asian Religions.” Carolina Courses Online at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Summer 2006.

“Asian Religions.” Carolina Courses Online at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Spring 2006.

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“Asian Religions.” Carolina Courses Online at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Fall 2004.

“Asian Religions.” Carolina Courses Online at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Summer 2004.

Teaching Assistantships:

“Writing 20.” Duke University. Summer 2007.

“Philosophical Approaches to Religion.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Fall 2005.

“Ideals, Cultures and Rituals of the University.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Spring 2002.

“Introduction to the History of Christian Traditions.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Fall 2001.

“Asian Religions.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Fall 2000.

“World Religions.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Spring 2000.

“Asian Religions.” University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Fall 1999.

Writing Instructorships:

Writing Studio. Duke University. 8/2005-8/2008.

Sanford Institute for Public Policy. Duke University. Fall 2007.

University Writing Program. Duke University. Summer 2007.

Writing Center. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. 8/2000-5/2002.

Public Service Presentations:

"Religion in South Asia." Encore, Division of Continuing Education Studies. North Carolina State University. 2001.

"History of Buddhism and Hinduism." North Carolina School of Science and Math. Durham, NC. 2000.

Committee Service:

"Postcolonial Studies." North Carolina Central University. 08/2008-present.

"English Composition II." North Carolina Central University. 08/2008-present.

"English Composition I." North Carolina Central University. 08/2008-present.

Grants Received:

Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad (DDRA). Awarded for eleven months of dissertation research in India. 01/2003-12/2003.

American Institute of Indian Studies Fellowship. Awarded for Hindi in Udaipur and Mount Abu, Rajasthan, India, by the American Institute of Indian Studies. Summer 2000.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Grant (FLAS). Awarded for Hindi by the North Carolina Center of South Asian Studies. 2000-2002.

Study Abroad Travel Grant. Awarded for Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Spring 1999.

Language Proficiencies:

Hindi – Advanced skills in reading, writing, and conversation

Sanskrit – Intermediate skill in reading

French – Intermediate skill in reading

German – Intermediate skill in reading

Professional Certification:

Future Faculty Fellowship Program, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of
North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Summer 2004

Professional Membership:

American Academy of Religion (AAR), 1996-present