

*Curriculum Vitae*

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**Professional Experience**

**University of Florida** **2006-Present**  
Assistant Professor, Center for Women's Studies and Gender Research

**Education**

**University of California, Berkeley** **Dec 2003**  
• Ph.D in South and Southeast Asian Studies with a Designated Emphasis in Women, Gender and Sexuality

**University of Wisconsin, Madison** **1996-1998**  
• MA in South Asian Languages and Cultures

**Columbia University in the City of New York** **1990-1994**  
• BA in Women and Gender Studies

**Publications**

- **Books**
  1. *Mahadevi Varma: Essays on Women, Culture, and Society* (Edited with an Introduction), New Delhi: Zubaan/Kali for Women, *forthcoming* 2007.
  2. *Illuminating Feminism: Religion, Nation, and Poetry in South Asia* (under review at Oxford University Press)
- **Chapters in Books**
  3. "Women, Gender, and Representation of Sexualities in South Asian Poetry: Modern Period," *Encyclopedia of Women in Islamic Cultures*, Leiden: Brill, *forthcoming* 2007.
  4. "Women, Gender, and Women's Poetry: South Asia," *Encyclopedia of Women in Islamic Cultures*, Leiden: Brill, *forthcoming* 2007.
- **Articles in Journals**
  5. *East/West Encounters: "Indian" Identity and Transnational Feminism in Manushi* (under review)
  6. *Subjective Space of City and Poetry* (under review)
  7. Translation, "My Country," *Urban Folk*, Winter 2002.
  8. Introductory Comments, *Bridges*, Vol.1, Fall 2002.
- **Book Reviews**
  9. Tony Ballantyne and Antoinette Burton, eds., *Bodies in Contact: Rethinking Colonial Encounters in World History*, Durham, NC, and London: Duke University Press, 2005 in *Itinerario: International Journal on the History of European Expansion and Global Interaction*, 30:1 (2006).

**Select Presentations & Conference Papers**

- **36<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on South Asia** **Oct 2007**  
Madison, WI  
Discussant: "Disjuncture and Difference in Feminist Transnational Practices: Imagining

- Women through Law, Documentary Cinema, and the State”

• **Society of Honors Students and the Asian American Association** **Nov 2005**  
 Ewing, NJ  
 Invited Lecture: From Tradition to Feminist Emancipation: Life in Cosmopolitan New Delhi and New York
- **34<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on South Asia** **Oct 2005**  
 Madison, WI  
 Paper titled: Subjective Space of City and Poetry: The Poems of Gagan Gill
- **Symposium on Walt Whitman** **Sept 2005**  
 Ewing, NJ  
 Invited Paper: Manifest Nature: Walt Whitman and the Romantic Movement in Hindi
- **Humanities Research Institute Seminar in Critical Theory (Irvine)** **Aug 2005**  
 Irvine, CA  
 Seminar Participant; Paper titled: Feminism in the Service of Nationalism
- **Association for Asian Studies Annual Convention** **Mar 2005**  
 Chicago, Illinois  
 Paper titled: East/West Encounters: “Indian” Identity and Transnational Feminisms in *Manushi*
- **Women’s History Month** **Mar 2005**  
 Ewing, NJ  
 Invited Lecture: Women’s Words: Poets in Translation from India and Pakistan
- **18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on South Asia** **Feb 2003**  
 University of California, Berkeley  
 Paper titled: “The Body Lacerated: The Poems and the Politics of Fahmida Riaz.”
- **Urdu Scholarship in a Transnational Perspective** **Sept 2001**  
 Southern Asian Institute: Columbia University, New York  
 Paper titled: “Writing Women, Writing Sexualities, Writing the Body: The Poems of Fahmida Riaz and Kishwar Naheed.”
- **16<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on South Asia** **Feb 1999**  
 University of California, Berkeley  
 Paper titled: “The Body of the Courtesan: A Contested Site.”

#### Fellowships & Awards

UF Center for the Humanities in the Public Sphere (Co-PI)	2007-2008
UF Water, Religion, and Gender Equity in India (Water Institute, Co-PI)	2007-2008
UF Transnational and Global Studies Center/ICA	Sum 2007
Support for Scholarly Activities (The College of New Jersey)	2004-2006
UC Berkeley Travel Grant to India	2003-2004
UC Berkeley Chancellor’s Dissertation-year Fellowship	2002-2003
Graduate Division Dean’s Normative Time Grant	2001-2002
American Institute of Pakistan Studies (could not undertake due to 9.11)	Fall 2001
American Institute of Indian Studies Language Fellowship	2000-2001
University of California Regents Fellowship	1999-2000
Title VI: Foreign Language Area Studies Grant and University of California Berkeley Regents Fellowship	1998-1999

#### Service at-Large and Professional Memberships

- Faculty in Residence, Global-Living Community Broward/Yulee Halls **2007-Present**
- CHiTra, Affiliate Faculty, University of Florida **2006-Present**
- University of Florida Water Institute, Affiliate Faculty **2006-Present**

- Asian Studies/ Asian-American Studies Program, Affiliate **2006-Present**
- South Asia New Jersey **2004-2006**
- Manuscript Reviewer for Oxford University Press **2004**
- Annual Hindi-Urdu Workshop **Nov 2004**
- University of Pennsylvania: Departments of South Asia Regional Studies, and the  
Center for South Asia Studies
- Founding Editor and Editorial Committee Member **2000-Present**
  - *Bridges: Berkeley Research Journal on South and Southeast Asia*
- Translator, Film: *Bombay Eunuch* 2000. **1998-1999**
- Member of NWSA, AAS, MLA