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EMPLOYMENT

Fall 2025-	Department Head , Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois Chicago (UIC)
2024-Present	Liberal Arts and Sciences Distinguished Professor , University of Illinois Chicago (UIC)
2023-Present	Program Director , National Science Foundation (NSF) Cultural Anthropology Program, Division of Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences/Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences Facilitator, NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) Social and Behavioral Sciences (Cross-Directorate Initiative) Representative for Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences, Mid-Career Advancement Program (Cross-Directorate Initiative)
2022-Present	Professor , Department of Anthropology, UIC
2018-2022	Associate Professor , Department of Anthropology, UIC
2012-2018	Assistant Professor , Department of Anthropology, UIC
2010-2012	Lecturer , Humanities Collegiate Division, Department of South Asian Languages and Civilizations, The University of Chicago
2010-2012	Senior Research Associate , Committee on Southern Asian Studies, The University of Chicago
2008-2012	Associate Director , South Asia Language and Area Center and the Committee on Southern Asian Studies (Directed a center funded by a US Department of Education, Title VI Grant), The University of Chicago
2007-2008	Visiting Scholar , Women's Studies Program, University of Pittsburgh
2008	Project Manager , Eberly Center for Teaching and the Office of the Associate Provost for Education, Carnegie Mellon University (Responsible for managing CMU's accreditation process)
1998-2003	Research Director and Qualitative Research Specialist , The Gallup Organization (Atlanta, Seattle, Chicago and Washington DC locations)
1995-1996	Junior Consultant , H.M. Long International, Ltd, New York, NY

1995 **Researcher**, The Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation, New York, NY

EDUCATION

2009 Ph.D., Anthropology, University of Illinois Chicago
2004 M.A., Anthropology, University of Illinois Chicago
1998 M.A., Political Science, McGill University
1995 B.A., Social Sciences and Theater, Bennington College

PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE

- Higher Education and Federal Program Administration, Strategic Planning and Forecasting
- Collaborative Social Science
- International Partnerships and Curriculum Development
- Faculty and Student Development and Mentoring
- Career Diversity in the Social Science and Humanities
- Federal Grant Making and Grants Management
- University-Federal Relations
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Access and Broadening Participation in Higher Education and Federal Government
- Open Science

SCHOLARLY & TEACHING INTERESTS

- Urban and Economic Anthropology
- Trans-regional studies
- Science and Technology Studies
- Gender and Politics
- Transportation, Infrastructure, Technology, and Mobilities
- Labor and Work
- Cultural and Human Geography
- Sensory Anthropology
- Kinship
- Borderlands
- South Asia; South-east Asia; United States; Europe

ACADEMIC HONORS AND INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

2024 **Cultural Horizons Prize**, Society for Cultural Anthropology

2024-Present **LAS Distinguished Professor**, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS), University of Illinois Chicago.

2023-Present **Editorial and Publications Board Member**, Association for Asian Studies (AAS)

2023	International Convention of Asia Scholars (ICAS) Accolade for Best Humanities Read for the General Public for <i>Mumbai Taximen: Autobiographies and Automobilities in India</i> .
2022	Victor Turner Prize in Ethnographic Writing , Society for Humanistic Anthropology (2 nd Prize for <i>Mumbai Taximen: Autobiographies and Automobilities in India</i>)
2022-2023	International Collaborator and Leader for Urban-Placemaking Field Schools in South Asia (Field school in Kathmandu (2022); Delhi (2023); Heidelberg (2023), DAAD (German Academic Exchange/Center for Asian and Transcultural Studies, Heidelberg University/School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi, India; Kathmandu University, Kathmandu, Delhi)
2022-2024	Visiting Researcher , Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, Germany
2021-Present	Co-Editor, Anthropology of Work Review (International AAA Journal for the Society for the Anthropology of Work)
2021-2023	Expanding Internationality Professor in Asian and Transcultural Studies , Heidelberg University, Germany
2019	Distinguished Visitor , Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia
2016	Visiting Scholar , Center for Mobilities Research (CeMoRe), University of Lancaster
2013	Visiting Scholar , Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore

OTHER ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS AND SIGNIFICANT SCHOLARLY CONTRIBUTIONS

2023	Chair of Prize Committee , Victor Turner and Edie Turner Award, Society for Humanistic Anthropology/American Anthropological Association
2021-2023	Member of Prize Committee , Eric R. Wolf Prize, Society for the Anthropology of Work (Awarded to the best graduate student paper in the Anthropology of Work).
2022-Present	Member and Collaborator of the Logistics Study Group , Neubauer Collegium, The University of Chicago
2021-	Affiliated Faculty , Department of Urban Planning and Policy, UIC
2022-2023	International Collaborator and Leader for Urban-Placemaking Field Schools in South Asia (Field school in Kathmandu (2022); Delhi (2023)), DAAD (German Academic Exchange)
2020-	Founder and Director , Mobilities and Methods Lab (MML), Department of Anthropology, UIC (Funded by NSF, supplemental grant for Outreach and dissemination)
2020-	Founder, Mobilities and Methods Podcast Series with the New Books Network (Training graduate student podcasters who run the series)

2019-	Mainly Matters Visual Research Collective , Tasveer Ghar: A Digital Archive of South Asian Popular Culture (http://www.tasveerghar.net/)
2018-2021	Elected Member , Board of Trustees, American Institute of Indian Studies (AIIS)
2017-Present	Elected Member , Executive Committee, International Association for the History of Traffic, Transport, and Mobility
Fall 2017	Contributing Writer on South Asian Mobilities , Mobility in History Blog
Spring 2017	Teaching Scholar , Center for the Advancement of Teaching-Learning Communities, UIC
2015-2018	Co-Convener , Urbanism Across Spaces, Places, Discipline Working Group, Institute for Humanities, UIC
2013-Present	Member , Dynamics of Global Mobility Research Cluster, Great Cities Institute, UIC
2012-Present	Associate Member , Committee on Southern Asian Studies, The University of Chicago
2012-Present	Affiliated Faculty , Global Asian Studies Program, UIC

EXTERNALLY COMPETITIVE GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Submitted/Not Funded	National Endowment for the Humanities , “Fugitive Touch: <i>Luka-Chipi</i> (Hide and Seek) and Tactile Work in Mumbai.” (Award Amount \$60,000).
2022 Alternate	Institute for Advanced Study , School of Social Sciences. Fellow/Member for Special Research Year on Platforms. “Fugitive Touch: The Sensory Labor of Men in India’s Platform Economy.” (Award Amount: \$78,000)
(Submitted/Not funded (Funding requested 2022-25)	National Endowment for the Humanities , Archaeological and Anthropological Field Research (with Rodrigo Solinus-Casparius, PI; Mitch Hendrickson, Tarini Bedi co-PIs) “Histories of Intersections: A Collaborative Conceptualization of the Anthropology of Rest Along Road Networks” (Requested Amount: \$149,038)
Submitted/Not funded (Funding requested 2021-24)	National Endowment for the Humanities , Archaeological and Anthropological Field Research (with Rodrigo Solinus-Casparius, PI; Mitch Hendrickson, Tarini Bedi co-PIs) “Stopping along the Way: A comparative archaeological and ethnographic investigation of rest and resting places along global roads.” (Requested Amount: \$150,000)
2023-2025	National Science Foundation, Partners for International Research and Education(PIRE) ; <i>International partnerships for accelerating climate-ready, sustainable, and clean urban transportation</i> ; Role: Social Science

Collaborator/Consultant; PI. Dr. Ashish Sharma, University of Illinois, Urban-Champaign (\$1,499,886.00)

- 2021-2023 **Expanding Internationality Fellowship**, Heidelberg University, Center for Asian and Transcultural Studies, Heidelberg, Germany (\$102,740)
- 2020 **National Science Foundation-REG: (Re) Imagining Automobility: Understanding The Relationship Between Consumption of Transport Infrastructure and Class Mobilities** (PI for Student Nirupama Jayaraman; Cultural Anthropology program, NSF Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences) (\$5992.00)
- National Science Foundation-REG: Technology and Labor: Understanding Shifts in Work and Contracts in Seoul, South Korea** (PI for Student Doyeon Shin; Cultural Anthropology Program, NSF Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences) (\$6,000)
- 2019-2023 **National Science Foundation**, Cultural Anthropology Senior Research Award for “Labor webs and the Transformation of Local Transportation Infrastructures.” (Award #1917969; \$108,000)
- 2016-2018 **Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research**, Post-Ph.D. Research Grant in Socio-Cultural Anthropology for “Everyday Technologies of the Urban: Motoring and Mobilities in Bombay/Mumbai’s Taxi Trade.” (\$18,410)
- 2013 **Social Science Research Council**, Transregional Postdoctoral Fellowship (finalist)
- 2010-2011 **American Institute of Indian Studies**, Senior Research Fellowship, “Taxi Drivers and Urban Change: Local Histories of Place in Mumbai’s Pathanwadi.” (\$10,000)
- 2005-2006 **American Institute of Indian Studies** Junior Dissertation Research Fellowship (Nationally competitive fellowship for dissertation research in India) (\$18,000)

INTERNALLY COMPETITIVE FELLOWSHIPS AT UIC

- 2021-2022 **Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy** Faculty Fellowship (Fellowship to cover writing support and teaching relief): Project Title: Driving While Muslim: Racialization the Policing of Mobilities in Mumbai
- 2015-2016 **Institute for Humanities** Faculty Fellowship (Fellowship grants one academic year of research/writing leave)
- 2013-2014 **Great Cities Institute** Faculty Fellowship (Fellowship grants one academic year of research/writing leave)
- 2007 **Alice J. Dan Dissertation Research Fellowship**, Center for Research on Women and Gender (1 awarded annually to dissertations focusing on women and gender across the University of Illinois Chicago) (\$1,500)

2007-2008 **Dean's Scholar Fellowship**, Graduate College, (Awarded to the most distinguished advanced graduate students across UIC) (\$22,000)

INSTITUTIONAL GRANTS

2011 The University of Chicago, Carnegie Endowment Grant for Workshop on Women in South Asian Islamic Societies (collaborative outreach grant between University of Chicago's South Asia Language and Area Center, the American Institute of Indian Studies, American Institute of Bangladesh Studies & American Institute of Pakistan Studies) (\$5,600)

2010-2014 The University of Chicago, South Asia Language and Area Center, US Department of Education, Title VI Grant; Program Personnel (Associate Director) (\$2.8M)

2008-2010 The University of Chicago, South Asia Language and Area Center, US Department of Education Title VI Grant; Program Personnel (Associate Director) responsible for implementation and programming, USED Department of Education Title VI Area Studies Grant, South Asia Language and Area Center, University of Chicago (\$1.2M)

2008-2010 Social Science Research Council, Chicago Muslims in their Own Voices: Lived Identity in the First Person; Program Personnel and Project Advisor (collaborative outreach grant between Center for Middle East Studies & South Asia Language and Area Center, University of Chicago) (\$50,000)

BOOKS & MONOGRAPHS

2024 Tarini Bedi and Benjamin Linder, eds. *South Asia on the Move: Mobilities, Mobilization and Maneuver*. Amsterdam University Press.

2022 *Mumbai Taximen: Autobiographies and Automobilities in India*. Seattle, WA: University of Washington Press. Global South Asia Series. (<https://uwapress.uw.edu/book/9780295749860/mumbai-taximen/>)

2nd Prize Winner, 2022 Victor Turner Prize in Ethnographic Writing

2016 The *Dashing Ladies* of Shiv Sena: Political Matronage in Urbanizing India (2016). SUNY Series in Hindu Studies. Albany, NY: SUNY Press.

 (Also published in India as The Dashing Ladies of Shiv Sena: Political Matronage in Urbanizing India (2016). New Delhi, India: Aleph Book Company)

SINGLE-AUTHORED BOOK MANUSCRIPTS IN DEVELOPMENT

- *Fugitive Touch: The Senses and Platform Labor in India* (monograph in development. Manuscript to be completed 2025)
- *Zumba: Moving Life, Breaking Soul* (creative non-fiction monograph in development)

CURRENT RESEARCH/FIELDWORK PROJECTS

- *Religious and Road Infrastructures along the Kartarpur Corridor* (Currently conducting fieldwork along the Kartarpur Corridor that connects Sikh religious shrines between India and Pakistan; fieldwork is ongoing since 2019).
- "HOME/HOUSE/HOUSING (H3)" : Collaborative Groups and Fieldwork Opportunities in Chicago and Beyond
- Anthropology/Archeology of Rest: Collaborative Project

ARTICLES/ESSAYS IN PEER REVIEWED VENUES

Under Review	Automobility and the Making of Technological Kin in 20 th Century India. <u>History and Technology</u>
2024	When Does a Car Die? Special Issue on Obsolescence, <u>Limn (November 2024)</u>
2023	Bumpy Roads, Dusty Air: <i>Gadbad</i> and the Sensate Ecologies of Driving Work in Contemporary Mumbai. <u>Cultural Anthropology 8(1):60-86</u>
2023	Mythri Jegathesan, Tarini Bedi. Notes from the Editorial Collective. 44(3): 3-4. https://doi.org/10.1111/awr.12238
2022	Mythri Jegathesan, Tarini Bedi, and Aaron C. Delgaty. Notes from the Editorial Collective. <u>Anthropology of Work Review</u> https://doi.org/10.1111/awr.12230
2022	Aditi Aggarwal and Tarini Bedi Dhandha and the Making of Valuable Livelihoods in Contemporary Mumbai. <u>South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies</u> . https://doi.org/10.1080/00856401.2022.2073711
2022	Body-Politics and the Gendered Politics of Hindu Militancy: Shiv Sena Women and Political Agency in Western India. In; <u>Laughter, Creativity, and Perseverance: Female Agency in Hinduism and Buddhism</u> ; Ute Hüsken ed. (Oxford University Press).
2021	Tarini Bedi, Aditi Aggarwal, Jozi Chaet & Lakshita Malik). Feminist Pedagogy through the Small Fieldnote. <u>Feminist Anthropology 2(2):199-223</u> .
2021	Business. In <u>Bombay Brokers</u> ; Lisa Bjorkman, ed. Durham, NC: Duke University Press; Pp 163-173. https://www.dukeupress.edu/bombay-brokers
2021	Muna: A Profile. In <u>Bombay Brokers</u> ; Lisa Bjorkman, ed. Durham, NC: Duke University Press; Pp 216-223. https://www.dukeupress.edu/bombay-brokers
2020	Thinking Through Urban Obsolescence: Tinkering, Repair, and the Politics of <i>Joona</i> in Bombay/Mumbai's Taxi Trade. <u>International Journal of Urban and Regional Research</u> ; (DOI) 10.1111/1468-2427.12948
2018	Urban Histories of Place and Labour: The <i>Chillia</i> Taximen of Mumbai. <u>Modern Asian Studies</u> 52(5):1604-1638.

- 2017 Histories of Transport Labor, Modes of Circulation and Mobile Subjects in South Asia. Mobility in History 8:97-107.
- 2016 Taxi Drivers, Infrastructures, and Urban Change in Globalizing Mumbai. City & Society 28(3): 387-410.
- 2016 Journeys and their Afterlives Anthropology and Humanism 41(2): 196-205.
- 2016 “Network not Paperwork:” Political Parties, the *Malkin*, and Political Matronage in Western India. Politics and Gender 12(1):107-142.
- 2016 Mimicry, “Friction,” and Trans-Urban Imaginaries: Mumbai Taxis/Singapore Style Environment and Planning A 48:1012-1029.
- 2015 Stereotypes: India *In* Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures; Suad Joseph and Elora Shehabuddin, eds. Leiden: Koninklijke Brill NV (http://dx.doi.org/10.1163/1872-5309_ewic_COM_002013).
- 2014 The Everyday Politics of Hindu Lives in India. International Journal of Hindu Studies 18 (3):491-499.
- 2012 Motherhood and Its Lack: Personal Loss and Political Community among *Shiv Sena* Women in Mumbai Women’s Studies International Forum 35(6):478-86.
- 2012 (with Liza Weinstein) Building Politics: Gender and Political Power in Globalizing Mumbai *In* Women’s Encounters with Globalization; Dasgupta, Driskell, Braun and Yeates Eds. Kolkata: FrontPage Publications, pp. 157-173.
- 2007 The *Dashing Ladies* of the *Shiv Sena*. Economic & Political Weekly: 42(17), April 28, 2007.
- 2006 Feminist Theory and the Right-Wing: Shiv Sena Women Mobilize *Mumbai*. Journal of International Women’s Studies 7(4):51-68

PEER REVIEW ARTICLES IN PREPARATION/REVISION

- n/d Who heals the City? Manual Medicine and Bone Setters in Mumbai (in revision)
- n/d The Fugitive Hands and Feet in Algorithmic Work (in revision)
- n/d Small Towns/Big Infrastructure (in revision)

ESSAYS/BOOK CHAPTERS/TRANSLATIONS

- 2020 Wheeled Masculinity: A Visual Essay. Tasveer Ghar. <http://www.tasveerghar.net/>
- 2019 Bedi, Tarini. Some thoughts and findings from the field: Women and the Illicit Politics of Slum-Redevelopment in Globalizing Mumbai *In* Disassembled Cities: Social and Spatial Strategies to Reassemble Communities; Elizabeth Sweet, Ivan Arenas, and Teresa Cordova eds. London; New York: Routledge. Pp. 149-155.

- 2018 *Comment on Atreyee Sen's "Security and Purity: Female Surveillance, Child Vigilantism, and the Moral Policing of Deviant Women in Two Radicalised Indian Slums."* Current Anthropology 59(5):560-61.
- 2013 Review of *Infrapolitics: The Social Life of Water in Mumbai*, by Nikhil Anand. Dissertation Reviews (<http://dissertationreviews.org/archives/6846?utm>).
- 2013 Review of *Transnationalism Reversed: Women Organizing Against Gender Violence in Bangladesh*, by Elora Halim Chowdhury Political and Legal Anthropology Review 36(2):362-364.
- 2011 Violence, Aggression and Militancy: Re-Examining Gender and Non-Liberal Politics in India; *In A Companion to the Anthropology of India*; Isabelle Clark-Deces, ed. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell Publishers. Pp. 313-331.
- 2011 Pamela B. Toler and Tarini Bedi (translator). *Ruler of India: Babur*. Peterborough, NH: Cobblestone Publishing.
- 2010 The (Im?) Possibilities of a Situated Feminist Subject in Shiv Sena: Shiv Sainiks, Governance, and *Adjustment* in Maharashtra, India *In Histories of Intimacy and Situated Ethnography*; Karen Isaksen Leonard, Gayatri Reddy, and Ann Grodzins Gold eds. New Delhi: Manohar. Pp. 21-82.
- 2009 (with Evalyn Tennant) Foreword: What the Body Remembers. *In* Exhibition Catalog for artist Pritika Chowdhry (DOVA Temporary Gallery, Chicago, April-May 2009).

SELECTED CONTRIBUTIONS TO MENTORING AND DIVERSITY

- 2024-Present NSF Social and Behavioral Science EPSCoR Committee for Broadening Participation in STEM
- 2024-Present NSF Federal Grant Development Workshops for HBCU Faculty
- 2023-Present NSF Mid-Career Faculty Development Workshops
- 2023-Present Ongoing Grant Development Workshops for NSF DDRIG Program in Cultural Anthropology
- 2022 Faculty Equity Advocate, UIC Equity Advocates Program, Office of Diversity, Equity and Engagement
- 2021 Search Committee co-Chair for UIC Cluster Initiative Assistant Professor in Middle East Anthropology
- 2021 Search Committee Chair for Bridge to Faculty Postdoctoral Associate in sociocultural Anthropology, UIC
- 2020- Mentoring Team for Bridge to Faculty Postdoctoral Associate in Archaeology, Rodrigo Solinus-Casparius, Department of Anthropology, UIC

- 2020-2021 Social Science Research Council, International Dissertation Fieldwork Fellowship (IDRF) Initiative for Minority Serving Institutions; UIC Mentor
- 2017 Faculty Mentor for New Faculty, Office of the Vice-Provost for Faculty Affairs, UIC

SELECTED INVITED PUBLIC TALKS AND LECTURES

- 2025 **University of Virginia**, Anthropology/South Asian Studies
The Geopolitics of Pilgrimage (September 2025)
- 2025 **Stanford University**, South Asia Center
Border Stories (March 18)
- 2024 **Yale University**, South Asia Research Group
Mumbai Taximen (April 30)
- 2024 **Ahmedabad University**, India, School of Arts and Sciences
Shiv Sena Women and Indian Democracy (March 1)
- 2024 **Concordia University**, **Center for Sensory Studies**, Montreal, Canada
The Fugitive Hands and Feet in Algorithmic Work ((February 2)_
- 2023 **American University of Cairo/University of Texas-Austin**, Cairo, Egypt. Workshop on
Comparative Urbanisms: The Changing Urban in the Global South (June 12-13)
- 2023 **Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology**, Halle, Germany, Book Discussion Panel for
Lisa Mitchells' Hailing the State (July 12)
- 2023 **Penn State University**, South Asia Program (April 20)
- 2022 **Dartmouth College**, Conversations on South Asia Series (December 13)
- 2022 **George Mason University**, Urban Research Hub. Book Talk, Mumbai Taximen. (October 20)
- 2022 **Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology**, Halle, Germany, Colloquium (July 4)
- 2022 **University of Heidelberg**, Department of Geography, Lecture on Urban Resilience in Global
Cities(July 12)
- 2022 **O.P. Jindal Global University**, Center for Women's Rights, Lecture on Women and the Far
Right (April 27)
- 2022 **Portland State University**, International and Global Studies, Colloquium, College of Urban and
Public Affairs. South Asian Mobilities and the Community of Roadsides (March 4)
- 2022 **University of Toronto**, Ethnography Lab, Meet the Labs Series: Tarini Bedi on the Mobilities
and Methods Lab @ UIC (January 18, 2022)
- 2022 **Cornell University**, College of Art, Architecture and Planning, Colloquium. Automobilities,
Urban Topologies, and Auto-Space: Whose Road is it Anyway? (February 14)

- 2022 **University of Washington**, South Asia Center. Mumbai Taximen (January 6)
- 2021 **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**, Geography Department Colloquium Series (December 3, 2021)
- 2021 **South Asia and Its Political Vernaculars Workshop**, Cambridge University, UK (Postponed due to COVID-19 circumstances)
- 2021 **University of Notre Dame**, Department of Anthropology Seminar (postponed due to COVID) Urban Ecologies and the Work of Repair
- 2021 **Khaki Lab Seminar**, Mumbai Taximen: Life and Labour on The Move, Mumbai, India (August 14)
- 2020 **University of Illinois Press Publishing Symposium**: Getting it Written Panelist (November 12)
- 2020 **Faculty Fellow Roundtable**, 4th Annual Urban Ethnography Incubator University of Chicago (March 12-13)
- 2019 **Public Lecture**, Reading and Writing Ethnography: Dashing Ladies of Shiv Sena Book Talk University of Louisville (November 18)
- 2019 **Public Lecture**, Gender, Peace and Security Seminar Series, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia
(Auto) Biography/(Auto)Mobility: Motoring, Embodied Labor, and the Making of Kin in Contemporary Mumbai (June 26)
- 2019 **Keynote Lecture**, Women in Asia Conference, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia Body Politics and Political Militancy: Shiv Sena Women and the Many Lives of Agency in Western India (June 23)
- 2019 **South Asia Center**, Duke University
Manly Matters Workshop
The Embodied Labors of Driving in Bombay (May 3-4)
- 2019 **School of American Research**, Santa Fe, NM
SAR Seminar Participant on *Precarious Mobilities* (April 29-May 2)
- 2019 **Humanities Without Walls Symposium**, University of Illinois Chicago
Panelist/Respondent on Care in the Anthropocene (March 1)
- 2018 **South Asia Center**, Syracuse University
The Cultural Life of Motoring: (Auto) Biographies of the Taxi Trade in Mumbai (November 6)
- 2018 **South Asia Institute**, University of Heidelberg, Germany
Workshop on Female Religious Agency,
Hindu Women and Public Politics (July 2-3)

- 2017 **South Asia Annual Conference Pre-Conference**, Madison Wisconsin
Invited participant on Thinking with India: Comparative and Theoretical Perspectives on Politics, Democracy, and Representation (October 26)
- 2017 **University of Chicago**, Materials in Focus: Working Across Media and Methods: 14th Annual South Asia Graduate Student Conference
Invited Roundtable Panelist on Materiality and the Archive (February 24)
- 2017 **The Logistical City Workshop**, UIC Institute for Humanities/UIC School of Architecture
Roads, Cross-Roads and Frictions: The Mumbai Taxi Trade in an Age of UBER (February 7)
- 2016 **Times of India Literary Festival**, Mumbai, India, Mehboob Studios
Writer's Block: Authors Give their Antidotes (December 4)
- 2016 **Times of India Literary Festival**, Mumbai India, Mehboob Studios
Political Matronage: The Dons and Cons of Mumbai (December 3)
- 2016 **Lancaster University**, Lancaster, UK, Center for Mobilities Research (CeMoRe) Sociology
Seminar: Everyday Technologies of the Urban (May 31).
- 2016 **University of Chicago**, Gender/Publics/Panics in the Global South Conference
Discussant for Panel on Urban Panics (May 5-6).
- 2016 **Fernuniversität in Hagen/Ruhr-Universität Bochum**, Symposium on Moralizing Capitalism: Agents, Discourses and Practices of Capitalism in the Modern Age, Berlin Germany
Embedded Economies of Non-Consent: Islamic Loans, Piety and Opposition in Mumbai's Taxi Trade (March 14-16)
- 2016 **University of Illinois Chicago**, Institute for Humanities Fellow Lecture
Histories of Motoring, Materialities and Mobilities in Bombay/Mumbai's Taxi Trade (January 28)
- 2015 **Center for Commercialization of Innovative Transport Technology, Northwestern University**, Transportation YOU Mobility and Equity Panel (March 21)
- 2014 **University of Oregon, Departments of History and Asian Studies, Workshop on the City in South Asia and its Transnational Connections**
Urban Transport and Affective Labor: Taximen and the Art of Motoring (November 13-14)
- 2014 **University of Chicago, 4th Norman Cutler Conference on South Asian Literature**
Moderator and Discussant of Keynote Address, Women's Writings in Maharashtra with Vidyut Bhagwat (May 2-3)
- 2014 **Harvard University, Joint Center for History and Economics Workshop on Means of Transport: Mobility, Technology, and Energy in Modern Asia**
Motoring, Materiality, and Policing Mobility in Bombay/Mumbai's Taxi Trade (April 24-25)
- 2014 **Emory University Public Lecture, Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies**
Shiv Sena Women, Infrapolitics and Everyday Insurgencies in Mumbai (March 27)
- 2013 **Great Cities Institute Symposium, University of Illinois Chicago, Cities Across the Globe: People and Places Across Borders**
Violence, Infrapolitics and Everyday Insurgencies in Peri-Urban Mumbai (November 20-21)

- 2013 **National University of Singapore, Asia Research Institute, Workshop on Theorizing Mobilities in/from Asia, Singapore**
Trans-Urban Imaginaries of Urban Transport: Mumbai Taxis/Singapore Style (November 14-15)
- 2013 **AHS/IIC Lecture Series, India International Center, New Delhi, India**
Chillia Taximen and the Social Infrastructures of Labour in Mumbai (August 14)
- 2013 **National University of Singapore, Asia Research Institute Workshop on Violence, Insurgencies, Deceptions: Conceptualizing Urban Life in Asia, Singapore**
Shiv Sena Women, Political Brokerage and the Violent Politics of the Peri-Urban in Western India Mumbai (May 6-7)
- 2013 **University of Illinois Chicago, Department of Art History Colloquium**
Infrastructures, Aesthetics and Images of the Urban in Mumbai (April 24)
- 2013 **Great Cities Institute, University of Illinois Chicago**
The Cultural Life of Motoring: Taxi Drivers, Infrastructural Aesthetics and the Urban Subject in Mumbai (April 18)
- 2012 **University of Wisconsin, Center for South Asia Lecture Series**
The Feminization of Patronage: Urban Brokerage and the Locality of Power (April 26)
- 2012 **Stanford University, Workshop on Techniques of the South Asian City: Grids, Infrastructure and the Materiality of Urban Life**
The Politics of Place and Labor among Mumbai Taxi Drivers (March 1-2)
- 2011 **University of Chicago Alumni Study Tour, Delhi, India**
A Brief History of India (November 1)
- 2011 **University of Chicago Alumni Study Tour, Jaipur, India**
Indian Cities: Modernization and Change (November 5)
- 2011 **University of Chicago Alumni Study Tour, Khajuraho, India**
Indian Cinema: Visual and Popular Culture (November 13)
- 2010 **Hill Springs International School, Mumbai, India**
Arre Taxi: A Short Introduction to Anthropology and Research in the City
- 2010 **University of Chicago, School of Social Service Administration**
Everyday Life and Urbanization in Mumbai (June 16-17)
- 2010 **Stanford University, Conference on Nations and Nation-Building in South Asia**
Political Brokers in the Metropolis: Shiv Sena Women and the Performative Politics of Urban Citizenship (April 28)
- 2010 **Panelist, Public Event hosted by the Organization of Women in International Trade, Chicago** “The Economics of Human Trafficking: When Human Beings Become Commodities.” (January 21)
- 2010 **Respondent and Panelist, University of Chicago Global Health Initiative**, “The Social Dimensions of Global Health.” (January 22).

- 2009 **Michigan State University, James Madison College Colloquium**
 Militants and Political Entrepreneurs at the Margins of the State: Women of Shivaji's Army in Western India. (November 20)
- 2009 **University of Chicago, South Asia Seminar**
 Patrons, Power-Brokers and Political Entrepreneurs: *Shiv Sena* Women on the Margins of Mumbai's Film City. (April 30)
- 2009 **University of Chicago, Public Event at International House, Terror in Mumbai: Reflections on the Aftermath.**" (January 14) (<http://chiasmus.uchicago.edu/2008-2009/southasia-090114-mumbai.shtml>)
- 2008 **University of Pittsburgh, Department of Religious Studies Colloquium,**
 The Performative Politics of Gender and Political Violence: Women of *Shivaji's Army* in Maharashtra, India (April 2)
- 2007 **University of Pittsburgh, Department of Women's Studies Seminar,**
"I am Daring, I am Shiv Sena:" Bravery, Visibility & Gendered Political Expression in Mumbai (December 8)
- 2007 **Alice Dan Scholar Lecture, Center for Research on Women and Gender, UIC,**
 Piety, Violence and the Politics of Performance (November)
- 2006 **Roundtable, PUKAR Gender and Space Project, Mumbai, India,**
Shiv Sena Women in 'Public:' Gender, Performance, and the Politics of Visibility in Mumbai (April)

REPORTS AND CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- 2008 Susan Ambrose, Tarini Bedi, Ann Fay, & Brian Junker. Report of the Assessment Task Force, Eberly Center for Teaching, Carnegie Mellon University
- 2003 Michael Lieber, Tarini Bedi, and Michelle Choi. Evaluation Report for Community Health Project REACH 2010 (Submitted to Chicago Department of Public Health).
- 2003 Emily E. Anderson, Tarini Bedi, Michelle J. Choi, and Nada Mlinarevich. Leadership in Public Health: Ethical Issues in Community-Based Collaborative Research, 6(2):29-38. Summer.
- 2003 Tarini Bedi. Ethnonationalism and the Politics of Identity: The Cases of Punjab and Assam; Published by National Library of Canada (Ottawa), Canadian Theses Series.
- 1999 Greta Anderson and Tarini Bedi. Gallup Organization Report for Assessment of Parent Satisfaction with North Carolina Public School System.

OTHER TRAVEL AND RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2013-14 Office of Social Science Research, UIC Research Grant Support Program
- 2012-13 Office of Social Science Research, UIC Seed Grant
- 2008 University of Illinois Graduate College Student Travel Award
- 2007 University of Illinois Graduate College Student Travel Award
- 2006 University of Illinois Provost's Award for Graduate Research

2005	University of Illinois Graduate College Student Travel Award
1997-98	Graduate Faculty Differential Fee Waiver Scholarship, McGill University
1992-95	Bennington College Undergraduate Grant, Bennington College

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Service to the Department of Anthropology at UIC

- Search Committee Chair, Bridge to Faculty in Sociocultural Anthropology (2020-2021)
- Search Committee, Bridge to Faculty in Environmental Archaeology (2019-2020)
- Search Committee, Visiting Assistant Professor of Forensic Anthropology/Bio-archaeology (2019)
- Organizer, Anthropological Innovations Seminar Series (2018-Present)
- Advisory Committee (2017-2018; 2020-2023)
- Visiting Assistant Professor Search Committee, (2017-18)
- Graduate Studies Committee, (2017-Present)
- Curriculum Committee (2016-17; 2020-Present)
- Graduate Admissions Committee (2019-21, 2014-17)
- Graduate Fellowship Committee (2012)

Service to College/University at UIC:

- Executive Advisory Committee to the Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (2022-2023)
- Search Committee Co-Chair, UIC Cluster Initiative, Assistant Professor in Middle East Anthropology (2021)
- UIC Mentor for Social Science Research Council Grant Development Program (2020-Present)
- Executive Committee, Graduate College (2019-2023)
- Focus Group Participant for IRB Protocol Process Improvement, Office of the Chief Information Officer, University of Illinois Systems (2017)
- Alice J. Dan Fellowship Committee (2013-2019)
- LAS Educational Policy Committee (2014-2017)
- Search Committee, Middle-East Cluster Senior Search (2014-2015)
- Selection Committee, Great Cities Institute Faculty Scholar Program (2014)
- Reviewer, Graduate College Chancellor's Award (2013; 2014; 2016)
- Interview Committee, Fulbright Fellowships (2013)
- Internal Advisory Committee, Marshall Fellowships (2012)
- Advisory Board, Center for Research on Women and Gender (2013-)
- Interview Committee, Marshall and Rhodes Scholarships (2012)

Service to the Profession

- Chair, Victor and Edie Turner Book Prize Committee
- Program Director, Cultural Anthropology, National Science Foundation
- Co-Editor, Anthropology of Work Review
- Fellowship Selection Committee, American Institute of Indian Studies (AIIS)
- Elected Member to the Board of Trustees, American Institute of Indian Studies (AIIS) (2018-2021)
- Executive Committee, International Association for the History of Traffic, Transport and Mobility
- Advisory Panelist, National Science Foundation, Senior Research Grants

- Advisory Panelist, National Science Foundation, Cultural Anthropology Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant Program
- Grant Reviewer, American Philosophical Society (APS)
- Ad-hoc Reviewer, National Science Foundation, Cultural Anthropology Program
- Member/Advisor, Asia Portfolio for *Transfers: Interdisciplinary Journal of Mobilities Studies*
- Peer Reviewer for the selected following journals: *Geoforum*, *Urban Studies*, *Women's Studies International Forum*, *Cultural Anthropology*, *SIGNS: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*, *American Ethnologist*, *Ethnos*, *Journal of Historical Sociology*, *Contemporary Social Science*, *Transfers: Interdisciplinary Journal of Mobilities Studies*, *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*, *City and Society*, *Environment and Planning A*, *Current Anthropology*, *Politics and Gender*, *Journal of Alternative & Comparative Medicine*, *Journal of Food, Culture and Society*, *Gender and Society*, *Qualitative Sociology*, *Mobilities*; *Cultural Anthropology*
- Project Advisor, "Chicago Muslims in their Own Voices (Grant from the Social Science Research Council to the University of Chicago; 2008-09).
- Advisor, National Endowment for the Humanities Grant on Digitizing Census of India (2010)
- Board Member, South Asia Summer Language Institute (SASLI) (2008-12)
- Member of Award Committee for the South Asian Children's Book Award (2011-12)

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND PARTICIPATION

As Panel Chair/Organizer/Discussant

2021	Chair/Discussion for Panel on Gender and Politics in India; Annual South Asia Conference, Madison, WI (October 20-24).
2018	Co-Organizer of Symposium Session (with Michele Friedner and Rashmi Sadana) "The Fix in South Asia," Annual Conference of South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison (October 11-14).
2018	Discussant and Chair of Panel "Urban Issues," 20 th Annual Chicago Ethnography Conference, University of Chicago (March 17).
2017	Discussant and Chair of Panel, "Technologies and Mythologies of Mobility in South Asia," 46 th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison, (October 27)
2011	Chair of Panel, "Arre Taxi!: Taxi Drivers and the Politics of Labor and Work in South Asia and the Diaspora." 40 th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison, (October 20-23)
2009	Chair and Organizer of Panel "Experiencing the State, Creating Political Community: Ethnographic Reflections." 38 th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison, (October 22-25 th)
2009	Chair and Discussant of Panel "New Musical Agencies: Urban Media, Markets, and Mobilities," Soundworks: Musicians and Media in South Asian Cities, Franke Institute for the Humanities, University of Chicago, (May 14-15)
2007	Chair of Panel "India, Art, and Social Action." 36 th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison, (October 11-14).

- 2007 Co-Organizer and Chair of Panel “The Social and Political Histories of Urban Space in India;” 32nd Social Science History Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL, (November 15-18)
- 2007 Co-Organizer of Research Roundtable, Collaborative Possibilities in Global Women’s Health, Center for Research on Women and Gender/Center of Excellence in Women’s Health, University of Illinois Chicago, (April 4)
- 2007 Co-Organizer of Research Roundtable: Global Women’s Health: New Research Possibilities and New Directions, Center for Research on Women and Gender/Center of Excellence in Women’s Health, University of Illinois Chicago, (March 1)
- 2004 Chair, Politics, Religion, and Law in Post/Colonial India. 33rd Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison, (October 15-17)

As Paper Presenter and Author:

- 2024 Book Roundtable “More than Pretty Boxes” by Carrie M. Lane. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Tampa, FL (November 2024)
- 2024 Book Roundtable “Hailing the State” by Lisa Mitchell. Annual South Asia Conference. Madison, WI (October 2024)
- 2024 Fugitive Hands and Feet in Algorithmic Work. Society for Economic Anthropology/Society for the Anthropology of Work Conference; Tufts University (April 2024)
- 2023 Marginalized, Mobilized, Incorporated: Comparative, Historical and Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Right-Wing Women, Religious Nationalism, and Political Participation in Established Democracies (Invited Roundtable) Midwest Political Science Association Conference. Chicago, IL (April 13-16)
- 2022 Infrastructure Methodologies Roundtable (With Rashmi Sadana, Julie Chu, Christina Schwenkel and Agnieszka Joniak). Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference. Honolulu, HI (March 24-27).
- 2021 South Asia in Motion: Mobility, Movement, Bodies; Symposium at South Asia Annual Conference, Madison, WI (October 20-24).
- 2016 Embedded Economies of Non-Consent: Islamic Loans, Piety and Opposition in Mumbai's Taxi Trade; International Association for the History of Traffic, Transport and Mobility Conference, Mexico City (October 26-30).
- 2014 The Social Life of Repair: Roads, Cars and the Artifacts of Infrastructure in Contemporary Mumbai; South Asian Feminisms Pre-Conference, Madison, Wisconsin (October 16)
- 2014 Trans-Urban Imaginaries and Local Frictions: The Mumbai Taxi-Trade/Singapore Style; International Association for the History of Transport, Traffic and Mobility Annual Conference; Center for Mobilities Research and Policy, Drexel University, Philadelphia (September 18-21)
- 2012 Taxi-Drivers, Infrastructural Aesthetics, and Urban Transformations in Mumbai, 111th American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA (November 14-18)

- 2012 The Embodied Experience of Danger: Spatial Bodies and Public Sites of Transformation for Shiv Sena Women, 41st Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison (October 11-14)
- 2011 Urban Histories of Place and Labor: The Chhillia Taximen of Mumbai; 40th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison, (October 20-23)
- 2011 Informal Networks and Political Patronage: Shiv Sena Women and the Gendered Politics of Urban Power; Association for Asian Studies/International Convention of Asia Scholars, Honolulu, HI (March 31-April 2).
- 2009 Regional Media, Television, and the Female Shiv Sainik in Maharashtra; 38th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison (October 22-25th)
- 2009 Urban-Fixers and Informal Networks: New Approaches to the Politics of Patronage in Maharashtrian Cities; Maharashtra Studies Group Meeting at the Association of Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Chicago (March 26-29)
- 2008 The Embodied Experience of Violence and Danger: Public Sites of Transformation for Shiv Sena Women; The Body in South Asian Feminism Pre-Conference, Madison, Wisconsin (October 16)
- 2008 Hindu Nationalist Politics on the Moral Margins: Female Shiv Sainiks, Social Justice and Political Community in Pune's Red-light District; 37th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison (October 16-19)
- 2008 Party Politics, Informal Networks, and the Emergence of Female Patrons in India's Global Cities; 20th European Conference on Modern South Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Manchester, UK (July 8-11)
- 2007 Regional Media, Television, and the Female *Shiv Sainik* in Maharashtra, India; 106th American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC (November 28-Dec 2)
- 2007 Local Power-Brokers, the State, and Alternative Visions of the Law: The Gendered Politics of Redevelopment around Mumbai's Film-City; 36th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison (October 11-14)
- 2007 The (Im?)Possibilities of the Feminist Subject in *Shiv Sena*: "Ladies," *Shiv Sainiks*, and "Adjustment" in Maharashtra; South Asian Feminisms Pre-conference, Madison, Wisconsin (October 11)
- 2007 Local Histories of Legality and Aesthetics on the Margins of Mumbai's Film City; 32nd Social Science History Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (November 15-18)
- 2007 Shiv Sena Women and Visual Politics: Gendered Political Expression in Urban India; 2007 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (August 30-Sept 3)
- 2006 Shiv Sena Women and the Engendering of Urban Space: The Dilemmas and Possibilities of Feminist Fieldwork among Women of the Right-Wing in India; "Toward a feminist public anthropology: ethnographies of method, collaboration and activism," at the 105th American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, San Jose, CA (November 15-19)
- 2006 Women and Visual Politics in Maharashtra: The *Dashing Ladies* of the Shiv Sena; 35th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison (October 19-22)

- 2006 Performances of Gender and Class: The Shiv Sena's *Mahila Aghadi*; American Institute of Indian Studies Fellows Conference. New Delhi, India (January 9-10)
- 2005 The Rhetoric of Hate: An Analysis of Gender and Metaphor in Hate Speech; Midwestern Conference on Culture, Language and Cognition, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL (May 13-15)
- 2005 Women's Militancy and the Politics of Urban Space: Women of the Shiv Sena in India; 63rd Midwest Political Science Association National Conference, Chicago, IL (April 7-10)
- 2004 Make Way for the "Mumbaikar:" Shiv Sena Women and the Politics of Urban Identity; 33rd Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison (October 15-17)
- 2004 Hindutva and the Making of Middle-Class Experience in the Chicago Diaspora: A Neo Weberian Approach; The Chicago School of Ethnography: Past Present and Future Conference, Northwestern University (February 21)
- 2004 Hindutva and the Making of Middle-Class Experience in the Diaspora: A Neo-Weberian Approach; Covering New Ground: Explorations in Humanities Research, Institute for Humanities, University of Illinois at Chicago (February 13)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Illinois Chicago:

- 2022 (Fall) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- GEOG 161: Introduction to Economic Geography (Undergraduate/Gen.Ed)
 - ANTH 418: Ethnographic and Qualitative Methods (Undergraduate/Graduate)
- 2021 (Fall) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- Geog 161 Introduction to Economic Geography (Undergraduate/Gen. Ed)
- 2021 (Spring) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- Geog 161 Introduction to Economic Geography (Undergraduate/Gen. Ed)
 - ANTH 501 Social and Cultural Theory (Graduate)
- 2020 (Fall) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- Geog 161 Introduction to Economic Geography (Undergraduate/Gen.Ed)
 - ANTH 511 Political Ethnography (Graduate)
- 2020 (Spring) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- ANTH 501 Social and Cultural Theory (Graduate)
- 2019 (Spring) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- Anth 594 Special Topics in Mobilities (Graduate)
 - Anth/GLAS 207 Global Asian Cities (Undergraduate/Gen.Ed)
- 2018 (Fall) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- Anth 594 Advanced Writing and Publishing in the Discipline (Graduate)
 - Geog 161 Introduction to Economic Geography (Undergraduate/Gen.Ed)

- 2018(Spring) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- ANTH 594 Anthropology of the State (Graduate)
 - GEOG 161 Introduction to Economic Geography (Undergraduate/Gen.Ed)
- 2017 (Spring) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- ANTH 501 Social and Cultural Theory II (Graduate)
- 2016 (Fall) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- GEOG 161 Introduction to Economic Geography (Undergraduate/Gen.Ed)
 - ANTH 594 Ethnographic approaches to Politics/Political Anthropology (Graduate)
- 2015 (Spring) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- ANTH 501 Social and Cultural Theory II (Graduate)
- 2014 (Fall) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- ANTH 411 Urban Cultural Problems (Undergraduate/Graduate)
- 2013 (Spring) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology
- ANTH 411 Urban Cultural Problems (Undergraduate/Graduate)
 - ANTH 494 Ethnographic Approaches to Politics (Undergraduate/Graduate)
- 2012(Fall) **Primary Instructor:** Department of Anthropology:
- ANTH 418 Ethnographic and Qualitative Methods (Undergraduate/Graduate)

The University of Chicago:

- 2012 (Winter) **Primary Instructor:** Department of South Asian Languages and Civilizations
- Bombay/Mumbai: Urban Life/Urban Politics (Undergraduate)
- 2011 (Spring) **Primary Instructor:** Department of South Asian Languages and Civilizations
- Bombay/Mumbai: Urban Life/Urban Politics (Undergraduate)

McGill University:

- 1998 (Spring) **Co-Instructor:** Department of Political Science
- Political Change in South Asia (Undergraduate)
- 1997 (Fall) **Teaching Assistant:** Department of Political Science
- Political Change in South Asia (Undergraduate)
- 1997 (Spring) **Teaching Assistant/Grader:** Department of Political Science
- The Politics of Ethno-nationalism (Undergraduate)

DOCTORAL STUDENTS

2014-2021	Doctoral Advisor for Alize Arican, Department of Anthropology, UIC; PhD defended 2021; Post Phd Job: Postdoc at Boston University, Society of Fellows; Currently Assistant Professor CUNY; Winner of Outstanding Dissertation Award in the Social Sciences at UIC
2016-2023	Doctoral Advisor for Aditi Aggarwal, Department of Anthropology, UIC (PhD Defended Fall 2023)
2016-Present	Doctoral Advisor for Josephine Chaet, Department of Anthropology, UIC (Expected Defense Spring 2024; Currently Publishing Coordinator, University of Delaware Press).
2018-Present	Doctoral Co-Advisor (with Mark Liechty) for Lakshita Malik, Department of Anthropology, UIC
2024-Present	Doctoral Co-Advisor (with Mark Liechty) for Sarah Manandhar, Department of Anthropology, UIC
2019-Present	Doctoral Advisor for Doyeon Shin, Department of Anthropology, UIC
2021-Present	Doctoral Advisor for Aishani Khurana, Department of Anthropology, UIC
2019-2022	Doctoral Advisor for Nirupama Jayaraman, Department of Anthropology, UIC

SERVICE ON DOCTORAL COMMITTEES

2023-Present	Thesis Assessment Committee for Tarini Monga, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, Germany
2023-Present	Examination and Dissertation Committee for Patrick White, Department of Germanic Studies, UIC
2023-2024	Examination Committee for Alannah Templon, Doctoral Student, Department of Anthropology, UIC
2019	External Dissertation Reader for Maansi Parpiani, Department of Anthropology, University of Copenhagen, Denmark (Phd. Granted in 2019)
2019-2023	Dissertation Committee for Andrew Born, Doctoral Candidate in Urban Planning, UIC
2018-Present	Dissertation Committee for Dipti Sherchan, Doctoral Candidate, Department of Anthropology, UIC
2017-2019	Dissertation Committee for Amy Shoenecker, Doctoral Candidate in Political Science, UIC
2016-Present	Dissertation Committee for Kevin Suemnicht, Doctoral Candidate in Anthropology, UIC
2015-2020	Examination Committee for Kendall Hills, Doctoral Candidate in Anthropology, UIC
2014-2019	Dissertation Committee for Ben Linder, Doctoral Candidate in Anthropology, UIC (PhD. granted in 2019)
2014-Present	Dissertation Committee for Caitlin Dye, Doctoral Candidate in Anthropology, UIC
2014- Present	Dissertation Committee for Rupal Satra, Doctoral Candidate in Sociology, UIC

- 2014-2022 **Dissertation Committee** for Ellen Kang, Doctoral Candidate in Anthropology
Department of Anthropology, UIC
- 2013-Present **Dissertation Committee** for Sarah Manandhar, Doctoral Candidate in Anthropology,
Department of Anthropology, UIC
- 2013-2015 **Dissertation Committee** for Molly McGown, Doctoral Candidate in Anthropology and Global
Health, Department of Anthropology, UIC
- 2013-2015 **Dissertation Committee** for Laura Nussbaum-Barberena, Doctoral Candidate in Anthropology,
UIC (PhD. Granted in 2015)
- 2013-2015 **External Dissertation Committee Member** for Rehanna Khesghi, Doctoral Candidate in
Ethnomusicology, Department of Music, The University of Chicago (Phd. Granted in 2015;
Current Position: Assistant Professor, St. Olaf College)

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING

- 2018-2019 **Honors Thesis Advisor**, Honors College, for Ana Criollo, Anthropology, UIC
- 2014-2015 **Honors Thesis Reader**, for Bridget Hansen, Bachelor of Arts Candidate, Anthropology and
Classics, UIC
- 2012 **Honors Thesis Reader** for Catherine Sauer, Bachelor of Arts Candidate, Anthropology, UIC
- 2011-2012 **Thesis Advisor** for Glynis Fagan, Bachelor of Arts Candidate, Anthropology and South Asian
Studies, The University of Chicago
- 2011-2012 **Thesis Advisor** for Neha Premjee, Bachelor of Arts Candidate, Undergraduate International
Studies and Public Policy Program, The University of Chicago
- 2010 **Faculty reader** for Clare Wolfe, Honors Thesis, Department of South Asian Languages and
Civilizations, The University of Chicago
- 2009-10 **Thesis advisor** for Claire Gill, Bachelor of Arts Candidate, Undergraduate International Studies
Program, The University of Chicago

OTHER PROFESSIONAL AND EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- 2007 Ethnographer, Midwest Network on Female Genital Cutting & UIC Center for Research
on Women's Health, UIC
- 2006-07 Qualitative Researcher and Focus Group Moderator, WISEST Program (Women in Science and
Engineering) Chicago, Center for Research on Women and Gender, UIC
- 2003 Member of Evaluation Team for Project REACH 2010, Chicago Department of Public
Health (Assessment of Community Health Project in West Chicago)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Hindi: Native speaking and reading fluency

Punjabi: Native speaking; elementary reading

Urdu: advanced speaking; elementary reading

Marathi: advanced speaking and reading

Gujarati: elementary speaking and reading

French: elementary speaking

German: Elementary speaking