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EMPLOYMENT

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		Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB), Mumbai, India
	2025-	Associate Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences (Philosophy)
	2021-25	Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences (Philosophy)
		Manipal University, Manipal, Karnataka, India
	2016-21	Coordinator, Centre for Religious Studies
	2015-21	Assistant Professor, Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities
	2012-2015	Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale", Italy
		Lecturer in Indian languages, Department of Asian, African, Mediterranean Studies
		Université Concordia-Montréal, Québec, Canada
	Winter, 2015	Short-Term Research Fellow, Department of Religion
	2009-2013	Research Assistant, Department of Religion
	2010-2012	Teaching Assistant, Department of Religion
		University of Pune, Pune, India
	2003-2004	Project Staff, Concordance of Upaniṣads, Centre of Advanced Study in Sanskrit

EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC COURSE

2016	Université Concordia-Montréal, Québec, Canada
2016	PH.D., (Religion), Department of Religion
	(Dissertation: Abhinavagupta's Theory of Reflection: A Study, Critical Edition and Translation of the
	Pratibimbavāda (vss. 1-65) in Chapter III of the Tantrāloka with the commentary of Jayaratha)
	Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale", Italy
2012	Visiting Doctoral Research Fellow (May-December),
	Department of Asian Studies (Sanskrit Studies)
	University of Oxford, England, United Kingdom
2007	M.ST., St Cross College / Faculty of Oriental Studies

	University of Delhi, Delhi, India
2006	M.A., St Stephen's College / Department of Sanskrit
	Specialisation: Indian Philosophy (Darśana)
2003	B.A. Hons., St Stephen's College / Department of Sanskrit
	University of Pune, Pune, India
2004	Certificate in Manuscriptology, Centre of Advanced Study in Sanskrit

AREAS OF SPECIALISATION AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Philosophical Hermeneutics of Abhinavagupta, Non-dual Śaiva philosophy, Classical Indian Philosophical Texts, Philosophy of Tantras (particularly the *Tantrāloka*), Pratyabhijñā Philosophy, Classical Indian Aesthetics and the Philosophy of Art, Philosophy of Literature, Philosophy of Religion, Sanskrit language and literature, Sanskrit Textual Criticism, South Asian Manuscript Cultures

PUBLICATIONS

Edited and Translated Books:

- -- Śivasūtravimarśinī of Kṣemarāja (Ed. and trans.) with Ben Williams (State University of New York Press) (under contract)
- -- On the Problem of Other Minds (Ed.) (Bloomsbury, New Delhi) (under contract)
- 2025 *The Light of Freedom A Selection of Short Śaiva Texts Attributed to Abhinavagupta* (eds. & trans.) with Francesco Sferra, Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale" Series Minor, Napoli, Italia
- 2008 Linguistic Traditions of Kashmir (Essays in Honour of Pandit Dinanath Yaksha) (Ed.) with Ashok Aklujkar (D.K. Printworld, New Delhi / HSIRI, J&K)
- 2003 The Variegated Plumage: Encounters with Indian Philosophy (A Commemoration Volume in Honour of Pt Jankinath Kaul 'Kamal') (Ed.) with N.B.Patil (SSRI, J&K / MLBD, Delhi)

Edited Sections in Handbooks/Encyclopaedias:

2022 "Logic in Kashmir Śaivism" section editor in *The Springer Handbook of Logical Thought in India*, Ed. Sundar Sarukkai and Mihir Chakraborty, Springer India

Entries in Handbooks/Encyclopaedias:

2022 "Lakshman Joo Raina (1907-1991)" in *Bloomsbury Encyclopaedia of Philosophers (India 1500-2000)*, Ed. John R. Shook, Bloomsbury, UK

Contributions to Edited Volumes and Book Chapters:

'Is there a 'South Asian Poetics'?' In *A Cultural Poetics of Bhasha Literatures in Theory and Practice*, edited by E.V. Ramakrishnan (ed.) Orient Blackswan Publications, Hyderabad, pp. 23–46

'A Preliminary Note on the Manuscripts of the Tantrāloka-viveka' in F. Sferra, V. Vergiani (eds.) Verità e Bellezza. Essays in Honour of Raffaele Torella. Series Minor XCVII. Università degli Studi di Napoli, Dipartimento Asia, Africa e Mediterraneo, Series Minor, Napoli, pp. 679–750

- 'Causal Reasoning in the Trika Philosophy of Abhinavagupta' in *Springer Handbook of Logical Thought in India*, Ed. Sundar Sarukkai and Mihir Chakraborty, Springer, New Delhi, pp. 227–254. DOI: 10.1007/978-81-322-2577-5_31
- 'Ontological Hierarchy in the Tantrāloka of Abhinavagupta', In the *Tantrapuṣpāñjali: A*Commemoration Volume for Pandit H.N. Chakravarty, Indira Gandhi Centre for the Arts, New Delhi,

 Eds. Bettina Bäumer & Hamsa Stainton, pp. 240-270

Peer-Reviewed Articles:

- 2025 'What does Abhinavagupta mean by Non-duality (advaita)?' Journal of Indian Philosophy (Springer), DOI: 10.1007/s10781-024-09590-8
- 'Is Reflection Real according to Abhinavagupta? Dynamic Realism versus Naïve Realism?, *Journal of Indian Philosophy* (Springer), 52, 115–142 (2024). DOI: 10.1007/s10781-024-09562-y
- 'Abhinavagupta on Reflection (*Pratibimba*) in the Tantrāloka', *Journal of Indian Philosophy* (Springer), 48, 161–189 (2020). DOI: 10.1007/s10781-019-09414-0

Book Reviews and Forwards:

- 2023 Review of "Stainton, Hamsa. *Poetry as Prayer in the Sanskrit Hymns of Kashmir*. AAR Religion in Translation. Oxford 2019" in *International Journal of Hindu Studies*, Springer, Vol. 27, Issue 2, pp. 298-299
- Review of "Ferrante, Marco. *Indian Perspectives on Consciousness, Language and Self: The School of Recognition on Linguistics and Philosophy of Mind.* Routledge. 2021" in *Philosophy East and West.* Vol 72 (1) 1-6. January, 2022
- 2020 *"Forward"* to 'Explorations in Indian Philosophy' by C. Rajendran, DK Printworld, New Delhi, pp. v-xxx
- Review of "The *Īśvarapratyabhijñākārikā* of Utpaladeva with the author's *vṛtti*: Critical edition and Annotated translation" (Motilal Banarsidass, Delhi, pp. 272, 2002) by Raffaele Torella published in the Prabuddha Bharata (June), Kolkatta

Other Publications:

- 2024 Who is Ram vs Whose Ram? Outlook, March 1, 2024
- 2022 The one nation, one language fallacy (op-ed), The Indian Express, April 30, 2022
- 2018 Scholars, not Guardians (op-ed), The Indian Express, June 8, 2018
- 2013 *The Charisma of an Innocent Intellectual*, In 'Miraas Reflecting the Culture and Heritage of Kashmir', Vol. VI, Nos. III-IV, July-December, 2013

2004 *kāśmīraśaivadarśaneṣu spandaśāstraṃ* (In Sanskrit). Visva Sanskritam-Year 41, Volume-3,4 Visvesvarananda Vedic Research Institute, Hoshairpur. pp. 13-15

2003 *Kashmir Śaivism - A Peep through the Tantravaṭadhānikā* Research Bulletin, Visvesvarananda Vedic Research Institute, Hoshairpur. Volume-2, pp. 225-230

Work in Progress:

- 2025* Don Quixote of Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra (chapters 1.45, 1.46, 1.50, 2.6, 2.12) An edition of a Kashmiri Translation of the (edited from a single manuscript preserved in Houghton Library, Harvard University) (to be published in the Marburg-Pune Indological Series) (edited with Dragomir Dimitrov in a project funded by Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft) (forthcoming)
- 2025* *The Svātantryadīpikā*, an unpublished text of the Trika Śaivism of Kashmir by Mansārām Mongā, Critically Edited Text, Translation, Notes and Annotations
- ** Is there a Śaiva Theory of Festivity? Abhinavagupta's Reply, is scheduled to be submitted to the 'Journal of Indian Philosophy'.
- ** Abhinavagupta on Reflection: A Study in Abhinavagupta's Pratibimbavāda (A monograph in progress, to be published by Bloomsbury, India)
- ** Goddess as 'Cognitive Power' in the Philosophical Hermeneutics of Abhinavagupta
- ** Tantric Implications of Abhinavagupta's Rasa-Theory
- ** Jayaratha as a Textual Critic
- ** A Note on the Materials for the Study of Śaivism in Kashmiri language
- ** Benedictive Esotericism in Abhinavagupta and Jayaratha

TRAVEL FOR SCHOLARLY RESEARCH AND STUDY

2022 October Visiting Professor, Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale", Italy

2014-15 (Dec.-April) Research at Concordia University, Montréal, Québec, Canada
 2012 (May-Dec.) Research at Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale", Italy

2008-2009 Independent research and search of Manuscripts in Srinagar, Jammu, Delhi,

Lucknow, Varanasi, Calcutta, Pune

PROJECTS

2023- International Collaborator, The Global Past Research Initiative, University of Toronto Mississauga, Canada.

An improved edition and a revised translation of the Śivasūtravimarśinī of Kṣemarāja with Ben Williams (Naropa University, Colorado, USA) under a research project grant by Muktabodha Indological Research Institute, USA.

2021-2025	Principle Investigator in the Research project on <i>A Critical Study of Abhinavagupta's</i> Philosophical Texts funded by IRCC, Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay (IIT-B) under SEED Grant
2005-2025	Co-editor of the <i>Minor Texts Attributed to Abhinavagupta (critical edition and English translation)</i> with Francesco Sferra, Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale"
2016-2022	Section-editor of <i>Logic in Kashmir Śaivism</i> in <i>Springer Handbook of Logical Thought in India</i> , Ed. Sundar Sarukkai, Springer India.
2013-2020	Member of the "Fundamentals for Scientific Research at the University, Critical Edition and Study of Unpublished Saivite and Buddhist Texts in Sanskrit" headed by Professor Francesco Sferra, Chair and Professor of Sanskrit, Department of Asian, African, Mediterranean Studies, Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale", Naples, Italy
2004-2007	Editor & Project Manager for the <i>Volume on the Grammatical Traditions of Kashmir</i> under the auspices of The Harbhatta Shastri Indological Research Institute, Jammu & Kashmir
2000-2003	Editor & Project Coordinator for the <i>Commemoration Volume in honour of Pt. Jankinath Kaul</i> 'Kamal' under the auspices of H. S. Indological Research Institute, Jammu & Kashmir

INVITED LECTURES

Invited Lectures/Talks/Conference Presentations:

- 2025 28 February, Saurashtra: What Makes Indian Philosophy 'Indian'? In Indian Knowledge Systems and General Semantics, Balvant Parekh Centre for General Semantics & Other Human Sciences, Baroda and Saurashtra University, Rajkot
- 4-6 February, Kolkata: *Is Dharma to be followed or Abandoned?*, Indian Epics and the Human Condition: In Search of Answers, Centre for Indological Studies and Research, Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Kolkata
- 2024 29th November, Pune: *Abhinavagupta and Non-duality (advaita)*, The India Series Webinar, The India Centre, FLAME University, Pune (presented online)
- 2-6 October, Heggodu: *Lecture on Mālatīmādhava of Bhavabhūti*, Kalegala Sangada Maatukate 2024 (Conversation with the Arts), Neelakanteshwara Natya Seva Sangha (NINASAM), Heggodu, Sagar, Karnataka
- 2024 24th August: *Pratyabhijñā philosophy and the Aesthetics of Everyday,* Talk Series Exploring Hindu Philosophies, Arts, and Sciences, Vimarsha Foundation (presented online)
- 2024 23rd-25th July, Anand: *Aestheticised Consciousness of Everyday Experience* in 'Mapping Experience and Consciousness: General Semantics, Philosophy and Human Sciences', Balvant Parekh Centre for General Semantics & Other Human Sciences, Baroda and Sardar Patel University, Anand
- 2024 28 February, Tumkur: *Language and Literary Culture*, Dr. D.V. Gundappa Kannada Adhyana Kendra and the Department of English Studies, Tumkur University *Sahita*-2024

2023 10 December, Mumbai: *Questioning the Abhinavan Semantics of the Absolute*, National Seminar: Philosophical Semantics, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Bombay

- 5 February, Toronto: *Shaping the Past of Philosophy While Nurturing its Present: Challenges in South Asian Context*, The Global Past Research Initiative, University of Toronto Mississauga (presented online)
- 2022 7 October, Naples: *Abhinavagupta's Meta-hermeneutics of Re-lish-ing, Re-flect-ing, Re-cognis-ing,* Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale"
- 2022 23 July, Calicut: *How catholic is Abhinavagupta?*, University of Calicut (presented online)
- 2022 10 June, Kalady: *Moving from Medieval Abhinavagupta to Modern Abhinavagupta*, Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit (SSUS) (presented online)
- 2021 11 December, Tübingen: *Thinking Soteriologically Through Nation A Case of Amṛtavāghbhava* (1903-1982 *CE*) in the Workshop on Contemporary Indian Philosophy organised by University of Tübingen (Theme Title: Freedom from Others or Freedom with Others? Alienation, Independence and Liberation in Contemporary Indian Philosophy) (presented online)
- 2021 10 October, Kalady: *Why is inertness (jaḍatva) characterized by Limited Luminosity (paricchinna-prakāśatva)?* In the Pandit Subbaram Pattar Endowment National Conference on New Horizons of Indological Research organised by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit (SSUS) (presented online)
- 2021 11-13 March, Surat: *Prakasharam Kurygami's Kashmiri Spiritual World*, ICPR National Seminar on "Innovative Spirituality" organised by Holistic Science Research Center, Surat (presented online)
- 2021 28 January, Kalady: *Thinking Creativity Through Thought and Expression* in Global Forum for Young Philosophers, Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit (SSUS) (presented online)
- 2021 8 January, Bangalore: *Is there a Philosophy of 'Joy-full-ness'? Abhinavagupta's Reply*, Colloquium, Azim Premji University (presented online)
- 2020 26 August, Mumbai: *Abhinavagupta's Philosophical Hermeneutics of 'Reflection'*, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Bombay (presented online)
- 2020 14 May, Venice: *Contemplation, Reflective Awareness and Imagination in non-dual Śaivism,* Unheard discourses on Yoga from international scholarly voices. Sponsored by 'Master in Yoga Studies', Università Ca' Foscari Venezia (Italy) (presented online)
- 2020 18 June, Venice: *Aesthetics of Śaiva Yoga*, In Yogakathana: Unheard discourses on Yoga from international scholarly voices. Sponsored by 'Master in Yoga Studies', Università Ca' Foscari Venezia (Italy) (presented online)
- 2020 27 February, Calicut: Who made the Pot? The Potter or the Śiva? From the Duality of Śaivādvaitavāda, In the prestigious Annual Lecture Series of the Department of Sanskrit,
 University of Calicut
- 2019 11 July, Kalady: *What is 'Indian' About Indian Philosophy?* In the Pandit Subbaram Pattar Endowment National Conference on New Horizons of Indological Research organised by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit (SSUS)
- 2019 15 April, Shivamogga: *Construction of Knowledge in the Indian Philosophical Traditions*, 'Manasa' Centre for Cultural Studies, Manasa Trust, Shivamogga, Karnataka

2019 25-27 February, Baroda: *Is there a 'South Asian Poetics'?*, A National Seminar on The Literary Across Cultures: Cultural Poetics of Bhasha Literatures in Theory and Practice organised by Centre for Contemporary Theory, Baroda

- 4-7 February, Kalady: *Is there a Śaiva Theory of Festivity? Abhinavagupta's Reply* in the "Four Day International Seminar on Festivals of India: Gleanings from Literature, Ritual and Traditions" organised by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit
- 2018 9 April, Kalady: *Ontology of Reflection According to Abhinavagupta*, Prof. S. Venkatakrishnan Annual Memorial Lecture, Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kerala
- 2018 25 March, Heggodu: A lecture in the 'Workshop on the *Uttararāmacarita* of *Bhavabhuti'*, Neelakanteshwara Natya Seva Sangha (NINASAM), Heggodu, Sagar, Karnataka
- 27 December, Pune: *Abhinavagupta on Reflection*, International Seminar on the Millennium of Abhinavagupta: His Contribution to World Thought, Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute, Pune
- 2017 12 May, New Delhi: *Tantric Implications of Abhinavagupta's Rasa Theory*, Organised by The Abhyas Trust in the India International Centre, New Delhi
- 2017 30 April, Heggodu: Guest Lecture on Abhinavagupta and his Śaiva and Aesthetic Tradition,Neelakanteshwara Natya Seva Sangha (NINASAM), Heggodu, Sagar, Shimoga, Karnataka
- 2015 16 July, Manipal: *The Śaiva Philosophy of Kashmir*, Indian Philosophy Summer School, Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, Manipal University
- 2015 17 July, Manipal: *Textual Criticism in Indian Philosophy*, Indian Philosophy Summer School, Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, Manipal University
- 2014 15 May, Naples: *Reviewing the Minority-Majority Debate in Jammu and Kashmir*, DAAM & DISUS, Dottorato di Ricerca AOM e CSB, Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale"
- 8-10 June, Leipzig: *Can a Reflected Image Exist Separately Outside the Mirror? An Exploration into Abhinavagupta's Theory of Reflection*, Around Abhinavagupta: Aspects of Intellectual History of Kashmir, 9th-11th century, Universität Leipzig
- 2013 8 May, Naples: *Approaching the 'Kashmir Problem' : A Reflection into the History of Political Turmoil in South Asia*, Dottorato di Ricerca AOM, Centro di Studi sul Buddhismo, Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale"
- 2012 17 August, Bangalore: *Reproaching the Textual Tradition of Abhinavagupta's Trika Śaivism*, Karnataka Sanskrit University

Refereed Conference Presentations:

- 2023 10-14 January, Canberra: *Svātantryadīpikā of Manasaram Monga*, in The 18th World Sanskrit
 Conference organised by the International Association of Sanskrit Studies and held at The Australian
 National University, Australia
- 9-13 July, Vancouver: 'Reflection' as Goddess in Abhinavagupta, in The 17th World Sanskrit Conference organised by International Association of Sanskrit Studies and held at The University of British Columbia, Canada

22–24 May, Rome: *What is Local and Universal about Kashmiri Islam*, in the panel 'Untying the Knot: Tracing local elements within cultural phenomena in South Asia'. Coffee Break Conference 5: Space, Culture, Language and Politics in South Asia: common patterns and local distinctions, Italian Institute of Oriental Studies, Università di Roma "La Sapienza"

- 2013 23-27 September, Münster: *Is This Universe a Reflected Image in Consciousness? An Analysis of Abhinavagupta's Theory of Reflection,* The 32nd Deutscher Orientalistentag (German Oriental Studies Conference), organised by Deutsche Morgenländische Gesellschaft (German Society for Oriental Studies), Universität Münster
- 4-7 September, Turin: *Jeopardizing Gender: Role of Sexuality in Hindu Nationalism*, The Study of South Asia: between Antiquity and Modernity: Parallels and Comparisons. Coffee Break Conference 4, Università degli Studi di Torino

Colloquium Presentations:

- 2015 13 February, Montréal: *Can a Tainted Mirror Reflect an Image? An Appraisal of Abhinavagupta's Theory of Reflection*, Doctoral Colloquium, Concordia University
- 2011 8 April, Montréal: Escalating and De-escalating Tensions in Hindu-Muslim Marriage in India, Concordia University
- 2010 10 December, Montréal: *A Reflection on Some Transformational Encounters Between the Śaiva and the Buddhist Philosophers of Kashmir*, L'Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)
- 2001 14-15 December, New Delhi: *A Study of Sulphur as presented in the Rasajalanidhiḥ and the Modern Texts of Chemistry*, National Symposium on Ancient Indian Sciences interfaced with Modern Sciences, Indian Agricultural Research Institute.

Recorded Online Talks/Podcast

2019 SynTalk (short for Synthesis Talk), Mumbai. *Title*: #TROC (The Reconstruction Of Colour) https://syntalk.wordpress.com/episodes/turn-six/troc/ (November 23)

Participation in Conferences, Seminars and Workshops:

- 30 September-2 October, Procida, (Italy): The Annual Conference and Assembly of the Members of the Associazione Italiana di Studi Sanscriti (AISS), Università di Napoli "L'Orientale" (invited)
- 2020 27 January 7 February, Pondicherry: *The Śivadharma Project Pondicherry Workshop* organised by Ecole française d'Extrême Orient (EFEO), Pondicherry and Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale"
- 2019 3-5 October, Turin: The Annual Conference and Assembly of the Members of the Associazione Italiana di Studi Sanscriti (AISS), Italy (invited)
- 2019 30 September 1 October, Naples: European Research Council-Starting Grant Project "SHIVADHARMA" lead Śivadharma Project kick-off workshop (invited as an expert)
- 2018 4-8 March, New Delhi: *Workshop on Dhvani Theory*, The Abhyas Trust, Indian International Centre, New Delhi (organised)

2018 15-28 February, Lucknow: *ICPR Workshop on Trika Philosophy of Kashmir*, Indian Council of Philosophical Research, Academic Centre-Lucknow (participated)

- 2016 15 September, Montréal: *3rd Global Conference on World Religions After September 11*, Palais Des Congrés de Montréal (invited as a special participant)
- 2014 20 March, Rome: *Round Table on Indology in Italy*, Museo Nazionale d'Arte Orientale 'Giuseppe Tucci' (MNAO) and Embassy of India in Rome (invited)
- 8-11 September, Procida, (Italy): *Manuscripta Buddhica 3*, jointly organised by the Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale" and Universität Hamburg (invited)
- 2-7 September, Procida, (Italy): When Buddhists Argue Against a Hindu God New Approaches to Dialogical Logic in Interdisciplinary Perspective, Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale" and Universität Heidelberg (invited)
- 2013 14-15 March, Rome: *The Human Person and Nature in Classical and Modern India* International Conference Università di Roma "La Sapienza"
- 2012 21-22 December, Rome: *Quotations and re-use of Texts in Sanskrit Texts* at University of Rome "La Sapienza"
- 2012 1-6 October, Procida, (Italy): *Vedica Neapolitana A Workshop on Vedic and Indo-Iranian Languages*, organised by the Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale"
- 2010 15-23 July, Hamburg: *Third International Workshop on Early Tantra*, Asien-Afrika-Institut, Universität Hamburg
- 2009 20-31 July, Pondicherry: *Second International Workshop on Early Tantra*, Ecole française d'Extrême Orient
- 2008 31 January 2 February, Varanasi: *Vākyapadīya and Indian Philosophy of Languages*, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts
- 2007 16-28 July, Pondicherry: *Fourth International Intensive Sanskrit Summer Retreat (FIISSR)*, Ecole française d'Extrême-Orient (EFEO)
- 5-16, March, Varanasi: Fourth International Workshop on Kashmir Śaivism at the Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi organised by the Trika Inter-religious Trust
- 2005 1-8, February, Varanasi: Third International Workshop on Kashmir Śaivism, Trika Inter-religious Trust
- 2003 1-15, September, Pune: *A 15 Day Workshop on Indian Grammatical Traditions*, Centre for Advanced Study in Sanskrit, University of Pune and Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore
- 2003 Varanasi: International Seminar on Kashmir Śaivism, Banaras Hindu University
- 2003 17 February 1 March, Varanasi: *First International Workshop on Kashmir Śaivism*, Trika Inter-religious Trust
- 2000 26-28, December, Delhi: *National Seminar on Ancient Indian Sciences*, Netaji Subhash Institute of Technology

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2024- Member, Scientific Committee, Apavarga. Repertori, antologie e lemmari del Sudasia, ETS (Pisa), Italy

2024- Member, Editorial Board, *Parispanda* - Annual Research Journal of International School for Sree Sankaracharya Studies, Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady
 2024- Member, Syllabus Review Committee, Iqbal Institute of Culture and Philosophy, University of Kashmir, Srinagar
 2023 Convenor for the *Tantra Studies*, 18th World Sanskrit Conference 2023 (Canberra, Australia)
 2018 Chaired a *Tantra Session* at the 17th World Sanskrit Conference 2018 (Vancouver, Canada)

ACADEMIC SERVICE

(in HSS, IIT Bombay)

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2025-	Coordinator, Philosophy Group, HSS, IITB
2024-	Faculty Advisor, M.A+Ph.D Batch 2024
2023-	Member, Space Committee, HSS
2021-	Seminar Coordinator, HSS
2021-2024	Member, DPC, HSS (Representing Philosophy Group)
2021	Member, M.Phil. Committee, HSS
	(in Manipal University)
2020-21	Member, Subcommittee for the implementation of NEP 2020 in MAHE, Manipal
2019-21	Recognised PhD supervisor for 'Classical Indian Philosophy and Literature' in MAHE,
	Manipal
2019-21	Member, Ph.D. Protocol Approval Committee for Humanities and Social Sciences (MAHE)
2015-21	Ph.D. Coordinator (MCH)
2015-21	Academic-Evaluation Coordinator (MCH)
2015-16	IT Coordinator (MCH)
2018-19	Library Coordinator (MCH)

STUDENT ADVISING

- Graduate Advising:

Doctoral Advisor:

Vedant Yadav, HSS, IIT Bombay Spandan Dabre, HSS, IIT Bombay

Himanshu, HSS, IIT-Bombay

Pham Thi Ngoc Hanh, HSS, IIT Bombay

Amarjeet Singh, HSS, IIT Bombay

Sandeep Dubey MCPH, Manipal University

Vivek Radhakrishnan, MCPH, Manipal University (2022)

Doctoral Committee Member:

Lakshmi K Rajan, Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit (SSUS), Kalady, Kerala

Masters Advisor:

Mihika Raybagkar, HSS, IIT Bombay

> Mohamed Shahsad T S, HSS, IIT Bombay Spandan Dabre, HSS, IIT Bombay (2024) Tanushree Patel, HSS, IIT Bombay (2024) Himanshu, HSS, IIT Bombay (2023) Shubhojeet Nandi, HSS, IIT Bombay (2021) Akanksha Sharma, MCPH, Manipal University (2019) Bharath Kumar, MCPH, Manipal University (2019)

David Martin, MCPH, Manipal University (2018)

- Undergraduate Advising:

Nikhil Ravishankar, MCPH, Manipal University (2020) Sneharshi Dasgupta, MCPH, Manipal University (2020)

TEACHING

- Graduate Courses:

(in Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay)

HS 866: Advanced Readings in Indian Philosophy

HS 506: Writing and Research in Philosophy

HS 863: Philosophy of Indian Aesthetics

HS 564: Śaiva Metaphysics and Epistemology

HS 501: Vedanta Philosophy in the Vedic Tradition

(in Manipal University)

Truth and Knowledge in Indian Philosophy

Classical Indian Metaphysics and Epistemology

Philosophy of Indian Aesthetics

Major Thinkers: Abhinavagupta

Texts and Traditions

Pre-Modern Literary Traditions

Intermediate Sanskrit Language Course

Elementary Sanskrit Language Course

(in Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale")

Sanskrit language and literature (introductory, intermediate and advanced levels)

Spoken Hindi-Urdu language course (introductory, intermediate and advanced levels)

- Undergraduate Courses:

(in Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay)

HS 301: Introduction to Philosophy

(in Manipal University)

History of Indian philosophy

Non-dual Epistemology

Traditions of Indian Philosophy Critical Issues in Indian Philosophy Myth and Narrative Introduction to Hinduism

- Certificate Courses:

(in Manipal University)

Can Literary be Religious and Philosophical at the same time? Manipal Centre for Humanities

Academic Summer Internship

Introduction to Indian Philosophical Traditions, Global Health Symposium, Manipal Ethics in Eastern Philosophy (Bioethics Certificate Course)

(in Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale")

Sanskrit language and literature (introductory, intermediate and advanced levels)

Spoken Hindi-Urdu language course (introductory, intermediate and advanced levels)

- Teaching Assistant:

(in Concordia University)

Veda and Upaniṣads: Ancient Religions of India Introduction to Asian Religions Introduction to Buddhism

GRANTS RECEIVED

- Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay:

Grant (₹ 30,000) for organising 'Indian Philosopher's Day, 2022' by the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, Ministry of Education, Government of India SEED Grant (₹ 8,50,000) by IRCC, IIT-Bombay for the research project on 'A Critical Study of Abhinavagupta's Philosophical Texts'

- Centre for Religious Studies, Manipal University:

Grant (₹ 30,000) for organising 'World Philosophy Day, 2019' by the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India

Grant (₹ 2,00,000) for organising lecture series under the aegis of Centre for Religious Studies, Manipal University in 2017-18.

Grant (₹ 1,00,000) for organising the *International Workshop on Rasa Theory* (13-17 February 2017)

Grant (₹ 2,00,000) for organising the *International Workshop on Tantric Studies* (23-27 January 2017)

CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/LECTURES ORGANISED

- Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay:

2023: Invited Professor Arindam Chakrabarti from the University of Hawaii, USA as a part of the internationalisation vertical of IoE (IITB) from 4 to 7 August 2023. Interaction with research/PhD students (4.8.2023); Public Lecture (5.8.2024); Workshop with Students and Faculty (7.8.2023)

2022-23 Lecture Series on the problem of 'Other Minds' - II (Karl H Potter Memorial Lecture Series in Philosophy) (6 October 2022 - 28 April 2023)

- 2022 ICPR Lecture: 'Virtuous, Not Viral' An Early Buddhist Ethics of Speech (29 July 2022): Prof Madhumita Chattopadhyay (Jadavpur University)
- 2021-22 Lecture Series on the problem of 'Other Minds' I (A. K. Chatterjee Memorial Lecture Series in Philosophy) (1 September 2021 1 April 2022)
 - Centre for Religious Studies, Manipal University:
- 2020 *Seminar on the Philosophy of Indian Aesthetics* (15-16 January 2020): [Resource Persons: Prof Raffaele Torella (*Sapienza Università di Roma, Rome*), Prof C. Rajendran (*University of Calicut*) and Prof Malgorzata Sacha (*Jagiellonian University, Kraków*)]
- 2019 Buddhist Pramāṇa Workshop (10-12 February 2019): [Resource Persons: Prof Pradeep Gokhale, (University of Pune) and Prof Francesco Sferra (Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale")]
- 2017 International Workshop on Rasa Theory (13-17 February 2017): [Resource Person: Professor C. Rajendran (University of Calicut)]
- 2017 International Workshop on Tantric Studies (23-27 January 2017): [Resource Persons: Prof Dominic Goodall, Dr Hugo David, Mr Anjaneya Sharma (*Ecole française d'Extrême-Orient (EFEO)*Pondicherry) and Prof Francesco Sferra (*Università degli Studi di Napoli "L'Orientale"*)]
 - The Abhyas Trust (India International Centre, New Delhi):
- 2018 Workshop on Dhvani Theory (4-8 March 2018): [Resource Person: Prof C. Rajendran (*University of Calicut*)] co-organised with Navtej Johar in collaboration with The Abhyas Trust, New Delhi

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS/SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2021 Young Faculty Award, IIT-Bombay (2021-2024)
- 2018 Travel Grant for World Sanskrit Conference 2018 by Indic Academy Hyderabad
- 2014 Short Term Research Fellowship (Stage de recherche Québec-Inde) under Merit Scholarship Program for Foreign Students 2014-2015, Ministere de l'Education, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS), Fonds de la recherche du Québec Nature et technologies, Gouvernement du Québec
- 2013 Concordia University Conference and Exposition Award
- 2012 Graduate Award by the Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur, de la Recherche, de la Science et de la Technologie (MELS) (Gouvernement du Québec)
- 2010 Graduate Mobility Bursary by the Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur, de la Recherche, de la Science et de la Technologie (MELS) (Gouvernement du Québec)
- 2009 Sir Ratan Tata Trust and Navajbai Ratan Tata Trust (Bombay) Partial Grant
- 2009 Doctoral Fellowship by the Department of Religion, Concordia University, Montréal
- 2009 Paul Foundation (Calcutta) Partial Scholarship
- 2009 Paul Foundation (Calcutta) Partial Grant for D.Phil., Oxford University [Declined]
- 2009 Concordia University International Tuition Fee Remission Award
- 2007 Ashvatta Narayan Scholarship, OCHS, University of Oxford

2006	Partial Grant by the Kashmiri Overseas Association, Maryland
2006	Graduate Fellowship by the Muktabodha Indological Research Institute, California
2006	Scholarship from Kashmiri Overseas Association, Maryland
2006	Smt Kamlarani Ramkishore Scholarship, St Stephen's College, Delhi
2006	Graduate Scholarship, Delhi Sanskrit Academy, New Delhi
2006	St Stephen's College Centenary Fund Scholarship
2006	Kishan Pershad Memorial Prize, St Stephen's College, Delhi
2006	Asha Chatterjee Prize, St Stephen's College, Delhi
2005	Ranvira Juneja Scholarship, St Stephen's College, Delhi
2005	$Graduate\ Scholarship\ from\ the\ Muktabodha\ Indological\ Research\ Institute,\ California$
2005	Students' Need cum Merit Fund Scholarship, Ramakrishna Mission, Srinagar, Kashmir
2005	Trika Interreligious Trust Graduate Scholarship, Varanasi
2003	Swami Vivekananda Chicago Lecture's Centenary Prize, St Stephen's College, Delhi
2003	Sanwa Bank Scholarship (Japan) in collaboration with St Stephen's College, Delhi

LANGUAGES

Kashmiri: advanced speaking, reading, writing (mother tongue)

Sanskrit: advanced translation

Hindi-Urdu: intermediate speaking, reading, writing (fluent Devanāgarī; basic Nastālīq)

Punjabi, Marathi: introductory (speaking)
Italian, French: basic reading ability

Proficiency in palaeography of manuscripts in *Devanāgarī* and *Śāradā* scripts.

REFEREE FOR

Cracow Indological Studies (Institute of Oriental Studies, Jagiellonian University, Cracow)

Environment, Space, Place (Journal of International Association for the Study of Environment, Space and Place (IASESP))

Indian Philosophical Quarterly (Pune University)

Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research (Springer)

Journal of Indian Philosophy (Springer)

Sophia: International Journal of Philosophy and Traditions (Springer)

Bloomsbury Research Handbooks; Journal of Human Values (Sage)

Peter Lang International Academic Publishers

DIGITAL HUMANITIES

Proficient in LaTex critical edition software and coding, grep, Sanskrit e-text entry

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Life Member, Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute, Pune, India

Member, International Association of Sanskrit Studies

Life Member, Indian Philosophical Congress

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