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Associate Professor
Department of History
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Education

- 2008 PH.D., South Asian Languages & Civilizations, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL.
- 1997 B.A. WITH HONORS in History, Miami University, Oxford, OH.
- 1991 B.Sc. in Physics, University of Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan.

Employment Record

- 2020- Associate Professor (with Tenure), Department of History, Columbia University, New York, NY.
- 2018-20 Associate Professor (without Tenure), Department of History, Columbia University, New York, NY.
- 2018-19 Visiting Scholar, Department of South Asian Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.
- 2012-2018 Assistant Professor, Department of History, Columbia University, New York, NY.
- 2013-2019 Acting Director, Center for International History, Columbia University, New York, USA.
- 2009-2012 Junior Professor, Institut für Islamwissenschaft, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany.
- 2009-2009 Associate Director, South Asia Language Resource Center, University of Chicago, Illinois, USA.

Selected Publications

Books

- 2024 *Disrupted City: Walking the Pathways of Memory and History in Lahore*. (New York: The New Press, 2024).
- 2020 *The Loss of Hindustan: The Invention of India*. (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2020; Arabic translation, 2022; paperback, 2023).
Top Ten Non Fiction Book of 2020 (India), Shortlisted for Cundhill History Prize 2021.
Reviews: *Current History* (Audrey Trushke), *Asia Review of Books* (Soni Wadhwa), *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, (Elaine Fisher), *Journal of Asian Studies* (Ganeshdatta Poddar), *Studies in People's History*, (Shireen Moosvi), *Mekong Review* (Sudhir Thomas Vadaketh), *Economic & Political Weekly* (Ambreen Agha), *International Journal of Hindu Studies* (Patrick J. D'Silva), *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies* (Elizabeth M. Thelen)

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- 2016 *A Book of Conquest: The Chachnama and Muslim Origins in South Asia.* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2016).
Reviews: *The American Historical Review* (Chitrlekha Zutshi), *Lekh* (Faridah Zaman) *Studies in People's History* (Irfan Habib), *Sehepunkte: Rezensionen Journal für Geschichtswissenschaften* (Tilmann Trausch), *H-Asia* (André Wink), *Asian Review of Books* (Sonia Wadhwa), *Dawn Pakistan* (S. Akbar Zaidi), *Herald Pakistan* (Syed Naumal Haq)
- 2011 *Where the Wild Frontiers Are: Pakistan and the American Imagination.* (Just World Books, 2011).

Selected Grants & Contracts

- 2023 *Muzaffar Alam / the New Mughal Historiography* with Jane Mikkelson.
\$30,000 from The Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies at Yale University.
- 2022 *Nation in Fragments: Conference Honoring Partha Chatterjee* with Karuna Mantena and David Scott.
\$20,000 from ISERP.
- 2021 *Revealing the Archives of the Malcolm X and Dr. Betty Shabazz Memorial and Educational Center* with Susan McGregor.
\$1500 from Data Science Institute.
- 2021-2024 *Muslims in India* with Christophe Jaffrelot (Science Po), Bernard Haykel (Princeton)
\$300,000 from Henry Luce Foundation.
- 2020 *Worlds at Waste: Air, Water, Land, and the Public in Asia and Africa,* with Kavita Sivaramakrishnan (History and Public Health).
\$20,000 from Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy.
- 2019-2024 *Decolonization, the Disciplines, and the University* with Mahmood Mamdani (Columbia), Rosinka Chaudhuri (Centre for Studies in Social Sciences Kolkata), Dzodzi Tsikata (University of Ghana), Samer Frangie (CAMES, American University of Beirut).
\$1,500,000 from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.
- 2019-2020 *The Humanities in the Wake of War? Technologies of Power, Displaced Histories and Reconstruction* with Hiba Bou Akar (Architecture), Zainab Bahrani (Art History), Kaoukab Chebaro (Columbia Libraries), Marwa Elshakry (History), Hanaa Mallalah (Iraq), Brinkley Messick (Anthropology & MESAAS), Madiha Tahir (Journalism), Adrien Zakar (Stanford Humanities Center)
\$60,000 from Columbia University Humanities War and Peace Initiative.
- 2019 *CSMS Lecture Series* with Brinkley Messick (Anthropology) and Marwa Elshakry (History).
\$10,000 from the Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy.
- 2018 *Orientalism and Its Others* with Marwa Elshakry for a class to be taught in Tunis in Spring 2019.
\$80,000 from the President's Global Fund Grant.
- 2018 *Muslim Worlds Manuscript Project* with RBML Columbia, Free Museum Philadelphia and

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- University of Pennsylvania Libraries.
\$500,000 from CLIR Mellon Hidden Collections Grant.
- 2017 *Data Ethics* with Bruce Kogut (Business) and Josh Whitford (Sociology).
\$40,000 from Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy.
- 2017 *Connected Core: Pilot for Cross-Section Online Collaboration in Core Classes* with Dennis Tenen (English).
\$30,500 from Columbia College
- 2017 *Indo-Ghuria: Workshop* for international workshop on 12th and 13th c. South and Central Asia.
\$9,000 from Columbia Faculty of Arts & Sciences.
- 2016 *A History of Difference* with Katharina Ivanyi (Religion).
\$20,000 from Institute for Religion, Culture and Public Life.
- 2015-17 *Colonization and De-Colonization* with Mae Ngai (History) and Claudio Lomnitz (Anthropology) for a class taught in Mexico City in Summer 2017.
\$50,000 from President's Global Fund Grant.

Presentations & Lectures

Invited Lectures & Keynotes

- 2023 "Place in History, Site of Memory" Brown University
- 2022 "Firishta's Hindustan" Ahmadabad University
- 2022 "Loss of Hindustan" SRM University, Andhra Pradesh
- 2022 "Loss of Hindustan" Ashoka University
- 2022 "Where was Hindustan?" American University, Cairo
- 2021 "Decolonization and History: A Look back at Hindustan" Institute of History of the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Tatarstan in Kazan
- 2021 "The Loss of Hindustan" Presidency College Kolkata
- 2021 "The Loss of Hindustan" University of Toronto
- 2021 "The Loss of Hindustan" University of Chicago
- 2021 "Intellectual Geography of Hindustan" Yale Macmillan Center, Yale University
- 2021 "Decolonizing Storytelling" Lucas Films, Ltd.
- 2021 "A Book of Conquest" Institute of Policy Studies, Islamabad
- 2021 "'History After Destruction'" Keynote to "Inqilab: Revolution, Rebellion, and Realignment in Eighteenth Century South Asia," Princeton University.
- 2021 "A Contrapuntal History of Hindustan" Seminar on Modern South Asia, University of Oxford.
- 2021 "The Loss of Hindustan" King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies, Riyadh.
- 2020 "The Loss of Hindustan" UC Santa Cruz.
- 2020 "The Loss of Hindustan" St. Stephens College, Delhi

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- 2020 “The Loss of Hindustan” Jamia Milli University, Delhi
- 2019 “A Book of Conquest.” University of Chicago.
- 2019 “Firishtha and the History of Hindustan.” Harvard University.
- 2018 “What, where and when was Hindustan?” Stanford University.
- 2018 “From Philology to Algorithm and the Study of Asia.” Dartmouth College.
- 2018 “A Book of Conquest.” University of Pennsylvania.
- 2017 “Did Firishtha have a Philosophy of History?” Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Yale.
- 2017 “A Book of Conquest.” South Asia Institute, UT-Austin.
- 2017 “A Book of Conquest.” Contemporary South Asia Seminar, Brown University.
- 2016 “Quarantined Histories.” Boston College.
- 2016 “A Long History for a Prophetic Pakistan.” South Asia Program, Cornell University.
- 2016 “On the Last Hindu Emperor.” South Asia Institute, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2016 “Technologies of Power: The History and Future of Area Studies in United States”, University of Chicago.
- 2015 “Prophetic Pakistan.” PIIRS, Princeton University.
- 2015 “Local, Regional and Universal History, Now or Then.” Center for South Asian Studies, University of Michigan.
- 2014 “Dialectical Images in *Chachnama*: Trees, Walls and Ruby Eyes in Medieval Sind.” Center for South Asian and Indian Ocean Studies, Tufts University.
- 2014 “Entombed Voices: Female Authority and Immurement in the *Chachnama*.” Brown Bag Lunch Series, Near Eastern Studies, Princeton University.
- 2014 “Against DroneSpace: Reading Testimony from Waziristan.” Sarah Lawrence College.
- 2014 “Empire and Media Workshop,” New York University.
- 2014 “Prophetic Pakistan.” Department of Asian Languages and Civilizations, Amherst College.
- 2013 “Considered Difference in Medieval Sind,” Department of History, Penn State University.
- 2013 “Self-Publishing Prophecies: Apocalypse and Media from Shah Waliullah to Zaid Hamid,” Center for South Asian Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2012 “Shah Waliullah to Zaid Hamid: A Longer View on Prophecy and Dreams in South Asia,” Lahore University of Management & Sciences, Department of Humanities & Social Sciences, Pakistan.
- 2011 “Prophecy, Apocalypse, and the Selling of the Pakistani Dream, 1947-2009,” Department of History, Rice University.
- 2011 “Zehn Jahre 9/11,” Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Berlin.
- 2010 “Rethinking the History of Pakistan,” Wellesley College, Department of History.
- 2010 “False Prophets: Spend an Evening with Zahid Hamid,” *Nationhood and Nation-building in South Asia*, Stanford University.
- 2010 “Reading Tea Leaves in Pakistan,” HIMUN, Universität Hildesheim.
- 2008 “Database Design for Non-Profits”. Lecture and demonstration at South Side Arts & Humanities Network.
- 2007 *Hacking Historical Maps: Towards a Digital South Asia*. Planned and organized a workshop to assess and gather means of combining web technologies (GIS, geo-tagging) to build a data-bank for South Asian historians working with historical maps.

2005 "History and Historians on the Web". *If:book - A Project of the Institute for the Future of the Book*. Los Angeles, CA.

Panel Presentations

- 2020 "Decolonizing Indian History." Jaipur Literary Festival.
- 2020 "South Asia from Afar." Oxford School of Global and Area Studies, Oxford University.
- 2020 *The Postcolonized Historian and the Global South: Reflections on South Asia and Latin America*, chaired by Camilla D. Townsend. The AHA 134th Annual Meeting, New York.
- 2019 *A Roundtable Discussion of Cynthia Talbot's The Last Hindu Emperor: Prithviraj Chauhan and the Indian Past, 1200-2000*, chaired by Purnima Dhavan. The AAS Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.
- 2018 *Identity and Belonging in Premodern Imperial Discourses: A Roundtable*, chaired by David A. M. Spafford. The AHA 132nd Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.
- 2016 "'Qabacha's Legacy,' *From Medieval to Longue Durée: Continuities and Ruptures in 12th-13th Century South and Central Asia*, chaired by Alka Patel. 50th Annual Meeting, Middle East Studies Association, Boston, MA.
- 2015 "Not Being Governed: Surveillance, Policing and Resistance in Mughal Sind," *Regimes of Making in the Borderlands of South Asia*, chaired by Cynthia Talbot. 44th Annual South Asia Conference, Madison, WI.
- 2014 "Digital History for Medieval South Asia," *Textual Corpora and the Digital Islamic Humanities*. Brown University.
- 2013 "Stones fed with Blood: Female Immurement and Kingly Authority in Late Medieval India," *The Spaces of Violence: Gender and the City in South Asia*, chaired by Manan Ahmed. 42nd Annual South Asia Conference, Madison, WI.
- 2012 "A Death Foretold: Dreams and Romance in the *Chachnama*," *On Dreams and Other Truths in Medieval Central and South Asia*, chaired by Manan Ahmed. 41st Annual South Asia Conference, Madison, WI.
- 2011 "A Note on Some Medieval Representations of Muslim Capital in South Asia," *Urban Spaces and Emotions*, chaired by Margrit Pernau. 40th Annual South Asia Conference.
- 2010 "The Political Languages in the Frontier of Sindh, 1220 CE," *Textual Practices Beyond Europe 1500-1900*, Cairo.
- 2010 "The Long Thirteenth Century of the *Chachnama*," *Fractured Genres: The Afterlives of Medieval Indo-Persian Histories*, chaired by A. Sean Pue. 39th Annual South Asia Conference, Madison, WI.
- 2010 "Navigating Self and State in Communal Histories in Pakistan." On panel, *National Culture and Belonging in Pakistan*, chaired by Vazira Fazila-Yacoobali Zamindar. Annual Association of Asian Studies Meeting 2010. Philadelphia, PA.
- 2008 ß "Encounters between Early Modern Sanskrit and Persian Cultures: Ethical and Political Text." Workshop chaired by Manan Ahmed. Seventh Biennial Conference on Iranian Studies. Toronto, ON.

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- 2008 “The End of Muhammad bin Qasim: Memory, History and the Postcolonial Urge to Forget.” On panel, *Contested Pasts and Presents: History and Memory in the Local*, chaired by Manan Ahmed. 122nd Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association. Washington, D.C.
- 2006 “From Diwan to Database: Digital Archives of South Asia.” On panel, *Digital Humanities for South Asia*, chaired by A. Sean Pue. 35th Annual South Asia Conference, Madison, WI.
- 2006 “Knowledge Brokers of the Empire in Sindh.” Workshop, *Beyond Deconstruction - Engaging Colonial Knowledge* at King’s College, Cambridge, UK.
- 2006 “An Imperial Moment: Seth Noamul Hotchand and the Annexation of Sindh.” On panel, *Fissures in the Imperial Narrative: Production and Consumption of Historical Memory in Colonial India*, chaired by Prachi Deshpande. 21st Annual South Asia Conference at University of California, Berkeley, CA.
- 2005 “Interplay of History and Literature in Indo-Persian Texts.” On panel, *Interplay of History and Literature in Indo-Persian Texts*, chaired by Sunil Sharma. 215th Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2005 “Imagined Sindh: Orientalist, Nationalist and Post-Nationalist Constructions of Sindhi Nation.” On panel, *Writing History, Creating Pasts*, chaired by Ronald B. Inden. 20th Annual South Asia Conference at UCLA, Berkeley, CA.
- 2004 “Law and Order in Mughal Sindh.” On panel, *South Asia from the Margins*, chaired by Munis Faruqui. 33rd Annual South Asia Conference at University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI.
- 2004 “Death of Muhammad b. Qasim in History and Memory.” On panel, *Sites of Memory: Practices and Representations of the Muslim Past*, chaired by Muzaffar Alam. 19th Annual South Asia Conference at University of California, Berkeley, CA.

Teaching Experience

1. Classes Taught

- 2021-24 “Colonization/Decolonization” Undergraduate Seminar
- 2020 “Islam and the Modern World: Critical Texts and Practices in the Study of Muslim Societies.” Undergraduate Seminar
- 2012-20 “Introduction to Contemporary Western Civilization.” Undergraduate seminar for the Columbia College Core.
- 2012-19 “History of South Asia I: From al-Hind to Hindustan.” Undergraduate lecture survey.
- 2014-19 “The Worlds of Mughal India.” Undergraduate seminar course.
- 2018 “Early Modern South Asia: Agent, Subject, Object.” Graduate Seminar
- 2017 “Colonization and Decolonization.” Undergraduate seminar co-taught with Claudio Lomnitz (Anthropology) in Mexico City.
- 2015-19 “Borderlands.” Graduate Seminar with a Historical G.I.S. Lab component. Co-taught Fall

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- 2017 with Karl Jacoby (History).
- 2015 “History in Action.” Graduate seminar co-taught with Pamela Smith (History).
- 2012-14 “Walking & Colonialism: 17th to the 19th century.” Undergraduate seminar.
- 2013-14 “Masterpieces of European Literature & Philosophy.” Undergraduate seminar for the Columbia College Core.

2. Thesis Supervision

Ph.D. Sponsor

Tania Bhattacharyya, PhD received 2019 (Harvard Society of Fellows, 2019-2022)
Rahul Sarwate, PhD received 2020 (Assistant Professor, Ahmedabad University)
Sayantani Mukherjee, PhD received 2021 (Assistant Professor, Ashoka University)
Laura Yan, PhD received 2023 (International Affairs, Cambridge University)
Joslyn DeVinney, PhD received 2023
Kamini Masood, G03
Ifadha Sifar, G03
Junaid ur Rehman, G02

Ph.D. Committee Member, Columbia or at other Institutions

Seher Agarwala (Art History, Columbia), “Visualizing Texts, Reading Paintings: Image, Imagination, and Ethics in Sixteenth-Century Golconda” (2023)
Shireen Hamza (History of Science, Harvard), “Islam and Medicine in the Medieval Indian Ocean World” (2023)
Gianni Sievers (South Asia, University of Pennsylvania), “Auditory Culture in Transition: Muslims, Music, and Nationalism in Colonial North India, ca. 1857-1947” (2023)
Samyak Ghosh (MESAAS, Columbia), “Formations of the King: Politics, Pleasure, and Law in Contact Zones of Early Eighteenth-Century Brahmaputra Valley, 1700-1750” (2022)
Aaron Mandon-Plasek (History, Columbia), “Genealogies of Machine Learning, 1950-1995” (2022)
Angela Giordani (History, Columbia), “Making Falsafa in Modern Egypt: Towards a History of Islamic Philosophy in the Twentieth Century” (2020)
Esmat Elhalaby (History, Rice University), “The Arab Rediscovery of India.” (2019, current Assistant Professor at University of Toronto)
Fatima Quraishi (Art History, New York University), “Necropolis as Palimpsest: the Cemetery of Makli in Sindh, Pakistan.” (2019, current Assistant Professor at UC Riverside)
Shayan Rajani (History, Tufts University), “Reimagining the World, Remaking the Region: Distinction and Difference in Early Modern and Modern Sindh.” (2018, current Assistant Professor at LUMS Lahore)
Sonia Ahsan (Anthropology), “States of Honor: Sexual Ethics and the Politics of Promiscuity

in Afghanistan.” (2015)

Anand V. Taneja (Anthropology), “The Sacred as History: Presenting the Past in the Medieval Ruins of Delhi.” (2013, current Assistant Professor at Vanderbilt)

M.A. M.Phil Supervision

Mahum Qazi (2022)

Safia Mahmood (2022)

Sayeed Chowdhury (2022)

Mahum Qazi (2022)

Xintong Chen (2022)

Sofia Shehana Basheer (2021)

Anna Misra (2021)

Wanjiku Elizabeth Karanja (2019)

Tobias Pešter (2017)

Anisha Padma (2017)

Heba Islam (Anthropology) (2016)

Nadia Misir (American Studies) (2016)

Selim Karlitekin (MESAAS) (2014)

B.A. Senior Thesis First/Second Reader

Liza Chowdhury, '19 (Thesis won the Taraknath Das Prize for Undergraduate Excellence in South Asian Studies)

Tara Chand Lal, '17

Jingwei Xu, '16 (Thesis won the Taraknath Das Prize for Undergraduate Excellence in South Asian Studies)

Sundas Amer '15

David Abud '14

Priom Ahmed '14 (Thesis won the Taraknath Das Prize for Undergraduate Excellence in South Asian Studies)

Lewis West '13 (Thesis won the Taraknath Das Prize for Undergraduate Excellence in South Asian Studies)

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Service & Related Professional Activities

Departmental & University Service

- 2023-24 Chair, South Asia Search Committee; Member, Latinx Search Committee
- 2023-24 Director, Heyman Faculty Fellows
- 2020-21 Chair, Bulliet Chair Search Committee
- 2020-21 Director Graduate Studies, Department of History
- 2020-21 Field Rep South Asia, Executive Committee Columbia Global Thought, Publishing Committee Columbia University Press, Board Member Heyman Center
- 2018-19 Field Rep South Asia, Summer Curriculum Co-ordinator, EPPC, Center for Spatial Research Executive Board, EPPC, DSI Center Data, Media and Society Committee, Director of Center for International History
- 2017-18 Graduate Admissions Committee, Field Rep South Asia, Summer Curriculum Co-ordinator, EPPC, Center for Spatial Research Executive Board, DSI Center Data, Media and Society Committee, International Travel Fellowship Selection Committee, Director of Center for International History
- 2016-17 Bulliet Chair Search Committee, Member Ottoman History Search Committee, Graduate Admissions Committee, Summer Curriculum Co-ordinator, Columbia Secondary School Project, EPPC, Center for Spatial Research Executive Board, Member DSI Center Data, Media and Society Committee, Director of Center for International History
- 2015-16 Junior Faculty Advisory Board, Field Rep South Asia, Director of Center for International History
- 2014-15 History in Action, Society of Fellows Reading Committee, Junior Faculty Advisory Board, Director of Center for International History.
- 2013-14 Spending Priority Committee, Graduate Admissions Committee
- 2012-13 Spending Priority Committee, Graduate Admissions Committee

Service to the Discipline

- 2021- Executive Editor, *Journal of the History of Ideas*
- 2020- Faculty Publishing Committee, Columbia University Press
- 2020- Editorial Board, *Comparative Studies in South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East*
- 2020-26 Senior Editor for South Asia, *Comparative Studies in South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East*
- 2020- South Asia Council, Association of Asian Studies
- 2018-2021 Associate Editor, *Journal of Asian Studies*, Cambridge University Press.
- 2016- Editorial Board, *Philological Encounters*, Brill.
- 2016- Member, Board of Trustees, Asian American Writers' Workshop.
- 2016-2019 Member, Review Panel, Council on Library and Information Resources.
- 2014-2020 Group for Experimental methods in the Humanistic Research. Founding member of an interdisciplinary group involved in digital humanities and theoretical experimentation at Columbia.
- 2012- Member, Board of Trustees, American Institute of Pakistan Studies.

2012- Manuscript reviewer Hurst Publications, Oxford University Press, Yale University Press, Cambridge University Press, IB Tauris, Journal for Asian Studies

Organized Conferences & Workshops

- 2020 *Rethinking Sindh Histories*. Columbia University
- 2019 *Makli/Thatta: A Lost City*. Co-organized with Fatima Quraishi, New York University
- 2017 *IndoGhuria: Continuities and Ruptures in 12th and 13th c. South and Central Asia*, Columbia University.
- 2017 *A History of Difference: Piety and Space in Early Modern West Asia*. Co-organized with Kathi Ivanyi (Religion), Columbia University.
- 2017 *Rediscovering Words and Worlds: Arabic Script Collections at Columbia*. Co-organized with Zeinab Azarbadegan, Sadegh Ansari, and Mahmood Gharavi, Columbia University Libraries
- 2016 *South-South: Intellectual History Across Middle East and South Asia, 1857-1948*. Co-organized with Roy Bar Zadeh and Esmat Elhalaby, Columbia University.
- 2013-14 *Digital History Bouquet*. Co-organized with Alex Gil, Columbia University Libraries.
- 2011 *Historiographic Frontiers: Site and Spatial Imagination in medieval and postmedieval Persian, Arabic and Sanskrit Texts*. FU-Berlin.
- 2010 *Winter School Cairo: Textual Practices Beyond Europe 1500-1900*. Co-organized with Islam Dayeh, Georges Khalil, American University Cairo.
- 2007 *Hacking Historical Maps: Towards a Digital South Asia*. University of Chicago.
- 2006 *One Hundred Years of All India Muslim League*. University of Chicago.
- 2006 *Scared Cows: Traversing History and Religion in South Asia*. University of Chicago.
- 2006 *Imagining Empire: Visions of a Unified Polity in South Asia, from Antiquity to the Present*. Co-organized with Rajeev Kinra, University of Chicago.

Scholarly Public Outreach

Op-Eds

- 2017 "Half a Cheer for Democracy in Pakistan," *The New York Times*, March 20, 2017.
- 2013 "Pakistan's Tyrannical Majority," *The New York Times*, May 10, 2013.
- 2013 "A Stranger on Lenox Avenue," *The New York Times*, September 27, 2013.

Essays

- 2018 "The early champions of anti-Ahmadi cause," *The Herald*, Pakistan, October 2018.
- 2017 "Freeing History: How to counter colonial myths about Muslim arrival in Sindh," *The Herald*, Pakistan, August 2017.
- 2015 "Between the Lines: Excavating the many histories of Partition," *The Caravan*, India, June

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2015.
2015 "A Matriarch in Exile," *Public Books*.
2013 "the state shall remain nameless," *The State*, vol 4 (March 2013): 1-5.

Languages*:

Urdu-Hindi: ILR Level 5 (Functionally Native Proficiency)
English: ILR Level 5 (Functionally Native Proficiency)
Persian: ILR Level 4+ (Advanced Professional Proficiency)
Arabic: ILR Level 3+ (General Professional Proficiency)
Punjabi: ILR Level 3+
German: ILR Level 3+
French: ILR Level 3+
Sindhi: ILR Level 3+
Spanish: ILR Level 2+
Portuguese: ILR Level 2+
**proficiency rated using the Interagency Language Roundtable Scale (ILR)*

Affiliations

Member: American Historical Society, Association of Asian Studies.