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Digital Media Law & Policy; International Communication

**BIO**

Professor Nikhil Moro (Ph.D., 2006) chairs the nationally accredited Department of Mass Communications and Journalism at Norfolk State University. Under his leadership, the Department has sought and received reaccreditation, acquired a digital production studio, opened three tenure-track faculty lines, moved into a new state-of-the-art building, and committed to a new strategic plan and a new name. He has been recognized as a “visionary” leader.

Moro holds a national reputation as a scholar and teacher of digital media law. He teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in media law, emerging technology, and international communication. His dissertation was completed at The Ohio State University, whose doctoral program in Communication the National Research Council has ranked among the top five in the United States. His dissertation has been recognized as seminal in the emerging field of Internet law. His papers have appeared in eminent journals: *First Amendment Studies*, *Journal of Media Law & Ethics*, *Journal of Internet Law*, *Global Media and Communication*, *Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly*, etc. His papers have been featured at leading conferences of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC), International Communication Association, and International Association for Media and Communication Research. His work has found support in coveted grants and a public policy fellowship, and it has won national and regional awards from AEJMC and the Southwest Education Council for Journalism and Mass Communication.

Moro’s notable leadership positions have enabled him to shape institutional policy. Prior to joining Norfolk State as Department Chair, he founded and directed a research collective in South Asian Media, Culture & Arts at the University of North Texas. He led collaborations with four universities in India. He chaired the AEJMC Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, which recognized him for Outstanding Service. He served on the board of the AEJMC Media Management and Economics Division and on the AEJMC Strategic Plan Committee. In a prior career in news journalism spanning ten years, Moro was the editor of two newspapers: *The Networker*, Columbus; and *Coffeeland News*, Madikeri. He wrote or edited, also, for *The Times of India*, Mumbai; *Andolana*, Mysore; and *Reader’s Digest*. He has practiced and taught every skill of news journalism: News gathering, reporting, writing, copy editing, ethical decision-making, page and graphics design, data analytics, and content management. He has spoken on national panels, featured in media interviews, and mentored graduate students.

Moro’s academic profile has been recognized internationally. He has held a visiting professorship at the School of Communication of the University of Navarra in Spain. He has given endowed lectures at the Indian Institutes of Technology Madras and Gandhinagar, Jindal School of Government and Public Policy, etc. He continues to serve on several editorial boards, consults frequently in Internet law, and co-edits the *Journal of Contemporary Thought*.

## I. ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- **Professor and Chair, Department of Mass Communications and Journalism, Norfolk State University, Virginia 23504, Fall 2016 to present.**

As Chair, I am responsible for the administration and academic leadership of a department of 305 undergraduate majors, 23 graduate students, four academic programs, a digital production studio, an advanced computing lab, a cable television station, other campus media, and an operational budget of approximately \$1 million. Direct reports include 22 members of faculty and staff.

Key initiatives and outcomes 2016-17:

1. Successful reaffirmation of accreditation by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (Report of On-Site Evaluation: <https://goo.gl/9Xn7DC>)
2. Acquisition of a state-of-the-art digital production studio;
3. A new strategic plan underway;
4. Assumption of additional charge as Graduate Program Coordinator;
5. Reorganization of the M.A. program in Media and Communications;
6. Annual intramural grants increased threefold;
7. Relocation into a new \$61 million building equipped with advanced instructional technology;
8. Enrollment increased 11%; and
9. A new department name in process.

- **Associate Professor, Founder, and Coordinator, South Asian Media Culture & Arts Strategic Area, UNT Research Clusters Program, University of North Texas, Spring 2011 to Summer 2014.**

As founder and director of a strategic area within a multi-million-dollar research initiative that propelled the university into Carnegie R1 status, I led a team of 12 faculty members from four colleges to seek federal and community grants, recruit nationally renowned faculty, and pursue broad collaborations with universities in South Asia.

Key initiatives and outcomes 2011-2014:

1. Successful recruitment and appointment of a research chair;
2. Coordinated a \$300,000 fund-raising drive;
3. Coordinated activities by multiple faculty members across four colleges, nine departments, and eleven majors;
4. Coordinated reorganization of curricula in eleven majors involving twelve courses, as well as development of an innovative graduate curriculum;
5. Established scholar-exchanges with two universities and a separate resource-sharing program with a third university;
6. Led the negotiation and signing of Memoranda of Agreements with four universities in India;
7. Participated in the provost's team visiting 14 research campuses in India as part of international outreach; and
8. My activities in this position led into significant consulting appointments 2014-16.

## II. TEACHING AND RESEARCH POSITIONS

- Professor  
Fall 2016 to present:
  - Department of Mass Communications and Journalism,

Norfolk State University, Virginia 23504

- Consultant, Internet Law & Business Models  
Fall 2014 to Summer 2016:
  - Dallas, Mysore and Salt Lake City
- Associate Professor  
Summer 2009 to Summer 2014:
  - Frank W. and Sue Mayborn School of Journalism,  
University of North Texas, Texas 76203
- Assistant Professor  
Fall 2007 to Spring 2009:
  - School of Broadcast & Cinematic Arts,  
Central Michigan University, Michigan 48859Fall 2003 to Spring 2007:
  - Department of Communication,  
Kennesaw State University, Georgia 30144
- Instructor  
Spring 2003:
  - The Ohio State University at Marion, Ohio 43302
- Graduate Research Associate  
Summer 2001 to Summer 2003:
  - National Regulatory Research Institute,  
The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio 43201
- Graduate Teaching Associate  
Fall 2000 to Spring 2002:
  - School of Communication,  
The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio 43210

### III. PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- **Founding Editor, *The Networker*, Columbus, Ohio, 2001-2003.**  
As the Editor, I was responsible for producing and publishing the premier quarterly paper for public service commissions in the United States. Duties included news gathering, reporting, copy editing, content management, digital production, and publishing.
- **Founding Editor, *Coffeeland News*, Madikeri, Karnataka, 1995.**  
As the Editor, I provided overall leadership for a daily broadsheet of circulation 5,000 serving the Indian district of Kodagu. Wide-ranging duties included news editing, content management, page design, and personnel administration.

### IV. EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Fall 2006
  - School of Communication,

The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio 43210  
Dissertation: "Freedom of Expression and the Information Society: A Legal Analysis  
Toward a Libertarian Framework for Libel"

- M.A., Summer 1997, Gold Medal
  - Department of Journalism & Communication,  
University of Mysore, Mysore 570 005, India  
Thesis: "The Hawala Prosecution and News Framing: A Content Analysis"
- B.A., Summer 1995, Fifth Rank
  - Journalism, Public Administration, English Literature  
Maharaja's College, University of Mysore, Mysore 570 005, India

## V. RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-reviewed journal articles

- Moro, Nikhil. "Unifying a Binary Ontology of Law and Policy." *Jindal Journal of Public Policy* 2, no. 1 (September 2014): 28-38.
- Moro, Nikhil, and Debashis "Deb" Aikat. "Liberty v. Libel: Disparity and Reconciliation in Freedom of Expression Theory." *First Amendment Studies* 47 (2013): 1-26.
- Moro, Nikhil. "Toward a Model Law of Internet Libel: Protecting Citizen Journalists with Actual Malice." *Journal of Media Law & Ethics* 3, no. 3-4 (Summer 2012): 37-62.
- Moro, Nikhil. "Proposal for a Model Law to Prosecute Internet Libel." *Journal of Internet Law* 16, no. 2 (August 2012): 1, 19-34.
- Moro, Nikhil. "Nationalism and 'The Other': News Framing of an India-Pakistan Cricket Match." *Journal of Contemporary Thought* 35, no. 1 (Summer 2012): 143-166.
- Moro, Nikhil. "Normative Theory for the Information Society." *Southwestern Mass Communication Journal* (Spring 2011): 53-73.
- Moro, Nikhil, and Debashis "Deb" Aikat. "Chindia's Newspaper Boom: Identifying Sustainable Business Models." *Global Media and Communication* 6, no. 3 (November 2010): 1-11.

### Monographs

- Moro, Nikhil. *Web Freedom and Criminal Libel in India: A Policy Dialectic*. Chennai: The Hindu Centre for Politics and Public Policy, 2013. 64 pp.

### Book reviews

- Moro, Nikhil. Review of *Understanding Ethnic Media: Producers, Consumers, and Societies*, edited by Matthew D. Matsaganis, Vikki S. Katz, and Sandra J. Ball-Rokeach. *Journalism & Mass Communication Educator*, (Autumn/Winter 2011): 275-277.
- Moro, Nikhil. Review of *The Art of Access: Strategies for Acquiring Public Records*, by David Cuillier

and Charles N. Davis. *Journalism & Mass Communication Educator* (Autumn/Winter 2010): 318-320.

Moro, Nikhil. Review of *Free for All: The Internet's Transformation of Journalism*, by Elliot King. *Journalism & Mass Communication Educator* (Autumn/Winter 2010): 320-322.

Moro, Nikhil. Review of *Art and Freedom of Speech*, by Randall P. Bezanson. *Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly*: Winter 2009.

Moro, Nikhil. Review of *Freedom of Speech Abridged? Cultural, Legal and Philosophical Challenges*, edited by Anne Kierulf and Helge Ronning. *Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly* (Winter 2009): 938-940.

Moro, Nikhil. Review of *Managing the Infosphere: Governance, Technology and Cultural Practice in Motion*, edited by Stephen D. McDowell, Philip E. Steinberg and Tami K. Tomasello. *Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly* (Spring 2009): 220-222.

#### Refereed book chapters

Moro, Nikhil. "Twitter Use and Negative Campaigning: A Case Study from the World's Largest Election." In *Civic Media Reader*, edited by Eric Gordon and Paul Milhailidis. Perm. URL: <https://goo.gl/gAwlQq>. Cambridge, MA: The MIT Press, 2015. Republished by The MIT Press in 2016: <https://goo.gl/9FC5QM>.

Moro, Nikhil. "Digital Rights Management and Corporate Hegemony: Avenues for Reform." In *Ethical Data Mining Applications for Socio-Economic Development*, edited by Hakikur Rahman and Isabel Ramos, 281-299. Hershey, PA: IGI Global, 2013. Republished by IGI Global in 2014: <https://goo.gl/20EerK>.

Moro, Nikhil. "National Security v. Civil Liberties: Newspapers and USA Patriot Act." In *Media in an American Crisis*, edited by Sandy Utt and Elinor Grusin, 143-160. Lanham, Maryland: University Press of America, 2005.

#### Invited, non-refereed or other

Moro, Nikhil. "Policy Studies Essential for Legal Education Reform." In *Policy Arena*, published by Chennai: The Hindu Centre for Politics and Public Policy, June 2013.

Moro, Nikhil. "South Asian Media, Culture & Arts," Office of Research and Economic Development, University of North Texas (July 30, 2012), 45 pp. Annual report submitted to the UNT Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Moro, Nikhil. "The Wisdom of Respect: A Top-10 List." In *Effective Teaching Strategies E-book*, edited by Debashis "Deb" Aikat, 24-26. St. Louis: AEJMC Teaching Committee (August 2011).

Moro, Nikhil and Pankaj Jain, Jim Mueller, and Koji Fuse. "South Asian Media, Culture & Arts," Office of Research and Economic Development, University of North Texas (March 1, 2011), 29 pp. Successful grant application submitted to Phase II of UNT Research Cluster Program.

Moro, Nikhil. "Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group," Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (October 1, 2010), 22 pp. Annual report submitted to the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication.

Moro, Nikhil. "Using Online Tools and Social Media: Top 10 Tips for the Journalism and Mass Communication Educator." In *Workshop on Effective Teaching Strategies*, edited by Debashis "Deb" Aikat, 18-19. Denver: AEJMC Teaching Committee (August 2010).

In preparation

Two book proposals for academic presses and a paper manuscript for *Communication Law and Policy*.

**VI. CONFERENCE PAPERS**

*Legend:* AEJMC = Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication  
ICA = International Communication Association  
IAMCR = International Association for Media and Communication Research

Refereed or peer-reviewed

Moro, Nikhil. "Digital Copyright Law and the Digital Humanities: A Conceptual Reflection." Paper presented to the Chicago Colloquium on Digital Humanities and Computer Science at the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, November 17, 2017.

Moro, Nikhil. "Fake News, Social Media, and the Law." Paper presented via FaceTime to the European Network for Cinema and Media Studies (NECS 2017) conference at Université Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris, June 29, 2017.

Moro, Nikhil. "Freedom, Modernity, and Criminal Libel." Paper accepted by the Law Section of IAMCR, Hyderabad, India, July 15-19, 2014. (Paper withdrawn for scheduling conflict).

Moro, Nikhil. "News Reporters and the Supreme Court of India: A Study of Journalistic Translation." Paper presented to the 16<sup>th</sup> international conference of the Forum on Contemporary Theory, Mysore, India, December 15-18, 2013.

Moro, Nikhil. "Neo-Democracy for India: A Proposed Bill to Coopt Apolitical Leaders." Paper presented to the 31<sup>st</sup> annual conference of the Association of Third World Studies, Chennai, India, December 28-29, 2013.

Scharlott, Brad, and Nikhil Moro. "Nate Silver and the Rise of Poll Aggregators: How They Proved Their Worth to News Media in the 2012 Election." Paper presented to the Newspaper and Online News Division of AEJMC, Washington, DC, August 2013.

Moro, Nikhil. "Content and Copyright: Ideas for Reform." Paper presented to the 18th International Conference of the Society for Philosophy and Technology, ISEG Technical University of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal, July 4-6, 2013.

Moro, Nikhil. "What is Development? A Content Analysis of Two Newspapers." Paper presented to the Southwest Conference on Asian Studies, Houston, Texas, October 18-19, 2013.

- Moro, Nikhil. "Democracy and News: Everyone a Minority." Paper presented to the Southwest Conference on Asian Studies, Dallas, Texas, October 5-6, 2012.
- Moro, Nikhil. "Philosophy of the Press: A Case for Freedom of Expression in India." Paper presented to the 15<sup>th</sup> international conference of the Conference of the Forum on Contemporary Theory, Allahabad, India, December 16-19, 2012.
- Moro, Nikhil, and Debashis "Deb" Aikat. "Protecting Citizen Journalists with Actual Malice." Paper presented to the Law and Policy Division of AEJMC, Chicago, Illinois, August 9-12, 2012.
- Moro, Nikhil. "Becoming Minority: How News Coverage Has Produced and Un-produced Minorities in South Asia." Paper presented to the International Communication Section of IAMCR, Durban, South Africa, July 15-20, 2012.
- Moro, Nikhil, and Debashis "Deb" Aikat. "Digital Rights Management and Corporate Hegemony: A Legal Analysis." Paper presented to the Law Section of IAMCR, Durban, South Africa, July 15-20, 2012.
- Moro, Nikhil. "Edwin Baker and the Marketplace of Ideas: Lessons for the Information Society." Paper presented to the Communication Law and Policy Division of ICA, Phoenix, AZ, May 24-28, 2012.
- Moro, Nikhil. "Mahatma Gandhi and Counterintuitive Journalism." Paper presented to the international conference, Lawyer-Statesmen and Constitutional Democracy, Jaipur, India, December 22, 2011.
- Moro, Nikhil. "Proposal for a Model Law to Regulate Internet Libel." Paper presented to the annual conference of the Southwest Education Council for Journalism and Mass Communication, Dallas, Texas, November 11-12, 2011.
- Moro, Nikhil, and Madiha Kark. "Sports Coverage and Framing of 'the Other': A Case Study of Cricket in India and Pakistan." Paper presented to the First South Asia Peace Conference, Denton, Texas, November 5-6, 2011.
- Moro, Nikhil, and Debashis "Deb" Aikat. "The Newspaper Boom in India and China: Exploring Media Models in the World's Largest Newspaper Markets." Paper presented to the Media Management and Economics Division at the annual conference of the AEJMC, St. Louis, Missouri, August 10-13, 2011.
- Moro, Nikhil, and Debashis "Deb" Aikat. "The Press in India and China: Internal Challenges." Paper presented to the International Communication Section of IAMCR, Istanbul, Turkey, July 13-17, 2011.
- Moro, Nikhil, and Debashis "Deb" Aikat. "WikiLeaks, Citizen Journalism Sites, and Rule of Law." Paper presented to the Law Section of IAMCR, Istanbul, Turkey, July 13-17, 2011.
- Aikat, Debashis "Deb," Md. Abu-Naser, Nikhil Moro, and Abhijit Sen. "Theorizing Technology: Theoretical Trends and Core Concepts in Visual Communication." Paper presented to the Communication Technology & Policy Section of IAMCR, Istanbul, Turkey, July 13-17, 2011.

- Moro, Nikhil, and Debashis “Deb” Aikat. “WikiLeaks’ Disclosures as Strategic Communication: Rule of Law in a Digital Democracy.” Paper presented to the ICA 2011 pre-conference, Strategic Communication – A Concept at the Center of Applied Communications, Boston, Massachusetts, May 26-30, 2011.
- Moro, Nikhil, and Debashis “Deb” Aikat. “Journalism @ a Crossroads: The Role of Hyperlocal News in Mobile Communication.” Paper presented to the ICA 2011 pre-conference, Seamlessly Mobile: Mobile Communication @ a Crossroads, Boston, Massachusetts, May 26-30, 2011.
- Moro, Nikhil. “National Security v. Freedom of Expression: WikiLeaks and the Rule of Law.” Paper presented to the 17th International Conference of the Society for Philosophy and Technology, University of North Texas, Denton, Texas, May 26-29, 2011.
- Moro, Nikhil. “Normative Theory for the Information Society.” Paper presented to the Southwest Education Council for Journalism and Mass Communication, Top-6 Paper, Round Rock, Texas, November 5, 2010.
- Moro, Nikhil, and Debashis “Deb” Aikat. “Newspaper Business Models in India and China: A Comparative Analysis.” Paper presented to the ICA pre-conference on Chindia, Singapore, June 22-26, 2010.
- Moro, Nikhil. “A Model Law to Prosecute Information Society Libels.” Paper presented to the Law Division of the AEJMC, Chicago, Illinois, August 6-9, 2008.
- Moro, Nikhil. “Freedom of Expression in the Information Society.” Paper presented to the Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, AEJMC annual convention, Top Student Paper, San Francisco, California, August 2-5, 2006.
- Moro, Nikhil. “Adjudicating Libels in the Information Society.” Paper presented to the Law Division of the AEJMC annual convention, San Francisco, California, August 2-5, 2006.
- Moro, Nikhil. “Internet Regulation in China.” Paper presented to the “China’s legal system: What’s happening?” symposium at Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, Georgia, October 23, 2005.
- Moro, Nikhil. “The First Amendment as a Frame: A Content Analysis of Top Blogs.” Paper presented to the International Symposium on Online Journalism, Austin, Texas, April 9, 2005.
- Moro, Nikhil. “A Conduct Framework for Web Authors.” Paper presented to the “Illuminating Ethical Leadership: Faculty and Administrative Roles” conference organized by the RTM Institute for Leadership, Ethics & Character, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, Georgia, October 7, 2005.
- Moro, Nikhil. “Bloggers’ Role as Participatory Journalists.” Paper presented to the “Exploring the Fusion Power of Public and Participatory Journalism” conference that preceded the annual convention of the AEJMC, Toronto, Canada, August 3-7, 2004.
- Moro, Nikhil. “The Times Actual Malice Rule as a Standard of Internet Libel Law.” Paper presented to the annual conference of the AEJMC, Toronto, Canada, August 3-7, 2004.



Moro, Nikhil. "Conceptualizing a Standard for Internet Defamation." Paper presented to the Law Division of the AEJMC, Toronto, Canada. August 3-7, 2004.

Moro, Nikhil. "A Freedom of Expression Frame for Internet Regulation." Paper presented to the Law and Policy Division of the ICA, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 27-31, 2004.

Moro, Nikhil. "Implications of Convergence on First Amendment Law." Paper presented to the Dynamics of Convergent Media Conference, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina, November 12-13, 2002.

Moro, Nikhil. "Newspaper Opinion and Conflict: An Analysis of Social Control and 'Guard Dog' Roles." Paper presented to the Midwestern Chapter of the American Association for Public Opinion Research, Chicago, Illinois, November 22-23, 2002.

Moro, Nikhil. "Newspapers as Mobilizers of National Identity." Paper presented to the Communication and Culture Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico, May 24-25, 2002.

Moro, Nikhil. "National Security v. Civil Liberties: What is the Newspapers' Position?" Paper presented to the Newspaper Division of AEJMC, Miami Beach, Florida, August 7-10, 2002.

## **VII. ACADEMIC HONORS**

2017 Visiting Research Fellow, Media and Social Development, University of Mysore, December. Mysore, India.

2015 Chief Guest, Short-term Course for University Faculty on Media and Human Rights, Academic Staff College, University of Mysore, September. Mysore, India.

2014 Visiting Professor, University of Navarra, Faculty of Communication, March. Pamplona, Spain.

2013 Public Policy Scholar, The Hindu Centre for Politics and Public Policy, May-August. Chennai, India.

2011 Co-editor (one of six) of the *Journal of Contemporary Thought*, the peer-reviewed, interdisciplinary journal of the humanities, starting Winter issue.

2010 Top Six Paper Award, presented by the Southwest Education Council in Journalism and Mass Communication for research paper titled, "Normative Theory for the Information Society," November. Round Rock, Texas.

2009 Outstanding Service recognition, presented by the AEJMC Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, August. Boston.

2006 Top Paper Award, presented by the AEJMC Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, August, for the paper "Freedom of Expression in the Information Society." San Francisco.

- 2005 Community Learning Award, presented by the College of Social Sciences and Humanities, Kennesaw State University, fall, for mentoring thesis and Web design students. Kennesaw, Georgia.
- 2002 Recognition, presented by the National Regulatory Research Institute, Columbus, for contributions to the Commissioners' Summit, January. Salt Lake City, Utah.
- 2002 Recognition for Research Activity, presented by the School of Communication, The Ohio State University, Spring. Columbus.
- 2001 Recognition for Research Activity, presented by the School of Communication, The Ohio State University, Spring. Columbus.

### VIII. INVITED SCHOLARSHIP

- 2017 Moderator and Panelist, "The Nature of News: Telling the Fake from the Real," Robert C. Nusbaum Honors College, Norfolk State University, October. Norfolk, Virginia.  
  
Constitution Day Speaker, "The First Amendment," Norfolk State University, September. Norfolk, Virginia.  
  
Member of the editorial board, *Journal of Media and Social Development*.  
  
Public Lecture, "Journalism and the Free Press," Old Dominion University Institute for Learning in Retirement, July 2017. Virginia Beach.
- 2015-17 Member of the editorial board, *First Amendment Studies*.
- 2015 Session Speaker, "Civil Rights and the Media: Cases in the United States," Short-term Course for University Faculty, Academic Staff College, University of Mysore, October. Mysore, India.  
  
Workshop Speaker, "Social Media and Freedom: Cases in the United States," Refresher Course for Professors, Academic Staff College, University of Mysore, September. Mysore, India.  
  
Workshop Speaker, "Media Studies: New Vistas," Refresher Course for Professors, Academic Staff College, University of Mysore, January 2015. Mysore, India.
- 2014 Public Lecture, "Internet Freedom: Hot-button Challenges," Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar, October 2014. Gandhinagar, India.  
  
Public Lecture, "Literary Influences on American Journalism," Department of Studies in English, University of Mysore, November 2014. Mysore, India.  
  
Guest Speaker, "Regulation of the Motion Picture Industry," Discipline of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar, October 2014. Gandhinagar, India.

Workshop Speaker, "Integrating Research Methods," Department of Studies in English, University of Mysore, November 2014. Mysore, India.

Panelist, "Invited Book Panel," *Ecology is Permanent Economy: The Activism and Environmental Philosophy of Sunderlal Bahuguna*, by George Alfred James (Albany: State University of New York Press, 2013), April 2014.

Judge, Participatory Journalism Interest Group research paper competition, AEJMC, August 2014. Montreal.

Judge, Communication and Technology Division research paper competition, ICA, May 2014. Seattle.

2013 Public Lecture, JSGP Open Lecture Series, "The Net and the Catch: Freedom of Expression in the Digital Era," Jindal School of Government and Public Policy, O.P. Jindal Global University, August 2013. Sonipat, India.

Public Lecture, R&D Lecture Series, "Epistemological Foundations of Law," Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, August 2013. Chennai, India.

Panelist, "Data Security: The Political Threat," Best Practices Meet 2013, Data Security Council of India, National Association of Software and Service Companies (NASSCOM), July 2013. Chennai, India.

Judge, Law and Policy Division research paper competition, AEJMC, August 2013. Washington.

Judge, Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group research paper competition, AEJMC, August 2013. Washington.

2013-15 Reviewer, *Journalism & Mass Communication Educator*.

2012 Reviewer, *Communication Law and Policy*.

Panelist, "Journalism Programs as News Providers: Legal and Other Provisions," pre-conference workshop of the Law and Policy Division and Community Journalism and Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Groups, AEJMC, August 2012. Chicago.

Judge, Newspaper and Online News Division research paper competition, AEJMC, August 2012. Chicago.

Judge, Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group research paper competition, AEJMC, August 2012. Chicago.

Reviewer, *Visual Communication Quarterly*.

Discussant, High Density Refereed Research Paper Session, Newspaper and Online News Division of AEJMC, August 2012. Chicago.

Expert lecture, "Communicating across cultures: India," Department of Speech Communication, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, July 2012. Little Rock, Arkansas.

2011

Panelist, "Freedom of Information Around the World: India," pre-conference research panel of the Law and Policy and International Communication divisions, AEJMC, August 2011. St. Louis, Missouri.

Discussant, "News Effect: How Journalists Think and Write Versus How Readers Readers and Engage," High Density Research Paper Session, Newspaper Division, AEJMC, August 2011. St. Louis, Missouri.

Discussant, "Citizen Journalism and New Technologies," refereed paper session of the Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, AEJMC, August 2011. St. Louis, Missouri.

Judge, Newspaper Division research paper competition, AEJMC, August 2011. St. Louis.

Judge, Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group research paper competition, AEJMC, August 2011. St. Louis.

Reviewer, book proposal, *Working with Words*, 7<sup>th</sup> ed. by Brian S. Brooks, et al. (New York: Bedford/St. Martin's, 2010), March 2011.

Concept leader and writer, "South Asian Media, Culture & Arts," grant for Phase II of UNT Research Cluster Program, February 2011. Denton.

2010

Discussant, "The Adoption of Social Media by Media Firms: Online Relationship Marketing in Media Industries," refereed paper session of the Media Management & Economics Division, AEJMC, August 2010. Denver, Colorado.

Panelist, "Right to information in India: RTIA compared to the FOIA," research panel of the Law and Policy Division, AEJMC, August 2010. Denver.

Panelist, "Media Entrepreneurship and Innovation: New Business Models, New Career Paths," research panel of the Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group and Media Management and Economics Division, AEJMC, August 2010. Denver.

Panelist, "Using Online Tools and Social Media for Effective Teaching," pre-conference workshop of the AEJMC Teaching Committee, August 2010. Denver.

Expert lecture, "Libel Law and Journalists," Leadership Tomorrow conference, Greater Dallas Asian American Chamber of Commerce, May 2010. Dallas, Texas.

Judge, Media Management and Economics Division research paper competition, AEJMC, August 2010. Denver.

Judge, Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group research paper competition, AEJMC, April 2010. Denver.

- 2009
- Reviewer, book proposal, *Media Technology and Human Interaction* by Jarice Hanson (New York: Pearson, Allyn & Bacon, 2009), October 2009.
- Reviewer, book proposal, *Taking Sides: Clashing Views in Mass Media and Society*, 11<sup>th</sup> ed., by Alison Alexander and Jarice Hanson (New York: McGraw Hill, 2009), November 2009.
- Panelist and moderator, "Journalists and Law Enforcement: Rights versus Security," PF&R panel of the Law and Policy Division and Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, AEJMC, August 2009. Boston.
- Panelist and moderator, "Citizen Journalists as Sources," pre-conference workshop of the Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, AEJMC, August 2009. Boston.
- Panelist and moderator, "Has the Civic/Citizen Movement Brought Journalism Full Circle?" research panel of the Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group and History Division, AEJMC, August 2009. Boston.
- Introduction speech, "Civic News Networks: Competition v. Collaboration," J-Lab Luncheon, AEJMC, August 2009. Boston.
- Expert lecture, "Cable Television Law: 1992 to Present," annual conference of Alliance for Community Media, October 2008. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.
- 2008
- Delegate, "2008 Digital Media Summit," invitation conference of university professors of the Disney ABC Television Group (underwritten by International Radio and Television Society Foundation and The Walt Disney Co.), August 2008. Burbank, California.
- External reviewer, "Role of Information and Communication Technology in Pursuit of Academic Excellence: A Comparative Study of Indian Universities," doctoral thesis, University of Mysore, India, August 2008. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.
- Reviewer, book proposal, *Managing Media Work* by Mark Deuze (Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications, 2008), April 2008.
- Judge, Media Management & Economics Division research paper competition, AEJMC, April 2008. Chicago.
- Judge, Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group research paper competition, AEJMC, April 2008. Chicago.
- Reviewer, books submitted to *Journalism & Mass Communication Quarterly*, January 2008.
- Expert lecture, "Stimulating Activism with New Technologies: Second Life and More," interactive session with Dr. Lesley Withers at Ninth Annual Communication and Social Action Conference on "Cyberactivism: Technology, Community, and Voice," February 2008. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

- 2007-2008 Curriculum developer, Digital Media: Updated curricular sequence, structure, and content for School of Broadcast & Cinematic Arts, Central Michigan University, 2007-08. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.
- Curriculum developer, Media Management: Updated curricular sequence, structure and content for School of Broadcast & Cinematic Arts, Central Michigan University, 2007-08. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.
- 2007 Panelist, "Using Blogs to Create and Strengthen Communities," PF&R panel of the Civic & Citizen Journalism and Community Journalism Interest Groups, AEJMC, August 2007. Washington, DC.
- Discussant, "Changing the Way We Communicate," refereed paper session of the Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, AEJMC, August 2007. Washington, DC.
- Discussant, "Examinations of Hegemony," refereed paper session of the Critical & Cultural Studies Division, AEJMC, August 2007. Washington, DC.
- Judge, "Best Editorial Page," national contest of Suburban Newspapers of America, Cochranville, PA, December 2007. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.
- Judge, Media Management & Economics Division research paper competition, AEJMC, April 2007. Washington, DC.
- Judge, Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group research paper competition, AEJMC, April 2007. Washington, DC.
- Reviewer, book proposal, *Inquiry into the College Classroom: A Journey Toward Scholarly Teaching* by Paul Savory, et al. (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 2007) for Faculty Center for Innovative Teaching, Central Michigan University, February 2007.
- Expert lecture, "Communicating Martin Luther King Jr. Through Gandhi," annual lecture series of the Defense Contract Management Agency, Department of Defense, January 2007. Marietta, Georgia.
- Discussant, post-screening, "A Tribe of His Own: The Journalism of P. Sainath (Bullfrog Films, 2002)," Central Library, January 2007. Atlanta.
- 2006 Expert lecture, "Libel Concerns for Bloggers and Others of the Fifth Estate," Institute of Global Initiatives, Kennesaw State University, November 2006. Kennesaw, Georgia.
- 2005 Judge, Civic Journalism Interest Group research paper competition, April 2005. San Francisco.
- Reviewer, book proposal, *Writing & Reporting the News*, 3d ed., by Gerald Lanson and Mitchell Stephens (Cambridge, MA: Oxford University Press, 2005), April 2005.

Motivational lecture, "Social Capital and Alumni Giving," Old Boys Association, Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala, May 2005. Mysore, India.

Motivational lecture, "The Need for Students to Develop a Vision of Life," high school retreat at Ramakrishna Institute of Moral and Spiritual Education, June 2005. Mysore, India.

Discussant, "Actual Malice and the Internet," refereed paper session of the Civic Journalism Interest Group, AEJMC mid-winter conference, February 2005. Kennesaw, Georgia.

Panelist, "Teaching the Online Media Course: The State of the Art as the Curriculum's *New Kid Grows Up*," teaching panel of the Communication Technology Division, AEJMC midwinter conference, February 2005. Kennesaw, Georgia.

Panelist, "Blogging an Agenda for the Mass Media: Six Case Studies," teaching panel of the Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, AEJMC midwinter conference, February 2005. Kennesaw, Georgia.

Expert lecture, "Ethics at the Crossroads of Open Source and Copyright," ILEC Luncheon Lecture, RTM Institute for Leadership, Ethics and Character, Kennesaw State University, March 2005. Kennesaw, Georgia.

Expert lecture, "Communicating the Indian Heritage," annual lecture series of the Defense Contract Management Agency, Department of Defense, November 2005. Marietta, Georgia.

2004 Expert lecture, "Issues in Downloading Free Music," Institute of Global Initiatives, Kennesaw State University, November 2004. Kennesaw, Georgia.

2003 Faculty delegate, "Issues in Internet Regulation," Oxford Round Table, University of Oxford, U.K., Autumn 2003. Invitation declined.

Expert lecture, "Communicating Vivekananda to American Youth," Gita Mandal, Indianapolis. January 2003. Indianapolis.

## IX. GRANTS

2017 \$1,090.00, Special Faculty Development Grant, Office of the Provost, Norfolk State; summer 2017.

\$1,552.80, Special Faculty Development Grant, Office of the Provost, Norfolk State; summer 2017 (unused).

\$8,304.00, Special Student Travel Grant on behalf of National Broadcasting Society Norfolk State chapter, Office of the Provost; spring 2017.

\$2,349.00, NSU Faculty Development Grant, spring 2017.

2014 \$5,000, UNT Mentoring Grant (PI: Nicoladie Tam), spring 2014.

- 2013 \$5,000, UNT Mentoring Grant (PI: Nicoladie Tam), spring 2013.
- 2012 \$2,000, UNT Transformation Instruction Initiative, spring 2012.
- 2011 Significant but unspecified. Phase II of UNT Research Cluster Program, spring 2011 (conceptualized, wrote and led successful grant proposal to found the South Asian Media, Culture & Arts Strategic Area; grant included administrative support from journalism dean Mitch Land).
- \$2,000, UNT Transformation Instruction Initiative, spring 2012. This grant was never used because of a conflict of required meeting dates with my visit to Istanbul to present research at IAMCR, July 13-17, 2011.
- 2010 \$7,500, UNT Research Initiation Grant, fall 2010.
- \$5,000, UNT Junior Faculty Summer Research Fellowship, spring 2010.
- 2008 \$46,000, No Child Left Behind, assessment consultant for federal grant secured 2006 (PI: Leonard Witt): "Blog2Learn: Improving Language Arts Teaching and Building Peer Teaching Communities Through the Use of Weblogs," summer 2007 to spring 2008.

#### **X. NON-REFEREED ACADEMIC ACTIVITY**

- 2017 Participant, Kappa Tau Alpha Luncheon, AEJMC, August 10. Chicago.
- Participant and speaker, Administrators' Breakfast, ICA, May 28. San Diego.
- Fellow, Institute for Pedagogy in the Liberal Arts, Oxford College of Emory University, May 9-12. Oxford, Georgia.
- Participant, Meeting of the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications, April 28-29. Chicago.
- Participant, Meeting of the Accrediting Committee of the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications, March 25. Chicago.
- 2013 Session chair, "Language, Form and the Historical Context of Translation," 16<sup>th</sup> international conference of the Forum on Contemporary Theory, December 2013. Mysore, India.
- 2012 Session chair, "Mediating Political Futures," 15<sup>th</sup> international conference of the Forum on Contemporary Theory, December 2012. Allahabad, India.
- 2011 Session chair, "B.R. Ambedkar, Jawaharlal Nehru, Mahatma Gandhi," Lawyer-Statesmen and Constitutional Democracy conference of the Forum on Contemporary Theory and International Lincoln Center, LSU Shreveport, December 2011. Jaipur, India.
- Session chair, "Transcending disciplinary decadence: Exploring challenges of teaching, scholarship and research in the humanities and the social sciences," 14<sup>th</sup> international



conference of the Forum on Contemporary Theory, December 2011. Jaipur, India.

Session chair, "The Unholy Trio of Media, Cricket and Terrorism," First South Asia Peace Conference, November 2011. Denton, Texas.

President and moderator, "Citizen Journalism and New Technologies," refereed paper session of the Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, AEJMC, August 2011. St. Louis, Missouri.

- 2009 President and moderator, "The Wild World Web: Sorting Through Privacy, Confidentiality, Libel, and Other Legal Quagmires of the Internet," refereed paper session of the Law and Policy Division, AEJMC, August 2009. Boston.

Participant, "Funding Opportunities for Faculty," workshop of the University of Texas Office of Research and Economic Development, October 2009. Denton.

Invitee, Gerald M. Sass Awards Banquet, Association of Schools of Journalism and Mass Communication, August 2009. Boston.

Participant, Teaching Ideas Exchange Breakfast, AEJMC teaching session organized by Dr. Deborah Gump of Ohio University, August 2009. Boston.

President and moderator (with Elizabeth Hansen), business session of the Community Journalism and Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Groups' joint business meeting, August 2009. Boston.

Participant, "News Literacy: Setting a National Agenda," national conference at Stony Brook University, March 2009. Stony Brook, New York.

- 2008 Guest speaker, "Mass Media Law and Regulation." Journalism 101 Honors, Central Michigan University, November 2008. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

Participant, Technology Summit, Central Michigan University, November 2008. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

Participant, AEJMC midwinter meeting, December 2008. Louisville, Kentucky.

Participant, Lilly Conference on College and University Teaching, September 2008. Traverse City, Michigan.

Advisor, graduate student paper accepted by the Law and Policy Division of AEJMC, August 2008. Chicago.

Participant, J-Lab Luncheon: Networked Journalism and the Changing Face of News, AEJMC, August 2008. Chicago, Illinois.

Participant, "Session for Proposal Writers," workshop of the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs and Faculty Center for Innovative Teaching, Central Michigan University. March 2008. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

Participant, "Teaching Online," four-week workshop of the Center for Instructional Design, Central Michigan University, March-April, 2008. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

Actor, "Sexual Harassment in Workplaces," role of Satish in training video directed by Dr. James Eikrem and produced by Central Michigan University, nationally released October 2008. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

Participant, "Copyright in the Online Classroom," workshop of the Faculty Center for Innovative Teaching, Central Michigan University, February 2008. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

- 2007 Participant, "GIS Applications," workshop organized by professor Daisaku Yamamoto of the Center for GIScience, Central Michigan University, November 2007. Mount Pleasant, Michigan.

Participant, Lilly Conference on College and University Teaching, October 2007. Traverse City, Michigan.

President and moderator, "New Wine in Old Bottles: Challenging Received Wisdom About Audiences, Advertisers and Managers," refereed paper session of the Media Management and Economics Division, AEJMC, August 2007. Washington, DC.

Participant, "Transforming Newspapers: An Industry Blueprint for Innovation," offsite conference of the Media Management and Economics and Newspaper Divisions, AEJMC, August 2007. Washington, DC.

Participant, "Journalism that Matters – the DC Session: What Will Happen When Only the Journalism is Left?" workshop of the Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group and Journalism That Matters Coalition, AEJMC, August 2007. Washington, DC.

Session leader, "Is the Medium the Message? McLuhan's Utility to Podcasters and Other Cyberdenizens," PodCamp UnConference, Emory University, March 2007. Atlanta.

Session leader, "SoCon07: 2.0 Style Networking In 1.5 Days," UnConference of Podcasters, Citizen Journalists and New Media Professionals, Kennesaw State University, February 2007. Kennesaw, Georgia.

- 2006 Participant, Professional Development Workshop, Office of Sponsored Programs, Kennesaw State University, March 2006. Kennesaw, Georgia.

Participant, "Demonstrating the Quality and Significance of Professional Service," workshop of the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, Kennesaw State University, March 2006. Kennesaw, Georgia.

Participant, Georgia Bar Media and Judiciary Conference, Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) in Georgia, January 2006. Atlanta.

- 2005 President and moderator, "Setting an Agenda: News Blogs, Mobblogs and their Discontents," refereed paper session of the Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, AEJMC, August 2005. San Antonio.

Participant, Georgia Bar Media and Judiciary Conference, Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) in Georgia, January 2005. Atlanta.

2004 Participant, Georgia Bar Media and Judiciary Conference, Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) in Georgia, January 2004. Atlanta.

2003 Writer, "Toward a Law of Internet Libel," book proposal submitted for a grant (unsuccessful) to the Incentive Grants program, Kennesaw State University, November 2003. Kennesaw, Georgia.

## **XI. NEWSROOM EXPERIENCE**

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| 2001-2003 | Editor      | <i>The Networker</i> , Columbus, Ohio. In this position, I wrote, edited and designed content for the public utilities industry periodical published by the National Regulatory Research Institute at The Ohio State University. |
| 1996-2000 | Copy Editor | <i>The Times of India</i> , Mumbai. In this position, I edited and designed pages, and occasionally reported content.  |
| 2000      | Consultant  | <i>Forindia Inc.</i> , Navi Mumbai. In this position, I aggregated, developed and edited content for forindia.com (now defunct).   |
| 1997      | Writer      | <i>Reader's Digest</i> , India. In this position, I pursued or adapted long-form writing; my first story appeared in the issue of May 1997.  |
| 1995      | Editor      | <i>Coffeeland News</i> , Madikeri. I was the founding editor, in charge of writing, editing, design and management of the first English newspaper of Kodagu district.  |
| 1992-1994 | News Editor | <i>Andolana</i> , Mysore. In this position, I reported, edited, and designed pages for a now-defunct English-language evening newspaper that I earlier also served as reporter and sub-editor.                                   |
| 1991      | Reporter    | <i>Indian Express</i> , Mysore. I was a part time reporter while pursuing the B.A. at Maharaja's College, University of Mysore.  |

## **XII. SERVICE TO THE ACADEMY**

- 2017 Member of the SACSCOC Accreditation Self-study Writing Team, Office of the Provost, Norfolk State University (summer/fall).
- Learning Communities Faculty Member, Office of the Provost, Norfolk State University (summer/fall).
- Graduate Studies Coordinator standing in, Department of Mass Communications and Journalism, Norfolk State University (summer/fall).
- Assessment Coordinator standing in, Department of Mass Communications and Journalism, Norfolk State University (summer/fall).
- Member standing in, Faculty Senate, Norfolk State University (spring).
- Member, Focus Group on University Branding, Office of Communications & Marketing, Norfolk State University.
- 2012-15 Member, Strategic Plan Implementation Committee, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication.
- 2013-14 Member, Ph.D. Admission Committee, College of Information, University of North Texas.
- 2010-13 Chair, Ph.D. Dissertation Committee: Kailash Gupta.
- 2010-13 Member, M.A. Thesis Committee: Rodney D. Gray.
- 2012-13 Member, Editorial Advisory Board, Advances in Data Mining and Database Management Book Series (Hershey, PA: IGI-Global).
- 2013 Member, UNT Charn Fund Proposal Review Committee.
- 2013-14 Member, UNT Global Affairs Committee.
- 2013 Member, Board of Advisors, Ramakrishna Vedanta Society of North Texas.
- 2012 Member, Search Committee for Vice Provost for International Affairs.
- 2011-12 Member, UNT India Delegation.
- 2011-2012 Chair, UNT Search Committee for Professor of South Asian Media, Culture & Arts.
- 2011-2014 Coordinator, South Asian Media, Culture & Arts Strategic Area, UNT strategic area.
- 2011-2014 Advisor, Action for Animals UNT.
- 2011 Consultant, UNT Student Legal Services.
- 2011 Consultant, Denton Community Television (DCTV), Bylaws Committee.

- 2011 Board Member at Large, Media Management and Economics Division, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication.
- 2011-2014 Advisor, UNT Yoga Club, University of North Texas.
- 2011-2014 Advisor, Hindu Students Association, University of North Texas.
- 2009-2014 Member or chair, Accreditation and Assessment Committee, Mayborn School of Journalism, University of North Texas.
- 2009-2014 Member, Graduate Committee, Mayborn School of Journalism, University of North Texas.
- 2008-2009 Member, Taskforce on Media Literacy, Association of Schools of Journalism and Mass Communication (ASJMC).
- 2008-2009 Chair, Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. Elected 7 August 2008 in Chicago.
- 2008-2009 Advisor, Indian Students Association, Central Michigan University.
- 2008 Coordinator and co-organizer, "The Past, Present and Future of Citizen/Civic Journalism," offsite conference, AEJMC, August 2008. Chicago.
- 2008 Curriculum developer: Produced master syllabi for graduate courses in Telecommunications Media Policy (BCA 611), Electronic Media Seminar (BCA 612), and Electronic Media and Convergence (BCA 613); and undergraduate course in Electronic Media Management (BCA 516), Central Michigan University.
- 2008 Consultant, Online Digital Object Repository, Central Michigan University.
- 2007-2008 Member, General Education Sub-committee, Academic Senate, Central Michigan University.
- 2007-2008 Coordinator, electronic media management unit, School of Broadcast & Cinematic Arts, Central Michigan University.
- 2007-2008 Member, Media Design, Production and Technology Minor (MDPT) Committee, Central Michigan University, 2007-08.
- 2006-2008 Vice Chair, Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, AEJMC, 2006-08. Elected 4 August 2005 in San Francisco, and reelected co-vice chair on 11 August 2007 in Washington, DC.
- 2007 Course developer: Proposed and developed a new graduate seminar, BCA 613: Electronic Media & Convergence for the School of Broadcast & Cinematic Arts, Central Michigan University.
- 2007 Host: Organized visit by Indian journalist Krishna Prasad to the AEJMC conference in Washington and to Central Michigan University, August-October 2007.

- 2006-2007 Member, International Committee, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Kennesaw State University.
- 2006-2007 Coordinator, University Quality Enhancement Plan, Department of Communication, Kennesaw State University.
- 2005-2006 Member, Scholarships Committee, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Kennesaw State University.
- 2004-2005 Chair, Search Committee, two positions of Assistant Professor of Communication, Department of Communication, Kennesaw State University.
- 2004-2005 Member, Search Committee, Assistant Professor of Mass Communication, Department of Communication, Kennesaw State University.
- 2003-2006 Web developer and Webmaster, Department of Communication, Kennesaw State University.
- 2003-2005 Member, Curriculum Committee, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Kennesaw State University.
- 2004-2005 Member, University Technology Committee, Kennesaw State University.
- 2004-2005 Member, Asia Council, University System of Georgia.
- 2003-2006 Member at Large, Student Media Board, Kennesaw State University.
- 2003-2004 Manuscript reviewer, *Vestnik* journal of communication, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
- 2002 State-accredited electoral observer, Ohio gubernatorial election, Columbus, Ohio.
- 2002 Facilitator, University Conference on Teaching and Learning, September 2002, The Ohio State University.
- 2002 President, Hindu Students Council, The Ohio State University.
- 2002-2014 Trustee, Moro Foundation, registered Indian charity (honors the service ideal of my sister, who is a nun with Sri Sarada Math, Dakshineswar.)
- 2002 Panelist, "The Many Faces of Homeland Security," workshop at The Ohio State University, November 2002.
- 1993 Founding Member, Rotaract Club, Maharaja's College Chapter.

### **XIII. UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- 2016-present Professor,  
Norfolk State University

COM 653: Law, Ethics and Responsibility (Public Policy) in Communication. This graduate seminar examines the legal and policy frameworks in which American journalists operate. Additionally, it introduces norms of ethical decision-making in news journalism. Students scrutinize U.S. Supreme Court rulings on defamation, privacy, regulation, fair trial, access to records and protection of sources, as well as prior restraint, commercial speech, copyright, state statutes that affect media, FCC regulations, and First Amendment theory.

MCM 440: Law and Mass Communications. This course offers seniors a capstone experience in examining laws that frame the practice of journalism. Topics of study include the court systems, rule of law, First Amendment interpretation, libel, invasion of privacy, free press and fair trial, reporting privilege, commercial speech, obscene speech, broadcast and cable regulation, and copyright.

2009-2014 Associate Professor,  
University of North Texas

JOUR 5320: New Technologies of Mass Communication. This graduate seminar examined key theoretical and practical approaches to using new technologies such as social media and mobile apps, in newsgathering and news production. Students analyzed Web content, learn digital analytics, study digital copyright, and discussed Internet communication theories.

JOUR 4620: Mass Communication Law. This capstone course examined the legal framework of U.S. mass communication: court systems, rule of law, First Amendment interpretation, libel, invasion of privacy, free press and fair trial, reporting privilege, commercial speech, obscene speech, broadcast and cable regulation, and copyright.

JOUR 4240/5150: Comparative International Media Systems. This combined undergraduate/graduate seminar compared mass media in India and the United States. Discussions pivoted on three themes: Systems of freedom of expression, the media economy, and media criticism, and focus on the Indian newspaper and motion picture industries. Topics include global media theory, strategic communication, Bollywood, Indian copyright, journalism ethics, and industry structure.

JOUR 3320: News Editing. This course introduced the broad-based skills of handling news copy from writing to the printed page. It emphasized grammar, punctuation, syntax and spelling. Students learned why and how to be consistent with style, how to write headlines, how to pick graphics, images and typography, how to check copy for fact, how to pre-empt libel challenges, and how to ensure accuracy and completeness. In addition to news copy, exercises covered public relations campaigns, social media releases, and other strategic communications.

JOUR 2310: Introduction to Media Writing. This skills course introduced pre-majors to fundamentals in writing, reporting and information gathering for the mass-communication professions of journalism, advertising, and public relations. In addition to producing news copy for print and Web, assignments covered digital public relations, social media releases, and other strategic communications.

2007-2009      Assistant Professor,  
Central Michigan University

BCA 613: Electronic Media & Convergence. I proposed and developed this graduate seminar for the School of Broadcast & Cinematic Arts to examine digital media theory in a media management context.

BCA 612: Broadcasting/Cable Seminar. This graduate seminar examined contemporary issues in broadcasting, cablecasting, and digital media.

BCA 611: Telecommunications Media Policy. This graduate seminar examined Federal Communications Commission rules and their impact on the structure and functions of U.S. Web, broadcast and cable industries.

BCA 516: Broadcast and Cable Management. This course examined principles and applications of newsroom management in contemporary telecommunications industries.

BCA 510: Broadcast & Cable Law. This course examined regulation of electronic media, covering administrative and statutory law and salient U.S. court cases.

BCA 503: Critiquing Mass Media. This course examined methods to critically evaluate mass communication systems and their content with focus on language, structure, depictions, and aesthetic and social effects. It focused on Web documentaries.

BCA 210: Survey of the Mass Media. This large-hall lecture course for sophomores and juniors offered a broad-based historical, political and legal introduction to U.S. mass media industries.

2003-2007      Assistant Professor,  
Kennesaw State University

COM 3310: Concepts in New Media. This course explored virtuality, cyberspace and Web design from usability and e-commerce perspectives.

COM 4470: Media Law. This course offered a survey of U.S. supreme court cases relevant to libel, privacy, copyright, fair trial, reporter's privilege, commercial speech, obscene speech, access, and electronic media regulation.

COM 3330: News Writing and Reporting. This course enabled students to gather news and report it for newspapers.

COM 4499: Senior Thesis. This capstone course for communication seniors enabled students to produce a thesis or project, which I directed and supervised.

COM 3324: Contemporary Issues in Mass Media. This course offered a broad-based examination of issues of representation, bias, regulation and management in mass media industries.



2003           Instructor,  
The Ohio State University

JCOM 367: Persuasive Communication Theory. This course, offered on the Marion campus, offered a survey of persuasion strategies used in advertising, public relations and marketing industries. It was the first university course I took complete responsibility for, including picking textbooks, assembling the syllabus, and writing and grading exams.

2000-2002    Graduate Teaching Associate,  
The Ohio State University

In this position, I developed and taught the “Internet communication” and “Crisis communication” modules in the course JCOM 431: Strategic Communication Principles, which explored the role of strategic communications in business, including basic principles of integrated marketing, theory and ethical standards. I also graded examinations, helped my supervising professor with course research, and gave student support. I also taught the module “Communication on the Web,” graded examinations and provided student support for the course JCOM 101: History of Human Communication. That course examined the evolution of early spoken and written communication to mass and mediated communication.

In addition, I graded examinations, conducted course research, and provided student support for the course JCOM 665: Communication and Community. That course offered a critical examination of communication in building communities. I also graded examinations, did course research and gave student support for JCOM 628: Contemporary Persuasion Theory. That course covered persuasive campaigns in mass audience settings and persuasion in interpersonal, organizational, family and personal relationships. I provided student support and Web support and graded quizzes for the course JCOM 311: Graphics and Visual Communication, which offered an introduction to visual symbols, graphics, photographs, art, movies and video and their influences on society.

As a Graduate Teaching Associate, I completed in summer 2002 a course in college teaching, ED&PL: 851, offered by Dr. Alan Kalish, director of Faculty and TA Development, The Ohio State University.

#### **XIV. GRADUATE RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

2001-2003    Graduate Research Associate,  
National Regulatory Research Institute, The Ohio State University

In this position, I served as the editor of *The Networker*, a trade periodical published by the NRRI for public utilities commissioners and their staff, researchers of the utilities sector, and professionals of the networked industries. The job involved writing news copy, composing research summaries, editing copy and graphics, designing pages, coordinating events and helping circulate the newspaper. It also allowed me to produce technical and marketing material such as press releases and research summaries on public utilities regulation and public policy.

In addition, in this job I produced and managed content for the NRRI's website, [www.nrri.ohio-state.edu](http://www.nrri.ohio-state.edu) (now defunct), which involved Web design, content writing and editing, and coordination of various researchers' activities. I was also involved in supporting research in common carriage law and broadband access.

## **XV. AFFILIATIONS**

- 2002-present Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication
- Member, Strategic Plan Implementation Committee, 2012-15
  - Board Member at Large, Media Management and Economics Division, 2011-12
  - Chair, Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, 2008-09
  - Vice Chair, Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group, 2006-08
  - Member, Law and Policy Division (2006-14), Media Management and Economics Division (2007-09), and Civic & Citizen Journalism Interest Group (2005-14)
- 2008-present International Communication Association
- 2011-12 International Association for Media and Communication Research
- 2010-12 Southwest Education Council for Journalism and Mass Communication
- 2012-2015 Southwest Conference on Asian Studies
- 2012-2014 Forum on Contemporary Theory

## **XVI. LANGUAGE AND SOFTWARE PROFICIENCY**

- Literate in English and four other languages: Marathi, Kannada, Hindi and Tamil.
- Proficient in Adobe Dreamweaver CS5.5, Microsoft FrontPage, Photoshop and Fireworks; also used SPSS, various Windows versions; familiar with QuarkXPress 9, Adobe PageMaker 7, and InDesign CS5.5.

## **XVII. REFERENCES**

*Available upon request.*

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