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### **EDUCATION**

1994-2000 Ph.D., University of Cincinnati. Dissertation Title: "Controlling Births, Policing Sexualities: A History of Birth Control in Colonial India, 1871-1946." Dissertation Supervisor, Professor Barbara N. Ramusack. (Degree awarded, December 2000)

Awarded Outstanding Dissertation Prize, Ohio Academy of History, April 2002.

1997 Graduate Certificate Women's Studies, University of Cincinnati.

1990 M.A. Modern Indian History, University of Delhi.

1988 B.A. (Honours) History, Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi.

### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

**Associate Professor:** Northern Arizona University, 2007-present **Assistant Professor:** Northern Arizona University, 2002-2006

**Visiting Assistant Professor:** Northern Arizona University, 2001-02

**Instructor**: Northern Arizona University, 2000-01 **Teaching Assistant**: University of Cincinnati, 1994-97

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Reproductive Restraints: Birth Control in India 1877-1947. Champaign: University of Illinois Press, 2008.

Reproductive Restraints: Birth Control in India 1877-1947. New Delhi: Permanent Black Press, 2008.

"Birth Control: South Asia." In *Encyclopedia of the Modern World*. New York: Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

"Muthulakshmi Reddi." In *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Women in World History*. New York: Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

"Rethinking Boundaries: Global and the Local in the History of Birth Control: An Indian Case Study." Republished in Sue Mogan edited, *The Feminist History Reader*. London: Routledge, 2006.

"Contraception and Birth Control," *Berkshire Encyclopedia of World History*. Berkshire Publishing Group, 2004.

"Rethinking Boundaries: Global and the Local in the History of Birth Control: An Indian Case Study," *Journal of Women's History*. Volume 14, No. 4, (Winter, 2003).

"Demographic Rhetoric and Sexual Surveillance: Indian Middle Class Advocates of Birth Control, 1877-1947," in Jim Mills and Satadru Sen eds., *Confronting the Body: The Politics of Physicality in Colonial and Post-Colonial India*. London: Anthem Press, 2003.

### **Book Reviews**

Book Review. Mrinalini Sinha, *Specters of Mother India: The Global Restructuring of an Empire* Durham and London, Duke University Press, 2006. *Women's History Review,* Forthcoming.

Book Review. Elsbeth Locher-Scholten, Women and the Colonial State: Essays on Gender and Modernity in the Netherlands Indies 1900-1942. Amsterdam, Amsterdam University Press, 2000. The Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History, (Spring 2004) Vol 5, No 1.

Book Review. Vern L. Bullough, *Encyclopedia of Birth Control*. California, ABC CLIO, Inc., 2001. *Women's History Review*.

Book Review. Mrinalini Sinha, *Colonial Masculinity: The 'manly Englishman' and the 'effeminate Bengali' in the late nineteenth Century*. Manchester, Manchester University Press, 1997. *History Reviews On-Line*, 4, 1 (Fall). <a href="http://www.depauw.edu/~dtrinkle/hrol/curr41.html">http://www.depauw.edu/~dtrinkle/hrol/curr41.html</a> Reprinted in *The Kathmandu Post*, (October 26, 1997).

# **PRESENTATIONS**

2008 Reproductive Restraints: Birth Control in India, 1877-1947. Book presentation and Discussion, Gender Studies Group, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008. 2008 Feminist Conversations Across Borders. Roundtable, Northern Arizona University, April 4, 2008.

2006 Feminist Pedagogy: Challenges and Promises. Roundtable, Northern Arizona University, February 9, 2006.

2005 The \*F\* Word: Feminism is not a Four Letter Word, Breakdown the Stereotype. Northern Arizona University, December, 2005.

2005 Toward 2008: The Future of the Berks and Women's History, Conversational Panel, 13<sup>th</sup> Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, June 2-5, 2005 at Scripps College, California. 2005 Paradoxes of Marginality: Women of Color Scholarship in the Euro-American Academy, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tri-University Women of Color Conference, Northern Arizona University, April 1-2, 2005. 2004 Subaltern Medical Women in Late Colonial India, Panel Chair, Association for Asian

Studies, San-Diego, March 4-7, 2004.

2004 Regulating Reproduction: Global History of Birth Control in Colonial India, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff.

2003 *Decolonizing Theory,* Discussion Leader, Southwest Women's History Colloquium, (SWHC) Flagstaff, September 20, 2003.

2003 Gender, Sex and Nation: Politics of Birth Control in Colonial India, 1920-1947. Paper presented at the Association of Asian Studies, March 2003, New York.

2003 "Women of Color:" The Politics of Collaboration, Contestation and Transnationalism. Paper presented at Gathering at the River: Women of Color in the Arizona Academy Conference, Arizona State University, February 21-22, 2003.

2002 Archival Voices and Ethnographic Disruptions in the History of Birth Control in Colonial India. Paper presented at Western Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, September 26-28, 2002, Provo, Utah. Also panel organizer.

2002 Political Ambivalence and Negotiations: Indian Middle Class Feminism and Debates on Birth Control in Nationalist India, 1920s-1940s. Paper presented at the 12<sup>th</sup> Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, June 6-9, 2002 at the University of Connecticut at Storrs. Also panel organizer.

2001 Demographic Rhetoric and Sexual Surveillance: Indian Middle Class Advocates of Birth Control, 1877-1947. Paper Presented at the Sixth Women in Asia Conference, Australian National

University, Canberra, Australia, September 2001.

2000 Rethinking Boundaries: Feminism, and (Inter)nationalism in Early Twentieth Century India." Paper presented at the Association of Asian Studies Annual Conference, San Diego, March 9-12, 2000.

1999 *Troubled History: Politics of Birth Control in Colonial India, 1920-47*. Paper presented as invited participant, "International Conference on Population, Birth Control and Reproductive Health in Late Colonial India." School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, U.K. November 18-19, 1999.

1999 Rethinking National Feminist Histories: The Politics of Location and Boundaries. Paper presented as invited participant, CUNY Graduate Center Workshop: "Re-Envisioning Women's History: Working Seminars Across the Generations." March 12-13, 1999.

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

Writing Feminist Histories (Women's and Gender Studies, Spring, 2008, Undergraduate)

Rethinking the Vagina Monologues (Women's Studies, Spring 2006, Undergraduate)

Sex, Politics, and Reproduction (Women's Studies, Graduate Seminar)

Feminist Theories and Methodologies (Women's Studies, Graduate Seminar)

Introduction to Women's Studies (Women's Studies, Undergraduate)

Gender and Nationalisms (History, Upper Division Undergraduate Seminar)

Women in Asia (History, Undergraduate)

Women, Gender, and Ethnicity (Women's Studies Undergraduate Seminar)

World History-Modern Period (History, Undergraduate)

Power, Culture, and Ideology (History, Graduate Seminar)

World History, Ancient Period (Team Taught)

## ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

2008-09 *Reproductive Restraints*, Nominated for Joan Kelly Memorial Prize in Women's History, American Historical Association.

2008-09 President's Academic Diversity and Equity Research Grant, NAU.

2006-07 American Institute of Indian Studies, Senior Long-Term Fellowship.

2005 Pre-Grant Writing Award, NAU.

2004 Organized Research Grant, NAU.

2003 Feminist Faculty of the Year. Associated Students for Women's Issues, NAU.

2002 Nominated for Louie Teaching Award for the Exceptional and the Extraordinary, NAU.

2002 Awarded Outstanding Dissertation Prize, Ohio Academy of History.

1998-99 Taft Graduate Travel Grant, University of Cincinnati.

1998 University Graduate Summer Research Fellowship, University of Cincinnati.

1997-1998 Taft Advanced Competitive Fellowship, University of Cincinnati.

1996 Mini-Grant, Friends of Women's Studies, Cincinnati.

1994-1997 Graduate Teaching Assistantship, Department of History, University of Cincinnati.

### ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Member of the Graduate Student Paper Prize Committee, Western Association of Women Historians. 2009-

Conceived and Co-ordinated Panels and Presentations for International Women's Day, Northern Arizona University. March 2008.

Chaired and Co-ordinated South-West Regional Symposium on Women's and Gender History, Northern Arizona University. March 2006.

Co-Director Asian Studies Program, Northern Arizona University. 2005-06.

Program Planning Committee, Women's Studies, Northern Arizona University. 2005-06.

Organizing Speaker Series, Department of History, Northern Arizona University. 2005-06.

Organizing Committee Member, 13th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, 2003-05.

Article Award Committee Member, 13th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, 2005.

Panel Organizer, 13th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women. 2005.

Steering Committee Member, Tri-University Women of Color Conference. 2005.

Search Committee Member, Women's Studies Program, Norther Arizona University, 2004-05. Annual Review Committee Member, Department of History, Northen Arizona University, 2004-present.

Organizing Committee Member, SWHC, Northern Arizona University. 2003.

*Graduate Committee Member*, Department of History, Northern Arizona University. 2003-04 *Elected Faculty Senator*, Northern Arizona University. 2001-2003

Steering Committee Member, Tri-University Women of Color Conference. 2002.

Women's Studies Steering Committee, Northern Arizona University. 2001-present.

Women's Studies Masters Certificate Committee Member, Northern Arizona University. 2002.

Search Committee Member, Department of History, NAU, 2002-03.

Curriculum Committee, Department of History, Northern Arizona University. 2001-2003.

Panel Organizer, 12th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women. 2002.

Panel Organizer, Western Conference of the Association of Asian Studies, 2003.

# **LANGUAGES**

Native Fluency in **Hindi**, reading, writing, and conversational.

Fluent in spoken **Urdu**, with basic reading and writing skills. Passed University of Delhi, Urdu language competency examination, 1992-93.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2006-07 Archival research in various locations in India on the History of Prostitution and Traffic in Women and Children.

Winter 2004 Archival research in London on History of Sexology.

Summer 2003-2004 Archival research in London and New Delhi for the completion of book manuscript.

1997-1998 Archival and ethnographic research for dissertation. Worked at national and provincial archives in India, U.S. and U.K., examining colonial records, medical journals, private papers, and women's journals in English and Hindi from the early twentieth century onwards. Ethnographic research in a tribal area of rural north India.

Summer 1995 Research Assistant, Department of History, University of Cincinnati. Collected and compiled visual images for transfer to CD ROM as teaching aids.

1990-1994 Researched and completed an M.Phil. thesis titled, "Indian Women: Subjects of Representation and Agents of Change, 1900-1947." Thesis supervisor, Professor Gyanendra Pandey.

1991-1992 Research Assistant, "Feminist Legal Theory and Practice in Women's Organizations in Delhi." Interviews with women from diverse social backgrounds on their perceptions of the legal

system.

# **RELATED ACTIVITIES**

1994-1995 Secretary, Graduate Students Association, Department of History University of Cincinnati.

1993 Conceived, organized, and produced a special issue on Communalism for <u>The Offspring</u>, a supplement published by the *Times of India*, Delhi.

1991 Organized a two-day conference in Delhi University titled, *Gender and Communalism, Past and Present*.

1990 Participated in the Fourth All India Women's Conference, Calicut.

1986-1988 Secretary, History Society, Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi.