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CURRENT APPOINTMENT

2025- Associate Professor of History, University of North Texas, Texas
2023-2025 Assistant Professor of History, University of North Texas, Texas

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2019-2023 Assistant Professor of History, Idaho State University, Idaho
2018-2019 Lecturer, Ethnic Studies, Evergreen Valley College, San Jose, California, USA
2016-2018 Post-doctoral fellow, Asia Research Institute, NUS, Singapore
2010-2014 Graduate Teaching Assistant at the Department of Southeast Asian Studies, NUS, Singapore
2008-2010 Lecturer in the Department of Political Science, Loreto College, University of Calcutta, India
2009-2010 Research Fellow at Asiatic Society of India, Kolkata

EDUCATION

2015 PhD, National University of Singapore (NUS)
Dissertation Title: *“Life Beyond Dependency and Victimhood: Indian coolie women on rubber estates of colonial Malaya (1900-1945)”*

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

British and British Empire History, South and Southeast Asian History, Transnational Migration History, Gender & Women’s History, Labor History, Food History

PUBLICATIONS

PUBLISHED BOOKS

2023 *Waiting on Empire: A History of Indian Travelling Ayahs in Britain*, Oxford University Press#@

#Based on this book I have co-curated a [permanent exhibition](#) with the Museum of the Home, London to reflect the role and influence of travelling ayahs in British houses in nineteenth century Britain (2023 and 2024)

@Based on this book I have co-curated with the Sheffield City Archives and Dig Where you Stand Program to leaf archival healing workshops for South Asians in Sheffield who are coping with archival violence towards their ancestors.

Waiting on Empire has been reviewed in:

- *American Historical Review*
- *Asian Affairs*
- *Families in British India Society*
- *H-Soz-Kult*
- *Himal Southasian*
- *International Journal of Maritime History*
- *Journal of South Asian History and Culture*
- *Kalantor (Bengali newspaper)*
- Referred to in *Times of India* – to understand the 2024 Hinduja case

2021 *Fleeting Agencies: A Social History of Indian Coolie Women in British Malaya*, Cambridge University Press* ^

**Won the North American Conference of British Studies, Stansky Book Award (2022)*

+*Won the Western Association for Women Historians, Gita Chandhuri Book Prize Award (2022)*

^*Won the National Women's Studies Association, Sarah A. Whaley Book Prize Award (2021)*

Fleeting Agencies has been reviewed in:

- *South Asian Diaspora Journal*
- *Journal of Asian Studies*
- *History Australia (Journal of the Australian Historical Association)*
- *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History*
- *The Round Table: The Commonwealth Journal of International Affairs*
- *Journal of Indentureship and its Legacies*

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

2026 "Moving Bodies," in Frances Steel (ed), *A Cultural History of Transport & Mobility in the Age of Steam* (Bloomsbury, 2026 -forthcoming)

2026 "Food and Migration," in *Modern Global Migration*, Edited by Cynthia Pope-Portelinha (expected publication in 2026 by Bloomsbury Press)

2025 "Entertaining the Metropole: Vagrancy, repatriation and Indian performers in Britain" *Immigrants and Minorities*, 43:3 (2025): 530-560

2024 "Intimate Lives on Rubber Plantations: The textures of Indian coolie relations in British Malaya," in Crispin Bates (ed), *Beyond Indenture: Gender, Agency and Resistance* (Cambridge University Press, 2024), 201-215

2023 "Stranded: Indian Travelling Ayahs Negotiating Waiting and Repatriation," *Indian Journal of Gender Studies*, 30:1(2023): 33-54

2022 "Becoming Visible: Travel Documents and Travelling Ayahs in the British Empire," *South Asian Studies*, 38: 2 (2022): 141-160

-Honorable mention, North American Conference of British Studies Walter D. Love Prize, 2023

2022 "Pony Up!: Managing Destitution among British Grooms from Australia in Nineteenth Century India," *Journal of Labour History*, 122:1 (2022): 155-179

2022 "Race, Anxiety and Shopping in the Australian Outback: Indian Hawkers and Victoria's 1884 Smallpox Outbreak," in Ajaya Sahoo (ed), *Routledge Handbook of Asian Transnationalism* (Routledge, 2022), 281-293

2021 "Responses to Traveling Indian Ayahs in Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century Britain," *Journal of Historical Geography*, 71 (2021): 94-103

-Winner of Coordinating Council of Women in History, Carol Gold Award, 2022 (for the best article published in 2021 in any field of history)

2020 "Knocker Ups: A Social History of Waking up in Victorian Britain's Industrial Towns," *Journal of Victorian Culture*, 25:3 (2020): 331-348

-Selected as JVC Editor's Choice Article, Summer 2020

2018 "'Immorality', Nationalism and the Colonial State in British Malaya: Indian 'coolie' women's intimate lives as ideological battleground," in Barbara Bush and June Purvis, eds., *Connecting Women's Histories: The local and the global* (Routledge, 2018), 91-108 (previously published as article in *Women's History Review*)

2017 "Negotiating Gendered Spaces in Colonial Press: Wives of European Planters in British Malaya," *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History*, 18:3 (2017)

2016 "'Immorality', Nationalism and the Colonial State in British Malaya: Indian 'coolie' women's intimate lives as ideological battleground," *Journal of Women's History Review*, 25:4 (2016): 584-601

- 2015 “Social Memory and Indian Women from Malaya and Singapore in the Rani of Jhansi Regiment,” *Journal of Malaysian Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society*, 88:2 (2015): 77-103

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2021 Review of *Singapore, Chinese Migration and the Making of the British Empire, 1819-67* by Stan Neal, *Britain and the World*, 14:2 (2021): 191-193
- 2021 Review of *Schooling Diaspora: Women, Education, and the Overseas Chinese in British Malaya and Singapore, 1850s-1960s* by Karen Teoh, *Journal of Colonialism and Colonial History*, 22:2 (2021)
- 2021 *Datta on Singha, 'The Coolie's Great War: Indian Labor in a Global Conflict, 1914-1921*, H-Asia, Commissioned by Prof. Sumit Guha, June 2021
<https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showpdf.php?id=55881>
- 2019 Review of *Gender Relations in an Indonesian Society: Bugis Practices of Sexuality and Marriage* by Nurul Ilmi Idrus, *Asian Journal of Social Studies*, 47:3 (2019): 409-411
- 2018 Review of *Cultural Politics of Gender and Sexuality in Contemporary Asia* edited by Tiantian Zheng, *Southeast Asian Studies*, 7:3 (2018): 512-514
- 2018 Review of *Tamils and the haunting of Justice: History and recognition in Malaysia's plantations* authored by Andrew C. Willford, *Journal of Southeast Asian Studies*, 49:1 (2018): 168-171
- 2017 Review of *Indian and Chinese Immigrant Communities: Comparative Perspectives* edited by Jayati Bhattacharya and Coonoor Kripalani, *Economic & Political Weekly*, 52:34 (2017)
- 2016 Review of *Tragic Orphans: Indians in Malaysia* by Carl Vadivella Belle, *Asian Journal of Social Science*, 44:3 (2016): 419-422
- 2015 Review of *Where Gendered Spaces Bend: The Rubber Phenomenon in Northern Laos* by Anna-Klara Lindeborg, *Dissertation Reviews*, October 2015

PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- 2012 “Criminalizing Munniammah: Camouflaging Irresponsibility of Colonial Enterprise in Malaya”, *Conference Proceedings of Indian Association of Asian Pacific Studies* (2012): 425-435
- 2011 “Tracing the Roots of Marginalization of Indians During the Colonial Period of Malaysia: Alienation of Bhumiputras from Bhumi by Chettiaris”, *Indian History Congress Proceedings*, (2011): 900-910
- 2010 “Silent Marginalization of Indian Women Migrant Labour in Colonial Malaysia”, *Indian History Congress Proceedings*, (2010): 1245-1246

ARTICLES (IN HISTORY MAGAZINES and ONLINE PUBLIC HISTORY JOURNALS)

- 2024 “Reading Silenced Identities through Visual Archives: Indian Travelling Ayahs in Service of the British Empire,” *Critical Collective*, 23 January 2024
<https://criticalcollective.in/SearchResult.aspx?search=arunima%20datta>
- 2022 “Managing horses on the High Seas: Horse Grooms in the Service of the British Empire,” *Radical Currents, Labour Histories*, Summer, no. 2 (2022): 11-13
- 2021 “Curry tales of the Empire,” *Journal of Victorian Culture Online* (The blog and online platform of the *Journal of Victorian Culture*), May 2021 (<https://jvc.oup.com/2021/05/27/curry-tales-of-the-empire/>)
- 2020 “Women in the business of waking up industrial Britain” *Journal of Victorian Culture Online* (The blog and online platform of the *Journal of Victorian Culture*), June 2020
<https://jvc.oup.com/2020/06/12/waking-up-industrial-britain/>
- 2020 “Shampoo Empire: Bengali Migrant’s Trade in Britain,” *History Today*, 70:3 (March 2020): 40-49
- 2019 “Punkhawallass: Keeping British India Cool,” in *History Today*, 69:9 (September 2019): 54-63.-Named as one of the best articles for *History Today*, 2019
<https://www.historytoday.com/archive/feature/best-articles-2019>

BOOK MANUSCRIPT IN PROGRESS

Untying the Knot: A History of British divorces in the Raj (under contract)

ARTICLES IN PROGRESS

- “The (Un)Private lives of Indian Civil Servants in India
- “Double Trouble: Women bigamists in Victorian Britain” (co-authoring with Prof. Laura Tabili. Article in preparation)
- “Toddy Narratives: British laws of morality and Indian coolie women in Malaya” (Article in preparation)

DIGITAL HUMANITIES: PODCASTS AND RADIO TALKS

- 2025** “*Travelling Ayahs in Britain*”: contributed an entry and resources to *South Asian Britain: Connecting Histories*, a groundbreaking new digital hub featuring over 750 entries, digitised archival materials, oral histories, and educational resources.
- 2024** **BBC Radio -Sheffield**: Episode on Chai and Chat with Rav. Appeared to talk about my research on ayahs, the women’s day workshop I hosted with the Sheffield Archives on 8 March 2024 and talk about how my life inspired my work, 26 February 2024 (8PM GMT)
- 2024** “Race, Anxiety and Shopping in the Australian Outback: Indian Hawkers and Victoria's 1884 Smallpox Outbreak,” *Indian Ocean World Podcast*, January 2024 (<https://www.appraisingrisk.com/2024/01/24/arunima-datta-race-anxiety-and-shopping-in-the-australian-outback-indian-hawkers-and-victorias-1884-smallpox-outbreak/>)
- 2023** “Waiting on Empire: A History of Indian Travelling Ayahs in Britain,” *New Books Network Podcast in Women’s History*, 7 October 2023 (<https://newbooksnetwork.com/waiting-on-empire>)
- 2023** “The Misrepresentation of coolie women in nationalist discourses,” *The Swaddle*, 23 January 2023 (<https://www.theswaddle.com/the-misrepresentation-of-indian-coolie-women-with-arunima-datta>)
- 2021** **BBC 4**: “South Asians in Britain: Sake Deen Mohamad and introduction of Shampoo in Britain,” *BBC4 Radio, You are Dead to Me*, 1 October 2021 (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/p09xcyhg>)
- 2021** “Author Interview: Q & A with Dr Arunima Datta on *Fleeting Agencies: A Social History of Indian Coolie Women in British Malaya*,” *ARIScope*, 10 June 2021 (<https://ari.nus.edu.sg/ariscopes/author-interview-q-a-with-dr-arunima-datta-on-fleeting-agencies-a-social-history-of-indian-coolie-women-in-british-malaya/>)
- 2021** “*Fleeting Agencies: A Social History of Indian Coolie Women in British Malaya*,” *New Books Network Podcast in India Ocean World*, 27 March 2021 (<https://newbooksnetwork.com/fleeting-agencies>)

AWARDS AND HONORS

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Book Awards:

- 2022** North American Conference of British Studies, Stansky Book Award (for *Fleeting Agencies*)
- 2022** Western Association for Women Historians, Gita Chaudhuri Book Prize Award (for *Fleeting Agencies*)
- 2021** National Women’s Studies Association, Sarah A. Whaley Book Prize Award (for *Fleeting Agencies*)

Article Awards and Recognitions:

- 2023** North American Conference of British Studies, Walter D. Love Prize- Honorable Mention (for *Becoming Visible: Travel Documents and Travelling Ayahs in the British Empire*)
- 2022** Coordinating Council of Women in History, Carol Gold Article Award (for *Responses to Traveling Indian Ayahs in Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century Britain*)

- 2020 Journal of Victorian Culture, Editor's Choice Article (for *Knocker Ups: A Social History of Waking up in Victorian Britain's Industrial Towns*)

AWARDS AND HONORS FOR RESEARCH AND SERVICE

- 2024 Outstanding Research Award by the Department of History, University of North Texas 2023-2024
2022 Outstanding Researcher Award, Idaho State University, for 2021-2022
2021 Woman of Influence in Education Award, *East Idaho Women of Influence Awards*, 2021
2021 Elected Fellow, *Royal Historical Society of UK* (since September 2021)
2017 Don Provencher Award, Malaysia, Brunei, Singapore Board, Association for Asian Studies, 2017 (for my paper presented at the conference)

AWARDS AND HONORS FOR MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Awarded 2nd place UK National Award for Museums and Permanent Exhibitions for *A Townhouse in 1878 – tracing the stories of Ayabs in British Homes* (as part of the "Rooms Through Time: 1878-2049" series). I co-curated this exhibition based on my book *Waiting on Empire: A History of Indian Travelling Ayabs in Britain*.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2025-26 Fund for Innovation in Texas History (FITH), UNT (for 2025): Co-PI with Prof. Todd Moye
2025-26 UNT Research Grant (Department of History)
2025 UNT Small Grant for Conference Travel, Fall 2025
2025 Faculty Success Conference Support Award, UNT, Summer 2025
2024-25 Visiting Fellowship, Queen Mary University of London (March, 2025)
2024 UNT Global Venture Fund (Spring 2025)-for organizing an international workshop Feb 2025
2024 Royal Historical Society Workshop Grant (2024-2025)
2024 UNT CREATE (Creative and Research Enhancement Activity Time for Engagement) Grant
2024 UNT Large Grant for Conference Travel
2024 Visiting Fellow in History, Anthropology, Philosophy and Politics, Queen's University at Belfast (Spring 2024)
2023 Idaho State University Research and Creative Activity Grant (for 2023)
2022 Idaho State University Course Release Grant, 2022 (for Spring 2023)
2022 Idaho State University Travel Grant 2022-2023 (awarded in November 2022)
2022 Idaho State University Cultural Events Grant
(for organizing lecture Series "Revolutions and Resistance in Spring 2023)
2021 Idaho State University Course Release Grant, 2021 (for Spring 2022)
2021 Idaho State University Travel Grant, 2021-22 (awarded in November 2021)
2021 Idaho Humanities Council Grant (sponsored by *National Endowment for the Humanities*)
2020 Idaho State University Travel Grant, 2019-20 (awarded October 2019)
2017 Asia Research Fieldwork/ Archive Grant, NUS, March 2017 (for completing my research for my book manuscript)
2017 NUS, Academic Event/Conference Grant, July 2016 (for convening an international conference on Asian History) (\$25,000) –Using this Grant, I convened the conference: Gender Perspectives on Colonial Inter-Asian Labour Migration, 09 Feb 2017 - 10 Feb 2017.
(https://ari.nus.edu.sg/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/Program4_Gender-Perspectives1.pdf)
2016 Asia Research Fieldwork/ Archive Grant, NUS, March 2016 (for completing my book manuscript)
2014 President's Graduate Fellowship Award, NUS, Singapore, January-August 2014
2012 Graduate Research Support Scheme Award for research fieldwork (in Malaysia, London and India), NUS, Singapore, January 2012-January 2013
2012 Visiting Fellowship at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London, London, UK, from May-July 2012

- 2011 Southeast Asian Studies Department Student’s Project Fund (awarded to hold preliminary archival research at Delhi and Kolkata, India) NUS, Singapore June-July 2011
- 2010 NUS Research Scholarship, NUS, Singapore, August 2010-August 2014 (declined last term of the scholarship as I was awarded with the President’s Graduate Fellowship)
- 2009 Research Fellowship for South and Southeast Asian Studies Project at The Asiatic Society, Kolkata, India, granted by the Ministry of Culture, Union Government of India, March 2009-May 2010

KEYNOTE, EXHIBITIONS, INVITED TALKS, AND COLLOQUIA

KEYNOTE & PLENARY

- 2025 “Waiting on Empire: Travelling Ayahs in Britain and a history of migration, labor and counterflows of Empire,” *American Historical Association-Pacific branch Conference Luncheon (sponsored by Western Association of Women Historians and American Historical Association)*, 1 August 2025
- 2024 “(Re)Visioning Homes in British Empire Histories: Histories of Travelling Ayahs from India,” *Keynote for Reframing Home, Race, Art and Empire Conference* (hosted by Queen Mary University London, and the Museum of the Home) 7 November 2024
- 2024 “Waiting on Empire: Indian Travelling Ayahs in Britain,” *Plenary lecture for Southern Conference of British Studies (in association with Southern Historical Association)* 26 October 2024
- 2017 “Making of “Coolie” Identities: Indian Plantation Communities in Malaysian History,” *Annual Public Lecture for Malaysian Branch of Asiatic Society* (Annual Meeting in Singapore), 30 September 2017

EXHIBITIONS AND MORE

- 2025 Led two Curator Tours for public audience. The tour was on the history of “Ayahs in a Victorian townhome” (permanent exhibition at the *Museum of the Home* (won second place for UK National Museum and Heritage Awards for 2025- permanent exhibitions category), 27 March 2025
- 2025 Led school learning sessions for school children from Hackney, London came to the museum to engage with the exhibition. I co-curated lesson plans and activities for the students to engage with the history of migration, identity and patterns in everyday life (through the history of travelling ayahs in Britain), 25 March 2025
- 2024 Leading Community workshop (in collaboration with Sheffield Archives) on Travelling ayahs in Britain and how to get closures when encountered with archival violence and archival silence. *Special Women’s Day Event at Sheffield City Archive*, 8 March 2024 (<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/travelling-ayahs-in-britain-ordinary-women-in-extraordinary-circumstances-tickets-826891884887?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>)

List of events that I led through the day:

- **Public Talk:** Delivered a Talk on Travelling ayahs in Britain and specifically in Sheffield
- **Archival Healing Workshop:** Led a communal healing workshop for community members who had encountered archival violence in the archives while engaging with family history in archives
- **Archives training:** Led a hands-on training on how to “make silences speak in archives”

- 2023-2024 Curating exhibition and public educational videos about South Asians in Sheffield in collaboration with Sheffield Archives and Dig Where You Stand, Sheffield, United Kingdom (final events in March, and June, 2024)

Activities/Roles:

- **Created write ups:** for the paintings of travelling ayahs, which the Sheffield Archive discovered recently from the local community
- **Created and recorded community educational videos:** for South Asian residents in Sheffield and how they can explore their pasts in archives.

2023-2024 Curating a *period room exhibition* based on my book *Waiting on Empire* with the Museum of the Home. The exhibition will open to public in July 2024 (October 2023-July 2024)

Activities/Roles:

- **Curatorial Reports and Research:** I prepared in-depth curatorial reports for the gallery redevelopment project with central element of the exhibition focusing on travelling ayahs in Victorian homes. This meticulous research has been instrumental in expanding our understanding of historical contexts and narratives of the exhibition at the museum.
- **Object Lists and Potential Loans:** I identified and compiled lists of objects (currently in different archives across UK) that could enhance the museums displays. I have also facilitated potential loans from other prestigious museums, which has helped us diversify our displays and attract a wider audience.
- **Display labels and narratives:** I helped the museum create labels and exhibition texts throughout the exhibition of the Victorian Home and created smaller display narratives, and educational materials. This was particularly rewarding because I was re-shaping the conveying complex historical information in an engaging and accessible manner to ensure community visitors could engage with it and appreciate it.
- **“Taste the past”:** I curated an innovative program at the museum called the "Taste the Past" event. This unique program allowed visitors to experience history through food by tasting recipes from the past which I gathered from the archives and then prepared the food with the museum for the audiences. The event was a tremendous success, fostering a deeper connection between our audience and historical culinary traditions.
- **Curating walking tours, family events and High school lesson plans** for groups of students from various London based high schools to come visit the Museum of the Home and learn the multiracial history of London

INVITED TALKS & LECTURES

- 2026** “Entertaining Metropole: South Asian performers in 19th and 20th century Britain,” *British Music Hall Society Annual Lecture*, 23 June (forthcoming)
- 2025** “Revisioning waiting: histories of connection, change and resilience,” *What do humanities have to say about change*, *UNT Friends of Humanities*, 13 November 2025
- 2025** “Friends Talk: Nurses of the High Oceans - Travelling Ayahs, Migration and Care Labour in the Age of Empire,” Chester Beatty Museum, Dublin, Ireland, 12 November 2025
- 2025** “Entertaining the metropole: South Asian performers in Britain,” *South Asia Archive & Library Group* (sponsored and organized by the British Library) 23 June 2025
- 2025** “South Asian Migrant bodies: a comparative study of coolie women and travelling ayahs,” *University of Toronto – Scarborough Campus*, 4 April 2025
- 2025** “Travelling Ayahs in the British Empire: A History of Counterflows, Care and Personal Relationships,” *Queen Mary University of London*, 26 March 2025

- 2025 “Travelling Ayahs in the British Empire: A History of Counterflows, Care and Personal Relationships,” *Lecture Series: Intimacy, Intersectionality, Identity: Gender, Empire and Everyday Lives*, Ohio State University, 23 January 2025
- 2024 “New trends and shifts in studying South Asian transnational migrations,” *Department of History, University of Hyderabad*, 14 November 2024
- 2024 “Waiting on Empire: South Asian Travelling Ayahs in Britain,” *Department of History, University of Hyderabad*, 13 November 2024
- 2024 “Travelling ayahs and the struggles to find and write silenced histories,” Class visit to Prof. Eileen Ford’s Graduate Studies Class at *California State University, Los Angeles*, 17 October 2024
- 2024 “Waiting on Empire: South Asian Travelling Ayahs in Britain,” *South Asian Studies Lecture Series, National University of Singapore*, 11 October 2024
- 2024 “Waiting on Empire: South Asian Travelling Ayahs in Britain,” *Annual Lecture at Women’s and Gender Studies at Pittsburg State University*, 19 September 2024
- 2024 “South Asian Travelling Ayahs in Britain: a story of waiting and negotiations,” *South Asia Archive & Library Group (sponsored and organized by the British Library)* 19 June 2024
- 2024 “History and experiences of Global South Asians,” Lunch and Learn Session for Asian Pacific Islander Desi American Heritage Month, *University of North Texas, Center of Belonging and Engagement*, 24 April 2024
- 2024 “Waiting in colonial labor migration: Case of travelling ayahs in Britain,” *Annual Robert H. Ewing Distinguished Speaker Lecture, Lycoming College*, 16 April 2024
- 2024 “Archive Stories: How to navigate archives and archive fever,” *Lycoming College Humanities Center Talk*, 16 April 2024
- 2024 “The “other” London Poor in Victorian Britain,” *Invited Talk in Prof. Averill Earls class on Victorian Britain in St. Olaf College*, 12 April 2024
- 2024 “(Re) Visioning Colonised Migrant Women Identities: Case of Coolies and Traveling Ayahs,” *University of Toronto – Scarborough Campus*, 5 April 2024
- 2024 “Waiting on Empire: A History of Indian Travelling Ayahs in Britain,” *University of Toronto (main campus)*, 4 April 2024 (This was an inaugural lecture for the newly formed Labor Studies Consortium at UT)
- 2024 Book Talk: Waiting on Empire: A history of Indian Travelling Ayahs in Britain, *Institute of Historical Research, School of Advanced Study, University of London*, 21 March 2024
- 2024 Book Talk: Waiting on Empire: A history of Indian Travelling Ayahs in Britain, *Northumbria University*, 11 March 2024
- 2024 Travelling Ayahs in Britain: ordinary women in extraordinary circumstances, *Sheffield City Archives*, 8 March 2024
- 2024 Book Roundtable on Waiting on Empire: A history of Indian Travelling Ayahs in Britain, *North American Conference on British Studies, Virtual Book Events*, 7 March 2024
- 2024 Book Talk: Waiting on Empire: A history of Indian Travelling Ayahs in Britain, Public History Center Seminars *Queen’s University Belfast*, 23 February 2024
- 2024 PGR Academic Job Market RoundTable, *Queen’s University Belfast*, 20 February 2024
- 2024 “Voicing Resistance: A London Poor Story,” *Invited lecture in Prof. Elaine Farrell’s Class HIST HIS1002 Deviant Moments in Britain and Ireland, c.1700-1900*, 12 February 2024
- 2023 “(Re) Visioning Empire through Migrations,” *Invited talk in Prof. Radhika Natarajan’s Class HIST 256: Migration Histories*, Reed College, 8 November 2023
- 2023 “Not All Travel Is Created Equally,” *Invited talk in Prof. Laura Seddlemeyer’s class FYS159Q – FYS: Tourism with a Twist*, Lycoming College, 3 November 2023
- 2023 “Ayahs in Britain,” invited talk at the *Museum of the Home*, London, 28 October 2023
-This talk was also accompanied with a “cook with the book” event (where I cooked with the museum curators to serve the audience samples of the food that ayahs ate or served their charges) + and a tour (I created the tour based on the research from my book- Waiting on Empire)
- 2023 “Waiting on Empire: History of Resilience of Travelling Ayahs in the Heart of the Empire” (Book Talk), *Tanner Speaker Series, Utah State University*, 18 October 2023

- 2023 Invited commentary on current scholarship and state of the field, *Indian Ocean Perspectives Conference, University of Victoria* (Canada), 15 June 2023
- 2023 “Entertaining the Metropole: South Asian Performers in Twentieth-Century Britain,” *British Studies Group Lecture Series, University of Utah*, 3 March 2023
- 2022 “Understanding their fleeting presence: the knowable & the unknowable,” HIST 760 (Graduate Seminar class by Prof. Mytheli Sreenivas), *Ohio State University*, 27 October 2022
- 2022 “Stranded: Travelling: Indian Ayahs Negotiating War and Abandonment in Europe,” Genders + Sexualities Research Cluster at the *University of California, Santa Barbara*, 28 April 2022
- 2022 “Publishing in Scholarly Journals,” Gender, Health and Social Justice Speaker Series, *University of Saskatchewan*, 1 April 2022
- 2022 “Navigating Academia,” Invited lecture, Utah State University’s Graduate Student Intercollege Brownbag, *Utah State University*, 17 March 2022
- 2022 “Fleeting Agencies,” Women’s History Month Lecture, *Utah State University*, 16 March 2022
- 2022 “Book Talk: Fleeting Agencies,” Invited talk, *Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore*, 26 January 2022 (27 January Singapore time)
- 2022 “South Asian Migrations in Global History,” Invited Panelist (to speak on new book by Dr. Neilesh Bose and the state of the field of South Asian History), *University of Victoria*, 13 January 2022
- 2021 “Understanding South Asian women’s history in Malaya and Singapore,” Invited talk and docent training for *Indian Heritage Center*, 24 November 2021
- 2021 “Book Talk: Fleeting Agencies,” Invited talk, *University of Hyderabad*, 21 October 2021
- 2021 “(Re)visioning the History of Coolie Women in British Malaya,” Invited talk, Department of History, *Nanyang Technological University*, Singapore, 24 September 2021
- 2021 “Book Talk: Fleeting Agencies,” Invited talk, *Indian Heritage Center*, Singapore, 25 May 2021
- 2021 “Book Talk: Fleeting Agencies,” Invited Book Talk, *University of Malaya*, Gender Studies Program, Malaysia, 30 April 2021
- 2021 “Coolie Experiences During the Japanese Occupation in Malaya,” Invited talk in Prof. Sandeep Ray’s class, *Singapore University of Technology and Design*, Singapore, 19 April 2021
- 2021 “Doing Transnational Subaltern Histories,” Roundtable discussion, *Lycoming College*, Pennsylvania, 30 March 2021
- 2021 “Understanding “her” voice: Indian Coolie Women in British Malaya,” Invited Women’s History Month Talk, *Loyola University*, New Orleans, 4 March 2021
- 2020 “Fleeting Agencies: Remembering Coolie women in British Malaya,” Invited book talk, *City University of New York*, Brooklyn College, 5 November 2020
- 2020 “Importing and Exporting Indian culture,” Passport to Asia Lecture Series, *University of Central Oklaboma*, 19 October 2020
- 2017 “Negotiating Silences in the Archives,” Asian Graduate Forum, *Asia Research Institute, NUS*, for Skills and Training Based Session on Archival Research, 24 July 2017
- 2017 “Silenced Everyday of the Empire: Travelling Indian Ayahs in Britain,” invited by Department of Women’s Studies, *Central Connecticut State University*, for Women’s History Month lecture Series, 20 March 2017
- 2016 “Human Birds of Passage & the Everyday History of the Empire,” presented at the *Asia Research Institute Seminar Series, NUS*, 8 December 2016
- 2016 “Coolie Households and the Myth of Everyday Violence: Re-thinking Class, Racial and Gendered Categories in British Malaya” Invited to deliver a lecture at History Program Seminar Series at *Nanyang Technological University*, 20 October 2016
- 2016 “(Re) Visioning Colonial Constructions of ‘Everyday Violence’: Indian ‘Coolie’ Households in British Malaya”, presented an invited talk at Department of History and Feminist Studies, *University of California, Santa Barbara*, 4 April 2016
- 2016 “Indian coolie women and the history of colonial migrant labour” invited lecture at the Center for Indian Diaspora, *Hyderabad Central University*, India, 20 February 2016
- 2012 “Crimes of Passion or Signs of Resistance: Indian women and their social lives on colonial Malay plantations” presented at the Institute of Commonwealth Research Seminar Series, *University of London*, 22 May 2012

CONFERENCES AND PANELS ORGANIZED

Conference Convener and Organizer

- 2025 Organizer and Convener of Inter-Community Dialogues in Britain, UNT, 21 February 2025
- 2017 Convener of international conference, “Gender Perspectives on Colonial Inter-Asian Labour Migration,” *Asia Research Institute, NUS*, 9 Feb 2017 - 10 Feb 2017. Link: <https://ari.nus.edu.sg/Event/Detail/d1b1f601-5f51-4893-a646-0eaaedafbaa>
- 2011 Workshop Co-organizer, “Past and Present: Voices of South Asian Women in Malaysia and Singapore,” *Institute of Southeast Asian Studies*, Singapore, 7 December 2011

Panel Organizer

- 2024 Panel organizer, “Framing Borders in Material and Visual Archives: Tracing Voices, Resilience, and Transnational Mobilities,” *American Historical Association* 4 January 2024
- 2023 Panel organizer, “Negotiating Boundaries: Empire, Migration and Gender” *Berkshire Conference of Women, Genders and Sexualities* 30 June 2023
- 2017 Panel Organizer, “Governing Intimate Encounters in South and Southeast Asia: Body, Sexuality, Gender, Everyday and Colonial/Post-colonial Law” *Association for Asian Studies Conference*, March, 2017
- 2012 Panel Co-Organizer, “Women and Politics in Colonial Southeast Asian Societies”, for *Indian Association of Asian Pacific Studies*, Kolkata, 11-12 December 2012

SELECT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (Peer Reviewed)

- 2025 “Double Trouble: Women bigamists in Victorian Britain,” *Western Conference of British Studies*, 10 October 2025
- 2025 ““I killed a man. He was not my lover!”: A Kuala Lumpur Murder Mystery that Shocked the British Empire,” *Britain and the World*, 25-27 June 2025
- 2024 Panelist, “Roundtable: Antoinette Burton's Burdens of History at Thirty,” *North American Conference of British Studies*, Denver, 16 November (presented remotely- Prof. Michelle Tusan read my paper)
- 2024 “Managing “Irreconcilable differences”: Empire’s anxieties about marriages and divorces,” *International Federation for Research in Women’s History*, Tokyo, 9 August 2024 (presented remotely)
- 2024 “Toddy Narratives: Indian coolie women negotiating a voice in Colonial Malaya,” *Transforming Asia with Food: Women and Everyday Life*, Cornell University, 19-20 April 2024 (Invited paper)
- 2024 “Reading Resilience: Immigrant Wall Markings in Angel Island As Counter-Archive,” *American Historical Association Conference*, 4-7 January 2024
- 2023 “Travelling Ayahs and Travel Documents in the British Empire,” *North American Conference of British Studies*, 10-12 November 2023
- 2023 “Travelling Ayahs and Ayahs’ Homes: Humanitarianism, Evangelism, and Profit in the Metropole,” *Western Conference of British Studies*, 22-23 September 2023
- 2023 “Imperial Welfare in the Empire’s Home: Indian Traveling Ayahs’ Home in Britain,” *Berkshire Conference of Women, Genders and Sexualities*, Santa Clara, 28 June-2 July, 2023
- 2023 “Crafting a Return Home: Emotions, Travelling ayahs and the British Empire,” *International Society for Cultural History*, Singapore, 21 June, 2023
- 2023 “Drink Agencies: gender, consumption and race on Malaysian plantations” *in panel on “What does food sustain?”* *Association for Asian American Studies*, Long Beach, 8 April 2023
- 2023 “Roundtable: Scholarly Publishing in Asian Studies,” *Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference*, Virtual Session, 18 February 2023

- 2022 “Food Narratives: Migrant Ayahs, Coolies and the British Empire,” *North American Conference on British Studies*, Chicago, 10-13 November 2022
- 2022 “Entertaining the Metropole: South Asian Performers in Twentieth Century Britain,” *Western Conference of British Studies*, Oklahoma City, 2 September 2022.
- 2022 “Histories of Imperial Foodways and Colonial Labour,” *Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society (AFHVS) and the Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) Annual Conference*, 2022, Athens, 19 May 2022
- 2021 “Stranded: South Asian Ayahs in Europe during World Wars,” *North American Conference on British Studies*, 2021, Atlanta, 11 November 2021
- 2021 “Toddy Politics: Gender, Labor Migration, Alcoholism in British Malaya,” *International Convention of Asia Scholars 2021*, Kyoto, 26 August 2021
- 2020 “Re-Visioning the History of Waiting: Indian Traveling ayahs in nineteenth and twentieth century Britain,” *North American Conference of British Studies*, 15 November 2020
- 2020 “Imperial Welfare in the Empire’s Home: Indian Travelling Ayahs’ Home in Britain,” *Britain and the World Conference*, Plymouth, 17-19 June 2020 (accepted for presentation –conference was cancelled due to COVID-19 and postponed to June 2021)
- 2019 “Unpacking the History of Waiting: Indian ayahs and immobility within the British Empire,” *Western Conference of British Studies*, Salt Lake City, Utah, 27-29 September 2019
- 2018 “Missions”, transnational labour and precarity: Indian travelling ayahs and the Ayahs’ Home in Britain,” *International Federation for Research in Women’s History 2018*, Vancouver, August 2018
- 2018 “Translating (Im)Mobilities In Migrations: Cases Of Indian Travelling Ayahs In Britain (1890-1940),” *Britain and the World Conference*, Exeter, 21-23 June 2018
- 2017 “Moving’ with the Empire: Indian Ayahs in nineteenth and twentieth century Britain,” *Britain and the World Conference*, University of Texas, Austin, 6-8 April 2017
- 2017 “Entangled Colonial Histories: Colonial Law and ‘Coolie’ Intimacies in twentieth century Malaya and Ceylon,” *Association for Asian Studies Conference*, 16-18 March 2017 (panel on Governing Intimate Encounters in South and Southeast Asia: Body, Sexuality, Gender, Everyday and Colonial/Post-colonial Law) -*This paper won the Don Provencher Award, in 2017. Awarded by the Malaysia, Brunei, Singapore Board, Association for Asian Studies.*
- 2017 “Violence “They” Wrote: Representing Indian Coolie Intimacies in British Malaya,” *Gender Perspectives on Colonial Inter-Asian Labour Migration*, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore, 9-10 February 2017
- 2016 “Sojourning Indian Ayahs in transient colonial homes: Revising History of Domestic Service in the British Empire (1800-1940),” *Gender, household labour relations and (post)colonialism, 1800-present Conference*, at University of Gadjah Mada, Yogyakarta, 27 July 2016
- 2016 “Being Immoral: the British Wives in Colonial Malaya (1900-1940)” *Britain and the World Conference*, King’s College, London, 24 June 2016
- 2016 “(Re) Conceiving “Mems” at Colonies: the case of planters’ wives in British Malaya” at *Pacific Coast Pacific Coast Conference on British Studies*, 43rd annual meeting, the Huntington Library, San Marino, California, 1-3 April 2016
- 2014 “Occupying the center-stage of colonialist and anti-colonialist struggle: Morality of Indian ‘coolie’ women in colonial Malaya,” *Berkshire Conference of Women Historians*, University of Toronto, Canada, 25 May 2014
- 2013 “Racial and gender profiling of marital crime: Indian coolie women’s intimate lives on Malayan plantations,” *Gender and Justice in South Asia and Beyond since 1957 Conference*, Wolfson College, Oxford University, Oxford, UK, 12-13 September 2013
- 2013 “From Dependent Wives to Wage Earners: the journey of Indian ‘coolie’ women in Malaya” presented at the *International Federation for Research in Women’s History Conference*, Sheffield Hallam University, 28 August-1September 2013
- 2013 “Passion Ties: Agency of Tamil ‘coolie’ women on Malayan Rubber Plantations,” *Gender and History Symposium*, Brown University, Rhode Island, USA, 17-19 May 2013

PUBLIC HISTORY AND COMMUNITY TALKS

- 2024 “Waiting on Empire: Indian Travelling Ayahs,” *Khaki Lab, India*, 25 May 2024
- 2024 “Global South Asians: Lunch and Learn Event,” *Center for Inclusion and Belonging, University of North Texas*, 24 April 2024
- 2024 “Travelling Ayahs in Britain: Ordinary women in extraordinary circumstances,” *Sheffield City Archives*, 8 March 2024
- 2023 “Ayahs in Britain,” invited talk at the *Museum of the Home*, London, 28 October 2023
- 2021 “Fleeting Agencies: Indian Coolie Women in British Malaya,” *Indian Heritage Center*, Singapore, 25 May 2021
- 2020 “Women’s Rights a generational Story,” *Gender resource center, Idaho State University*, 9 March 2020
- 2020 “A Samosa’s Journey: A history of migration and food,” *Lunchbox lecture Series, Idaho State University-Idaho Falls Campus*, 4 February 2020

TEACHING

COURSES BEING PREPARED

- British Raj and Women
- Food and Migration

COURSES TAUGHT AND DESIGNED

- Graduate Seminar: Cultural History (at UNT: HIST 6279)
- The Historian as Historical Subject (at UNT: HIST 6000)
- Studies in European History: Intimacies and Family in the British Empire Project (at UNT: HIST 5040)
- Social History of Modern Britain (at UNT: HIST 4100)
- World Civilizations 1500-present (at UNT: HIST 1060)
- Thesis Writing (at ISU: HIST 6650)
- Graduate Pro-seminar (at ISU: HIST 6600)
- History of British Empire (at ISU: HIST 4478/5578)*
- Topics in Asian History: History of Asia and the World (at ISU: HIST 4452/5552)*
- Topics in Asian History: Gender, Sexuality and Colonialism in South and Southeast Asia (at ISU: HIST 4452/5552)*
- History of Global South Asians (at ISU: HIST4449/5549)*
- Women in World History (at ISU: HIST 4439/5539)*
- Foundations of Europe: Migration and Food History (at ISU: HIST 1105)
- Special Topics in World History: Bandits, Pirates and Outlaws (at ISU: HIST 1120)
- World History II: 1500-present (at ISU: HIST 1102)
- History in Film: Unpacking South Asian History through Bollywood (at ISU: HIST 1100)
- Approaches to South Asian Studies (at NUS)
- South Asia in World Economy (at NUS)
- South Asian Women Migrants And The World Economy: Past And Present (at NUS)
- Southeast Asia as a Changing Region (at NUS)
- Framing Bollywood: Unpacking The Magic (at NUS)
- Exile, Indenture to Free Labor: History of Global South Asians Labor Migrations (at NUS)
- Asian Americans: culture and experience (at ECV)

- Ethnic Reel Studies (at EVC)
- Migration and Belonging in Southeast Asia
- History of Intimacies in Southeast Asia: Love, Sex And Marriage
- Grooving and Moving: World History of Dance and Migration (1800-2020)

*=Upper division courses at ISU which have a graduate section in built interested graduate students

GRADUATE ADVISING

GRADUATE ADVISING AT UNT AS CHAIR/COMMITTEE MEMBER

PHD:

- 2025-present** Member of PhD Dissertation Committee for Ms. Thanmayee Holakare Krishnamurthy
Department of Music History, 2025-present
- 2024-present** Co-Chair of PhD Dissertation Committee for Ms. Basmah Arshad
(Proposed dissertation on the history of Muslim Chinese immigrant restaurateurs in the United States)
- 2024-present** Member of PhD Dissertation Committee for Ms. Abigail Parmer
Department of History, 2024-present
(Dissertation: *Irish Women's migration and food history*)
- 2024-present** Member of PhD Dissertation Committee for Mr. Avery Powell,
Department of History, 2024-present
(Dissertation: *Women's labor in Birkebein party and the Norwegian Civil Wars*)
- 2023-present** Member of PhD Dissertation Committee for Mr. Peter Kohanski,
Department of Music History, 2023-present, (Dissertation: *Music, culture, and identity in the 18th century British Empire*)

MA:

- 2025:** Major Advisor for Ms. Amber Ada
(successfully completed her MA in March 2025)
- 2024:** Member of Masters Committee for Ms. Sarah Dixon
(successfully completed her MA in December 2024)

GRADUATE ADVISING OUTSIDE UNT

- 2022-present** Member of PhD Dissertation Committee for Ms. Alexandra (Lex) Sundarsingh,
Department of History, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, 2022-present,
(Dissertation: *Unravelling Indenture in the Indian Ocean World, 1815-1925*.)

GRADUATE ADVISING AT ISU AS CHAIR

- 2021-2023** Chair of thesis committee for Mr. Samuel Bell, Department of History, Idaho State University, (Thesis: *Nautch Girls' Voices in the British Empire*), Graduated (Spring 2023)
- 2019-2022** Chair of thesis committee for Ms. Christa White, Department of History, Idaho State University, (Thesis: *20th Century U.S. Women Ambassadors, 1960-1989: Themes in Oral Histories*), Graduated (Spring 2022)

GRADUATE ADVISING AT ISU AS COMMITTEE MEMBER

- 2022-2022** Graduate Faculty Representative (GFR) for Ms. Anne Boyack, Department of English, Idaho State University, Graduated (Spring, 2022)

UNDERGRADUATE ADVISING AT ISU

- 2021-2022** Shayla Manwill and her AHA poster project on “Race, Masculinity and Voodoo in the New South”
- 2021-2022** Maya Peters Greno and her project on “Colonized Garments as Colonizer Trends: The Case of Asian Conical Hats in Western Fashions 1840-1960”, which also won the NACBS undergraduate essay prize for 2022

SERVICE

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

EDITORIAL POSITIONS

- 2023-present** *Manchester University Press- Gender History Series*, Co-Editor
- 2020-2025** *Britain and the World*, Associate Editor
- 2022-2025** *The American Historical Review*, Associate Review Editor
- 2021-2023** *Gender & History*, Associate Editor
- 2018-2020** *Gender and History*, Book Review Editor

EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBER

- 2025-present** *Immigrants and Minorities*, Editorial Advisory Board (since December 2025)
- 2021-present** *Transactions*, International Editorial Board Member

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

- 2025-present** Vice President of Western Conference of British Studies
- 2024 -2025** Program Chair of Western Conference of British Studies
- 2022** Invited to be Program Committee member for AHA Pacific Coast conference (declined for later – due to clashing obligations)

GRANTS AND AWARD COMMITTEES

- 2026** Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Grant external Reviewer
- 2025-** Western Association of Women Historians, *Gita Chaudhuri Book Prize Committee Chair*
- 2023-2025** Western Association of Women Historians, *Gita Chaudhuri Book Prize Committee Member*
- 2022-2025** North American Conference of British Studies, *MA Essay Prize Committee Member*
- 2022-2023** National Women’s Studies Association, *Sarah Whaley Prize Committee Member*
- 2022** Invited to be member of *World History Association Bentley Book Prize Committee* (declined)
- 2020-2021** Coordinating Council for Women in History, *Nupur Chaudhuri Award Committee Chair*
- 2019-2020** Coordinating Council for Women in History, *Nupur Chaudhuri Award Committee Member*
- 2019-2021** *Gender & History* (Journal), *Graduate Essay Prize Award Committee Member*

OTHER ADHOC SERVICES

- 2021-2022** World History Association Representative to the Intention Foundry at *American Council of Learned Societies*

PEER-REVIEWER

Book Manuscript	Journal Article
Bloomsbury Press	<i>Asian Journal of Social Sciences</i>
Cambridge University Press	<i>Britain and the World</i>
	<i>Gender and History</i>
	<i>Interventions</i>

James Currey Press-Boydell & Brewer Ltd	<i>Journal of the History of Sexuality</i>
National University of Singapore Press	<i>Journal of Malaysian Branch of Royal Asiatic Society</i>
Oxford University Press	<i>Journal of Royal Asiatic Society</i>
	<i>Journal of South Asian Diaspora</i>
	<i>Journal of Southeast Asian Studies</i>
	<i>Labour History (Australia)</i>
	<i>South Asian Studies Journal</i>

RESEARCH AFFILIATE

2020-2024 International Associate Member, Centre for South Asian and Indian Ocean Studies, Sunway University, Malaysia

DISCUSSANT AT CONFERENCES

- 2023** Commentor, *Indian Ocean Perspectives Conference, University of Victoria (Canada)*, 15 June 2023
- 2021** Discussant and Chair, “Careering and Commerce in mid-nineteenth century East Asia,” at Britain and the World Conference, 16 June 2021
- 2021** Discussant and Chair, “Government and Industry in India, 1919-1949,” at Britain and the World Conference, 16 June 2021
- 2020** Discussant and Chair, “Governing Empire through Space, Sexuality, and Subservience,” at North American Conference on British Studies, 8 November 2020 (virtual conference)
- 2020** Discussant and Chair, “Ideas and imperialism in India and Southeast Asia,” at Britain and the World Conference, Plymouth, UK, 17-19 June 2020 (conference cancelled due to COVID)
- 2017** Discussant and Chair, “Navigating Mixed Race Marriages,” Mixed Race in Asia and Australasia: Migrations, Mobilities and Belonging Conference at NUS, 12-13 October 2017
- 2017** Discussant for Roundtable discussion on “Creating and Contesting Archives: Finding Subaltern Women in archives,” at NUS, Asia Graduate Studies Forum, 26 July 2017
- 2016** Discussant at the Gender, household labour relations and (post)colonialism, 1800-present Conference, at University of Gadjah Mada, Yogyakarta, 27 July 2016

UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE

DEPARTMENT & COLLEGE SERVICE (AT UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS)

- 2025-present** Department Tenure and Promotion Committee Chair
- 2025-present** Department Affairs Committee (DAC), Committee Member
- 2024-present** Taskforce on the role of Professional Faculty in the History Department
- 2024-present** Member of UNT CLASS Strategic Planning Committee (2024-2025)
- 2024-2025** Co-facilitator of UNT CLASSWrite Group
(weekly 2hours writing mentoring sessions organized to mentor and support early career faculty in their writing goals)
- 2024, 9 Aug** Speaker at CLASS New Faculty Orientation for the segment “What I wish I knew”
- 2023-2025.** Department Graduate Studies Committee, member
- 2023-present** Women’s History Month Committee, member
- 2023** Department Search Committee Member for Tenure Track Assistant Professor in Early modern European History

UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE (AT IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY)

- 2022-2023** ISU Faculty Senate Working Group on Diversity Gender Equity, Committee Member
2022-2023 Humanities Café Coordinating Committee, Committee Member (elected position)
2021 Tenure and promotion committee member for Dr. Jonathan Fardy (August- October)
2021-2023 General Education Assessment Committee, Department Representative (for Objective 7)
2020-2023 ROAR Presidential Charter (for Academic Advising and Outreach Programs) Committee Member
2020-2023 Department Representative on University Library Committee
2019-2023 Early College Program Liaison

DEPARTMENT COMMITTEES (AT IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY)

- 2022** Tenure and promotion committee member for Dr. Sarah Robey (August-October)
2022 Department Undergraduate Scholarship Awards Committee Member (April-May)
2021-2023 Director of Recruitment, Department of History
2020 Search Committee Member for Administrative Assistant (November- December)
2020-2023 Department Co-Ordinator for Early College Program
2020 Department Committee Member for General Education Assessment (February-April)
2020 Department Undergraduate Scholarship Awards Committee Member (April-May)
2019-2020 Search Committee Member for Tenure Track Assistant Professor in Latin American and World History, Department of History (November 2019-May 2020)

COMMITTEE (AT EVERGREEN VALLEY COLLEGE)

- 2018-2019** Member of Institutional Effectiveness Committee, San Jose Evergreen Valley College

COMMITTEE (AT NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE)

- 2017-2018** Chair of Staff Welfare Committee, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association
Association for Asian Studies
Berkshire Conference of Women Historians
Britain and the World
Coordinating Council for Women in History
North American Conference of British Studies
Southern Conference of British Studies
Western Conference of British Studies
World History Association

LANGUAGES

English (Medium of education): Fluent in reading, writing and spoken.
Bengali (Mother tongue): Fluent in reading, writing and spoken.
Hindi (Trained for seven years): Fluent in reading, writing and spoken.
Bahasa Melayu (Trained during PhD): Basic reading, writing and spoken.
French (Trained during M.A.): Basic reading, writing and spoken.