

## Mytheli Sreenivas

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### EDUCATION

- 2001 Ph.D., History, University of Pennsylvania
- 1999 Graduate Certificate in Women's Studies, University of Pennsylvania
- 1996 M.A., History, University of Pennsylvania
- 1994 A.B., *Cum Laude*, with Distinction in the History Major, Yale University

### EMPLOYMENT

- 2024-2025 Designated Professor of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, The Ohio State University
- 2023-present Chair, Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, The Ohio State University
- 2022-present Professor of History and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, The Ohio State University
- 2010-2022 Associate Professor of History and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, The Ohio State University
- 2005-2010 Assistant Professor of History and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, The Ohio State University
- 2004-2005 Assistant Professor of History and Director of the Women's Studies Program, University of Connecticut
- 2001-2004 Assistant Professor of Women's Studies, William Paterson University of New Jersey

### BOOKS

- 2021 *Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India* (Seattle: University of Washington Press; New Delhi: Women Unlimited [South Asian edition]); finalist, ACLS Open Access Book Prize.

- 2008 *Wives, Widows and Concubines: The Conjugal Family Ideal in Colonial India* (Bloomington and Indianapolis: Indiana University Press; Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan, 2009 [South Asian edition]); winner of the Joseph W. Elder Prize in the Indian Social Sciences from the American Institute of Indian Studies.

## EDITORSHIPS

- 2021 Guest editor, with Anjali Bhardwaj Datta and Udit Sen, *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies* special issue, "A Country of Her Making: Women's Negotiations of Society and Politics in Post-Colonial India," 44, no. 2 (April 2021).

2015-17 Co-editor, *Frontiers: A Journal of Women Studies*.

- 2013 Guest editor, *Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies* special issue, "Reproductive Technologies and Reproductive Justice," 34, no. 3 (2013).

## ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2024 "Following Women's Money: Population, Development, and Indo-American Birth Control Politics in the Mid-Twentieth Century," *Journal of Women's History* 36, no. 1 (Spring): 14-36.
- 2021 "Feminism, Family Planning, and National Planning," *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies* 44, no. 2 (April): 313-328.
- 2021 "Introduction: A Country of Her Making," co-authored with Anjali Bhardwaj Datta and Udit Sen, *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies* 44, no. 2 (April): 218-227.
- 2015 "Birth Control in the Shadow of Empire: The Trials of Annie Besant, 1877-1878," *Feminist Studies* 41, no. 3: 509-537.
- 2015 "Conjugality, Contraception and the Politics of Sexuality in Late Colonial India," *Conjugality Unbound: Sexual Economies, State Regulation and the Marital Form in India*, Srimati Basu and Lucinda Ramberg, eds. (New Delhi: Women Unlimited), 18-46.
- 2014 "Sexuality and Modern Imperialism," *A Global History of Sexuality: The Modern Era*, Rob Buffington, Donna Guy, Eithne Luibhéid, eds. (New York: Wiley Blackwell).
- 2013 "Women's and Gender History in Modern India: Researching the Past, Reflecting on the Present," in *Making Women's Histories: Beyond National Perspectives*, Pamela S. Nadell and Kate Haulman, eds. (New York: New York University Press): 161-184.
- 2013 "Introduction: Reproductive Technologies and Reproductive Justice," *Frontiers: A Journal of Women Studies* 34, no. 3: xvii-xiv.

- 2011 “Creating Conjugal Subjects: Devadasis and the Politics of Marriage in Colonial Madras Presidency,” *Feminist Studies* 37, no. 1 (Spring): 63-92.
- 2005 “Anti-Colonialism and Resistance: South Asia,” co-authored with Pranav Jani, *A Historical Companion to Postcolonial Literatures in English*, David Johnson and Prem Poddar, eds. (Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press): 20-28.
- 2004 “Conjuality and Capital: Gender, Families and Property under Colonial Law in India.” *Journal of Asian Studies* 63, no. 4 (November): 937-960.
- 2004 “Teaching about ‘Other’ Women: Developing a Global Perspective on Gender in the Classroom.” *Transformations: The Journal of Inclusive Scholarship and Pedagogy* 15, no. 1 (Spring): 28-39.
- 2003 “Emotion, Identity and the Female Subject: Tamil Women’s Magazines in Colonial India.” *Journal of Women’s History* 14, no. 4 (Winter): 59-82.

## RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- “Population, Eugenics, and Reproductive Rights: Legalizing Abortion in India, 1966-1971,” *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies* (under review).
- “MVA and the Geopolitics of Abortion in South Asia” (in progress)
- *Reclaiming Our Histories: A Digital Collection of Feminist Thought and Activism at OSU*, Digital Humanities Archives and Research Project:  
<https://reclaimingourhistories.org/>

## AWARDS

- 2024 Finalist, Open Access Book Prize, American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS)
- 2019 Paul W. Brown Excellence in Teaching Award, The Ohio State University
- 2017 Ronald and Deborah Ratner Distinguished Teaching Award, The Ohio State University
- 2009 College of Arts and Humanities Diversity Enhancement Award, The Ohio State University. Awarded to members of the Steering Committee of the Program for Arts and Humanities Development
- 2008 University Distinguished Diversity Enhancement Award, The Ohio State University. Awarded to members of the Faculty of Color Caucus of the Department of History
- 2008 College of Arts and Humanities Diversity Enhancement Award, The Ohio State University. Awarded to members of the Faculty of Color Caucus of the Department of History
- 2006 Joseph W. Elder Prize in the Indian Social Sciences, American Institute of Indian Studies. *For Wives, Widows, and Concubines: The Conjugal Family Ideal in Colonial India.*

## EXTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2023 Co-PI, Affirming Multivocal Humanities, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation,
- 2020 TOME Publishing Grant for Open Access Digital Monograph, awarded for *Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India*.
- 2013 Co-Investigator, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, John E. Sawyer Seminar on the Comparative Study of Cultures, “The Intersection of Language, Politics, and Human
- 2010-11 Senior Fellowship, American Institute of Indian Studies.
- 2010 Summer Stipend, National Endowment for the Humanities
- 1997-8 Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship, U.S. Department of Education

## INTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2023 Co-PI, Good to Great Grant, Office of Academic Affairs, to create the Center for Feminist Research, Education and Engagement in the Department of Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies
- 2023 Mershon Center Faculty Individual Research Grant, awarded for “Injectable Development: The HPV Vaccine, Reproductive Politics, and Histories of Global Health Inequality”
- 2022 Global Arts and Humanities Discovery Theme, Leadership Faculty Fellow
- 2020 Arts and Humanities Large Grant, awarded for “Reclaiming our Histories: A Digital Collection of Feminist Thought and Activism at The Ohio State University.”
- 2016 Service-Learning Course Development Grant, Office of Service Learning at Ohio State.
- 2016 Arts and Sciences Grant for New Service-Learning Course Proposals, College of Arts and Sciences at Ohio State.
- 2012 RTAP Research Fellowship (2012-2015).
- 2011 Coca-Cola Critical Difference for Women Research Grant
- 2009 Faculty Grant, Mershon Center for International Security Studies
- 2009 Grant-in-Aid, Rockefeller Archives Center

- 2005 Faculty Small Grant Research Award, University of Connecticut
- 1999 Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Writing Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania (1999-2000).
- 1998 A.W. Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania (1998-1999).
- 1994 Benjamin Franklin Graduate Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania (1994-1997).
- 1993 Robert C. Bates Summer Traveling Fellowship, Yale College Summer Traveling Fellowship Committee
- 1993 McDonnell Douglas Traveling Fellowship, Yale Center for International and Area Studies.

#### **INVITED ACADEMIC LECTURES, SYMPOSIA, PANELS**

- 2024 Invited symposium, “Global Histories of Abortion,” University of Washington (April)
- 2024 “Population, Eugenics, and Reproductive (In)Justice: Legalizing Abortion in India,” Pennsylvania State University (March)
- 2023 Seminar on *Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India*, ” Robert Penn Warren Center for the Humanities, Vanderbilt University (November)
- 2023 Invited Roundtable on Women and Children as Sites of Intervention: Past, Present and Future, The Annual Pierre Du Bois Conference, Geneva Graduate Institute, Switzerland, (October)
- 2023 “Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India,” Centre for Literary and Historical Research, New Delhi, India, online (June)
- 2023 “Feminism and Reproductive Politics in Modern India,” Department of History, Texas State University (April)
- 2023 “South Asia and Reproductive Justice,” Southern Asia Institute, University of Texas, Austin, (April), symposium participant (April)
- 2023 “South Asia, Population Planning and National Imaginations: A Discussion on Method and Periodization,” Laureate Center for History and Population, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia, online, (March)
- 2023 Roundtable on “Feminist Economics of Global Reproductive Justice,” International Association for Feminist Economics, online, (February)
- 2023 *Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India*: Book discussion, Gender and Women’s Studies Department, University of Washington, online (February)

- 2023 Roundtable on “The History of Reproductive Rights in Global Perspective,” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Philadelphia PA (January), panelist
- 2022 “*Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India*: Book Talk,” Washington University in St. Louis (October)
- 2022 “A 1950s Women’s Question? Family Planning and Transnational Development Regimes,” South Asia Institute, University of Heidelberg (June)
- 2022 “Can there be an Intellectual History of Hindu Marriage in Colonial India?” Grammars of Marriage and Desire Interdisciplinary Research Network, University of Cambridge (May)
- 2022 Symposium on Global Reproductive Politics, Reproductive Politics and Limitations of the Law, Centre for Law, Justice and Society, O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat, India (May), panelist
- 2022 “Reproduction: A Global Intellectual History: An Interview with Mytheli Sreenivas,” *Journal of the History of Ideas* blog, (May) <https://jhiblog.org/2022/05/04/reproduction-a-global-intellectual-history-an-interview-with-mytheli-sreenivas/>
- 2022 “Heterosexuality and the ‘Happy Family’: Desire, Development, and Population Control in India,” Women’s History Network Spring Seminar Series, U.K. (January)
- 2021 “*Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India*: Book Talk,” Dartmouth College Conversations on South Asia, Dartmouth College, Hanover NH (November)
- 2021 “Letting Live: Transnational Reproductive Biopolitics across Ohio and Uttar Pradesh,” Northern Arizona University (November)
- 2021 “*Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India*: Book Panel,” South Asian Studies Colloquium, Yale University, New Haven CT (October).
- 2017 “The Global Indian: Migration, Mobility and Empire in the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Centuries,” The Pizzuti Collection Lecture Series, (September).
- 2015 “Reproductive Justice in the Shadow of Empire: Annie Besant and Struggles for Birth Control, 1877-1878,” Colgate University, Hamilton NY, (February).
- 2013 “Sexualized Violence, Democracy, and Secularism: Indian Elections (2014),” Wright State University, Dayton OH, (November).
- 2011 “Counting Indians: Population and the Body Politic,” Department of Sociology, Delhi University, Delhi, India, (March).

- 2011 “Feminism, Family, and History,” Lady Sri Ram College, Delhi University, Delhi, India, (March).
- 2011 “Population Reconsidered: Governing Life and Death in Modern India,” India International Centre Lecture Series, New Delhi, India, (February).
- 2010 “Reconstructing Wifhood in Madras: Devadasis, Feminist Agency, and the Colonial Archive,” Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH, (March).
- 2007 “Women’s Print Culture and the (Anti)Colonial Archive: Reading Emotion, History, and Nation,” Visiting Scholars Lecture Series, The Roja Muthiah Research Library, Chennai India, (December).
- 2004 “Who are the ‘other’ women in my classroom? Methods for teaching global women’s studies.” Raritan Valley Community College, North Branch NJ, (March).
- 2003 “Teaching about ‘Other’ Women: Developing Global Perspectives on Gender.” Ramapo College, Mahwah NJ, (April).
- 2002 “Women, Islam, and U.S. Feminism: Questions in the Classroom,” Centenary College, Hackettstown NJ, (December).
- 2002 “Teaching about Women and Islam after September 11.” Wagner College, Staten Island NY, (September).

## PUBLIC WRITING

- 2022 [“India’s abortion law seems liberal but is driven by a population control logic—not women’s rights,”](#) Scroll.in (July 29).
- 2022 [“Restrictive laws tend to increase the number of unsafe abortions,”](#) Nonprofit: A Project of Xarxanet.org.
- 2022 [“The tie between the Buffalo shooting and banning abortion,”](#) *The Washington Post* (May 20).
- 2021 [“Women can’t ‘have it all’ if abortion is not legal, safe,”](#) *Columbus Dispatch* (December 8).
- 2021 [“Worried about a population bust? History shows we shouldn’t be. Letting panic about fertility rates drive policy is dangerous.”](#) *The Washington Post* (July 19).
- 2021 [“The Deep Roots of India’s COVID-19 Crisis,”](#) *Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective* (May).

- 2017 ["Milestones: India-Pakistan Partition,"](#) *Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective*, (December).
- 2009 ["Population Bomb? The Debate over Indian Population,"](#) *Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective* (November).

## PODCASTS

- 2022 ["Tamil Women Writing About Desire in the 1920s, Casteless Marriage, and More"](#) The Swaddle Podcast
- 2022 ["Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India,"](#) The Polis Project.
- 2021 ["Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India,"](#) Books and Authors Podcast, *Hindustan Times*.
- 2021 ["In Conversation with Dr. Mytheli Sreenivas,"](#) The Swaddle Podcast.
- 2021 ["A Conversation with Author and Professor Mytheli Sreenivas,"](#) A Desi Woman Podcast.
- 2021 [\*Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India\*](#), New Books Network.
- 2018 ["Are families primarily economic or emotional units?"](#) Voices of Excellence in the Arts and Sciences.
- 2016 ["Reproductive Rights and Reproductive Justice,"](#) (with Alison Norris and Molly Farrell), *Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective*.
- 2015 ["The Politics of India,"](#) (with Wendy Singer), *Origins: Current Events in Historical Perspective*.

## CAMPUS LECTURES

- 2024 "Reproductive Power Panel," OSU Sex Week (February)
- 2023 "Plan (B)uckeye: Learn how to navigate your reproductive rights in post-Roe Ohio," panelist, Undergraduate Student Government, (January)
- 2022 "Overturning Roe: The Past and Future of Abortion in the United States," College of Arts and Sciences, The Ohio State University, panelist (November)
- 2022 "Gender and Reproductive Justice," WGSS Department, The Ohio State University, panelist (September)
- 2022 "The Supreme Court's Reversal of *Roe v. Wade*," OSU-Newark and COTC, panelist (September)



- 2022 “The Impacts of Reversing *Roe v. Wade: What Now?*” The Women’s Place, The Ohio State University, panelist (July)
- 2021 “*Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India: Book Discussion,*” Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies and South Asian Studies Initiative, (October).
- 2021 “*Reproductive Politics and the Making of Modern India,*” Clio Society of the Ohio State History Department, (September).
- 2019 “Women and Feminism in India,” Office of Residential Life, The Ohio State University, (November).
- 2018 “‘A Small Family is a Happy Family: Writing (Hetero)Sexuality into Histories of Indian Population Control,” South Asian Studies Initiative Brown Bag Series, Ohio State University, (September).
- 2017 “Reproductive Justice,” Medical Students for Choice, The Ohio State University, (September).
- 2017 “Connecting Local and Global in Reproductive Justice,” International Women’s Day Teach-In, The Ohio State University, (March).
- 2017 “Buckeye Women Series: Women’s Reproductive Rights:,” sponsored by Women Student Initiatives at The Ohio State University, (January).
- 2012 “Governing (Over)population: Famine, contraception, and empire in historical perspective,” Department of Geography Colloquium, Ohio State University, (September).
- 2012 “Famine and the Origins of Overpopulation: Rethinking Historical Connections,” Institute for Population Research, Ohio State University, (May).
- 2010 “Counting Indians: Population and Development in Modern India,” Association for India’s Development, Columbus OH, (January).
- 2002 “Laws and their Subjects: Caste, Sexuality, and the State in Colonial Madras,” Faculty Research Seminar, William Paterson University, Wayne NJ, October 2002.
- 2000 “Reconstructing Identity: Emotion and Interiority in Tamil Women’s Magazines.” Faculty Research Seminar, William Paterson University, Wayne NJ, December 2000.

## OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT

- 2019- Board member, Abortion Fund of Ohio

- 2023 *Responsibilities*: Advancing the vision, connecting to communities, and maintaining the financial well-being of Ohio's statewide abortion fund.
- 2021 Panelist, Women's History Month Recognition, National Association of Social Workers Ohio Chapter, (March).
- 2021 "India and Pakistan Since 1947: Conflict, Crisis, and Change," Granville, OH Public Library, (January).
- 2019 Panelist, Reproductive Justice Leadership Institute, URGE: Unite for Reproductive and Gender Equity, Columbus OH, (November).
- 2017 Panelist, "Reproductive Freedom," Sister Conversations: A Conversation for Women of Color, Led by Women of Color, Columbus OH, (April).
- 2011 "Global Population Growth: Perspectives from India," webinar lecture to K-12 teachers, hosted by Primary Source, (December).

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 "Demographic Imaginations: Mapping Reproductive Biopolitics across Colonial and Postcolonial India," roundtable panelist, Berkshire Conference of Women, Genders, and Sexualities (June).
- 2022 "Famine, Family, Fertility: Rethinking 'Hindu Marriage' in the Late 19<sup>th</sup> Century,:" Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison WI, (October)
- 2021 "Transnational Biopolitics and Reproductive Interventions," National Women's Studies Association Annual Conference, (September).
- 2020 "Feminism, Family Planning, and Population Control," 18<sup>th</sup> Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders, and Sexualities, Baltimore MD, (May), accepted; conference cancelled.
- 2019 "Sex in an era of Scarcity: Population control and the 'small family' in the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century," Symposium on Sexuality and Vulgarly, Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison WI, (October).
- 2018 "Feminism, Family Planning, and Development Regimes," Women, Nation-Building and Feminism in India, Cambridge University, Cambridge UK, (September).
- 2018 "Service Learning in Reproductive Justice, Rights, and Health," Medical Humanities: From Campus to Communities, Ohio State University, Columbus OH, (April).
- 2017 "Feminism, Family Planning and the 'Women's Question,'" 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI, (October).

- 2017 “Speaking of Reproductive Justice in the Era of Population Control: Examples from Postcolonial India,” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders, and Sexualities, Hempstead NY, (June).
- 2017 “Sexuality and the Politics of Birth Control in Interwar India,” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Denver CO, (January).
- 2016 “Feminism and Family Planning in India’s First Postcolonial Decade,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Seattle WA, (March).
- 2015 “Recasting Motherhood in the Era of Population Control: Examples from Postcolonial India,” Conference on Pregnancy, Childbearing and Infant Care: Historical Perspectives from Slave and Non-Slave Societies, Newcastle University, UK, (April).
- 2014 “Conjugal Desire/Contraceptive Advocacy,” Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders, and Sexualities, Toronto Canada, (May).
- 2014 “Conjugality, Contraception, and the Politics of Sexuality,” The Long Indian Century: Historical Transitions and Social Transformations,” Yale University, New Haven CT, (April).
- 2013 “‘On war footing’: National and International Discourses on IUDs in India,” 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI, (October).
- 2013 “Rethinking Reproduction as a Category of Feminist Analysis,” Feminist Preconference at the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI, (October).
- 2013 “IUDs, medical mediations, and women’s labor in India,” International Congress of History of Science, Technology, and Medicine, Manchester UK, (July).
- 2012 “Reproductive Technologies and Reproductive Justice,” Roundtable participant, National Women’s Studies Association Annual Conference, Oakland CA, (November).
- 2012 “Conjugality, Contraception, and the Politics of Sexuality in Late Colonial India,” 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI, (October).
- 2012 “Reproductive Technologies and Social Justice,” roundtable participant, National Women’s Studies Association Annual Conference, (2012).
- 2011 “Choosing to marry with self respect: Honor, caste, and the politics of *kalappu manam*,” Seminar on Androcentric Marriage Practices in South Asia, Women’s Studies and Development Centre, Delhi University, (2011).

- 2009 “‘Too many Indians?’ Environmentalism and the Apocalyptic Politics of (Over)Population,” Symposium on Sustainability, Environmentalism, and Eco-Criticism in South Asian Contexts, University of Hawaii, (April).
- 2008 “Towards a Feminist History of Population,” The Body in South Asian Feminism: Feminist Pre-conference at the 37th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI, (October).
- 2008 “Reconstructing Wifehood: Family and Political Authority in the Colonial Indian Courts,” 14th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Minneapolis MN, (June).
- 2007 “Rethinking Categories of South Asian Legal Identity,” roundtable participant, 36th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI, (October).
- 2006 “Between Divine Marriage and Mundane Prostitution: Devadasis and categories of singleness in late colonial India,” Single Women in History: 1000-2000, Bristol U.K., (June).
- 2004 “‘The Pleasures of this Life:’ Caste, Conjuality and the Tamil Politics of Child Marriage.” 33rd Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI, (October).
- 2003 “Teaching to Listen: Understanding Oppression in South Asia Beyond the Stereotypes.” Teaching Asia: Society, War and Religion Conference, William Paterson University, Wayne NJ, (November).
- 2002 “Conjuality and Capital: Women, Families and Property under Colonial Law in India.” Women and Society Seminar, Columbia University, New York NY, (October).
- 2002 “Regulating Sexuality and Property in Colonial Madras: Law, State, and the Colonial Courts.” Annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Washington, D.C. (April).
- 2001 “Engendering Histories of Property: Law and the Colonial State in India.” Mid-Atlantic World History Association Conference, Ramapo College, Mahwah NJ, (October).
- 2000 “Global Struggles for Women’s Rights.” Women 2000 Conference, Pecs Hungary, (October).
- 2000 “Engendering Culture and the Nation: Marriage and Tamil Politics.” Annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Diego CA, (March).
- 2000 “Writing Emotion into History: Tamil Women’s Magazines.” Female Images, Female Lives: Graduate Student Conference, Yale University, New Haven CT, (February).

- 1999 “Nationalizing Marriage: Dravidian Nationalism and the Re-Organization of Gendered Identities.” 28th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI, (October).
- 1999 “Making ‘faithful wives and model mothers’: Devadasis and Marriage in Modern India.” Women and Society Conference, Marist College, Poughkeepsie NY, (June).
- 1999 “Nationalism and the Problem of Women’s Liberation: A Case Study of the Self Respect Movement.” National Feminist Graduate Student Conference, University of Texas, Austin TX, (March).

## CONFERENCE ORGANIZING AND PARTICIPATION

- 2024 Respondent, History Methods Lab Seminar, Duke University (January)
- 2023 Co-organizer, “South Asia-Reproductive Justice,” symposium, Southern Asia Institute, University of Texas-Austin (April, forthcoming).
- 2018 Panel chair and discussant, “When the Political is Personal: Social Context of Collaborative Research,” Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison, (October).
- 2018 Panel chair and discussant, “Defining Family by Law: Migration, Marriage, and Inheritance in British India and the Indian Ocean,” Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison, (October).
- 2018 Co-organizer, with Anjali Bhardwaj Datta and Udit Sen, Women, Feminism, and Nation-Building Workshop, Wolfson College, Cambridge University, Cambridge UK, (September).
- 2014 Panel chair and discussant, “Decolonizing Pedagogies: Moving toward Racial-Sexual-Gender Justice in the Classroom,” National Women’s Studies Association, (November).
- 2013 Panel chair and discussant, “South Asian Family Landscapes: Productions of Gender and Space in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Diego CA, (March).
- 2012 Panel chair and discussant, “Family Matters: Community, Capital, and the Reworking of Traditions through Families in Colonial South Asia,” 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI, (October).
- 2008 Panel chair and discussant, “Looking Beyond Binaries,” The Cold War as the Periphery: Global Change in the 1960s and Beyond, Mershon Center for International Security Studies, The Ohio State University, (April).

## BOOK REVIEWS

- 2023 Holly Donahue Singh, *Infertility in a Crowded Country: Hiding Reproduction in India* (2022), H-Sci-Med-Tech, H-Net Reviews (August)
- 2022 Ishita Pande, *Sex, Law and the Politics of Age: Child Marriage in India, 1891-1937* (2020), *Journal of the History of Sexuality* 31, no. 1 (April 15): 121-124.
- 2022 Benjamin B. Cohen, 'An Appeal to the Ladies of Hyderabad': Scandal in the Raj (2019), *The American Historical Review* 126, no. 4 (December): 1637-1638.
- 2021 Sumita Mukherjee, *Indian Suffragettes: Female Identities and Transnational Networks* (2018), *Women and Social Movements*.
- 2021 Ashwini Tambe, *Defining Girlhood in India: A Transnational History of Sexual Maturity Laws* (2019), *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth* 14, no. 1 (Winter): 169-171.
- 2016 Asha Nadkarni, *Eugenic Feminism: Reproductive Nationalism in the United States and India* (2014), *Feminist Review*, 113, no. 1: e1-e17.
- 2014 Shefali Chandra, *The Sexual Life of English: Languages of Caste and Desire in Colonial India* (2012), by Shefali Chandra, *The American Historical Review* 119, no. 3: 870-871.
- 2012 "Family and Modernity: New Perspectives on the 19th and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries," [review of five books] *Journal of Women's History* 24, no. 1: 188-197.
- 2011 Anjali Arondekar, *For the Record: On Sexuality and the Colonial Archive in India* (2009), *Journal of Asian Studies* 70, no. 1 (Spring): 264-266.
- 2009 Francesca Orsini, ed. *Love in South Asia: A Cultural History* (2006), ed. Francesca Orsini, *The Canadian Journal of History*, 44, no. 1 (spring/summer): 169-171.
- 2007 Durba Ghosh, *Sex and the Family in Colonial India*, *International Journal of the Sociology of the Family* (2006), 33, no. 2 (Autumn): 361-364.
- 2006 "Teaching about Women and Islam after 9/11: A Review Essay," *Transformations: The Journal of Inclusive Scholarship and Pedagogy* 17, no. 2 (Fall): 58-63.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### History Courses

#### Undergraduate

- Colonial India
- Contemporary India and South Asia
- World History, 1500-present
- Introduction to the Historical Discipline
- Families in Historical Perspective
- The Global History of Contraception and Abortion

### *Graduate*

Women, Family, and Nation in Comparative and Theoretical Perspective  
Race, Sex, and Empire  
Research Seminar in Women's, Gender and Sexuality History

### **Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies Courses**

#### *Undergraduate*

History of Feminist Thought  
Transnational Feminisms  
Reproductive Rights and Justice  
Senior Capstone Seminar

#### *Graduate*

Feminist Inquiry  
Real and Imagined Women: Theorizing Gender, Culture, and Power in South Asia  
Feminism and Reproductive Sexual Economies  
Theorizing Global and Transnational Feminisms  
Postcolonial and Decolonial Feminisms  
Transnational Perspectives of Reproductive Health, Technologies and Justice

### **GRADUATE ADVISING**

#### *PhD Students (completed)*

Varsha Chitnis, WGSS  
Anindita Sengupta, WGSS  
Archana Venkatesh, History  
Sara Rodriguez Arguelles Riva, (co-advisor), WGSS  
Haley Swenson, (co-advisor), WGSS  
Renaë Sullivan, History

#### *MA Students (completed)*

Nithya Rajan, WGSS  
Nicole Edgerton, WGSS

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

#### *Committee and Board Service*

2023-present Member, Editorial Advisory Board, *Journal of Women's History*  
2022-present Member, Board of Trustees, American Institute of Indian Studies  
2019-2020 Ad hoc committee to revise the sexual harassment manual and policy, American Institute of Indian Studies  
2013-2017 American Institute for Indian Studies Book Prize Committee

#### *Workshop Facilitator*

Co-facilitator, "From Dissertation to Book," American Institute of Indian Studies, Madison WI, October 2014.  
Co-facilitator, "From Dissertation to Book," American Institute of Indian Studies, Madison WI, October 2009.

### *Grant Application Reviewer*

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipends Competition, 2014

National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Program in Humanities Collections and Reference Resources, 2014

### Article and book manuscript reviewer

*Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East*

*Feminist Studies*

*Modern Asian Studies*

Cambridge University Press

Routledge

Yale University Press

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE (2010-present only)**

### **Leadership**

2023-present Chair, Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies

2022-2023 Arts and Humanities Faculty Fellow, Office of Research

2021- Chair, WGSS Undergraduate Studies Committee

2020- Director, South Asia Studies Initiative

2019-2021 Chair, History department Awards and Prizes Committee

2015-2017 Steering Committee, Center for Historical Research

### **University Committees**

2019-2020 Service-Learning Strategic Planning Committee

2019 Global Arts and Humanities Discovery Theme Advisory Committee

2019 Arts and Humanities Research and Creative Expression Working Group

2012-2015 Arts and Humanities Research Committee

2007-2011 Program for Arts and Humanities Development Steering Committee

### **Department Committees**

#### *History*

2018 Undergraduate Teaching Committee

2014-2015 Graduate Studies Committee

2013-2014 Advisory Committee

2011-2012 Search Committee in US Women's, Gender and Sexuality History

2010 Salary Advisory Committee

2009-2010 Advisory Committee

2010 Review committee for the chair of the department of History

#### *Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies*

2017-2019 Undergraduate Studies Committee

2016-2017 Search Committee in Global and Transnational Feminisms

2013-2016 Graduate Studies Committee

2009-2010 Undergraduate Studies Committee



## **LANGUAGES**

Tamil: Fluent reading, writing, and speaking skills

Hindi: Elementary reading, writing, and speaking skills

French: Fluent reading skills, intermediate speaking and writing skills

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

American Historical Association

Association for Asian Studies

National Women's Studies Association

Society for Advancing the History of South Asia