

Curriculum Vitae
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Distinctions/Awards

- IASH-SSPS Visiting Research Fellowship, University of Edinburgh, 2019.
- Nominated for W.J. Barnes Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, 2017.
- Visiting Professorship, Martin Luther University, Halle, Germany. Fall 2016.
- Visiting Senior Fellow, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia, 2015.
- Visiting Research Fellowship, Research School of Humanities, Australian National University, 2009.
- Nominated for Choice Outstanding Academic Books Award for *Exotic Parodies*.
- Governor General's Gold Medal awarded to the Outstanding Graduate Student Across Disciplines, University of Saskatchewan, Canada, 1993.

Research Funding:

- 2020 SSHRCC Insight Development Grant: \$75,000 (results pending)
- 2020 Queen's University Catalyst Fund: \$25,000 (results pending)
- 2020 International Research Collaboration Fund Grant, Queen's University: \$10,000
- 2018 SSHRCC Institutional Grant—Explore Grant: \$7000.
- 2002 – 2006 SSHRCC Grant: \$109,000.

Invited Prospectuses for Monographs in Progress:

- *Critical Theory and Human Rights*. For the series Critical Theory and the Critique of Society published by Bloomsbury Press.
- *Enchantment and Deracination, or, Whatever Happened to Third Cinema?* University of Toronto Press.
- *"The Scum of the Earth": The New Realities of Forced Migration and Involuntary Displacement*. University of Minnesota Press/Manifold.

Peer-reviewed Research with a Public Dimension:

- Participant in the Archives of the Non-Racial Workshop, Johannesburg, directed by Achille Mbembe. I was 1 of 5 faculty members world-wide selected to participate. 2014.
- Participant in Cartographies of the Theological-Political: Seminar in Experimental Critical Theory at the University of California at Irvine. 2007. Competitive application.
- Interviewed by *National Post* reporters Allison Hanes and Katie Rook on the veil (*hijab* and *niqab*) and the politics of multiculturalism, 2006 and 2007.
- Participant in Race, Empire, Bio-Politics: SECT, UC Irvine. 2005.
- "Theatre and Globalization" by invitation of Suspect Culture, Glasgow. 2004.
- "Crisis/Media: The Uncertain States of Reportage" New Delhi. 2003. www.sarai.net
- Forthcoming blogs in www.refugeehistory.org

Plenary or Keynote Addresses:

- Postcolonial Writing and Theory Seminar Series convened by Elleke Boehmer, University of Oxford, 2017.
- “Race, Risk, and the Measure of the Incalculable.” Forum on Contemporary Theory in Goa, India, 2014.
- “Cosmopolitan Civilities: Open Circuits in the New World Order.” ACLALS Triennial in St. Lucia, 2013.
- Relocating Subalternity Symposium, Jan Van Eyck Academy in Theory and Visual Culture. Maastricht, 2012.
- “Bah, Humbug?”: A Cynical Optimist’s Guide to Truth and Propaganda in the Culture of Terrorism. “Propaganda and its Discontents” Conference, University of Ottawa, 2006.
- “Semiotic Shocks, Molecular Interventions, Fractal Politics.” University of Oxford, 2004.
- “‘The Labour of the Concept’: T.W. Adorno’s ‘Resignation.’” English Institute, Harvard University, 2000.
- “The Actuality of Adorno”: Symposium organized by Martin Jay at UC Berkeley, 1997.

Invited Lectures:

- Research seminar with Glasgow Refugee, Asylum, and Migration Network at the invitation of Benjamin White, Convenor. (forthcoming) 2020.
- Workshop on Migration in/and the Anthropocene organized by The Centre for Cultural Ecologies at Durham University and The Free University of Berlin. (forthcoming 2020).
- “Archives of Mobility” at the University of Leeds, 2019.
- “Dreams of Diaspora” at the University of Salamanca, Spain, 2017.
- Gendered Agency in Violent Conflict, ESRC Project. City University of London, 2007.
- Symposium organized by Transit Migration, Frankfurt. Rethymno, Crete, 2004.

Presentations Offered and Peer-Reviewed:

- “The (Ab)Uses of Dignity in Refugeeedom.” UNESCO-RILA Conference, University of Glasgow. Fall 2020.
- “Gimme Shelter”: Identity, Habitation, and Affect in Migration Narratives.” Narratives of Forced Migration Conference, University of Stirling. September, 2019.
- “Uprooted and Unrouted: Rupī Kaur’s Fluid Aesthetics.” Canada and Beyond Conference V on Bodies of Water, University of Huelva. June, 2018.
- “Something else and something other: Race, Caste, Biopolitics.” ACLALS Conference, Stellenbosch University. July, 2016.
- “Intimate Strangers: Difference and Contagion in Recent Québec Cinema.” Canada and Beyond Seminar on the Geopolitics of Intimacy, University of Huelva. June, 2014.
- “Transplanting the Slave Narrative: Douglass, Ambedkar, Beah.” Writing the Empire: Scribblings from Below Conference. University of Bristol, June, 2010.
- “‘Subjects of Inquiry and Subjects of Injury’: Reflections on A Politics of the Inhuman.” Limits of the Human: Historical, Philosophical, and Ecological Perspectives Conference. Australian National University, Canberra. September 2-4, 2009.

