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AREA OF SPECIALISATION	Philosophy of Mind (especially Philosophy of Perception)	
AREAS OF COMPETENCE	Philosophy of Language, Epistemology, Metaphysics, Ethics, Ancient Philosophy, Intro. Logic	
ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS	Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Ashoka University Research Associate, Harvard University Assistant Professor of Philosophy (ad hoc), University of Delhi Guest Lecturer in Philosophy, Miranda House College Visiting Fellow in Philosophy, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) Fellow in Philosophy, Harvard University	June 2013–present 2014–present Oct. 2012–May 2013 Monsoon 2012 Sept. 2011–Jan. 2012 2011–2013
EDUCATION	Ph.D. in Philosophy, Harvard University Visiting Fellow, Dan Simon’s Visual Cognition Lab at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign Doctoral Program in Philosophy, University of Virginia M.A. in Philosophy, University of Delhi, First Division B.A. (Hons.) in Philosophy, University of Delhi, First Division	2002–2011 2006–2007 & Spring 2008 1999–2002 1997–1999 1993–1996
PUBLICATIONS	“Faith and the Structure of the Mind”, <i>Sophia</i> , Volume 53, Issue 4 (2014): 467–477	
WORK IN PROGRESS	‘Myness’ isn’t Positive The Nature of Perception: McDowell vs. Travis Cognitive Penetration: What’s Under the Hood? Meditative Attention to Bodily Sensations: Conscious Attention without Selection? <i>Svaraj</i> in Ideas: Autonomy, Authenticity, and Respect	
INVITED TALKS	“On Anger: Srinivasan vs. Shantideva” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conference on “Divergences,” Janki Devi Memorial College, Delhi “My-ness’ isn’t Positive” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3rd IIT-Delhi-NBRC Workshop, Delhi “The Nature of Perception: McDowell vs. Travis” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mind-Epistemology Workshop, NYU-Abu Dhabi• Conference on Embodied Cognition, University of Hyderabad “ <i>Svaraj</i> in Ideas: Autonomy, Authenticity, and Respect” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Symposium on the Future of Philosophy, Lady Shri Ram College• Conference on Rethinking <i>Svaraj</i>, Manipal University “Cognitive Penetration: What’s Under the Hood?” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conference on Problems of the Self, Centre for Philosophy, JNU	April 2016 January 2016 April 2015 February 2014 March 2015 January 2015 January 2013
REFEREED TALKS	“My-ness’ isn’t Positive” <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 19th ASSC, Concurrent Session, Paris	July 2015

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TALKS
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- “Meditative Attention to Bodily Sensations: Conscious Attention without Selection?”
- 23rd ESPP, Concurrent Session, Tartu July 2015
 - Workshop on Mind and Attention, Harvard University September 2013
- “Cognitive Penetration: What’s Under the Hood?”
- Pacific APA, Colloquium on Perception and Cognitive Penetration April 2014
 - Conference on Cognition, Emotion, and Action, IIT-Gandhinagar December 2013
 - 21st ESPP, Concurrent Session, University of Granada July 2013
- “Faith and the Structure of the Mind”
- Conference on Faith, India International Centre December 2012
- “A Case of Exploding Vehicles”
- 20th ESPP, Concurrent Session, University of London August 2012
 - 16th ASSC, Poster Session, University of Sussex July 2012
- “Bodily Sensation Objects”
- Minds, Bodies, and Problems, Bilkent University, Ankara June 2012
 - Psycho-Ontology, The Shalem Center, Jerusalem December 2011
 - Metaphysics and Ontology of Phenomenal Qualities, Hertfordshire September 2011
- “Is Naive Introspection Really Unreliable?”
- 15th ASSC, Concurrent Session, Kyoto University
(Awarded a Travel Grant by the ASSC) June 2011
- “Must All Bodily Sensations Feel to be Located on the Body?”
- MindGrad, University of Warwick December 2010
 - 36th SPP, Poster Session, University of Portland June 2010
 - Mind, Science and Everything!, Glasgow University June 2010
- “Transparency, Representation and Attentive Absorption”
- Concurrent Session, Towards a Science of Consciousness, Hong Kong June 2009
- “Illusions Without Contents?”
- Pacific APA, Colloquium on Appearances
(Awarded a Graduate Student Travel Stipend by the APA) April 2007
 - 58th Northwest Philosophy Conference November 2006
- “Public Languages, Idiolects and Semantic Norms”
- Eastern APA Colloquium on Semantics
(Awarded a Graduate Student Travel Stipend by the APA) December 2006
 - 7th Boston College Graduate Student Philosophy Conference April 2006
 - 28th University of Illinois Graduate Student Philosophy Conference April 2006
 - 3rd Intermountain West Student Philosophy Conference March 2006

SELECTED
OTHER
TALKS

- “The Nature of Perception: McDowell vs. Travis”
- Tanner Workshop in Metaphysics and Epistemology, Boston University June 2015
 - University of Delhi December 2013
- “Does the Theory of Karma Give You a Reason to be Just?”
- Young India Fellowship, Delhi February 2013
- “A Case of Exploding Vehicles”
- University of Delhi September 2012
- “Bodily Sensation Objects”
- University of Delhi February 2012
 - National University of Singapore January 2012
 - Centre for Philosophy, Jawaharlal Nehru University August 2011
- “Contemporary Debates in the Philosophy of Perception”
- Panel discussion with N. Gangopadhyay, M. Panda and A. Boruah
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi August 2011

COMMENTS PRESENTED	On Rami El Ali's "The Illusionist View of Hallucination" NYU-Abu Dhabi Workshop on Normativity,	February 2016	
	On Alex Watson's "God, No-God and Indian Logic" NYU-Abu Dhabi Workshop on Normativity,	February 2016	
	On Arindam Chakrabarti's "Is There a World Out There? God/No One Knows" Conference on "God, No-God, and the Argumentative Indian" Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla	July 2015	
	On John Schwenkler's "Vision, Self-Location, and the Phenomenology of the 'Point of View' " 4th Online Consciousness Conference	February 2012	
	On Ana-Maria Andrei's "Privileged Access and the Explanatory Gap" 101st Meeting of the Southern Society of Philosophy and Psychology	April 2009	
	On BonnieJean Kurle's "Frank and Earnest: An Analysis of Sincerity, Its Nature, and Its Role in Communicative Acts" 58th Northwest Philosophy Conference	November 2006	
	On Rogerio Severo's "How Not to Read Quine on Underdetermination" 3rd Intermountain West Student Philosophy Conference	March 2006	
	On Ciara Fairley's "Making Sense of Perceptual Defeasibility" 14th Harvard/MIT Graduate Philosophy Conference	March 2006	
	On Richard Price's "Relational Looking and the Reversibility Constraint" 13th Harvard/MIT Graduate Philosophy Conference	March 2005	
	TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Mind and Behaviour (Ashoka)	Spring 2016
		Introduction to Philosophy (Ashoka)	Spring 2016
Philosophy of Mind (Ashoka)		Monsoon 2015	
Mind and Behaviour (Ashoka)		Monsoon 2015	
Introduction to Philosophy (Ashoka)		Spring 2015	
Mind and Behaviour: Human Nature (Ashoka)		Spring 2015	
Topics in Philosophy (Ashoka, YIF)		Spring 2015	
Mind and Behaviour: Human Nature (Ashoka); two courses		Monsoon 2014	
Mind and Behaviour: Human Nature (Ashoka, YIF)		Spring 2014	
Co-taught M.A. course on the Philosophy of Language (Delhi)		Spring 2013	
Co-taught M.A. course on Philosophical Logic (Delhi)		Spring 2013	
Co-taught M.A. course on Theories of Consciousness (Delhi)		Spring 2013	
Introductory-level lecture course on Epistemology (Miranda House)		Monsoon 2012	
Upper-level lecture course on the Philosophy of Perception (JNU)		Monsoon 2011	
Tutorial on Merleau-Ponty's <i>The Phenomenology of Perception</i> (Harvard)		Spring 2010	
Upper-level lecture course on war and peace (Virginia)		Summer 2002	
HONOURS AND AWARDS	Martin Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Harvard University	2010–2011	
	Graduate Prize Fellowship, Harvard University	2002–2007	
	Mind/Brain/Behavior Graduate Student Award, Harvard University	2006	
	Graduate Student Council Conference Grant, Harvard University	2006	
	Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, for Philosophy of Mind	Spring 2006	
	Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, for Introduction to Ancient Philosophy	Fall 2004	
	Ivor Masses Jr. Fellowship, University of Virginia	2001–2002	
	Dean of Faculty Fellowship, University of Virginia	1999–2001	
	Swami Vivekananda Chicago Memorial Prize, St. Stephen's College	1998	
	K.S. Manvendrasinhji of Gondal Philosophy Prize, St. Stephen's College	1996	
A.S. Brar Award for a paper on Nagarjuna, St. Stephen's College	1994		
SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION	Referee for <i>Erkenntnis</i> , <i>European Journal of Philosophy</i> , <i>Dialectica</i> , 4th Online Consciousness Conference, Society for Philosophy and Psychology, <i>The Southern Journal of Philosophy</i> , <i>Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research</i> , <i>Philosophical Psychology</i> , MIT Press		

Speaker at the ICPR's "Orientation Programme on Research", Delhi March 2013
Speaker at the University of Delhi's "Workshop on Research Methodology" October 2012

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY
Member of the Statues Committee 2016–present
Member of the Programme Co-ordinator Committee 2015–present
Member of the Philosophy Search Committee 2014–present
Member of the Library Committee 2015–present
Member of the University Tenure and Promotion Committee 2013–present
Member of the Committee on Rules and Regulations 2013–present
Member of the University Disciplinary Committee 2014–2016
Director of Undergraduate Admissions 2013–2014

PUBLIC PHILOSOPHY
Review of Hindol Sengupta's "Being Hindu: Old Faith, New World and You", *Business Standard* 24/5/2016
The Mentality of Ressentiment, *Business Standard* 15/4/2016
The Shifty Strategy, *Business Standard* 13/11/2015
Tolerance, For Its Own Sake, *Indian Express* 4/11/2015
Sanitising 'Indian culture', *Business Standard* 25/9/2015
Review of Ananya Vajpeyi's "Righteous Republic: The Political Foundations of Modern India", *Business Standard* 14/12/2012

REFERENCES Available on request

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