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EDUCATION	
PhD in Humanities and Social Sciences Indian Institute of Technology Bombay	2019
Title of Dissertation: Anachronism and the Aesthetics of the Hand-drawn: A Study of Graphic Journalism from Conflict Zones	
MA in English University of Hyderabad	2013
BA in English Language and Literature Madras Christian College	2011

WORK EXPERIENCE	
Assistant Professor Department of English Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu	March 2020 - present
Guest Faculty Department of English Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu	July 2019 - March 2020

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS	
Forms of Technostalgia: Understanding Cultures of the Obsolete. Studies in South Asian Film and Media, Vol. 15(1), pp. 57-69 (Intellect Books) Special Issue on Media Studies and the Contemporary doi: https://doi.org/10.1386/safm_00070_1	July 2023
Towards an Ethics of Reading: Syntax and Self-care in Depression Narratives. Critique: Studies in Contemporary Fiction, Online First (Taylor and Francis) doi: https://doi.org/10.1080/00111619.2022.2090225	June 2022
The Aesthetics and Politics of the Abstract Line in Bhimayana: Experiences of Untouchability. <i>Contemporary Voice of Dalit,</i> Online First (Sage Journals) doi: https://doi.org/10.1177/2455328X211037851	September 2021
Parrhesia and Clinical Practice: A Case Study of Dr. Esdaile's Mesmeric Hospital in Hooghly. Rupkatha Journal on Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities, Vol. 13, pp.1-13 Special Issue on Health Humanities doi: 10.21659/rupkatha.v13n2.05	May 2021
The 'Sincere' Rhetoric of Evidence: Rethinking Egodocuments. <i>Diotima's A Journal of New Readings,</i> Vol. 11 pp.17-32 (Providence College, Calicut) Special Issue on Life Narratives. URL: https://www.pwcenglish.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Life-Narratives- PDF.pdf	December 2020
The Aesthetics of Transgression in Siri Hustvedt's 'The Summer Without Men.' <i>The Explicator</i> , Vol. 77, pp. 47-52 (Taylor and Francis, Routledge) doi:10.1080/00144940.2019.1583163	March 2019

BOOK CHAPTERS	
Aesthetics and Methodology in English Studies: A Fragmented History. Aesthetics in India: Transitions and Transformations pp. 243-65 (Orient BlackSwan) Eds. Sreenath, V.S., Anandita Pan & Punnya Rajendran.	2023
EDITED VOLUMES	
Aesthetics in India: Transitions and Transformations. Co-edited with Sreenath, V.S. and Anandita Pan. (2023: Orient BlackSwan) URL: https://www.orientblackswan.com/details?id=9789354424021	2023
CONFERENCE PAPERS	
The Hand-Drawn Refugee: A Study of 'Inoperative' Images in Joe Sacco's JournalismWhy Remember? Ruins, Remains and Reconstructions in Times of War and ItsAftermath(held jointly by London College of Communication, University of the Arts London, SalemState University Centre for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, De Montfort University, Leicester UK, Durham University Anthropology Department, UK, and WARM Festival)	June 2018 Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina
The Product and the Fragment: Engendering Molly Crabapple's 'Work' of Art <i>Product, Production Productivity: A Women's Studies Symposium</i> (held jointly by Nanyang Technological University, Singapore and Lucy Cavendish College, University of Cambridge)	December 2015 Nanyang Technical University, Singapore
TALKS / PRESENTATIONS	
Unending Loops of Time: Technological Forms of Nostalgia. <i>Studying Contemporary Media Cultures</i> Two-Day Workshop at the Dept. of Gender and Media Studies for the South Asian Region, IAAW, Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany.	June 2022 Delivered Online (Humboldt University of Berlin)
The Philosophical Uses of Literature. Guest Lecture as part of Literary Theory (HS 811) at the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Bombay.	September 2021 Delivered Online (IIT Bombay)
Anachronism and the Aesthetics of the Hand-drawn. Seminar at the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Kanpur.	February 2020 IIT Kanpur
Rethinking Parrhesia: The Surgical Diaries of Dr. J. Esdaile. Part of webinar series at the Centre for Research, Department of English, Providence Women's College.	August 2020 Delivered Online (Providence Women's College, Kerala)
EVENTS ORGANISED	
 International Translation Day 2022 At the Department of English Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu. a) Invited lectures on translation b) Mozhipeyyarppu: Recitation of translated poetry by students 	September 2022 Central University of Tamil Nadu
 Gail Omvedt Memorial Lecture Series Prof. Tharakeshwar, EFL University (November 21, 2021) Prof. Ganesh N. Devy, People's Linguistic Survey of India (December 02, 2021) Prof. Rupa Viswanath, Göttingen University (December 7, 2021) A series of three lectures in memory of sociologist Gail Omvedt at the Department of English Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu. 	November - December 2021 Central University of Tamil Nadu

EVENTS ORGANISED	
 Women and the Partition Dr. Paulomi Chakraborty (IIT Bombay) Online Special lecture at the Department of English Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu. 	29 October 2020 Central University of Tamil Nadu
Three Day Cultural Studies E-Workshop (co-organsied with Dr. Boopathi P., CUTN) at the Department of English Studies, Central University of Tamil Nadu.	21 - 23 September 2020 Central University of Tamil Nadu
Workshop on Process Philosophy Prof. Brian Massumi (University of Montreal, Canada) Prof. Erin Manning (Concordia University, Canada) Workshop for graduate students hosted at the Department of HSS, IIT Bombay.	17 February 2017 IIT Bombay
Ph.D. Supervision	
Maneesha K. P. Broad research area: Kamala Das and Gender in Literary Pedagogy	Date of joining: 7th September 2022 Status: Ongoing
Renuka K. Broad research area: Theories of Space and the Curricular History of English Departments	Date of joining: 22nd September 2022 Status: Ongoing
PARTICIPATION IN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS	
Faculty Induction Programme (Duration: 30 days) (Mode: Online)	1 - 30 November 2021 HRDC, University of Hyderabad
Faculty Development Programme (Duration: 14 days) Title: "Continuing Professional Development: Practising, Researching and Publishing" (Mode: Online)	12 - 23 July 2021 Department of Humanities & Social Sciences, NIT Trichy
ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES/POSITIONS	
Member, Publication Cell Assisted in the introduction of the Cell's bimonthly newsletter	Since 2023
Convener, Anti-Tobacco Cell Assisted in 15 events conducted under the banner of the Cell	Since 2021
Member, NAAC Criterion VI Committee Data compilation for component 6.5 for SSR	Since 2020