

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION

MPhil, English, University of Delhi	2005-2007
UGC National Eligibility Test (NET)	December 26, 2004
MA English (59.5 %), St Stephen's College, University of Delhi 2005	2003-
BA English (58.5%), Miranda House College, University Of Delhi	2000-2003
AISSCE (82%) Carmel Convent School, New Delhi.	1999-2000

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor (Permanent), English Department, **May 2009- Present**
Shaheed Bhagat Singh College, University of Delhi

- Class room teaching and tutorial of 18 hours per week
- Mentoring and participating in student career development
- Departmental administrative work like coursework organization and distribution
- Coordinating student activity groups like Cultural Club, English Literary Club, Placement Cell, Magazine Committee

Assistant Professor, English Department **July 2008- May 2009**
St Stephen's College, University of Delhi

- Class room teaching and tutorial of 21 hours per week
- Departmental administration work like website content management, meeting coordination and library updating
- Mentoring student activity groups like Fine Arts Committee and English Book Club

Guest Lecturer, English and Media Studies **July 2008-April 2009**
Lady Irwin College, University of Delhi

- Classroom lectures of 10 hours per week
- Student career development activities such as print media internship coordination

Assistant Professor, English Department **November 2005 –April 2008**
Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi

- Classroom teaching and tutorial of 21 hours per week
- Staff Advisor to the Women's Development Cell that organised a certificate course in women's rights and gender sensitization
- Initiating the student's Placement Cell as well as managing the college's official marketing communication
- Staff Advisor to the college magazine and newsletter

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Lecturer of Remedial English and Business Communication, March 2006-August 2006
The Sri Ram Institute of Personal Management and Industrial Relations,
University of Delhi

- Classroom teaching and interactive sessions for business communication
- Remedial English lessons and personality development, grooming and training for placement interviews for MBA students

Sub-Copy Writer, Editor and Correspondent, June 2005 –November 2005
Metro/City Desk-Delhi, The Times of India,

- News reporting and writing articles on a daily basis
- Editing articles for the city news section in the main edition of the daily newspaper
- Page design and layout creation

Freelance Writer, Editorial 2003-2005
Hindustan Times Next

- Writing articles and debates covering a wide range of interests and topics

RESEARCH INTEREST

Broadly I work in the theories of gender, media, culture and space. Specifically my research includes the Postmodern Identities on Social Networking Sites, Urban Cityscapes, the idea Global City, Popular Fiction especially Chick Lit, Sartorial Studies, Food Studies.

PUBLICATIONS & PAPERS

- *Bama's Karruku: A Tale of Triple Jeopardy?* Akademos, The Annual Journal of Kamala Nehru College, 2005
- *"The Concept of Motherhood in Amy Tan's Novel"* .Akademos, The Annual Journal of Kamala Nehru College, 2005
- *"The Burden of Masculinity: Comic Book Heroes"*, 2003.
- *"Religion and Literature: Kabir in Poetry"*, 2002
- *Asianizing Cityscape: Global/Local (Working)*
- *Desi Chick Lit and Culture of Subversion (under review)*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Worked with the Women's Development Centre (WDC) both in the colleges where I have studied at and taught. WDC works in collaboration with the HRD ministry.
- Keen interest in art and have learned sketching and painting for 10 years. I was the official artist and cartoonist for my college and school magazine as well as the newspaper for several years. I actively participated in art competitions winning several prizes over the years
- Avid reader and debater. Was the President of my school Debating Society
- I speak Hindi, English, Bengali and elementary French