

Curriculum Vita Spring 2026

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. History, May 2008

Syracuse University, Department of History

Dissertation title: Towards a Congress Raj: Indian Nationalism and the Pursuit of a

Potential Nation-State

Fields of Concentration: Modern South Asia, British Empire, Modern Britain

M.A. History, August 1997

State University College at Buffalo, Department of History

Thesis title: Activities of the French Administration in French Indochina

During the Second World War, 1939-1945

Fields of Concentration: Southeast Asia and East Asia

B.S. Chemical Engineering, December 1991

Clarkson University, Department of Chemical Engineering

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Professor of History, A&M–Commerce, Fall 2018—present Associate Professor of History, A&M–Commerce, Fall 2015—Spring 2018 Assistant Professor of History, A&M–

Commerce, Fall 2009—Spring 2015 Instructor, Utica
College, Spring 2008
Visiting Assistant Professor of History, State University of New York at
Fredonia, Spring 2007 Instructor, Wells College, Fall 2007, Spring 2006,

Previous Employment

Spring 2005

Disability History Museum

Online Digital History Collections & Project
Information Manager November 2008—July 2009

Lucy Curley & Company, Inc.
Grantwriter, senior grantwriter, vicepresident November 1997—January
2002

PUBLICATIONS

Politics and Left Unity in India: The United Front in Late Colonial India (London: Routledge, 2018).

The State and Governance in India: The Congress Ideal (London: Routledge, 2010).

- "Source Silver: an informant, collaboration and the ambiguity of an Indian socialist ideal," *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies*, 40, 4 (2017), pp. 744–762.
- "Sentiments and Patriotism: the Indian National Army, General Elections and the Congress's Appropriation of the INA Legacy," *Modern Asian Studies*, 44, 4 (July 2010), pp. 817–56
- "Colonial India and External Affairs: relating Indian nationalism to global politics" Journal of Asian and African Studies, Vol. 42, 6 (December 2007): pp 517–32.
- "Gandhi, Non-violence and Terrorism: the Release of Political Prisoners in British India," Journal of Terrorism and Security, Volume 2, (March 2007), pp. 15–26.
- "The Experiment in Representative Self-Government in India: The Implementation of the Government of India Act of 1935 and the Ascendancy of Constitutionalism" Maxwell Review, Spring 2005, pp. 34–43.

 Review of Janet M. Powers, *Kites Over the Mango Tree*, *Journal of Asian and African Studies*, Vol. 46, 3 (June 2011):

pp. 317–318.

In progress

Critics of Empire (under contract, Routledge)

The Pursuit of Authenticity: Socialists within the Indian National Congress, 1934–1939 (invited to revise and resubmit, Brill)

"Congress Socialism, Marxist–Leninist Definitions and Backsliding Bourgeois Nationalism: the Misguided Intentions of India's Congress Socialist Party" (unsubmitted article manuscript)

A History of Compromise: Congress Socialists Confront Compromise in Late Colonial India (draft manuscript) "The Foundations of Indian Socialism: Intentions not Historical Outcomes" (unsubmitted article manuscript) "Comintern Intentionality: A Colonial Indian Case Study" (unsubmitted article manuscript)

"Recharging the Battery of Indian Spirit: the nation, unity and democracy in the Indian National Congress, 1934–1938" (draft article)

RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS

Governor's Executive Development Program, Class XXXVII (2018)

Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Award (Research), 2014

Nominated for C. Paul W. Barrus Distinguished Faculty Award for Teaching, Spring 2014