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Education						
Subject	Institution	Year	Details			
PhD	Sociology, University of Delhi	2004				
MPhil	Sociology, University of Delhi	1995				
MA	Sociology, University of Delhi	1993				
Career Profile***						
Organisation / Institution	Designation	Duration	Role			
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Research Interests / Specialization						
Urban studies, International law and humanitarianisms, Bio and Life Politics, Science and Technology Studies, CSR, Money, visual and material cultures; "event" studies, Social Theory and Philosophy, Method and Epistemology in Social anthropology/sociology.						
Teaching Experience (Subjects/Courses Taught)						
Master's/Mphil/PhD Programs (i) Urban Sociology (ii) Theory in Anthropology/ Sociology (iii) Sociology of Science (iv) Methods in Sociological Research (v) South -West Asia (vi) Sociology of Religion (vii) Symbolism						
Honors & Awards						
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Publications (LAST FIVE YEARS)						
Books / Monographs						
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Projects (Major Grants / Collaborations)
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Academic Qualifications

2007-2008.

Post-doctorate: Sawyer Seminar (Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow), Humanitarianisms and World Orders, Mellon Funding), Department of Political Science and Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota, (Twin Cities Campus).

1996-2004

PhD. Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics (DSE), University of Delhi, India. Dissertation entitled: Categories of Social Space in an Urban Setting: Case Study of Neighborhoods in Beirut, Lebanon.

International Positions

September 2013 – May 2014

- Fulbright – Nehru Senior Research Fellow. Institute for Advanced Study and Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota, (Twin Cities Campus).

February 2012 – July 2012

-Global South Scholar-in-Residence. Graduate Institute of Development and International Studies. Geneva.

January 2009 – May 2009

- Quadrant Fellow. (Mellon Funding) Institute for Advanced Study, University of Minnesota, (Twin Cities Campus).

August 2007 – May 2009

- Visiting Assistant Professor, Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota (Twin Cities Campus).

September 2007 – May 2008

-Sawyer Seminar Fellow (Post – doctoral Fellowship, Humanitarianisms and World Orders, Mellon Funding), Department of Political Science and Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs.

April 1997- April 1998

-Visiting Research Associate at the Center for Behavioral Research, American University of Beirut for the duration of field research.

Fall 1999

-Visiting Research Scholar at the School of Public Policy and Social Science Research at University of California (Los Angeles)

Early Career Positions

April 2003 – April 2007

-Associate Fellow. Center for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS). Delhi, India.

December 2001 - March 2003

- (Adjunct Lecturer) at Department of Sociology (Centre for Advanced Study), Delhi School of Economics (DSE), University of Delhi, India.

Research Awards/Grant Projects

• 2019 -20. Partnership Collaboration Award. Univ. Of Sydney-Utrecht-Delhi. Research on Identity Politics.

- 2013 -14. Fulbright – Nehru Senior Research Fellowship. Institute for Advanced Study and Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota, (Twin Cities Campus).
- 2009. (Spring). Quadrant Fellowship (Funded by the Mellon Foundation) awarded under the theme of “Global Cultures”. Institute for Advanced Study and Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota, (Twin Cities Campus).
- 2007 - 2008. Sawyer Seminar Post Doctoral Fellowship under the theme “Humanitarianisms and World Orders” (Funded by the Mellon Foundation). Dept. of Political Science, Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs and Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota, (Twin Cities Campus).
- 2003 – 2006. Principal Researcher. Project Title: "Mapping City Spaces: Communal Violence, Social Reconciliation and Documentary Practices of the State" (Funded by the Indo - Dutch Program for Alternatives in Development - IDPAD, MegaCities Projects 2003-2006).
- 2004 - 2005. Principle Researcher. Project Title: “Communities in Interaction” (Funded by the Ford Foundation).
- 1997 – 2000. Doctoral Fellowship awarded by the Sephis program based in the International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam.

Publications (Selected)

Books

- 2016. *Life, Emergent. The Social in the Afterlives of Violence*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press.

Volumes

- 2018. (Co- Edited. Forthcoming in Oct) *Critical Themes in Indian Sociology* New Delhi: Sage Publications.
- 2012. *Journal of the World Anthropologies Network (Edited). Special Issue Theme: Transforming the Terms of Conversation: Plural Anthropologies and De-centered Knowledges.*

Peer Reviewed Essays in Journals (Last 10 years)

- 2016. “Anthropologizing the World and Worlding the Anthropologist.” *American Anthropologist* Vol. 118(4): 848-851
- 2015. “The Audacity of Method” *Economic and Political Weekly* (Special Article) Vol. L (1): 53-61
- 2015. “Communitas and Recovered Life”. In Roma Chatterji (ed.) *Wording the World: Veena Das and the Scenes of Inheritance*. New York: Fordham University Press. (54 -171).
- 2013. “Conversation with Marilyn Strathern.” (With Janaki Abraham) *Contributions To Indian Sociology*, 47(3): 423-438.
- 2013. “City Pieties: Comments on the Unusual Urban”. In Jochen Becker, Katrin Klingan, Stephan Lanz, Kathrin Wildner (eds.), *Global Prayers. Contemporary Manifestations of the Religious in the City*, Zurich: Lars Muller

Publishers

- 2012. "Emergent Encounters: Towards a Politics of Epistemology". In *Journal of the World Anthropologies Network*, Volume 6 : 23-42
- 2008. "Religion and Rehabilitation: Humanitarian Bio-politics, City Spaces and Acts of Religion. *The International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*. 32(3): 671- 89.
- 2010. "Religion, humanitäre Biopolitik und urbane Räume. Eine Reise von Beirut nach Delhi". In: metroZones (Ed) *Urban Prayers*. Berlin: Assoziationen A: 131-153 (German Translation and revised paper previously published in English)

Presentations (Invited Only - Last 10 Years)

- May 3 - 4, 2018. *For an Aesthetics of Identity, Or, Against the Fetish of Difference*. Workshop on "Fantasies, Anxieties, Difference : The Figure of the Other in the Aftermaths of Violent Political Transformation". Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, Göttingen, Germany.
- November 16, 2016. *Life, Emergent: The Social in the Afterlives of Violence*. Panel discussion on the book, The Institute for Advanced Study and Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change. University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, USA.
- October 12, 2016. *Culture of Money*. Round Table on Gifts, Commissions, Bribes and Business Integrity. The University of Sydney Business School, Discipline of Business Law.
- October 13, 2016. *Emotional Cities: The Urban as the Frontier of Crises and Compassion*. Dept. of Sociology and Social Theory. University of Sydney.
- November 2015. *Thinking World*
- *Anthropologies with Derrida*. Invited Executive Roundtable titled "Between World Anthropologies and World Anthropology: towards a reflexive critique of the mediation processes" organized by the Transnational Relations and Collaborations Sub-Committee of the AAA. (WCAA). Denver, USA.
- April 2015. *Crime and Punishment in International Law: Humanity as the Final Sovereign*. South Asian University. Delhi/India.
- February 2015. *Cinema and the Undoing of History: Proposing Universal Memory as a Politics of Life*. Opening lecture, Workshop on "Memory, Violence and Cinema". Graduate Institute of International Studies. Geneva, Switzerland.
- March 2014. *Law, Life and Humanity: Recovering the Social after Damage*. Public Lecture. Institute for Advanced Study, University of Minnesota (Twin Cities Campus)
- February 2014. *The Audacity of Method*. Institute for Advanced Study, University of Minnesota.
- February 2014. *The Meaning of Life. Approaches from*

- 2009. "The Landscape of Recovery: The Polysemy of Spaces/Places in Downtown Beirut." In Martina Reiker and Kamran Asdar Ali (eds.), *Spaces of Urbanism: Comparative Citiscapes in the Middle East and South Asia*. Oxford University Press, Karachi.
- 2008. "Impossible Cosmopolis': Locations and Relocations in Delhi and Beirut". In Shail Mayaram (ed.) *The Other Global City*. Routledge, New York.
- 2007. "The Delhi Carnage of 1984: Afterlives of Loss and Grief". *Domains, The International Journal for Ethnic Studies*. Special Issue 'Riots Discourses'. 3: 17- 40.

- Devastation*. Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change. University of Minnesota (Twin Cities Campus)
- December 2013. *The 'making' of Life and the Social: Bios and Pathos in the Humanitarian Dispositif*. Institute for Advanced Study, University of Minnesota (Twin Cities Campus)
- September 2013. *The Gift of Life, or, How Humanitarianisms and Sovereignty meet in Anthropology*. CUSO workshop on Sovereignty. Graduate Institute, Geneva.
- September 2013. *Illegitimate Encounters and Bastard Thought*. Department of Sociology, University of Delhi.
- November 2012. *Beyond the bio-political: Humanitarianisms, Affect and the Articulation of Life*. Humanitarian and Conflict Response Institute (HCRI). The University of Manchester.
- April 2012. *AfterLife: Reclaiming Life After Catastrophe*. Graduate Institute of International Studies. Geneva, Switzerland.
- March 2012. *Humanitarian Space and the Politics of Life*. Ethnologisches Seminar Universitaet Zuerich (University of Zurich, Switzerland)
- November 2011. *Communitas and Recovery*. Final Conference of the European Union Program, Department of Sociology. University of Delhi
- October 2010. *Between us and Amongst Them: Towards Emergent Encounters and New Epistemologies*. IUAES (International Union for Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences) Congress in Antalya, Turkey.
- September 2010. *The Affect Artifact: Emotive Experiences in Reclaiming Life*. Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi.
- April 2010. Opening and Closing Presentations. *Frames of Violence Symposium*, Consortium for the Study of the Asias. University of Minnesota (Twin Cities Campus)
- April 2010. Panel presentation on *Transnational Knowledge Production*. Interdisciplinary Center for

the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota (Twin Cities Campus). Conference on “ICGC after Twenty Years”

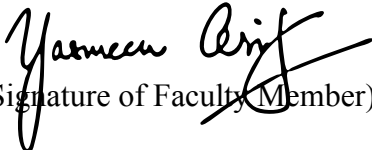
- February 2009. *Catastrophe/Afterlife, Constituting Life at the Threshold*. Institute for Advanced Study, University of Minnesota (Twin Cities Campus). ias.umn.edu/media/YasmeenArif.php
- November 2008. Emplacing Humanitarian Biopolitics: Religion and Space in Beirut, Delhi and Ahmedabad. Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of California, Berkeley.
- October 2008. Panel presentation on the theme of The Bridge, The River, The City – Discussions on the Minnesota Bridge Collapse. Institute for Advanced Study, University of Minnesota (Twin Cities Campus). Also available at <http://ias.umn.edu/media/CityRiverBridgeArifHorri gan/php>.
- September 2008. *Towards a New Knowledge Cartography*. Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change, University of Minnesota (Twin Cities Campus).
- April 2008. *Anthropologies of difference, the making of new encounters*. Department of Anthropology, University of Minnesota.
- February 2008. *Catastrophe/Afterlife, Constituting Life at the Threshold*. Public Lecture during the Black History Month. Syracuse University. March 2008. Architectures of Emptiness Symposium. Panel presentation. University of Minnesota.
- June 2007. Alternate Globalities. Public Lecture for the Critical Courses@Ottawa Symposium. Carlton University, Ottawa, Canada.

Overall Research Directions

- Humanitarianisms
- Affect
- Urban Studies
- Identity and Governmentality
- Politics of Life
- Money and Finance
- Crisis and Violence
- Anthropological and Sociological approaches to International Law
- Cinema and Visual Studies
- Theory, Epistemology and Method in the Human Sciences (Including “event studies” in Anthropology, Sociology or in Transdisciplinary studies)

Current Writing Projects

- “Compassion and the City”. Curated Debate Section for the *International Journal of Urban and Regional Studies* on Humanitarian Aid and the City
- “*The Law, Pathos and the Gift Economy*”. Essay based on Corporate Social Responsibility as a paradigm of gift circulation and its formulation in Law. (With Dr. Jaivir Singh)
- “*Money and Humanity*”. Essay based on a critical reading of humanitarian financial circulation.
- Book Project: “*Wounding Attachments*”. Based on a rethinking of identity politics under a wider query of a politics of life.
- Book Project: *The Unusual Urban, Cities in Conversation*. (Forthcoming 2019). Orient-Blackswan. India


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