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Education:

- PhD in English at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
- M Phil in English at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
- MA in English at University of Hyderabad
- BA English at Savitribai Phule Pune University
- UGC-NET

Fellowships/Awards:

- Research Exchange Fellow at the Julius Maximilian University of Wuerzburg, Germany
- South Asia Speaks Fellow: Worked with author Mahesh Rao on my debut novel
- NFSC: Awarded by the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.
- “Babasaheb Ambedkar National Research Fellow” (Awarded by Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Research and Training Institute, Govt. of Maharashtra)

Area of Specialisation or Research, Teaching and Writing Interest:

- (World) war studies with focus on the question of caste, race and religion
- Colonial military in India, 1857-1945
- Literature and thought of Gandhi, Savarkar and Ambedkar with focus on military and caste
- Dalit Studies
- Anti-caste philosophical tradition and print culture in Maharashtra
- Cultural Studies
- Translation studies with focus on English translations of Marathi literature
- Creative Writing

Teaching Experience:

- Currently teaching ‘Dalit Literature: An Introduction’
- Teaching ‘English Essays’
- Taught ‘Indian Writings in English’ at MANUU

- Taught ‘Postcolonial literature’ at MANUU
- Taught a course on “English Poetry” at Centre for English Studies, School of Language Literature and Cultural Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. (Monsoon Semester, 2019)
- Taught a course on “Literature in Indian English” at Centre for English Studies, School of Language Literature and Cultural Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. (Winter Semester 2019)

Papers Presented in National/International Conference/Seminar/Workshop:

- “Martial Race Theory and Marginalization of Shudra and Untouchable Castes in Colonial India” at International workshop on “Literature in a Globalised World” under the UGC-DAAD-IGP collaboration between JMU, Wuerzburg, Germany and JNU, New Delhi, India. (February 25, 2020)
- “Dalitization of Pedagogy” at a National Conference organised by Centre for English Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (March 7, 2019)
- “Archiving Ambedkarite Politics in Indian Universities” at a National Conference organised by Centre for English Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (March 17, 2016)

Published Papers/Articles:

- “Caste and the First World War: Impact in India”. *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science Research*. ISSN: 2455-2070. June 1, 2021. Vol. 7, Issue 3, pp. 68-71.

Creative Works:

- As a South Asia Speaks Fellow, I have finished writing my debut novel under the mentorship of writer Mahesh Rao.
- “A Story Teller and a Tomb: A Tale of an Untouchable Woman” *Neither Quarterly*. Vol. 2, Issue 4, November, 2021, pp. 116-125.

Languages Known: Marathi, Telugu, English and Hindi

Co-curricular activities:

- Elected Student Faculty Member (SFC) at Centre for English Studies, School of Language, Literature and Cultural Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. (2019-20)
- Elected hostel committee president at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Government Boys’ Hostel, Koregaon Park, Pune, Maharashtra. (2011–2013)
- National Service Scheme (NSS) at Fergusson College, Pune of Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune. (2010–12)

