

Curriculum Vitae**APAAR KUMAR**

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Employment

Associate Professor of Philosophy, Humanities and Languages Division, School of Arts and Sciences, Ahmedabad University, India	2021-
Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Humanities and Languages Division, School of Arts and Sciences, Ahmedabad University, India	2018-21
Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, Karnataka, India	2014-18
Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Oxford College of Emory University, GA, USA	2011-13
Visiting Instructor, Department of Philosophy, Oxford College of Emory University, GA, USA	2009-11

Areas of Specialization

History of Modern Philosophy (especially Kant), Hermeneutics and Phenomenology, Ethics

Areas of Competence

Political Philosophy, 19th and 20th Century German Philosophy, Continental Philosophy, Early Modern Philosophy, Introductory Logic

Education

PhD, Department of Philosophy, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, USA	2001-09
Beck Research Fellow, Eberhard-Karls Universität, Tübingen, Germany (2008-09)	
DAAD Research Fellow, Eberhard-Karls Universität, Tübingen, Germany (2007-08)	
Dissertation Research, Freie Universität, Berlin, Germany (2005-06)	

MAPSS (Master of Arts Program in the Social Sciences) (Major: Philosophy), University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, USA	2000
MPhil, Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, Delhi University, New Delhi, India	1998
MA, Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, Delhi University, New Delhi, India	1997
BA (Honours), Economics, Delhi University, New Delhi, India	1994

Publications

Journal Articles (Peer-Reviewed)

- ‘On Kant’s Claim that Persons Have Absolute Value: Provisional Notes on Some Problem Cases’, *Zeitschrift für Ethik und Moralphilosophie*, OnlineFirst, June 2025
- ‘Kant on the Ground of Human Dignity’, *Kantian Review*, 26(3), June 2021, pp. 435-453
- ‘Scheffler, Tradition and Value’, *Journal of Value Inquiry*, 53(1), March 2019, pp. 1-17
- ‘Kant and the Harmony of the Faculties: A Non-cognitive Interpretation’, *Kantian Review*, 23(1), March 2018, pp. 1-26
- ‘Hermeneutics from the Margins: Provisional Notes’, *Trópos. Journal of Hermeneutics and Philosophical Criticism*, X(1), June 2017, pp. 163-83
- ‘Transcendental Self and the Feeling of Existence’, *Con-Textos Kantianos*, 1(3), June 2016, pp. 90-121
- ‘Kant’s Definition of Sensation’, *Kant Studies Online*, 2014, pp. 262-311

Chapters in Edited Books (Peer-Reviewed)

- ‘On Andrea Kern’s “The Knowledge-View of Perception”’ in Miloš Vuletić and Ori Beck (eds.), *Empirical Reason and Sensory Experience. Logic, Epistemology and the Unity of Science*, vol. 60. Springer, Cham, 2024, pp. 131-33.
- ‘Gefühl in Kant’s *Gefühl eines Daseins*: Clues from Tetens and Feder’ in Giuseppe Motta, Dennis Schulting and Udo Thiel (eds), *Kant’s Transcendental Deduction and the Theory of Apperception, Kantstudien-Ergänzungshefte*, Volume 218 (Berlin/Boston: Walter de Gruyter, 2022), pp. 219-250
- ‘Gandhi, Kant and Superstition’ in S. K. Srivastava and Ashok Vohra (eds), *Gandhi in Contemporary Times* (New Delhi: Routledge India, 2020), pp. 72-84

‘Teaching Self-Respect: The Very Idea’ in John Russon, Siby K. George and P. G. Jung (eds), *Teaching in Unequal Societies* (New Delhi: Bloomsbury India, 2020), pp. 79-107

Book Reviews

Review of Zed Adams and Jacob Browning (eds), *Giving a Damn: Essays in Dialogue with John Haugeland*, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, 56(1), January 2018

Review of Avery Goldman, *Kant and the Subject of Critique: On the Regulative Role of the Psychological Idea*, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, 52(1), January 2014

Review of Dennis Schulting and Jacco Verburgt (eds), *Kant’s Idealism: New Interpretations of a Controversial Doctrine*, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, 51(3), July 2013

Review of Arthur Melnick, *Kant’s Theory of the Self*, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, 48(4), October 2010

Conferences and Invited Talks

Peer-Reviewed Conference Papers

‘Kant, Persons and Value Realism’, Paper presented at the conference ‘Kant’s Project of Enlightenment’, 14th International Kant-Kongress, Bonn, 8-13 September, 2024

‘Kant on Lying to the Murderer’, Paper presented at the conference ‘Forms of Rationality: Kant and Modernity’, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg, Halle (Saale), Germany, 11-14 February 2024

‘Kant and Spontaneity: The Absolute-Relative Debate’, Paper presented at the conference ‘Kant: Action, Belief and Knowledge’, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon, 25-27 May 2017

‘Spontaneity and Self-Identity: B131-3 and the A-Deduction’, Paper presented at the conference ‘Kant’s A-Deduction’, University of Leuven, Belgium, 12-13 December 2016

‘Kant and “*Empfindung*”’, Paper presented at the American Philosophical Association (APA) Main Colloquium Program, APA-Eastern Division, Washington, D.C., 27-30 December 2011

‘Does Spontaneity Relate Rationally to Receptivity?’, Paper presented at the American Philosophical Association (APA), Main Colloquium Program, APA-Pacific Division, San Francisco, 6 April 2006 (Eligible for the APA Graduate Student Travel Award; not availed of)

Conferences Organized

‘Rethinking Svaraj’, Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, 15-17 January 2015 (Received Rs 340,000 in grant funding from the Indian Council for Philosophical Research, New Delhi, India)

Invited Conference Presentations & Lectures

‘Some Remarks on Korsgaard’s “The Right to Lie,” Invited speaker at the conference “Celebrating 300 Years of Immanuel Kant: Legacy, Influence and Contemporary Relevance,” International Conference, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi, February 13, 2026.

‘Kant, Persons and Value Realism’, Invited speaker at the conferences:

Agency, Mind and Value: Celebrating 300 Years of the Philosophy of Kant,” International Conference, IIT Bombay, February 27, 2025.

‘Kant in Perspectives’, National Seminar, Department of Philosophy, Jadavpur University, February 24, 2025.

‘50 years of Indian Philosophical Quarterly’, National Seminar, Department of Philosophy, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune, February 18, 2025.

‘Kant on Lying to the Murderer’, Department of Philosophy, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune, January 29, 2025 (sponsored by the Indian Council of Philosophical Research, New Delhi)

‘Kant’s Transcendental Strategy and the Notion of Coordination’, ‘Virtual Kant Congress with a Cosmopolitan Purpose’, 29 July, 2024

‘Gadamer on Truth in the Human Sciences’, National seminar ‘Mapping Experience and Consciousness’, organized by the Balvant Parekh Centre for General Semantics and Other Human Sciences, Baroda, 23 July, 2024

Invited Comment on Andrea Kern's ““Perceiving that p” - Capacities, Opportunities and Hindrances’. Invited Discussant, *Perceptual Experience and Empirical Reason. A Virtual Conference held by the University of Pittsburgh*, 3-5 December, 2021

‘Reformed Empiricism and the Unempirical Rational’, International conference ‘Reformed Empiricism and Its Prospects’, Department of Philosophy, Ashoka University, 14-16 February 2020

‘Kant on the Feeling of Existence: Considerations from Tetens and Feder’, Philosophy Colloquium, Ashoka University, 10 April 2019

‘Teaching Self-Respect: The Very Idea’, International conference ‘The Ethics of Teaching in Pluralistic and Unequal Societies’, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Bombay, 22-24 November 2018

‘Introduction to Western Philosophy’, Manipal Centre for European Studies Immersion Program, 8-9 August 2018 (Day-long workshop involving 8 hours of lecturing)

‘*Gefühl eines Daseins* in Kant, Tetens and Feder: On the Plausibility of a Continuity Thesis’, International conference ‘Immanuel Kant: Die Quellen der Apperzeption’, Department of Philosophy, University of Graz, Austria, 16-17 March 2018

‘Kant’s View of Human Dignity: Remarks on a Recent Debate’, National Workshop, Panel on ‘Human Rights and Human Dignity’, Department of Philosophy, Pune University, 6 January 2018

‘Gadamer on Truth: Art, History, Hermeneutics’, Lecture delivered as part of the series ‘German Intellectual Legacy: From Kant to Habermas’ organized by the Goethe Institut/Max Mueller Bhavan, Mumbai, and the Department of German Studies, University of Mumbai, 9 December 2017

‘Introduction to Continental Philosophy’, Invited presentation for the Manipal Centre for European Studies Immersion Program, 25 August 2016

Invited participant, Conference on Normativity, New York University-Abu Dhabi (NYUAD), 19-20 February 2016

‘What Ought I to Do? An Outline of Kant’s Practical Philosophy’, Lecture delivered as part of the series ‘German Intellectual Legacy: From Kant to Habermas’ organized by the Goethe Institut/Max Mueller Bhavan, Mumbai, and the Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai, 22 August 2015

‘Reason and Morality’, Lecture delivered at the Second Summer School in Philosophy of Education: Rationality and Its Discontents, Azim Premji University, 12 June 2015

‘Transcendental Self as Feeling’, Mind-Epistemology Conference at New York University, Abu Dhabi, 16-17 April 2015

‘Introduction to Heidegger’, Series of lectures delivered at the Symbiosis School for the Liberal Arts, Pune, India, 25-31 March 2015 (The workshop took place over five days and involved 20 hours of lecturing)

‘Writing the Residue: Hermeneutics and Svaraj as Intellectual Self-Determination’, National conference ‘Rethinking Svaraj’, Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, 17-19 January 2015

‘Taking Pleasure in an Aesthetic Performance: Notes towards a Kantian Theory of Aesthetic Reception’, International seminar ‘Aesthetics-in-Performance’, Heggodu, Karnataka, 27-29 December 2014

‘Transcendental Self as Feeling’, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi, 23 December 2013

‘Theology as the Handmaiden of Philosophy? Kant on the Relationship between Faith and Reason’, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi, 20 December 2013

‘Theology as the Handmaiden of Philosophy? Kant on the Relationship between Faith and Reason’, Workshop on Science and Religion, Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, Manipal, 9 November 2013

Comment on Elizabeth Robinson, ‘Kant on Freedom, Causality and Natural Disasters’, Metaphysical Society of America Meeting, Emory University, Atlanta, GA, 12 March 2011

‘Nietzsche and Metaphor’, Paper presented at the Department of Philosophy, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi, 30 August 2005

Grants & Fellowships

Beck Travel Grant (\$16,500), 2008-09, Awarded by the Department of Philosophy, Emory University, for research at Eberhard-Karls Universität, Tübingen. Advisor: Manfred Frank

DAAD Research Grant, 2007-08 (10-month fellowship), for research at Eberhard-Karls Universität, Tübingen. Advisor: Manfred Frank

Graduate Conference Travel Funding (\$650), 2006-07, Awarded by the Department of Philosophy, Emory University

Freie Universität-Emory University Exchange Fellowship, 2005-06 (10 months), Awarded by Emory University for research at Freie Universität, Berlin

Language Fellowship, 2004, Awarded by Emory University for two months’ intensive training in German at the Goethe-Institut, Mannheim, Germany

Graduate Fellowship (full tuition waiver and \$15,000 stipend per year), 2001-05, Awarded by the Department of Philosophy, Emory University

Full tuition waiver, 1999-2000, University of Chicago

International House Residential Fellowship Stipend (\$3,480), 1999-2000, University of Chicago (covered board, and with student job at the International House, sustenance for 1999-2000)

Languages

German (Reading, Writing, Speaking)

French (Reading w/ Dictionary)

Beginner’s Greek Reading (Audited Greek 101 & 102)

Informal Talks, Writings and Other Activities

Invited to contribute a short piece (200 words) on the relevance on Kant's work

on the occasion of Kant's 300th birth anniversary, Goethe Institute, New Delhi. Contribution published in the series "Kant's Legacy" on the Goethe Institute website in April 2024, see <https://www.goethe.de/ins/in/en/kul/lak/knt/kri.html>

‘Altruism and Evolution’, a talk on why altruism evolves in different species, and the role it might play in group survival (Co-presented with biologist Krishna Swamy), Intersections Seminar Series, School of Arts and Sciences, 29 April 2020

‘Why Study Philosophy’, a short, informal piece I wrote for students entering college in India on why they might consider taking courses in philosophy at the undergraduate level (published on *Stepwell* – the Ahmedabad University Blog, <https://ahduni.edu.in/blog/why-study-philosophy/>)

Organized a reading group on Heidegger’s *Being and Time* for students of the Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, 2014-15

Teaching Experience

MA and PhD Theses Guided

▪ *Doctoral Thesis Supervision*

‘Kant and Moral Motivation’, Manipal Centre for Humanities, 2021

▪ *Master’s Theses Supervised* (*Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, 2014-18*)

‘Perspectives in Transition: Nietzsche’s Perspectivism and Its Subject in Motion’, 2018

‘Bauhaus as a Manifestation of Gadamerian Aesthetics’, 2018

‘On Solidarity: Engaging Richard Rorty with Hans-Georg Gadamer’, 2018

‘On the Possibility of Critique in Hermeneutics: A Defense of Gadamer against Habermas’, 2017

‘Suspicion in the Name of Reason: An Engagement with Robert Brandom’s Critique of Genealogy’, 2017

‘On the Conditions for the Possibility of Fine Taste: A Complementarity View’, 2016

‘The Humiliation Claim in Politics: Looking through Rorty’s Liberalism’, 2016

‘Recasting Secularism through Dialogue’, 2015

‘Multiculturalism, and a Defence of Secularism’, 2015

‘Situating the Dancer in the Dance’, 2014

Graduate Courses Taught

▪ Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities

Hermeneutics and Phenomenology: Gadamer's *Truth and Method*
Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016

Ethical Theory: Korsgaard's *The Sources of Normativity*
Fall 2018

Heidegger: Key Concepts
[‘What Is Metaphysics?’ and *The Origin of the Work of Art*]
Spring 2018

Metaphysics and Epistemology: The Self
[Descartes, Locke, Leibniz, Hume, Kant]
Fall 2017

Kant's Moral Philosophy
[Kant's *Groundwork* I and II and *Critique of Practical Reason*]
Spring 2017

Ethics
[Plato, Aristotle, Epictetus, Epicurus, Kant, Mill]
Spring 2017

Aesthetics, Art and Technology: Philosophy of Art
[Kant, Heidegger]
Spring 2016

Nature of Reality-II: Module in Metaphysics
[Descartes, Locke]
Spring 2016

Embodiment and the Social: Husserl's *Cartesian Meditations*
[Meditations I-IV]
Fall 2015

Nature of Reality-I: Module in Metaphysics
[Pre-Socratics, Plato, Aristotle]
Fall 2015

Art, Aesthetics & Technology: Module in Aesthetics
[Plato, Aristotle, Kant, Heidegger]
Spring 2015

Ethics and Social Justice
[Plato, Aristotle, Epictetus, Epicurus, Kant, Hume, Mill, Nietzsche]
Fall 2014

Embodiment and the Social: Social Ontology and Embodiment
[Hegel, Marx, Husserl, Sartre, Merleau-Ponty]
Fall 2014

Art, Aesthetics & Technology: Module in Aesthetics
[Plato, Aristotle, Kant]
Spring 2014

Module in Philosophy of Language
[Wittgenstein, Heidegger]
Spring 2014

Nature of Reality: Module in Theories of Self and Personhood
[Descartes, Locke, Hume, Kant, Fichte]
Spring 2014

‘Significance in Academic Research’

[3-hour session conducted for the university-wide course Research Methodology for Doctoral Students]

Spring 2018

‘Significance in Academic Research’ and ‘Writing Research Papers’

[3-hour sessions conducted for the university-wide course Research Methodology for Doctoral Students]

Fall 2016

▪ *Ahmedabad University*

Independent Study Course: Husserl’s *Cartesian Meditations*

Winter 2024

Session on aesthetics (3 hours) in a multi-faculty graduate course “Key Concepts in History of Philosophy”

Winter 2023, Winter 2024, Winter 2025

Undergraduate Courses Taught

▪ *School of Arts and Sciences, Ahmedabad University*

The Cartesian Self: Key Debates (PHI401)

Winter 2023, Winter 2024, Winter 2026

Western Aesthetics (PHI340)

[Key readings in post-Kantian aesthetics]

Monsoon 2022

History of Modern Philosophy: Metaphysics and Epistemology (PHI 200)

[Descartes to Kant]

Monsoon 2021, Monsoon 2023, Monsoon 2024

Text and Interpretation (PHL 201)

[Course in philosophical hermeneutics]

Winter 2021, Winter 2022, Winter 2026

Ethics for Business (MGT 163)

[1.5 credit course; module of 6 sessions]

Winter 2021

Ethics and Life Sciences (BIO 140)

[Module of 8 sessions]

Monsoon 2020, Winter 2019 & Monsoon 2021

Introduction to Western Philosophy (PHI 100)

[classical and contemporary readings in metaphysics and epistemology]

Bi-semester 2020-21, Bi-semester 2021-22, Bi-semester 2022-23

Philosophy as a Way of Life (PHL 115)

[Introduction to Ethics: Plato, Aristotle, Epictetus, Epicurus]

Bi-semester 2019-20, Bi-semester 2022-23, Bi-semester 2024-25

Democracy and Justice (FDP 101)

[Interdisciplinary foundation course; co-taught]

Monsoon & Winter 2019-20, Winter 2025, Monsoon 2025

▪ *Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities*

Philosophy through Film
Spring 2018

▪ *Oxford College of Emory University*

19th and 20th Century Philosophy (PHIL 204)

Fall 2012

Renaissance and Modern Philosophy (PHIL 202)

[Descartes to Kant]

Spring 2012, Spring 2011

Introduction to Ethics (PHIL 115-WR)

Spring 2013

Introduction to Ethics (PHIL 115)

Fall 2011, Fall 2010

Introduction to Logic (PHIL 110)

Spring 2013, Fall 2012 (2 sections), Spring 2012, Fall 2011 (2 sections), Spring 2011, Fall 2010 (2 sections), Spring 2010, Fall 2009 (2 sections)

Introduction to Philosophy (PHIL 100)

Spring 2013, Spring 2012

▪ *Emory University (Graduate Teaching Associate)*

Introduction to Ethics: Reason, Will and Emotions (PHIL 115)

Spring 2007

Introduction to Ethics: What is Justice? (PHIL 115)

Spring 2007

Introduction to Philosophy (PHIL 100)

Fall 2006

Graduate Teaching Assistantships, Emory University

Ethics and the 17th Century, Spring 2003

(Co-taught with Professor Dennis DesChene)

Ethics, Spring 2002

TA for Professor Michael Sullivan

History of Western Philosophy, Fall 2002

TA for Professor Ann Hartle

Philosophy and Biology, Fall 2001

TA for Professor Dennis DesChene

Academic Service

Ahmedabad University

Chairperson, University Library Committee, December 2025-present

Member, University Library Committee, July 2024-present

Member, School of Arts and Sciences Library Committee, July 2024-present

Member, Student Disciplinary Committee/Disciplinary Committee for Non-Academic Transgressions by Students (University), July 2024-present

Member, Course Code Champion/Keepers of the Code, October 2023 to July 2024

Member, Career Development Committee, School of Arts and Sciences, Ahmedabad University, November 2022 to July 2024
(Attended meetings and provided suggestions regarding internships for students from the humanities and the social sciences)

Member, Committee for the interdisciplinary PhD programme in the Humanities and Social Sciences for 2021-2022, Ahmedabad University, July 2021 to July 2024
(Interviewed shortlisted candidates)

Member, Admissions Policy Committee, November 2022 to March 2023
(Discussions issues relating to admissions)

Member, Undergraduate Programme Committee, Ahmedabad University, January 2021 to December 2022 (as BA Programme Chair)

Member, School Level Examination Committee (SLEC), School of Arts and Sciences, Ahmedabad University, January 2021 to December 2022 (as BA Programme Chair)

BA Programme Chair, School of Arts and Sciences, Ahmedabad University, January 2021 to December 2022

Member, Subcommittee of the Academic Council on Courses and Curriculum, Ahmedabad University, August 2021 to March 2024

Social Media Coordinator, School of Arts and Sciences, Ahmedabad University, February 2019 to January 2021

Curriculum building

- Helped design the Philosophy, History and Languages (PHL) major curriculum (2019)
- Designed the Minor in Philosophy (2020)

Section Coordinator, Foundation Programme (Democracy and Justice), 2 March to 3 April 2020

Panellist at the IC3 Residency workshop for school counsellors, 17-21 December 2018

Manipal University

Helped design, and coordinated, a multi-faculty course 'Research Methodology for Doctoral Students' for graduate students of all departments at Manipal University, 2016 and 2018

Organized an internship programme for students from the Symbiosis School of the Liberal Arts, Pune, at Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, 27 March-3 April 2016

Conducted an annual 3-hour session on Writing Philosophy for students of Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, 2014-17

Coordinator of Library Affairs, Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, 2014-18

Liaison with the Office of International Affairs and Collaborations (OIAC), Manipal University, 2015-18

Coordinator of the MCPH Film Club (2014-17)

Preparing the minutes of monthly faculty meetings, Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, 2014-18

Professional Memberships

American Philosophical Association, 2001-present
North American Kant Society, 2008-present

Miscellaneous Work Experience

Editorial Assistant, Book Review Section, *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, October 2009-May 2010

Research and Administrative Assistant, Survey Lab, University of Chicago, September 2000-May 2001 (full-time)

Research and Training Fellow, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi, 1998-99. Appointed by Professor Ashis Nandy. Compiled an annotated bibliography of writings on alternative epistemologies in developing societies. Wrote an Introduction (95 pages) for the material, titled 'Visions, Dystopias and Other Heresies.'

Research Assistant to Professor Ashis Nandy, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi, June-August 1997

Dissertations

Dissertations Submitted

'Kant and the "I": A Reappraisal', PhD Dissertation, Department of Philosophy, Emory University, 2009 (Advisor: Rudolf Makkreel, Professor of Philosophy)

PhD Dissertation Abstract

Kant never developed a coherent theory of the 'I' (or apperception). Interpreters have hitherto stressed either the feeling or act character of apperception. Although

Kant repeatedly claims (or implicitly presumes) that the 'I' is twofold in form and singular in content from the late 1770s onwards, this claim has not been seriously investigated. I argue that the characterization of the 'I' as twofold in form ('I as subject' and 'I as object') and singular in content offers not merely textual illumination vis-à-vis conflicting descriptions of the 'I' in Kant's works, but also the basis for a coherent theory of the same. The relative incomprehensibility of the singular phenomenon of the 'I' lies in the fact that the same word ('I') describes different aspects—the active 'I' as the directedness of attention, and the perceiving 'I' that is not so directed. I show that Kant implicitly distinguishes between these aspects in characterizing the 'I' as twofold in form. The 'I' as the sensed awareness of the unity of mind is always 'obscurely' built into all perceptions, while self-reference in thinking requires the 'I' as directedness of attention to 'clarify' the obscurely sensed 'I' built into all perceptions by actively directing attention towards it as an object ('I as object'). Beyond explicating Kantian apperception, such a theory can resolve the problems of circularity and regress that have plagued theories of self-consciousness, since perception does not involve reflection, and self-reference in diachronic thinking involves the relation between distinguishable aspects of the 'I'.

'The Act of Culture-Styling: Reading Nietzsche's Zarathustra as Cultural Philosopher', MA Thesis, University of Chicago, 2000 (Advisor: Michael Forster, Professor of Philosophy). Grade: A

'The Mentality of Capitalism: A Critical Examination of the Frankfurt School', MPhil Dissertation at the Delhi School of Economics, 1998 (Advisor: Rabindra Ray, Reader in Sociology). Grade: First Division