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Sukhvinder Shahi

AFFILIATION

Hosted Fellow, Uehiro Institute, University of Oxford

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Missouri-Columbia and The Graduate Center, CUNY (December 2024)
"Contrastive Knowledge-How" chaired by Jesse Prinz & André Ariew

M.A. Philosophy (First Class), Lady Sri Ram College, University of Delhi (2013)

B.A. Education (First Class), Gargi College, University of Delhi (2007)

AREAS OF INTEREST

Specialization: Epistemology; Cognitive Science; Social and Political Aesthetics

Other Research Areas: Educational ethics (EdEthics); Politics, Philosophy, and Economics (PPE); Indian Philosophy

PUBLICATIONS

- Shahi, S. (2027). 'The Age of Monutainment: Loss of Transfiguration in the Renovation of the Amritsar Massacre Memorial'. In D. Matravers and Z. Somhegyi (eds.), *Aesthetics and the Management of Heritage: A Philosophical Perspective*. Bloomsbury Publishing. (Forthcoming).

- Shahi, S. (2027). Co-editor, 'Transnational Feminist Aesthetics', special issue of the *British Journal of Aesthetics*. (Forthcoming).

- Shahi, S., Chakrabarty, U., Feiertag, R., McCallion, A., McNiff, B., Prinz, J., Reynolds, M., Ziegesar, M. and Yamamoto, A. (2023). 'Adaptive Preferences: An Empirical Investigation of Feminist Perspectives'. In *Experiments in Moral and Political Philosophy* (pp. 310–330). Routledge.

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- Research Fellow and Instructor, Department of Philosophy, University of Arizona (2024-2026)
- Adjunct Faculty, Centre for Bioethics, New York University (Fall 2022)
- Guest Lecturer, Hindu College, University of Delhi (Spring 2016)
- Assistant Professor of Philosophy (Ad-hoc), St. Stephen's College, University of Delhi (2015)

SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES, AND DISTINCTIONS

- Best Graduate Essay Prize, Center for Philosophical Studies, American Society of Aesthetics (2023)

- Irene H. Chayes Travel Grant, American Society of Aesthetics (ASA) Annual Meeting (2022)
- Irene H. Chayes Travel Grant, ASA Pacific Division Meeting (2023)
- Irene H. Chayes Travel Grant, ASA Rocky Mountain Division Meeting (2023)
- Kline Fellowship, Department of Philosophy, University of Missouri (2018)

CONFERENCES AND INVITED TALKS

"Novelty and Contrastive Knowledge -How", British Society for Theory of Knowledge Conference, Exeter College, University of Oxford, September 2026

"Criticality, Autonomy, and the Politics of Education", Philosophy of Education Society of Great Britain Annual Conference, New College, University of Oxford, March 2026

"After the Rule, Before the Judgment: Literary Form as Moral Method in a Classical Epic", Pacific Division Meeting of the American Society for Aesthetics, Berkeley, CA, March 2026

"Monutainment: Aesthetic Commodification of Memorials", British Society of Aesthetics Conference on Aesthetics & the Management of Heritage, Churchill College, Cambridge University, July 2025

"Art, Protest, and Political Agency", Pacific Division Meeting of the American Society for Aesthetics, Berkeley, CA, March 2024

"Bites and Scratches: The Paradox of Tragedy and *Rasa*", Rocky Mountain Division Meeting of the American Society for Aesthetics, Santa Fe, NM, July 2023

Monutainment: Aesthetic Commodification of Memorials", Pacific Division Meeting of the American Society for Aesthetics, Berkeley, CA, March 2023

*"*Monutainment: Aesthetic Commodification of Memorials", Institute for Humane Studies, February 2023

"On the Wrongness of caste-based discrimination", Center for the Experimental-Philosophical Study of Discrimination, Aarhus University, virtual presentation; December 2022

"Killing for Art" (with Jesse Prinz), Annual Meeting of the American Society for Aesthetics, Portland, OR, November 2022

"How sudden is conceptual change? The case of the number concept" (with Kristy vanMarle), Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Development Society, Louisville, KY, October 2019

"How sudden is conceptual change? The case of the number concept" (with Kristy vanMarle), Society for Philosophy and Psychology Annual Meeting, UC San Diego, CA, July 2019

"How sudden is conceptual change? The case of the number concept", University of Oslo, August 2018

"Knowledge-How: The Argument from Novelty", Missouri Philosophy Forum, University of Missouri. February 2018

"The 'Worldly' and the 'Transcendental' in Religion: *Sankarabhashya* on the Kena Upanishad Revisited*",* Conference on Studying Religions in South Asia: Contestation, Protest & Reform, Jamia Milia Islamia, Delhi, October 2015

Other Conference Activities

Chair, "The Moral Stakes of Education Reform: Choice, Expertise, and Community, PPE Society's Ninth Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA. 2025

Comments on Dan Durso, "How Solving a Dopamine Puzzle Might Resolve the Paradox of Painful Art", Annual Meeting of American Society for Aesthetics, Baltimore, MD, 2025

Comments on Luca Marchetti, "Striving to Imagine Other Animals' Minds," American Society for Aesthetics, Pacific Division Meeting, UC Berkeley, CA, 2025

Comments on Emily Lawson "Relishing the "Disgust" *Rasa*: Abhinavagupta and a Puzzle of Enjoying Disgust", Annual Meeting of American Society for Aesthetics, Chicago, IL, 2024

Comments on Evan Thomas "Fontenelle Among the Neuroscientists: Early Modern Lessons for Contemporary Philosophy of Animal Consciousness", Central Division Meeting of the American Philosophy Association (held virtually due to COVID), 2021

Comments on William Bell "Psychology and the Eleatic Principle: A Critique of Adams' Fragmentary Virtues", Central States Philosophical Association Meeting, St. Louis, MO, 2019

COURSES TAUGHT

As primary instructor

University of Arizona

- Justice and the good life (cross-listed with Philosophy, Politics, Economics & Law **(**PPEL))
- Philosophy of Happiness
- Ancient Philosophy: Plato
- Environmental Ethics (cross-listed with PPEL)
- Ethics and Economics of Wealth Creation (cross-listed with PPEL)

New York University

- Human Rights: Philosophical and Practical Issues

University of Missouri

- Philosophies of War and Peace
- Introductory Bioethics
- How to Think: Introduction to Logic and Reasoning
- Introduction to Ethics

University of Delhi

- Philosophy of Language
- Ethical Theory
- Formal Logic

As Teaching Assistant

University of Missouri

- Critical Thinking

Ashoka University

- Reason and the Making of Modern India
- Mind and Human Nature

SERVICE

- Journal Referee: *Public Affairs Quarterly*
- Coordinator, *Evolution, Science and Society Speaker Series, University of Missouri,* 2017-21
- Co-founder and coordinator, *Missouri Philosophy Forum, University of Missouri*, 2018-19

Leadership and Committee Work

- Mentor, MAP Mentoring Program, University of Missouri, 2023
- Vice-President, Philosophy Graduate Student Organization, University of Missouri, 2019
- Member, Representative Assembly, Graduate Professional Council, University of Missouri, 2019
- Secretary, Philosophy Graduate Student Organization, University of Missouri, 2018
- Member, Student Fee Capital Improvements Committee, University of Missouri, 2018

LANGUAGES

Hindi (native); Sanskrit (reading proficiency); Punjabi (native)

REFERENCES

Jesse Prinz, Distinguished Professor of Philosophy, CUNY Graduate Center
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Peg Brand Weiser, Associate Professor of Philosophy & Gender Studies (Emerita), Indiana University
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Keith Lehrer, Regents Professor of Philosophy (Emeritus), University of Arizona
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