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Faculty Webpage



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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2024-Present Professor

South Asian Religions, Department of Religious Studies, University of South Florida

2019-2024 **Associate Professor**

South Asian Religions, Department of Religious Studies, University of South Florida

2013-2019 **Assistant Professor**

South Asian Religions, Department of Religious Studies, University of South Florida

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

South Asian devotional (phakti) traditions, premodern religious literature in

Chair:

2007

R. V. S. Sundaram.

Master of Arts (summa cum laude)

Religious Studies Program of the School of Philosophy, Tel Aviv University,

Tel Aviv, Israel

Thesis: "The Descent of Goddess Ga Translation of a k Poem



2004 Bachelor of Arts (summa cum laude)

East and South Asian Studies, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Supported by the Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Award and the Senior Short Term Research Grant, funded by the American Institute of Indian Studies (AIIS) and the , for research between 2023 and 2025.

R. V. S. Sundaram. Supported by the Collaborative International Research Grant, American Academy of Religion (AAR). • Series.

2018 Raga ega u.

Awards: Asian Studies (SEC/AAS); Association (SEMA).

Podcast interview in . Interviewer: Dean Accardi. February 19, 2019 .

Reviews: (1) vol. 60: 2, by Sarah Pierce Taylor, November 2020 ; (2)

(3) vol. 46: 1, by John Cort, March 2020 ; (4)

, by Elaine Fisher, February 6, 2019 .

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> Podcast interview in with Jon Keune. Interviewer: Raj

, 2021 .

Review: vol. 46: 1, by John Cort, March 2020 .

Refereed Journal Articles

"Early Traces of

s in Kannada Literature." is 2689 6.257 - 1.d [0 003605100 y Td [(i)-1D Tf01.d8(i)-66 rd8(i)-ew -22.087 - 1.d [0 003605100 y Td [(i)-1D Tf01.d8(i)-66 rd8(i)-ew -22.087 - 1.d [0 003605100 y Td [(i)-1D Tf01.d8(i)-66 rd8(i)-ew -22.087 - 1.d [0 003605100 y Td [(i)-1D Tf01.d8(i)-66 rd8(i)-ew -22.087 - 1.d [0 003605100 y Td [(i)-1D Tf01.d8(i)-66 rd8(i)-ew -22.087 - 1.d [0 003605100 y Td [(i)-1D Tf01.d8(i)-66 rd8(i)-ew -22.087 - 1.d [0 003605100 y Td [(i)-1D Tf01.d8(i)-66 rd8(i)-ew -22.087 - 1.d [(i)-1D Tf01.d8(i)-ew -22.087 - 1.d [(i)-1D T

Other Publications

2018

. Co-authored with Richard Davis, Jon

DIGITAL HUMANITIES

Professional experience as a programmer; member of the Digital India Learning

2013

December.

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2023 "# ost Graduate Studies

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2012 "Serving the King, Devoted to the God: Prescribing Political Resistance in Thirteenth-Century South-Inquiry, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia. November 7.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Workshops and Panels Organized

2024 Co- # # # ." A

round table at the 52th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of

Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wisconsin. November 2.

2024 Co-

Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wisconsin. November 2.

2022 "Debating the Printed Word: Vacanas and the Modern Turn

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2014	"The Genealogy of Terminology and its Implication on the Early Kannada
	Wisconsin-
2014	#
	Imagination, Government Arts College, Tiruvannamalai, Tamil Nadu, India. June 28.
2014	"Complicating Equality: Resistance to Braddinical Ideology of Exclusion and
2014	
	Popular: Religion, Poetics, and Audience in the South-Asian Vernaculars."
	Cambridge, Massachusetts. May 20.
2013	#

2024-Present Editorial Board Member for

(Kannada Double Peer Review

Quaterly

2024-Present Co-founder of : Centre for Classical Kannada. Since January 2024.

2022-Present Member of the Digital India Learning (DIL) Committee, American Institute of

Indian Studies (AIIS). Since March 2022.

2020-Present Member of the Annual Meeting Travel Grants Jury, American Academy of

Religion (AAR). Since January 2020.

2014-Present Co-founder and co-

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2008 Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL), Kannada Basic Language Structure summer course, Mysore, India. July to August.

GUEST CLASS INSTRUCTION

2022	Class t advanced undergraduate course taught by Jonathan Edelmann, University o Florida, April 19.	f
2022	Class topic: "Two Saints in Translations of Poems and Stories," in "B	
	February 10.	
2021	Class t	
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2020	Class t in "Global Political Sociology," a graduate seminar taught by David Jacobs University of South Florida. November 2.	son,
2019	Class topic: " [Icons and Icone	oclasts
	Tel Aviv University, Israel, December 24.	
2019	Class topic (via video conferencing): "Devotional Literature in Kannada," i	in
	University. February 14.	

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