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Educational Qualifications						
Degree	Institution	Year				
Ph.d.	University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad	2004				
M.Phil	University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad	1996				
M.A.	University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad	1995				
B.A.	Andhra University, Vishakhapatnam	1993				
Career Profile						
<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Associate Professor May 2009 – January 2015 Department of CDL & Philosophy, Dravidian University, Kuppam. India➤ Assistant Professor (Senior Scale) May 2004 – April 2009 Department of CDL & Philosophy, Dravidian University, Kuppam.➤ Assistant Professor May 2000- April 2004 Department of CDL & Philosophy, Dravidian University, Kuppam						
Administrative Assignments						
Vice-Chancellors Nominee for the Departmental Research Council of Department of Library Sciences, University of Delhi, Delhi.						
Areas of Interest / Specialization						
Social and Political Philosophy, Historiography of Indian Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion, Human rights, Philosophy through Films						
Subjects Taught						
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Philosophy of Religion, Sankara's <i>Brahmasutra Bhashya</i>, Introduction to Philosophy, Contemporary Indian Philosophy, Philosophy of Human Rights, Social and Political Philosophy, Philosophy Through Films						

Research Guidance

1. Supervision of awarded Doctoral Thesis - 1
2. Supervision of Doctoral Thesis, under progress – 7
3. Supervision of awarded M.Phil. dissertations -1
4. Supervision of M.Phil. dissertations, under progress – 3

Publications Profile

Books published:

1. **Hobbesian Philosophy Still Sways.** Germany: VDM publishers. 2011. ISBN: 978-3-639-37151-2
2. **Social and Political Philosophers of Modern Andhra** published by Prasaranga, Dravidian University Publication Division, Kuppam 2006.
3. **Dravidian Language and Culture** (compiled) Collected papers of Prof. Andree Sjoberg. Kuppam. Prasaranga. 2009. ISBN 978-81-906391-9-4.
4. **Globalisation, Multiculturalism and the International Order** (edited) Proceedings of the 8th International Congress of Social Philosophy edited by C. Sam Christopher, S. Penchalaiah & D. Balaganapathi. Kuppam. Dravidian University. 2009.

Papers in Journals:

1. "Transition from Cultural Diversity to Multiculturalism: Perspectives from Off-shore Industry in India" in *Globalisation and Cultural Encounters. AI & Society: Journal of Knowledge, Culture and Communication* (Springer) co-authored with Sreelekha Mishra & Bharat Kumar. ISSN No. 0951-5666. (online version DOI 10.1007/s00146-014-0537-8 published on 24th Feb 2014). <http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00146-014-0537-8>.
2. "The Argumentative Tradition in Indian Philosophy" in *Journal of Philosophy, Culture and Traditions.* Vol.5. 2008-09. pp. 173-186. ISSN 1609-2392.
3. "Political philosophy of Thomas Hobbes" a module for e-PG pathasala for National Mission on Education through ICT, MHRD, Government of India. July 2016. <http://egp.inflibnet.ac.in/ahl.php?csrno=27>
4. "Orientalist and Nationalist writings of Indian Philosophy: Some Reflections" in *Philosophical Papers,* Journal of the Department of Philosophy, North Bengal University, Darjeeling. Vol. X, March, 2014.pp.95-109. ISSN 0976 4496.
5. "Symbols and Change" in *Jadavpur Journal of Philosophy* Vol.23, No.1, 2013-14. pp.39-48. ISSN-0975-6833.

6. "Implications of Globalisation on Education: Some Observations" in *academe*, Journal of Academic Staff College, Himachal University, Shimla Vol.XVI. No.1, January, 2013. Pp.80-88. ISSN: 2229-6581.
7. "Explorative Analysis of Repetition in Everyday life" in *Suvidya Journal of Philosophy and Religion*, Vol.6. No.1. June 2012. Pp.33-43. ISSN 0974-6110.
http://www.journal.suvidya.org/files/journal/June_2012_2.pdf
8. "History of Indian Philosophy: Analysis of Contemporary understanding of the classical through colonial" in *Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences, Journal of the Inter-University Centre for Humanities and Social Sciences*, VOL. XIX, No. 1, 2012. pp47-54. ISSN: 0972-1401
9. "Trust and Responsibility in Sexual Ethics in the Context of HIV/AIDS" in *Suvidya Journal of Philosophy and Religion*, Vol.5. No.2. December 2011.pp105-112.ISSN 0974-6110.
http://www.journal.suvidya.org/files/journal/journal5_9.pdf
10. "Radical Philosophy of UG Krishnamurty" in *Dravidian Studies*, a quarterly Journal published by Dravidian University, Kuppam. Vol.7 No.1-2. 2010. pp. 23-34. ISSN 0976-5182.
11. "Limitations and Alternatives: Understanding Indian Philosophy" in *Calicut University Research Journal*, Calicut. Vol. VII. No. 1. August 2009. pp.47-58. ISSN No. 09723348.
12. "Defining Violence from Gender Perspective" *Calicut University Research Journal*, Calicut: University of Calicut, Vol. V. Feb:2005 pp. 82-91. ISSN:0972334
13. "Non-Vedic Traditions – Dravidian Philosophy" in Quarterly journal *Dravidian Studies*. Vol II. No.4. & Vol. III. 1-4. 2004-05. pp. 337-354. ISSN 0976-5182
14. "Narayana Guru and Vemana A Comparative study" *Dravidian Studies* Special Issue on Sri Narayana Guru, Vol. 4. July-September 2003, pp.69-80. ISSN 0976-5182

Papers in Conference proceedings / books

15. "Categorisation of Indian Philosophy: An Alternative Approach" in Sebastian V T & Vensus A George (ed.) *Identity, Creativity and Modernisation: Perspectives on Indian Cultural Traditions*. Indian Philosophical Studies, XIV. Council for Research in Values and Philosophy. Washington DC. 2013. Pp. 147-160. ISBN 9781565182783.
16. "Role of Learner in Globalised Education" in *Globalisation and Cultural Identities: Philosophical Challenges and Opportunities* ed. By Sebastian Velassery. New Delhi: Overseas Press. 2012. Pp.119-26. ISBN9788189938802

17. "Richness of Indian Symbolism and Changing Perspectives" in *Symbols in Cultures and Identities in a Time of Global Interaction* edited by Paata Chkheidze, Hoang Thi To and Yaroslav Pasko, Washington DC: The Council for Research in Values and Philosophy, 2009 pp. 256-271, ISBN: 978-1-56518.
18. "The concept of Man in Thirukkural" (co-authored with S. Penchalaiah) in *Tiruvalluvar* edited by C. Sam Christopher. Kuppam: Dravidian University. 2009:73-78.
19. "Symbols, Change and Globalisation" in *Globalisation, Multiculturalism and the International Order – Proceedings of the 8th International Congress of Social Philosophy* edited by C. Sam Christopher, S. Penchalaiah & D. Balaganapathi. Kuppam. Dravidian University. 2009: 231-240.
20. "Dana: A Foundation of the Indian Social life" in *Foundations of Indian Life: Cultural, Religious and Aesthetic* Edited by Sebastian VT & Geeta M. Booksurge: 2008. ISBN. [1439201854](#)
21. "Suresh Chandra on Historiography of Civilisation: With reference to Dravidian Civilisation" *The Philosophy of Suresh Chandra* edited by R.C. Pradhan, New Delhi; ICPR, 2004, pp. 283-300. ISBN: [81-85636-74-5](#)

Other ISSN Publications:

22. "Jaina and Valmiki Ramayanas: A Comparative Study" *Pathway to God*, a quarterly Journal published by Academy of Comparative Philosophy and Religion, Belgaum, July-Sept. 2005 pp.31-39. [ISSN-0971-927X](#)
23. "Defining Definition", a joint paper with Mrs. Mahalakshmi, *Pathway to God* a quarterly Journal published by Academy of Comparative Philosophy and Religion, Belgaum, Vol. XXXIX, No.1. October-December 2003, pp.39-43. [ISSN-0971-927X](#)
24. "Kant on Moral Experience", a joint paper with Mrs. Mahalakshmi, *Pathway to God* a quarterly Journal published by Academy of Comparative Philosophy and Religion, Belgaum, Vol. XXXIX, No.1. October-December 2003, pp.21-29. [ISSN-0971-927X](#)
25. "Theory of Knowledge According to Visistadvaita", *Pathway to God* a quarterly Journal published by Academy of Comparative Philosophy and Religion, Belgaum, Vol. XXXVIII: No.2. April-June 2003:pp.31-36. [ISSN-0971-927X](#)
26. "Alternative Way of Understanding Indian Philosophy: A Preliminary Attempt", *Pathway to God* a quarterly Journal published by Academy of Comparative Philosophy and Religion, Belgaum, Vol. XXXVIII:No.1. Jan-March 2003:pp.38-40. [ISSN-0971-927X](#)

27. "The concept of Religion According to Tagore", *Pathway to God* a quarterly Journal published by Academy of Comparative Philosophy and Religion, Belgaum, Vol.XXXVII:No.3. July-September 2002:pp. 62-72. ISSN-0971-927X

Book Reviews Published:

1. Review of the Book *Atlantic Gandhi: The Mahatma Overseas* written by Nalini Natarajan (New Delhi Sage, 2013) in *Journal of Gandhian Studies*, Visakhapatnam. Vol.3. No. 2. 2014. Pp.487-492.
2. *Indian Philosophy in English: From Renaissance to Independence* edited by Nalini Bhushan and Jay Garfield (Oxford University Press, 2011) in *Philosophical Papers: Journal of the Department of Philosophy*, University of North Bengal. Vol-IX, March 2012, pp.206-212.
3. *Prasthanatraya: An Introduction* by Swami Harshananda (Bangalore:Ramakrishnamuth:2001) in *Dravidian Studies*, Kuppam, Dravidian University, Vol. 2. October-December 2003, pp.102-3
4. *Who is a Hindu?* by Keonraad Elst, in *Dravidian Studies*, Kuppam, Dravidian University, Vol. 3. April-June 2003, pp.110-113.

Conference Organization/ Presentations (in the last three years)

1. **July 2017** *Teaching Indian Philosophy in India: Limitations and Alternatives* in a ICPR Workshop on "Teaching Philosophy in the Indian Universities and Colleges" from 13 July to 17th July 2017 at ICPR , Academic Centre, Lucknow.
2. **July 2017** *Culture through the Labyrinth of Globalisation: A Study of Popular Imaginations and Alternative narratives of Digital and non-Digital Telugu literature* in a workshop on Popular Imaginaries and Discourses on Politics in India: Exploring Cultural Narratives as Alternative Sites of Knowledge Construction organized by Department of Political Science, University of Delhi supported by ICSSR, New Delhi during 12-14 July, 2017.

3. **March 2017** *Story telling and Identity Construction: Debating Contemporary Folklore* in a two-day national seminar on Folk Philosophy in South Asia: Exploring Cosmic and Mundane in the Folklore organized by Banasthali Vidyapith, Banasthali in collaboration with SAARC University, New Delhi during 25th and 26th March 2017.
4. **March 2017** *Freedom and Dissent: A Study of the development of Democratic Ideals in Early Buddhist Sangha* Buddhism, Religion and Democracy organized by Department of Buddhist Studies, University of Mumbai on 22nd March 2017.
5. **January 2017** *Reconstruction of Indian Philosophical Framework: Context, Methodology and Approach* in the National Seminar on “Re-construction of Indian Philosophical Framework: Quest for Decoding Meaning” organized by Department of Philosophy, University of Goa, Goa during 28-30 January 2017.
6. **October 2016** *Perspectives and Shifts in Education during Globalisation* in the Two-day National Seminar on Ancient Wisdom and Multimedia Learning to Transform Modern Education Organized by Indian Society for Indic Studies(InSIS), Vadodara and Indian Council of Philosophical Research, ICPR, New Delhi at Delhi Technological University, Delhi on 14th-15th October, 2016.
7. **July 2016** *Pilgrimage and Rituals: Philosophical reflections* in a One-day International Symposium organized by Department of Philosophy, Kamala Nehru college, New Delhi on 30th July 2016.
8. **May 2016** *Place of Deen Dayal Upadhyaya in Indian Intellectual Tradition: A Critical Appraisal* in the National Seminar on “A Paradigm of Integral Human Development in the thoughts of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya” during 21-23rd of May, 2016 in Belagavi, Karnataka.
9. **March 2016** *Historiographical Trends in Research on Indian Philosophy* in a three-Day national Seminar on Doing Philosophy in India organized by Indian Council of Philosophical Research, New Delhi at Hardwar during 29th – 31st March 2016.
10. **March 2016** *UG Krishnamurthy’s Un-Rational approach to Philosophy* in a three-Day national Seminar on Contemporary Indian thinkers organized by Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi during 13th – 15th March 2016.
11. **March 2016** *Impact of Globalisation on Education* in a two-day 5th International Conference on Ethics on the theme Social Responsibility: The Ethical Dimensions organized by Ramanujan College, Delhi during 12th & 13th of March 2016.
12. **February 2016** *Buddhist Concept of Happiness* in a three-day National Seminar on Philosophy of Mind, Matter and Morals in Buddhist Perspective organized by Centre for Mahayana Buddhism, Nagarjuna University, Guntur during 12th – 14th February 2016.

13. **July 2015** *Violence and Religious Minorities: Examining the Egalitarian values of Modern Democratic State in the Cross cultural context* in a three-day International Seminar on Idea of Equality organized by Indian Council of Philosophical Research, New Delhi at India International Centre, New Delhi during 28th to 30th July 2015.
14. **March 2015** *Ambedkar and Indian Philosophy* in a two-day UGC - National Seminar on Philosophical Perspectives of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar organized by Department of CDL & Philosophy, Dravidian University, Kuppam on 5th and 6th of March 2015.
15. **January 2015** *Non-Substantialism and Liquid life: A study of Nagarjuna and Bauman* in the Global context a three-day Global Seminar on Understanding the Contemporaneity of Acharya Nagarjuna's Philosophy organized by Centre for Mahayana Buddhism, Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur during 28th -30th January 2015.

Research Projects (Major Grants/Research Collaboration)

- **A Study of Doctrinal differences of the Early Buddhist Sects of Andhra** a Major Research Project funded by University Grants Commission, New Delhi 2015-2018. (**Principal Investigator**)
- **Culture through the Labyrinth of Globalization: A Study of Popular Imaginations and Alternative narratives of Digital and non-Digital Telugu literature** as a part of the Major Funding Project titled **Interface of Culture and Politics in India: An exploration into the alternative narratives** sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi. 2017-2019
- **(Co- Director)**

Awards and Distinctions

Association With Professional Bodies

Indian Philosophical Congress	Life Member
Council of Research in Values and Philosophy	Associate Member
Academy of Comparative Philosophy and Religion	Member, Academic Council
International Society of Philosophers	Life Member
Folklore Society for South Indian Languages	Life member

Other Activities

- **Chief Advisor**, Centre for Ethics and Values, Ramanujan College, Delhi from 2017 to 2020.
- **General Secretary, Asian Philosophy Conference** organized at Sanchi University of Indic Studies on 11-14 of February 2017 along with Indian Philosophical Congress

- Editor-in-Chief, ***International Journal of Applied Ethics*** an annual peer reviewed multidisciplinary journal published by Ramanujan College, Delhi, India.
- Guest Editor, Special Issue on Indian Philosophy of ***Artificial Intelligence & Society***, Springer.
- Member of Editorial Board, ***Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research***, Springer.
- Guest Editor, Special Issue on ***Intersections of Poetry and Philosophy*** of Interdisciplinary Journal of Literature and Language (IJLL) a peer-reviewed, bi-annual print journal in English) published by Authorspress, New Delhi, India.
- Member of Editorial Board, ***Dravidian Studies***, A Quarterly Research Journal of Dravidian University from September 2012 onwards till date
- Serving ***The Berlin Journal of Philosophy*** as an Anonymous referee (2012)
- Serving as blind referee for ***Hypatia: A Journal of Feminist Philosophy*** published by Wiley Blackwell (2009 until now)