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Education

California State University, Humboldt, Arcata, CA

M.A., English Literature, 2007

Postcolonial and Feminist Theory, East Indian, Caribbean, Chicana/o, and African writers
CFPP (College Faculty Preparatory Program) Certificate, Pre-doctoral track, 2007.

Thesis: Female Subjectivity and Multiconsciousness in the Fiction of Nayantara Sahgal and Anita Desai

Advisors: Michael Eldridge, Ph.D and Janet Winston, Ph.D.

Dominican University of California, San Rafael, CA

B.A., English, 2005, summa cum laude, with departmental honors
Creative writing emphasis

B.A., History, 2005, summa cum laude, with departmental honors
Latin American and 16th British history

Honors Thesis: Shades of Blossoms: Women's Stories from around the World, 1914-1920

Advisors: Carlos Rodriguez, Ph.D. and Sr. Patricia Dougherty, O.P., Ph.D.

Minor, Women and Gender Studies, 2005

Oakmont High School Graduate, Roseville, CA

Salutatorian

Graduation Speaker

Papers and Presentations

Attended Science of Design Conference at California State University, Humboldt in Arcata, CA,
March 23-24, 2007.

“Female Subjectivity and Multiconsciousness in the Fiction of Nayantara Sahgal and Anita Desai.” Presented at NAHE (National Association for Humanities Education) in San Francisco, CA, February 28-March 3, 2007.

“Female Subjectivity and Multiconsciousness in the Fiction of Nayantara Sahgal and Anita Desai.” Presented at the North Coast Regional Graduate Conference at California State University, Humboldt in Arcata, CA, February 22-23, 2007.

“Postmodern Romances: The Ambiguity of Language.” Presented at the SW/TX PCA/ACA (Southwest Texas Popular Culture and American Culture Associations) in Albuquerque, NM, February 14–17, 2007.

“Culture and Gender in Magazines: One Step Forward, Two Steps Backwards.” Presented at the Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities, Honolulu, HI, January 12-15, 2007.

“Lloyd Alexander’s Triad of Fantasy Heroes: How Prydain’s Protagonists Influence Children.” Presented at Twentieth Annual CSU Student Research Competition at California State University Channel Islands, Camarillo, CA, May 5-6, 2006.

“Rhetoric of Resistance.” Presented at IGC (Intermountain Graduate Conference) at Utah State University, Logan, UT, April 8, 2006.

“The Textual Framing of Nat Turner.” Presented at FESCUE (Fall English Studies Conference Uniting Educators) at California State University, Humboldt in Arcata, CA, September 29-30, 2006.

“Double Consciousness and the Unhomeliness of Africans at the Bend in the River: A Postcolonial Analysis of Conrad’s *Heart of Darkness* and Naipaul’s *A Bend in the River*.” Presented at the Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities, Honolulu, HI, January 11-14, 2006.

Attended California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education at California State University, Sacramento in Sacramento, CA, October, 29, 2005.

“Double Consciousness and the Unhomeliness of Africans at the Bend in the River: A Postcolonial Analysis of Conrad’s *Heart of Darkness* and Naipaul’s *A Bend in the River*.” Presented at FESCUE (Fall English Studies Conference Uniting Educators) at California State University, Humboldt in Arcata, CA, September 30-October 1, 2005.

“Shades of Blossoms: Women’s Stories from around the World, 1914-1920.” Presented at NCUR (National Conference on Undergraduate Education) at Washington and Lee University and Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, VA, April 21-23, 2005.

Attended C.O.O.L. (Campus Outreach Opportunity League) conference at University of California, Berkeley, in Berkeley, CA, March 2005.

Attended The World Affairs Council's 58th Annual Conference at Asilomar, CA: "Defining Leadership: The Role of the United States in the World," April 30-May 2, 2004.

Attended The World Affairs Council's 56th Annual Conference at Asilomar, CA: "Bridging the Dangerous Gap between the West and the Muslim World," May 3-5, 2002.

Attended The World Affairs Council's 57th Annual Conference at Asilomar, CA: "From Pakistan to Kazakhstan: The Great Unknown," May 2-4, 2003.

Honors and Awards

California State University, Humboldt, Arcata, CA

Member of the NAHE (National Association for Humanities Education), 2007.

Certificates of Appreciation for Research conducted for CCRP (California Center for Rural Policy), awarded December 7, 2006 and May 11, 2007.

CRLA (College Reading and Learning Association) Tutoring Certificate, May 12, 2006.

Lifetime member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, inducted 2005.
Honorable Mention for California Pre-Doctoral Scholar Program, 2006.

Dominican University of California, San Rafael, CA

Finalist for the Outstanding Student Award.
Honors Program Scholar, May 14, 2005.
Selected as Senior Speaker at Commencement Ceremony, May 14, 2005.
Received the Sister Catherine Marie Lilly, O.P., Memorial Award for Academic Excellence and Significant Contributions to College Writing and Publications, May 14, 2005.
Received Coach's Award for Women's Tennis, May 2005.
Dominican Academic Scholar: Presented senior project during Scholars Week, May 2005.
Lifetime member of the Alpha Chi Honor Society, inducted February 2004.
Lifetime member of Member of the Gamma Sigma Honor Society, inducted 2004.
Lifetime member of The National Scholars Honor Society, inducted 2001.
Dean's Honor Roll, 2001-2005.
California Scholarship Federation (CSF) lifetime member, since 1997.

Publications

California State University, Humboldt, Arcata, CA

Published "Culture and Gender in Magazines: One Step Forward, Two Steps Backwards" at Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities, Honolulu, HI, January 12-15, 2007.
Published "The Birth of the California Center for Rural Policy: 'Tell the Story and Create the Future,'" December 2006 (Can be viewed electronically here: <http://www.humboldt.edu/~ccrp/?pid=81>).
Published "Double Consciousness and the Unhomeliness of Africans at the Bend in the River: A Postcolonial Analysis of Conrad's Heart of Darkness and Naipaul's A Bend in the River" at Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities, Honolulu, Hawaii, January 11-15, 2006.

Dominican University of California, San Rafael, CA

Editor for the Honors newsletter *The Angel*, 2001-2005.
Editor for *Tuxedo Literary Arts Magazine*, 2002-2005.
Published poem "Please Don't Cry, Little Girl" in *Tuxedo*, April 2005.
Senior Project abstract and paper, "Shades of Blossoms," published by NCUR and presented at Virginia conference, April 2005.
Published short story "Love Hurts" in *Tuxedo*, November 2004.
Published creative broadsheet with poem "Reverie" in *Tuxedo*, November 2003.
Guest writer for campus newspaper, *The Habit*, March 2002.
Published various articles in *The Angel*, 2001-2005.

Other Publications

Co-wrote an article for Sierra College's Newspaper, *Outlook*, October 2003.
Published poem "Independence" in *Live Poets Society of NJ: American High School Poets Topical Trilogy*, 2001, April 2001.

Fellowships and Scholarships

California State University, Humboldt, Arcata, CA

CSU Trustees William Randolph Hearst Scholarship, 2007 (nominated for Ali C. Razi Scholar award, pending summer 2007)
Graduate Equity Fellowship, 2005-2007
State University Grant, 2005-2007
Federal Work Study Graduate Research Assistantship to CCRP (California Center for Rural Policy), 2006-2007
Eureka Rotary Club, Woolford and Hegy Fellowship, 2006-2007
Graduate Council Student Travel Award, 2006
English Graduate Student Travel Award, 2006

Dominican University of California, San Rafael, CA

ALANA (African American, Latino, Asian, Native American) Scholarship from Dominican University of California, 4 year scholarship
Schwab Rosenhouse Foundation Scholarship, 4 year scholarship
World Affairs Council Scholarship and Member, 2001-2005.
Roy L. Splawn Scholarship, 2003-2005
Women's Day Scholarship, 2003-2004
Target Scholarship, 2003-2004
Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Scholarship, 2002-2003
President's Student Service Scholarship, 2002-2003
PEO (Philanthropic Educational Organization) Foundation Scholarship, 2001-2003
Asian Pacific State Employees Association Scholarship, 2001-2003
California-Hawaii Elks Association Scholarship, 2001-2003
Youth Opportunities Foundation Scholarship, 2001-2003
Roseville Telephone Scholarship, 2001-2003
Mayor Joe Serna Jr. Scholarship, 2001-2003
Star Test Scholarship, 2001-2003

Current Research

Graduate Research Assistant and Intern at CCRP (California Center for Rural Policy).
Current research includes analyzing qualitative data from a Latino study and a Rural Health Information Survey. Both research projects look at data from the four northern counties of California: Mendocino, Humboldt, Trinity, and Del Norte.

Teaching Experience

Teaching Associate for English 100, California State University, Humboldt, 2007.
Teaching summer courses for Upward Bound program at College of the Redwoods, 2007.
Co-taught with Professor Mary Ann Creadon in English 220, Literature, Identity, and Representation, 2006.
Co-taught with Professor Tracy Duckart in English 101, Critical Writing, 2006.
Taught summer course Culture and Justice in Literature for Upward Bound program at College of the Redwoods, 2006.

Research Interests

Feminist and postcolonial critical theories, especially as they concern world literatures from countries in Africa, the Caribbean, Latin America, and India. Other interests include cultural studies and Chicana/o studies.

Extracurricular Activities and Community Service

California State University, Humboldt, Arcata, CA

Intern at CCRP (California Center for Rural Policy), 2006-present
Mid-semester course evaluator, 2006-present
Teen reading group coordinator, 2005-present
Tutor at Winship Middle School, 2005-present
Member of the English Club, 2005-present
Intramural referee, Soccer, Badminton, and Volleyball, 2005-present
Volunteered at Science of Design Conference
Tutor at Eureka High School, 2007
Tutor at Fortuna High School, 2006
Intramural Tennis Player, 2005-2006
Vice President of Club de Español (Spanish Club), 2005-2006

Dominican University of California, San Rafael, CA

Member of the Dominican Toastmasters Club, 2004-2007
Coordinator of Community Connections—a volunteer club, 2001-2005
Member of the Dominican Women's Tennis Team, 2002-2005
Member of the Honor's Club L.I.F.E., 2002-2005
Off-campus representative for ASDU, Associated Students of Dominican University, 2004-2005
Vice President of Dominican Toastmasters Club, 2004-2005
Member of the Ambassador Volunteer Club, 2004-2005
Member of the GSA, Gay/Straight Alliance, 2004-2005
Member of the Equality Theory Club, Democratic Club, 2004-2005
Latino Student Union, 2004
Producer of The Vagina Monologues, 2004
Member of the Teacher of the Year Committee, 2004
Rely for Life Organizer and Participant, 2004
Marin Human Race Organizer and Participant, 2004
Volunteered at the San Francisco Food Bank, 2004
Junior class representative ASDU, 2003-2004
Member of The Vagina Monologues CORE group, 2003
Actress in Dominican University's V-Day Campaign, 2002-2004
Interned at the Marin History Museum, 2002

Languages

English
Spanish
Japanese (conversational skills)

Technical Skills

Microsoft programs (Word, Excel, Publisher, PowerPoint, Outlook FrontPage, etc.)
Dreamweaver and HTML (website design)
Blackboard/Moodle Training

Atlas Ti. Qualitative Analysis Program
SPSS Quantitative Analysis Program

References

Dr. Michael Eldridge, English Graduate Advisor, California State University, Humboldt, (707) 826-5906, me2@humboldt.edu

Dr. Susan Bennett, Chair of the English Department, California State University, Humboldt, (707) 826-3758, sgb1@humboldt.edu

Dr. Janet Winston, Associate Professor of English, California State University, Humboldt, (707) 826-3913, winston@humboldt.edu

Dr. Jessica VanArsdale, Director of the CCRP (California Center for Rural Policy), (707) 826-3401, jva@humboldt.edu