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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2014 – Assistant Professor, Sociology, McGill University
2013 – 2014 Pre-doctoral Fellow, Consortium for Faculty Diversity, Smith College

EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D. Sociology, New York University
Committee: Lynne Haney (Chair), Judith Stacey, Steven Lukes, Sally Merry
2010 M.A. Sociology, New York University
2003 B.A. Political Science and Economics (Honors), Swarthmore College

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- 2016 Poulami Roychowdhury. "Desire, Rights, Entitlements: Organizational Strategies in the War on Violence." *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*. Forthcoming 2016.
- 2016 Poulami Roychowdhury. "Over the Law: Rape and the Seduction of Popular Politics." Invited Submission for Special Issue. *Gender & Society*, 30 (1): 80-94.
- 2015 Poulami Roychowdhury. "Victims to Saviors: Governmentality and the Regendering of Citizenship in India." *Gender & Society*, 29 (6): 792-816.
- 2014 Poulami Roychowdhury. "Brothers and Others: Organizing Masculinity, Disorganizing Workers." *Social Problems*, 61 (1): 22-41.
- 2013 Poulami Roychowdhury. "The Delhi Gang Rape: The Making of International Causes." *Feminist Studies*, 39 (1): 282-292.

ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

- 2014 Poulami Roychowdhury. "Narrative Disjunctures: Gender Violence and the Sociological Basis of Inconsistent Testimony." *American Journal of Sociology*. Revise and Resubmit.

ARTICLES IN PREPARATION FOR PUBLICATION

- 2015 Poulami Roychowdhury. "Rethinking State Regimes: The Issue of Sovereignty." For submission to *Sociological Theory*.
- 2015 Poulami Roychowdhury. "Horses have Laid Eggs and Other Useless Things: Do Legal Reforms Matter when Criminal Justice Institutions Lack Enforcement Capacity?" For submission to *Law & Society Review*.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2016 Poulami Roychowdhury. "A call to knowledge: Let's gather more data before rushing to action." *Gender & Society* (<https://gendersociety.wordpress.com/2016/02/23/a-call-to-knowledge-lets-gather-more-data-before-rushing-to-action/>).
- 2014 Poulami Roychowdhury. "Gender-based violence: an index of 'tradition' or social change?" *Gender & Society* (<http://gendersociety.wordpress.com/2014/01/21/gender-based-violence-an-index-of-tradition-or-social-change/>).
- 2013 Poulami Roychowdhury. "Focus on rape in India ignores global problem." Salon.com (http://www.salon.com/2013/01/09/stop_demonizing_indian_culture/).
- 2012 Managing Editor (with NYU Colleagues). *The Sociology Project: An Introduction to the Sociological Imagination*. New York: Pearson.

FELLOWSHIPS & RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2015 Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council Travel Grant, McGill, \$1,500
- 2015 Internal Social Sciences & Humanities Development Grants Program, McGill, \$7,000
- 2014 New Faculty Research Start-Up Grant, McGill, \$20,000
- 2013 Consortium for Faculty Diversity in Liberal Arts Colleges, Smith College, \$42,000
- 2011 Georgette Bennett Fellowship, New York University, \$23,000
- 2010 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant, \$10,000
- 2010 Fulbright-Nehru Dissertation Research Fellowship, \$21,000
- 2009 American Institute for Indian Studies Junior Research Fellowship (declined), \$23,000
- 2009 Pre-doctoral Research Fellowship, New York University, \$5,000
- 2009 Collaborative Research Grant, New York University, \$5,000
- 2006 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, \$ 6,000

- 2005 Henry McCracken Fellowship, New York University, \$ 110,000
- 2001 Foundation Grant, Swarthmore College, \$10,000
- 1999 Presidential Scholarship, Swarthmore College, \$128,000

INVITED TALKS

- 2016 “Moving the Criminal Justice System: When do Women Make Gains on Violence?”
Department of Sociology, University of Toronto
- 2015 “Over and Against the Law: The Politics of Sexual Violence in India”
School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), Johns Hopkins University
- 2015 “Bureaucratic Incorporation: Violence and Neoliberal Government”
Ethnography Workshop, New York University
- 2015 “The Extended Case Method in Practice: Reflections on Fieldwork”
Qualitative Research Methods Seminar, McGill University
- 2015 “Illicit Justice: Measurement Issues around Gendered Violence”
Institute for the Study of International Development, McGill University
- 2014 “Dealing with Difference: Sociological/Anthropological Perspectives on Field Work”
Feminist Theories and Methods Seminar, McGill University
- 2013 “Power and Disempowerment: Exploring Cross-cultural Sources of Violence:”
CARE Gender Violence Panel, New York
- 2013 “Ambivalent Citizens and the Politics of Entitlement”
Department of Sociology, Smith College
- 2013 “The Legal Uses of Anger: Examining Recent Mobilizations against Sexual Violence”
Symposium on Gender Violence, Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI
- 2013 “Rape, Media, and Global Politics”
Visiting Speaker Series, Bard College
- 2012 “Illegality as Strategic Action in India’s Criminal Justice System”
Criminal Justice Colloquium, New York University School of Law
- 2012 “Abortion, Family Planning, and Women’s Health: What is happening to the GOP?”
Graduate Student Conference, New York University
- 2012 “Has breaking the silence gone too far? Feminism and Domestic Violence Reform”
Spring Conference, New York University

2011 “The Cultural Politics of Violence: Women’s Rights Campaigns in India”
Center for Human Sciences, New Delhi

2011 “Entering and Exiting the Field: Reflections on Ethnographic Research”
Research Methods Seminar, New York University

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2016 “Protection, Terror, Incorporation: How the Indian State Governs Violence”
American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA

2016 “Reconciliation or Resistance: The Social and Political Basis of Redress”
Law and Society Association, New Orleans, LA

2015 “Rethinking Regimes: Rape and Popular Politics in India”
American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL

2015 “Might Makes Rights: Sexual Violence and Citizen Ambivalence in India”
Law and Society Association, Seattle, WA

2015 “Co-optive Politics: Sexual Violence, Social Change, and Governance in India”
Sociology of Development Conference, Brown University, Providence, RI

2014 “Narrative Demands: The Institutionalized Incoherence of Legal Truths”
Legal Studies Pre-Conference, Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI

2014 “Victims to Saviors: Rights against Violence and the Re-gendering of Citizenship”
Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI

2013 “Narrative Disjunctures: Gender Violence and Conflicting Testimony”
American Sociological Association, New York, NY

2013 “Dangerous Desires, Wicked Women: Exclusionary Categories in Feminist Politics”
Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI

2012 “What is domestic about domestic violence?”
Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI

2012 “Migrating Feminists: Mediation and Scale in Contemporary Rights Practice”
Feminist South Asia Pre-conference, Madison, WI

2012 “Might Makes Rights? Using collective action to end violence against women”
Locating Solidarity, New School for Social Science Research, New York, NY

2012 “Narrating Abuse: Dilemmas of Feminist Legal Engagements”
Institute for Public Knowledge, New York University, New York, NY

2012 “Narrative Disjunctures: Feminism, Gender Violence and the Law”

Eastern Sociological Society Annual Conference, New York, NY

- 2011 “Women’s bodies as political resources: Negotiating Violence against Women”
Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI
- 2009 “Brothers and Others: Organizing Masculinities, Disorganizing Workers”
American Sociological Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA

TEACHING

McGill University, Montreal, QC

- 2016 Qualitative Research Methods, 12 students, Graduate Level, *Instructor*
- 2016 Developing Societies, 11 students, Graduate Level, *Instructor*
- 2015 Gender and Development, 98 students, Advanced Undergraduate, *Instructor*
- 2015 Developing Societies, 15 students, Graduate Level, *Instructor*
- 2014 Gender and Development, 102 students, Advanced Undergraduate, *Instructor*

New York University, New York, NY

- 2011 Sexual Diversity in Society, *Instructor*
- 2011 Sex & Love, Prof. Paula England, *Teaching Assistant*
- 2008 Sociological Theory, Prof. Steven Lukes, *Teaching Assistant*
- 2007 Sexual Diversity in Society, *Instructor*
- 2007 Introduction to Sociology, Prof. Richard Arum, *Teaching Assistant*
- 2007 Introduction to Sociology, Prof. Gerald Marwell, *Teaching Assistant*

STUDENT SUPERVISION

Graduate Thesis Advisor

- 2015 – Aylish Cotter. MA.
- 2015 – Edwina Shaddick. MA.
- 2014 – 2015 Hilary Flowers. MA. “Single Fathers with Joint Custody”

Dissertation Committee Member

- 2015 – Angela Kalyta. PhD. “Varieties of CSR: Garment Factories in Bangladesh.”
- 2015 – Golshan Golriz Fard. PhD. “Sex Reassignment Surgery in Iran and Canada.”
- 2014 – Candice Shaw. PhD. “Trade Liberalization and Mexico’s Indigenous Migrants.”

SERVICE

University Service

- 2015 – 2016 Advisory Committee, Institute for Gender Sexuality and Feminist Studies, McGill
- 2014 – 2015 Law and Society Colloquium Organizer, McGill

Departmental Service

- 2015 – 2016 Recruitment Committee, Department of Sociology, McGill
- 2015 – 2016 Website Committee, Department of Sociology, McGill
- 2014 – 2015 Spring Conference Organizer, Department of Sociology, McGill

- 2014 – 2015 Visiting Speaker’s Committee, Department of Sociology, McGill
- 2014 – 2015 Development and Social Change Exam Committee, Department of Sociology, McGill
- 2014 – 2015 Sex and Gender Exam Committee, Department of Sociology, McGill
- 2012 – 2013 Gender Workshop Organizer, Department of Sociology, New York University
- 2007 – 2008 Student Representative, Graduate Student Association, New York University

Disciplinary Service

- 2015 – 2016 Awards Committee, American Sociological Association, Political Sociology Section
- 2014 – 2015 Awards Committee, American Sociological Association, Development Section

Panel Organizer/ Moderator

- 2015 Law and Society Conference, “Sovereigns Beyond the Law,” Seattle, WA
- 2015 Sociology of Development Conference, “The Struggle for Rights,” Brown University
- 2014 Annual Conference on South Asia, “The Age of Rights,” Madison, WI
- 2012 Annual Conference on South Asia, “Legislating Conjuality,” Madison, WI
- 2012 Eastern Sociological Society Conference, “Transnational Narratives,” New York, NY
- 2011 Annual Conference on South Asia, “Political Transformations,” Madison, WI

Journal Reviewer

- 2014 – *Social Problems*
- 2015 – *Gender & Society*
- 2015 – *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Sociological Association
 Sociologists for the Study of Women in Society
 Law & Society Association

LANGUAGES

Bengali: native speaker
 Hindi: beginner
 French: beginner