

CURRICULUM VITAE

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I am an Assistant Professor of Geography at DAV College Sector 10 Chandigarh. I also worked in Government of Himachal Pradesh for more than three years and I got privilege to setup and start Geography Department in Government Post Graduate College Una. Trained as a Geographer, I have keen interest in teaching and field work based research. It is my constant endeavor to keep myself abreast of the latest developments in the field of adventure sports and activities pertaining to youth and cultural activities. To augment my interest in these activities I have undertaken professional courses in water sports and snow skiing. I have conducted and organised various youth activities such as trekking expeditions to middle Himalayas in Himachal Pradesh. Being NSS Officer in present college learned and handled youth activities related to National service. Population Geography, Disaster management, Environment Studies and Agriculture geography are my areas of interest.

Educational Qualifications

Exam Passed	Board/Univ/Commission	Year of Passing	% of Marks	Subjects
B.A.	HPU Shimla	1998	61.8	English. Economics Geography.
M.A.	P.U. Chandigarh	2000	60	Geography
NET	UGC	2000	-	Geography
Ph.D.	P.U. Chandigarh	2010	-	*

* *“Spatial, Temporal and Social Variations in Literacy in Himachal Pradesh: 1971-2001”*

Award:

UGC Research Fellowship Award in Science for Meritorious Students for perusing Doctorate Degree
May 2007-2009.

Job Experiences:

Teaching

Assistant Professor Geography in DAV College, Chandigarh since 22 June 2013
Pay scale 15,600+7000 GP

Responsibilities: Apart from teaching worked as NSS officer and Assistant coordinator Skill Development Centre of DAV College.

Previous experience

Teaching

- Worked as Assistant Professor in Geography from Dec. 16 2009 to 21 June 2014 In Government Post Graduate College Una HP (on Contract appointed by HPPSC).
- Established Geography Department and introduced Geography as a new subject in Government Post Graduate College Una
- Worked as a Guest/Contract Lecturer in Geography for session 2002-06 in Government College, Sector – 11, Chandigarh.

Research

- Worked as Research Associate from 16-02-2009 to 15-12-2009 in Institute for Development and Communication Sector 38 Chandigarh.

Worked on Projects:

- ***Situation Analysis on Youth and Peace Building (Bangladesh, India, Malaysia, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka)*** sponsored by Commonwealth Youth Programme for Asia (CYPA)
- Worked as a Research Associate in project entitled “***Gender Sensitive Approach to Violence against Women: Building Capacity of Police and Community Partnered Delivery System***” in IDC Sec. 38 Chandigarh.
- Worked as a Research Associate in project entitled “***Women and Sustainable Agriculture Experiences from the Field***” funded by Shastri Indo Canadian Institute (SICI).

Paper Presented:

- Presented more than 20 research paper in national seminars and conferences most of organised by UGC, ICSSR and various universities.
- Presented 7 research papers in international seminars and conferences out of which two were presented in Moscow Russia.

Other responsibilities

- Member of **Under Graduate Board of Studies in Geography**, Punjab University Chandigarh from 1st April, 2017 to 31st March, 2019 and 1st April, 2019 to till date.
- Elected **Added Member for Faculty of Arts** in senate of Punjab University Chandigarh from 2019 to 2020.
- Remained as **NSS Program Officer** in DAV College Chandigarh Year, 2017-18
- **Assistant Coordinator in Skill Development Centre** DAV College Sector 10, Chandigarh.
- Given inputs twice for Question Paper Development in Geography of **NTSE (National Talent Search Exam)**, for **NCERT** New Delhi.
- Worked as expert for Dictionary and Glossary Development of Geography for **CSTT (Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology)**, MHRD, New Delhi

Paper Published

Research Papers (Published in Research journal)

1. [Paper entitled “Regional Disparities in Literacy in Himachal Pradesh among Non Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Caste Population:2001” in Vision Research Journal of Education Vol. 1 2010 \(ISSN No. 2230-9071\)](#)

2. [Paper entitled "Spatial Patterns of Female Literacy in Himachal Pradesh" in Indian Journal of Humanities Vol. 2, 2012 \(ISSN 2248-9541\)](#)
3. [Paper entitled "Gender Disparities in Literacy in Himachal Pradesh" in Vision Research Journal of Education Vol. 1 2012 \(ISSN No. 2230-9071\)](#)
4. [Paper entitled "Spatial Patterns of Disparity in Urban Rural Literacy in Himachal Pradesh" in Journal Diviner published Vol. 9 2012 \(ISSN 0973-8320\)](#)
5. [Paper entitled "Female Literacy in Himachal Pradesh: A Spatial Perspective" in Journal Diviner Vol. 11 2014, \(ISSN 0973-8320\)](#)
6. [Paper entitled "Demographic Changes in Tibetan Population in Exile" in Journal Diviner published, Vol. 13, 2016 \(ISSN 0973-8320\)](#)
7. Spatial and Temporal Variations in Education Attainment in India in Scopus listed Journal Punjab Geographers Vol.17 2020, (ISSN 0973-3485)

Research Papers (Published in edited book)

1. Paper entitled "Geological and Mountain areas Disasters" in edited book Disaster Management' ISBN 978-81-313-1599-6
2. Paper entitled "Development of Literacy in Himachal Pradesh: Historical Roots" in edited book to be published by ISPER Panchkula, ISBN 978-81-927014-0-0
3. Paper entitled "Spatial Variations in Literacy in Scheduled Tribe Population of Himachal Pradesh" in edited book,
4. Paper entitled "Water recourse management of Kuhls of Kangra : Declining Community Participation" in edited book, Concept Publishing Company ISBN 93-5125-059-8.

Book published:

Development of Literacy in Himachal Pradesh: A Geographical Perspective, ISBN 978-93-83338-14-6

Trainings on GIS and Remote Sensing:

- Attended Workshop on **Remote Sensing and (GIS) Geographic Information System** held on December 16-18, 2005 in Department of Geography P.U. Chandigarh.
- Attended Training Programme on "**Digital Image Processing, GIS, GPS, and Applications**" conducted at Regional Remote Sensing Service Centre, Jodhpur, under **Department of Space (ISRO)**, during 21-25 May, 2007.

Other Workshops/ Training Courses attended

- Attended two Refresher Courses and one Orientation Programme conducted by HRDC Punjab University, Chandigarh respectably in 2016, 2021 and 2017.
- Participated in "**Training Program on Research Methodology in Social Sciences**" held on 5-10 April 2004 at ICSSR Complex, P.U. Chandigarh.
- Attended four days residential Training Programme on "**Community Mobilization Practices**" under World Bank assisted Punjab Rural Water Supply and Sanitation project held at Golden Jubilee Seminar Hall, Panjab University, Chandigarh.
- Attended two week training Programme Training Programme on "**Training of trainers on Disaster Management**", organized by Himachal Pradesh Institute of Public Administration (HIPA) Fairlawns Shimla held on May 23 to June 04 2011

International visit:

- Visited Colombo (Sri Lanka) in May 2009 for the study of project of **Commonwealth Youth Programme for Asia (CYPA)** Undertaken by (Institute for Development and Communication) IDC.
- Visited **Moscow, Russia** for attending and presenting paper in International Geographic Union in august 2015.

Computer :

- Excellent Knowledge of Computer and can work on Microsoft Word, Excel, and Power Point.
- Learning and Working on Software GIS Arc Map

Co –Curricular Activities**Adventure Sports**

- Qualified Basic Course in Water Sports with “A” Grade Conducted by Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- Qualified Intermediate Course in Water Sports with “A” Grade Conducted by Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- Qualified Basic Course in Snow Skiing with “B” Grade, Sponsored by UGC/NAF
- Qualified Basic Course in Snow Skiing with “A” Grade Conducted by Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- Participated in Tracking Camp for Minkiani pass in Himachal Pradesh, conducted by Government College Dharamshala (H.P.).

Cultural Activities:

- Participated as Organizer in the University Festival “Agaaz” 2003 held at Punjab University Chandigarh
- Participated as Organizer in the Inter University National Youth Festival 2003 and 2004.

Hobbies: Adventure Sports and Reading

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Place: _____