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## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL DETAILS

**Full Name:** Sayantan Mukherjee

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### EDUCATION

**Ph.D. in Linguistics and Applied Linguistics** (2014–2019)

Department of English, Arizona State University, United States

**M.Phil. in Linguistics** (2012–2014)

Centre for Advanced Studies in Linguistics, University of Delhi, India

**M.A. in Linguistics** (2010–2012)

Department of Linguistics, University of Delhi, India

**B.A. (Hons.) in English** (2007–2010)

Department of English and OMEL, Visva-Bharati University, India

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Language & Communication, TESOL, Multimodal Discourse Analysis, Sociolinguistics, Semiotics, Grammar of Visual Design, Minimalist Syntax, Gender, Cultural Anthropology, Cognitive Psychology, Race, Colorism, Critical Discourse Analysis, Identity, Conversation Analysis, Phonetics & Phonology, Morphology, Typology, Lexical Semantics, etc.

### PUBLICATIONS

#### **Published**

"Darker Shades of "Fairness" in India: Male Attractiveness and Colorism in Commercials" submitted to *Open Linguistics* (2020, vol 6, Issue 1, pp. 225-48)

"Syntheticity and Analyticity: Indian English and the Need for an Analytic Index" submitted in *Jadavpur Journal of Languages and Linguistics* (2019, vol 3, No 2; pp. 124-138)

"Women Empowerment and Gender Positioning: Critically Looking at an Indian Speech by Smriti Irani and an American Speech by Hillary Clinton" in *Daath Voyage: An International Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies in English* (2018, vol. 3, No 2, pp. 20-38)

"Dystopia" in *The Elusive Genre: A Collection of Short Stories—series I* (2016, pp. 164-166)

## **In-Press**

"Treatment of "Gender" in Language and Gender Research: A Diachronic Analysis" submitted to *GNOSIS: An International Refereed Journal of English Language and Literature* (ISSN 2394-0131)

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

### **International/National (Refereed)**

Paper presented at *AAAL Annual Conference 2018 (Mar. 2018)*, Chicago, Illinois; Paper Title: "Darker Shades of "Fairness" in India: A Critical Analysis"

Co-authored accepted paper at *13<sup>th</sup> International Pragmatic Association*, Sept. 2013; New Delhi, India; Title: "The Power of Image-Enabled Conversations on Facebook: An Organizational Perspective" (First author: Prof. Anupam Das, contribution 70%; Second author: Sayantan Mukherjee, contribution 30%)

Paper presented at *23<sup>rd</sup> ASU Graduate Linguistics/TESOL Symposium*, Feb. 2017; Paper Title: "Syntheticity and Analyticity: Indian English and the Need for an Analytic Index"

Paper presented at *21<sup>st</sup> ASU Graduate Linguistics/TESOL Symposium*, Feb. 2015; Paper Title: "The Conjunctive Participial Construction and Resultatives in Bangla"

### **Invited**

Invited Guest Lecturer in *Discourse and Interaction, Advanced Graduate Course*, Feb. 23, 2017; Lecture Title: "Skin-Color Discrimination and Fairness in India: A Sociolinguistic Analysis"

Invited Guest Lecturer at *Anubhav Tutorial Home*, Private Coaching Institute, May 2016, Dubrajpur, W.B., India; Talk Title: "Human Language and the System of Grammar: Communication and Beyond"

## **AWARDS, GRANTS, & FELLOWSHIPS**

- Featured on ASU website as an "**Outstanding ASU Graduate from Department of English**" for research on colorism [this is a part of series of profiles for Fall 2019 Commencement, piece title "Research on 'Colorism' by ASU Grad Breaks New Ground"]  
<https://asunow.asu.edu/20191205-research-colorism-asu-grad-breaks-new-ground>
- **Graduate College Millennium Completion Fellowship** is intended to aid the recipient in completing the Ph.D. dissertation project in Fall 2019.
- **2019 Summer Research Grant** is to aid the recipient in continuing strong progress with dissertation project over the summer in 2019.

- **Graduate College Travel Grant** to facilitate attendance and individual paper presentation at American Association for Applied Linguistics 2018, co-funded by Department of English, Arizona State University, 2017-18
- **Partial Grant** received from Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode (IIMK) for project *Social Interaction on Facebook: Personal and Professional Benefits (2011-2012)*; Project head: Prof. Anupam Das
- **Junior Research Fellowship** (2012–2014) and National Eligibility Test (NET), University Grants Commission, Govt. of India, 2012
- **Shri Uggersain Memorial Gold Medal** (university topper--highest scorer among the entire cohort at the university-- in Linguistics, M.A. Linguistics), 2012
- **Professor R. N. Srivastava Memorial Award** (joint university topper—joint highest scorer among the entire cohort at the university— in Linguistics, MA-Previous), 2011
- **Bikash Bhavan Scholarship** (merit-based financial support awarded to students on their +2 results towards undergraduate degree, 2007-2009); Visva-Bharati, W.B., India

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Indian Institute of Management Indore**, Indore, MP, India (July 27 – Present)

**Position:** Visiting Assistant Professor, Compositions Area

**Chandler-Gilbert Community College**, Chandler, Arizona (Jan. 2020 – May 2020)

**Position:** Adjunct Faculty in Composition, Creative Writing, and Literature

**Arizona State University**, Tempe, Arizona (Aug. 2014 – May 2019)

**Position:** Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of English and Writing Programs

### **RELATED EXPERIENCE**

**BYJU's Think and Learn Pvt. Ltd**, Bangalore, India (Aug. 2020 – July 2021)

**Position:** Lead Developer, ELA team, BYJU's

**Global Launch at Arizona State University** (May 2015 – July 2015)

**Position:** Language specialist for international students

### **RESEARCH PROJECTS, MANUSCRIPTS, AND PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH**

- Collaborated (with due acknowledgement) with Prof. Anupam Das in quantifying his data for the presentation at *3rd International Conference of the American Pragmatics Association* (AMPRA) at Indiana University, Bloomington; November 2016
- Ph.D. Dissertation 2019; Title: *Understanding "Fairness" in India: Critically Investigating Selected Commercial Videos for Men's Skin-Lightening Products*

[advisory committee: Prof. Karen L. Adams (chair), Prof. Elly van Gelderen (member), and Prof. Mark A. James (member)]

- M.Phil. Thesis 2014; Title: *The Resultative Construction Involving the Conjunctive Participial Clause in Bangla* [advisor: Prof. Tista Bagchi]
- M.A. Thesis 2012; Title: *Argument Structure in Awadhi* [culmination of four-month field study on *Awadhi*; advisor: Prof. Pradeep Kumar Das]
- *Small Clause Construction in Bangla: A Minimalist Approach* (unpublished manuscript 2011) [advisor: Prof. Tanmoy Bhattacharya, Associate Professor in Linguistics, University of Delhi]
- *Advanced Studies in Minimalist Syntax: Current Trends in Approaches to Generative Syntax* [graduate student reading group member, 2014-2019, ASU]
- *Social Interaction on Facebook: Personal and Professional Benefits* [project member, 2011-2012]
- *New Ways of Analyzing Variation: Asia-Pacific Region*, Feb. 2011 [graduate student organizing committee member and volunteer, Nov. 2010-Feb. 2011]

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

Session Chair and volunteer at 26<sup>th</sup> ASU Graduate Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, and TESOL Symposium, Feb. 2020

50 Years of MTESOL: A Mini-Conference, at Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ; Oct. 2019 [Attended]

“A Pedagogy of Risk: Project-Based Learning, the Humanities, and Material Practices”  
Talk by Dr. T. Hugh Crawford at Arizona State University, Tempe; Mar. 2019 [Attended]

“Pre-conference Round Table on Form and Function in Linguistics: A Conversation” at 25th Annual Graduate linguistics, Applied Linguistics, and TESOL Symposium, Arizona State University, Tempe; Feb. 22, 2019 [participated]

Session Chair at 25<sup>th</sup> ASU Graduate Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, and TESOL Symposium, Feb. 2019

AZ CALL (Arizona Computer-Assisted Language Learning) Symposium, Arizona State University, Tempe; Nov. 2018 [Attended]

Scholarly Publishing Series Talk by Dr. Jessica L. Wolfe at Arizona State University, Tempe; Nov. 2018 [Attended]

American Association for Applied Linguistics Annual Conference 2017, Portland, Oregon; Mar. 2017 [Attended]

3rd International Conference of the American Pragmatics Association (AMPRA), at Indiana University, Bloomington; November 2016 [Attended]

Session Chair at 22<sup>nd</sup> ASU Graduate Linguistics/TESOL Symposium, Feb. 2016

*Annual Departmental Seminar 2014*, Centre for Advanced Studies in Linguistics, North Campus, University of Delhi [Attended]

*Annual Departmental Seminar 2013*, Centre for Advanced Studies in Linguistics, North Campus, University of Delhi [Attended]

*Annual Departmental Seminar 2012*, Department of Linguistics, North Campus, University of Delhi [Attended]

*New Ways of Analyzing Variation: Asia-Pacific Region*, Feb. 2011, University of Delhi [Attended]

*Annual Departmental Seminar 2011*, Department of Linguistics, North Campus, University of Delhi [Attended]

### **MEMBERSHIP IN SCHOLARLY ORGANIZATIONS AND SERVICE**

- Reviewer for *Second Language Research Forum*, Dec. 2019 – present
- Session Chair at 26<sup>th</sup> ASU Graduate Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, and TESOL Symposium, Feb. 2020
- Session Chair at 25<sup>th</sup> ASU Graduate Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, and TESOL Symposium, Feb. 2019
- Session Chair at 24<sup>th</sup> ASU Graduate Linguistics/TESOL Symposium, Feb. 2018
- ASU Graduate Linguistics/TESOL Symposium [organizing committee member, 2014-2018]
- ASU Graduate Linguistics, Applied Linguistics, & TESOL Symposium [organizing committee member, abstract-reviewing committee member, 2018-2020]
- American Association for Applied Linguistics [graduate student member, 2016-2019]

### **COMPUTERS SKILLS**

- Blackboard (learning management system; expertise in incorporating in classroom teaching, assessment, shared learning, CALL, etc.)
- Canvas (learning management system; expertise in incorporating in classroom teaching, assessment, shared learning, CALL, etc.)
- Digication (learning management system; digital archive of portfolios; expertise in creating templates, incorporating in classroom teaching and assessment)

- ELAN (tool for the creation of complex annotations; expertise in transcription, glossing, and multimodal data exploration)
- BYU Corpora (language corpora; expertise in navigation and data collection)
- PRAAT (software for speech analysis; expertise in sound recording, acoustic analysis, data mining)
- MS Word, MS PowerPoint, MS Excel, GoogleDoc, Dropbox, Prezi
- Working knowledge of AntConc (concordance tool for linguistic analysis of tagged textual data)
- iMovie (multipurpose video editor; expertise in creating content for online teaching)
- Python (programming language; basic knowledge, beginner level)

### **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

- Bangla – fluent in speaking, reading and writing
- English – fluent in speaking, reading and writing
- Hindi – fluent in speaking and reading
- Working Knowledge of Punjabi, Awadhi, Bhojpuri, Sanskrit, and two other Bangla speech varieties

### **OTHER SKILLS & INTERESTS**

**Curriculum development:** college-level writing, grammar, communication, and linguistics; **translation:** Bengali to English, and vice versa, Hindi to English; **transcription:** IPA (International Phonetic Alphabet) and Roman-based; multimodal annotation/transcription; subtitle writing for multimedia files; glossing for linguistic data; **content writing;** **qualitative research;** **copyediting;** and other.

### **REFERENCES**

Can be provided upon request.