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EDUCATION

- 2009 Ph.D. Geography, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN
- 2005 M.A. Geography, The University of Akron, Akron, OH
- 1994 M.A. Political Science, University of Delhi, Delhi
- 1991 B.A. (Hons) Political Science, University of Delhi, Delhi

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Currently

Associate Professor of Geography (05/17/2018 -) &
Faculty Coordinator-International Programs

- Chair, Department of Geosciences (08/12/ 2013 – 12/31/ 2019)
- Chair, Association of American Geographers – West Lakes Division (2016-2017)
- Chair, Faculty Senate, Missouri State University, West Plains (2016-17)
- Assistant Professor at Missouri State University, West Plains (*with tenure*) since August 2016
- Geography Intern, National Geographic Society, Washington DC (May-August 2004)

- 2013-18 Assistant Professor, Department of Geosciences, Missouri State University, West Plains
- 2011-13 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 2009-11 Assistant Professor, Department of Earth Sciences, University of South Alabama, Mobile
- 2008-09 Instructor, Department of Earth Sciences, University of South Alabama, Mobile
- 2006-08 **National Science Foundation-Robert Noyce Program** Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Geography, Geology and Anthropology (now Department of Earth and Environmental Systems), Indiana State University, Terre Haute
- 2003-05 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Geography and Planning (now Department of Geosciences), The University of Akron, Akron
- 2002-03 Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Geography, The Ohio State University, Columbus
- 2000-02 Assistant Manager, Educational Consultants India Limited, Noida (U.P.) India
- 1998-2000 Consultant, Educational Consultants India Limited, Noida (U.P.) India
- 1997-98 Project Manager, Center for Research Planning and Action, New Delhi, India

1991-97 Development Associate, Sanket Information and Research Agency, Delhi, India

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Geography of Research and Development
- Human Dimensions of Global Climate Change
- Urban and Regional Economic Development and Planning
- Higher Education Strategic Planning and Management

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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|--|---|
| Missouri State University, West Plains | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Regional Geography • Introduction to Physical Geography • Principles of Sustainability • India: Encountering and Contesting Development (Study Away Program) • Economic Geography • Geoscience Orientation |
| University of Tennessee, Knoxville | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Regional Geography • Regional Economic Development (Graduate Seminar) |
| University of South Alabama, Mobile | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Regional Geography • Introduction to Human Geography • World Economic Geography • Urban Geography • Introduction to GIS • GIS Applications: Social Science |
| Indiana State University, Terre Haute | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Human Geography • Introduction to Economic Geography |
| The University of Akron, Akron | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Human Geography • Geography of Cultural Diversity |
| The Ohio State University, Columbus | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Regional Geography |

PUBLICATIONS

Books Authored

- 2020 Gatrell J. D., Bierly, G. D., Jensen, R. R. and **Thakur, R.** (eds) *Research Design and Proposal Writing in Spatial Science*, (3rd ed.) Netherlands: Springer Nature

Books Edited

- 2020 **Thakur, R.**, Dutt, A. K., Thakur, S. and Pomeroy, G.(eds) *Urban and Regional Planning and Development: 20th Century Forms and 21st Century Transformations*, Netherlands: Springer
(<https://www.springer.com/gp/book/9783030317751>)
- 2016 Dutt, A K., Noble, A. G., Costa, F. J., **Thakur, R.**, and Thakur, S. (eds) *Spatial Diversity and Dynamics in Resources and Urban Development (Urban Development – Volume II)*, Netherlands: Springer
(<http://www.springer.com/gp/book/9789401797856>)

- 2016 Dutt, Ashok K., Noble, A. G., Costa, F. J., Thakur, S., **Thakur, R.** and Sharma, H.S. (eds) *Spatial Diversity and Dynamics in Resources and Urban Development (Regional Resources – Volume I)*, Netherlands: Springer (<http://www.springer.com/gp/book/9789401797702>)

Forthcoming

- 2021 Thakur B, **Thakur R.**, Chattopadhyay S, and Abhay RK (eds) *Resource Management, Sustainable Development and Governance: Indian and International Perspectives*, Netherlands: Springer Nature (*Manuscript in press*)
- 2022 **Thakur R.**, Brunn S, Thakur B, Dhussa R and Thakur S (eds) *Environment, Development, and Culture in South and East Asia: Local, Regional and International Perspectives*, Netherlands: Springer Nature (*Book agreement signed*)
- 2022 **Thakur R.**, Thakur B and Abhay RK (eds) *Local Economy and Sustainable Development: Praxis and Prospect (Work in progress)*
- 2022 **Thakur R.** (ed) *Readings in Urban Systems*, Jaipur: Rawat Publications (*Work in progress*)

Book Chapters

- 2020 **Thakur R.**, Dutt AK, Thakur S and Pomeroy G. *Urban and Regional Planning and Development: Introduction and Overview*, in **R. Thakur**, A. K. Dutt, S. Thakur and G. Pomeroy (eds) Urban and Regional Planning and Development: 20th Century Forms and 21st Century Transformations, Netherlands: Springer
- 2020 **Thakur, R.**, Dutt, A.K., Thakur, S. and Pomeroy, G. *Frank J. Costa: Professional Career and Contributions*, in **R. Thakur**, A. K. Dutt, S. Thakur and G. Pomeroy (eds) Urban and Regional Planning and Development: 20th Century Forms and 21st Century Transformations, Netherlands: Springer
- 2020 Ashok K. Dutt, Debnath Mookherjee, **Thakur, R.** Brian Sommers, Jack Benhart *Regional Development and Planning: An Overview*, in **R. Thakur**, A. K. Dutt, S. Thakur and G. Pomeroy (eds) Urban and Regional Planning and Development: 20th Century Forms and 21st Century Transformations, Netherlands: Springer
- 2019 Misra K and **Thakur R.** (2019) “Malappuram : A Million City in Making”, in R. P. Misra (ed) Million Cities of India: Growth Dynamics, Internal Structure, Quality of life, and Planning Perspectives, Volume 2, New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company, 175-184.
- 2017 **Thakur R.** (2017) *Cluster-Based Economic Development Strategies: Challenges and Opportunities in Peripheral Regions*, in B. Thakur, H. S. Sharma, S. Mishra, S. K. Chattopadhyay and S. Singh (eds) Regional Development: Theory and Practice, Vol-4: Development Policies, 37-58, New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company
- 2016 **Thakur R.**, Dutt AK, Noble AG, Costa FJ, Thakur S. *Introduction: Urban Development* in Ashok K. Dutt, Allen G. Noble, Frank J. Costa, **R. Thakur**, and Sudhir Thakur (eds.) Spatial Diversity and Dynamics in Resources and Urban Development (Vol-2, Urban Development), Netherlands: Springer
- 2016 Thakur, S., Dutt, A. K., Noble, A. G., Costa, F. J., **Thakur, R.** and Sharma, H. S. *Baleshwar Thakur: Professional Career and Contributions*, in Ashok K. Dutt, Allen G. Noble, Frank J. Costa, **R. Thakur**, and Sudhir Thakur (eds.) Spatial Diversity and

- Dynamics in Resources and Urban Development (Vol-2, Urban Development), Netherlands: Springer
- 2016 Thakur, S., Dutt, A. K., Noble, A. G., Costa, F. J., **Thakur, R.** *Introduction: Regional Resources* in Ashok K. Dutt, Allen G. Noble, Frank J. Costa, Sudhir Thakur, **R. Thakur** and H. S. Sharma (eds.) Spatial Diversity and Dynamics in Resources and Urban Development (Vol-1, Regional Resources), Netherlands: Springer
- 2016 Thakur S, Dutt AK, Noble AG, Costa FJ, **Thakur R** and Sharma HS *Baleshwar Thakur: Professional Career and Contributions*, in Ashok K. Dutt, Allen G. Noble, Frank J. Costa, **R. Thakur**, and Sudhir Thakur (eds.) Spatial Diversity and Dynamics in Resources and Urban Development (Vol-1, Regional Resources), Netherlands: Springer
- 2010 **Thakur R.** *Geographies of Research and Development* in Barney Warf (eds) Encyclopedia of Geography, Thousand Oaks: Sage
- 2009 **Thakur R** and Sharma M *GIS and Challenges to Planning and Development Applications in Peripheral Regions*, in J. Gatrell and R. Jensen (eds) Geotechnologies and the Environment: Planning and Socio-economic Applications, 125-137, Netherlands: Springer
- 2007 **Thakur, R.** *Global Warming: Differential Impact and Emerging Dilemmas*, in B. Thakur (*et al*) (eds.) City, Society and Planning: Festschrift in Honor of Professor Ashok K. Dutt Volume (3) – Planning: 3-15, New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company
- 2006 Dutt, A K, A. Parai and **R. Thakur** *The City Unites with the World* in Steinbacher, R. and Benson, V. (3rd Eds.) Introduction to Urban Studies, Dubuque: Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company

Forthcoming

- 2021 **Thakur R** *Decimation of Indigenous People or Nature in North America: Understanding the Role of State in a Changing Cultural Landscape*, in Rituparna Bhattacharya (ed) Genocides and Xenophobia in South Asia and Beyond: A Transdisciplinary Perspective on Known, Lesser-known and Unknown Crime of Crimes, London: Routledge. (Chapter in preparation)
- 2021 Thakur B, Chattopadhyay SK, **Thakur R**, and Abhay, RK. *Resource Management, Sustainable Development and Governance: Introduction and Overview* in B Thakur, **R Thakur**, SK Chattopadhyay, and RK Abhay (eds) Resource Management, Sustainable Development and Governance: Indian and International Perspectives, Netherlands: Springer
- 2021 Thakur B, Abhay, RK, **Thakur R**, and Chattopadhyay SK. *Bruce Mitchell: Professional Career and Contributions* in B Thakur, **R Thakur**, SK Chattopadhyay, and RK Abhay (eds) Resource Management, Sustainable Development and Governance: Indian and International Perspectives, Netherlands: Springer
- 2021 Thakur B and **Thakur R** *Early and Modern Paradigms in Natural Resource Management: Global and Indian Experiences* in B Thakur, **R Thakur**, SK Chattopadhyay, and RK Abhay (eds) Resource Management, Sustainable Development and Governance: Indian and International Perspectives, Netherlands: Springer Nature

- 2021 **Thakur R**, Thakur B, Chattopadhyay SK and Abhay RK. *Sustainable Resource Governance: Lessons for the Future* in B Thakur, **R Thakur**, SK Chattopadhyay, and RK Abhay (eds) Resource Management, Sustainable Development and Governance: Indian and International Perspectives, Netherlands: Springer Nature
- 2021 **Thakur R**, Brunn S, Thakur B, Dhussa R and Thakur S. *Environment, Development and Culture in South and East Asia: Introduction and Overview* in **R. Thakur**, S Brunn, B Thakur, R Dhussa and S Thakur (eds) Environment, Development, and Culture in South and East Asia: Local, Regional and International Perspectives, Netherlands: Springer Nature
- 2021 Thakur B. and **Thakur R**. *Resource Management under Environmental Uncertainty* in **R. Thakur**, S Brunn, B Thakur, R Dhussa and S Thakur (eds) Environment, Development, and Culture in South and East Asia: Local, Regional and International Perspectives, Netherlands: Springer Nature
- 2021 **Thakur R.**, Brunn S, Thakur B, and Dhussa R. *Pradyumna Prasad Karan: Professional Career and Contributions*, in **R. Thakur**, S Brunn, B Thakur, R Dhussa and S Thakur (eds) Environment, Development, and Culture in South and East Asia: Local, Regional and International Perspectives, Netherlands: Springer Nature

Refereed Journal Articles

- 2017 **Thakur, R**. Special Editor's Introduction: Regional Development. *Polymath: An Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences Journal* December, 7(2): 1-4
- 2010 Gatrell, J., **R. Thakur**, N. Reid and B. Smith. Clusters and listening: Local economic development in place. *Journal of Applied Research in Economic Development* 7 (1):14-25

Non-Refereed Publications

- 1998 **Thakur, R**. UNDP Programme Provides Fillip to Jute Industry, in *The Pioneer Newspaper*, New Delhi, June 15, pp.14

Book Reviews

- 2019 **Thakur R**. Review of Roger D. Simon's Philadelphia: A Brief History. *Economic Development Quarterly* 33(1): 64-65
- 2017 **Thakur R**. Review of Jonathan Peyton's Unbuilt Environments: Tracing Postwar Development in Northwest British Columbia. *Polymath: An Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences Journal* December 7(2): 149-150
- 2012 **Thakur R**. Review of Rick Pruetz's Lasting Value: Open Space Planning and Preservation Successes. *Polymath: An Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences Journal* 2(3) Summer.
- 2011 **Thakur R**. Review of Yda Schreuder's The Corporate Greenhouse: Climate Change Policy in a Globalizing World. *The Geographical Review* 101(4): 614-16.
- 2010 **Thakur R**. Review of Roberta Capello and Peter Nijkamp (eds.) Handbook of Regional Growth and Development Theories. *Regional Studies* 44(1):132-35
- 2010 **Thakur R**. Review of N. Salvadori *et al* (eds) Geography, Structural Change and Economic Development: Theory and Empirics. *Tijdschrift voor economische en sociale geografie* 101(2): 240-42

- 2009 **Thakur, R.** Review of Adam Tickell *et al* (eds) Politics and Practice in Economic Geography. *The Professional Geographer* 61(3): 411-413.
- 2008 **Thakur, R.** Review of Bernard Fingleton's (eds) New Directions in Economic Geography. *Regional Science Policy and Practice*. 1(1): 125-127

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Lecture

- 2021 *Integrating Ecosystem, Knowledge Economy and Livelihood in Mithila Region: Issues, Responses and Strategies*, Keynote Lecture at International Webinar – ‘Geographical Perspectives on Global Pandemic: Issues, Challenges and Opportunities’. Lalit Narayan Mithila University, Darbhanga, Bihar, India. August 3. (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UvEx7s77LuM>)
- 2021 *Knowledge Economy, Labor Market and Spatial Science: Challenges and Opportunities in Bihar*, Aryabhatta Knowledge University, Patna, Bihar, India. July 24. (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_sjcfZFqIAY)
- 2021 *Geography or Spatial Science: Demystifying Research*, Special Lecture-Department of Geography, Patna University, Patna, Bihar, India. July 15.
- 2021 *Environmental Policy and Decision Making: A Twenty first Century Issue*. Earth Day 2021 – Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Orissa, India. April 22. (Public Lecture available on request as a google drive link)
- 2018 *Rural America in a Globalized World: Context, Challenges and Opportunities*. Dyal Singh College, University of Delhi, Delhi. January 11.
- 2017 *Rural America in a Globalized World*. Friends of the Garnett Library, West Plains. October 13.
- 2016 *Structural and Compositional Change in Science and Technology Planning in India: 1951-2017*. Annual Meeting of the Indian Science Congress Association, Mysuru, India. January 3-8. [Invited foreign delegate]
- 2015 *Globalization: Understanding the Big Shifts*. A Public Lecture under the aegis of Geography Awareness Week, Missouri State University, West Plains, Missouri. November 19.
- 2012 *Science and Technology Indicators in India: Policy Geography*. Annual Meeting of the Indian Science Congress Association, Bhubaneswar, India. January 2-7. [Invited foreign delegate]
- 2010 *Science and Technology Indicators in EPSCoR States: Policy Geography*. Humanities and Social Sciences Colloquium, College of Arts and Sciences, University of South Alabama, Mobile Alabama.
- 2007 *Human-Environment Interaction*. Geography and History of the World Summer Institute, Indiana Department of Education. Terre Haute, Indiana July.
- 2006 *Population and Migration*. Geography and History of the World Summer Institute, Indiana Department of Education. Terre Haute, Indiana July.

Conference Presentation

- 2016 **Thakur, R.** *Growth, Inequality of Indian Cities: 1991-2011*, The 13th International Asian Urbanization Conference, Yogyakarta, Indonesia, January 6-8.

- 2011 **Thakur, R.** and Gatrell, J. *The Spatial Dynamics of US Shipbuilding Industry: A County-Level Analysis of Growth Share, 1998-2007*. Annual Meeting of the AAG, Seattle, WA, April 12-16.
- 2010 **Thakur, R.** *Cluster-based Economic Development Strategies: Retrospect and Prospects*. Annual Meeting of the AAG, Washington DC, April 14-18.
- 2010 **Thakur, R.** *Explaining Racial-Ethnic Change in Alabama*. Race, Ethnicity and Place Conference – V, Binghamton, NY October 6-8, 2010
- 2010 **Thakur, R.** and Gatrell, J. *The Spatial Dynamics of the Gulf Coast Shipbuilding Industry: A County-Level Analysis of Growth Share, 1998-2007* 33rd Applied Geography Conference, Fort Worth, TX October 20-23.
- 2009 **Thakur, R.** *Urbanization and Urban Structural Change in Mobile MSA*. 32nd Applied Geography Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana Oct 28-30, 2009
- 2009 **Thakur, R.** *Science and Technology Indicators in Alabama: Policy Geography*. Annual Meeting of the AAG, Las Vegas, NV. March 27.
- 2008 **Thakur, R.** *Spatial Attributes of Science and Technology Indicators in EPSCoR States*. Annual Meeting of the AAG, Boston, MA. April 18.
- 2007 **Thakur, R.** and Gatrell, J. *R&D Performance of Land Grant Universities in EPSCoR States, 1993-2003*. 30th Applied Geography Conference, Indianapolis, in October 17-18.
- 2007 **Thakur, R.** and Gatrell, J. *Science and Technology Indicators: A Policy Geography* (Poster). Annual Meeting of the AAG San Francisco, CA. April.
- 2006 **Thakur, R.** and Gatrell, J. *Scalar Discourses on Development in South Asia: Unpackaging the Debate*. Annual Meeting of the AAG at Chicago, IL.
- 2005 **Thakur, R.** *Five Decades of Shifts in Slum Upgrading Policy of India*. Annual Meeting of AAG at Denver, CO.
- 2004 **Thakur, R.** *Post-Modernism and Planning in India: Some Preliminary Thoughts*. East Lakes Division Meeting of the AAG, Athens, OH.
- 2004 **Thakur, R.** and Dutt, A. K. *Ideology-based Paradigm Shift of India's Five Year Plans* Annual Meeting of AAG, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2003 **Thakur, R.** *Consequence of Kyoto Protocol and Policy Options*. East Lakes and West Lakes Division Meeting of the AAG, Kalamazoo, MI.

Attended

- 2017 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Boston, April 2017
- 2016 AAG West Lakes and East Lakes Meeting at Northern Michigan University, Marquette, MI, October 14-15. (With 4 students from MSU, West Plains)
- 2015 Missouri Geographic Alliance (MGA) GIS Education Committee Advisory Meeting, Jan 6.
- 2014 Globalization Task Force Meeting, Missouri State University, Springfield, Carrington Hall, Dec 8.
- 2014 37th Applied Geography Conference, Hilton, Atlanta, GA Oct 15-17. (With 6 students from MSU, West Plains)
- 2014 Missouri Geographic Alliance (MGA) GIS Education Committee Advisory Meeting, University of Missouri, Columbia, Oct 8.
- 2014 National Science Foundation (NSF) Grants Conference, Hosted by the George Washington University, Arlington, VA, Oct 6-7.

- 2014 Missouri State University's Inaugural Conference on Civic Engagement, 'Building and Sustaining Partnerships for Stronger Communities', MSU Plaster Student Union, Sept 17.
- 2014 Missouri State University's Study Away Program: Annual Study Away Fair, PSU Atrium, Springfield, Sept 10.
- 2014 American Planning Association's National Planning Conference, Atlanta, GA, April 26-30.
- 2013 Attended the 19th Annual Sloan Consortium International Conference on 'Online Learning', November 20-22, Walt Disney World Swan and Dolphin Resort, Lake Buena Vista, FL.

SERVICE

- 2016-20 **Member**, Common Curriculum Advisory Committee (CCAC), Missouri Department of Higher Education (MDHE).
- 2017-20 **Member**, Working Group Natural and Mathematical Sciences – Common Curriculum Advisory Committee (CCAC), Missouri Department of Higher Education (MDHE).
- 2017-20 **Chair**, Working Group Geosciences Discipline – Common Curriculum Advisory Committee (CCAC), Missouri Department of Higher Education (MDHE).
- 2019-20 **Fulbright Scholar Liaison**, Fulbright Scholar Program, Institute of International Education.
- 2019 & 20 **National Selection Panelist**, Boren Awards, National Security Education Program, US Department of State, March
- 2015 & 18 **National Selection Panelist**, Gilman International Scholarship Program, The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, US Department of State.
- 1996 **Co-organizer**, Workshop on Preparation of 'State Level Human Development Reports' sponsored jointly by the UNDP and Government of Madhya Pradesh at Bhopal, India, Nov 30 & Dec 1, 1996

Geography

- 2019 *Organizer*, **Geography Awareness Week**, Missouri State University, West Plains, Nov 10-16
- 2019 *Chair*, Panel Session – **Working Abroad: International Career Opportunities for Geographers**, Sponsored by Careers and Professional Development, American Association of Geographers, Annual Meeting, Washington DC, April 4
- 2019 *Co-Organizer*, Panel Session – **P. P. Karan (1930-2018) and Geography: Six Decades of Contributions to Environment, Development and Culture**, Sponsored by Asian Geography and Regional Development and Planning Specialty Groups, American Association of Geographers, Annual Meeting, Washington DC, April 4
- 2019 *Co-Organizer*, Paper Session – **Environment, Development, and Culture: Global Perspectives**, Sponsored by Asian Geography and Regional Development and Planning Specialty Groups, American Association of Geographers, Annual Meeting, Washington DC, April 6
- 2016-17 *Chair*, **West Lakes Division of American Association of Geographers (AAG) & hosted Annual Meeting of the West Lakes Division of AAG Oct 19-21, 2017**

- 2015 *Organizer, Geography Awareness Week*, Missouri State University, West Plains, Nov 15-21
- 2015 *Director, Study Away Program – India* (July)
- 2014 + *Member*, International Board of Directors, **Asian Urban Research Association** (AURA)
- 2014 *Member*, Advisory Committee – **Missouri Geographic Alliance’s GIS Education Committee**
- 2011-12 *Chair*, Regional Development and Planning Specialty Group, AAG.
- 2011-12 *Member*, Southeast Division AAG Program Committee.
- 2010-11 *Vice-Chair*, Regional Development and Planning Specialty Group, AAG.
- 2009-10 *Member-at-large*, Regional Development and Planning Specialty Group AAG.
- 2012 *Chair & Organizer*, Panel session on **India’s New Economic Policy: A Critical Engagement**. Sponsored by the Regional Development and Planning Specialty Group, AAG New York, February 24.
- 2011 *Organizer*, Paper Session on ‘**Cluster-based Regional Development and Planning: Empirical Evidences**’. Sponsored by the Regional Development and Planning Specialty Group, AAG Seattle, WA. April 12-16.
- 2010 *Organizer*, Session on ‘**Cluster-based Economic Development Strategies: From Analysis to Action**’. Sponsored by the Regional Development and Planning Specialty Group, AAG, April.
- 2005 *Co-organizer*, Panel session on ‘**India Rising**’ sponsored by Regional Development and Planning Specialty Group and Asian Geography Specialty Group at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the AAG, Denver, CO

Department and University

Missouri State University, West Plains, MO

- 2020-21 *Member*, Faculty Evaluation Committee
- 2020-21 *Member*, Faculty Handbook Committee
- 2020-21 *Chair*, International Issues (Adhoc)
- 2018-20 *Chair*, Divisional Personnel Committee
- 2018-19 *Member*, Faculty Handbook Committee
- 2017-18 **Member**, Chancellor Search Committee
<https://wp.missouristate.edu/about/chancellor-search.htm>
Member, Executive Budget Committee (Since 2015-16)
Co-Chair, Institutional Analysis Committee
Co-Chair, Faculty Handbook Committee
Member, Public Affairs Committee
Chair, Working Group on International Issues
Member, Search Committee – Academic Advisor (2017)
- 2016-17 **Chair**, Faculty Senate
Member, Administration Council
Member, Executive Budget Committee (Since 2015-16)
Member, Multicultural Committee
Member, Scholarship Committee
Member, Risk Management Committee
Member, Academic Affairs Planning and Coordination Committee
Member, Student Technology Usage Fee Committee

- 2015-16 Member, Search Committee for Advisor-TRIO
Faculty Senate Chair Elect
 Member, Steering Committee for Developing the 2016-21 Long Range Plan
- 2014-15 **Member**, President's Task Force on 'Globalization'
- 2014 + Member, Faculty Handbook Committee
- 2014-16 Member, Assessment Committee
- 2014-15 Member, Search Committee for Director, Information Technology Services
 Member, Search Committee for Accounting Faculty
- 2014 + Campus Representative, Boren Scholarships and Fellowships (2014 onwards)
- 2014 + Advisor, Gilman Scholarships, US Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)
- 2013 + Faculty Advisor, Udall Scholarship, Udall Foundation
- 2013 + Faculty Advisor, Student International Association
- 2013 + Member, China Study Abroad Selection Committee
- 2013-14 Member, Student Advisement and Academic Success Committee
 Member, Academic Concerns Committee
 Member, Cohort on Online Course Development and Enhancement
 University Representative, Office of International Services [International Partnership], Missouri State University, Springfield & West Plains
- 2013 + Chair, Department of Geosciences

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

Department of Geography

- 2012-13 Coordinator, World Regional Geography Course

University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL

Department of Earth Sciences

- 2010-11 *Chair*, Earth Science Department Committee on Textbook/Library
Chair, Earth Science Department Committee on Assessment of Geography
- 2009-10 *Chair*, Earth Science Department Committee on Recruitment
Member, Earth Science Department Committee on Assessment of Geography
Member, Earth Science Department Committee on Library/Textbook

College of Arts and Sciences

- 2008-11 *Member*, International Education Committee

Manuscript Reviewer

Journals

- 2018 + Asian Geographer
- 2017 Polymath
- 2015 Sage Open
- 2012 Growth and Change
- 2011 Regional Science Policy and Practice
 Arab World Geographer
 Industrial Geographer
- 2010-11 Proceedings of Applied Geography Conference

2008 Journal of Applied Geography
Publishers
 2017 Springer
 2011 & 13 Oxford University Press

Editorial Board

2018 + Member, Editorial Board, **Asian Geographer**, Hong Kong Geographical Association
<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rage20/current>
 2015 + Member, Faculty Advisory Board, **LOGOS: A Journal of Undergraduate Research**, Missouri State University, Springfield
<https://www.missouristate.edu/logos/>
 2014-17 Member - Editorial Board, **Journal of Urban and Regional Studies**, Osmania University, Hyderabad, India
 Community
 2016 + Member, South Central Ozark Council of Government (SCOCOG), Pomona, MO

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

2003 + American Association of Geographers
 2003 + National Association of Geographers, India (Life)
 2005 + Asian Urban Research Association
 2010 + American Planning Association
 2012 + Indian Science Congress Association (Life)
 Applied Geography Conference (2007, 2009, 2010, 2014)

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS AND HONORS

2019 Annual Fund Award, Missouri State University, West Plains [\$ 1600]
 Professional Development Fund, Missouri State University, West Plains [\$ 1500]
 2017 Springer, Netherlands support for hosting AAG West Lakes Annual Meeting at MSU, West Plains Oct 19-21 [\$ 750]
 2016 Annual Fund Award, Missouri State University, West Plains [\$ 1670]
 Professional Development Fund, Missouri State University, West Plains [\$ 1500]
 2015 Annual Fund Award, Missouri State University, West Plains [\$ 1250]
 Professional Development Fund, Missouri State University, West Plains [\$ 1100]
 2014 Annual Fund Award, Missouri State University, West Plains [\$ 1368]
American Planning Association (APA) National Planning Conference Registration Scholarship [\$ 535]
Professional Development Fund, Missouri State University, West Plains [\$ 1100]
 2013-14 Missouri State University, Springfield, - **International Travel Award** – Office of International Services [\$ 2000]
 2011-12 University of Tennessee, Knoxville – **Scholarly and Research Incentive Funds (SARIFS)** [\$ 2550]
 2010 **The Race, Ethnicity and Place Conference** – Conference Travel Support [\$ 350]
 2011 University of South Alabama - **Special Faculty Development Fund** [\$ 1200]
 2010 University of South Alabama - **Special Faculty Development Fund** [\$ 1200]
 2009 University of South Alabama - **Special Faculty Development Fund** [\$ 1200]
 2007-08 Indiana State University, **Graduate Student Research Fund** [\$ 500]

- 2006-08 Indiana State University, **National Science Foundation** - Robert Noyce Program Graduate Assistantship [\$ 10,000 annually]
- 2005 **A. K. Chakravarti Award for Best Graduate Student Paper** by the Regional Development and Planning and Asian Geography Specialty Group (AAG) 2005 [\$ 200]
- 2003-05 University of Akron, **Graduate Assistantship**, Department of Geography & Planning, University of Akron, Akron 2003-05
- 2004 **National Geographic Society**, Geography Internship (May-August)
- 2002-03 Ohio State University, **Graduate Teaching Associate**
- 1989-90 University of Delhi, '**College Cardigan**' for my contribution to Debates at Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi, Delhi.

REFEREES

Available on request