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<b>341</b> Google Scholar Citations	<b>h-index: 7</b> <b>  i10: 6</b> Scopus & Web of Science Indexed	<b>35+</b> Publications
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## CURRENT POSITION

**Assistant Professor of Philosophy** 2023 – Present  
Zakir Husain Delhi College (Evening), University of Delhi

## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

**D.Phil in Philosophy** 2021  
University of Allahabad, Department of Philosophy  
Dissertation: "An Ethical Discourse on Affirmative Action in Western Philosophy"

**M.A. in Philosophy** 2015  
University of Allahabad, Department of Philosophy

**B.A. in Philosophy, English Literature & Ancient History** 2013  
University of Allahabad

## PREVIOUS ACADEMIC POSITIONS

**Assistant Professor of Philosophy (Teacher-in-Charge)** 2023–2024  
Zakir Husain Delhi College (Evening), University of Delhi

**Assistant Professor of Philosophy (Teacher-in-Charge)** May 2020 – Oct 2022  
Ramanujan College, University of Delhi

**Assistant Coordinator & Subject Counsellor (Part-Time)** 2020–2022  
IGNOU Study Centre at Ramanujan College

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Socio-Political Philosophy · Applied & Normative Ethics · Philosophy of Law · Feminist Philosophy · Justice & Affirmative Action · Digital Ethics & AI · Existentialism · Phenomenology

## BOOKS & MONOGRAPHS

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### Published

- **Exploring Justice as a Social Indicator of Life: Philosophical Foundations and Empirical Approaches**  
*Springer Nature, Social Indicators Research Series, 2024 · Scopus-Indexed*
- **Social and Political Philosophy: A Short Guide for DU Students**  
*Sahityagram Prakashan, 2025*
- **Ethics and Culture (VAC): A Short Guide for DU Students**  
*Ink Orbit, 2025*
- **Online Teaching-Learning Process Considering COVID-19: A Qualitative Inquiry**  
*Generis Publishing, Chisinau, 2024 · ISBN: 979-8-89248-332-2*

### Forthcoming / Under Contract

- **The Ethics of Affirmative Action: Balancing Equality and Fairness**  
*Apple Academic Press (CRC Press / Taylor & Francis), May 2026 · ISBN: 978177964460 · Scopus-Indexed*
- **Feminist Philosophy, Gender Justice, and Affirmative Action: Challenges and Opportunities**  
*Apple Academic Press (Taylor & Francis), January 2027 · ISBN: 9781998511518 · Scopus-Indexed*
- **Philosophy 2.0: Why Philosophy Still Matters**  
*Jenny Stanford Publishing, Forthcoming, April/May 2026 · Scopus-Indexed*
- **Justice Beyond Borders: Affirmative Action in a Global Perspective**  
*Peter Lang, May 2026 · Scopus-Indexed*
- **Academic Integrity in the Digital Age**  
*Routledge, 2027 · Scopus-Indexed*

## PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES & BOOK CHAPTERS

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### A. Scopus-Indexed Journal Articles

- 1.. Revivalism in Indian Educational Philosophy: Reinterpreting Ancient Wisdom for Modern Times. *Cogent Education* 12(1), 2026. Taylor & Francis. · Scopus DOI: 10.1080/2331186X.2025.2584914
- 2.. Ubuntuian Affirmative Action as a Form of Restorative Justice: An Ethical Discourse. *African Journal of Religion, Philosophy & Culture* 6(2), December 2025. · Scopus
- 3.. Restorative Justice and Karmic Justice: Ubuntu and Vedanta in Dialogue. *African Journal of Religion, Philosophy & Culture* 6(2), June 2025. · Scopus ISSN: 2634-7636 DOI: 10.31920/2634-7644/2025/v6n2a2
- 4.. African Philosophies of Justice and Equity: A Contemporary Discourse. *African Journal of Religion, Philosophy & Culture* 5(2), 61–78, 2024. · Scopus DOI: 10.31920/2634-7644/2024/v5n2a4
- 5.. A Tool for Political Mobilisation. *Economic and Political Weekly (EPW)* 58(51), 2023. · Scopus
- 6.. On Just, Justice and Distributive Justice: A Critical and Comparative Discourse. *Journal of Liberty and International Affairs* 8(2), 240–254, 2022. · Scopus DOI: 10.47305/JLIA2282240m
- 7.. The Concept of Justice in Reference with Philosophies of Plato and Aristotle: A Critical Study. *Journal of Liberty and International Affairs* 7(3), 250–266, 2021. · Scopus DOI: 10.47305/JLIA21370250m
- 8.. Roots, Routes and Remedies of Gender Discrimination: An Ethical Discourse. *Psychology and Education Journal* 57(8), 820–834, 2021. · Scopus
- 9.. The Conditional Analysis of Principals Bullying Teachers Reasons in The Surroundings of The City. *Productivity Management* 25(5), 1195–1214, 2020. · Scopus ISSN: 1868-8519
- 10.. Does Gender Discrimination Rest on a Mistake? *Journal of Talent Development and Excellence* 12(2), 3938–3949, 2020. · Scopus

- 11.. Affirmative Action: A Journey to Attain Gender Equality. *Journal of Critical Reviews* 12(2), 227–234, 2020. · Scopus

## B. Scopus-Indexed Book Chapters

- 1.. The Ethics of Creativity: Can Innovation Be Morally Neutral? *In: Driving Transformational Innovation With Social Creativity*, IGI Global, 2025. · Scopus ISBN: 9798337327426 DOI: 10.4018/979-8-3373-2742-6 (With co-authors)
- 2.. AI and Historical Narratives: Reconstructing the Past Through Philosophy. *In: Role of AI in Producing, Evaluating, and Interpreting Literary Materials*, IGI Global, 2025. · Scopus ISBN: 9798337310572 DOI: 10.4018/979-8-3373-1057-2 (With co-author)
- 3.. The Human Condition in a Technological Era: Redefining Existence in Society 5.0. *In: Advancing Society 5.0 Through AI-Driven Curriculum Innovation*, IGI Global, 2025. · Scopus ISBN: 9798337310626 DOI: 10.4018/979-8-3373-1062-6.ch001
- 4.. Philosophical Counseling for the Modern Dilemma: Addressing Existential Crises in the Digital Age. *In: Enhancing School Counseling With Technology and Case Studies*, IGI Global, 2025. · Scopus DOI: 10.4018/979-8-3693-8392-6
- 5.. Technology-Driven Business Ethics: A Philosophical Discourse. *In: AI-Enabled Businesses: How to Develop Strategies for Innovation*, Wiley/Scrivener, 2025. · Scopus ISBN: 978-1-394-23397-7 (With co-authors)
- 6.. How Philosophy of Tourism Tussles with Cultural Diversity and Cultural Tolerance. *In: Language and Cross-Cultural Communication in Travel and Tourism: Strategic Adaptations*, Apple Academic Press (Taylor & Francis). ISBN: 9781774915707 · Scopus-Indexed
- 7.. Onto Nature, Forms and Remedies of Cyberbullying on Social Media Platforms: A Philosophical Perspective. *In: Cybersecurity for Decision Makers*, Taylor & Francis/Routledge, 2023. · Scopus DOI: 10.1201/9781003319887-2
- 8.. An Ethical Discourse on Learning, Communication, Online Education and Intersubjectivity in Reference with Digital Technology. *In: Technologies, AI and The Future of Learning Post-Covid-19*, Springer, 2022. · Scopus ISBN: 978-3-030-93920-5

## C. Other Peer-Reviewed Articles & Book Chapters

- 1.. Labour, Love, and Obligation: A Feminist Philosophical Inquiry. *Summerhill: IIAS Review* 31(1), 161–168, 2026. Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla.
- 2.. The Ethics of Cancel Culture and Public Accountability: Navigating Justice, Forgiveness, and Redemption. *Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences (SH&SS)* 31(2), 333–360, 2025. IIAS, Shimla. · UGC-CARE PRINT ISSN: 0972-1401 (Co-authored)
- 3.. Deontological Ethics in the Age of Digital Parenting: Kantian Perspectives. *Culture and Dialogue*, Brill, pp. 1–32. DOI: 10.1163/24683949-bja10005 · Web of Science
- 4.. Dark Side of Digital Transformation in Online Teaching-Learning Process Considering COVID-19. *Environment and Social Psychology* 9(4). DOI: 10.54517/esp.v9i4.2115
- 5.. The Intersection of Philosophy of Language and Artificial Intelligence: Challenges in Replicating Human Language Understanding. *Quórum Académico* 21(2), 12–41. · UGC-CARE-MLA
- 6.. A Reply to Louis P. Pojman's Article 'The Case Against Affirmative Action'. *Conatus – Journal of Philosophy* 5(2), 87–113, 2020. DOI: 10.12681/cjp.23660
- 7.. SAMKALEEN PARIDRISHYA ME SAKRATMAK KARMA KI VAANCHHNEEYATA KA SAMIKSHATMAK ADHYAYAN. *Darshanam*

## Conference Proceedings (Selected)

- A Critique of Leslie Pickering Francis' Arguments of Affirmative Action. *In: Recent Trends in Humanities, Education, Arts, Culture, Languages, Literature, Philosophy (HEALM-2019)*, JNU, New Delhi. ISBN: 978-93-85822-88-9
- Aristotle's Theory of Justice: Revisited. *In: World Congress on Innovations and Research in Arts, Culture, Literature, Languages, Philosophy and Spirituality*, JNU, New Delhi. ISBN: 978-93-85822-82-7
- Leslie Pickering Francis' Arguments of Affirmative Action: Revisited. *In: International Conference on Languages, Literature, Arts, Culture, Gender Studies, Humanities, Philosophy*, JNU, New Delhi. ISBN: 978-93-85822-76-6

## Under Review / Revision Submitted

- An Epistemic Inquiry into the Gendered Objectification — Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research (Revision Submitted, 2022)

## EDITORIAL ROLES

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**Managing Editor — International Journal of Applied Ethics (UGC- CARE)** Volume VIII, 2022  
*Ramanujan College, University of Delhi*

**Assistant Editor — International Journal of Applied Ethics (UGC- CARE)** Volume VII, 2021  
*Ramanujan College, University of Delhi*

**Reviewer — Lifescience Global Journal** Ongoing

## FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

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**UGC Junior Research Fellowship (JRF)** 2015  
*University Grants Commission, Government of India*

**Indo-Asian Excellence Award in Socio-Political Philosophy** 2021  
*International Multidisciplinary Research Foundation (IMRF), affiliated with NITI Aayog NGO Darpan (Govt. of India), MHRD NISCAIR*

**Best Paper Award** 2020  
*4th International Online & Multidisciplinary Conference, Amaravathi Research Academy, Hyderabad*

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & INVITED LECTURES

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### Invited Lectures

- “Theorizing Happiness” — Six-lecture series, Centre for Ethics and Values, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi (Feb–Aug 2021)
- “Creation of Patriarchy” — Invited lecture to B.A. (Hons) Political Science students, University of Delhi (February 2019)
- “ChatGPT and Philosophy Education: An Evolutionary and Philosophical Reflection” — Invited Lecture, National Seminar on AI and Digital Technologies, Narajole Raj College, 23 May 2025

### International Conferences (Selected Presentations)

- Roots, Routes, and Remedies of Gender Discrimination — ICAHSC-21, Pune, January 2021
- Affirmative Action: A Movement to Attain Gender Equality (Best Paper) — Amaravathi Research Academy International Conference, Hyderabad, July 2020
- A Critique of Leslie Pickering Francis’ Arguments of Affirmative Action — HEALM-2019, JNU, New Delhi, May 2019
- Aristotle’s Theory of Justice: Revisited — World Congress on Innovations and Research, JNU, New Delhi, February 2019

- Does Gender Discrimination Rest on a Mistake? — International Seminar, Law Mantra, New Delhi, January 2019
- Leslie Pickering Francis' Arguments of Affirmative Action — International Seminar, JNU, New Delhi, November 2018
- Asian Perspectives on Holistic Modes of Thinking and Ways of Living — Asian Philosophy Conference, VVCRF, Gujarat, January 2018

### **National Conferences & Seminars (Selected)**

- The Concept of Justice with Special Reference to Aristotle and John Rawls — ICSSR-sponsored National Seminar, University of Allahabad, February 2019
- A Critique of John Rawls' Theory of Affirmative Action — 92nd Indian Philosophical Congress, Surat, January 2018
- SAMKALEEN PARIDRISHYA ME SAKRATMAK KARMA — Akhil Bhartiya Dharshan Parishad, Lucknow University, October 2018
- "ChatGPT and Philosophy Education: An Evolutionary and Philosophical Reflection" — Paper Presented at One-Day National Seminar on "AI and Digital Technologies in Education and Research", Narajole Raj College (Hybrid Mode), 23 May 2025
- Participated in Two-Day National Seminar on "Research Methodology for Indian Knowledge Tradition" — Department of Sanskrit, Zakir Husain Delhi College (Evening), under the aegis of IQAC, 4–5 March 2025

## **ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATION & SERVICE**

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### **Zakir Husain Delhi College (Evening), University of Delhi**

- Member, IQAC (Internal Quality Assurance Cell) — (2026–Present)
- Co-Convenor — Two-Day National Seminar on "The Influence of Cārvāka Philosophy on Other Schools of Indian Thought", Department of Sanskrit in collaboration with ICPR, Zakir Husain Delhi College (Evening), 24–25 April 2025
- Member, Academic Supervisory Committee (2023–24)
- Member, Library Committee (2023–24)
- Member, Multi-Disciplinary Journal Core Committee (2023–24)
- Member, NAAC Committee — Criteria III (2023–24)
- Member, Proctorial Board (2023–24)
- Member, Ambedkar Study Circle (2023–Present)
- Member, Website Monitoring Committee (2022–23)
- Member, Screening Committee for Non-Teaching Staff (2022–23)
- Member, POSH Implementation Committee (November 2022)
- Member, Board of Paper Setters & Examiners, B.A. (Hons/Prog) — University of Delhi (2021 & 2023)

### **Ramanujan College, University of Delhi**

- Teacher-in-Charge, Department of Philosophy (2021–22 & 2022–23)
- Association Advisor, Yatharth Society (2020–21)
- Association Co-Advisor, Yatharth Society (2019–20)
- Member, Time Table Committee (2022–23)
- Member, Development Fund & Infrastructure Committee (2022–23)
- Member, IT Infrastructure Committee (2022–23)
- Member, ECA Committee (2022–23)
- Member, Library Committee (2021–22)
- Member, NSS & Students Welfare Committee (2020–21)

- Member, NIRF & HEFA Committees (2020–21)
- Organising Committee Member — FDP on Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and the Idea of India (April 2021)
- Organising Committee Member — FDP on Philosophical Methodologies in Higher Education (March 2021)
- Organising Committee Member — International Webinar on Human Rights, Ethics & Environment during Covid-19 (August 2020)

## FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

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National FDP — Enhancing Inclusive Workspaces: Gender Sensitivity & Cyber Hygiene in Academia June 2025  
*Department of Management, ITM Gwalior*

FDP — AI for Educators: Reimagining Education with AI May 2025  
*IMS Ghaziabad (University Courses Campus)*

Faculty Induction Programme — NEP 2020: Pedagogical Imperatives of Higher Education December 2023  
*University of Delhi*

Faculty Induction Programme (One Month — PMMMNMTT) June–July 2023  
*Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi*

Refresher Course — Social Structures & Cultural Boundaries in India (Two Weeks) November 2022  
*Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi (MHRD-sponsored)*

FDP — Managing Online Classes and Co-creating MOOCs (Two Weeks) April–May 2020  
*Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi (MHRD-sponsored)*

FDP — Learning Outcome Based Framework (Two Days) February 2020  
*Department of Philosophy, Ramanujan College, in collaboration with University of Delhi (MHRD-sponsored)*

## WORKSHOPS & SHORT COURSES

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- Decode the Publication Process of ABDC-A\* Journals: “Editorial Board Perspectives” — ServiceSetu Academics (Online), 17 May 2025
- Philosophical Counselling — Centre for Philosophical Counselling, Daulat Ram College, University of Delhi, July 2024
- Art of Writing Research Paper in Social Science (Four Days) — Swami Vivekanand Vidyaprasarak Mandal’s College of Commerce, Goa, May 2020
- Research Methodology (Fifteen Days) — Laxmi Research Book Publication, Solapur, April 2019
- Research Methodology and SPSS (Seven Days) — Shalom Institute, SHUATS, Prayagraj, April 2019

## ONLINE COURSES & CERTIFICATIONS

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- Religious Literacy: Traditions and Scriptures — HarvardX, Harvard University (May 2020)
- Hinduism Through Its Scriptures — HarvardX, Harvard University (May 2020)
- Focus on Peer Review — Nature Masterclasses, Springer Nature (May 2020)
- How to Write for an Interdisciplinary Audience — Researcher Academy, Elsevier (May 2020)
- An Editor’s Guide to Writing a Review Article — Researcher Academy, Elsevier (May 2020)
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (Practitioner Level) — Priority Academy, accredited by CTAA

