

SONAL G. NALKUR

EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** in Sociology, **Emory University**, Atlanta, GA *December 2013*
Dissertation: Moving Newspapers Online: Diversification and Viability,
1990-2010
Chair: Prof. Timothy J. Dowd, Sociology
- M.A.** in Sociology of Education, **Stanford University**, Palo Alto, CA *June 2005*
Thesis: “‘We Just Clicked’: Mate selection, speed dating, and the theory of
situated learning”
Advisor: Prof. Daniel McFarland, Education and Sociology
- M.A.** in Communication, **University of Pennsylvania**, Philadelphia, PA *May 2002*
Thesis: “Images of liberation in the coverage of Afghan women”
Advisor: Prof. Barbie Zelizer
- B.A. Honors/M.A** in English, **McMaster University**, Hamilton, ON *May 1999/
October 2001*
Thesis: *Black Bodies*, Queer Pleasures: Race and Sexuality in AIDS
narratives
Advisor: Prof. David Clark
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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- Assistant Teaching Professor**
Department of Sociology, Emory University *September 2018-present*
- Visiting Assistant Professor**
Department of Sociology, Emory University *January 2014-present*
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PUBLICATIONS

- Nalkur, Sonal. (2023). “Possibilities.” In Shilpa Phadke & Nithila Kanagasabai (Eds.), *An Anthology on Friendship by South Asian Women and Genderqueer Folx*. Mumbai: Yoda Press.
- Nalkur, Sonal. 2020. “Regular Inmates.” In Nikki Khana (Ed.), *Whiter: Asian American Women on Colorism*. New York City: NYU Press.
- Michalec, Barret, Corey L.M. Keyes, and Sonal Nalkur. 2009. “Human Flourishing.” Pp. 391-394 in *The Encyclopedia of Positive Psychology*, Volume 1. Editor-in-Chief, Shane J. Lopez. Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell.

PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- August, 2012 – American Sociological Association; Denver, CO
Nalkur, Sonal and Timothy J. Dowd. 2012. “Attitudes on Public Arts Funding in the United States.” Refereed roundtable.
- March, 2012 – Southern Sociological Association; New Orleans, LA
“Spiritual Identities: Religion and Mass Media Content.” Sociology of Culture & Media Network, research paper presentation.
- August, 2011 – American Sociological Association; Las Vegas, NV
“Moving News Online: Newspaper Diversification (1990-2010).” Sociology of Culture & Media Network; research paper presentation.
- September, 2009 – European Sociological Association; Lisboa Portugal
“Attitudes on arts funding in the United States” Sociology of the Arts Network; research paper presentation.
- May, 2006 – Stanford Student Research Symposium
“We Just “Clicked”: Prosody and Social Bonding.” Research paper presentation.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Emory Sociology Faculty Teaching Award

Emory University, 2018

Khan Academy Talent Search Winner

Khan Academy, 2016

Crystal Apple Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Large Class Education

Emory University, 2015

ORISE Fellowship (Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education)

Centers for Disease Control, 2012-2013

SIRE Fellowship (Scholarly Inquiry and Research at Emory)

Emory University, 2011-2012

Emory Sociology Graduate Student Teaching Award

Emory University, 2011

Graduate Fellow, Social & Behavioral Science Research Center

Emory University, 2008

George W. Woodruff Graduate Fellowship

Emory University, 2006-2011

Graduation Class Speaker

Annenberg School, University of Pennsylvania, 2002

Finalist: Penn Prize for Excellence in Teaching

University of Pennsylvania, 2001-2002, for course “Argumentation and Public Advocacy”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall/Spring, 2022-23 – Emory University

Lecturer – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101), Sociology of Relationships (SOC 289), and Internship in Sociology

Fall/Spring, 2021-22 – Emory University

Lecturer – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101), Criminology (SOC 249) and Internship in Sociology

Spring, 2020 – Emory University

Lecturer – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101), Criminology (SOC 249) and Internship in Sociology

Fall, 2019 – Emory University

Lecturer – Crime and Media (SOC 289), Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101) and Internship in Sociology

Spring, 2018 – Emory University

Lecturer – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101) and Internship in Sociology

Fall, 2018 – Emory University

Lecturer – Criminology (SOC 249)

Spring, 2018 – Emory University

Visiting Assistant Professor – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101) and Social Research I (SOC 355) and Internship in Sociology

Fall, 2017 – Emory University

Visiting Assistant Professor – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101) and Culture and Society (SOC 221) and Internship in Sociology

Spring, 2017 – Emory University

Visiting Assistant Professor – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101) and Social Research I (SOC 355) and Internship in Sociology

Fall, 2016 – Emory University

Visiting Assistant Professor – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101) and Culture and Society (SOC 221) and Internship in Sociology

Spring, 2016 – Emory University

Visiting Assistant Professor – Culture and Society (SOC 221) and Internship in Sociology

Fall, 2015 – Emory University

Visiting Assistant Professor – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101) and Culture and Society (SOC 221) and Internship in Sociology

Spring, 2015 – Emory University

Visiting Assistant Professor – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101) and Special Topics in the Sociology of New Media (SOC 389)

Fall, 2014 – Emory University

Visiting Assistant Professor – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101)

Spring, 2014 – Emory University, Atlanta, GA

Visiting Assistant Professor – Culture and Society (SOC 221) and Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101)

Summer, 2012 – Emory University, Atlanta, GA

Graduate Student Instructor - Culture and Society (SOC 221)

Fall 2011-Summer 2012 – Emory University, Atlanta, GA

SIRE Fellow - Scholarly Inquiry at Emory: interdisciplinary research seminar

Spring, 2010 – Emory University, Atlanta, GA

Graduate Student Instructor - Culture and Society (SOC 221)

Fall 2006-Fall 2009 – Emory University, Atlanta, GA

Teaching Assistant – Introduction to Sociology (SOC 101), Culture and Society (SOC 221), Social Research I (SOC 355)

Summer, 2009 – Emory University, Atlanta, GA

Teaching Assistant – Study Abroad Program: Comparative Health Systems (SOC 390)

Fall 2001-Spring 2002 – University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Teaching Assistant – Mass Media Industries (for Professor Joe Turow); Argumentation and Public Advocacy (for Professor Katherine Kolbert)

Fall 1998-Spring 1999 – McMaster University, Hamilton, ON

Teaching Assistant – Introduction to English (English 101)

MENTORING

Committee Member (2023): Alyssa Wu. “Developing a Method for Circulating Tumor Cell Detection in Pediatric Medulloblastoma: Correlations with Metastatic Status and Prognostic Factors.” Chair: Hui Mao (Dept: Biology)

Chair, Honor’s Thesis (2022): Tori Huggins, “An examination of the current state of female athlete media coverage.”

Committee Member (2022): Raoul Dubey. “A microeconomic analysis of the determinants and effects of economic migration in India.” Chair: Stephen O’Connell (Dept: Economics)

Committee Member, Honors Thesis (2022): Chair: Alyasah Sewell (Dept: Sociology) Elizabeth Pittenger, “Policing as a Social Determinant of Health: How Death by Law Enforcement Impacts Community Health in the Time of COVID-19”

SERVICE

Fall 2022-Present – Hiring Committee Member for Institute for the Liberal Arts
Fall 2022-Present – Emory College Curriculum Committee
Fall 2020-Fall 2021 – Emory College GER Working Group
Spring 2020 – Emory Scholars Selection Committee (Interviewer)
Spring 2020 – Emory College Graduation Class Speaker Selection Committee (Faculty Member)
Fall 2019-Spring 2020 - Hiring Committee Member for Department of Psychology
Fall 2018-Spring 2019 – Hiring Committee Member for Latinx Cluster Hire
Fall 2018-Spring 2019 – Undergraduate Committee in Sociology
Spring 2018 – Chair for SEUSS, The Southeastern Undergraduate Sociology Symposium
Spring 2017-present – Math tutor for the Global Village Project, refugee girls school in Decatur, GA
Spring 2016 – co-chair for SEUSS, The Southeastern Undergraduate Sociology Symposium
Spring 2014 – Advisor for RISE program (undergraduate Sociology research program)
Fall 2011 – Reviewer for *Poetics* Journal
Spring 2009-Fall 2011 – Emory Library Policy Committee, Graduate Student Representative
Spring 2009 – Moderator for Southern Undergraduate Sociology Symposium; Morehouse College
Fall 2008-Spring 2009 – Emory Sociology Speaker Series Committee
Spring 2007-Fall 2009 – Judge for SIRE Undergraduate Research Presentations
