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❖ Education

PhD. (2008) Department of Government, Cornell University
Major field: Comparative Politics
Minor field: International Relations

Dissertation Title: "Surrendering Consent: The Politics of Transitional Justice in Post-Genocide Rwanda" (Field research: January 2004-August 2005 in Rwanda)

2004 M.A. Department of Government, Cornell University
2000 M.A. International Relations, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India
1998 B.A. *First class First* in Political Science, Calcutta University, India

❖ Current position

Fall 2008 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science. University of South Carolina, Columbia

❖ Past position held

2007-8 Kroc Visiting Fellow at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, IN

❖ Academic honors

2006 Bluestone Peace Studies Fellowship
2005 Mellon Foundation Dissertation Fellowship
2004 Dissertation grant. Ford Foundation funded Program on Transnational Contention
2003 Frank Long Peace Studies Fellowship
2003 Travel grant from the Mario Einaudi Center. Cornell University
Research grant from the Peace Studies Program. Cornell University
Research grant from the South Asia Program. Cornell University
2002 High Pass in the Comparative Politics Field Exam
2000 Sage Fellowship
1998 Nitish Chandra Chakraborty prize, Calcutta University
Chandan Kumar Bhattacharya book prize, Calcutta University
Rajendra Kishore memorial prize, Calcutta University

❖ **Publications**

Book chapters

- 2005 Gopal Guru and Anuradha Chakravarty, "Who Are The Country's Poor? Social Movement Politics and Dalit Poverty" in Raka Ray and Mary F. Katzenstein eds. *Social movements in India: poverty, power, and politics*. Rowman & Littlefield Pub, Inc.

Peer-reviewed journal articles

- 2007 Anuradha Chakravarty, "Inter-ethnic marriages, survival of women and the logics of genocide in Rwanda" *Genocide Studies and Prevention* (Special issue on genocide in Rwanda), Vol. 2(3)
- 2006 Anuradha Chakravarty, "Gacaca courts in Rwanda: Understanding divisions within the human rights community" *Yale Journal of International Affairs*, Winter/Spring issue, Vol. 2.

Articles

- 2007 Anuradha Chakravarty, "Tokyo International Court" in *The Encyclopedia of World History 1900-1950*, Vol.5

❖ **Courses designed**

- Fall 2008 POLI 391: *Genocide: A Comparative Perspective* (University of South Carolina)
- Fall 2002 GOVT 100.05 *Explaining Ethnic Conflict* (Cornell University)

❖ **Courses taught as teaching assistant**

- 2007 GOVT 380: *The International Law and Politics of Human Rights*, Professor Nina Tannenwald, Cornell Univ.
- 2003 GOVT 294: *Global Ethics*, Professor Burke Hendrix, Cornell Univ.
- 2002 GOVT 305: *Atomic consequences*, Professor Michael Dennis, Cornell Univ.
- 2001 GOVT 393: *Introduction to Peace Studies*, Professor Judith Reppy, Cornell Univ.

❖ **Research interests**

Transitional justice and democratization in post-conflict states
Comparative studies of Genocide
Non-state actors and the politics of human rights
Causes of war
Political culture, nationalism and ethnic conflict
Political mobilization, local and transnational social movements
Politics and regional patterns of violence in sub-Saharan Africa
States and guerrilla wars in South Asia

❖ Conference presentations

- 2008 “Confessions and Counter-Confessions: The Politics of Truth-telling in Rwanda”
forthcoming presentation at the *African Studies Association* annual meeting,
Chicago (November)
- 2007 “‘This is mercy but within quotes!’- Thinking about a human rights approach to
reconciliatory justice in Rwanda” Presented at the *African Studies Association* annual
meeting, New York
- 2006 “Local dynamics of contention around genocide trials in Rwanda”
Presented at the *African Studies Association* annual meeting, San Francisco
- 2006 “State power, human rights and the rule of law in post-genocide Rwanda: An
ethnographic analysis of a grassroots judicial process”
Presented at the *American Political Science Association* annual meeting. Philadelphia.
- 2002 “Deconstructing the idea of ‘Africa’”
Presented at the *African Studies Association* annual meeting. Washington, D.C.
- 2002 “The *gacaca* in conflict management in post-genocide Rwanda”
Presented at the conference on *Conflict Studies: The New Generation of Ideas*.
University of Massachusetts, Boston
- 2002 “Political praxis and transformative capacity of Mothers in movement”
- Paper presented at the *World Congress of Sociology* convened by the
International Sociological Association. Brisbane, Australia.
- Poster session at the *American Political Science Association* annual meeting, Boston.

❖ Invited Talks

- 2008 “Surrendering Consent: The Politics of Genocide Trials in Rwanda”
Department of Political Science and the African Studies Program, University of
Wisconsin-Madison
- 2008 “Inter-ethnic marriages and the survival of Tutsi women in the Rwandan genocide”
Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina
- 2007 “Surrendering Consent: The Politics of Justice for Genocide Crimes in Rwanda”
Joan B. Kroc Institute, University of Notre Dame
- 2007 “*Gacaca*: Principles, Practices, and Consequences for Reconciliation”
Course on Ethnic Conflict, Instructor Dev Gupta, Department of Political
Science, Carleton College, MN
- 2007 “Healing after Human Rights Violations: Rwanda, South Africa, Sierra Leone”
Course on Law and Politics of Human Rights, Prof Nina Tannenwald,
Department of Government, Cornell University
- 2005 “*Gacaca*: Building the rule of law in post-genocide Rwanda”
Department of History, Presidency College, India
- 2003 “Transitional justice and reconciliation in post-genocide Rwanda”
Peace Studies Program Dinner Seminar, Cornell University
- 2003 “The Naga Ho-Ho: Civil Society Networks, Armed Insurgency and
Reconciliation”, South Asia Program, Cornell University

❖ **Professional memberships**

American Political Science Association [Comparative Politics, Conflict processes,
Comparative Democratization, Qualitative Methods]
African Studies Association

❖ **Methodological skills**

Comparative case studies; process tracing; interview techniques for elites and ordinary
people; ethnographic methods in post-conflict zones; archival research; basic statistical
analyses using SAS and STATA

Consortium on Qualitative Research Methods:

Institute on qualitative research methods, Arizona State University, January 2007

❖ **Language skills**

English – native level proficiency

French – advanced reading ability; intermediate spoken ability

Kinyarwanda – building a detailed political vocabulary

Bengali and Hindi – native languages

❖ **Professional service**

Presentations at peer training sessions on field research in conflict and post-conflict zones,
Department of Government, Cornell University (November 2006, March 2007)

Search Committee, Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina (Fall 2008)

❖ **References**

Dr. Sidney G. Tarrow (Dissertation Advisor)
Maxwell M. Upson Professor
of Government and Sociology
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Dr. Nicolas van de Walle
John S. Knight Professor
of International Relations
Cornell University
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Dr. Mary F. Katzenstein
Milman Professor of American Studies
Cornell University
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Dr. Devra C. Moehler
Assistant Professor of Government
University of Pennsylvania

Dr. Scott Straus
Assistant Professor
Department of Political Science
University of Wisconsin-Madison
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