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## **EDUCATION**

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Ph.D. in Public History, Middle Tennessee State University, July 2024.

M.A. History, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh, March 2014

B.A. History, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh, December 2013

## **DISSERTATION**

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*Hindu-Muslim Relations during the Long Partition of Bengal: The Case of Noakhali, 1946-65*

Dissertation Director: Mark Doyle

Committee Members: Martha Norkunas, Pankhuree Dube, and Jonathan DiCicco

External: Tariq Omar Ali

## **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

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Adjunct Professor at Motlow Community College, Smyrna, TN. Spring 2025.

Adjunct Professor at Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN, Fall 2023

**Class Title:** Global Culture in History (Two section).

Graduate Teaching Assistant at Middle Tennessee State University, 2018 Fall to 2023

Summer

## **OTHER EXPERIENCES**

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Review Editor of *Scientia et Humanitas*, a peer-reviewed Journal, Middle Tennessee State University, 2022-2023.

- Reviewed manuscript for overall suitability to the journal and the interventions to wider scholarly discourse and articulated recommendation. Supported for the citations' correction and publication ethics.

Research Assistant of Paul R. Greenough, University of Iowa, 2012 May-June.

- Archival Research in the National Archives of Bangladesh about *the Politics of Epidemic aid: the CDC's mission to Cold War East Pakistan, 1958*; translator of Bengali to English.

Residency Program 2020-2021

- The Partition Museum, Amritsar India and Gandhi Ashram Trust, Noakhali, Bangladesh.

Public History Workshop 2022 Feb 7-19

- Memory and Materiality: Srishti Manipal Institute of Art, Design and Technology, Bangalore, India.

**Book Title** (*manuscript in progress*)

Hindu-Muslim Relations during the Long Partition of Bengal:  
The Case of Noakhali, 1946-65

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## PUBLICATIONS

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“Jogendra’s Properties in Noakhali: Displacement and Death of Hope” in *Modern Asian Studies*, 2025. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0026749X2400048>

“Noakhali Riots 1946: Personal Stories in Historical Memory,” Words and Silences: Vol. 11, Article 5 (2024). Available at: <https://www.ioha.org/journal/articles/noakhali-riots-1946-personal-stories-in-historical-memory/>

“The Retrieving Memories of Gandhi’s Peace-Mission: Noakhali Riots 1946” in *Scientia el Humanities*, vol 13 (May 2023).  
<https://libjournals.mtsu.edu/index.php/scientia/article/view/2414/1421>

## Book Review and Newspaper Editorials

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Review of *The Political Partition in India* by Abdur Razzaq in Journal of Governance of Security Development, (May 2022)

Editorial *Gandhi’s Sojourn to Noakhali* in the Daily Star: A Tribute to 153<sup>rd</sup> Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, (Oct 3, 2022)

Editorial *75 Years of Partition: How the Noakhali Riots Came to be* in the Daily Star (Nov 18, 2022)

## PRESENTATIONS

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“Political Propaganda of Hindu-Muslim in Noakhali: Fear and Fractured Relations 1939-1947,” 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference on South Asian, October 2024, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

“The Commemorative Landscape and the Post-memory of the 1947 Partition of India in Noakhali,” 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference on South Asian, October 2023, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

“Suhrawardy Joining Hands with Gandhi after the Noakhali Riots in 1946,” 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference on South Asian, October 2023, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

“Bengali Muslims: The Return to Noakhali from Calcutta, 1946-1965” 10<sup>th</sup> Emerging Scholars Symposium on Oral History, Digital Storytelling, and Creative Practice, March 2023 Concordia University, Montreal, Canada.

“Bengali Muslims: The Return to Noakhali from Calcutta, 1946-1965,” 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Oral History Association of India at IIT, March 2023, Hyderabad, India.

“The Forgotten Satyanarayan: The Bridge-maker in Noakhali,” Southern Humanities Conference, January 2022, Memphis, Tennessee.

“Jogendra’s Properties: Displacement and Natural Death of Hope,” 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on South Asian, October 2021, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

“Noakhali Riots 1946: A Historical Memory,” Oral History Conference, August 2021, Singapore.

“The Bengal Partition 1947: Stories of Vulnerability Across the Divide,” Oral History Conference, October 2020, Baltimore, Maryland.

“The Overlooked Voices of Women Garments Workers in Bangladesh: Abused and Exploitation,” University of Liberal Arts, June 1, 2015.

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

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Fellowship: *American Institute of Bangladesh Studies*, 2022-2023, \$3,000.

Roscoe & Lucy Strickland, May Dean Eberling, and Bart McCash, 2020. \$5000

Roscoe & Lucy Strickland, and Thelma Jennings. 2022, \$4,000 Bart McCash and Roscoe & Lucy Strickland. 2023, \$2000.

Scholarly week award for poster presentation at Middle Tennessee State University. Second Position. Title: Commemorative Landscape of Bangladesh: A History of National Identity and Transformation., 2020. \$150

1<sup>st</sup> place Scholarly week poster presentation, at Middle Tennessee State University.

“Satyanarayan: The Forgotten Gandhian and Bridgemaker in Noakhali, Bangladesh.” 2022, \$150.

Bangladesh-Sweden Trust Fund (BSTF), Travel Grant, 2020. \$450.

## Invited Talks

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*The Community engaged scholarship and Hindu-Muslim Relationships in Noakhali: 1946-1965*, April 11, 2024. History Department at Xavier University of Louisiana, New Orleans, USA.

“*Oral History: Theory and Methodology*” talk delivered for the M.A. Students in the History Department at the University of Dhaka, Bangladesh, August 9, 2023.

“*The process of Higher Study Abroad*” lecture delivered for the students of intending study abroad,” July 28, 2023. University of Dhaka, Bangladesh.

“*Worked as a Tour guide for the Gandhi Ashram Trust*,” Noakhali Bangladesh. July 2022.

## SERVICE

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Volunteer at Gandhi Ashram Trust, 2015-2018, Noakhali Bangladesh. Conducting oral interviews and collecting artifacts and joining the academic meeting of Gandhi Monument Project. 2018.

Volunteering: Tennessee History Day, Volunteer Feb 7, 2020,

Judge: Tennessee History Day, February 10, 2022.

Judge: Tennessee History Day, February 17, 2023.

## Digital History Projects

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- Documentary on Somali Refugees in Nashville, TN, 2019. “The Making of Muna Muday,” <https://vimeo.com/345818817/bc168ddb1>) Directed by Academy winning independent Film Maker Paul Wagner and Professor Dr. Martha Norkunas at Middle Tennessee State University. Being the researcher of the subject matter, the several days of location filming with Ms. Muday, and several weeks of long editing process and all leading up to the premiere of the film at the Nashville Public Library.
- Digital project on the Historical Marker in Murfreesboro, TN. <https://murfreesboro-monuments.mtsu.edu/> This Curatescape website explores Murfreesboro Tennessee’s commemorative landscape. The Murfreesboro Monuments Team created tours and wrote stories entries detailing the histories of monuments and historic markers in the city.
- History and Memory: Revealing connection between History and Memory in Bangladesh: <https://historyandmemory982735136.wordpress.com/>
- This website will be an opportunity to see my oral interviews taken in the villages in Bangladesh, letters collected, and photographs taken of the interviewee’s family members. <https://mpr3c1.wixsite.com/md-pervejur-rahaman>

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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Oral History Association

American Historical Association

Global Ambassador of Gandhi Ashram Trust

American Institute of Bangladesh Studies

## Language

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Bengali Native

English

Persian

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