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Areas of Interest:

Indian Writing in English, Diaspora, Poetry and Literary Criticism.

Areas of Specialization:

Indian Writing in English, Diaspora, Historical Fiction and Literary Criticism.

Professional Qualification:

- **Doctor of Philosophy** from Gandhigram Rural Institute (Deemed University), Dindigul, with a pass percentage of 60(**Commented**) on September 2016
- **Master of Philosophy** from Gandhigram Rural Institute (Deemed University), Dindigul, with a pass percentage of **66.67** (First Class) in 2012
- **Master of Arts** from MVM Govt. Arts College for Women, Dindigul, with a pass percentage of **76.23** (First Class with Distinction) in 2011
- **Bachelor of Arts** from Govt. Arts College, Ooty, with a pass percentage of **62.2**(First Class) in 2009
- **H.S.C** from Govt. Higher Secondary School, Esanatham, Karur, with a pass percentage of **56.8** in 2006
- **S.S.L.C** from St. Joseph's Girls Higher Secondary School, Dindigul, with a pass percentage of **84** in 2004

Awards:

- Obtained University 2nd Rank in Post Graduate Degree from Mother Teresa University, Kodaikanal.
- Awarded with the Maulana Azad National Fellowship for Minority Students for the year 2011-12.

Publication of the Research Paper in Journals:

- **“Children’s Chimera: Ethics, History and Science as Tools in Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni’s *The Brotherhood of Conch* Trilogy.”** Literary Quest, An International, Peer-Reviewed, Open Access, Monthly, Online Journal of English Language and Literature, Vol 1, Issue 2, July 2014. [ISSN: 2349 – 5650] (Copy enclosed)
- **“Image of the Socio-Political Realities in Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni’s *Queen of Dreams*.”** Scholar Critic, An International, Peer-Reviewed, Open Access, Monthly, Online Journal of English Language, Literature and Cultural Studies, Vol 1, Issue 2, Aug 2014. [ISSN: 2348 – 6945] (Copy enclosed)

Paper Presented on National/State level Seminars:

- Presented a paper on **Rehabilitation of Emperor Bahadur Shah in G.D.Khosla’s *The Last Mughal*** in the National Seminar held on 30th September, 2011, at Mannar Thirumalai Naikar College, Madurai.
- Presented a paper titled ***The Palace of Illusion: Reinventing the Great Epic Mahabharata in a Feminine Perspective*** in the UGC-Sponsored National Seminar on **Indian English Fiction of the New Millennium** organized by the Faculty of English and Foreign Languages, Gandhigram Rural Institute-Deemed University at Gandhigram on February 11 and 12, 2013.
- Presented a paper titled **A Study of Prabhat K. Singh’s *The Vermilion Moon*** in the UGC-Sponsored National Seminar on **Indian Poetry in English** organized by the Faculty of English and Foreign Languages, Gandhigram Rural Institute-Deemed University at Gandhigram on February 01 and 02, 2012.
- Presented a paper on **World of Females: A Reading of Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni’s *Sister of My Heart* in a Feminine Perspective** in the UGC-Sponsored State Level Seminar on **Themes and Issues in Contemporary Feminist Writing** organized by the Department of English, Saraswathi Narayanan College, Madurai on 28th February 2014.

National/International Level Workshops/Symposiums/Seminars Participated:

- Participated in the UGC-Sponsored National Seminar on **Literary Theory** organized and conducted by the Reserch Centre and Department of English, Fatima College, Madurai, on December 16 & 17, 2011.
- Participated in **the International Symposium : Indo-American Perspectives on Women** organized and conducted by the Reserch Centre and Department of English, Fatima College, Madurai, on January 09, 2012.
- Participated in the UGC-Sponsored Workshop on **Conducting Researchin English Language and Literature**organized by the Faculty of English and Foreign Languages, Gandhigram Rural Institute-Deemed University at Gandhigram on January 10, 2012.
- Participated in the UGC-Sponsored Workshop on **Research Methodology** organized by the Faculty of English and Foreign Languages, Gandhigram Rural Institute-Deemed University at Gandhigram on September 27 and 28, 2011.
- Participated in the One Day National Level Seminar **on Value-oriented Education** organized by M.V.M.C.A College of Education, Dindigul on 18th Feb 2012.
- Participated in the National Workshop on Comprehending Theatre conducted by Mr.Joshua, Asst. Professor & M.Phil., Coordinator, Christ University, Bangalore, at Fatima College, Madurai on 27th February, 2014.
- Participated in the Workshop on Skills Development organized by the Students Activities Club of Gandhigram Rural Institute- Deemed University, Gandhigram on March 10 & 11, 2014.

Extra-curricular Activities:

- Got certificates and prizes for participation in Inter-Collegiate and Inter-Department Competitions like Chess, Carom, English Speech, Poetry, Quiz, Turn Coat, Mehendi, Drawing, Tableau, Group Singing, FlowerCarpet, etc.

Certificate Courses:

- Completed a certificate course on **Beautician** organized by Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, New Delhi, Conducted at M.V.M. Govt. Arts College for Women, Dindigul from 01/11/2010 to 28/02/2011.