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Divine Service: The Sixteen Works (Śoḍaśagranthāḥ) of Vallabhācārya. I am actively working on this. I have completed translations of all sixteen texts and a rough draft of annotations on nine of them.

The Veda in the Twentieth Century (monograph, in progress). (Stuttgart: Otto Harrassowitz) Most of the chapters are now about half written.

Critical edition of the *Sudarśanasamhitā*, an 18th century Sanskrit text on ritual and sorcery.

Editorial Positions

- Sub-editor for articles on Indian religion for the Encyclopaedia Britannica's online database (2000-2010).
- South Asia, Central Asia, Southeast Asia, and Tibet editor for *Religious Studies Review* (2002-2012).
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Archival and Production Work

1982 "Devarūpāvatāra: Selections of Recitation from the Vedic Soma Sacrifice." A 90 minute taperecorded with written explanation; published privately; 1982. About 200 copies of this have been distributed to scholars and institutions throughout the world.

1985 Copies of 51 tapes (=81 hours, out of more than 150 hours I have recorded) of field recordings of Vedic ritual recitations have been deposited (September 1985) with the Archives and Research Centre for Ethnomusicology (ARCE) in New Delhi (see ARCE Newsletter, Fall 1985).

1980 - 2007 More than 2000 photographs of Vedic sacrificial rituals that I have taken are in my private collection. These are available to scholars.

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13. American Institute of Indian Studies - Senior Research Fellowship, March 1985 - March 1986. Project title: "The Vājapeya Sacrifice."
14. American Institute of Indian Studies - Junior Research Fellowship, December 1979 - April 1982.

*** Applied for the following grants for 2015-2016, which I must negotiate with my employer if received: Fulbright, ACLS. As of this date I have received tentative acceptances from AIIS and Fulbright. I have yet heard from the ACLS. The project combines my textual and ethnographic skills and would be in the Indian Himalayas. Title: Possession, Processions, and the *Mahābhārata* in the Western and Central Himalayas.

Teaching:

Areas of Teaching Competence:

Primary: Sanskrit (all levels); Religions of India (esp. Vedic and Hindu Religion and Tradition); Indian Philosophy; South Asian Civilization; Sanskrit medical literature; Religion and healing.

Secondary: Indian History and Archaeology, History of Religions.

Courses:

University of Iowa:

Sanskrit Language: All Levels (introductory through fifth year).

Sanskrit Grammatical Studies.

Graduate Seminar: Readings in Indian Religious Tradition.

Graduate Seminar: Religion in India: Veda and Upaniṣads.

Graduate Seminar: Themes in Continuity in Indian Religious Tradition.

Graduate Seminar: Yoga Sūtras and Yoga Tradition.
Interpreting the Vedas: The Vedas as Text, Myth, and Tradition.
Vedic Literature.
Comparative Religious Ritual.
The Bhāgavata Purāṇa.
East Meets West: The Western Reception of Eastern Religion.
Living Religions of the East.
Introduction to the Religions of South Asia.
Languages of Asia (co-taught with South Coblin and others).
Asian Humanities: India.
Enlightenment!
Tantra in India and Beyond.
Religion and Environmental Ethics.
Introduction to Buddhism.
Senior seminar in Religion: Narratives of Compassion in World Religions.
Contemporary Asian News Colloquium.
Religion and Healing.

University of Pennsylvania:

Advanced Sanskrit (Seminar in Indian Drama).
Hindu India: A Different View of the World.
First Year Sanskrit.
Advanced Sanskrit (Vedic Seminar).
Introduction to Indian Philosophy (with Wilhelm Halbfass).
Zen Buddhism (with Kenneth Kraft).
Classical Sanskrit Drama.

Scholarly Presentations

Since 1980, I have spoken at a large number of academic conferences and guest lectureships, both within (in addition to numerous special presentations at Iowa) and internationally. International presentations are listed separately. The most notable were the following:

Invited lectures (in the U.S. and Canada):

April 2015: "Socollinguistics and possession in Indian Buddhism." University of Calgary.

April 2015:

December 2013: "What did the Buddha deny when he denied the self (ātman)?" Princeton Buddhist Studies Seminar.

November 2013: "The Form of No Form: Placing Shiva Linga Paintings in Context." Arcadia University Art Center, Lansdale, PA.

November 2013: "Theories on translating an ancient Indian text into modern English." Rutgers University

November 2013: "Magic, Rationality and Empiricism in the History of Indian Medicine." New York University

October 2013: "Middle Class Americans Adopting Middle Class Hinduism from the 1960s to 1990s." Symposium: *Hinduism in the Diaspora*. Princeton University.

- April 2013: "Continuities and disjunctions in the history of Indian psychotherapeutic practice." Two lectures, University of Virginia.
- October 2012: "Is it possible to translate the Sanskrit Mahābhārata?" Program in Translation and Intercultural Communication, Princeton University.
- April 2010: "Non-Sāṃkhya Constructions of the Person and Body in the *Mahābhārata*." International Workshop on Philosophy in the *Mahābhārata*, Brown University.
- April 2010: "Possession: disease or healing, affliction or grace?" Missouri State University.
- April 2009: "Indian Buddhist Sociolinguistics and Buddhist Notions of Possession: A Fragment from the Mañjuśrīmūlakalpa." Columbia University Buddhist Studies Seminar.
- April 2009: "The Convergence of Religion and Medicine in India and Beyond." Truman State Univ. Kirksville, MO.
- April 2009: "Medicine as Religion and Religion as Medicine in India." Coe College, Cedar Rapids, IA.
- March 2008: "Possession and Pilgrimage in the Indian Himalayas." College of Charleston, Charleston SC.
- February 2008: "Methodology of Text and Methodology of Fieldwork in the Study of Possession in India." University of Fairfield, Fairfield CT.
- February 2008: "Discourses of Practice and Practices of Discourse in Indic Historical and Religious Traditions." University of Pennsylvania.
- February 2007: "Narrativity and Empiricism in Classical Indian Accounts of Birth and Death: The *Mahābhārata* and the *Samhitās* of *Caraka* and *Suśruta*." Brown University.
- November 2005: Two seminars conducted at Vassar College: (1) Seminar on deity and spirit possession. (2) Seminar on the comparative study of sacred geography.
- February 2005: "The Permeable Self and the Impermeable Household in South Asia." Brown University. Lecture was part of a series on Religion and Daily life in the Ancient World.
- March 2003: "Philosophy and Orthopraxis in the Construction of Sectarian Doxographies: The Bālabodha Vallabhācārya." Department of Philosophy, University of New Mexico.
- March 2002: "Possession, Prognostication, and the Dissemination of Popular Tantric Ritual in India and China." Conference on *Tantra and Daoism: The Globalization of Religion and Its Experience*. Boston University, Boston, MA, 21, 2002.
- February 2001: "Folk to Classical and Back Again: Language and Gender in Deity and Spirit Possession in Indian Culture." Columbia University.
- November, 2000: "Representations and Uses of the Bhagavad-Gītā in India and the West." Drexel University Works Symposium. Drexel University, Philadelphia.
- March, 2000: "The Theory and Practice of *Pralaya*: Millennialism in Classical Sanskrit Literature." Plenary session at the 210th meeting of the American Oriental Society, Portland, OR.

October, 1999: "The Illusion of Orthodoxies: The Loss and Recovery of Possession in Sanskrit literature." \ Evans-Wentz Annual Seminar Series, Stanford University.

February, 1996: "The Veda, The Construction of Knowledge, and Dark Matter." Seminar entitled "Whose \ sponsored by the Dharam Hinduja Indic Research Institute, Columbia University (the seminar was the Univ. of Florida, Gainesville).

May, 1994: "The Memory of the Veda and the Problem of Cultural Identity in India." Barnard College /Col University.

May, 1994: "The Ritual Construction of Life." University of Iowa, Annual Adler Luncheon.

March, 1994: "Identity and Ideal among Brahmans of South India." Macalester College.

February, 1994: "Who possesses the Veda?" Columbia University.

November, 1992: "Votive Offerings in Ancient Religious Practice." Univ. of Iowa Museum of Art.

March, 1992: "The Persistence of Memory in Indian Sacred Tradition." Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison.

November, 1991: "Classical Indian Religion in Modern India." Seminar on Culture and Religion in India. W University, St. Louis.

Conference papers (in the U.S. and Canada):

November 2014: "Discrepancies between video and narrative presentations of Vedic ritual." American Ac Religion, Annual Meeting, San Diego.

November 2011: "Religion in Search of a Philosophy: A Brief History of the Goals of Yoga." American Acad Religion, Annual Meeting, San Francisco.

November 2011: "B.K.S. Iyengar and the expansion of the corpus of Yoga." American Academy of Religion Meeting, San Francisco.

November 2010: Respondent to panel entitled "Selves and Experience: Shankara and *The Self Possessed*." Th discussed issues on the construction of personality in South Asia arising from my book (cf. above, 2006). American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Atlanta.

November 2009: "The Origin of Dialogical Practice in the Śrauta Sūtras: The Dvaidha Section of the Baudh Śrauta Sūtra." American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Montreal.

November 2009: "Healing Mantras, Healing Plants, Healing Rituals." Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting Montreal.

March 2009. "Possession as Pathology and as Healing in South Asia." Society for the Anthropology of Religion/Society for Psychological Anthropology. Biennial meeting, Monterey CA.

March 2009. "*Sattvāvajaya*, Psychology, and Ritual Possession in India." American Oriental Society, Annual Albuquerque.

- November 2008: "Possession as a Strategy for Ritual Embodiment." Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting,
- November 2007: Response to a panel dedicated to discussion of my book, *The Self Possessed*. American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, San Diego.
- November 2007: "Yoga, Tantra, *Avimukta*." Mysticism Group. American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, San Diego.
- November 2007: "Devotion, Possession, and Ritual Theory in India." Seminar: "Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective." American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, San Diego.
- October 2007: Response to a panel dedicated to discussion of my book, *The Self Possessed*. 35th Annual Southwestern Conference; University of Wisconsin, Madison.
- October 2005: "Dharma and Disease: Spirits as disease-Causing Agents in the *Madanamahārṇava*." 33rd Annual Asia Conference; University of Wisconsin, Madison.
- March 2005: "Names of *grahas* in the *Madanamahārṇava*." American Oriental Society, Annual Meeting, Philadelphia.
- November 2004: "The Discourse of Emotion and the Discourse of *Rasa*." American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, San Antonio.
- March 2004. "Possession in the *Mahābhārata*." American Oriental Society, Annual Meeting, San Diego.
- December 2003: "Library Resources and the Study of Religion in Postgraduate Education in India." Conference on the Study of Religion in India, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi.
- March 2002: "Suggestions Regarding the Transmission of Possession Ritual from India to China: The Evidence from Sanskrit Manuscripts." American Oriental Society, Houston.
- November, 1999: "Philosophy and Orthopraxis in the Construction of Pustimārga Doxographies." American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Boston.
- March, 1999: "The Hierarchy of Philosophical Systems according to Vallabhācārya." American Oriental Society, Annual Meeting, Baltimore.
- November, 1997: "Ideologies of Reality in 'Traditional' and 'Modern' Discourse on Indian Antiquity." American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, San Francisco.
- March, 1997: "The Indian Spring Festival of *Holi*." Institute of World Cultures; Moline, Illinois.
- November, 1996: "The Veda, the Construction of Knowledge, and Dark Matter." American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting; New Orleans. (This presentation was significantly revised from the invited paper presented at the American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, Tallahassee, Florida in Feb. 1996.)
- October, 1996: "The Referential Character of Enlightenment according to Vallabhācārya." Eighth International Conference on Vedānta. Miami University; Oxford, Ohio.
- April, 1993: "Entry and Possession: *Āveśa* in Sanskrit Literature." 203rd meeting of the American Oriental Society, Chapel Hill.

November, 1992: "Possession and Ownership in Classical Indian Religious Experience." American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, San Francisco.

November, 1990: "Vedānta, the Śāṅkarācāryas, and the Institution of Sacrifice." American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting, New Orleans.

March, 1990: "The Use and Significance of the Termitte-Mound (*valmīkavapā*) in the Vedic Ritual." 200th meeting of the American Oriental Society, Atlanta.

November, 1988: "Memory in Vedic Revelation." American Academy of Religion, Annual Meeting; Chicago.

March, 1987: "Exchange rates in the Vedic Ritual: the Mūlyādhyāyapariśiṣṭa of Kātyāyana." 197th meeting of the American Oriental Society, Los Angeles.

October, 1984: "Agnīśatanāma: Names of Agni in the Vedic Ritual." 6th World Sanskrit Conference; Philadelphia.

November, 1983: "The Vedic Śrauta Ritual in Maharashtra in the Twentieth Century." 12th Annual South Asian Studies Conference; University of Wisconsin, Madison.

October, 1983: "The Concept of Boundaries in the Vedic Ritual." Association for Asian Studies, Mid-Atlantic Area Annual Meeting, Philadelphia.

October, 1981: "The Sabhya and Āvasathya fires in the Śrauta Ritual." 5th World Sanskrit Conference; Varanasi, India.

International Presentations and Activities

July 2014: Two weeks as a Visiting Professor at the Indian Institute of Advanced Study in Shimla, Himachal Pradesh. Paper title: Is it possible to translate the *Mahābhārata*?

July 2014: "A Modern Alchemist in India and His Production Processes." 23rd European Conference on South Asian Studies, Zürich.

January 2014: "The Hero as Superhero in the Sanskrit Epics." 6th International Vedic Studies Workshop. Kerala (India).

February 2013: "Translation of classical mental health care into modern idioms in India." Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai.

January 2013: "Models of Literary Translation of classical Sanskrit epic texts." Seagull Press, Kolkata.

September 2012: "Reclaiming deep spaces of the past: Another chapter in the history of possession." Spirituality and Possession. European Contributions To Comparative Studies. Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Pécs, Hungary.

August 2012: "Multiple medical systems and spiritual healing in India." Dept of Physiology, St. John's Medical College and Research Institute, Bangalore.

August 2012: "Pilgrimage and havelī sevā: A Puṣṭimārgī reformist current of the late 20th century." International Conference on Early Modern Literatures in North India; Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla.

- July 2012: "The expectation of ritual efficacy as an Indian historical phenomenon." 22nd European Conference on Modern South Asian Studies, Lisbon, Portugal.
- July, 2010: "On the relationship between the *Mahābhārata* and classical Ayurveda: The doctrine of *prāṇa* in *Anugīta*." 21st European Conference on Modern South Asian Studies, University of Bonn, Germany
- October 2008: "The interrelations between Vedic ritual and Hindu temple construction in modern India: a study from Maharashtra." Paper presented at a conference entitled: Ritual Dynamics and the Science of Ritual. Südasien Institut, University of Heidelberg, Germany.
- August 2008: "Scientific Method and Empiricism in the Vedas and Early Indian Medical Literature." Panjab University. Chandigarh, India.
- May 2008: "Folk and Classical in Festival Possession in the Himalayas." Private conference entitled "New Interpretation of Spirit Possession" sponsored by the British Association for the Study of Religion, University of Bangor, Gwynedd, Wales.
- March 2008: "Two Case Studies of Models of Healing at Possession Temples: The Balaji temple (in Mehndi, Rajasthan) and the Muthuswamy temple (in Velayuthampalayampudur, Tamilnadu)." Workshop titled "Faults and Flaws: Therapeutic Practices against the Norm in South Asia" French Institute of Indology, Pondicherry, India.
- March 2008: "Blending the Aesthetic and the Esoteric in the Devotional Writings of Vallabhacharya." Priyadarshini Museum, Bombay.
- June 2007: Lectures: "Possession, Mental Health Care, and Complementary and Alternative Psychiatric Practice in Contemporary India." Two day seminar titled "The Dynamics of Ritual," which featured three lectures on the theory and practice of Indian ritual: (1) "Possessions and Processions: Embodiment and Equivalence in Indian Ritual"; (2) "From Evil Spirit to Benevolent Messenger (*bhūt* to *dūt*): Extreme Conversion in Religious Practice"; (3) "Contemporary Vedic Ritual Performance in India and the Depiction of Vedic Sacrifice in the *Mahābhārata*." Südasien Institut. University of Heidelberg.
- June 2007-ongoing: Adviser to the National Mission for Manuscripts, Government of India, New Delhi.
- October 2006: "*Āveśa* in the *Mālinīvijayottara-Tantra* and possession as practice in India." Conference commemorating the 100th birth anniversary of Swami Lakshman-joo. New Delhi.
- December 2004 – January 2005. Two lectures: "Sanskrit and Indian Studies in America and Europe." "The Religion in Indian Philosophy and the Role of Philosophy in Indian Religion." Peking University, Beijing, China.
- December 2003: "The Structure of Knowledge in Āyurvedic Mental Health Care in Kerala." Conference on Āyurveda. Cambridge University, Cambridge, UK.
- December 2003: "Library Resources and the Study of Religion in Postgraduate Education in India." Conference on the Study of Religion in India, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi.
- July 2003: "Recent Examples of Contemporary Apocryphal Literature Associated with the Modern Performance of Vedic Ritual." 12th World Sanskrit Conference. Helsinki.

July 2003: "Textual Borrowings between Medical, Ritual, and Astrological Texts within the Healing tradition of Kerala." 12th World Sanskrit Conference, Helsinki.

August 2002: "The Modern Practice of Traditional Āyurvedic Mental Health Care." Dhvanyaloka Centre for Studies, Mysore.

April, 1998: "Alchemy and its Relationship with Tantra, Āyurveda, and Astrology in India." 4^o Congresso Internazionale di Spagyria ed Alchimia. Associazione Medicina Spagyrica e Filosofia Alchemica; Padova.

January, 1997: "Cessation or Manifestation? *Nirodha* in Patañjali, Abhinavagupta, and Vallabhācārya." 10th World Sanskrit Conference; Bangalore, India.

January, 1997: "Vedic Multimedia." 10th World Sanskrit Conference; Bangalore, India. A video presentation of instructional material containing Sanskrit text, still photography, and Vedic ritual chanting, along with an explanation of CD-ROM development.

June, 1987: "The Role of Women in the Vedic Ritual." International Workshop on Women in Indian Religion, sponsored by the Centre for Cross-Cultural Research on Women; Oxford, England.

May, 1982: Three invited lectures on Vedic ritual delivered at the Oriental Institute, Oxford University. Titles: "The Current Situation of Vedic Sacrificial Ritual in Maharashtra," "The Theory and Practice of Vedic Ritual in Modern India," "Unknown Literary Sources of Vedic Ritual."

Field Experience

Residence in India for more than fifteen years, largely in Poona, Madras, Mysore, Braj, and the Himalayas with extensive travel throughout the subcontinent. My first excursion to India was in 1968, on a study abroad program at Madras Christian College, administered by Florida Presbyterian College. Then followed three years, 1971-74, in Poona, for M.A. studies in Sanskrit at the Centre for Advanced Study in Sanskrit at Poona University. Near the end of more years were spent in Poona and Madras, 1979-82, on dissertation fieldwork (largely funded by Junior Research Fellowship from the American Institute of Indian Studies). It was at this time that I began my documentation on Vedic sacrificial ritual. One further year was spent, 1985-86 (on a Senior Research Fellowship from the American Institute of Indian Studies); another full year, 1995-96, on a Fulbright-Hays Faculty research Fellowship. In addition, most of a year, 2000-01, on a grant from the American Institute of Indian Studies; a year, 2006-07, on a grant from the American Institute of Indian Studies and on a Fulbright-Hays faculty research fellowship. In addition to these lengthy excursions, I have gone to India at least fifteen more times, Tibet once (for a month), and China for the shortest trip two weeks in duration, the longest five months, most connected with textual or ethnographic research projects. I have made three trips in order to develop a Study Abroad Program in Mysore for the University of Iowa. The program is commencing full operations in August, 1998, and is now one of the strongest study abroad programs in India. Most of these shorter trips have also been supported by research grants.

SERVICE

Profession

Outside reviewer for the Program in Religious Studies, University of New Mexico, April 2014.

Manuscript reader for State University of New York Press, Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press, Routledge, Columbia University Press, University of California Press, and Macmillan. Since 1988 I have read and evaluated more than 40 manuscripts submitted for publication.

Religion in South Asia (RISA) Steering Committee member, 1998-2001. RISA is a major constituent unit of the American Academy of Religion.

Hinduism Group Steering committee member, 2002-2005. This is a constituent unit of the American Academy of Religion.

Academic Working Group Head and Advisor to the Dharam Hinduja Indic Research Center, Columbia University, 1993-1999.

American Institute of Indian Studies, Trustee, 1999-2001, 2005-2006, 2008, 2015.

Tenure or promotion evaluator: Cornell University, Mississippi State University, UC Santa Barbara, University of Colorado, Rutgers University, Wright State University, Case Western Reserve University (twice), Stony Brook, Emory University, James Madison University, Washington & Lee University, Boston University, Wake Forest University, Brown University, University of Virginia.

National Screening Committee member for Fulbright applicants to India, 2007-2009.

Outside reader for Ph.D. dissertations from many Indian universities (Sri Venkateshvara University, Tiruvarthir Trivandrum University; Pune University; University of Madras, Chennai).

External grant reviewer: Israel Science Foundation (2014).

External Grant reviewer: NEH (2015).

Departments

Library Committee, School of Religion. 1991-present.

Undergraduate Education Committee, School of Religion. 1995-97.

Programs Committee, School of Religion. 1996-99.

Representative to Faculty Senate, School of Religion. 1996-99.

Served on several selection committees for new faculty and peer review committees for senior faculty (Religion Studies and Asian [and Slavic] Lang. and Lit.). Most recent: Three faculty search committees 2010-2012.

Student advising: In the School of Religion I have had four students complete their Ph.D. under my supervision and currently have five Ph.D. students working directly under my supervision. In the Dept. of Asian Studies and Lit. I have had two students complete the degree of M.A. under my supervision and currently two more students working on the M.A. degree. I have served or am serving on six other dissertation committees (two M.A., four Ph.D.); and have guided seven Senior Honors Theses.

Served on innumerable search committees, Promotion & Tenure committees, and review committees over the years in both of my departments, in other departments, International Programs and elsewhere in the university.

College

Acting Chair, Department of Asian Languages and Literature, May 1998 - Jan. 1999.

Head, South Asia Studies Program (SASP), Univ. of Iowa, 1991-94; Associate Head, 1996-2004; Director, 2004-2006. Member, Executive Committee. International Programs, 2003-2006.

Member, Executive Committee, Center for International and Comparative Studies (CICS), Univ. of Iowa, 1991-1999.

Member, Executive Committee, Kala Mandali (Indian Music and Arts Circle), Iowa City, 1990 - present.

Member, Executive Committee, Artists and Artisans in Traditional Technology in Development (AARTTID) Project, 1995.

Co-organizer of the 24th meeting of the South Asia Language Association, held at the University of Iowa, January 22, 2002.

Co-organizer of the 15th meeting of the South Asia Language Association, held at the University of Iowa, January 23, 1993.

Fund-raising for the University of Iowa Kannada Language project, 1990-1998.

Selection committee member for Foreign Language Area Fellowships (FLAS), International Center, University of Iowa, 1997-99.

Member, Board of Advisors, Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) Clinic, University of Iowa Health and Clinics, 1997-present.

Membership in Professional Societies

American Oriental Society

American Academy of Religion
 Association of Asian Studies
 Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute (life member)
 World Sanskrit Association
 European Association for South Asian Studies

Teaching chart 2014 Frederick M. Smith

SPRING 2014		
Course Title		Enrollment
RELS:3666:0001 (032:166:001)	Rel/Spiritl Prac: Yoga in Asia	11 (6 grad)
SOAS:5201:0003 (039:216:003)	Indiv Sanskrit for Advanced Students	1 (grad)
032:291:504	Thesis	1 (grad)
RELS:4960:0504 (032:195:504)	Independent Study	1 (grad)

FALL 2014		
HONR:1300:0026 (143:030:026)	Honors First-Year Seminar	20
032:291:504	Individual Study: Graduates	2 (grad)
RELS:3580:0001 (032:180:001)	Religion and Healing	34 (6 grad)
RELS:4960:0504 (032:195:504)	Individual Study: Undergraduates	1
ASIA:4507:0001 (039:198:001)	Topics in Asian Studies	1 (grad)
RELS:7950:0504 (032:291:504)	Independent Study	1 (grad)
SOAS:2901:0001 (039:110:001)	First-Year Sanskrit: First Semester	5 (1 grad)