

## Priten H. Shah

**Academic Interests:** Moral & Political Phil. (Ethics/Metaethics, Phil. of Education, Feminist Phil., Ideal Theory), Phil. of Religion, Social Movements, Instruction (Instuc. Tech., Research-Based Teaching)

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### EDUCATION

**Harvard College, Cambridge, MA** — *A.B., Junior*

September 2014 - May 2019 (Planned)

Joint Concentration in South Asian Studies & Philosophy (Current GPA: 3.82)

Harvard College Scholar 2016-2017 (Top 10% of Class)

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### TEACHING

**Commonwealth School, Boston, MA** — *Debate Coach*

August 2017 - Present (Part-Time)

\* Teach weekly debate class with students in grades 9-12

\* Arrange tournaments, intramural debates, & research assignments

**Global Academic Commons, Boston College, MA** — *Director of Web Design and Journalism Programs*

July 2016, July 2017 (Full-Time)

\* Designed both programs (developed instructional goals, staff schedule, & curriculum)

\* Worked with students ages 9-18 from around the world

\* Used Google Classroom and WordPress as instructional tools

**Walter Panas High School, Cortlandt Manor, NY** — *Student Teaching Assistant*

February 2016 - June 2016 (Full-Time)

\* Worked with special needs and at-risk high school students in grades 9-12

\* Helped students with homework, test preparation, & study skills in small group, individual, & classroom settings

**Lakeland District Debate Team, Shrub Oak, NY** — *Assistant Debate Coach*

Sep 2013 - June 2016 (Part-Time)

\* Traveled to tournaments during the season for argument coaching, research & judging and assisted during weekly debate classes

\* Handled tournament administration during the annual Westchester Classic Tournament

**Speaking and Debating Academy, Boston, MA** — *Instructor*

Summer 2015 (Full-Time)

\* Provided classroom instruction & one-on-one tutoring in speech and basic debate

**Harvard Debate Council Summer Workshops, Cambridge, MA** — *Instructor*

Summer 2013 (Full-Time), Summer 2014 (Full-Time)

\* Lectured and worked with students in the Public Forum Workshop

**National Forensic League of South Korea, Seoul, South Korea** — *Consultant*

August 2013 - November 2013 (Full-Time)

\* Tournament administration for national tournaments

\* Represented NFL-SK at regional debate promotion events

\* Coached students for participation in various debate events

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### RESEARCH/PROJECTS

**North Georgia Student Philosophy Conference (Presenter)** — *April 2018*

\* Paper: Spousal Visas: a Test Case for Non-Mal Distribution Justifications Against the Gendered Division of Labor

**UTSC Undergraduate Philosophy Conference (Presenter)** — *March 2018*

\* Paper: Transferable Obligations: Solving the Injustice of Forced Paternal Support

**South Asian Studies Junior Tutorial (Course Credit)** — *Spring 2018*

\* Faculty Advisor: Parimal Patil, Professor of Religion and Indian Philosophy

\* Topic: (Pre-Thesis) Goals and Challenges of Developing a Culture Studies Curriculum

### LANGUAGE SKILLS

English, Native Fluency

Gujarati, Native Fluency

Hindi, Native Fluency

Spanish, Professional Fluency

Sanskrit, Working Proficiency

Latin, Working Proficiency

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### COURSES

**Language:**

\* 28 Credits of Sanskrit

\* 8 Credits of Latin

\* 8 Credits of Hindi

**Philosophy:**

\* Educational Justice

\* Feminist Political Philosophy

\* Empiricism, Evolution, & Ethics

\* Medieval Philosophy

\* Inequality

\* Family and Social Justice

\* Early Modern Philosophy

**South Asia:**

\* Contemporary South Asia: Entrepreneurial Solutions to Intractable Social & Economic Problems

\* Expos Writing: Cross-Cultural Contact Zones

\* History of Buddhism in South Asia

\* Capitalism & Cosmology in Modern India

\* Economic History of South Asia

\* Hindu Worlds of Art & Culture

**Computer Science:**

\* Intro. to Computer Science

\* Discrete Mathematics

**Sociology:**

\* Intro. to Global Social Change

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**Book:**

\* Just One Degree: Hit the Melting Point of Top Colleges (2013): Published book on college admissions.

### **Supervised Reading and Research (Course Credit) — Fall 2017**

- \* Faculty Advisor: Gina Schouten, Assistant Professor of Philosophy
- \* Topic: Political Liberalism and Justice

### **Undergraduate Research Scholar (Paid Position) — Fall 2017, Spring 2018**

- \* Faculty Member: Gina Schouten, Assistant Professor of Philosophy
- \* Topic: Liberalism, Neutrality, and the Gendered Division of Labor (Book Manuscript)

### **Harvard College Research Program (Indep. Research Funding) — Summer 2017**

- \* Faculty Advisor: Parimal Patil, Professor of Religion and Indian Philosophy
- \* Topic: Moral and Political Thought in Pre-Modern Indian Philosophy

### **LanguageDives — Fall 2016**

- \* Designed & developed an online language learning tool for highly inflected languages
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## **CAMPUS GROUPS**

### **General Education Student Advisory Board — Spring 2018**

- \* Faculty Member: Jason Mitchell, Professor of Psychology

### **Philosophy Department Inclusion and Belonging Study Group — Spring 2018**

- \* Faculty Member: Bernhard Nickel, Professor of Philosophy

### **Philosophy in Latin (Reading Group) — Fall 2017**

- \* Faculty Member: Jeffrey McDonough, Professor of Philosophy
- \* Topic: Francisco Suárez

### **Sanskrit (Reading Group) — Fall 2017**

- \* Faculty Member: Anand Venkatkrishnan, Preceptor for Sanskrit
- \* Topic: Mālatimādhava

### **Medieval Hindi Poetry (Reading Group) — Spring 2015, Spring 2017**

- \* Faculty Member: Richard Delacy, Preceptor for Hindi/Urdu
  - \* Topic: Braj Bhasa Bhakti Poetry
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## **TALKS/LECTURES**

### **MIT HSSP Program, Cambridge, MA — Spring 2018**

- \* Taught one-hour weekly classes (six weeks) for high school & middle school students
- \* Topics: Writing for Social Change, Liberty or Justice For All: How Far Should the State Go?

### **The Academy at Harvard Square, Cambridge, MA — February 2018**

- \* Worked with middle school students from Vietnam for two days
- \* Topic: Not Too Young To Change the World

### **Educational Divide Reform, Cambridge, MA — January 2018**

- \* Gave two-hour talks at entrepreneurship program for North Korean refugees
- \* Topics: Experience of a Student-Entrepreneur, Starting Socially-Conscious Projects

### **The Academy at Harvard Square, Cambridge, MA — Winter 2018**

- \* Worked with elementary & middle school students from South Korea for five weekends

### **Yale Splash, New Haven, CT— November 2017**

- \* Taught one-hour classes at one-day program for middle & high school students
- \* Topics: Educational Justice, Public Speaking for Private Individuals, Writing for Social Change, Liberty or Justice: How Far Can the State Go?

### **United 4 Social Change, Mumbai, India — July 2015**

- \* Topic: Public Speaking and Social Advocacy

### **United 4 Social Change, Mumbai, India — July 2015**

- \* Topic: Journalism and Social Advocacy

### **Self-Employed Women's Association, Delhi, India — July 2015**

- \* Topic: Written and Spoken Social Advocacy (Hindi)
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## **NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

### **United 4 Social Change, Founder and CEO — Spring 2014-Present**

#### **Mission: Training youth to advocate for social issues using spoken & written media**

- \* Produce instructional materials (online and in-person) to train young changemakers

\* Handle corporate, financial and strategic tasks

**Desi Physician Moms Foundation, Board Member** — *November 2017-Present*

**Mission: Combating domestic violence among South Asian-American Women**

\* Manage administrative tasks for the foundation (volunteer management, strategic planning, etc)

\* Manage social media and marketing for the organization

**ThinkSTEAM for Girls, Board Member** — *Spring 2015-Present*

**Mission: Encouraging girls to get involved in STEM and Arts**

\* Provide advice on a variety issues (financial, legal, and marketing)

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## **WEB DEVELOPMENT**

**Suddha.Marketing LLC, Owner** — *March 2015-Present*

\* Providing marketing services to small businesses (SEO, Social Media, Adwords, etc)

\* Creating and managing websites for companies mainly using WordPress with customized code in MySQL, PHP, Javascript, CSS3, and HTML5.

**Harvard Debate Council Summer Workshops**, Harvard Debate Council — *2013-Present*

\* Designed and developed website, application portal, payment system, and administrative dashboard

**Millennial Speech & Debate**, Boston, MA — *2012-Present*

\* Designed and developed news, files, and courses platforms

**Parinda Parikh MD**, Westchester, NY— *2018-Present*

\* Designed and developed website for medical practice and manage online marketing

**Nazdikiyan LLC**, Westchester, NY— *2016-Present*

\* Designed and developed e-commerce website on Shopify platform

**Julis-Rabinowitz Program on Jewish and Israeli Law**, Harvard Law School — *Winter 2018*

\* Set up website on OpenScholar platform

**Center for Career Advancement**, Harvard Chan School of Public Health— *Summer 2017*

\* Designed UI for the website and implemented it

**Center for Jewish Studies**, Harvard University — *Summer 2017*

\* Developed new website and application portal on WordPress

**Gonzaga Debate Institute**, Gonzaga University— *2013-2015*

\* Designed and developed website and application portal on WordPress