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Education

Rice University; Houston, Texas
Department of Sociology,
Ph.D. Student and Research Affiliate (2013-Present)
Graduate Student Fellow, Religion and Public Life Program

University of Oregon; Eugene, Oregon
B.S. Sociology and Planning Public Policy and Management
Conferred *Summa Cum Laude*, 2013

Lane Community College; Eugene, Oregon
Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer Degree, 2010

Areas of Interest

Religion, immigration, ethnicity, race, qualitative methods

Research Experience

2013-Present: Graduate Student Research Fellow, Religion and Public Life Program,
Rice University

Peer Reviewed Articles

Peifer, Jared, **Simranjit Khalsa**, and Elaine Howard Ecklund. 2016. "Political Conservatism, Religion, and Environmental Consumption in the United States" *Environmental Politics* 25(4):661-689.

Scholarly Manuscripts Under Review and In Progress

Vaidyanathan, Brandon, **Simranjit Khalsa**, and Elaine Howard Ecklund. "Gossip as Social Control: Policing Informal Ethical Violations in Scientific Workplaces of India, the US, and the UK" *Social Problems*. Conditional Acceptance

Khalsa, Simranjit. "Defining Sikhism: Boundaries of Religion and Ethnicity among Sikhs in the US" In progress.

Vaidyanathan, Brandon, **Simranjit Khalsa**, and Elaine Howard Ecklund. "Naturally Ambivalent: Religion's Role in Shaping Environmental Action" In progress.

Sorrell, Katherine R., Elaine Howard Ecklund, Michael O. Emerson, and **Simranjit Khalsa**. "Immigrant Identities and the Shaping of a Racialized American Self" In progress.

Khalsa, Simranjit, Elaine Howard Ecklund, and Dan Bolger. “Indian Scientists Understandings of Religion and Spirituality” In progress.

Conference Presentations

2015. **Khalsa, Simranjit**. “Sikhism in the US: Religion and Ethnicity” *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion* Annual Conference, Newport Beach, California.

2015. **Khalsa, Simranjit**, Elaine Howard Ecklund, and Dan Bolger. “Indian Scientists Understandings of Religion and Spirituality” *Association for the Sociology of Religion* Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

2015. Vaidyanathan, Brandon, **Simranjit Khalsa**, and Elaine Howard Ecklund. “Gossip as Social Control: Policing Informal Ethical Violations in Scientific Workplaces in India, the US, and the UK” *American Sociological Association* Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

2015. Peifer, Jared, **Simranjit Khalsa**, and Elaine Howard Ecklund. “Political Conservatism, Religion, and Environmental Consumption in the United States” *American Sociological Association* Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

2014. Vaidyanathan, Brandon, **Simranjit Khalsa**, and Elaine Howard Ecklund. “Naturally Ambivalent: Religion’s Role in Shaping Environmental Action” *Society for the Scientific Study of Religion* Annual Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana.

2013. **Khalsa, Simranjit**. “Resolving Religious Difference: Christians and Non-Christians in Intimate Relationships” *Pacific Sociological Association* Annual Conference, Reno, Nevada.

Grants and Fellowships

Khalsa, Simranjit. 2015. “Constructing a Sikh Identity: On the Boundaries of Religious Tolerance” \$2500 Bonuik Institute, Rice University. 05/30/2015-05/30/2016.

Teaching

Guest Lecture, 2015. Religions of India, Rice University

Graduate Teaching Assistant. 2015. Introduction to Sociology, Rice University

Guest Lecture, 2015. Introduction to Sociology, Rice University

Guest Lecture, 2014. Religions of India, Rice University

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant. 2011. Introduction to Sociology, Lane Community College

Honors and Awards

High Honors, Sociology Department, University of Oregon:
Resolving Religious Difference: Christians and Non-Christians in Intimate Relationships
Advisors: Jiannbin Shiao, Marion Goldman

Academic Service

Undergraduate Mentorship Program, Rice University, 2015-2016

Sociology Peer Advisor, University of Oregon, 2012-2013

Professional Affiliations

American Sociological Association
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion