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Entrepreneurial Lead, The NSF-1 Corps for National Innovation Programme, USA

Education

- **Ph.D.** Department of Criminal Justice August 2019 – Ongoing John Jay College of Criminal Justice/Graduate Center City University of New York
- **MA** International Crime and Justice August 2017 - May 2019 John Jay College of Criminal Justice GPA – 4.0 City University of New York
- **MA** Criminology and Criminal Justice Administration August 2012 - May 2014 University of Madras GPA – 4.0 Chennai, India
- **PGDM** Victimology and Victim assistance August – 2014, 14th Asian Post Graduate Course Tokiwa International Victimology Institute Mito, Japan
- **BA** Economics August 2008 - May 2011 St. Joseph's College Irinjalakuda GPA – 4.0 University of Calicut, Kerala, India

Research Interests

- Gender and Sexuality; Gender-based Violence; Justice perspectives from the Global South; Intersectional Criminology; Human Trafficking.

Internship Experience

- **Cheers** – NGO 2013 - Chennai, India

- Rural learning program for under privileged children. Social Justice Program for transgender persons in Chennai.
- **Tamil Nadu Police** 2013 - Chennai, India
 - Assisted in crime scene investigations, Crime analysis, day and night patrolling, law and order control, and analyzing postmortem autopsy.

Professional Experience

- **Adjunct Lecturer**, Department of Sociology, CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, Course: ICJ – 310 Foundations of Scholarship in International Criminal Justice 2020 - Ongoing
- **Teaching Assistant**, Department of Criminal Justice, CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, Course: Research Methods and Statistics for Criminal Justice 2020 - 2021
- **Research Associate**, Research Foundation, CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice, Project – Gender, and Policing. July 2020–October 2020.
- **Graduate Research Fellow**, Graduate Center | John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York 2019 – Ongoing
- **Special Investigator**, Department of Investigations and Law Enforcement – Human Trafficking, International Justice Mission, Bangalore, India. 2014 - 2016
- **Research Associate**, Transparency International India, Project- Corruption in the Medical Sector in Chennai: A study among persons who seek services at the government hospitals. 2014 Updated: November 10, 2021

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Journals

- In Review - **Babu, D.**, Perceptions of LGBTQ+ elders of color on the BLM movement and policing in the United States. *Journal of Black Sexuality and Relationships*.
- 2020 Natarajan, M. and **Babu, D.**, Women police stations: have they fulfilled their promise? *Police Practice and Research*, 21:5, 442-458, DOI: 10.1080/15614263.2020.

Book Chapters

- **In Review**

- **Babu, D.,** & Blount-Hill, K. Inclusive criminology: A note on queer experiences of police in India, and de-centering the Global North/West. In R. A.
- Colvin, A. Dwyer, & S. A. O. Giwa (Eds.), *Q policing: LGBTQ+ experiences, perspectives, and passions.*

➤ **Book Reviews**

- 2021 **Babu, D.** Legalizing Sex: Chaitanya Lakkimsetti. *Law and Politics Book Review.*

➤ **Works in progress**

- **In progress**

Babu, D. & Blount-Hill, K. Baselineing queer experience: The implications of Hijra experience in Tamil Nadu for post-*Johar* India, international human rights and queer sociology. *Frontiers in Sociology* (accepted for full submission to the special issue, “New perspectives on gender-based violence: From research to intervention – volume II”).

- **In progress**

Natarajan, and **Babu, D.,** Study of Fatal Incidences of Violence against Transgender persons in the US.

Thesis and Academic Projects

- 2021 Interviewer. Passing it Forward: project links 150 personal stories of Black and Latinx, LGBTQ + change-making elders – those around 50 years old and above – to the political and social movements they are connected to.
- 2019 **Master’s Thesis** Gender-Based Violence in India: An Analysis of National Level Data for Theory Research and Prevention. Comprehensive analysis of the National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB) of India data understanding – the various categories of crimes against women in India over the past 25 years.
- 2019 **Capstone Project:** Technology in the Security Sector; Diplomacy Lab, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, USA; U.S. Department of State, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), U.S. Embassy, Mexico City.

- 2014 **Master's Thesis:** Nature and Extent of Social Exclusion of LGBT persons in Chennai. This mixed-method research that interviewed 52 individuals from queer communities in India discovered that the LGBT persons in Chennai faced many forms of violence and abuse in various walks of life.

Paper Presentations

- 2020 Natarajan, M., and **Babu, D.**, Women police stations: Proven access to justice for women in the global south, United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and TISS International Academic Conference December 08 -09, 2020 Mumbai, India.
- 2019 **Babu, D.** and Natarajan, M., A comparative analysis of rape incidents in India and the United States, American Society of Criminology -75th Annual Meeting 2019 November 13 -16, 2019 in San Francisco, CA.
- 2019 **Babu, D.**, Umstadt, S., and Natarajan, M., Court case analysis of drug trafficking organizations in NYC, American Society of Criminology -75th Annual Meeting 2019 November 13 -16, 2019 in San Francisco, CA.
- 2019 Umstadt, S., **Babu, D.** and Natarajan, M., Methodological challenges in studying drug trafficking organizations, American Society of Criminology -75th Annual Meeting 2019 November 13 -16, 2019 in San Francisco, CA.
- 2019 Natarajan, M., **Babu, D.**, and Umstadt, S., Typology of drug trafficking organizations: lessons learned from four decades of court data, American Society of Criminology -75th Annual Meeting 2019 November 13 -16, 2019 in San Francisco, CA.
- 2019 Natarajan, M., Solymosi, R., and **Babu, D.**, Promoting safety for women: a study of sexual harassment in public places, American Society of Criminology -75th Annual Meeting 2019 November 13 -16, 2019 in San Francisco, CA.
- 2019 **Babu, D.**, and Natarajan, M., An analysis of categories of gender-based violence in India, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting 2019 March 25, 2019, in Baltimore.
- 2014 Karayil, A., and **Babu, D.**, Trends in the sexual victimization of children in India. The 7th International Conference and the 11th Biennial Conference of the Indian Society of Victimology, Chennai, India.

- 2014 **Babu, D.**, Victimization of Transgender Persons in India, International Symposium on Victimology, World Society of Victimology, Mito, Japan
- 2013 **Babu, D.**, Dimensions of Victimization of Hijra persons in India, World Society of Victimology, National Law University, New Delhi, India.

Awards and Distinctions

- 2021 **Entrepreneurial Lead: NSF-I Corps** for National Innovation Network Teams Program. NSF 21-552. Digital Solution for Preventing Interpersonal Violence.
- 2019 **Graduate Student Excellence Award in International Criminal Justice** for academic excellence in International and Transnational Crime.
- 2014 **Junior Research Fellowship and National Eligibility Test (NET) for Assistant Professor** University Grands Commission, India.
- 2014 **Gold Medal and First Rank, Graduate program**, Criminology, and Criminal Justice, University of Madras, Chennai, India.
- 2011 **Student of the Year Award**, an award conferred on the most meritorious student of the year, chosen by a select jury based on a battery of on-stage and off-stage assessment segments of the level of the contestants' academic and leadership excellence, her campus acceptability, and cardinal personality traits., St Joseph's College Irinjalakuda, University of Calicut, Kerala India.
- 2011 **Kalalaya Ratna Award**, services to the society, and academic excellence. University of Calicut, Kerala India
- 2010 **Star of Excellence Award and Fellowship**, instituted by the President of India, APJ Abdul Kalam, for a proven record of the pursuit of excellence throughout campus life assessed and found agreeable by a panel of judges based on several widely recognized benchmarks pertaining to skills, achievements, personality, attitude towards life and conformity to the vision of excellence held dear by Dr. Kalam.
- 2010 **All India Guard Medal**, Republic Day 2010, National Cadet Corps, Republic Day Camp.

Organizational Role

- 2021 **Committee Member**, Diversity Committee, City University of New York Graduate Center/John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

- 2020 **At Large Representative**, Doctoral Student Council, Graduate Center | John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York.
- 2019 **Department Representative**, Department of Criminal Justice, Doctoral Student Council, Graduate Center | John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York.
- 2014 **Executive Member**, Organizing Committee, 7th International Conference and the 11th Biennial Conference of the Indian Society of Victimology, Chennai, India.
- 2011 **Chairperson**, College Student's Union, St. Joseph's College Irinjalakuda, University of Calicut, Kerala, India.
- 2010 **Senior Under Officer**, National Cadet Corps, 7- Ker Girls Battalion, Kerala and Lakshadweep Directorate.

Professional Organizations

- Academic Council on the United Nations System; Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences; World Society of Victimology, American Society of Criminology; American Sociological Association; Asian Society of Criminology and Victimology; Indian Criminology & Forensic Science Association; International Society of Criminology; Indian Society of Criminology; Indian Society of Victimology.

Other Skillsets

- **Languages:** English, Hindi, Malayalam, and Tamil
- **Softwares:** M. S Office, SPSS, Stata, Atlas,
- **Operating Systems:** Windows, Mac OS
- **Web development:** HTML, CSS, JavaScript