

# Praveena Lakshmanan

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## EDUCATION

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2015-Current      **Michigan State University** | PhD | Department of Sociology  
2015                **University of Houston** | MA | Department of Sociology  
2012                **University of Houston** | BA | Department of Political Science  
2004                **Sikkim Manipal University of Health, Medical & Technological Sciences (India)**  
                         |MSc| Department of Sustainable Development

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Fall 2015- Spring 2018      **Graduate Teaching Assistant** | Department of Sociology | Michigan State University  
Fall 2017, Spring 2018      **Methods Lab Instructor** | Department of Sociology | Michigan State University  
Summer 2017, 2019      **Instructor** | Department of Sociology | Michigan State University  
Spring 2016                **Recitation Instructor** | Department of Sociology | Michigan State University

## SELECTED RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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Summer 2018                **Research Assistant** | *Building Agency, Resisting Patriarchy: Understanding empowered intervention against domestic violence among women in Gujarat, India* (Funded by the National Science Foundation. Principal Investigator: Soma Chaudhuri, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Michigan State University)  
2011- 2012                **Research Officer** | *Multi-Sectoral Development Plan for Mumbra Dist. Thane* (with Ranu Jain, Professor, Tata Institute of Social Sciences) commissioned by Minority Commission, Government of Maharashtra (India)  
2006-2007                **Research Associate** | *Mayoral Takeovers in Urban Education: When, Where and Why?* (with Melissa Marschall, Professor, Rice University and Carlos Cuellar) | Rice University

## SELECTED ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

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August 2019                **Lakshmanan, Praveena.** Presider. "Complexities of Immigration". Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) – 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. New York, New York. August 11-13, 2019  
August 2019                **Lakshmanan, Praveena.** *South Asian Migration to the U.S. South: Alternate Pathways in the Pursuit of the American Dream*, in the paper session/panel Complexities of Immigration. Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) – 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. New York, New York. August 11-13, 2019  
April 2019                **Lakshmanan, Praveena.** *South Asian Migration to the U.S. South: Alternate Pathways in the Pursuit of the American Dream*, in the paper session/panel Unauthorized Immigration and Resistance to Criminality. Southern Sociological Society (SSS) – 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting. Atlanta, Georgia. April 10-13, 2019  
August 2017                **Lakshmanan, Praveena** and Abney, Marie Carmen. *Voices of South Asian Immigrant Men: Gender, Culture and Mental Health*, in the thematic session/panel Immigration and Mental Health. Society for the Study of Social

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August 2017	Problems (SSSP) – 67 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Montreal, Quebec Canada. August 11-13, 2017 <b>Lakshmanan, Praveena.</b> Panel Organizer and Presider. “Transnational Narratives of Families”. Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) – 67 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Montreal, Quebec Canada. August 11-13, 2017
August 2016	<b>Lakshmanan, Praveena.</b> <i>Striking Bargains and Living In-Between: Asian Indian Women as Non-Immigrant Wives in the United States</i> , in the thematic session/panel Families Across the Global (Session #133). Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) - 66 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Seattle, Washington. August 19-21, 2016
October 2015	<b>Lakshmanan, Praveena.</b> <i>Identity Negotiation and Reconstruction among Immigrant “South” Asian Indian Women on Dependent Visa Status</i> , in the panel “Legal and Cultural Representations of Gender”. Immigrant America: New Immigration Histories from 1965 to 2015. Immigration History Research Center. University of Minnesota – Twin Cities. October 23-24, 2015.
April 2015	<b>Lakshmanan, Praveena.</b> <i>Identity Negotiation of Immigrant South Asian Indian Women on Dependent Visa Status</i> , in the panel “Negotiated Identities, Mediated Cultures: Women Working in Between”. 8 <sup>th</sup> Annual Gender Conference: Inside-Outside. University of Houston- Downtown.
March 2015	<b>Lakshmanan, Praveena.</b> <i>Identity Negotiation and Reconstruction among “South” Asian Indian women in the United States</i> . Paper presented at the Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA. March 25-March 28, 2015.

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#### SELECTED AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND HONORS

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Fall 2018-Spring 2019	<b>College of Social Science Dean's Graduate Assistantship Award</b> , Michigan State University
Summer 2018	<b>Research Scholars Award</b> , College of Social Sciences, Michigan State University
Summer 2018	<b>Thompson Endowment Award</b> , College of Social Sciences, Michigan State University
Summer 2017	<b>John L. and Harriette Pipes McAdoo Scholarship Fund</b> , Michigan State University
Summer 2017	<b>John and Ruth Useem Endowment Fund</b> , Michigan State University
Summer 2017	<b>Lee Student Support Fund</b> , The Society for the Study of Social Problems
2016, 2017, 2019	<b>Graduate Office Fellowship</b> , Michigan State University
Summer 2015	<b>The Immigration and Ethnic History Society Travel Grant</b> , University of Minnesota
Spring 2015	<b>Distinguished Service to Women Award (Student Category)</b> , Women and Gender Resource Center, University of Houston
2013-2014	<b>Joseph S. and Rosella H. Werlin Fund Award</b> , Department of Sociology, University of Houston

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## SELECTED METHODOLOGICAL TRAINING

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June - October 2018	Certified Expert Training on Nvivo 11/12 Qualitative Software.
September - October 2017	Completion of online Nvivo course on "Fundamentals of Nvivo for Mac Online (11th- 18th September 2017)" and "Moving on with Nvivo for Mac Online (25th September - 2nd October 2017)" by QSR International.
August 2017	One-Day "Qualitative Research Practice" Workshop completion. Workshop Organized by the Society of the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) at the 67th Annual Meeting, Quebec -Montreal, Canada.
June - July 2017	Methods Training Completion in Race, Ethnicity and Quantitative Methodology and Social Network Analysis -An Introduction conducted by the University of Michigan –Ann Arbor Survey Research Center at the Institute for Social Research (Summer Institute in Survey Research Techniques)
June 2016	Methods Training Completion in Introduction to Focus Group Interviewing and Qualitative Methods: Overview and Semi-Structured Interviewing conducted by the University of Michigan –Ann Arbor Survey Research Center at the Institute for Social Research (Summer Institute in Survey Research Techniques)

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## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

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August 2015 –	<b>Editorial Board: Student Advisory Board Member</b> , <i>Journal of Social Problems</i> - The official journal of the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Guest Editor for Social Problem online virtual issue on Urban Planning (2018)</li></ul>
August 2018- August 2020	<b>Elected student council member (co-chair)</b> , Sex and Gender section, American Sociological Association.

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## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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2014-	American Sociological Association Section Member: Sex and Gender; International Migration; Global and Transnational Sociology; Family; Methodology
2015-	Society for the Study of Social Problems
2015-	National Women’s Studies Association
2014-2015	Delta Iota Chapter (University of Houston) of Phi Beta Delta Honor Society
2016-	Alpha Delta Kappa, Michigan State University
2017-	Association for Asian American Studies
Fall 2017	Student Member Affiliate, Research Consortium on Gender-Based Violence, Michigan State University

## REFERENCE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST