

**Shereen Ilahi**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

Department of History  
North Central College  
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**Education**

Ph.D., 2008. History. The University of Texas at Austin  
Major Field: Modern Europe  
Thematic Focus: British Empire and Commonwealth  
Supporting Fields: Modern South Asia; French Imperialism

Dissertation: *The Empire of Violence: Strategies of British Rule in India and Ireland in the Aftermath of the Great War*. Supervised by Wm. Roger Louis (chair), Gail Minault, Kevin Kenny (Boston College), Judith Coffin, Cynthia Talbot.

M.A., 2002. History. The University of Texas at Austin

B.A., 1998. History and Government. The University of Texas at Austin  
Minor in Spanish Language & Literature

**Publications**

*Imperial Violence and the Path to Independence: India, Ireland and the Crisis of Empire*.  
London: I.B. Tauris, 2016.

Book Review of *Bhutto and the Breakup of Pakistan* by Mohammed Yunus, *History: Reviews of New Books* Vol 41, Issue 3 (2013): 105.

“Research Note: Sectarian Violence and the British Raj: The Muharram Riots of Lucknow,” *India Review* Vol. 6, No. 3 (July-September 2007), pp. 184-208.

“The Radcliffe Boundary Commission and the Fate of Kashmir,” *India Review* Vol. 2, No. 1 (January 2003), pp. 77-102. Reprinted in Tai Yong Tan and Gyanesh Kudaisya, eds. *Partition and Post-Colonial South Asia: A Reader* vol. 1, part 3. New York: Routledge, 2008.

## **Teaching Experience**

Associate Professor of History, Fall 2014 – Present. North Central College, Naperville, IL

Assistant Professor of History, Fall 2008 – Spring 2013. North Central College, Naperville

### Courses:

HST 108 – Western Civilizations in the Modern Era

HST 140 – Modern Ireland

HST 271 – Modern Middle East

HST 280 – Europe's Age of Mass Hysteria (Nineteenth Century Europe)

HST 281 – Europe's Age of Mass Destruction (Twentieth Century Europe)

HST 268 – India Since 1750

HST 385 – World Wars of the Twentieth Century

HST 392 – Seminar: Holocaust

GLS 366 – Global Power and the British Empire

IDS 125 – Interdisciplinary Studies First Year Seminars (topics vary)

GWS 100 – Sex, Gender and Sexuality

FYE 100 – First Year Experience Seminar

Supervision of Honor's Theses, Independent Studies and Undergraduate Research Grant Applications.

## **Fellowships and Grants**

### North Central College Faculty Professional Development Grants

Awarded to conduct research in England (Summer 2009) and to work on revisions to the dissertation for publication as a monograph (Summer 2010, 2012 and 2014).

Awarded in 2015 for instructional development and in Fall 2011 for Junior Faculty Enhancement.

Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship for the National History Center's (NHC) Seminar on Decolonization, in collaboration with the Library of Congress.

Fully funded to participate in an international research seminar from July 6-August 2, 2008 in Washington, D.C. The NHC is an initiative of the American Historical Association (AHA)

Glen Morris Rodgers Fellowship in British Empire History (2006-2007)

Alice Jayne Drysdale Sheffield Fellowship in European History (2005-2006)

Churchill Scholarship in British Studies (Fall 2001 and Fall 2006)

## **Conference Papers**

“Discourse, Violence and Decolonization: Justifying Collective Punishment in the Aftermath of the Great War,” American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting. January 4, 2013, New Orleans.

“The Post-War Will to Empire in India and Ireland: Violence at Jallianwallah Bagh and Croke Park, 1919-1920,” American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting. January 7-10, 2010, San Diego.

“International Nationalists: Connections Between Irish Home Rulers & Indian Nationalists in the Late Nineteenth Century,” Western Conference on British Studies, (WCBS) Annual Meeting. October 19-22, 2006, Dallas.

“The Muharram Riots of Lucknow: Intra-Communal Violence in British India,” Rocky Mountain Interdisciplinary History Conference. September 22-23, 2006, University of Colorado, Boulder.

## **Service and Citizenship**

Academic Programs Assessment Committee (APAC). North Central College  
Chair (Fall 2013 – Spring 2016)  
Member (Fall 2010 – Spring 2013) Attended Higher Learning Commission Conference, April 2013, Chicago. (HLC is our accrediting body).

Search Committee Member for Dean of Faculty/Vice President of Academic Affairs.  
North Central College. (2014)

Middle East and North Africa Studies (MENA). North Central College.  
Member (Fall 2014 – present)

History of Ideas (HOI) Curriculum Revision Committee. North Central College  
Member (Fall 2012 – Spring 2016)

Global Studies interdisciplinary program (GLS). North Central College  
Acting Coordinator (Fall 2014)  
Europe Track Coordinator (Fall 2008 – Spring 2016)

Gender and Women Studies interdisciplinary program (GWS). North Central College  
Steering Committee Member (Spring 2011 – Spring 2012)  
Member (Fall 2008 - present)

Member of General Education Subcommittee on Humanities Assessment. North Central College. (2011-2012)

Faculty Welfare Committee (FWC). North Central College  
Elected faculty representative for Human Thought and Behavior (HTB)  
Division (Fall 2011 – Spring 2013)  
Secretary (Fall 2009 - 2011)  
FWC representative to Welfare and Benefits Committee (Fall 2011 – Spring 2013)

Fulbright Faculty Committee Member. North Central College. (2012 - 2013).

### **Languages**

Urdu: Good oral skills. Basic reading and writing proficiency.

Spanish: Good reading skills. Basic oral and writing proficiency.

French: Basic reading proficiency.

### **Professional Organizations**

American Conference for Irish Studies (ACIS). Member since 2011

British Scholar Society. Member since 2010

American Association of University Professors (AAUP). Member since 2009

American Historical Association (AHA). Member since 2007

North American Conference on British Studies (NACBS). Member since 2007

Phi Alpha Theta international history honor society. Member since 1998

### **Other Professional Activities**

Public Lecture: “Contextualizing Malala: Gender, Islam and South Asia” for  
International Women’s Day. March 8, 2016. American Association of University  
Women Naperville Area Branch. Celebration Community Life Center, Naperville,  
IL.

Public Lecture: “TIP Talk: Seymour Hersh on Killing bin Laden” June 4, 2015, North  
Central College.

Community Outreach: “Malala and Extremist Politics in Pakistan,” October 6, 2016 and December 10, 2014. Chase Elementary School, Chicago, IL.

Public Lecture: “The Origins of WWI” August 21, 2014, West Chicago Museum First World War centenary event. Honorarium Received.

Interviewed with journalist David Sharos of *Naperville Sun-Times* on Dr. Hawa Abdi’s 2010 captivity by Somalian Islamists (March 2013)

Pre-Revision Book Review for *Sources of the Making of the West: Peoples and Cultures* 4<sup>th</sup> edition, edited by Katherine Lualdi. Submitted to Bedford/St. Martin’s Press (October 2010). Honorarium Received.

Roundtable Co-Organizer/Moderator for Women’s History Month (March 2011), North Central College

Public Lecture: “The Partition of Punjab, 1947,” November 11, 2010, North Central College

Attendee: American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting, January 6 – 9, 2012, Chicago (attended with North Central History Students)

Attendee: American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting, January 6 – 9, 2011, Boston

Attendee: “American Empire and the Exportation of Democracy,” Midwest Faculty Seminar, October 30 – November 1, 2008, University of Chicago