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EDUCATION

2012	Ph.D., Clinical-Community Psychology Minor in Qualitative Inquiry University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Champaign, IL
2005	M.A., Psychology Clinical Psychology focus University of Delhi, India	New Delhi, India
2003	B.A., Psychology (Honors) Lady Shri Ram College for Women University of Delhi, India	New Delhi, India

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2018 - Present	Associate Professor Department of Psychology University of Massachusetts Lowell	Lowell, MA
2019 – 2020 (Sabbatical leave from UMASS Lowell)	Visiting Scholar Women's and Gender Studies Department University of Michigan Ann Arbor	Ann Arbor, MI
2012 – 2018	Assistant Professor Department of Psychology University of Massachusetts Lowell	Lowell, MA

HONORS AND AWARDS

2022	Fellow , Society for Community Research and Action (APA, Division 27)
2021	Outstanding Educator Award , Society for Community Research and Action (APA, Division 27)
2021	Teaching Excellence Award , Department of Psychology, University of Massachusetts Lowell
2020	Distinguished Early Career Contributions in Qualitative Inquiry Award , Quantitative & Qualitative Psychology Division, American Psychological Association Div. 5
2015	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Distinguished Service Award , University of Massachusetts Lowell
2015	Teaching Excellence Award , Department of Psychology, University of Massachusetts Lowell

- 2014 **Excellence in Interdisciplinary Teaching**, University of Massachusetts Lowell
- 2014 **Illinois Distinguished Qualitative Dissertation Award**, International Association of Qualitative Inquiry
- 2013 **Best Dissertation on a Topic Relevant to Community Psychology**, Society for Community Research and Action (APA, Division 27)
- 2012 **Exemplary Diversity Scholarship**, National Center for Institutional Diversity, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- 2011 **Herman Eisen Award for Outstanding Professional Contributions in Psychology**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

PUBLICATIONS

Note: Names of community-partner are underlined, and student co-authors denoted by †.

Journal Articles

Dutta, U., Azad, A. K., & †Tanjeem, N. (2023). Examining citizenship regimes in Assam through a structural and cultural violence lens. *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 1-18. <https://doi.org/10.1002/ajcp.12715>

Atallah, D. G., & **Dutta, U.** (2023). Decolonization unnamed: Echoes of healing and refusal in the face of dehumanization and alienation. *Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology*, 29(2), 77–81. <https://doi.org/10.1037/pac0000686>

Dutta, U., & Atallah, D. G. (2023). Perspectives on colonial violence “from below”: Decolonial resistance, healing, and justice in/against the neoliberal academy. *Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology*, 29(1), 1–9. <https://doi.org/10.1037/pac0000677>

Dutta, U. (2023). Reimagining the politics of belonging through counterstorytelling: A decolonial praxis of refusal and desire. *Qualitative Inquiry*, 29(5), 539-550. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10778004221118690>

Atallah, D., **Dutta, U.** †Masud, H., †Bernal, I., †Robinson, R., †Del Rio, M., †Voyard, C., Al-Ajama, Y., Antilef, I., Azad, A. K., Bivens, B., Darwish, A., Contreras Painemal, C., Hakim, C., Hussain, K.S., Jones, D., Marrero, W., Mervin, A., Mitchell, M., Mullah, M., Musleh, A., Pilquill Lizama, E., Rosa, M., †Tang Yan, C., & Tabilo Jara, G.C., (2022). Transnational research collectives as “constellations of co-resistance.” Counterstorytelling, interweaving struggles, and decolonial love. *Qualitative Inquiry*, 28(6), 681-693. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10778004211068202>

Role: *This paper is based on a transnational collaboration across 4 research collectives. I am the primary co-author and coordinator of the project along with Dr. Devin Atallah. The remaining co-authors are students and community partners.*

Dutta, U., Azad, A. K., Mullah, M., Hussain, K. S., & Parveez, W. (2022). From rhetorical “inclusion” toward decolonial futures: Building communities of resistance against structural violence. *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 69(3-4), 355-368.

Dutta, U., Azad, A. K., & Hussain, S. M. (2022). Counterstorytelling as epistemic justice: Decolonial community-based praxis from the Global South. *American journal of community psychology*, 69(1-2), 59-70.

Featured in communitypsychology.com: <https://www.communitypsychology.com/counter-storytelling/>

- Atallah, D. G. & **Dutta, U.** (2022). 'Creatively in coalition' from Palestine to India: Weaving stories of refusal and community as decolonial praxis. *Journal of Social Issues*, 78(2), 434-451. <https://doi.org/10.1111/josi.12460>
- Dutta, U.** (2021). The politics and poetics of "fieldnotes": Decolonizing ethnographic knowing. *Qualitative Inquiry*, 27(5), 598-607. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1077800420935919>
- Vinson, J. & **Dutta, U.** (2020). Participatory curation: Who has the power to exhibit in a collaborative community-based project? *The Journal of Multimodal Rhetorics*, 4(1), <http://journalofmultimodalrhetorics.com/4-1-issue-vinson-dutta>
- Bell, D., Canham, H., **Dutta, U.**, & Fernández, J. S. (2020). Retrospective autoethnographies: A call for decolonial imaginings for the New University. *Qualitative Inquiry*, 26(7), 849-859. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1077800419857743>
- Role:** I am the corresponding author on the paper. Authorship is in alphabetical order.
- Dutta, U.** (2018). Decolonizing "community" in community psychology. *American journal of community psychology*, 62(3-4), 272-282. <https://doi.org/10.1002/ajcp.12281>
- Sonn, C.C., Arcidiacono, C., **Dutta, U.**, Kiguwa, P., Kloos, B., & Maldonado-Torres, N. (2017). Beyond disciplinary boundaries: Speaking back to critical knowledges, liberation and community. *South African Journal of Psychology*, Vol. 47(4), 448-458. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0081246317737930>
- Role:** Dr. C.C. Sonn was the corresponding author; all other author names in alphabetical order.
- Dutta, U.** (2017). Creating inclusive identity narratives through participatory action research. *Journal of Community & Applied Social Psychology*, 27(6), 476-488. <https://doi.org/10.1002/casp.2328>
- Dutta, U.** & Aber, M.S. (2017). Enacted cultural critique: Examining everyday violence in Garo Hills. *Journal for Prevention and Intervention in the Community*, 45(1), 19-31. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10852352.2016.1197733>.
- Dutta, U.**, †Shroll, T., †Engelsen, J., †Prickett, S., †Hajjar, L., & †Green, J. (2016). The "messiness" of teaching/learning social (in)justice: Performing a pedagogy of discomfort. *Qualitative Inquiry*, 22(5), 345-352. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1077800416637623>
- Dutta, U.**, †Andzenge, A., & †Walkling, K. (2016). The everyday peace project: An innovative approach to peace pedagogy. *Journal of Peace Education* 13(1), 79-104. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/17400201.2016.1151773>
- Featured in *Peace Science Digest*: http://communication.warpreventioninitiative.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/Vol1SpecIssu_PeaceEduc.pdf
- Dutta, U.**, Sonn, C.C., Lykes, M.B. (2016). Situating and contesting structural violence in community-based research and action. *Community Psychology in Global Perspective*, 2(2), 1-20. <http://siba-ese.unisalento.it/index.php/cpgp/article/view/16450>
- Dutta, U.** (2016). Prioritizing the local in an era of globalization: A proposal for decentering community psychology. *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 58(3-4), 329-338. <https://doi.org/10.1002/ajcp.12047>
- Note:** Invited article for special edition of journal commemorating 50 years of Community Psychology in the U.S. - *Community Psychology for This Century: Perspectives on the Field from the Generations after Swampscott*.
- Dutta, U.** (2015). The long way home: The vicissitudes of belonging and otherness in Northeast India. *Qualitative Inquiry*, 21(2), 161-172. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1077800414542703>

Kral, M.J., Ramirez Garcia, J.I., Aber, M.S., Masood, N., **Dutta, U.** & Todd, N.R. (2011). Culture and community: Towards a renewed and reimagined vision. *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 47, 46-57.

Book Chapters in Edited Volumes

- Dutta, U.**, Fernández, J. S., Galletta, A., & Langhout, R. D. (2023). Participatory action research as movement toward radical relationality, epistemic justice, and transformative intervention: A multivocal reflection. In H. Cooper, M. N. Coutanche, L. M. McMullen, A. T. Panter, D. Rindskopf, & K. J. Sher (Eds.), *APA handbook of research methods in psychology: Research designs: Quantitative, qualitative, neuropsychological, and biological* (pp. 305–327). American Psychological Association.
- Dutta, U.** (2022). Decentering “community” in community psychology: Towards radical relationality and resistance. In S. Kessi, S. Suffla, & M. Seedat (Eds.) *Decolonial Enactments in Community Psychology* (pp. 53-72). Springer Nature.
- Dutta, U.** (2021). Ethnic conflict and peacebuilding in Northeast India: A decolonial perspective. In G. Stevens & C.C. Sonn (Eds.) *Decoloniality, Knowledge Production and Epistemic Justice in Contemporary Community Psychology* (pp. 159-176). Springer Nature.
- Dutta, U.** (2017). The everyday and the exceptional: Rethinking gendered violence and human rights in Garo Hills, India. In S. Grabe (Ed.) *Women’s human rights: A social psychological perspective on resistance, liberation, and justice*. (pp. 179-204). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.
- Dutta, U.** (2016). Ethnographic approaches. In L.A. Jason & D.S. Glenwick (Eds.) *Handbook of methodological approaches to community-based research: Qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods*. (pp. 69-79). New York, NY: Oxford University Press.
- Dutta, U.** (2014). Critical ethnography. In J. Mills & M. Birks (Eds.) *Qualitative methodologies: A practical guide*. (pp. 89-105). London: SAGE Publications.
- Dutta, U.** (2013). Beyond the ethnicity question: Constructing and enacting more inclusive identities. In J. Prodhani & R.S. Thakur (Eds.) *Culture, Ethnicity, and Identity: A Reader*. (pp. 290-299). Guwahati, India: DVS Publications.
- Aber, M.S., **Dutta, U.**, Neville, H.A., Spanierman, L.B., De La Rosa, B. & Khuri, L. (2011). Fostering diversity, dialogue and democracy in the Intersections Living and Learning Community at the University of Illinois. In Neville, H.A., Hunt, M.B., & Chapa, J. (Eds.) *Implementing diversity: Contemporary challenges and best practices at predominantly white universities*. (pp. 187-204). Urbana, IL: University of Illinois Press.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Carolissen, R. & **Dutta, U.** (2019 – 2022). Negotiating belonging and citizenship in Southern contexts. Funded by National Research Foundation of South Africa (Human and Social Dynamics Call 2018); Amount: R 257,000 (USD 21,670), *Co-Investigator*.
- Dutta, U.** (2019 – 2020). Scholar-in-Residence Fellowship, National Center for Institutional Diversity, University of Michigan Ann Arbor.

Dutta, U. (2019 – 2020). Documentation as Resistance: Citizenship Crisis and Belonging in Northeast India, *Principal Investigator*

- Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (APA Div. 9) Grants-in-Aid Program. Amount: USD 2000
- Society for the Study of Peace, Conflict, and Violence (APA Div. 48) Small Grants Program. Amount: USD 2000

Dutta, U. & Vinson, J. (2017 – 2018). Youth perspectives on Lowell: A community-based digital storytelling project. 2020 Community Impact Grant, University of Massachusetts Lowell. *Principal Investigator*

Dutta, U. (2014 – 2016). Exploring women’s perspectives on conflict and peacebuilding in Garo Hills. Strategic Research Grant, Center for Women and Work, University of Massachusetts Lowell.

Dutta, U. (2013 – 2015). Youth perspectives on community violence: A participatory action research project. University of Massachusetts Lowell Healey Public Service Grant.

Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities Graduate Fellowship, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (2010 – 2011).

Junior Research Fellowship, American Institute of Indian Studies (2010)

University of Illinois Dissertation Travel Grant (2009 – 2010)

INVITED TALKS

Plenary/Keynotes

Dutta, U. (2023, March). “The language of the earth is the same everywhere.” Transgressing borders and walls through transnational solidarity praxis. Invited plenary talk, Inaugural International Conference of Mental Health Under Occupation, Palestinian Counseling Center, Ramallah, West Bank.

Dutta, U. (2022, April). Aesthetics, freedom and the political imaginary: Creative expression in a time of global crisis. Invited plenary talk, 17th Annual Peace, Safety and Human Rights Memorial Lecture, co-hosted by the Psychological Society of South Africa (PsySSA) and University of South Africa’s Institute for Social and Health Sciences (virtual format).

Dutta, U. (2022, October). Decoloniality as a praxis of refusal and desire. Inaugural Lecture of the Decolonial Research Collaborative at Nottingham Trent University, Nottingham, UK.

Dutta, U. (2020, November). From apolitical “inclusion” to decolonial solidarity: Building communities of resistance against coloniality. Invited plenary talk, 2020 International Conference of Community Psychology, Melbourne, Australia (virtual format).

Dutta, U. (2020, October). Everyday Violence and peacebuilding: Critical solidarity, resilience, and community-building. Invited keynote address at International Day of Non-Violence organized by SAVE Youth University chapters., Bangladesh, International Foundation for Electoral Systems, and UK Aid Direct (virtual format).

Maldonado-Torres, N., **Dutta, U.**, Kloos, B., Arcidiacono, C., Berroeta, H., & Kiguwa, P. (2016, May). Beyond disciplinary boundaries: Speaking back to critical knowledges. Closing plenary session at 6th International Conference on Community Psychology, Durban, South Africa.

- Dutta, U.** (2015, June). Prioritizing the local in an age of globalization: Sociocultural changes since Swampscott. Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Lowell, MA. Plenary theme: *Reflections on the Swampscott Conference*.
- Dutta, U.** (2014, June). Gender, ethnic violence, and armed conflict in Northeast India. Keynote address, Association for India's Development (AID) Regional Retreat on Gender Equity, Cambridge, MA.

Invited Presentations, Panels, and Workshops

- Dutta, U.** (2023, October). Centering voices, lived realities, knowledge of communities living on the margins. Invited talk to commemorating Indigenous History Month, World Cultures Study Group, Brandeis University.
- Dutta, U.** & Azad, A. K. (2023, June). Stories and reflections on community-based scholar activism. Moderated by Rachel Grant. Invited Session at 2023 Public Interest Communications Summer Institute, University of Houston, Texas.
- Atallah, D. & **Dutta, U.** (2022, December). Coloniality of knowledge in hegemonic psychology: Refusal and epistemic disobedience. Invited panelists, *Society for Psychological Study of Social Issues (APA Div. 9) Webinar Series on Decolonial Perspectives in/on Psychology* (Virtual format).
- Dutta, U.** (2022, October). The (im)possibilities of a decolonial project in the academy: Praxis of entanglements and radical hope. Invited speaker, *Decolonizing Academia Symposium*, Maynooth University, Ireland (hybrid format).
- Mukherjee, S., **U. Dutta**, Mena, J., & Dickens, D. (2021, August). Decolonizing the monoculturalism of Psychology education. 2021 Biennial Conference of the Society for Psychological Study of Social Issues (virtual).
- Carolissen, R. & **Dutta, U.** (2021, November). Being “the other” at home: Global South perspectives on epistemic justice in the face of coloniality. Invited presentation, Center for Human Rights and International Justice, Boston College, MA.
- Kessi, S., **Dutta, U.**, Fernández, J. S., Peters, S., Castillo, R. C. A, Emery-Whittington, I. & Atallah, D. (2021, October) Decolonial Enactments in Community Psychology. Invited panelist in 2021 Webinar Series on “Troubling psychology during troubled times” organized by Psychological Society of South Africa.
- Stevens, G., Sonn, C. S., **Dutta, U.**, Baker, A., Segalo, P., & Maldonado-Torres, N. (2021, August) Decolonial Praxis in Contemporary Global Community Psychologies. Invited panelist in 2021 Webinar Series on “Troubling psychology during troubled times” organized by Psychological Society of South Africa.
- Dutta, U.**, Ihmoud, S., Canham, H., Atallah, D., Corpuz, R. (2021, April). Invited speaker at Colloquium on Decolonial Praxis, University of Massachusetts Boston, MA.
- Segalo, P., Ormond, A., **Dutta, U.**, James, A., Deca, I., Govender, C., Henrys, K. & Özoğuz, S. (2021, April). Panel discussion centering Global South voices in decolonization. Organized by Transnational Educators, Scholars, and Activists Network for Decolonizing Academia, The Public Science Project, City University of New York.
- Dutta, U.** (2021, March). Contemporary trends in Community Psychology: Decoloniality and Global South. Invited talk, Pacifica Graduate Institute, California.
- Dutta, U.** (2020, August). (Re)Humanizing Community-engaged Praxis During COVID-19: Lessons from the Global South. Invited talk, Society for Community Research and Action (APA Div. 27) Practice Council.

- Dutta, U.** (2020, April). Building psychosocial support structures in communities facing state violence. Invited presentation at National Center for Institutional Diversity, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
- Dutta, U.,** Mustafa, F., Sahi, A., Wadud, A., (2020, February). Who is Indian? Implications of the National Register of Citizens and the Citizenship Amendment Act. Invited Panelist, India Conference at Harvard, Cambridge, MA.
- Dutta, U.,** Kerschbaum, S. & Young, A. (2020, January). Research and identity. Diversity Scholars Network Series, National Center for Institutional Diversity, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
- Atallah, N., Habash, L., **Dutta, U.,** Toure, K., Atallah, D. G., & Deetz, H. (2019, December). Decolonizing solidarity: Local and global perspectives. Invited Panel, Lesley University, Cambridge, MA.
- Dutta, U.,** & Sonn, C. C. (2019, October). The possibilities (and limits) of liberation psychology: Implications for understanding social suffering, resistance, and solidarity in the majority world. Invited Plenary, University of the Western Cape, Cape Town, South Africa.
- Dutta, U.** (2019, October). Decolonizing Psychology: Transforming the terms of intelligibility and recognition. Invited Talk in the Violence and Injury Prevention Unit, University of South Africa/South African Medical Research Council, Cape Town, South Africa.
- Dutta, U.** (2019, October). Decolonizing and feminist interventions: Citizenship crisis in Northeast India. Invited Talk in the Department of Psychology, University of Michigan Ann Arbor.
- Atallah, D. G., **Dutta, U.,** Masud, H., & Lee, G. (2019, June). Radical being: Creating decolonial communities of resistance. Pre-conference workshop convened and co-facilitated at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Chicago, IL.
- Dutta, U.** (2017, March). Research as intervention: Countering structural and cultural violence through critical methodologies. Invited Talk in the Department of Applied Psychology, New York University.
- Dutta, U.** (2016, March). Beyond crisis-based politics: A critical ethnographic study of everyday violence in Garo Hills, India. Invited Talk in the Department of Psychology, University of Michigan Ann Arbor.
- Dutta, U.** (2015, November). "There is a continuous fear that some problem will occur:" Youth and everyday violence in Northeast India. Invited Talk in the Department of Psychology, University of California Santa Cruz.
- Dutta, U.** (2014, May). Youth perspectives on citizenship and belonging in Northeast India. Invited talk in the Asian Studies Department, University of Massachusetts Boston.
- Dutta, U.** (2009, October). Rethinking ethnic conflict in Northeast India. Invited presentation in the Department of Peace and Conflict Studies, Guwahati University, Guwahati, India.
- Dutta, U.** (2008, May). Youth and civic activism in Garo Hills. Invited talk at North Eastern Hill University (Tura Campus), Garo Hills, India.

ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION EXPERIENCE

- **Impact Assessment of Open Pedagogy Design and Implementation in Undergraduate Community Psychology**, Open Educational Research Grant, University of Massachusetts Lowell. (2022 – 2023) (Role: Facilitator and evaluator)

- **Two-year Impact Assessment of Amrapari Rural Women’s Sustainable Livelihood Project**, Association for India’s Development (2022 – 2023) (Role: Evaluator)
- **Assessment of Multicultural and Global Learning**, Vision Grant (supported by Department of Higher Education), University of Massachusetts Lowell (2014 – 2015) (Role: Faculty participant)
- **Social Climate Assessment: Prejudice and discrimination based on race, gender, class, and caste**, Association for India’s Development (2013 – 2015) (Role: Evaluator)
- **Participatory Evaluation of Wrap Around Services for Youth in Champaign County**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (2011 – 2012)
(Research Assistant, funded through Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration)
- **Champaign Schools Racial Climate Survey**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (2008 – 2009) (Research Assistant)
- **Building a Participatory Evaluation Framework for Community-based Projects**, ASHA for Education (2007 – 2009)
- **Human Rights Assessment of the Intersections of Disability and Gender** (2005 – 2006)
(Research Assistant, funded through National Human Rights Commission, India)

REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Note: Names of UMass Lowell students are underlined.

Wendt, D., Lacerda-Vandenborn, E., **Dutta, U.**, Morrill, Z., & Gone, J. P. (2023, April). When society is sick: Critical, collective, and communal prescriptions for mental health promotion. Symposium presented at the 2023 Spring Meeting of the Society for Theoretical and Philosophical Psychology, Boston, MA.

U. Dutta, Bernal, I., Tanjeem, N., & Crean, G. (2021, June). Decolonial rebellion in/against neoliberal institutions: Resisting coloniality and white supremacy. Symposium organized and presented at the 2021 Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action (virtual).

Dutta, U. (2019, June). Rethinking migration, citizenship, and belonging: A decolonial perspective. In R. Hershberg (Session organizer), *Interrogating exclusive discourses and borders while pressing for justice: Reflections on three community-based and participatory research projects with refugee and migrant communities and their allies*. Paper presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action in Chicago, IL.

Carolissen, R., Ciofalo, N., **Dutta, U.**, Fernandez, J. S., Lykes, M. B., & Silva, J. (2019, June). *Foregrounding decolonial teaching praxis in community psychology*. Roundtable discussion presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action in Chicago, IL.

Dutta, U. (2018, October). Decolonizing “community” in Community Psychology education. In Silva, J. (Session organizer), *Troubling and reflecting upon decoloniality: (Re)imagining a Community Psychology from the Global South*. Paper presented at the International Conference of Community Psychology, Santiago, Chile.

Dutta, U., Bell, D., Canham, H., Fernandez, J.S. (2018, October). *Retrospective autoethnographies: A methodology for decolonial inquiry/intervention*. Innovative methodology session presented at the International Conference of Community Psychology, Santiago, Chile.

- Dutta, U.**, Lykes, M.B., Sonn, C.C., Lira, E., Stevens, G. (2018, October). Situating structural and cultural violence in community research and action. Special issue presentation at the International Conference of Community Psychology, Santiago, Chile.
- Dutta, U.** (2018, May). Research as intervention: Using critical qualitative research to interrogate marginality in Northeast India. In Bhatia, S. (Session organizer), *Qualitative psychology and the erasure of the Global South: rethinking voice, reflexivity, and representation from the deep margins*. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Society for Qualitative Inquiry in Psychology, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Dutta, U.** (2017, June). The everyday and the exceptional: A decolonial feminist analysis of gendered violence in Northeast India. In **U. Dutta** (Session organizer and Chair), *Decoloniality in community psychology: Power, praxis, and Southern theorizing*. Paper presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Ottawa, Canada.
- Dutta, U.** (May, 2016). "In their minds, we are always separate:" The challenges of citizenship and belonging in Northeast India. In **U. Dutta** & C.C. Sonn (Session organizers & Co-chairs), *Resisting post-colonising legacies of alterity: Critical community psychology praxis in India, Australia, Jamaica, and South Africa*. Paper presented at the International Conference of Community Psychology Durban, South Africa.
- Arcidiacono, C., **Dutta, U.**, Meringolo, P. (May, 2016). Liberation in migration processes and intercultural interactions. Roundtable Discussion at the International Conference of Community Psychology held in Durban, South Africa.
- Dutta, U.** (June, 2015). Ethnographic approaches. In L. Jason. (Chair), *Qualitative approaches to community-based research*. Paper presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Lowell, MA.
- Green, J., **Dutta, U.**, Cox, K., Colak, B., & Prickett, S. (June, 2015). "It's crazy how I forgot about all the bad stuff we're surrounded by:" Exploring youth perspectives on community safety. In A. Case (Chair), *Critical approaches to work with marginalized youth: Exemplars from research intervention and action*. Paper presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Lowell, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (June, 2015). From everyday violence to everyday peace: Interrogating structural violence in Northeast India. In **U. Dutta** (Chair & Session organizer), *Structural violence and peacebuilding in normal times*. Paper presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Lowell, MA.
- Clements, K., Birman, D., Haarlammert, M., Chicco, J., **Dutta, U.**, Brabeck, K. (June, 2015). An interdisciplinary conversation about efforts to understand and support unaccompanied immigrant youth and refugee minors. Roundtable Discussion at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Lowell, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (April, 2015). Flipping the colonial gaze: Garo youth narratives of westernization and violence in Northeast India. Paper presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Psychological Anthropology, Boston, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (March, 2014). The ethnic other: Crisis of citizenship and belonging in Northeast India. In "AIIS Showcases New Research on Adivasi and Labor Politics in India: Cultural History Meets Political Economy." Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Philadelphia, PA.

- Dutta, U.** (November, 2013). Everyday Peace: Community-based approaches to peace and peacebuilding. Paper presented at the European Congress of Community Psychology, Naples, Italy.
- Dutta, U.**, Smith, E.P., Daniel, J., Rodriguez, R., Echetebe, M., & Aber, M. (June, 2013). Walking the talk: Securing meaningful participation in youth participatory action research. Roundtable Discussion organized at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Miami, FL.
- Dutta, U.** (May, 2013). Democratizing research in service of social justice. Paper presented at the International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, Urbana, IL.
- Dutta, U.** (June, 2011). When dialogue fails: Grassroots peacebuilding efforts in a polarized community. In T. Sasao (Session organizer) Innovative peace-building efforts and wellbeing around the world: Challenges and opportunities. Paper presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Chicago, IL.
- Degirmencioglu, S., **Dutta, U.**, Jaleel, A. & Oberoi, A. (June 2011). (Almost) 10 years after 2001: Communities and community psychology after September 11. Innovative session presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Chicago, IL.
- Dutta, U.** (May 2011). Towards greater relevance: Ethnography in community psychology. Paper presented at the International Congress of Qualitative Congress, Urbana, IL.
- Dutta, U.** (March, 2011). Beyond the spectacle: The social logic of everyday violence in Garo Hills, India. Paper presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Psychological Anthropology, Santa Monica, CA.
- Dutta, U.** (May, 2009). Activist ethnography: Towards a more humane psychology. In P.J. Miller & M. Kral (Session organizers), Ethnographic research in cultural psychology. Paper presented at the International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, Urbana, IL.
- Dutta, U.** (June, 2009). Towards a politics of possibility: Creating and nurturing safe spaces. Innovative Session facilitated at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Montclair, NJ.
- Dutta, U.** (September, 2007). Fighting for a homeland: Reconstructing the narrative of 'terrorism' in Northeast India. Paper presented at the CICA-STR International Conference of Interdisciplinary Analyses of Aggression and Terrorism, Madrid, Spain.
- Aber, M.S., Todd, N., **Dutta, U.** (October, 2006). Competing perspectives on racial disparities in public schooling: Reflections on the role of race, power and voice. Paper presented at the Annual Midwest Ecological and Community Psychology Conference, Saugatuck, MI.

COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC SERVICE

(Note: Names of community partners are underlined, and students are marked with an asterisk.)

Public Education and Advocacy

Dutta, U. (Present). Member of Mártin-Báro Initiative Advisory Board, Grassroots International, Boston, MA.

Dutta, U. (2023, April). *The Story of Amrapari (We Can)*. Created, designed, and published a volume on the gender justice work of Amrapari Rural Women's Cooperative.

Dutta, U. (2022, June). The aftermath of COVID-19 and floods in riverine islands of Assam, Northeast India (virtual). Invited panelist in Volunteer Education Series, Association for

India's Development, US.

- Dutta, U.** (2021, September). Standing with Miya people against state violence. Transnational solidarity panel and discussion (virtual); Role: Organizer and facilitator.
- Dutta, U., Azad, A. K., & Mullah, M.** (2021, September). COVID-19 crisis and grassroots community response. Invited presentation, Association for India's Development, US.
- Azad, A. K., Sultana, R., Rahman, G., Hussain, A., Mullah, M. & Hussain, K. S. & Dutta, U.** (2020, June). Community workers at the frontlines of Covid-19 crisis in Northeast India: Stories, poetry, and conversations. Transnational advocacy panel organizer, facilitator, and interpreter.
- Dutta, U.** (2020, June). Miya community workers/organizers facing backlash and harassment in Assam, Northeast India: Space for listening and building solidarity. Decolonial Racial Justice Action group, Psychologists for Social Responsibility. Role: Session facilitator.
- Dutta, U. & Azad, A. K.** (2019, November). State violence in Assam, India: Arts-based resistance and decolonial praxis. Invited dialogue hosted by the Decolonial Racial Justice Action Group, Psychologists for Social Responsibility.
- Dutta, U. & Azad, A. K.** (2019, November). National Registry of Citizens in Assam. Teach-in sponsored by Association for India's Development (Boston and MIT chapters), Alliance for a Secular and Democratic South Asia, and Coalition for a Democratic India, MIT, Cambridge, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (2019, October). National Register of Citizens: A Humanitarian Crisis in Assam. Radio Interview. Radio Islam International, South Africa.
- Dutta, U.** (2019, August). Rethinking migration, citizenship, and belonging in Assam: A grassroots perspective of the National Register of Citizens. Webinar sponsored by Association for India's Development, US.
- Dutta, U.** (2017, November). We may not see what is hidden, but it is there: Women's stories matter. Invited article for Bulletin commemorating 125 years of Mothers' Union, the oldest women's organization in Meghalaya, India.
- Dutta, U.** (2015, November 11). Resurgence of civil society, not AFSPA (Armed Forces Special Power Act), is the remedy. *The Shillong Times*. Shillong. Retrieved from <https://theshillongtimes.com/2015/11/11/resurgence-of-civil-society-not-afspa-is-the-remedy/>
- Dutta, U.** (2014). Invited policy commentary on psychological causes and consequences of unaccompanied child immigration, Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (APA Division 9). <http://www.spssi.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=page.viewPage&pageID=1940&nodeID=1>

Community Resource-building and Capacity-building Activities

- Dutta, U.** (Present). Member of Popular Education Advisory Team, Jharkhand Climate Justice and Watershed Project, India.
- Dutta, U., *Solomon, A., & *Chakraborty, S.** (2023, March). Developing gender justice awareness materials dissemination. Amrapari Rural Women's Cooperative, Assam, India.
- Dutta, U.** (2022, December). Heteropatriarchy and rural women's empowerment: Listening and consciousness raising session, Rupakuchi Village, Assam, India.

- Dutta, U.** (2022, August). Training workshop for Social Business Coordinator at Amrapari, a gender justice collective in Assam, India.
- Dutta, U.** (2022, July). Sustainable livelihood and community development project in Char-Chapori Areas of Assam. Successfully wrote a grant proposal (on behalf of Miya community) funded by Association for India's Development, US. Grant amount: USD 29,075 (direct support for Amrapari women artisans' collective, Northeast India).
- Dutta, U.** (2021, August). Principles of community-engaged practice in marginalized communities. Workshop for Master of Social Work interns at Amrapari, a gender justice collective in Assam, India.
- Dutta, U.** (2021, May). Creation of community-level integrated COVID resource and support centers in char areas of Assam. Successfully wrote a grant proposal (on behalf of Miya community) funded by AID Covid Relief Fund, US. Grant amount: USD 33,500 (direct support for grassroots support and relief work in Miya communities, Northeast India).
- Dutta, U.** (2020, February). Storytelling for social justice: 3-day Digital storytelling Workshop for Miya community workers, Barpeta, Assam, India.
- Dutta, U.** (2019, December). National Register of Citizens in Assam: Overview and Implications. Educational toolkit and facilitation guide developed for awareness raising in South Asian diaspora communities in the U.S.
<https://www.miyacommunityresearchcollective.org/media-resources>
- Dutta, U.** (2019, July). Introduction to gender justice: Gender equality, dignity, and freedom. Workshop session facilitated as part of Summer Camp on Gender Justice, Anchalik Gram Uddayan Parishad (Regional Village Development Council), Barpeta, Assam, India.
- Dutta, U.** (2016 – 2018). Community organizing: Basic principles. Workshop conducted as part of *Empower: Building, Leaders, Strengthening Communities*, a 9 - week program that trains community members to engage in civic action, Lowell Alliance, Lowell, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (2017 – 2018). Organizational capacity building, African Community Center of Lowell, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (2014 – 2016). Advisory Board Member, Freedom from Harassment Taskforce, Association for India's Development
- Dutta, U.** (2014 – 2015). Advisory Board Member, Latina's TRASH Violence (Turning Research to Action to Stop Harassment and Violence), Massachusetts Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health.
- Dutta, U.** (2014 – 2015). Project Coordinator, *Sustainable Agriculture in Sunderbans*, Association for India's Development (Boston Chapter)
- Margolin, M. & **Dutta, U.** (2014, October). Basics of photovoice. Two-day training conducted for staff members of Lowell Community Health Center's Teen Block, Lowell, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (2014, June). Interrogating our intersecting social identities. Workshop conducted at Northeast Regional Retreat on Gender Equity, Association for India's Development, Cambridge, MA.

Community-based Presentations and Workshops

(Names of community partners are underlined, and UMass Lowell students denoted with an asterisk.)

- Dutta, U. & Hussain, S. M.** (2021, November). Counterstorytelling as epistemic justice. Presentation for Miya community workers, School for Epistemic Justice, Assam, India.
- Dutta, U. & Sultana, R.** (2020, May). Storytelling and healing justice: Psychosocial support session for COVID frontline workers for Miya community workers, Assam, India.
- Dutta, U.** (2017, September). Leading through conflict and negotiation. Workshop conducted at the 6th Annual Young Leaders Symposium organized by the Asian American Commission of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Boston, MA.
- Dutta, U., *Ejaife, O.L., & *Cox, K.** (2015, November). Youth Photovoice Exhibition. Community exhibition co-organized with Lowell Youth Photovoice Team, Teen Block, Lowell, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (2015, May). Social Climate Survey: Findings and next steps. Workshop conducted at Association for India's Development Annual Conference, University of Texas, Austin, TX.
- Dutta, U. & *Gates, N.** (2014, December). Fair trade, sustainability, and social action. Presentation at Association for India's Development (Boston Chapter) Community Service Hour, Cambridge, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (2014, July). Caste-based discrimination in India. Presentation and facilitation of post-screening discussion of *India Untouched*. Organized by Association for India's Development (MIT chapter), Cambridge, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (2014, July). Understanding and responding to microaggressions. Workshop conducted at Association for India's Development's (Boston Chapter) Community Service Hour, Cambridge, MA.
- Dutta, U.** (2014, April). Peacebuilding in everyday life. Invited session with refugee youth, International Institute of New England, Lowell, MA.
- Dutta, U., *Colak, B., & *Green, J.** (2014, April). Thinking about our communities. Interactive session conducted for youth members of Lowell Community Health Center's Teen Block, Lowell, MA.

TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Courses Designed/Taught

- Introduction to Community Social Psychology
- Advanced Community Dynamics
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Community-based Approaches to Peacebuilding
- Critical Participatory Action Research

Undergraduate Courses Designed/Taught

- Culture and Psychology
- Community Psychology
- Community-based Approaches to Youth Violence Prevention
- Research Service Learning: Youth Participatory Action Research
- Community Service Learning: Youth Photovoice and Digital Storytelling in Lowell

Graduate Research Mentoring

- **Current Doctoral Advisees**
 - Jerry Pyrtuh (Applied Psychology and Prevention Science)
 - Ileri Bernal (Applied Psychology and Prevention Science)
 - Gordon Crean (Applied Psychology and Prevention Science)
 - Najifa Tanjeem (Global Studies)
- **Current Master’s Level Advisees**
 - Alisha Solomon (Community Social Psychology)
 - Shibani Chakravorty (Community Social Psychology)
- **Doctoral Dissertation Committee Member**
 - Daniel Rodriguez Ramirez (Expected graduation: May 2024). Social Psychology Doctoral Program, University of California Santa Cruz.
 - Taylor Sheldon (Ph.D., 2023). Applied Psychology and Prevention Science Doctoral Program, University of Massachusetts Lowell.
 - Masachs J. Boungou (Ph.D., 2021). How immigrants from post-conflict countries connect their past experiences of civil war and/or genocide to business creation and succeed as entrepreneurs. Global Studies Doctoral Program, University of Massachusetts Lowell.
 - Nicholas Malharbe (Ph.D., 2021). Experiences of and resistances to violence using participatory documentary filmmaking. Department of Psychology, University of South Africa.
- **Doctoral Program Qualifying Paper Committee Member**
 - Stacy Seward, *Performative Anti-racism Illustrated Through a Quasi-case Study of State Agency-Resident Dialogues in Lawrence, Massachusetts* (Applied Psychology and Prevention Science Doctoral Program)
 - Michaela Ramsey, *Child Advocacy Centers: Standards and Practices* (Applied Psychology and Prevention Science Doctoral Program)
 - Taylor Sheldon, *Multistakeholder Perspectives on Current Implementation of Homelessness and Opioid Use Disorder-related Community Services* (Applied Psychology and Prevention Science Doctoral Program)
- **Master’s Thesis Committee Chair**
 - Jeremy Laporte (M.A., 2019): Disrupting the toxic vs. healthy masculinity discourse: An autoethnographic study. Community Social Psychology Master’s Program.
 - Selin Tekin (M.A., 2017): A study of international students’ perspectives on campus life. Community Social Psychology Master’s Program.
- **Master’s Thesis Committee Member**
 - Michelle Del Rio (M.A., 2023): Taking back the “permission to narrate”: Examining a grassroots organization’s process of supporting BIPOC Youth in developing counternarratives and counterspaces as decolonial resistance. Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program, University of Massachusetts Boston.
 - Tugba Metinyurt (M.A., 2017): Disrupting microaggressions in the workplace: The role of bystanders. Community Social Psychology Master’s Program.
- **Supervision of Graduate Research Assistants**

- *The Lowell Youth Participatory Action Research Project* (Ofa Liz Ejaife; Sadie Prickett; Jamila Green; Burhan Colak)
- *The Everyday Peace Project* (Andrea Andzenge; Tania Ozbey)
- *Social Identity and peacebuilding* (Gabrielle Davis; Sable Smith)

Undergraduate Research Mentoring

- **Honors Thesis Supervision:** Raphael F. Marinho (B.A., May 2018): Transforming liberatory theories into practice: A case study of Green Dragons, a youth mentoring program.
- **Emerging Scholars Research and Professional Mentoring Program**
 - Halle Young, Sociology Major (2018 - 2019)
 - Nicholas Gates, Political Science Major (2014 – 2015)
 - Kayla Walkling, Sociology Major (2013 – 2014)
- **Community Service Learning** (The Lowell Youth Digital Storytelling Project)
 - Bo Armstrong
 - Raphael Marinho
 - Dina-Marie Gorinski
 - Benjamin Orzechowski

Research and Pedagogical Capacity Building Activities

Dutta, U. (2023, November). Breathing life into decolonial and liberatory pedagogies. Invited virtual workshop presented at the Knowledge Hub Brown Bag, Society for Community Research and Action.

Dutta, U. (2021, December 14). How can community psychology inform my teaching? [Audio podcast episode] In Marianne Lloyd (Host) PsychSessions: Conversations about Teaching ‘n’ Stuff, <https://psychsessionspodcast.libsyn.com/ask073-how-can-principles-of-community-psychology-inform-my-teaching-0>

Dutta, U., Bell, D., Moura, J. F., Carolissen, R., & Canham, H. (2021, November). The (im)possibilities of a decolonial project in higher education: Praxis of entanglements and radical hope. Panel discussion (virtual) held on November 8, 2021. Convened virtual session (150 attendees from 16 countries).

Dutta, U., Bell, D., Civil, G., Fernández, J. S. (2020, August). Humanizing the classroom: Critical, engaged and defiant pedagogies during Covid-19. Panel discussion and dialogue held on August 24. Convened virtual session (76 attendees from 9 countries).

Dutta, U. & Bell, D. (2020, July). Decolonial Methods Summer School. Designed and facilitated two-day summer school (virtual) open to doctoral students in Psychology.

Dutta, U. (2019, October). Thinking decolonially of evidence and representation in contexts of suffering. Brief educational video produced by African Psychologies, a resource for teaching and learning on African-centred Psychology, decolonial methods, epistemologies and ontology. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aVDvU-xNVek>

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Positions

Associate Editor, *Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology*

Special Issue Editor (w/ Dr. Devin Atallah), *Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology* (Theme: Perspectives on colonial violence 'from below': Decolonial resistance, healing, and justice)

Action Editor, *Social and Health Sciences*

Editorial Board Member, *Qualitative Psychology*

Editorial Board Member, *Community Psychology in Global Perspective*

Advisory Board Member, Springer Community Psychology Books Series

Special Issue Editor (w/ Drs. M. Brinton Lykes & Christopher C. Sonn), *Community Psychology in Global Perspective* (Theme: Structural Violence and Community-based Research and Action) (2015 – 2016)

Service in Professional Organizations

Review Committee Member, American Psychological Foundation's Visionary Grant Program (2016)

Society for Community Research and Action (APA Division 27)

- **Mentor, SCRA Research Scholars Program**
 - o Dr. Francesca Esposito, Lecturer, University of Westminster, London (Present)
 - o Dr. Natalie Kivell, Assistant Professor, Wilfred Laurier University, Ottawa (2020 – 2022)
- **Member of Scientific Committee**, International Conference of Community Psychology 2020 Melbourne, Australia (2019 – 2020)
- **Grant Reviewer**, Society for Community Research and Action Mini Grants (2014 – 2016)
- **Member** of Conference Planning Committee, 2015 Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action, Lowell, MA (2012 – 2015)
- **Chair**, SCRA Dissertation Awards Committee (2013 – 2014)

Society for the Study of Peace, Conflict, and Violence (APA Division 48)

- **Representative** in APA Divisions for Social Justice (2016 – 2017)
- **Member** of Nominations Committee (2016)
- **Chair**, Small Grants Committee (2015 – 2016)
- **Ad-hoc reviewer** for Div 48 programming at 2016 APA Annual Convention.

Ad Hoc Reviewer for Journals

- American Psychologist
- American Journal of Community Psychology
- Journal of Community Psychology
- Journal of Community and Applied Social Psychology
- Peace and Conflict: Journal of Peace Psychology
- Journal of Social Issues
- Journal of Community Practice
- Psychology of Violence

- Qualitative Psychology
- Feminism and Psychology
- International Journal of Transitional Justice
- International Journal of Social Research Methodology
- Meridians: Feminism, Race, Transnationalism
- Action Research
- Theory and Psychology
- Community Psychology in Global Perspective
- Review of General Psychology
- Women, Gender, and Families of Color
- Journal of Global Community Psychology Practice

Ad Hoc Reviewer for Conferences

- Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems
- International Conference of Community Psychology
- Biennial Conference of the Society for Community Research and Action
- Annual Convention of the American Anthropological Association, Cultural Anthropology and Education
- APA Annual Convention Division Programming (Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues; Society for Community Research and Action)
- Biennial Meeting of the Society for Psychological Anthropology
- Midwest Ecological and Community Psychology Conference

SERVICE AT UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS LOWELL

University Level

Chair, Rev. Dana McLean Greeley Program for Peace Studies Advisory Board

Member, Office of Multicultural Affairs Programming Committee

Faculty Mentor, Launch Faculty Mentoring Program for Tenure-track faculty. UMass Lowell (2018 – 2019)

Faculty Senate Representative (2017 – 2019)

Faculty Associate, Center for Women and Work (2013 – 2019)

– *Co-convenor, Interdisciplinary Research Group on Gender and Violence.*

– *Member, Working group on student engagement and activism in CWW*

Facilitator, Conversation with Dr. Lisako McKyer (Provost Speaker Series) about campus climate for faculty of color on April 7, 2017.

Faculty/Staff Trainer, Ally Space Program, Office of Multicultural Affairs (2014 – 2016)

The Ebola Crisis: Global health and sociopolitical implications (Talk and discussion).

International Students and Scholars Office, UMass Lowell.

Open Peace Forum, Organizer and facilitator for post-Marathon bombing community healing session (April, 2013)

College Level

Convener, Toward a Sustainable Framework for Community-engaged Scholarship, Faculty peer mentoring group, ADVANCE Office for Faculty Equity.

Member, PhD Students Professional Development and Mentoring Committee.

Steering Committee Member, Wilder Interdisciplinary Studies Hub
Member, Race and Ethnic Studies Interdisciplinary Group
Steering Committee Member, Gender Studies Program
Member, Peace and Conflict Studies Program Committee
Member, Global Studies Program Faculty Group
Affiliate Faculty, Center for Asian American Studies
Ad-hoc Member of Internal Seed Grant Review Committee
Ad-hoc Committee Member, Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness (2017 – 2018)
Reproductive justice: History and contemporary issues in the United States. Teach-in facilitated as part of Election Conversation Series, organized by Working Group on Race and Ethnicity (Nov 2016).
Project Lead, Gender and Violence: An Interdisciplinary Initiative (2015 – 2016)
Faculty Moderator for Humanities Panel, Student Research and Community Engagement Symposium, April 2013.

Department Level

Co-chair, Psychology Department Personnel Committee
Mentoring and psychosocial support for BIPOC students in Psychology
Mentoring and supervision of Graduate Instructors for PSYC 2550 Community Psychology
Mentor and Facilitator, Graduate Students Writing Group
Member, Community Social Psychology Master's Program Committee
Member, Applied Psychology and Prevention Science Doctoral Program Committee
Building inclusive environments: Diversity and social justice, Interactive sessions facilitated for new graduate students during orientation (2014 – 2018)
Search Committee Member for Tenure Track Assistant Professor in Prevention Science (2018 – 2019)
Member of Department of Psychology Teaching Excellence Awards Selection Committee (2016 – 2017)
Co-coordinator for Recruitment & Retention of Southeast Asian Americans Majoring in Psychology (2012 – 2017)
Search Committee Member for Visiting Assistant Professor in Community Psychology (2013 – 2014)
Search Committee Member for Visiting Assistant Professor in Quantitative Psychology (2013 – 2014)