

# CURRICULUM VITA

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### I. **ACADEMIC DEGREES**

Ph.D. Political Science, State University of New York at Buffalo, 1969.  
M.A. Journalism, University of Oregon, 1959.  
B.A. Liberal Arts (Honors), the Punjab University, 1956.

### II. **ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Professor Emeritus of Political Science, the University of West Florida,  
2003--.  
Professor of Political Science, the University of West Florida, 1978-03.  
Associate Professor, the University of West Florida, 1972-78.  
Assistant Professor, the University of West Florida, 1969-1972.  
Instructor and then Assistant Professor, Niagara University, N.Y.,  
1966-1969.

### III. **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Teaching continues to be my forte. My teaching philosophy emphasizes intellectually challenging learning in an environment that is non-threatening to the student (see the one-page statement on teaching philosophy at the end of this vita.)

I have won numerous teaching and research awards.

National Science Foundation Award for College Teachers, University of Colorado, Summer 1970.

**Recipient of the Distinguished Research and Creative Activities Award** at The University of West Florida, 1979. Only one faculty member is chosen yearly for this honor at the University.

Nominated for the Distinguished Teaching Award, Student Government, 1982.

Nominated for the Distinguished Teaching Award, Student Government, 1985.

National Endowment of the Humanities, Summer Award for College Teachers, Five Colleges, MA, 1990.

Recipient of the **Distinguished Teaching Award, University of West Florida Student Government, 1996**. One faculty member is chosen from each of the colleges.

**Recipient of the Teaching Excellence Award (the TIP Award), 1997**. This award is established by the Florida Legislature to recognize outstanding teachers in the State of Florida.

**Recipient of the University of West Florida "Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching and Advising Award," 1997**. Selection for this Award is made by a campus-wide faculty committee.

**"Golden Apple Award,"** Selection is made by The Foundation for Excellence in Education, Escambia County, Florida, 1998.

**Recipient of the University's PEP (Professorial Excellence Program) Award, 1998**. This award was established by the Florida Legislature to recognize **outstanding** faculty in the State for their contributions in the three areas of Research, Teaching and Service.

**Recipient of the Fulbright Scholar Award, 1999.**

#### IV. PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH

##### Books:

**Social and Political Science Research Methods**, Delhi: Ajanta International Publishers, 1997, 307 pages. Co-authored with Dr. V. B. Singh.

**Political Science Research: A Methods Handbook**, Ames: Iowa State University Press, 1988, 310 pages.

**Political Science Research: A Methods Workbook**, Ames: Iowa State University Press, 1988, 194 pages.

**Political Participation: How and Why Do People Get Involved in Politics?**, Chicago: Rand-McNally, 1977, (2nd edition), 223 pages. (Reviewed in **American Political Science Review**, 1978, p. 1482). Co-authored with Dr. Lester Milbrath.

**Political Participation in a Developing Nation: India**, New York: Asia Publishing House, 1974, 234 pages. (Reviewed in **Journal of Asian Studies**, 1977, p. 769).

Articles:

"Sex Differences on Political Participation," **Political Scientist**, 6 (1969), 49-56.

"Distribution of Civic Competence Feelings," **Social Science Quarterly**, 51 (1970), 755-768.

"The Relevance of Education for Political Participation in a Developing Society," **Comparative Political Studies**, 3 (1970), 333-346.

"Urban-Rural correlates of Political Participation in India," **Political Science Review**, 10 (1971), 51-64. A revised version of this article is published in D.B. Rosenthal, ed., **The City in Indian Politics**, New Delhi: Thomson Press, 1976, 15-26.

"Social Bases of Party Support in India," **Political Science Review**, 13 (1974), 59-88.

With Dr. Yasumasa Kuroda, "Foreign-born Political Scientists in North America: A Profile." This 30 page paper is included in a Bicentennial Anthology of publications relating to immigrant scientists in the United States: **Asian Political Scientists in America: Professional and Ethnic Problems**, edited by Dr. C. Hsueh, Baltimore: University of Maryland School of Law, 1977, 67-90.

"International Students at The University of West Florida and Other State University Campuses," Pensacola and The World Project, The University of West Florida, 1977, 15 pp. (co-authored).

"A Survey of International Linkages of the Pensacola Community," Pensacola and the World Project, The University of West Florida, 1977, 19 pp.

"International Dimensions of Education at The University of West Florida," Pensacola and the world Project, The University of West Florida, 1978, 27 pp.

"Foreign Flight Students in the Pensacola Area," Pensacola and the World Project, The University of West Florida, 1979, 70 pp. (co-authored with William Montgomery).

**Pensacola International Directory**, The University of West Florida, 1979, 58 pp.

"Conventional Political Participation," in D.H. Smith and J. Macauley, eds, **Participation in Social and Political Activities**, San Francisco, CA.: Jossey-Bass, 1980, 108-132.

With Dr. D.H. Smith, "Political Activities," in D.H. Smith and J. Macauley, eds, **Participation in Social and Political Activities**, San Francisco, CA.: Jossey-Bass 1980., 76-83.

With Dr. Robert Hunt, "Unconventional Political Participation," in D. H. Smith and J. Macauley, eds., **Participation in Social and Political Activities**, San Francisco: Jossey-Bass 1980, 132-152.

"Asian Americans," in **Asian Studies**, 7 (1989), 75-81.

"Indo-American Relations in a New Light," in **India's Foreign Policy in A Changing World**, edited by Dr. N.K. Jha, New Delhi: South Asian Publishers, 2000.

Links to Articles on the web: [www.uwf.edu/lgoel](http://www.uwf.edu/lgoel)

Full Curriculum Vita  
Radicalism and the Clash of Civilizations  
Religious Tolerance and Hinduism  
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China Threat--A View from India  
Indo-American Relations in a New Light  
A Few Observations on Japanese Culture and Politics  
*The God of Small Things*--A Review  
The Myth of Aryan Invasions of India  
Sri Aurobindo on the Indian Epic Ramayana  
Sri Aurobindo on the Future Role for India  
On Human Unity  
The Sacred Feminine in Hinduism: The Divine as the Mother

#### **Book Reviews:**

Review of Gary Brewer and Ronald Brunner, Political Development and Change, published in **The Journal of Politics**, 38 (1976), 506.

Review of Iqbal Narain's, State Politics in India, published in **Indian Book Chronicle**, 1 (1976), 141-142.

Review of David Elkins', Electoral Participation in a South Indian Context, published in the **Journal of Asian Studies**, ('77), 769-80.

Review of Harry Blair's **Voting, Caste, Community, Society**, published in **American Political Science Review**, 73 (1979), 1171-1172.

Review of Delli Carpini's **Stability and Change in American Politics** in the **Journal of Politics**, May, 1987.

#### V. **COURSES TAUGHT**

Political Science Research Methods  
Comparative Government and Politics  
Culture and Politics of India and South Asia  
Democracies  
Conflict, Violence, and Peace  
The U.S. Congress and the Legislative Process

Politics of Developing Nations  
Scope and Methods of Political Science  
Elections and Voting Behavior  
Graduate Seminar in Political Science Research Methods  
Graduate Seminar in Comparative Politics

VI. **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS, PAST AND PRESENT**

Chairman, Caucus of Asian Political Scientists, 1972-1979.  
Member, Program Committee, Florida Political Science Association, 1972.  
Member, American Political Science Association.  
Member, Southern Political Science Association.  
Member, Florida Political Science Association.  
Member, Association of Asian Studies.  
Elected to the Executive Committee, Florida Political Science Association, 1982-1985.  
Official Representative, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, 1985-1996.  
Member, Indian Association of American Studies.

VII. **SERVICE: University, College, and Departmental Committees and Task Forces**

Elected to the University Council, 1970-1971.  
Member, College Curriculum Committee, 1970-1971.  
Member, Ad Hoc Steering committee for HEW, 1970-1971.  
Member AAUP Executive Committee, 1970-1971.  
Advisor, Black Students' Union, 1970-1971  
Member, University Research Council, 1972-1975.  
University Advisor, International Students, 1972-1975.  
Member, Political Science Graduate Admissions Committee, 1972-1976.  
Member, Univ. Select Committee on International Education, 1975-1977.  
Member, Departmental Self-Evaluation Committee, 1977.  
Chairperson, Political Science Executive committee, Winter 1977.  
University Public Address, "Indian Democracy," July 1976.  
Seminar Participant, UWF Select Faculty Group, April 1977.  
Public Address on "The Rich and the Poor Nations," May 20, 1980.  
Member, International Education committee, 1979.  
Member, University Faculty Personnel Committee, 1979, 1980, 1981.  
Member, Self-Study Committees, 1984-1985.  
Member, International Education Committee, 1988-1992.  
Chairperson, Arts and Sciences Council, 1980-81.  
Chairperson, Arts and Science Council, 1981-82.  
Chairperson, Arts and Sciences Personnel Committee, 1984, 1985.  
Member, Faculty Growth and Development Committee, 1986-1987.  
Member, Arts and Sciences Council, 1987-88.  
Member, Academic Council, 1987-88.  
Member, Faculty Senate, 1987-88.

Member, University Library Committee. 1988-89.  
Political Science Departmental Committees  
    Planning  
    Personnel  
    Curriculum  
    Graduate Studies  
Convener, Pi Sigma Alpha, UWF Chapter, 1990.  
Chair, College International Education Task Force, 1990-91.  
Member, Task Force on Undergraduate Education, 1991.  
Member, College Elections Committee, 1992-93  
Member, University Task Force on Area Studies, 1993-94.  
Member, International Affairs Committee, 1996- 2000.  
Member, College Personnel Committee, 1997-98.  
Member, PEP Awards Committee, 1998-99.  
Member, Undergraduate Teaching Awards Committee, 1998-99.  
Member, Departmental Planning and Curriculum Committees, 1999-2003.

### **PUBLIC SPEECHES**

Numerous speeches given at civic and professional bodies. Selected ones are listed here.

"International Student Exchange," North Pensacola Exchange Club, November 1972.

"The Middle East Crisis," Televised Round-Table Discussion, WSRE TV, October 1973.

"Democracy Derailed," University of West Florida Lecture Series, 1976.

"World Religions," Pensacola Unitarian Church, March 1977.

"Non-violent Conflict Resolution," Kiwanis Club, Milton, November 1977.

"The Iranian Crisis," an hour-long radio talk show, November 1979.

"Global Interdependence," Pensacola North Rotary Club, February 1979.

"Global Interdependence," The League of Women Voters, April 1980.

"The Widening Gap Between the Rich and the Poor Nations," Pensacola Country Club, April 23, 1980.

Public Address: "The Rich and the Poor Nations," University Community, May 20, 1980.

"International Relations," Pensacola, Fl, Lions Club, May 20, 1983.

"The Third World," Pensacola Pilot Club, January 18, 1984.

"Indira Gandhi and Democracy," Televised Interview, WSRE-TV, 31 Oct, 1984.

"Sikh Insurgency in India," Fort Walton Beach Rotary Club, 1985.

"Terrorism", SERTOMA Club, May 1986.

"Hindu Mythology," Still Waters Foundation, January 12, 1987.

"Eastern Religions," Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, April 12, 1987.

"Hinduism: Yesterday and Today," Still Waters Foundation, 23 May 1987.

"Multi-culturism in America," Florida Panhandle Teachers Workshop, Summer 1988.

"Southeast Asia: An Orientation," Air Force Officers, Hurlburt Air Field, Fall 1988.

"Terrorism Around the Globe," Pensacola Unitarians, 1988.

"Southeast Asia: An Orientation," Air Force Officers, Hurlburt Air Field, Fall 1989.

"Asian Americans," Hurlburt Air Force Officers, 1989.

"The Collapse of the Soviet Union: Reflections on 1989 and Beyond," University Forum, November 15, 1990.

"Islam in Resurgence," Pensacola Lebanese Club, February 17, 1991.

"Cultural Influences on Business Practices," International Business Course, UWF, June 26, 1991.

"Life in America," Foreign Flight Officers, Pensacola Naval Air Station, October 29, 1992.

"Eat Your Bread in Gladness - - Ecclesiastes," Unity Church address, October 4, 1992.

"U. S. Presidential Elections - -A Forum," Univ of West Florida, October 23, 1992.

"Asian Pacific Heritage," Interview in Pensacola News Journal, May 3, 1993.

"Global Society," The University International Club, September 18, 1993.

"Turmoil in South Asia," Rotary Club, Gulf Breeze, FL, April 11, 1994.

"World Religions," Pensacola Unity Church, March 18, 1994.

"The Process of Nation Building in the United States" Address at the Annual Meeting of the India Association of American Studies, Pondicherry University, January 10, 1995.

"Violence in America: Some International Implications," Florida Chautauqua Assembly, DeFuniak Springs, FL, Feb 23, 1997.

"The Concept of Sacrifice in the Bhagavad Gita," Integral Knowledge Study Center, Pensacola, FL June 15, 1997.

Keynote address at Annual Meeting of Indian Association of American Studies, March 5-7, 1999. Title: "Indo-American Relations in a New Light."

"India: A Land of Contrasts," Pensacola Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, August 29, 1999.

"World Religions," Leisure Learning Series, Pensacola, 5 Nov 1999.

"Sri Aurobindo on the Ramayana," International Conference on Tulsidas and his Works, Florida International University, Nov 27, 1999.

"Japan Travel and Observations," Japan-America Society of Northwest Florida," August 24, 2000.

"Terrorism," Florida Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Sarasota, Fl, March 8, 2002.

"Hindu Values of Religious Tolerance," Asian Values and Human Rights Conference, Florida Atlantic University, March 29-30, 2002.

"The Clash of Civilizations," Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, June 30, 2002.

"The Middle East," Santa Rosa Women's Club, 10 February 2003.

"Dr. Martin Luther King and Gandhi," Dr. King Birthday Celebration, Jan 16, 2004.

"The Divine as the Mother," Unity Church Lecture Series, Feb 11, 2004.

"Oneness in Hinduism," Unity Church Lecture Series, Feb 18, 2004.

"From Spiritual Unity to Human Unity: The Progressive Human Experience," Unity Church Lecture Series, Feb 25, 2004.

"Radicalism and the Clash of Civilizations," WAVES Conference, University of Maryland, July 10-11, 2004.

## TEACHING PHILOSOPHY

Professor M. Lal Goel

I emphasize substantive learning in an environment that is intellectually challenging and non-threatening to the student. I pursue active rather than passive learning. Another objective of my teaching includes the development ideas and values.

**Substantive Learning.** Readings are chosen with a view to their theoretical importance and their substantive value. Written papers and oral presentations are required in all my courses. My courses are solid.

**Socratic Dialog.** Rather than imposing a rigidly dogmatic lecture style, I encourage Socratic dialog. Students are urged to discuss and debate issues under consideration.

**Active Learning.** Students experience education actively rather than passively. Active learning occurs when students are encouraged to apply the concepts and theories learned in the readings to concrete situations. Passive learning occurs when students merely regurgitate facts and figures given in the textbooks.

**Ideas and Values.** The purpose of college education should be "to educate the whole person." To this end, my courses seek to broaden the student's field of experience. The goal is to help the student become less narrow in his world view, less parochial in his conceptual philosophy, and less limited in his ability to develop problem solving

skills. I believe higher education should be a humanizing experience.

In today's context, the objective is to make the student less local, more global. "We cannot compete in a world that we do not understand." Contemporary ecological and social problems require a global perspective..