# Manisha Sharma

Lecturer, Department of English New River Community College, Dublin VA http://www.manisha-sharma.com

Internationally certified yoga teacher, practicing and teaching since 1994. Experience working with multiple audiences in India, Australia, and the United States

Yogah karmasu kausalam- Bhagwad Gita Skill in action is yoga

### **EDUCATION**

• Yoga Instructor's Course, December 2014

SVYASA Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhan Samsthan University Bengaluru, India 30-day residential course. 300 Hours, 12 credits

CYAI Certified, Council of Yoga Accreditation International, Yoga Teacher, Silver Springs, MD www.cyai.org

• MFA Creative Writing, Fall 2009

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) Blacksburg, Virginia

• Ph.D. English Literature, August 2005

M.A. English Literature, 1999

B.A. History, Philosophy, English literature, 1997

Jai Narain Vyas University, Jodhpur (JNVU) Jodhpur, India

# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Yoga Instructor, Blacksburg, VA (2002-Present)
- Yoga and Meditation, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia, December 2015
- Deep Relaxation with music composition by Kim Cunio 2000+ views on youtube, Collaborative Project, Auroville, India 2014
- Sun Salute and Gentle Yoga, Auroville, India, October, 2014
- Taught yoga 3 times a week at Revitalize studio in Christiansburg, VA, Spring & Fall 2013
- Yoga and Breathing, Graduate Life Center, Virginia Tech, 2007
- Beginner's yoga at Blacksburg Community Center, Spring 2006
- Instructor, SMET (Self Management of Excessive/Executive Tension) Workshop, Jodhpur, India, 1997
- Yoga Instructor, Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari, branch Jodhpur, (1994-2002)
- Types of yoga sessions conducted:

Beginner's yoga

Yoga for management of excessive tension

Yoga for bank professionals

Yoga for women

Yoga for children

Sun salutation workshops for children and college students. I have single- handedly instructed groups of a 100 students at a time.

Breathing (pranayama) and meditation

• Served as Member, Editorial Board Kendra Bharati, a Hindi monthly, socio-cultural magazine published by Hindi Prakashan Vibhag, Vivekananda Kendra, Jodhpur 1994-2002

# RESEARCH AND INTERESTS

- Participant, Yoga for Diabetes, S-Vyasa University, Bengaluru, India, Dec. 2015
- Participant, International Yoga Conference, New Delhi

### ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATION

- Council of Yoga Accreditation International (CYAI) Silver Springs, MD
- Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhan Samsthan, (S-VYASA University), Bangalore, India

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- A series of articles about physical postures called asanans and pranayama, a breathing technique, in Kendra Bharati
- Poetry, Silhouette magazine

## REFERENCES

Dr. H.R. Nagendra Chancellor, S-VYASA University Bengaluru, India hrnagendra1943@gmail.com http://www.hrnagendra.com

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