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EDUCATION:

Ph.D., Journalism and Electronic Media

2026

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Dissertation: *A Discourse-Historical Analysis of Journalistic Coverage of PGA Tour, Inc. v. Martin (2001) and the Americans with Disabilities Act in U.S. Men's Professional Golf, 1997–2023*

Dissertation Committee: Lori Amber Roessner (Chair), Erin Whiteside, Guy Harrison, Adam Love

Master of Arts in Mass Communication (Journalism)

2018

Symbiosis International University, Pune, India

Thesis: *Agenda Setting and Social Media Usage in Indian State Elections: Analysis of Twitter Around the 2017 Gujarat State Elections*

Bachelor of Commerce, Finance & Accounting

2014

St Xavier's College, Kolkata, India

Capstone: *Financial Aspects of Running an Independent Children's Bookstore*

PUBLICATIONS:

Misra, A., & Love, A. (2026). National belonging and cricket fandom: Narrative Storytelling by Indian Premier League (IPL) teams on Instagram. *Journal of Global South Sport Studies*.

Mulupi, D., Scovel, S., Wong, F., & **Misra, A.** (2026). Golden girls, national heroes, and resilient champions: An intersectional and computational analysis of social media commentary during the 2024 Paralympics. *Communication & Sport*

Misra, A., & Roessner, A. (2025). "At Augusta National, not talking about race is tradition": Race and journalistic repair discourse at the Masters Tournament. *Communication and Sport*.

BOOK REVIEWS:

Misra, A., & Ayers, K. (2022). "More than Medals" Sets the Stage for Tokyo Paralympics First-of-its-Kind Historical Analysis. *Review of Disability Studies: An International Journal*, 17(4).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

Misra, A., & Harrison, G. (2023). Stick to Sports? An Exploratory Study of Golf Journalists' Tweets Concerning the LIV Golf Tour. Paper presented at the International Association of Communication and Sport (IACS) in Barcelona, Spain.

Whiteside, E., & **Misra, A. (2023).** An awakening in sports media: How sports journalists framed injustice during the 2012 and 2022 Title IX anniversaries. Paper presented at the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication annual conference (AEJMC), Washington D.C.

Misra, A., & Whiteside, E. (2024). Media Portrayal of Women Athletes with Disabilities in the Global South: Issues and Perceptions. Paper presented at the mid-winter Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication conference (AEJMC), Norman, Oklahoma.

Misra, A., & Whiteside, E. (2024). Media Portrayal of Women Athletes with Disabilities in the Global South: Issues and Perceptions. Poster presented at the Association for Education in Journalism & Mass Communication annual conference (AEJMC), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Misra, A., & Roessner, A. (2024). Nostalgia and Nationalism: Anniversary Coverage and Institutionalized Public Memory of the 1991 Ryder Cup 'War by the Shore' Paper presented at the annual National Communication Association (NCA) convention, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Misra, A., & Roessner, A. (2025). Anniversary Coverage of the Masters Golf Tournament: Discrimination or Diversity? Paper presented at the International Association of Communication and Sport (IACS) conference in Chicago, Illinois.

Misra, A., & Roessner, A. (2025). "At Augusta National, not talking about race is tradition": Journalistic repair discourse and public memory of exclusion in golf. Paper presented at the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication annual conference (AEJMC), San Francisco, California.

Misra, A., Newell, A., and Scovel, S. (2026) #TigerTuesdays: How Skratch Golf recalls Tiger Woods on Facebook. Paper scheduled to be presented at the International Association of Communication and Sport (IACS) conference in Dublin, Ireland.

Misra, A. (2025). *A discourse-historical analysis of journalistic coverage of PGA Tour, Inc. v. Martin (2001) and the Americans with Disabilities Act in U.S. men's professional golf, 1997–2023.* Paper presented at the CCI Research Symposium, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP:

Misra, Aman. (June 20, 2024). Teachable moments from the U.S. Open. Golf Writers Association of America. <https://gwaa.com/misra-teachable-moments-from-the-u-s-open/>

Misra, Aman. (August 31, 2024) American road cyclist Elouan Gardon wins bronze medal in first Paralympic appearance, *USA TODAY*, <https://www.usatoday.com/story/sports/olympics/2024/08/31/american-cyclist-elouan-gardon-bronze-medal-paralympics/75035821007/>

Misra, Aman. (August 29, 2024) US Swimmers haul in silver, but an accusation of cheating becomes hurtful, *USA TODAY*,

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/sports/olympics/2024/08/29/us-paralympic-swimmers-win-medals-cheating-accusation/75003436007/>

Misra, Aman. (July 19, 2022) Walking Tax: Former World Champion Manasi Joshi reveals the ‘real’ cost of playing para-badminton, *The Bridge*,

<https://thebridge.in/para-sports/walking-tax-world-champion-manasi-joshi-cost-para-badminton-33381>

SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS:

Ben Bates Fellow, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (2022-2023)

Karl & Madira Bickel Scholarship, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (2023)

Meeman Fellowship in International Communication, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (2023)

Faye Julian Grad Fellowship, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (2023)

Bobby Denton Scholarship Fund, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (2023)

HONORS & AWARDS:

College of Communication and Information Graduate Student Teaching Award, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (2024)

Herbert V. Kohler Jr. Scholarship Recipient, Golf Writers Association of America Scholarship (2024)

SEEDS Scholar, North American Society for the Sociology of Sport (2025)

Volunteer of Distinction, University of Tennessee’s Provost’s Office (2026)

TEACHING:

Instructor of Record (University of Tennessee, Knoxville):

JMED 175: Introduction to Journalism (Spring 2023; Fall 2023)

JMED 367: Mass Communication History (Summer 2024)

JMED 375: Sports Reporting Principles/Practice (Spring 2024; Fall 2024; Spring 2025; Fall 2025; Spring 2026)

JMED 200: Multimedia Writing (Winter Mini-Term 2024 – 2025; Summer Mini-Term 2025; Summer 2026)

Teaching Associate (University of Tennessee, Knoxville):

JMED 175: Introduction to Journalism (Fall 2022)

Adjunct Assistant Professor (Temple University):

SPME 1112: Introduction to Sports and Communication (Fall 2026)

SPME 3763: The Influence of Sport Media on Modern Society (Fall 2026)

GUEST LECTURES & INVITED TALKS:

Covering the 2024 Paris Paralympics, KHP 301: Sociocultural Issues in Sport, University of Kentucky (Fall 2024)

Anniversary coverage of Sport and Media perception of disability; JMED 175: Introduction to Journalism, University of Tennessee (Fall 2023; Spring 2024)

Disability Sport History and Media Perception, RSM 335: Socio-cultural foundations of Sport and Recreation, University of Tennessee, Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport Studies (Spring 2024)

Disability Sport History and Media Perception, RSM 337: Sport Management, Univ of Tennessee, Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport Studies (Fall 2023; Spring 2024)

Athlete activism in disability sport and its media perception, JCM 325: (Sport Writing and Reporting) University of Alabama (Fall 2023)

Athlete activism with a focus on the Tokyo 2020 Paralympics, WGSS 319: Disability Justice Stevens Institute of Technology (Fall 2021)

Indian Institute of Psychology and Research Guest Lecture on Disability Sport and Journalism (Summer 2021)

ACADEMIC SERVICE & LEADERSHIP:

Part of a team led by Dr. Erin Whiteside that traveled to and covered the Paris Paralympics, funded by the College of Communication and Information at UT in association with USA TODAY and USA TODAY Sports (2024)

Member, Adam Brown Social Media Command Centre, led by Dr Matthew Pittman (2023-2024)

College of Communication and Information, Graduate Student Association (GSA) President (2024-2025)

Graduate Student Senate (GSS) Representative, School of Journalism and Media (2022-2025)

Executive Committee Member, Graduate Student Senate, University of Tennessee (2023-2024)

Founding member, Disability Research Lab, led by Dr. Kara Ayers at Cincinnati Children's Hospital, Ohio (2022)

RELEVANT WORK & BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION:

Freelance Disability Beat Reporter, <i>The Bridge</i>	July 2022–July 2023
Freelance Kid-Literature Beat Reporter, <i>The Telegraph (Kolkata)</i>	Nov 2020–August 2022
Volunteer, <i>First Tee of Knoxville</i>	Nov 2023–Mar 2024
Public Relations Lead, <i>Storyteller Bookstore, Kolkata</i>	Jun 2018–Jun 2022
Television Writer, Video Input Team, <i>ESPNCricinfo India</i>	Apr 2018–Jun 2018
Intern reporter, <i>The Indian Express</i>	Nov 2017–Dec 2017
Magazine Intern, <i>Golf Digest India</i>	Apr 2017–Jun 2017

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)

International Association for Communication and Sport (IACS)

North American Society for the Sociology of Sport (NASSS)

Golf Writers Association of America (GWAA)