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### **Career Summary:**

More than 40 years of university teaching [Undergraduate and Post Graduate level,] Research experience in multicultural, Social and Educational Development and Curriculum Development

Visiting Research Professor in Catholic University of America [1997/1998, 2016] on Sabbatical Leave] and Senior Lecturer/ in Philosophy at University of Peradeniya. [From 1990 to 2021 May]

Nominated for SAARC Chair – Philosophy, by the UGC in 2006

Organized International and National level Seminars and Symposia on Civil Society, Ethics, Philosophy of Values, Eastern and Western Philosophical Issues.

- Presented several research papers in the National and International level Seminars and Symposia
- Published International research and conference papers as book chapters in USA and in Europe and published several abstracts and articles on Philosophy at University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka.
- Organized Symposium on ‘**Buddhist Logic**’ 2002, University of Peradeniya.
- Directed Philosophy Plays/Philosophy Theatre on **Nietzsche**, Conversation between **Hegel and Marx** 2006, 2007 and 2009, **Philosophy Theater on “Plato’s Parable of the Cave”**- Department Philosophy & Psychology, University of Peradeniya and International Philosophy Day with UNESCO - **2003,2006, 2007, 2009.**  
Directed ‘Philosophy Cottage’ Plays and Cultural Programs and Philosophy with Classical Music in 2003, 2006, 2007 and 2009, 2011  
Organized Symposium on ‘**Universality of Rabindranath Tagore**’ and the Philosophy Theatre on ‘**Tagore and Einstein**’ at University of Peradeniya- 2011  
Organized - Symposium on ‘**Ananda Kentish Coomaraswamy**’ University of Peradeniya, 2012 January  
Organized- A Tribute Seminar to Professor David Kalupahana at University of Peradeniya April 2014.  
Organize continuous Research Forum –Inter-disciplinary, Interactive, Interfaculty Sessions on Philosophy East and West- 2013 onwards-University of Peradeniya.  
Member of Noth American Kant Society and participates in regional meetings of NAKS-USA- Receives invitation to participate online due to the current Pandemic situation- Participating online

### **Educational Qualifications:**

B.A [Hons], University of Jaffna, Sri Lanka 1980

M. A University of Mysore, India. 1984

PhD – Started at York University Canada in 1998 on Sabbatica Leave - Not completed due to leave problem, Study leave has not been granted , not completed in York University - Canada.

-ongoing Research - *'Immanuel Kant's Critical and Integral Philosophical Methodology with special reference to the Critique of Pure Reason' - A Critical Study*

Completed a Research on - *'Monism and Classical Indian Aesthetics with Special Reference to Ananda. Kentish Coomaraswamy's Theory of Aesthetics. [To be Published 300 pages]*

**Areas Covered in Teaching** - Courses on: History of Indian and Western Philosophy, Greek Philosophy, Philosophy of Immanuel Kant, Epistemology, Modern Western Philosophy, Buddhist and Indian Philosophy, Contemporary Continental Philosophy, Ethics, Philosophy of Art and Aesthetics, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Religion, Research Methodology

**Postgraduate Courses** on: Still Teaching Modern German Philosophy, Contemporary Analytical Philosophy, Philosophy and Psychology of Education, Indian Philosophy, Modern Western Philosophy, Philosophy of Mahayana, Buddhist Logic, Science and Society, and Research Methodology and guiding M.Phil Researches

### **Publications and Seminar Presentations:**

*'Monism and Classical Indian Aesthetics with Special Reference to Rabindranath Tagore – A Phenomenological Perspective'* a Book Published by Eliva Press, Modolva, 2020 December - Available in Amazon. com

*'Ananda Kentish Coomaraswamy's Philosophy of Art: Universalism and Cross – Cultural Communication'* – Professor Krishnarajah Memorial Lecture, Pulished by University of Jaffna -2020 November

***‘Kant and Horkheimer Between Critique and Critical Theory’*** A Research presentation – World Philosophy Day Symposium – presentation is in online -University of Peradeniya November 2017

***“Immanuel Kant’s Critical Turn in Philosophical Methodology”*** A Research Presentation - World Philosophy Day Symposium – University of Peradeniya November – 2016

***Ananda . Kentish Coomaraswamy’s Contribution towards Philosophy of Asian Art, Comparative Aesthetics and Cross-Cultural Understanding*** – A Research paper presented at Council for Research in Values and Philosophy in the Catholic University of America - Washington D.C USA - September 2016

***Paul Tillich’s Love, Power and Justice : Ontological Analysis and Its Ethical Applications*** – A Research paper presented at the conference on ‘Re - Learning to be Human for Global Times’ at the Council for Research in Values and Philosophy, Catholic University of America, Washington D.C, USA -August 2016

***“Universal Humanism of Rabindranath Tagore” Panel Discussion at the Tagore Society of Houston, Texas USA - 30<sup>th</sup> of April 2016- Published in American News***

***‘Kant and Hegel: A comparative study on their notion of Science and Integral understanding of Reality with Special Reference to the Critique of Pure Reason and the Phenomenology of Mind’*** A lecture for doctoral students, presentation published online by the Masaryk University- at the Department of Philosophy, Masaryk University on Erasmus Mundus –Experts 4 Asia – In an Academic Staff Exchange Program of European Union– Brno Czech Republic, November 2014

***‘Philosophy of Mathematics and Edmund Husserl’s Phenomenology’*** - A Research Paper presented at the Seminar organized by Dept of Philosophy and Psychology and International Research Center, University of Peradeniya- July 2014

***‘Professor Kalupahana’s New Reading on Nagarjuna’*** - A Research Paper Presented at tribute Seminar, Dept of Philosophy and Psychology, University of Peradeniya, April, 2014

***“Immanuel Kant’s Political Philosophy and the Perpetual Peace”*** – A research Paper presented at the world Philosophy Day Symposium at the University of Peradeniya November 20, 2013

***“Immanuel Kant’s Critique of Pure Reason and Transcendental Understanding”***- A Research paper presented at University of Athens, Greece in the preceding the world Philosophy Congress Conference organized by the Council for Research in Values and Philosophy Washington D.C August 1-3, 2013

***“Rabindranath Tagore’s Message to Ceylon and His visit to Jaffna”*** a Research Article published in the Volume on *‘Tagore and Sri Lanka’* by Indian Cultural Centre- Sri Lanka, 2013 May

***“Critique of Pure Reason as Special Science- an Integral Approach”***- A Research paper Presented at International Philosophy Day Symposium on Philosophy East and West, 2012 November, University of Peradeniya

***‘Thomas Kuhn’s the Structure of Scientific Revolution and Social Sciences’*** A Research paper presented at University of Jaffna International Research Conference JUICE 2012 July, University of Jaffna.

***‘Philosophy of Universal Humanism and Aesthetics of Rabindranath Tagore’*** - Research Article published by in The Commemorative Volume on *‘The Seashore of Humanity’* University of Calcutta, India, 2012

***‘Rabindranath Tagore and Ananda Kentish Coomaraswamy on ‘Common Humanity’*** Research Paper presented at International Seminar on Ananda . Kentish Coomaraswamy –University of Kelaniya 2012

***‘Ananda Kentish Coomaraswamy’s Contribution to Sri Lankan Art with Special Reference to his Medieval Sinhalese Art’ - an Abstract - 5<sup>th</sup>*** Research Conference at The Royal Asiatic Society of Sri Lanka March 30-31, 2012

***‘Ananda Coomaraswamy’s Universal Philosophy and Comparative Aesthetics’*** a Research paper presented at the Symposium on Ananda Coomaraswamy to mark the 135<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary –January 31 , 2012

***‘Transformative Epistemology of Universal Ethics and Philosophy of Justice with special Reference to the Critique of Practical Reason’*** a Research paper Presented at the International Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities at the University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka -16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of December 2011

***‘Philosophers on History and Universal History’*** a Paper presented at the Panel Discussion on ‘Philosophy of History’ organized by the Dept of Philosophy and Psychology, University of Peradeniya to mark the international Philosophy Day 2011, 1st of December 2011

***“Philosophy of Humanistic Universalism of Rabindranath Tagore”*** An Article Published in the 150th Birth Anniversary Commemorative Volume on

***‘Remembering Rabindranath Tagore’*, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka May 2011 [Tamil Article]**

**“Ananda Kentish Coomarswamy’s Contribution to Aesthetic Anthropology and *Philosophy of Indian Art*” A Research paper presented and published abstract to the International Conference organized by the International Association for Asian Heritage, Sri Lanka, April 2011**

***‘Buddhist Philosophy and Cross Cultural Understanding’* a Research Paper presented Abstract published in the International Conference organized by the International Association for Asian Heritage. Sri Lanka, April 2011**

***‘Philosophy of Universalism of Rabindranath Tagore’* – a paper presented in the Symposium on ‘Universality of Rabindranath Tagore’ University of Peradeniya and Tagore Society of Sri Lanka, March 2011**

***‘Edmund Husserl’s Phenomenology and Crisis of European Sciences’* A Research Paper presented and abstract published in the Philosophy conference organized by the Royal Asiatic Society of Sri Lanka, March 2011**

***‘Immanuel Kant’s Critique of Pure Reason and the Reflexive understanding’* Post Graduate Symposium, University of Peradeniya, December 2010**

**‘Contemplative understanding of Buddha Image and the Hermeneutic Message of Buddha’s Silence’ 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Sri Lanka Association of Buddhist Studies, Sri Lanka International Buddhist Academy Dec 2010**

***‘Frankfurt School of Social Research and Critical Theory’* - Research paper presented in the faculty of Arts Seminar Series, University of Peradeniya, September 2010**

***‘Philosophical Methodology of Nagarjuna and Immanuel Kant’* – a Presentation at The First Asian Philosophy Congress, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India 2010 March**

Completed a Research Project on *‘Frankfurt School of Social Research and Critical Theory’* - 2009- University of Peradeniya [To be published] 100 pages

***‘Kant’s Critique of Metaphysics and Refutation of Idealism’* Annual Research Session, online published, University of Peradeniya, December, 2008**

***‘Problems of Rationality in Buddhist Philosophy:’* 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference, Sri Lanka Association for Buddhist Studies, Buddhavajira Bhikshu University, Anuradhapura, Sri Lanka, December 2008**

***‘Self-Understanding and Subjective Universality in the Eastern and Western Philosophical Tradition’* International Conference abstract published online on**

‘Philosophy Emerging from Culture’ organized by Council for research in Values and Philosophy USA and held in Soongsil University, Seoul, South Korea, July 2008

**“Frankfurt School of Social Research and Critical Theory with special reference to Max Horkheimer” online published Annual Research Session, University of Peradeniya, 2007 November**

**“Karl Marx’s Critique on Hegel’s Philosophy of Right” Annual Research Session, University of Peradeniya, online published 2006 November**

**“Philosophy of Indian Art” a Research paper presented at Center for Indic Studies, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, USA, 2006 June**

**“Psychology of Yoga in Bhagavad-Gita” -International Conference on Psychology and Yoga – Andhra University, Vishakapattnam, India, 2006 January**

**“Jean Paul Sartre’s Marxist Phenomenology and the Critique of Dialectical Reason”- Annual Research Session, online published, University of Peradeniya, 2005 October**

**“The Philosophical Methodology of Immanuel Kant and Kathavttthu” Annual Research Session, online published University of Peradeniya, 2004**

**‘Immanuel Kant’s Influence on Husserl’s Phenomenology and Psychology’ University of Peradeniya 2004**

**“Philosophy and Cross - Cultural Understanding” - Paper presented to the Symposium on the International Philosophy Day, University of Peradeniya. 20.11. 2003**

**“Monism and Classical Indian Aesthetics with special reference to Ananda.Kentish Coomaraswamy’s Aesthetic Theory” Annual Research Session, online published University of Peradeniya, October, 2003**

**‘Philosophy of Habermas and the Critique of Postmodern Philosophy’ University of Peradeniya, 2003**

**“The Dialectics of Nagarjuna’ - Symposium on Buddhist Logic, Dept of Philosophy and Psychology, University of Peradeniya, 22.12 .2002.**

**‘The Philosophical Methodology of Immanuel Kant and the Critique of Judgment’ Post Graduate Seminar, University of Peradeniya, and 06.04.2002.**

**‘Heidegger’s Understanding of Nietzsche’ Department of Philosophy and Psychology, University of Peradeniya, 02.02. 2002**

***'Immanuel Kant and Rabindranath Tagore on Philosophy of Beauty'* - Dept of Philosophy and Psychology Seminar Series, University of Peradeniya, 10.01.2002.**

***'Eastern influence on the Western Thought, with special reference to Buddhist Philosophy and Nietzsche'* online published Annual Research Session, University of Peradeniya. 16.11.2001**

***"Integral Epistemological Methodology of Immanuel Kant"* Dept of Education, York University, Canada 22.04.2000**

***"The Notion of Subjective Universality in Immanuel Kant"* Dept of Philosophy, York University, November- 1998**

***"Epistemology, Transcendental Understanding and Social Change- Suggestions for Social and Political Culture", a Research Presentation Published by Council for Research in Philosophy and Values, USA, October, 1997 Published in 2005 in USA.***

***"Reason and Values"* a Presentation at a Seminar Organized by University of Peradeniya and the Council for Research in Values and Philosophy USA, Peradeniya Feb 1997.**

***"The Philosophy of Samkhya"* University of Peradeniya- Cultural Journal, University of Peradeniya. January, 1996.**

**Aesthetics of Rabindranath Tagore- A research Monograph [100pages] University of Peradeniya 1994 [To be published] [ English]**

**Monism and classical Indian Aesthetics with special reference to Ananda Kentish Coomaraswamy's Aesthetic Theory".- Research monograph, University of Peradeniya 2004 [English]**

**Contemporary Continental Philosophy, Frankfurt School Critical Theory- Research Monograph in English and Tamil. University of Peradeniya**