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Dr. Joshi is a Professor of Education at [*Fairleigh Dickinson University*](#) and a social science researcher whose work focuses on the intersections of race and religion in the United States. She frequently consults with school districts, independent schools, the judiciary, non-profit organizations, faith communities, and business on fostering equity and inclusion. She is also well-known for creating the [*Institute for Teaching Diversity and Social Justice*](#), which offers multi-day professional development programs for educators since 2007. She has presented her research to scholars around the world, and inspired popular audiences in the United States and abroad.

Dr. Joshi is frequently called upon for presentations for policy-makers, thought leaders, and the business community. She has addressed audiences at Fortune 500 companies; delivered her research on Hindu American Communities at the [*White House*](#) in 2010; and was an invited panelist for [*Preparing for 2050: The changing face of Race in America*](#) at Yale's Arts and Ideas Festival, which was broadcast on C-Span. Dr. Joshi was invited to address the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) in Vienna, Austria, on the racialization of religion, particularly Hinduism, Sikhism and Islam, as it relates to the development of policies to prevent and combat hate crimes in the 56 countries in the OSCE region. She has spoken in a host of other popular and scholarly forums, including a plenary address at an International Conference on the Gujarati Diaspora at North Gujarat University, sponsored by the Government of India; a presentation on social justice and human rights at the University of Balamand, Lebanon; a working group on contemporary religion at Aarhus University, Denmark; the 2020 Smith-Chase Lecture at Elon University in North Carolina; remarks before the federal Bureau of Prisons in Washington, DC.; and many more.

Dr. Joshi was recognized with the FDU Distinguished Faculty Award for Research and Scholarship in 2014. Her first book, [*New Roots in America's Sacred Ground: Religion, Race, and Ethnicity in Indian America*](#) (Rutgers University Press, 2006), earned the National Association for Multicultural Education's 2007 Philip C. Chinn Book Award. In addition to the works mentioned above, she co-edited [*Asian Americans in Dixie: Race and Migration in the South*](#) (University of Illinois Press, 2013) and [*Investigating Religious Oppression and Christian Privilege*](#) (Sense Publishers, 2008); co-authored chapters on religious oppression and immigration, racism and globalization for the second editions of both [*Readings for Diversity and Social Justice*](#) (Routledge, 2010) and [*Teaching for Diversity and Social Justice*](#) (Routledge, 2007), and contributed a chapter on second-generation Hindu Americans to [*Sustaining Faith Traditions*](#), an anthology on race, religion and second-generation Americans (New York University Press, 2012). Dr. Joshi is the Religion, Schools And

Society section editor for the [*Encyclopedia on Diversity in Education*](#) (Sage Publications) edited by James Banks. Her forthcoming book examines the intersections of race and religion in U.S. history and contemporary social culture.

Professor Joshi is member and past Co-Chair (2008-2011) of the managing board for the Asian Pacific American Religion Research Initiative (APARRI). Her recent academic presentations in the U.S. include invited papers at the American Academy of Religion (AAR) and the Association of Asian American Studies (AAAS). Dr. Joshi has also presented papers at one or more annual conferences of the following scholarly organizations: American Studies Association (ASA), American Educational Research Association (AERA), National Association of Multicultural Educators (NAME), and the Asian Pacific American Religion Research Initiative (APARRI). Dr. Joshi also provides consultation and professional development for educational institutions throughout the United States on topics related to immigrants in schools, race in education, and religion and public schools.

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Often contacted by journalists, Professor Joshi has appeared on *C-Span*, has been interviewed on PRI's *The World*, and been quoted in *New York Times*, *The Times of India*, the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Washington Post*, *Deseret News*, the *Boston Globe*, *Voice of America*, the *Houston Chronicle*, *India Abroad*, the *Saint Louis Dispatch*, the *Star Ledger*, *The Tennessean*, and the *Daily Record* of New Jersey, among others. She resides in Wayne, New Jersey, with her husband and son.