

GIL BEN-HERUT
Curriculum Vitae

University of South Florida
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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2024–Present Professor

South Asian Religions, Department of Religious Studies,
University of South Florida

2019–2024 Associate Professor

South Asian Religions, Department of Religious Studies,
University of South Florida

2013–2019 Assistant Professor

South Asian Religions, Department of Religious Studies,
University of South Florida

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

South Asian devotional (bhakti)

2004 Bachelor of Arts (summa cum laude)
East and South Asian Studies, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Supported by the Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Award and the Senior Short Term Research Grant, funded by the American Institute of Indian Studies (AIIS) and the , for research between 2023 and 2025.

. Co-translated with R. V. S. Sundaram. Supported by the Collaborative International Research Grant, American Academy of Religion (AAR). Series.

2018 Raga ega u.

Awards: Asian Studies (SEC/AAS); Association (SEMA).

Podcast interview in . Interviewer: Dean Accardi. February 19, 2019 .

Reviews: (1) vol. 60: 2, by Sarah Pierce Taylor, ; (2) ; (3) vol. 46: 1, by John Cort, March 2020 ; (4)

; (5) , by Elaine Fisher, February 6, 2019 .

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Podcast interview in _____ with Jon Keune. Interviewer: Raj
, 2021 .

Review: _____ vol. 46: 1, by John Cort, March 2020 .

Refereed Journal Articles

“Early Traces of _____ s in Kannada Literature.”
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Other Publications

2018

. Co-authored with Richard Davis, Jon

DIGITAL HUMANITIES

Professional experience as a programmer; member of the Digital India Learning

2013

December.

2012

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2012 “Serving the King, Devoted to the God: Prescribing Political Resistance in Thirteenth-Century South-Inquiry, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia. November 7.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Workshops and Panels Organized

2024 Co- **!** **#** **#** .” A
round table at the 52th Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wisconsin. November 2.

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Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wisconsin. November 2.

2024

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2022 “Debating the Printed Word: Vacanas and the Modern Turn #

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2014 “The Genealogy of Terminology and its Implication on the Early Kannada
Wisconsin-

2014 #

Imagination, Government Arts College, Tiruvannamalai, Tamil Nadu, India. June 28.

2014 “Complicating Equality: Resistance to Brahminical Ideology of Exclusion and

2014

Popular: Religion, Poetics, and Audience in the South-Asian Vernaculars.”

Cambridge, Massachusetts. May 20.

2013 #

2009

2024-Present Editorial Board Member for
Quaterly (Kannada Double Peer Review)

2024-Present Co-founder of : Centre for Classical Kannada. Since January 2024.

2022–Present Member of the Digital India Learning (DIL) Committee, American Institute of Indian Studies (AIIS). Since March 2022.


2020–Present Member of the Annual Meeting Travel Grants Jury, American Academy of Religion (AAR). Since January 2020.

2014–Present Co-founder and co-

September 2014 to September 2015 (2014-2015) : Centre for Classical Kannada. Since January 2024.

2008 Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL), Kannada Basic Language Structure summer course, Mysore, India. July to August.

GUEST CLASS INSTRUCTION

2022 Class t 
advanced undergraduate course taught by Jonathan Edelmann, University of Florida, April 19.


2022 Class topic: "Two Saints in Translations of Poems and Stories," in "B February 10.

2021 Class t

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2020 Class t
in "Global Political Sociology," a graduate seminar taught by David Jacobson, University of South Florida. November 2.

2019 Class topic: " [Icons and Iconoclasts
Tel Aviv University, Israel, December 24.

2019 Class topic (via video conferencing) : "Devotional Literature in Kannada," in
University. February 14.

PUBLIC TALKS AND



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