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Bio and Research Statement

Manvitha Singamsetty is a PhD candidate in the Department of Philosophy at the University of Ottawa. Her work presents a critique of liberal multicultural approaches to diversity, and suggests instead alternatives based on non-western worldviews. Her wider research interests include classical Indian philosophy, social and political philosophy, specifically human-nonhuman interaction and Gandhi's non-violence.

Singamsetty holds a BA and MA in Philosophy from St. Stephen's College, Delhi University, India and a diploma in Japanese studies from Soka University, Tokyo, Japan.

Singamsetty helped organize RDP's Conference - Living with Religious Diversity - in India in 2013. She was a participant at the 2015 workshop 'Journey to Elsewhere', held in Ottawa, and

published 'A Ticket to Self-Discovery: Situating Yoga in Yoga Travel' as part of that workshop. Singamsetty has contributed to the 'Religion and Identity' survey headed by Dr. Peter Beyer, and currently works with him on issues of non-religion.

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