

# **Aashish Kumar**

**Co-Director, Center for Civic Engagement at Hofstra University**

Hempstead , NY, US

Prof. Kumar is a social action scholar who directs civic literacy at the Center for Civic Engagement; he is also a documentary filmmaker.

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## **Description**

Aashish Kumar is director of civic literacy and on-campus events at Hofstra's Center for Civic Engagement and associate professor in the Department of Radio, Television, Film at the Lawrence Herbert School of Communication. He is a Fulbright scholar as well as an award-winning documentary filmmaker whose work turns a spotlight on issues such as emerging democracies, social stigmas, globalization, migration, civic engagement, and grassroots advocacy.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Motion Pictures and Film, Media Production, Media - Broadcast, Education/Learning, Non-Profit/Charitable

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## **Topics**

Filmmaking, democratic discourse, Civic Engagement, grassroots advocacy

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## **Affiliations**

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## **Education**

**Brooklyn College, City University of New York**

MFA Television Production

**Indiana State University**

MS Radio/Television/Film

**Delhi University**

BA/MA Sociology

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## **Accomplishments**

**Fulbright Specialist**

Prof. Kumar was selected to be a Fulbright Specialist in communications and journalism at Durban University of Technology (DUT) in South Africa. He worked with students and faculty at DUT's arts and design school to develop a community media project and a model for a high-school documentary workshop. This was his second Fulbright award.

**Fulbright Scholar**

As a Fulbright Scholar, Prof. Kumar taught a documentary production course to students in the MA Communication program at the University of Hyderabad. He also did research for a documentary on reverse migration and global cities.

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